

Crompton launches Built-in Kitchen Appliances in Pune with inauguration of "Crompton Signature Studios"



Pune (P&V news service):- Crompton launched its new Built-in Kitchen Appliances products in Pune and PCMC. Pune is the first city in our launch sequence & in the coming weeks, the products will be launched in the top 10 metros across India. Crompton unveils a comprehensive range of 38 Models comprising of Chimneys, Gas Hobs, Built-in Ovens, Built-in Microwaves, and Dishwashers. These products have been developed based on extensive consumer research to specially address unmet needs to make consumers' life pleasurable and comfortable in Kitchens. Crompton's Innovation & Developments teams have leveraged their expertise in Consumer Electricals, Air management & User experience and User Interface to meet the above objectives. These products are innovative and differentiated from the existing products in the market making them very appealing to the consumers: Low noise and powerful Chimneys that are as silent as an AC (up to ~50% lower noise) and can deliver suction as high as 2000 CMH Smart Chimneys with AutoOn and AutoClean features that switch on automatically while cooking and clean

themselves periodically Gas Hobs are equipped with a flame failure safety device for safety and a digital timer that turns off the burner at the end of the stipulated time Dishwashers that come with Turbo Drying technology for superior drying Built-in Ovens with Steam Pulse technology that enable cooking Indian dishes as well as global cuisines. We are setting up Crompton Signature Studios for an unparalleled product and brand experience for our consumers. These stores have been exclusively designed keeping in mind consumer preferences, and easy selection of products and are manned by well-experienced sales consultants. Following Crompton Signature Studios are ready to invite consumers to Pune: 1. Shree Chamunda Home appliances, Santosh Height, Shop 2 & 3, Opposite Apsara Theatre, Shankar Seth Road,



Pune -37

2. Sharman enterprises, Shop 5 & 6, Jagannath Krupa Sadan, Baner -Mahalunge Road. Pune- 45.

3. Rajdeep Enterprises, Shagun Chowk, Shastri Nagar, Pimpri Colony, Pune-17

Speaking on the Launch CEO & Executive Director, Mathew Job said "We aim to become one of the top three players in the segment in the coming three years. We are significantly investing and scaling up our capabilities in this space. Leadership is in our DNA and we are looking forward to winning this segment with our differentiated value proposition"

Vice president of New Business, Nitesh Mathur added "Crompton has built a deep understanding of its target consumer segment and will target them with a differentiated product range. We have received a very good response from the channel with several leading modular kitchen dealers and multi-brand outlets onboarded. Additionally, we are also setting up premium exclusive brand outlets 'Crompton Signature Studios'. I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to our signature studio partners as well as other channel partners."

Sadhguru promotes Save Soil Initiative at World Peace Dome The global movement was initiated by Sadhguru, a yogi, mystic and visionary

Pune (P&V news service):- Sadhguru, India's renowned yoga guru and spiritual proponent, visited the World Peace Dome as part of his Save Soil Movement.

The spiritual guru addressed the august congregation about the Save Soil Movement at World Peace Dome situated at Loni, Pune, Maharashtra. The World Peace Prayer Hall Dome is one of the unique and magnificent initiatives of MIT World Peace University to embark the symbol of harmonious and peace-loving society.

Save Soil is a global movement launched by Sadhguru, to address the soil crisis by bringing together people from around the world to stand up for Soil Health, and supporting leaders of all nations to institute national policies and actions towards increasing the organic content in cultivable soil.



He is on a 100-day long motorcycle journey across Europe, Central Asia, Middle East, and India to build awareness and build consensus for policy making that can help in mitigating soil degradation. Speaking on the occasion, Sadhguru, said, "If we proceed towards soil extinction,

most of us will perish. Civilizations will crumble if there are food shortages. Our humanity will vanish in a matter of days. Our success will become our ultimate failure." He further added, "We have the opportunity to create a big turnaround in the next decade as a generation to fix the environment we are living in. We are the flowers

of evolution only if we can handle our own intelligence. We can only be part of the solution when we ourselves are not a problem."

UNESCO Chair Holder Revered Prof. Dr. Vishwanath D. Karad - Founder & Chief Patron, MAER's MIT, Pune & President, MIT World Peace University and Creator, Philosopher Saint Shri

Dnyaneshwara World Peace Prayer Hall & World Peace Library - World Peace Dome, said, "In the words of Swami Vivekananda, the Union of Science and Spirituality alone will bring peace and harmony to mankind. Save the soil to save mother Earth is a wonderful initiative. This movement is monumental and sends a pertinent message to the world."

MIT World Peace University is a leading University of Excellence, promoting the "Culture of Peace" through Value-based "Universal Education System", with a firm belief that "Union of Science and Spirituality alone will bring peace to mankind". As the Save Soil Movement gains momentum around the world, with over two billion people already speaking out in support of the cause, MIT World Peace University has joined in to express its solidarity.

23rd National Conference of Practicing Company Secretaries

Pune (P&V news service):- The Institute is organizing its 23rd National Conference of Practicing Company Secretaries, in Lonavala, on the theme "Company Secretary - A Preferred Professional" on June 18-19, 2022.

"The Conference is aimed at exploring the renewed role and responsibility of Practicing Company Secretaries in the wake of changing dynamics of the regulatory environment. It will provide a platform for enhancing capacities and exchanging views/ideas on important matters related to the profession so that as value-driven professionals, Company Secretaries are equipped to shoulder the responsibility of the Regulatory Authorities" said CS Devendra Deshpande. On this occasion CS Ashish Mohan, Secretary ICSI, CS Manish Gupta, Vice President ICSI, CS Devendra Deshpande, President ICSI, CS Rajesh Tarpara, Chairman WIRC, CS Sanjay Patare, Chairman, Pune Chapter of WIRC of ICSI were present at the occasion.

II. ICSI SPECIAL PROGRAMME ON AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV UNDER MCA ICONIC WEEK.

ICSI celebrated Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav under MCA Iconic Week in the august presence of Shri Kiren Rijju, Hon'ble Minister of Law & Justice, and Shri Rajesh Verma IAS, Secretary, Ministry of Corporate Affairs on June 9, 2022. An in-depth and detailed deliberation on the theme was organised through two technical sessions on:

1. India@75: Expanding Role of Governance Professionals
2. Bharat - A Vishwaguru in promoting Good Governance.

III. 1st INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF ICSI OVERSEAS CENTRES

The ICSI maneuvered yet another opportunity for knowledge sharing and organized its 1st International Conference of ICSI Overseas Centre on March 23, 2022, in Dubai.

The theme of the conference was "Redefining Good Governance: Innovation, Compliance, Sustainability, and Inclusion" which set forth a channel of discussions from across economies and helped in understanding the intricacies of statutes of both the jurisdictions. The Conference witnessed a galaxy of international speakers and delegates from the Professional Fraternity, Corporate Houses, and Regulatory Authorities, who deliberated on the emerging technologies for thriving in environments of disruption, uncertainty, and change.

IV. ICSI DIGITAL REVOLUTION

E-Learning Revolution The Institute has completely transformed its remote learning landscape into real-time by conducting a series of focused webinars, rolling out various online Self-Assessment Modules, Crash Courses, Certificate Courses, and providing Free Video Lectures, to upskill its members and students, since the year 2020. Besides moving all offline training for students to the virtual platform, the Institute also introduced an e-credit hour facility for members, since the lockdown for their continued professional development.

