

Relief announced by Odisha CM to be disbursed from today

Bhubaneswar, May 06 (TNB) : Disbursement of the relief package announced by Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik for cyclone FANI-affected people will start from today. During a video conferencing, Patnaik today directed the concerned district Collectors to carry out the process in their respective areas. As per the announcement, all families covered under

the National Food Security Act (NFSA) in extremely severely affected districts of Puri and parts of Khurda will get 50 kg of rice, Rs 2000 and polythene sheets. Families covered under the NFSA in severely affected areas of Khurda district will receive additional one-month quota of rice, Rs 1000 and polythene sheets. Similarly, in moderately affected districts of Cuttack, Kendrapara and

Jagatsinghpur, affected families will receive additional one-month quota of rice and Rs 500.

In all the affected districts, people will receive one month of additional pension and house building assistance as per relief code i.e. Rs 95,100 for fully damaged structures, Rs 5,200 for partially-damaged structures and Rs 3,200 for minor damages.

Power Supply Restoration In Phases, Ensuring Safety: Odisha Energy Secretary

Bhubaneswar: As the capital city of Odisha and other districts have been adversely affected by Cyclone FANI and has plunged into utter darkness since May 4, Energy Secretary today revealed that the normalcy of power supply is being done step by step as safety has to be ensured after it gets charged.

Talking to media persons at the State Secretariat on the present situation, Odisha Energy Secretary Hemant Sharma said, "Today we reviewed on the power supply restoration. Our officers have presented their reports on the situation of Kendrapada and Jagatsinghpur districts. As per the report, about 75% electricity supply has been restored by yesterday in Kendrapada while nearly 100% restoration will be there in 3-4 days."

He added, "In Jagatsinghpur district, Paradip area has been restored approximately while in Jagatsinghpur town about 50% has been restored. Another 50% restoration will take around 4-5 days."

He further informed, "So far Puri and Bhubaneswar's situation is concerned, five primary sub-stations were charged today. They are Unit-8 primary sub-station, Unit-6, Saheed Nagar, GRIDCO Colony and Rasulgarh. By tomorrow, two more primary sub-stations-Mancheswar and Chankada will also be charged. Badgad and Mancheswar primary sub-stations may be charged by today night."



He also informed, "The 33 KV Feeder by means of which our consumers are being supplied power, they are at Manchewar Feeder No 3, Secretariat Feeder, Water Works Feeder No 4 and Feeder No 6 have been charged till date. Five more feeders will be charged by today night. We had said earlier that about 10% consumers will be re-supplied with power and that has been achieved by today. Tomorrow it will increase more."

He further informed, "Water for Feeder 6 has been charged today. That takes care of 60% of the water supply requirement of Bhubaneswar. We have three feeders for the water works. Feeders 4 and 6 have been charged. Munduli Feeder is ready to charge. As it is within the Chandaka Jungle for 9 km long, pole by pole checking is possible only in daytime, not nighttime. Today our team will be back by 6 pm after

checking and it will definitely be charged by this evening."

He explained, "In respect of deployment of manpower, 200 gangs are on job. By tomorrow this figure will reach 350. So work will also progress accordingly. As cutting of trees was getting delayed, today we decided that 26 more teams of Odisha Fire Services will be deployed from tomorrow morning. Each team will be deployed for each of our 26 primary sub-stations here. As railway operation has normalized from today, more workers will be reaching here by tomorrow from Srikakulam and mostly from Howrah side."

"Normalcy will be achieved step by step. As I told 10% has been achieved, 25% will be by tomorrow. When electricity will be charged, we will be doing it taking safety into consideration as trees are lying everywhere," stated the Odisha Energy Secretary.

Professor Anup Nandy's research gives a solution to support healthy aging

Rourkela: Professor Anup Nandy from the Department of Computer Science and Engineering of National Institute of Technology (NIT), Rourkela brought laurels for the Institute for his research on "Development of a pathological healthcare system for early detection of neurological gait abnormalities". The research was a joint collaboration along with Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology (TUAT), Japan with the cooperation of Department of Science and Technology, Government of India and Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS). In October 2017, Professor Nandy came up with this noble idea of implementing the high-level Machine Learning Algorithms in the field of medical science, especially in dealing with gait abnormalities. Gait abnormalities refer to the anomalies and abnormalities found in a person's walking style. Since human beings have different anatomical

structure depending on our age, gender and body-weight, the person is prone to various gait abnormalities. Due to lack of awareness of such diseases and problems, the abnormalities get unnoticed at the initial stages. Moreover, the assessment becomes a little less credible without proper software and automation that uses data analysis. In this matter, Professor Nandy says, "Our research deals with the problem of aging. We are still working on it. Results could offer in a short time a solution to support healthy aging, both in Japan and in India by diagnosing and monitoring at minimal cost neuro-musculoskeletal disorders" he adds. Professor Nandy's research deals with making low-cost software and tools for neurological gait abnormalities detection and periodic assessment. He collaborated with Indian Institute of Cerebral Palsy, Kolkata. It became his sample space for research and the data collected from the different age

group children were instrumental in the research work. Professor Anup Nandy had presented the idea to Professor Gentiane Venture, one of the famous researchers and Distinguished Professor of Japan from Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology. After that, they eventually worked upon it. Although Microsoft Kinect is used in Gaming Applications, the technology has been incorporated in the research to detect gait abnormalities. The software helps in observing the body movements and detects the problems with high accuracy.



