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केंद्रीय बंदरगाह, जहाजरानी और जलमार्ग मंत्री सरबानंदा सोनोवाल, भाजपा के राष्ट्रीय अध्यक्ष नितिन नबीन, असम भाजपा अध्यक्ष दिलीप सैकिया और अन्य लोग गुरुवार को गुवाहाटी में असम के चाय बागान के दौरे के दौरान एक तस्वीर में नजर आ रहे हैं।

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**Summary:**

Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, along with BJP National President Nitin Nabin and Assam BJP President Dilip Saikia, visited a tea garden in Guwahati, Assam. The visit took place on Thursday, and a picture of the event was captured.



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## **INBRIEF**



# CSL signs shipbuilding contract with French firm

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# CSL signs contract with French shipping giant

**EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Kochi**

COCHIN Shipyard Limited (CSL) has signed a major ship-building contract with French shipping giant CMA CGM to build six LNG dual-fuel feeder container vessels, marking a significant milestone for India's shipbuilding sector.

The agreement was signed on Wednesday (February 18) in New Delhi between CSL Chairman and Managing Director Jose V J and CMA CGM Chairman and CEO Rodolphe Saadé, in the presence of Minister of State for Ports, Shipping and Waterways Shantanu Thakur and senior officials from the ministry and both organisations.



Under the contract, CSL will build six 1,700 TEU (twenty-foot equivalent unit) feeder container ships equipped with dual-fuel engines that can operate on liquefied natural gas (LNG) as well as conventional fuel. LNG-powered vessels produce lower emissions compared to traditional ships and are considered an important step towards greener maritime transport.

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# ‘Cruise project follows norms’

**Lucknow:** Tourism and culture minister Jaiveer Singh on Thursday said that five govt and two private cruises were operational in Varanasi.

He was responding to a query on cruise operations in Varanasi raised by Samajwadi Party MLC Ashutosh Sinha in the Vidhan Parishad. “Their operations are governed by standards set by the Inland Waterways Authority of India and the Uttar Pradesh Inland Waterways Authority, and compliance is being ensured,” said Singh. TNN

**Summary:**

Tourism and culture minister Jaiveer Singh stated that five government and two private cruises are operational in Varanasi. He was responding to a query on cruise operations raised by Samajwadi Party MLC Ashutosh Sinha, ensuring that their operations comply with the standards set by the Inland Waterways Authority of India and the Uttar Pradesh Inland Waterways Authority.

**EXERCISE MILAN KICKS OFF IN VISAKHAPATNAM**

# Rajnath pushes for deeper maritime ties

**SIMONTINI BHATTACHARJEE**

**VISAKHAPATNAM:** Some of the world's leading naval powers — including Iran, Russia and the United States — have converged in Visakhapatnam for the MILAN Exercise, underscoring a shared commitment to maritime diplomacy and collective security.

Addressing the opening session on Thursday, Defence minister Rajnath Singh emphasised that control of the seas remains a key driver of economic power and strategic influence. He further pointed out that, even as emerging maritime threats and rapid technological advancements reshape modern warfare, naval strength remains vital to global stability.

The Defence minister also highlighted that in present times, threats are a mix of traditional challenges and new risks,



**Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi and others during a group photograph at the inauguration of Indian Navy's Exercise 'MILAN', in Visakhapatnam**

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including piracy, maritime terrorism, illegal fishing, cyber vulnerabilities, supply chain disruptions, and the growing impact of climate change. The increasing frequency and severity of natural disasters have further underscored the importance of humanitarian assistance and disaster relief as core naval responsibilities.

As economies grow rapidly and maritime trade surges, competition over ocean spaces and resources—including rare earth minerals and undersea assets—adds new layers to maritime security challenges.

"No single navy, no matter how capable, can tackle these challenges alone. Maritime cooperation is not optional

anymore — it is a necessity," Singh emphasised, calling for better information sharing, secure communications, and coordinated efforts to combat criminal and terrorist activities at sea. He highlighted the vital role of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea as a strong legal foundation for managing international waters.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- » Rajnath Singh emphasised that control of the seas remains a key driver of economic power and strategic influence
- » He highlighted the vital role of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea as a strong legal foundation for managing international waters

He also shared that India's maritime vision, SAGAR — Security and Growth for All in the Region — has expanded into MAHASAGAR, illustrating India's growing commitment to comprehensive maritime development.

Welcoming representatives from 74 countries, Singh expressed that their participa-

tion underscores a shared dedication to maritime cooperation.

Additionally, Chief of Naval Staff Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi highlighted the need for flexibility in cooperation efforts. "One size doesn't fit all — measures must be tailored to local realities," he stated.

"We treat each maritime partner as an equal," he added, recognising that each navy brings unique strengths — whether in experience, geography, or capability. Combining these assets strengthens our collective resilience against emerging maritime challenges.

While invitations were extended to over 135 nations, 74 countries are currently taking part in the ongoing naval exercise in India. Notably, Germany, the Philippines, and the UAE are participating with military assets for the first time.

**Summary:**

Defense Minister Rajnath Singh emphasized the importance of maritime cooperation at the MILAN Exercise in Visakhapatnam, highlighting the need for naval strength and international collaboration to address emerging maritime challenges. He also underscored India's commitment to maritime development through initiatives like SAGAR and MAHASAGAR, welcoming representatives from 74 countries to participate in the exercise.



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## Min: All cruises on Ganga in Kashi fully complying with prescribed norms

**PRESS TRUST OF INDIA**

■ Lucknow

Uttar Pradesh Tourism and Culture Minister Jaiveer Singh on Thursday hit out at the opposition in the state Legislative Council asserting that all government and private cruises operating on the Ganga river in Varanasi are being carried out in full compliance with prescribed norms. Replying to a query raised by Samajwadi Party MLC Ashutosh Sinha, the minister said five government and two private cruises are currently operating in Varanasi. He further said that the operational standards for these cruises have been laid down by the Inland Waterways Authority of India and the Uttar Pradesh Inland Waterways Authority, ensuring full compliance.