Facilitating ICSI members through personalized Digi locker



Digitization necessitated the requirement of Electronic Documents. ICSI having joined the Digi Locker Platform of the Government of India in October 2019, is now allowing its members to download and save their Identity Cards, Associate and Fellow Certificates, and Certificates of Practice from the Digi locker anytime, anywhere. UDIN The ICSI UDIN or Unique Document Identification Number is a system-generated alpha numeric number that provides ease of maintaining the Register of Attestation/ Certification Services rendered by practicing members. UDIN ensures compliance with the Guidelines issued by the Institute with respect to ceilings on the number of certification/attestation services.

eCSin ICSI launched the Employment Specific Unique Identification Number of a Company Secretary (eCSin), a random alphanumeric number generated at the time of appointment and at the time of demitting office. eCSin brings greater transparency, ensures better governance, and facilitates verification of the authenticity of employment of Company Secretaries.

V. RECOGNITIONS

Company Secretary Qualification is considered equivalent to PG Degree The University Grants Commission, India, has recognized the Company Secretary Qualification as equivalent to Post Graduate Degree

Recognition to Company Secretary in Practise under Companies (Corporate Social Responsibility Policy) Amendment Rules, 2021

Every entity, covered under sub-rule (1), that intends to undertake any CSR activity, shall register itself with the Central Government by filing the form CSR-1 electronically with the Registrar, verified digitally by a Company Secretary in Practice or a Chartered Accountant in practice or Cost Accountant in practice. Company Secretary authorized to conduct due diligence and certify the shareholders SEBI has authorized a Peer-Reviewed Company Secretary to conduct due diligence under Regulation 10 (3) and to certify the shareholders under Proviso to Regulation 21 (a) of SEBI (Delisting of Equity Shares) Regulations, 2021.

Company Secretary to be appointed as "Compliance Officer" under Regulation 130 of IFSCA International Financial Services Authority (IFSCA) has recognized Company Secretary as Compliance Officer, to be appointed under Regulation 130 of IFSCA (Issuance and Listing of Securities) Regulations, 2021.

IFSCA recognition and authorization to Company Secretary in Practise

Company Secretary in Practise has been authorized:

-To certify all the requirements of the IFS-CA Act, 2019;

-To certify the net worth certificates of IFSC Insurance Intermediary Office (IIIO)

-To conduct an annual audit of Capital Market Intermediaries and issue a Net-Worth Certificate to the applicant willing to register as Capital Market Intermediaries with the IFSCA

- To certify the average annual turnover and net worth of the entity, which is required to fulfil the conditions as mentioned in the said circular to act as a "Qualified Jeweller"

Recognition under SEBI for Company Secretary in Practise

SEBI authorizes Company Secretary in practice to provide a Certificate of Compliance

-To Registrars to an Issue and Share Transfer Agents (RTA)

-To the issuer certifying that the proposed preferential issue is being made in accordance with the SEBI (ICDR) Regulations, 2018.

Recognition by Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution

The Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution has mandated under Rule 5(1)(g) of the Rules that every Direct Selling Entity shall get all information provided by it on its website duly certified by a Company Secretary.

VI. EXPANDING BOUNDARIES

ICSI Overseas Centres With its Vision "to be a global leader in promoting good Corporate Governance" and its Mission "to develop high caliber professionals facilitating good Corporate Governance", the Institute has set forth its foot in the international arena by setting up ICSI Overseas Centres in UAE, USA, UK, Singapore, and Australia.

The Centres would augment professional opportunities for ICSI members and facilitate practical training for students, besides assisting ICSI in conducting its examinations in these countries.

VII. INITIATIVES FOR STUDENTS

Implementation of New training Structure under CS (Amendment) Regulations, 2020

The Institute, implemented its New Training Structure on 3rd February 2021, as per Regulation 46BA and 46BB under The Company Secretaries (Amendment) Regulations, 2020. Highlights of the new training structure are:

-One-month Executive Development Programme (EDP)
The Executive passed students are required to undergo a One Month Executive Development Programme (EDP) that would equip them for the mandatory

Practical Training in the industry / with Practising Company Secretary.

-Practical Training

The students are required to undergo 21 months of practical training, with the Industry/Practising Company Secretary and other entities after completion of their one-month EDP.

-Corporate Leadership Development Programme (CLDP)

After completion of the Professional Programme Examination and Practical Training, the students are required to undergo the Corporate Leadership Development Program (CLDP) for honing their Communication, Legal, Managerial and IT acumen.

VIII. ACADEMIC COLLABORATIONS

International Commerce Olympiad - MoU with Science Olympiad Foundation In an attempt to create awareness about the profession of Company Secretaries among school Students, the Institute has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Science Olympiad Foundation for conducting the International Commerce Olympiad recently.

ICSI Academic Connect

The Institute introduced the ICSI Academic Connect to collaborate with various IIMs, National Law University, and Institutions of national repute to impart knowledge and acuminate skills of students, academicians, and professionals. Under the collaboration, the toppers of specific programmes of these Universities/Institutes will be awarded ICSI Signature Award Gold Medal and a scholarship to pursue the Company Secretary Course. The MoU would facilitate a comprehensive partnership in the areas of joint academic research, joint workshops, professional development & faculty development programmes along with sharing of resources and participation in conferences, workshops, and seminars.

IX. ICSI SOCIAL INITIATIVES

Concession in Fees for Students who lost their Parents

To support such students, who lost their parents/legal guardian/adoptive parents due to any reason and to help them continue their education, the Institute has decided to grant a one-time concession in fees while registering for the CS Executive Programme.

Shaheed Ki Beti Certificate

Under this unique initiative, ICSI presents certificates to the dignitaries/guest/faculty members with a certificate of an amount and an equivalent amount is donated to a girl child of the martyrs to financially support her higher education or for any other purpose.

Blood Bank Portal

The covid-19 pandemic called for a heightened effort to support the nation and its fellow citizens. ICSI with its dedicated Blood Bank Portal provided easy access to those in need and those who were willing to donate blood.

ICSI Students Education Fund Trust

The Institute has created 'ICSI Students Education Fund Trust' to encourage and motivate academically bright but economically backward students to pursue CS Course thus contributing to the objectives of nation-building and social responsibility.

Shoppers Stop celebrates #CoolDads with their latest Father's Day campaign

Pune (P&V news service):- India's leading premier fashion and beauty destination, Shoppers Stop, has launched their digital campaign #CoolDads this Father's Day. Drawing inspiration from millennial fathers, the campaign surprises us with a modern take on dads. Parenting styles have evolved over the years and fathers are also learning to grow with their children to better relate to them. They are adapting to new trends and ideologies, making them more accepting of change. The campaign highlights this light and liberal side of fathers that are aiming at being the #CoolDads. These digital films based on real-life situations showcase the progressive and modern take fathers have on events in their children's lives. Be

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it backing their child when called into the principal's office or being open with his daughter about parties and boys, they are breaking the "strict dad" stereotype and carrying a more understanding approach towards their children. They are the propagators of fun, the protector of secrets and the safety net. They are our #CoolDads. Speaking on the campaign, Ms. Shwetal Basu, Customer Care Associate and Chief of Marketing and Communication, says, "Extending the progressive moms

#CoolMoms conversation to Fathers, our new Fathers' Day campaign celebrates #CoolDads, depicting their progressive personality. The narrative reflects the evolving dynamics of bringing up a child in a liberal environment. Millennial dads are becoming more adaptive to the changing generation. They are shedding the stereotype of a strict father and are learning to understand situations from the children's point of view. These films, driven by real-life situations shows the modern take on dads."