able to everyone and can be beneficial to many in general."

He says, "NIT Rourkela has been performing excellently in the field of research and has a massive pool of innovative talents. Moreover, the increased interaction of interested students with the supervisors and professors would be more beneficial for the research enthusiasts"

adds the professor. Earlier Professor Nandy had received the prestigious "NVIDIA GPU Grant Award". Professor Nandy visited the Tokyo University of Agriculture and Technology, Japan in the first week of March 2019 as a part of the research project. During his visit, he presented an impactful talk on his ongoing research

Professor Anup tells, "As computer science enthusiasts and researchers, it's our responsibility to serve society and contribute to it's betterment. This noble approach bridges the gap between Computer Science and Medical Science. It is instrumental in the detection and assessment of various diseases. The low-cost software becomes afford-

New date for NEET exam in Odisha announced



Bhubaneswar: The National Eligibility cum Entrance Test (NEET) will be conducted in Odisha on May 20. The test will be held from 10 am to 1 pm on the aforesaid date. The centres of examination for candidates will remain unchanged. The revised admit cards are being issued shortly.

The exam, initially scheduled for May 5, was postponed in the state by the Union Health Ministry after cyclonic storm FANI caused massive destruction of property and partial shutdown of power and telecom services in the state.

The Odisha Government had requested for the postponement after the calamity.

TRAIN SERVICES CANCELLED IN VIEW OF CYCLONE FANI

Bhubaneswar, May 06 (TNB) : It has been decided CANCEL, PARTIALLY CANCEL the following Trains in view of severe cyclone "FANI".

CANCELLATION:

In view of cancellation of pairing Trains, due to non-availability of Train Rakes, following trains are cancelled. 01661 Habib Ganj -Puri Special Train on 07.05.2019, 01662 Puri- Habib Ganj Special Train on 08.05.2019, 18408 Sainagar Shiridi-Puri Express on 05.05.2019, 12802 New Delhi-Puri Purusottam Express on 07.05.2019, 22878 Eamakulam-Howrah Antyodaya Express on 07.05.2019, 22643 Eamakulam-Patna Express on 07.05.2019, 22887 Howrah-Yesvantpur Husafar Express on 07.05.2019

Following Trains will Short Originate at Bhubaneswar Station

22866 Puri-Lokmanyatilak Express on 07.05.2019
A total number of 303 Mail/Express Trains originating, ending their journey at destinations and passing through ECoR jurisdiction have been cancelled, 09 Mail/Express Trains have been diverted, 28 Trains have been cancelled partially (short terminated) and 187 local passenger/MEMU/EMU/DEMU trains cancelled so far.

Odisha appoints new collectors in 3 cyclone-hit dists

Bhubaneswar: The Odisha Government today appointed new collectors in three districts which were affected by cyclonic storm FANI.

While Balwant Singh was given the charge of Puri, Bhupinder Punia was appointed as the Collector of Khordha. Similarly, Premchand Chaudhury is the new Collector of Kendrapara. Cyclonic Storm FANI left a trail of destruction in Puri



and parts of Khordha districts in Odisha by disrupting power & telecom communication services, damaging infrastructure and uprooting a huge number of trees.

IIT BHUBANESWAR SEVERELY DAMAGED BY "FANI"

Bhubaneswar: Severe Cyclone "FANI" affected IIT Bhubaneswar from 9:30 AM onwards till 2:30 PM yesterday causing severe damage to the hostel, electrical and horticulture works. There were no casualties happened inside the campus due to precautionary steps, but minor injury was sustained by 12 persons.

The institute made prior arrangements for all essential services in the campus. The examinations of 3rd and 4th year students were rescheduled to 6th and 7th of this month. However, in order to facilitate pre-final year students to take up for their internship, the examination of 3rd May is shifted to Sunday afternoon as a special case.