According to a press statement, Sinha had sought details on the number of government and private cruises operating in the district, the norms governing their operations and whether the information would be placed on the table of the House. Singh said the required details are available and there is no objection to sharing the information.

During the discussion, the opposition member also sought additional details about the status of the Uttar Pradesh Inland Waterways Authority. The minister said a notification was issued on December 6, 2023 for the enactment of the legislation related to the authority, with the transport department designated as the nodal department. Further proceedings commenced from December 6, 2024, he added.

Taking a swipe at the opposition, Singh said extensive information regarding the matter had already been published in newspapers and aired on news channels. "Had Ashutosh ji read a little, he would not have asked this question," he remarked, triggering heated exchanges in the House. Targeting the opposition further, the minister cited tourism data to underline what he described as significant growth since 2017. He said that over 5.44 lakh domestic and close to 3.34 lakh foreign tourists had visited Varanasi before 2017, whereas the current figure has risen to more than 17.27 crore. He attributed the surge to the leadership of PM Narendra Modi and CM Yogi Adityanath.

**Summary:**

Uttar Pradesh Tourism Minister Jaiveer Singh stated that all government and private cruises operating on the Ganga river in Varanasi are fully complying with prescribed norms. He mentioned a significant increase in tourism since 2017, attributing it to the leadership of PM Narendra Modi and CM Yogi Adityanath.

## Tourism Minister Says Five Government and Two Private Cruises Operated in Ganga

# पर्यटन मंत्री ने बताया गंगा में पांच सरकारी व दो निजी क्रूज संचालित

### विधान परिषद

**जागरण संवाददाता, वाराणसी :** पर्यटन व संस्कृति मंत्री जयवीर सिंह ने विधान परिषद में काशी में गंगा नदी में संचालित सरकारी और निजी क्रूजों को लेकर उठे सवालों का जवाब दिया। बताया कि गंगा में वर्तमान में पांच सरकारी और दो निजी क्रूज का संचालन मानकों के अनुसार हो रहा है।

सपा एमएलसी अशुतोष सिन्हा ने वाराणसी में संचालित सरकारी व प्राइवेट क्रूजों की संख्या, संचालन के मानक सदन की मेज पर रखने की मांग की



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थी। मंत्री ने बताया कि इनके अंतरदेशीय जलमार्ग प्राधिकरण संचालन के मानक भारतीय तथा उत्तर प्रदेश अंतरदेशीय

जलमार्ग प्राधिकरण द्वारा निर्धारित किए गए हैं। कहा कि सभी विकरण सार्वजनिक हैं और जानकारी साझा करने में कोई आपत्ति नहीं है। 6 दिसंबर 2023 को अधिसूचना जारी कर विधेयक पारित किया गया जिसमें परिवहन विभाग को नोडल बनाया गया। 6 दिसंबर 2024 से अग्रिम कार्यवाही शुरू कर दी गई। मंत्री ने तंज कसते हुए कहा कि इस संबंध में अखबारों और न्यूज चैनलों में जानकारी दी जा चुकी है। 'अशुतोष जी कहीं भी थोड़ा पढ़ लेते तो यह सबाल न करते।' उनके इस बयान से सदन में राजनीतिक तापमान बढ़ गया।

**पर्यटन आंकड़ों के जरिए साधा सियासी निशाना :** मंत्री ने विपक्ष को घेरते हुए पर्यटन के आंकड़े भी पेश किए। कहा कि 2017 से पहले वाराणसी में 5.44 लाख भारतीय और 3.34 लाख विदेशी पर्यटक आए थे। वर्तमान में यह संख्या बढ़कर 17.27 करोड़ से अधिक हो चुकी है। उन्होंने इस वृद्धि का श्रेय प्रधानमंत्री नरेन्द्र मोदी और मुख्यमंत्री योगी आदित्यनाथ के नेतृत्व को दिया। मंत्री ने कहा कि उनके मार्गदर्शन में न सिर्फ वाराणसी बल्कि पूरे प्रदेश के आध्यात्मिक और धार्मिक नगर पर्यटन के नए आयाम स्थापित कर रहे हैं।

**Summary:**

Tourism Minister Jaiveer Singh informed the Legislative Council that five government and two private cruises are operating in the Ganges River in Kashi, adhering to set standards. He credited the increase in tourism to the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, noting a rise from 5.44 lakh Indian and 3.34 lakh foreign tourists before 2017 to over 17.27 crores currently.

The world should unite to deal with maritime challenges: Rajnath

**आह्वान**

**नौसेना प्रमुख ने 'मिलन 2026' को बताया 'मैरीटाइम महाकुंभ'**

## समुद्री चुनौतियों से निपटने के लिए एकजुट हो दुनिया : राजनाथ

विशाखापत्तनम, 19 फरवरी (संतोष सूर्यवंशी/नवोदय टाइम्स): रक्षा मंत्री राजनाथ सिंह ने कहा है कि समुद्र में उभरती जटिल और परस्पर जुड़ी चुनौतियों से निपटने के लिए वैश्विक समुदाय को आपसी सम्मान और सहयोग की भावना से एकजुट होकर काम करना होगा। वह बहुराष्ट्रीय अभ्यास मिलन 2026 के उद्घाटन समारोह को संबोधित कर रहे थे। इस अवसर पर 74 देशों के नौसेना प्रमुख और प्रतिनिधिमंडल प्रमुख उपस्थित रहे। रक्षा मंत्री ने कहा कि पिछले दशकों में वैश्विक व्यापार और समुद्री परिवहन में अभूतपूर्व वृद्धि हुई है, जिससे समुद्री मार्गों,