This Father's Day, surprise your cool dad with a perfect gift from Shoppers Stop. Choose from a range of watches, fragrances, sunglasses, apparel and more from your nearest store or www.shoppersstop.com.

Volvo Car India sets up solar power panels at Community & Primary Health Centres in Uttar Pradesh & Haryana

Pune (P&V news service):- Volvo Car India has set up solar power panels at Community and primary health centres at Jewar in Gautam Buddha Nagar district in UP, in Village Kheri Kalan in Faridabad and Bhorikalan and Bhangrola in Gurugram districts of Haryana. The company has plans to extend this initiative to other Community Health Care centres in 2022. The execution partner for this is industry body ASSOCHAM. The four Health Centres now have a combined 50 KW of captive solar power. After consuming power for their needs,

these health centres can distribute excess power to the grid, thereby not only making a contribution to sustainable energy but also lower their respective energy bills. "Volvo is committed to sustainability and providing renewable and green energy to these health centres showcases our commitment. We have initially set up solar power plants at three centres and have plans to expand this to other Community Health Centres in these regions. These solar power panels lessens the Centres dependency on conventional energy there by contributing to a lesser

carbon foot print and making health services sustainable. This initiative also reduces the cost of conventional energy as these health centres feed the excess of solar power to the grid." said Mr Jyoti Malhotra, Managing Director, Volvo Cars India. Sustainability is paramount to Volvo Cars globally. The company is committed to being a pure electric car company by 2030 and have the ambition to be a climate neutral company by 2040. The company is also aiming by 2025 to reduce overall CO2 lifecycle emissions per car by 40%.

The world's first Royalty-included music platform is music to the ears of composers and content creators

Pune (P&V news service):- SyncMama is the world's first-ever royalty-included music licensing platform for UGC creators with over 400,000 soundtracks, special effects, and AI text-to-voice in 17 languages,

including Hindi and Indian English. The platform has the tools to make a great soundtrack: music, SFX and Voiceover. Achille Forler, the company's founder, says, "SyncMama launched in South Asia because

India has the ideal legal framework — 'royalty-free' is illegal since 2012 — but the platform is designed to become global. We have attracted the biggest names in the business because we have built a new, sustainable model

that is a win-win for the composers and content creators who use their music." Goldman Sachs has just upped its predictions for the music industry from \$81.6bn to \$87.6bn; for 2023 from \$90.7bn to \$94.9bn;

and for 2030 from \$139.7bn to \$153bn. Content creators must engage their audience with better music tracks and background scores to cut through the clutter. Music is the hidden driver of the digital revolution.

The sound of love Rubaru from Khuda Haafiz Chapter 2: Agni Pariksha song now



Pune (P&V news service):- The makers of Khuda Haafiz Chapter 2 Agni Pariksha bring a devotion-like love with its latest song 'Rubaru' that

packs a musical extravaganza rich in emotional intensity. Themed on a devotion-like love, Rubaru happens to be the second song shot at the revered Hazrat Nizamuddin Aulia Dargah, the first being Kun Faya Kun from Rockstar. Rubaru is the director's perspective of Sameer (Viduyt Jammwal) and Nargis's (Shivaleeka Oberoi) story and their hardship as parents waiting for their daughter to return home. Beautifully composed by Vishal Mishra and penned by Manoj Muntashir, the song has been sung by Vishal Mishra and Asees Kaur. Director Faruk Kabir shares, Rubaru is a soulful song that captures Sameer and Nargis's challenge of mending their love and finding their daughter. It's my take on their bond of love and their journey as they evolve as partners and parents," Vishal Mishra says, "Sufi songs have been lifesavers for so many

of us. Rubaru depicts the purity and serenity of Sufism. We seek the almighty in the work we do and in the love that binds us. This song underlines that message of love. I've composed the song with utmost sincerity and I hope it becomes part of the listeners' journey of love."

Superfans Unite! YouTube Fanfest is back



Pune (P&V news service):- Fans in India have reason to cheer as YouTube Fanfest 2022 is set to return on 30 June, 2022 with a uniquely immersive experience featuring performances, sketches and live-challenges by popular creators and artists. Held virtually, YouTube Fanfest will allow viewers to show their support for their favorite creators and artists in real-time and chat with creators and artists via live chat, while interacting with the wider community of superfans. This will be followed by two days of virtual meet and greets for fans with creators and artists from 1 July 2022

who made rap mainstream in India, EmiwayBantai, hip-hop duo Seedhe Maut, the rising singing sensation from Haryana, Renuka Panwar and ShanmukhJaswanth, who has essayed memorable roles in YouTube series. The Shorts Comedy Club promises big laughs with Wonder Munna, niha sisters, Sharath Joy, and Chinkiminki. And, while Prajakta Koli aka MostlySane, Sandy Saha and Be YouNick and Round2Hell will have you rolling on the floor with laughter, you'll be back on your feet grooving to cool dance moves by Team Naach, LiveToDance with Sonali, Ishpreet Dang, Awez Darbar, NagmaMirajkar, Sameeksha Sud and Dance with Alisha. YouTube Fanfest 2022 will level up the fan engagement with a special gaming segment with Triggered Insaan, Techno Gamerz, Mortal, Mythpat, Payal Gaming, Sanjoy Das Official, along with Suhani Shah, who will also blow people's minds as she shows off her skills as a mentalist. Madan Gowri will give fans the opportunity to immerse themselves in history with a vlog from an archeological site. Cooking creators, Your Food Lab, Cook with Parul, Chahat Anand, So Saute and Irfan's view, will celebrate the food cultures and traditions of their hometowns while showing off their cooking chops in a mystery-box style challenge. YouTube Fanfest will also offer fans a glimpse into a day in the life of their favorite beauty creators, Suyash Fashion, Priyanka Jazmin and The Sumedha. A2 Motivation and Harsha Sai will shine the spotlight on what it means to create content with care and kindness which can leave a lasting impact on fans, communities and society at large. Artist Shikha Sharma will celebrate all the creators and artists in her own distinctive style! Since 2013, YouTube Fanfest has been an annual celebration of creativity and talent, born out of India. YouTube Fanfest India 2022 is presented by Cadbury 5 Star and iQoo Neo 6. Fans can also catch the livestream of the biggest, snazziest and most exciting Fanfest ever!

Dr. Prachiti Punde will be representing India in June 2022 for Mrs. Universe



Pune (P&V news service):- Dr. Prachiti Punde from Pune is participating in the Mrs. Universe 2022 contest to be held in Seoul, South Korea in June 2022 where 110 contestants from 90 countries will take part in the competition. Dr. Prachiti Punde will represent India. Earlier Dr. Punde has been honored with Mrs. Pune 2019, Mrs. India 2020 and Mrs. Universe Australasia 2021. She talked about her journey from Karmala in Solapur district to Pune and Seoul in the press conference. While addressing the press she said that, in the Mrs Universe pageant, she would have the opportunity to showcase our Indian culture and traditions in front of more than 110 contestants from 90 countries. Dr Prachiti has got her MBBS degree. She is an anesthetist at KEM Hospital, Pune. After her marriage she settled down in Karmala, in Solapur District with her family. In rural areas like Karmala, she worked towards the goal of women empowerment. She also generated employment for rural women in rural area.