Prof. R. V. Raja Kumar, Director of the Institute while speaking on the super-cyclone said that, "The damage caused by FANI to the Institute is more than what was expected." Our team of meteorology research headed by Prof. U.C. Mohanty, School of Earth, Ocean and Climate Sciences also predicted the course of FANI using a hybrid of their own models and prevailing models

used in practice and predicted the course of FANI. The prediction of our group coincided with those of IMD confirming consistency of the predictions, which are further proved to be consistent by public after observing the course of FANI.

We also scheduled admission for M.Tech courses by two schools on 4th & 5th of May 2019 and a number of candidates from Northern and Western India have arrived on 3rd and 4th May particularly to participate in the test. The Institute went ahead and conducted admissions to them.

Though the GRID supply is yet to be restored to the Institute, we have quickly carried out repairs and started supplying skeletal electricity to all the sections in the campus from today afternoon onwards. The security at IIT Bhubaneswar along with housekeeping and maintenance team did a good job to ascertain the safety, security, sanitation for all those inside the campus. Thus the Institute sprang into action and restored normalcy in the campus from today onwards.

Annual Summer Coaching Camp of Rourkela Steel Plant inaugurated

Rourkela, May 06 (TNB) : The 33rd Annual Summer Coaching Camp organised by Rourkela Steel Plant was inaugurated on 6th May at Ispat Stadium, Sector - 6. Mr. Raj Vir Singh, ED(P&A) who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest unfurled the sports flag and declared the camp open.

Mr. Singh commended the interests of parents and guardians in enrolling their children for such Summer Coaching Camps. He also highlighted their role in shaping young minds and talents. Emphasising upon the importance of Sports and specially Summer Coaching Camp, Mr. Singh exhorted the participants to make the best use of the annual sporting extravaganza and said that, "It teaches discipline, inculcates team spirit, hones leadership qualities and helps in overall development of a child's personality which supplements the academic and professional growth."

Mr. P M Behera, DGM (CSR), Mrs. Minati Mohapatra, Arjuna Awardee and Former DGM (Sports), RSP, Mr. Hiralal Mohapatra, DGM, PH & SW, Mr. Krishnakant, Former National Table Tennis Player, Mr. A Khatua, former Ranji Trophy Player and many senior officers of RSP were also present on the occasion. Mr. Mohapatra delivered the welcome address while Mr. N Padhee, Junior Officer, Sports, proposed a formal vote of thanks. The inaugural ceremony was coordinated by Mr. N K Pradhan, Senior Technician, Town En-



gineering - Water Supply. The camp has evoked an enthusiastic response from the students of the steel city as well as nearby places, with a huge number of students joining the camp.

The participants will learn the nuances in 14 disciplines of sports namely Athletics, Badminton, Basketball, Boxing, Chess, Cricket, Cycling, Football, Hockey, Kabaddi, Table Tennis, Volleyball, Weight lifting & Power Lifting, Body Building and Yoga. Expert coaches in various disciplines are imparting the training. The multi-location camp will be organized at the Biju Patnaik Hockey Stadium, Ispat Stadium, Ispat Basketball complex, Ispat Indoor Stadium and the Chess Hall of Ispat Stadium. The camp is slated to conclude on 25th May.

The Summer Coaching Camp that started in the year 1986 with limited participation in different disciplines has grown in both size and stature. It has produced numerous sports persons of national and international repute in the past and is continuing to bring to the limelight many budding sports stars.

Odisha CM donates one-year salary for cyclone-hit people

Bhubaneswar: Extending a helping hand to cyclone FANI-affected people, Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik today donated his salary of one year to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund (CMRF). Patnaik has also been urging one and all to donate their contributions to the fund for rebuilding the state

and helping the affected ones.

One can donate to the CMRF online at cmrfodisha.gov.in.

Account name: Odisha Chief Minister's Relief Fund.

Account number: 006101057842.

IFSC code: ICIC00000061.

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Leading digital payment applications Paytm and PhonePe have also provided platform for donating to the relief fund.

Patakura election postpone for sixty days

Pradipta Kumar Sahoo

Kendrapara, 6/5: Patakura constituency election date is postpone for sixty days due to cyclone fani rehabilitation of the kendrapara district. On a press meet returning officer Sanjaya Kumar Mishra told here today.

The death of BJD candidate Bedprakash Agrawala, the assembly election was postponed to 19th May. Today it extended sixty more days due to cyclonic storm fani. The heavy weight leader Bijay mahapatra from BJP and BJD candidate late Bedprakash wife Sabitri is on the fray. The lokasabha election of this constituency was over and result will be declared on 23rd of this month.

Kendrapara collector removed

Kendrapara, 6/5: Collector of the kendrapara Dasrathi Sathapathy is transfer today. On his place state government appointed Prem Chandra Chaudhury (IAS) as new collector of the kendrapara. Within 26 years of the district, around 42 the highest numbers of the collector joined here. Majority numbers of collectors removed on political ground sources added.