**बोले- पारस्परिक समझ और संचालनात्मक तालमेल में आएगी मजबूती**



समारोह के दौरान अधिकारियों के साथ राजनाथ सिंह।

जलडमरूमध्यों और समुद्रतल संसाधनों को लेकर प्रतिस्पर्धा बढ़ी है।

समुद्री आतंकवाद, समुद्री डकैती, अवैध मछली पकड़ना, तस्करी, साइबर खतरे और आपूर्ति श्रृंखलाओं में व्यवधान जैसी चुनौतियां पारस्परिक खतरों के साथ मौजूद हैं। जलवायु

परिवर्तन के कारण प्राकृतिक आपदाएं भी बढ़ी हैं, जिससे मानवीय सहायता और आपदा राहत अभियानों की आवश्यकता अधिक हुई है। उन्होंने कहा कि संयुक्त राष्ट्र समुद्री कानून अभिसमय (यूएनसीएलओएस) अंतर्राष्ट्रीय समुद्री कानून का सशक्त ढांचा प्रदान करता है, जिसे व्यापक वैश्विक नौसैनिक संरचना के माध्यम से और मजबूत किया जा सकता है। भारत अंतर्राष्ट्रीय नियमों और नौवहन की स्वतंत्रता पर आधारित न्यायसंगत समुद्री व्यवस्था स्थापित करने का इच्छुक है।

रक्षा मंत्री ने प्रधानमंत्री नरेंद्र मोदी की 'सागर' से 'महासागर' तक की परिकल्पना का उल्लेख करते हुए कहा कि यह क्षेत्रीय और वैश्विक साझेदारों के साथ भारत की गहरी प्रतिबद्धता को दर्शाता है। भारत एक विश्वसनीय 'विश्व-मित्र' के रूप में रचनात्मक और भरोसेमंद भूमिका निभाता रहेगा।

**Summary:**

Defense Minister Rajnath Singh stated the importance of global collaboration to address complex maritime challenges at the inaugural ceremony of multinational exercise Milan 2026. He highlighted the increase in maritime threats like terrorism, piracy, and the impact of climate change, emphasizing India's commitment to a fair maritime system and its role as a reliable global partner.



Cochin Shipyard signs agreement with French company for construction of six LNG vessels

## ৬টি এলএনজি ভেসেল নির্মাণে ফরাসি সংস্থার সঙ্গে কোচিন শিপইয়ার্ডের চুক্তি

নিজস্ব প্রতিনিধি, কলকাতা: তরল প্রাকৃতিক গ্যাসে (এলএনজি) চলবে এমন ৬টি ১৭০০ টিইইউ ভেসেল বা জলযান নির্মাণের জন্য চুক্তি করল রাষ্ট্রায়ত্ত্ব কোচিন শিপইয়ার্ড লিমিটেড। আন্তর্জাতিক খ্যাতিসম্পন্ন ফরাসি জাহাজ নির্মাণ সংস্থা সিএমএ সিজিএম-এর সঙ্গে বৃহস্পতিবার দিল্লিতে এই চুক্তি সই হয়। এই অনুষ্ঠানে জাহাজ বিভাগের রাষ্ট্রমন্ত্রী শান্তনু ঠাকুর, জাহাজ মন্ত্রকের সচিব বিজয় কুমার-সহ দুই সংস্থার শীর্ষ আধিকারিকরা উপস্থিত ছিলেন। কোচিন শিপইয়ার্ডের কোচিন ইউনিটে এই ভেসেলগুলি নির্মাণ করা হবে। এগুলি ভারতীয় রেজিস্টার্ড ভেসেল হিসেবে চলবে। জাহাজ শিল্পের উন্নতির জন্য কেন্দ্রীয় সরকার যে উদ্যোগ নিয়েছে এটা তারই অংশ বলে মন্ত্রকের তরফে জানানো হয়েছে। কেন্দ্রীয় জাহাজ মন্ত্রী সর্বানন্দ সোনওয়াল এই প্রসঙ্গে বলেছেন, ফরাসি রাষ্ট্রপ্রধানের ভারতে আসার সময়ে এই চুক্তি হওয়াটা খুবই তাৎপর্যপূর্ণ। ভারত ও ফ্রান্সের মধ্যে গভীর সম্পর্ক ফরাসি জাহাজ নির্মাণ সংস্থার সঙ্গে এই চুক্তিকে আরো শক্তিশালী করবে। দেশের জাহাজ শিল্পকে আরো উন্নত করবে এই চুক্তি।

প্রধানমন্ত্রী নরেন্দ্র মোদির গত বছর ফ্রান্স সফরের সময় এই বিষয়টি নিয়ে আলাপ আলোচনা হয়। এবার তা বাস্তবায়িত হচ্ছে। দুই দেশের সংস্থার মধ্যে ভেসেল নির্মাণ নিয়ে কারিগরি ও বাণিজ্যিক সমঝোতার মধ্যে প্রকল্পটি রূপায়িত হবে।

**Summary:**

Cochin Shipyard Limited has signed an agreement with French shipbuilding company CMA CGM to construct six LNG-powered vessels. The agreement, signed in Delhi, aims to strengthen the relationship between India and France and improve India's shipping industry, following discussions during Prime Minister Modi's visit to France last year.

# Rajnath Singh calls for Global Maritime Cooperation

Visakhapatnam (UNI)

Stressing the growing complexity of maritime security challenges, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on Thursday called for stronger global naval cooperation, asserting that "no single navy, however capable, can address these challenges alone."

Delivering the opening address at MILAN 2026, here, the Minister highlighted the urgent need to safeguard national waters from "nefarious terrorist activities" spreading across regions.

Singh said that traditional threats now coexist with emerging risks such as piracy, maritime terrorism, illegal fishing, trafficking, cyber vulnerabilities and disruptions to critical supply chains. He also brought out the impact of climate change in intensifying natural disasters, making humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations more frequent and demanding.