Kareena Kapoor reveals Springfit Mattresses are the source of her secret energy



Pune (P&V news service):- Kareena Kapoor has always emphasized on the need to exercise to stay fit and have a healthy sleep is as important for an active, more productive and healthier lifestyle for her and her family. Promoting the thought that healthy sleep is more important than a good night's sleep, Kareena Kapoor religiously follows the thought that a healthy sleep is the most important thing for not just your sanity but also to help lose weight, reduce belly fat and become fitter. Says Nitin Gupta, Executive Director - Springfit Mattresses: "Springfit is an obvious choice for people who are looking for a reliable mattress that will last long, for healthy and active lifestyle. Confesses Kareena, "There is a uniquely comforting feeling when you sink into a luxuriously designed mattress, isn't it! That is why I am so excited to associate with Springfit Mattresses, a brand that combines comfort and luxury and makes sleeping a truly delightful experience. My power naps and peaceful sleep have a new meaning, thanks to Springfit!"

Varun Dhawan & Kiara Advani visit Pune To Promote Their Film 'Jug Jugg Jeeyo'



Pune (P&V news service):- Varun Dhawan and Kiara Advani have teamed up for Jugjugg Jeeyo and fans are super excited to see them on the silver screen together. The

reconciliations. A story set in the heart of Patiala and much like the city, it's full of love and laughter, colour and drama. This story is all about family and its values, unresolved yearnings and unexpected reconciliations. A Dharma Productions Film, Jug Jugg Jeeyo stars Varun Dhawan, Kiara Advani, Anil Kapoor, Neetu Kapoor, Manish Paul and Prajakta Koli in major roles. With music supervision by Azeem Dayani and cinematography by Jay Patel. It's about family and its values." The Jug Jugg Jeeyo is might just be the family entertainer we have all been waiting for! Presented by Viacom18 Studios and Dharma Productions, the upcoming comedy-drama is directed by Raj Mehta with a story by Anurag Singh and, Screenplay and Dialogues by Anurag Singh, Sumit Bhatnagar and Rishabh Sharma. The film is produced by Hiroo Yash Johar, Karan Johar and Apoorva Mehta. The film will hit theatres on 24 June 2022.

When two civilians decided to rescue Anjali Tatrari on the shoot of Tere Bin Jiya Jaaye Na!



Pune (P&V news service):- Anjali Tatrari and Avinesh Rekhi had an exciting experience during the fight sequence on the streets of Mumbai during the shoot out of Tere Bin

Jiya Jaaye Na, Dome Entertainment's Cinderella love story with a thriller twist on Zee that has taken the nation by storm! The sequence was thus. Krishna (Anjali Tatrari) is kidnapped by a couple of goons. Devraj (Avinesh Rekhi) chases down the car, manages to hang on the driver's window and stops the car. He bashes the goons and saves Krishna from falling into a valley. The crew was filming a long shot of Anjali being picked off the

roads and pushed into a running car. As Avinesh Rekhi came to the rescue, two young boys on a bike actually tried to jump in and rescue Anjali Tatrari. Avinesh was surprised but joined in though this was not part of the script by director. Says Avinesh, "the director had taken his shot but decided to not say 'Cut' or 'OK'. It was a scene out of a film till the boys actually realised that it was a fight sequence

of our show Tere Bina Jiya Jaaye Na," grins Avinesh. As for Anjali Tatrari, she thanked the chivalrous lads with a mischievous smile. After all, real life is meant to be inspired by reel life. What say, folks!

The Akanksha Foundation's PCMC English Medium School, Bopkhel makes it to the Top 10 Shortlist for World's Best School Prize for Community Collaboration

Pune (P&V news service):- Five inspirational Indian schools have been named in the Top 10 shortlists for the new US\$250,000 World's Best School Prizes, launched this year by T4 Education in partnership with Templeton World Charity Foundation, Accenture and American Express. One of them is The Akanksha Foundation's PCMC English Medium School, Bopkhel for its impact in community collaboration.



A few months ago, T4, an organization based out of the UK, initiated a World's Best School Prize to celebrate schools across the world, with an opportunity to recognize and share their best practices around the world. The World's Best School Prizes shine a spotlight on schools whose principals, teachers, and communities have demonstrated exemplary leadership and innovation to improve the education of their students in the shadow of a global pandemic. Akanksha's PCMC English Medium School, Bopkhel was selected after reviewing thousands of applications from schools across the world by a review panel consisting of experts in the education sector. This is a victory not just for one school but for our entire network that deeply believes

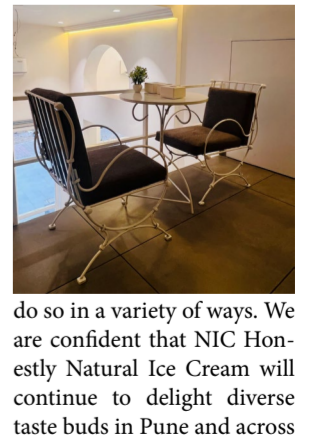
in the ideology of partnering with the community. Saurabh Taneja, the CEO of the Akanksha Foundation shares - "Parents and our communities have been our partners for as long as Akanksha has existed. For the purpose of this partnership to be crystallized and presented through one school is a moment of pride and a milestone for every Akanksha school. I want to recognize Sushma Pathare's leadership in instilling and showcasing the purpose and power of our community and leveraging it by bringing together teachers, social workers, and every stakeholder with our parents. The pandemic has shown us the difference an invested family can make in a child's development. We've seen our parents learn so children

could learn, sing so children could sing, and share who they are so their children understood them and dared to share too." Sushma Pathare, School Leader (Principal) of PCMC English Medium School, Bopkhel shares - "We enabled parent voice to design and modify policies, structures, systems at a school level so that there is more ownership that parents feel towards their school. The five World's Best School Prizes, founded by T4 Education in partnership with Accenture, American Express, Yayan Hasanah, Templeton World Charity Foundation, and the Lemann Foundation, celebrate schools everywhere for the pivotal role they play in developing the next generation of learners and for their

enormous contribution to society's progress especially in the wake of COVID." Vikas Pota, Founder of T4 Education and the World's Best School Prizes, said: "With over 1.5 billion learners impacted by school and university closures, COVID has greatly exacerbated a global education crisis in which, even before the pandemic, the UN warned progress was already too slow to achieve universal quality education by 2030. We have launched the World's Best School Prizes as a grassroots solution to help build the systemic change needed. By telling the stories of inspirational schools that are transforming the lives of their students and making a real difference to their communities, schools can share their best practices and have their voices heard at the top table to help transform education. I want to congratulate SVKM's CNM School, SDMC Primary School Lajpat Nagar III, Khoj School, PCMC English Medium School, Bopkhel, and Samaritan Mission School (High) for making the Top 10 shortlists for the inaugural World's Best School Prizes. Educators all over the world will now be able to learn from the examples of these outstanding Indian schools."

FOOD & RESTURANT

NIC Honestly Natural Ice Cream to launch its new store in Pune



Pune (P&V news service):- NIC Honestly Natural Ice Cream, which has made a mark for itself among Pune's ice cream brand, is set to open new stores and franchises throughout the country. While the brand is expanding in the market, NIC Honestly Natural Ice Cream has chosen their origin city Pune as the key market to

launch their new store and franchisee in order to spread the joy of their ice cream flavors throughout the city. Pune is Maharashtra's cultural capital, and it has a massive ice cream fan base. NIC Honestly Natural Ice Cream operates a number of stores and also serves the city through food tech platforms. The brand is planning an expansion by adding new stores and introducing new flavors in the city and across the country and it will also

be available in Pune at NIC Pushpa Foods, Riddhi Enclave, and Viman Nagar. These new stores are ready to serve rich, creamy, and delicious flavors because NIC Honestly Natural Ice Creams only uses 100% natural ingredients and pure milk in all the products, with no artificial flavors, no colors and no preservatives. "We will continue to introduce a diverse and unique range of pure ice creams for our consumers, and we will

do so in a variety of ways. We are confident that NIC Honestly Natural Ice Cream will continue to delight diverse taste buds in Pune and across the country as a result of our active expansion plans. We are thrilled to offer our freshly made natural ice cream with our exotic new flavors made for both the young and the elderly, as the city is most famous for its food culture and has a wide following for desserts," said, Sanjiv Shah, Director, Walko Food Company Pvt Ltd.

Rahi Employees Donate Used Clothes to Eco Regain

Pune (P&V news service):- Pune headquartered, Rahi, a leading global integrated IT enterprise solutions provider has organized a month-long donation drive of pre-owned clothes to be handed over to Eco Regain, a sustainable organization that recycles and reuses clothes to handcraft new products. This was a pioneering initiative that the employees participated in to drive home a sustainable ecosystem message. In the initial phase, about 90% of the employees from the Pune office took part. These old clothes will be converted into sustainable products such as handbags, sling

bags, laptop bags, men's bags travel bags, yoga mat bags, gym bags, maternity bags, and many more. They also make sacks, floor mats (sattranji), and home décor items such as carpets and rugs. These items are priced in the range from Rs. 160 to Rs 1,999. Rahi plans to expand the initiative on a large scale by organizing this eco-friendly initiative across the offices, every year.

Eco Regain has been founded with a mission to provide a sustainable solution to the old clothing waste. Eco Regain provides livelihood to women and is working towards women empowerment.

LogicMonitor Expands to New Research and Development Center in Pune, India



Pune (P&V news service):- LogicMonitor, provider of the leading SaaS-based unified observability platform for enterprises and managed service providers (MSPs), announced the opening of a new Research and Development Center of Excellence in Pune, India. The company's expansion from a coworking space into a larger, more permanent facility follows the 2019 launch of its Center of Excellence in India and is centrally located in Pune.

The research and development team at the new facility will focus mainly on developing LogicMonitor's observability platform, LM Envision, including the time series database, application performance monitoring and topology mapping.

This further expansion in India will allow LogicMonitor to work more closely with its clients in the region and engage further with leading system integrators in India. A hub for tech talent, LogicMonitor expects to hire 75 to 100 more people in Pune this year, bringing its Indian workforce to approximately 400 total and increasing its global workforce from approximately 1,100 to 1,200. Starting with a staff of nearly 40 in 2019, the increase in employees focusing on research and development will further bolster LogicMonitor's capabilities in innovation and in developing new services for its global customers. "During the pandemic, many organisations had to accelerate their digital journeys

and make sure their technology was up to par. This has given us the opportunity to work with several new and exciting companies," said Christina Kosmowski, CEO, LogicMonitor. "India is a particularly exciting location for technological innovation and technology companies so, as we continue to grow, it makes perfect sense for us to open this larger, new location in Pune. This center will play a pivotal role in driving our growth and competitive advantages, both in India and globally."

"We're really pleased to be opening this new LogicMonitor location in India and to deepen our commitment to the country," said Nitin Navare, Chief Technology Officer, LogicMonitor.

"We will continue onboarding talented new employees in Pune for engineering roles to contribute to observability technologies that are in demand around the world. This growing team will help us continue to develop key product enhancements for enterprises and provide best-in-class service for our customers." The center was opened on 14 June, 2022. Photos can be found here

India-UAE CEPA: SAIF Zone highlights business opportunities in UAE for Indian Companies

Pune (P&V news service):-The Comprehensive Economic Cooperation Agreement (CEPA) signed by India and the UAE is an important milestone in trade relations between the two countries. The CEPA covers a wide array of gains and provides opportunities for businesses in both economies for not only boosting bilateral trade but also for two-way investment flows.

In line with this, ASSOCHAM organized One to One Meetings between delegates from Sharjah Airport International Free Zone and ASSOCHAM Members from Pune to discuss the benefits of India-UAE CEPA & vari-

ous business opportunities in UAE.

More than 40 companies attended these meetings, held at Hotel Blue Diamond. The participants were happy to know the details of India-UAE CEPA, its benefits, export opportunities etc. They also applauded the exceptional package that SAIF Zone offers to set up companies in the Zone. Mr. Al Muttawa, Manager Sales, SAIF Zone said, "There is a significant demand for Indian Products in UAE and in GCC markets and Indian exporters must utilise this opportunity. Following the FTA, UAE will emerge as a major re-export centre. There

are many promising opportunities and incentives in SAIF Zone for Indian companies that an investor can enjoy." Mr. Umesh Kamble, Co-Chairman, ASSOCHAM Maharashtra, said, "For Indian businesses looking at the markets in the Middle East, North Africa and Central Asia, Sharjah Airport International Free (SAIF) Zone could be launching pad. There are lot of synergies between Pune Based industries and UAE. This is one of the reasons to organize meetings in Pune so that we can increase the awareness among the industrialists and to give all the help to set up their business on the global level."

Ruby Hall Clinic launches pioneering Robotic Joint Replacement and Stitchless Spine Surgery

Pune (P&V news service):- With an estimate of over 1.5 million joint replacement surgeries being needed annually, India, the projected osteoarthritis capital of the world will need to pool in all resources to ensure citizens remain healthy and mobile. In such a scenario, Pune's Ruby Hall Clinic added another feather to its cap with the launch of a specialised Robotic Joint Replacement and Stitchless Spine Surgery Department. With this, the hospital also announced that in a unique collaboration with Sai Shree Hospital, internationally acclaimed orthopaedic surgeon Dr. Neeraj Adkar will be available for treatment and consultation at Ruby Hall Clinic six days a week.

The launch of this technologically advanced unit revealed the use of the highly specialised Cuvix Joint Robotic System for joint replacement procedures herein. As India's first such specialised robotic system, it utilises surgical cutting edge robotic technology to support surgeons. Cuvix is the only fully automatic and advanced robotic joint replacement system installed at Ruby Hall Clinic to transform the lives of patients dealing and struggling with joint pain.

This revolutionary new technology enables surgeons to perform complex joint replacement surgeries with precision, by overcoming the challenges they face during traditional open surgeries. By means of 3D CT visualisations of the bone, this system aids with a range of tasks, such as preparing the bone, introducing the implant, balancing the implant and even checking for the right fit. Moreover, precise cutting ensures predictable and consistent results. In fact, what makes this system stand out is its unique BMM (Bone Motion Monitor) function which can detect even the slightest intraoperative movement of a patient, thereby resulting in unparalleled safety.

As with all robotic surgeries, other benefits include minimal blood loss, reduced post operative pain and a quicker recovery.