Emphasising that cooperation



among navies is no longer optional but imperative, the Defence Minister noted that the responsibilities of maritime forces have expanded significantly in recent decades amid increasingly interconnected global challenges.

"The role of Navies in international peacemaking has only increased over time. There has been an exponential economic growth dur-

ing the last few decades leading to a massive increase in international trade and transport. There has also been a rise in contests for ownership of straits and channels, sometimes causing threats of flare-up. Increasing international attention to underwater resources, particularly rare-earth minerals is adding a new dimension to this tension.

In addition, there is a need to guard our waters from the nefarious terrorist activities which are spreading tentacles across countries and regions," he said.

Reflecting on the evolution of naval power across the globe, Singh said, "The increase of naval power has historically been equated with the era of mercantilism and colonialism."

**Summary:**

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh called for stronger global naval cooperation, highlighting the need to safeguard national waters from terrorist activities. He noted the expanded responsibilities of maritime forces amid interconnected global challenges and emphasized the role of navies in international peacemaking and the impact of economic growth on international trade.



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## Several prominent people in Makum

মুখ্য তন্ত্ৰেন ফলম ভাৰতৰ নতুন নতুন গৱেষণাৰ কেন্দ্ৰত অক্ষয়চোৰ সংগ্ৰহণ

# মাকুমত কেইবাজনো বিশিষ্ট ব্যক্তিক

সভাপতিগৰাকীয়ে ভাৰত চৰকাৰৰ বন্দৰ, জাহাজ আৰু জলপথ মন্ত্ৰণালয়ৰ কেন্দ্ৰীয় মন্ত্ৰী সৰ্বানন্দ সোণোৱাল, ৰাজ্যিক বিজেপিৰ সভাপতি দিলীপ শইকীয়া, মন্ত্ৰী বিমল বৰা, ৰূপেশ গোৱালা, বিধায়ক সঞ্জয় কিষাণ, সুৰেন ফুকন, বিজেপিৰ ৰাজ্যিক উপ-সভাপতি পুলক গোহাঁই সমন্বিতে পুৱাৰ ভাগত মাকুম বাৰেকুৰি বৰগাঁও শ্ৰীশ্ৰী অষ্টভূজদেৱৰ বৰনামঘৰত উপস্থিত হয়। উপস্থিত হোৱাৰ লগে লগে মৰাণ স্বায়ত্তশাসিত পৰিষদৰ মুখ্য কাৰ্যবাহী সদস্য অৰুণজ্যোতি মৰাণ, জিলা বিজেপিৰ সভাপতি কুশকান্ত বড়া, মনোজ ধানোৱাৰ, ত্ৰিদিপজ্যোতি মৰাণ, জীমদাৰ তাঁতী, বিজেপি দলৰ সকলো স্তৰৰ দলীয় কৰ্মীসকল প্ৰমুখ্যে বৰগাঁওবাসী ৰাইজে গায়ন-বায়ন আৰু ঢোলে-দগৰে আদৰি আনে। তাৰ পাছতে বৰনামঘটোৰ ভকতবৃন্দ আৰু আইমাতৃসকলৰ আগত মূৰ দোঁৱাই আশিস গ্ৰহণ কৰে ৰাষ্ট্ৰীয় সভাপতি নীতিন নবীন, কেন্দ্ৰীয় মন্ত্ৰী সৰ্বানন্দ সোণোৱাল আৰু ৰাজ্যিক বিজেপিৰ দিলীপ শইকীয়াই। আশীৰ্বাদ গ্ৰহণ কৰাৰ পাছতে ম'হৰ গান্ধীৰ দৈৰ সৈতে কোমল চাউলৰ সোৱাদ লয় ৰাষ্ট্ৰীয় সভাপতিগৰাকীয়ে। জলপান গ্ৰহণ কৰাৰ পাছত মৰাণ জনগোষ্ঠীৰ কেইবাগৰাকীও বিশিষ্ট ব্যক্তিক সাক্ষাৎ কৰে সভাপতিগৰাকীয়ে। দেশ তথা ৰাজ্যখনৰ মংগলৰ অৰ্থে প্ৰভু ঈশ্বৰৰ আশিস গ্ৰহণ কৰিবলৈ বাৰেকুৰিলৈ অহা বুলি কেন্দ্ৰীয় মন্ত্ৰী সৰ্বানন্দ সোণোৱালে সংবাদ মাধ্যমক অৱগত কৰে। পৰৱৰ্তী সময়ত মাকুম বেতজান ৰোডস্থিত নীতিন নবীনৰ একালৰ সহপাঠী তথা দিল্লী উচ্চতম ন্যায়ালয়ৰ অধিবক্তা বিশ্বজিৎ ডুবেৰ পিতৃ তথা তিনিচুকীয়াৰ জ্যেষ্ঠ অধিবক্তা বদ্রীনাথ নাথ ডুবেৰ বাসগৃহত উপস্থিত হৈ কেন্দ্ৰীয় মন্ত্ৰী সোণোৱাল আৰু দিলীপ শইকীয়া, মাকুম পৌৰসভাৰ ৱাৰ্ড আয়ুক্ত অমৰজ্যোতি কাকতি সহিতে জ্যেষ্ঠ অধিবক্তাগৰাকীৰ লগতে তেওঁৰ পত্নীক সাক্ষাৎ কৰে। তদুপৰি মাকুম সমষ্টিৰ অন্তৰ্গত গুইজানত অৱস্থিত মটক ৰজা স্বৰ্গদেউ সৰ্বানন্দ সিংহ মৈদামত উপস্থিত হৈ আশীৰ্বাদ লয় ৰাষ্ট্ৰীয় সভাপতিগৰাকীয়ে।

**Summary:**

Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and BJP State President Dilip Saikia, along with other dignitaries, visited the Barekuri Borgaon Srisri Ashtabhujdev Barnamghar in Makum. They participated in prayers, met community leaders, and discussed the welfare of the state and country, also visiting the residence of a senior advocate and the Matak Raja's Maidam to receive blessings.