Dr. Manisha Karmarkar, COO, Ruby Hall Clinic added, "Ever since the inception of our robotic surgery unit in 2017, we have slowly but steadily been transforming the way complex surgeries are performed, perceived and experienced. With head-to-toe specialisations, our patients have benefitted from hundreds of procedures in just a short span of time. Now, with the addition of the specialised Robotic Joint Replacement and Sports Injury Programme, we are certain that there will be a paradigm shift in joint care surgeries. We look forward to Dr. Adkar's expertise in this one-of-a-kind tie-up with Sai Shree Hospital and are confident that this will accelerate our programme and benefit those in need."

With over two decades of experience, Dr. Neeraj Adkar is widely recognised in the medical fraternity as a leader in the fields of joint replacement and sports injury surgery. He has over five thousand joint replacement surgeries to his credit and has received much recognition for his training in all the facets of Arthroscopy and Arthroplasty. Dr. Adkar has already performed a number of knee replacement surgeries with CUVIS Joint.

To add to this, he has performed India's first unimpaired bilateral total knee replacement and Maharashtra's first Condranet Graft Net technique for ACL among other feats. Over the tenure of his career, the highly proficient Dr. Adkar has practised at renowned medical institutes in the country and is also the Managing Director and Chief Surgeon at Sai Shree Orthopaedic Super Speciality and Joint Replacement Centre in Pune. Now, as Ruby Hall Clinic's new Director, Department of

Orthopaedics and Chief Robotic Joint Replacement Surgeon and Sports Injury Specialist, Dr. Adkar will also be present at the hospital from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, Monday to Saturday.

"Joint replacement surgery using robotics sounds like a futuristic goal, but that future is now."

As surgeons, we know we can rely on the machine's precise movements to assist us with procedures that demand great accuracy.

Every single day, we see more patients understand the potential benefits of choosing the robotic option over the traditional procedure and I'm confident that this association with Ruby Hall Clinic will only accelerate such changes," said Dr. Neeraj Adkar. In the short time since this association commenced, he has already successfully performed a robotic joint replacement surgery at Ruby Hall Clinic.

Mr. Bomi Bhote, CEO, Ruby Hall Clinic concluded, "Every day, patients walk through our doors seeking a life that is pain-free and that allows them the mobility to live life to the fullest. It is for them that we keep pushing the boundaries of patient care and strive to give those suffering from joint ailments the hope of a brighter tomorrow. We are second to none when it comes to infrastructure and are grateful to Dr. Adkar for sharing our vision and partnering with us — his support and expertise will indeed help us transform joint care as we know it!"

To mark the opening of the Robotic Joint Replacement and Stitchless Spine Surgery Department, a free robotic joint replacement and spine surgery check up camp will take place at Ruby Hall Clinic in association with Sai Shree Hospital under the guidance of Dr. Neeraj Adkar.

Date: Sunday, 19th June 2022, Time: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Venue: Ruby Hall Clinic, 40, Sasoson Rd, Sangamvadi, Pune, Maharashtra 411001.

Ravi Bulchandani to join the board of Rent Alpha Private Limited

Pune (P&V news service):- Rent Alpha Pvt. Ltd., a leasing and residual management company and owner of CapSave Finance, an NBFC, announced the appointment of Mr. Ravi Bulchandani to its Board of Directors.

"The addition of Ravi Bulchandani to the Board will bring a huge amount of global knowledge to Rent Alpha," said Bharat Bhise, founder and CEO of Bravia Capital, majority owner in Rent Alpha. "Ravi was a senior global strategic adviser at 4 of the 10 largest financial institutions in the world. I am confident that with Ravi's advice, we will be one step closer to fine-tuning Rent Alpha's business model and taking it to the next level, alongside the world's best companies in

this space." "We welcome Mr. Bulchandani to the Board of Rent Alpha, and we are eager to work with him as we grow to become one of India's leading residual management companies," said Jinesh Jain, CEO of Rent Alpha. "Ravi brings with him a stellar track record of leadership and management expertise in institutions with the highest standards of business focus and regulatory compliance, along with an excellent global network over his multi-decade banking and financial services career." "I look forward to serving on the Board of Directors of Rent Alpha," said Ravi Bulchandani. "The management team have created a world-class platform and I look forward to helping them accelerate their journey. The

resilience of the management team during the Covid-19 pandemic, as evidenced by the continued expansion of the business, is truly admirable."

Rent Alpha was founded in 2014 by a team of leasing professionals with cumulative operating lease origination experience of \$1.5 billion and a portfolio of \$370 million with blue chip clients. Since then, it has become a leader amongst India's leasing companies.



World Blood Donor Day Celebrated with enthusiasm at Ruby Hall Clinic

Pune (P&V news service):- Highlighting the importance of voluntary blood donation and Safe Blood Transfusion to the patients, Ruby Hall Clinic organized a special program to mark the World Blood Donor Day on 14 June.

"Donating Blood is an Act of Solidarity. Join the Effort and Save Lives" — was the theme for World Blood Day Campaign for the year 2022.

Managing Trustee and Chief Cardiologist Dr. P.K Grant, CEO Mr. Bomi Bhote, COO, Dr. Manisha Karmarkar, Medical Director Dr. Rebecca John, Director of Blood Transfusion Services Dr. Snehal Mujumdar along with over 250 Voluntary blood donors, blood donation camp organizers, Consultant doctors, Staff Nurses, Managers and staff of all 3 Ruby Hall Clinic Group of Hospitals attended the function.

Keeping the objectives of Promotion of voluntary blood donation and Safe Blood Transfusion to the patients in focus, 20 Apheresis donors and Blood Donation Camp Organizers were felicitated on the occasion. Various competitions were held for doctors and staff nurses to emphasize the need of ensuring safety from Donor's Vein to the patient's vein (Vein to vein safety). 124 prize winners were felicitated on the occasion.

Mr. Bomi Bhote highlighted that "Ruby Hall Clinic Blood Center has all technologically advanced equipment. He stated that our Blood Center is the foundation of our Hospital and our voluntary blood donors are our pillars of strength. He praised the Blood Center staff for their commitment and skills which results in saving thousands of lives each year. He praised the protocols set by the Director of Blood Transfusion Services, Dr. Snehal Mujumdar. These protocols are stringently followed by the staff resulting in safe blood transfusion in patients."

Dr. Manisha Karmarkar stated that "As a practicing Anaesthetologist she handles

blood transfusions almost every day. She acknowledged that under the directions of Dr. Snehal Mujumdar, the Director of Blood Transfusion Services, there has never been a single occasion in any of the 3 Ruby Hall Clinic hospitals when surgery had to be postponed due to non availability of blood. Even during the COVID pandemic, the blood center ensured continuous uninterrupted supply of Blood components in all 3 Ruby Hall Group of Hospitals. She emphasized on: 'WHY WAIT FOR THE DISASTER TO OCCUR', 'DONATE BLOOD NOW' Managing Trustee and Chief Cardiologist Dr. Purvez Grant motivated the staff of Ruby Hall Clinic to participate actively in this noble work. Speaking on the occasion he said "Lack of time, fear of needles and not understanding what's involved are all given as reasons for people not donating blood. As a medical organisation we aim to dispel all myths associated with this and it is for this purpose that we have conducted internal awareness programmes on the importance of voluntary blood donations and safe blood transfusions.

Dr. Snehal Mujumdar, the Director of Blood Transfusion Services emphasized the importance of Voluntary non remunerated repeat blood donors in ensuring safe blood transfusion. She said "100% of the blood collected in Ruby Hall Clinic Blood Center is from Voluntary Non remunerated Donors and 100% of the issue of blood units to the patients is in the form of blood components. All the important processes like blood grouping, matching the donor's blood with the patient, and testing the blood for HIV and other diseases is done by automation or semi automation.

This coupled with the advanced facilities like leucodepletion, irradiation and Apheresis have really made blood transfusion at Ruby Hall Clinic safer and minimized the Transfusion related adverse reactions."

Gen Z know their history, reveals

Brainly survey on Rabindranath Tagore

Pune (P&V news service):- Brainly, India's number 1 doubt-solving platform conducted a nationwide online survey of students to mark the birth month of Rabindranath Tagore, an iconic figure in the Indian cultural renaissance. The survey sought to gauge how much students today know about the revered polymath, poet, philosopher, musician, writer, and educationist.

According to the findings, 55.9% of all students polled knew Tagore was born in Kolkata, and 66.7% of students from Kolkata responded correctly to the same question. 43.9% of students from Kolkata knew May 7th was the great poet's date of birth and 38.7% of all students responded correctly to his date of birth.

Rabindranath Tagore became the first Asian to win the Nobel Prize in 1913, 41% of respondents from Kolkata, and 37.6% of all students answered correctly. Gurudev won the Nobel Prize for his collection of poems, Gitanjali. To the question of which book by him is part of the UNESCO Collection of Representative Works, 50.2% of all students and 55.2% of students from Kolkata polled responded correctly. The Brainly Knowledge Base has over 10,000 questions and answers on Rabindranath Tagore. On Gitanjali, some of the insights received from Brainly's Knowledge Base is that the book was originally written in Bangla during 1908-1909 and later its English version in prose was published under

the title 'The Song offerings'. In 1913 Gurudev became the first non-European to receive the Nobel Prize for Literature. Students may refer to Brainly's Knowledge Base on Rabindranath Tagore here <https://brainly.in/app/ask?entry=hero&q=Rabindranath+Tagore> Mr. Narasimha Jayakumar, Managing Director, India, Brainly said, "Studying history helps us understand how events in the past help shape our present. To celebrate the birth month of Rabindranath Tagore, a man of prodigious literary and artistic accomplishments, Brainly decided to conduct a survey and see if today's generation remembers him. I am very happy with the findings." 54.5% of students from Kolkata and 51.6% of all students knew Tagore won the Nobel Prize for Literature.

In 1921, Rabindranath Tagore established the Viswabharati University, and 42.1% of students from Kolkata and 31.3% of all students answered correctly.

Among scores of songs composed by Tagore, two — Jana Gana Mana and Amar Shonar Bangla — are the national anthems of India and Bangladesh. 46% of all students answered correctly. "Rabindranath Tagore's contribution to Bengali and English literature is unparalleled. Not only was he a prolific writer, but he was also a talented musician and artist. For us at Brainly, this is a small way of honouring the man and his genius," Jayakumar added.

Public participation is important for building a good society

Supriya Sule Awarded 'with Surya Bhushan National Award 2022' by Suryadatta Group of Institutes



Pune (P&V news service):- Public participation is very important for building a good society. It is also required to provide proper infrastructure along with development works. Everyone's contribution is needed to make any initiative a successful, stated Member of Parliament, Supriya Sule. She also expressed happiness after seeing that every component of the 'Suryadatta organization was working with a dedicated attitude. On behalf of the Suryadatta Group of Institutes, MP Supriya Sule was honored with the 'Surya Bhushan National

Award 2022' for her outstanding work in the political and social fields. Supriya Sule had come to 'Suryadatta' for the 'Jana Samvad' program for the citizens of the Bawadhan area. The award was presented to her at that time. At this time, trees were planted in Suryadatta Campus with the hands of Sule.

On this occasion, the Founder Chairman & President of Suryadatta Group of Institutes, Prof. Dr. Sanjay Chordia, Vice President & Secretary Sushma Chordia, Assistant Vice President Snehal Navlakha, Siddhant Chordia, Director Prashant

Pitalia, Dean Prof. Dr. Pratiksha Wable, Akshit Kushal, NCP's Kunal Vedepatil, Kiran Vedepatil along with other local office bearers of NCP, activists, teachers and non-teaching staff of Suryadatta were present in large numbers.

Supriya Sule said, "Social development of human should be done from school age. We have to participate to keep our campus, and our city clean and safe. If values and culture are nurtured then the health of the society remains good. We are responsible for solving civic problems. Participation is just as important." Prof. Dr. Sanjay Chordia said, "Supriyatata's political and social work is inspiring. She is known as a popular MP, Parliamentarian. She has a propensity to make quick decisions and express her views. She focuses on solving social problems. She is honored by 'Suryadatta' for her work. I'm happy to be here." Prashant Pitaliya compered the function, while Abhishek Awchar gave the vote of thanks.

Safeguard your vehicle this monsoon with motor insurance

Pune (P&V news service):- With the onset of the monsoons, we often face hazards, such as floods, the spread of water-borne infections, damage to homes and vehicles, and so on. While we may take numerous efforts to safeguard our health, home, vehicles, and so on from monsoon-related damage, it may still have an adverse effect on you. In such cases, having insurance can help you stay financially secure. Understanding the importance of insurance and

how it can cover various aspects related to any kind of damage to your vehicles is important.

It is pertinent to check whether our vehicles are insured or not before the onset of monsoons. If your vehicle is insured with a comprehensive insurance cover that covers both own damage and third-party liability, you will be able to avert financial stress. However, simply acquiring a policy is insufficient; it must also be renewed on time. The insur-

ance coverage and any additions will cover repair costs as well as any damage to the car. While the standard motor insurance would cover major losses during dire circumstances. However, expenses can be further minimized by choosing multiple add-on features readily available by all leading insurers. One needs to be equipped with the right adequate add-ons to mitigate losses that are generally not covered in a standard four-wheeler policy.

ŠKODA AUTO CROSSES 205+ CUSTOMER TOUCHPOINTS PAN INDIA



Pune (P&V news service):- The first half of 2022 has been a product onslaught for ŠKODA AUTO India with the new KODIAQ, the all-new SLAVIA and the new KUSHAQ Monte Carlo. While the product offensive brought about one phase of INDIA 2.0, another phase of the Project, improving customer satisfaction, has also

been gathering momentum with the company crossing 205+ customer touchpoints across 123 cities in all four regions of the country. Commenting on the landmark, Mr. Zac Hollis, Brand Director, ŠKODA AUTO India said, "While products are our heroes, INDIA 2.0 is also about being closer to our customers on all fronts.

By rapidly increasing our customer touchpoints and expanding our network, we have the largest ever presence of the ŠKODA brand in India. Not only have we expanded in quantity, but have also focused on quality with our revolutionary digitalised showrooms." 19% rise in touchpoints, with 205+ outlets in June 2022

Samsung Launches 'Solve for Tomorrow', an Innovation Competition for India's Youth Solve Real-World Problems; Get Exciting Samsung Products & Up To INR 1 Crore in Grants to Turn Your Ideas Into Action!