Chennai Port Authority Welcomes Representatives of Hamburg Port Authority: Focus on Future-Ready Infrastructure, Digitalization, and AI

# चेन्नई पोर्ट अथॉरिटी ने हैम्बर्ग पोर्ट अथॉरिटी के प्रतिनिधियों का किया स्वागत

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**चेन्नई।** चेन्नई पोर्ट अथॉरिटी ने गुरुवार को हैम्बर्ग पोर्ट अथॉरिटी (एचपीए) के एक उच्च स्तरीय प्रतिनिधि मंडल का आतिथ्य किया। यह एक ऑफिशियल एंगेजमेंट प्रोग्राम का हिस्सा था जिसका मकसद पोर्ट डेवलपमेंट और ऑपरेशन्स में इंटरनेशनल कोऑपरेशन और नॉलेज एक्सचेंज को मजबूत करना था। डेलीगेशन को हैम्बर्ग पोर्ट अथॉरिटी के प्रेसिडेंट और सीईओ मिस्टर जेन्स मायर ने लीड किया, और इसमें पोर्ट ऑफ़ हैम्बर्ग इकोसिस्टम के सीनियर रिप्रेजेंटेटिव शामिल थे, जिसमें

टर्मिनल ऑपरेशन्स, लॉजिस्टिक्स, कंसल्टिंग, क्रूज, डिजिटल आइडेंटिटी/एक्सेस सिस्टम्स और एकेडेमिया शामिल थे।

यह दौरा चेन्नई पोर्ट टूर से शुरू हुआ, जिसमें सिग्नल स्टेशन पर एक ब्रीफिंग, पोर्ट बेसिन में वेसल टूर, और डीपी वर्ल्ड और पीएसए द्वारा ऑपरेट किए जाने वाले दो इंटरनेशनल कंटेनर टर्मिनल का साइट विजिट शामिल था, जिसके बाद चेन्नई पोर्ट अथॉरिटी में एक इंटरैक्शन सेशन हुआ। फॉर्मल सेशन की अध्यक्षता चेन्नई पोर्ट अथॉरिटी के चेयरपर्सन, आईएसएस. विश्वनाथन ने की, और को-चेयर हैम्बर्ग पोर्ट अथॉरिटी के सीईओ और इंटरनेशनल एसोसिएशन ऑफ़ पोर्ट्स एंड हार्बर्स

(आईएपीएच) के प्रेसिडेंट जेन्स मायर ने की। डॉ. एनारसु करुनेसन, रीजनल डायरेक्टर - साउथ एशिया, आईएपीएच मुख्य भाषण और प्रेजेंटेशन, चेन्नई पोर्ट अथॉरिटी पर एक प्रेजेंटेशन, पोर्ट और सीएसआर फिल्म की स्क्रीनिंग, और जेन्स मायर द्वारा एक प्रेजेंटेशन।

चर्चा के दौरान, दोनों पक्षों ने पोर्ट और उसके आसपास के क्षेत्र के सस्टेनेबल डेवलपमेंट, फ्यूचर-रेडी और रेजिलिएंट इंफ्रास्ट्रक्चर, और डिजिटल ट्रांसफॉर्मेशन, जिसमें -एआई-इनेबल्ड पोर्ट सिस्टम और पायलट प्रोग्राम, जैसे प्लानिंग और ऑपरेशनल ऑप्टिमाइजेशन के लिए डिजिटल ट्विन की बढ़ती भूमिका शामिल है, पर अपने विचार शेयर किए।

**Summary:**

Chennai Port Authority hosted a delegation from Hamburg Port Authority to enhance cooperation in port development, focusing on future-ready infrastructure, digitalization, and AI. The visit included briefings, tours of port facilities, and discussions on sustainable development and digital transformation, including the role of AI in port systems.



**MORE | SPACE** 275 metres finger jetty extension to add 4 MTPA cargo capacity, ease saturation pressure

# KSPL plans port expansion with ₹200 cr

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The Kakinada Seaports Limited has proposed an expansion involving the extension of the Offshore Supply Vessel complex by 360 metres and construction of an additional 275 metres finger jetty 1, at a cost of ₹200 crores.

This would enhance the cargo handling capacity by 4 Million Tonne Per Annum (MTPA) in addition to the existing capacity of 17.835 MTPA.

The proposed site for port development is located above the fishing harbour. The deep water port is expanding the OSV

complex by an extension of Jetty 1 towards the eastern direction from the OSV approach trestle and an increase of the cargo handling capacity.

A public hearing was also conducted recently for the expansion purpose. It proposed the expansion.

With increasing maritime trade, offshore exploration and the central government's emphasis on port-led industrialisation under the Sagarmala programme, there's a growing demand for further expansion of port infrastructure in Kakinada and upgradation of port facilities.

The modernization plan includes strengthening of

**HANDLING** ability to rise by 4 million tonnes a year, easing operational load.



**EXISTING** throughput nearing limits, driving need for additional facilities.



**OFFSHORE** energy, Navy and Coast Guard needs add strategic importance to the project.

**Environmental** studies completed, with one-season monitoring within a **10-km** radius.

existing berths, development of additional cargo handling infrastructure and improvement of utilities.

The company stated that the existing capacity of 17.83 MTPA is nearing saturation; and the offshore oil and gas exploration in the Krishna-Godavari Basin has intensified

demand for OSV berthing support facilities.

This is particularly as vessel sizes increase up to 130-145 meters and the Indian Navy and Coast Guard requirements add to the strategic necessity of expansion.

The proposed project would address the statewide and port-specific

needs, to meet increasing cargo traffic and avoid congestion, to strengthen multi-cargo, liquid, and project cargo operations, mechanized handling, reduced turnaround time and lower logistics costs, serving interlandss of AP, Telangana, Chhattisgarh and Odisha, supporting national defence, offshore energy and port-led development, climate-resilient, environmentally sustainable port infrastructure.

According to its summary report, the project falls under CRZ-Iva, which covers the area within 500 meters from the high tide line and the total water requirement is 985kld, dis-

tributed between operational activities and domestic usage.

The Kakinada deep water port is powered through an 11 KVA incoming feeder line from the AP Eastern Power Distribution Company.

The summary report stated that the baseline environmental settings have been studied by undertaking one-season monitoring within the study area of 10km radius from the project site boundary. The primary baseline environmental conditions were monitored during the period of December 2024 to February 2025.

**Summary:**

Kakinada Seaports Limited has proposed a port expansion involving the Offshore Supply Vessel complex, including an additional 275-meter finger jetty, at a cost of ₹1200 crores, which will increase cargo handling capacity. The expansion aims to meet increasing cargo traffic, support national defense, and promote environmentally sustainable port infrastructure, aligning with the Sagarmala programme and addressing the strategic necessity of expansion due to growing demands and the needs of the Indian Navy and Coast Guard.



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## બેડમિન્ટન કોર્ટમાં ચેરમેનનો દબદબો • મુંબઈ પોર્ટ સામે DPAની જીત

ઓલ ઈન્ડિયા મેજર પોર્ટ્સ શટલ બેડમિન્ટન ટૂર્ના.માં ગોપાલપુરી સ્થિત એસવીપી ઓડિટોરિયમ ખાતે રમાયેલી મેન્સ ડબલ્સની રસાકસીભરી મેચમાં દીનદયાલ પોર્ટ ઓથોરિટી ના ચેરમેન સુશીલ કુમાર સિંઘ અને કેપ્ટન સૂદની જોડીએ શાનદાર પ્રદર્શન કરી વિજય મેળવ્યો હતો.



મેચ દરમિયાન DPA ના મોટી સંખ્યામાં કર્મચારીઓ પોતાના ચેરમેનને પ્રોત્સાહિત કરવા ઉમટી પડ્યા હતા. મેચના અંતિમ તબક્કા સુધી રમત એટલી રોમાંચક રહી હતી કે સ્ટેન્ડમાં બેઠેલા લોકો ઉભા થઈને બિરદાવ્યા હતા. ચેરમેન અને તેમની ટીમની આ જીત માત્ર સ્કોરબોર્ડ પર જ નહીં, પણ રમત પ્રત્યેના સમર્પણમાં પણ જોવા મળી હતી. જીત બાદ સમગ્ર ટીમે એકબીજાને અભિનંદન પાઠવ્યા હતા.

**Summary:**

The Chairman of Deendayal Port Authority, Sushil Kumar Singh, and Captain Sood won an exciting men's doubles match at the All India Major Ports Shuttle Badminton Tournament held in Gopalpuri. DPA employees gathered to support their chairman, and the team's victory was celebrated for their dedication to the game.



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**Summary:**

The Deendayal Port Authority (DPA) Chairman, Sushil Kumar Singh, and Captain Sood won a thrilling men's doubles match at the All India Major Ports Shuttle Badminton Tournament held in Gopalpuri. A large number of DPA employees gathered to support their chairman, witnessing an exciting game where the chairman and his team demonstrated dedication, leading to a victory celebrated by all.



Paradip Port Records in Thermal Coal Unloading

# ତାପଜ କୋଇଲା ଖଲାସରେ ପାରାଦୀପ ବନ୍ଦରର ରେକର୍ଡ

## ପାରାଦୀପ: ଏକ୍ସପ୍ରେସ୍ ନ୍ୟୁଜ୍

ପଶ୍ୟ ପରିଚାଳନାରେ ପାରାଦୀପ ବନ୍ଦର ପ୍ରାଧିକରଣ ସର୍ବ ଭାରତୀୟ ସ୍ତରରେ ରେକର୍ଡ ଭାଙ୍ଗିବା ଧରା ଜାରି ରଖିଛି । ଏହି କ୍ରମରେ ଗୋଟିଏ ଦିନରେ ସର୍ବାଧିକ ତାପଜ କୋଇଲା ଖଲାସ କରି ପାରାଦୀପ ବନ୍ଦର ଏକ ବିରଳ କାର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ସ୍ଥାପନ କରିଛି । ଚଳିତ ଫେବୃଆରୀ ୧୪ ତାରିଖରେ ସଫଳତାର ସହ ୪୭ଟି ରେକ୍ ଅନଲୋଡ୍ କରାଯାଇ ୪୧ଟି ବଗି ଓପନ୍ ବଟମ୍ ରାପିଡ୍ ଡିସଚାର୍ଜ (ବିଓବିଆରଏନ) ରେକ୍, ୬ଟି ବଗି ଓପନ୍ ହାଇ ସାଇଡେଡ୍ (ବିଓଏକ୍ଏନ) ରେକ୍ ତାପଜ କୋଇଲା ଖଲାସ କରାଯାଇଥିଲା । ଏହି ସଫଳତା ହାସଲ ପରେ ପାରାଦୀପ ବନ୍ଦର ଅଧ୍ୟକ୍ଷ ପି.ଏଲ.ହରନାଦ ସମସ୍ତ କର୍ମଚାରୀ ଓ ସହଯୋଗୀଙ୍କୁ ସେମାନଙ୍କ ଉତ୍ସର୍ଗତା ପାଇଁ ଅଭିନନ୍ଦନ ଜଣାଇଥିଲେ । ସେ ଉଲ୍ଲେଖ କରିଥିଲେ ଯେ ଏହି ମାଇଲଖୁଣ୍ଟ କେବଳ ଏକ ସଂଖ୍ୟା ନୁହେଁ ବରଂ ବନ୍ଦରରେ ବର୍ତ୍ତମାନ ଥିବା ନିରନ୍ତର ପ୍ରୟାସ, ଯତ୍ନବାନ ଯୋଜନା ଏବଂ ଦୃଢ଼ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ଷମ ଭିତ୍ତିଭୂମିର ଏକ ପ୍ରମାଣ । କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ଷମ ସମୟକୁ ଅନୁକୂଳଭାବେ କରି ଏବଂ ପଶ୍ୟ ପରିଚାଳନା ପ୍ରକ୍ରିୟାକୁ ସୁଗମ କରି ପାରାଦୀପ ବନ୍ଦର ଭାରତର ଶକ୍ତି ଯୋଗାଣ ଶୃଙ୍ଖଳ ପାଇଁ ଏକ ଗୁରୁତ୍ୱପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ କେନ୍ଦ୍ର ଭାବରେ ଏହାର ସ୍ଥିତିକୁ ସୁଦୃଢ଼ କରିଚାଲିଛି ।

**Summary:**

Paradip Port Authority has set a new record by unloading the maximum amount of thermal coal in a single day. On February 14, a total of 47 rakes, including BOBRN and BOXN rakes, were successfully unloaded. The port chairman congratulated the employees and associates for their dedication, highlighting the port's continuous efforts and strong operational infrastructure.



Cargo Management to Touch 500 Metric Tons

# ପଣ୍ୟ ପରିଚାଳନା ୫୦୦ ମେଟ୍ରିକ ଟନ୍ ଛୁଇଁବ

ରାଜ୍ୟ ଏହାର ବନ୍ଦର କ୍ଷମତାକୁ ନିରନ୍ତର ବୃଦ୍ଧି କରୁଛି । ଏହାସହ ବାଣିଜ୍ୟ ଭିତ୍ତିଭୂମିରେ ନିରନ୍ତର ଉନ୍ନତି ଆସୁଛି । ରାଜ୍ୟରେ ଏବେ ରହିଛି ପାରାଦୀପ ଭଳି ପ୍ରମୁଖ ବନ୍ଦର । ସେହିଭଳି



ଧାମରା ଏବଂ ଗୋପାଳପୁର ଭଳି ଅଣପ୍ରମୁଖ ବନ୍ଦର ସହ ରାଜ୍ୟ ନୌପରିବହନ କ୍ଷେତ୍ରରେ ନିଜ ଉପସ୍ଥିତିକୁ ଦୃଢ଼ କରିବାକୁ ଲକ୍ଷ୍ୟ ରଖିଛି । ରାଜ୍ୟ ଅଣ ପ୍ରମୁଖ ବନ୍ଦର ବୃଦ୍ଧିକ ଜରିଆରେ ଏହାର ପଣ୍ୟ ପରିଚାଳନା କ୍ଷମତାକୁ ବାର୍ଷିକ ୨୦୦ ନିୟୁତ ମେଟ୍ରିକ ଟନ୍ (ଏମ୍.ଏମ୍.ଟି)ରୁ ୫୦୦ ନିୟୁତ ମେଟ୍ରିକ ଟନ୍‌କୁ ବୃଦ୍ଧି କରିବାକୁ ଲକ୍ଷ୍ୟ ରଖିଛି । ୨୦୨୪-୨୫ରେ ଦେଶର ମୋଟ ମାଲ୍ ପରିବହନର ପ୍ରାୟ ୧୮% ଅଂଶ ହାସଲ କରିଥିବା ପାରାଦୀପ ବନ୍ଦର ଏକ ପ୍ରମୁଖ ବନ୍ଦର ଭାବେ ଉଭା ହୋଇଛି ।



**Summary:**

The state of Odisha is focused on increasing its port capacity and improving trade infrastructure, aiming to handle 500 million metric tons of cargo annually through both major and non-major ports. Paradip Port, which already handles a significant portion of the country's cargo, is a key player in this expansion.



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**Summary:**

The Odisha government has signed MoUs for the establishment of non-major ports in Dhamra, Gopalpur, Subarnarekha mouth and Astrang. Additionally, a helipad will be constructed in Similipal, and the government is addressing the issue of a faulty overbridge design in Haldiapadar following a fatal accident.



## 117 crore for the repair of Khidirpur Bascule Bridge, 80 crore central grant under 'Bharatmala' scheme

# ଖୁଦିରପୁର ବାସ୍କୁଲେ ସେତୁର ମରାମତି ପାଇଁ ୧୧୭ କୋଟି 'ଭାରତମାଳା' ଯୋଜନାରେ ୮୦ କୋଟି କେନ୍ଦ୍ରୀୟ ଅନୁଦାନ

କଲକାତା, ୧୯/୨ (ନି ପ୍ର): କଲକାତା ଖୁଦିରପୁର ପୋର୍ଟ ଅଞ୍ଚଳର ପ୍ରସିଦ୍ଧ ବାସ୍କୁଲେ ବ୍ରିଜ୍ ବା ଖୋଲା ସେତୁର ସମ୍ପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ ସଂସ୍କାର କାମ କରିବା ପାଇଁ ଶ୍ୟାମାପ୍ରସାଦ ମୁଖାର୍ଜୀ ପୋର୍ଟ କର୍ତ୍ତୃପକ୍ଷ ନିଷ୍ପତ୍ତି ନେଇଛନ୍ତି । ପ୍ରାୟ ୧୧୭ କୋଟି ୫୪ ଲକ୍ଷ ଟଙ୍କା ବ୍ୟୟବରାଦରେ ଏହି ବୃହତ୍ ପ୍ରକଳ୍ପ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକାରୀ ହେବ । ଏଥି ପାଇଁ କେନ୍ଦ୍ର ସରକାର 'ଭାରତମାଳା' ଯୋଜନା ଅଧୀନରେ ୮୦ କୋଟି ଟଙ୍କା ବିଶେଷ ଅନୁଦାନ ଯୋଗାଇଦେବେ ।

ବନ୍ଦର କର୍ତ୍ତୃପକ୍ଷଙ୍କ ଅନୁମୋଦିତ, ଆସନ୍ତା ବର୍ଷ ମେ ମାସ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ସଂସ୍କାର କାମ ସମାପ୍ତ ହେବ । ଗାଡେନରିଟି ଓ ମେଟିଆକ୍ରୁଜ୍ ସହ କଲକାତାର ଅନ୍ୟ ଅଞ୍ଚଳର ଯାତାୟାତ ଓ ବନ୍ଦର ଯୋଗାଯୋଗରେ ଏହି ବ୍ରିଜର ଭୂମିକା ଅତ୍ୟନ୍ତ ଗୁରୁତ୍ୱପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ । ୧୯୬୬ ମସିହାରେ ଅସ୍ତିତ୍ୱର ଏକ ସଂସ୍ଥା ଏହି ଡକ୍ଟର-ଲିଫ୍ଟ ରୋଲିଂ ବାସ୍କୁଲେ ବ୍ରିଜ୍

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ପଡ଼ିଲେ ମଝିରୁ ଦୁଇ ଭାଗରେ ବିଭକ୍ତ ହୋଇ ଉପରକୁ ଉଠିଯାଏ । ଯାହା ଦ୍ୱାରା ଜାହାଜର

ରହିଥାଏ । ପ୍ରାୟ ଛଅ ଦଶନ୍ଧି ଧରି ନିରବଚ୍ଛିନ୍ନ ସେବା ପ୍ରଦାନ କରୁଥିବା ଏହି ବ୍ରିଜର ଇତ୍ତା

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**Summary:**

The Khidirpur Bascule Bridge in Kolkata will undergo repairs costing ₹117 crore, with ₹80 crore provided by the central government under the Bharatmala scheme. The renovation, expected to be completed by May of next year, aims to improve traffic and port connectivity by modernizing the bridge's steel structure, mechanical parts, and hydraulic system. Once renovated, the bridge is expected to facilitate smoother movement of ships and road vehicles, enhancing the port's overall infrastructure.

After excellent performance in various fields in ports, now ahead in sports as well DPA Chairman's team waved the flag of victory in AIM Shuttle Badminton Victory after a thrilling battle against Mumbai Port Authority

# બંદરગાહોમાં વિવિધ ક્ષેત્રે શ્રેષ્ઠ પ્રદર્શન બાદ હવે રમત-ગમતમાં પણ આગળ એઆઈએમપી શટલ બેડમિન્ટનમાં DPA ચેરમેનની ટીમે વિજયના પતાકા લહેરાવ્યા

## મુંબઈ પોર્ટ ઓથોરિટી સામે રસાકસીભર્યા જંગ બાદ વિજય મેળવ્યો

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દીનદયાળ પોર્ટ ઓથોરિટી માત્ર બંદરગાહોમાં વિવિધ ક્ષેત્રે સારું પ્રદર્શન કરી રહી છે તેવું નથી, સાથે સાથે રમતગમતના મેદાનમાં પણ પોતાની પ્રતિભા ઝળકાવી રહી છે.

ગાંધીધામની એસવીપી ઓડિટોરિયમ, ગોપાલપુરી ખાતે એઆઈએમપી શટલ બેડમિન્ટન ટૂર્નામેન્ટ યોજાઈ રહી છે, જેમાં મુંબઈ પોર્ટ ઓથોરિટી સામે મેન્સ ડબલ્સ કેટેગરીમાં ડી.પી.એ.ના ચેરમેને ભાગ લઈ ટીમનું પ્રતિનિધિત્વ કર્યું હતું. ડી.પી.એ.ના કર્મચારીઓ મોટી



સંખ્યામાં ઉત્સાહિત થયા હતા, જેના કારણે મેચ એક રોમાંચક અને ઊર્જાથી ભરેલી સ્પર્ધામાં ફેરવાઈ હતી. કૌશલ્ય અને નિશ્ચયના ઉત્કૃષ્ટ પ્રદર્શન સાથે તે યાદગાર રમત હતી.

ડીપીએના ચેરમેન સુશીલકુમાર સિંઘ અને તેમના ભાગીદાર, કેપ્ટન સૂદે વિજય પતાકા લહેરાવ્યા હતા. વિજેતા ખેલાડીઓને અભિનંદન પાઠવવામાં આવ્યા હતા.

**Summary:**

The DPA Chairman's team won the AIM Shuttle Badminton tournament against the Mumbai Port Authority. The tournament was held at SSVV Auditorium, Gopalpuri, Gandhidham, where DPA employees showed great enthusiasm. DPA Chairman Sushilkumar Singh and his partner, Captain Sude, led the team to victory.

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**Summary:**

Reforms in India's maritime sector are showing positive results with an agreement between CMA CGM and Cochin Shipyard Limited to build six LNG-fueled container ships. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal highlighted India's progress towards becoming a major maritime nation, while Shantanu Thakur noted the achievement was due to high-level strategic cooperation, referencing Prime Minister Modi's visit to France in 2025.

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**Summary:**

CMA CGM and Cochin Shipyard Limited have signed a contract for the construction of six LNG-fueled container ships, marking progress in India's maritime sector reforms. Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal stated that India is advancing towards becoming a major maritime nation, driven by stability, innovation, and global partnerships. Shantanu Thakur highlighted that this achievement is a result of high-level strategic cooperation, referencing Prime Minister Modi's visit to France and the CMA CGM headquarters.