Pune (P&V news service):- Samsung, India's most admired brand, today launched the inaugural edition of Solve for Tomorrow, a new youth-centric national education and innovation competition, inviting India's brightest young minds to come up with innovative ideas that can transform the lives of people and communities around them. With Solve for Tomorrow, a citizenship initiative that engages Gen Z around the world, Samsung aims to provide support to youth in India aged 16-22 years from across cities, towns and villages to turn their ideas to solve real-world issues into action. In the first year, Solve for Tomorrow is inviting ideas in the areas of Education, Environment, Healthcare and Agriculture, the priority UN Sustainable Development Goals for India. Support will include mentoring of the top 50 teams (individuals or teams of up to 3 members) by industry experts and Foundation for Innovation

and Technology Transfer (FITT) at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (IIT Delhi) to help enhance their ideas, along with a boot-camp at IIT Delhi, a certificate of participation, and vouchers worth INR 100,000 for online courses in design thinking, STEM, innovation, leadership, among others. The top 10 teams will get the opportunity to visit Samsung India offices, its R&D centres and Samsung Opera House in Bengaluru where they will interact with young Samsung employees and researchers. The annual program will end with the grand announcement of three national winners, who stand a chance to get mega support of up to INR 1 crore and mentoring support for six months to take their ideas to the next level under the expert guidance of IIT Delhi. Participants can apply for Solve for Tomorrow, get detailed information on the program and terms and conditions at [www.samsung.com/in/solve-](http://www.samsung.com/in/solve-tomorrow)

tomorrow, starting June 09, 2022 till 5 pm, July 31, 2022. Mr. Ken Kang, President and CEO, Samsung Southwest Asia, said, "At Samsung, harnessing the power of youth is priority. This is what drives us and our global CSR vision of 'Together for Tomorrow! Enabling People,' which seeks to empower the next generation to achieve their full potential and pioneer positive social changes. Solve for Tomorrow also takes us a step ahead in our vision of 'Powering Digital India' as the country's strongest partner." "With Solve for Tomorrow, we aim to motivate and nurture creative thinking and problem-solving among the youth and encourage them to find innovative technology solutions with a social impact. We want to play our part in strengthening the innovation ecosystem in the country, taking forward the vision of the Government and the people of this country," he

said. Prof. Rangan Banerjee, Director, IIT Delhi, said: "With Samsung's Solve for Tomorrow initiative, we are looking at prospective innovations with impact potential to address the future challenges faced by society. This partnership will enable young change-makers to explore wider opportunities and provide a platform for activating and nurturing their ideas." **Solve for Tomorrow at a Glance** Who can participate: 16-22 year-olds, individually or in teams of up to 3 Application themes: Education, Environment, Healthcare and Agriculture What will they get: Online training, mentoring from Samsung & IIT Delhi, Bootcamp at IIT Delhi What do winners get: Total of up to INR 1 crore to 3 winning teams, mentoring for 6 months Where can they apply: www.samsung.com/in/solvefortomorrow From when: Starting June 09, 2022 Till when: Till 5 pm, July 31, 2022

Future Generali India Insurance adjudged 'Best General Insurance employer' by Great Place to Work



Pune (P&V news service):- Future Generali India Insurance Company Limited (FGII), the general insurance arm of the joint venture between retail giant Future Group and global insurer Generali, has been recognized for its 'employee centric approach' and 'Human Touch' philosophy, yet again. FGII outshines amidst the 'General Insurance' category by emerging as the employer of choice and earning its place amidst the much-coveted list of 'India's top 50 best companies' to work with as per 'Great Place to Work' Institute. FGII's ambition is to be a 'Life

Time Partner' to its customers by combining simplicity and innovation with empathy and care along the entire customer journey. They are of the strong belief that customer delight and employee satisfaction go hand in hand, and its ambition of housing strong and happy customer relationships will be delivered through its happy and motivated employees. Over the last few years, the company has made extensive efforts towards orchestrating an appropriate organisational design aimed at fostering a culture of growth and productivity, a nurturing environment for employees that

enables them to realise their full potential and progress in their career aspirations with FGII. The pandemic stood testimony to some of FGII's people practices, relevant to the difficult times. Right from prioritizing employee safety, job, and financial security, providing for medical needs to emphasize on mental health for employees and families, the management stayed focused on keeping employees first. The organization ensured that employees were continually engaged and gainfully employed, while they got their increments, bonuses and promotions, like any other (pre-pandemic) year. Substantial efforts were undertaken to ensure employee connect and well-being which were prioritised through various interventions, like - mental health helpline, Mental health day off on 'World mental health day' on 10th October and series of other employee engagement programs to connect employees and families. All this was done maintain-

ing focus on productivity and bringing to market a slew of innovations and industry firsts that resonated positively with its customers, making FGII the fastest growing General Insurance player in India, amidst the top 10. Anup Rau, MD & CEO, Future Generali India Insurance says, "At FGII, we are a 'Life Time Partner' to our employees, first; and each of us collectively deliver this promise, creating customer delight, through their journey with us. Leading with 'Human Touch' has been our core guiding principle to ensure employee well-being, growth, and satisfaction, reflecting in all our people actions." He further adds "We are delighted to see ourselves at the helm of the industry for being a workplace of choice amidst the general insurance industry. It is humbling to witness the reciprocated trust and faith of our employees. With the backing of the best talent in the industry, FGII is well on its way to mirror this success as among the fastest growing top 10 player in the general insurance space."

Capri Stressed Assets Fund invests INR 375 Crore in UNBRAKO

Pune (P&V news service):- Capri Stressed Assets Fund (Capri Fund) - managed by Capri Xponentia Managers LLP (CXM) announced its first investment in Deepak Fasteners Limited. Capri Fund has taken significant minority stake in the company. The investment is structured in combination of debt, convertible and equity. Through the investment raised, the Ludhiana-based company provided exit to select lenders turning a new leaf in its journey. The Company, capitalizing on its strong brand, market positioning and distribution network, targets to emerge as a major player in the industrial fas-

teners segment, world-wide, over the next few years. The unique transaction structure designed for investment is aimed to assist the Company in its growth endeavor. The Company intends to come out with a public offering of its equity shares in the next few years. From Capri Fund, Umesh Biyani and Ankit Jain shall be inducted as Nominee Director on the Board of the Company. Commenting on the transaction, Rajesh Sharma, Founder of Capri Global Group said, "We are thrilled to partner with Deepak Fasteners Limited. By realigning the capital structure and reducing debt to sustainable levels, the in-

vestment is structured to fuel the Company's growth plan. It is our belief that the company is at the cusp of emerging as a preferred fastener partner for the Indian industry driven by its strong world-renowned 'Unbrako' brand, excellent manufacturing capabilities and the unfolding India growth story. This investment underlines our philosophy of working with companies having strong and resilient business models, help them turnaround their business operations and evolve as a major player within their industry." Sanjeev Kalra, Promoter of Deepak Fasteners said, "Our vision is to continue being

the world leader in designing, manufacturing and marketing of premium quality industrial fasteners. We plan to capture a major share of global market for industrial fasteners with an extensive and accessible worldwide marketing and distribution network and with our range of Made-in-India "Unbrako" fasteners. Capri Xponentia's investment is a testament to our capability and potential. We are confident that we will be able to achieve our future targets and come out with an IPO in near future". Aaraya Advisory Services Private Limited advised the Company on the transaction.

ASSOCHAM names Valocity for excellence in innovation & technology at India Fintech Festival

Pune (P&V news service):- Valocity, a global Fintech company has won the "Excellence in Innovation & Technology Award" at the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) India International Fintech Festival. The award was received by Valocity India CEO, Sovan Mandal, in the presence of esteemed dignitaries, officials and representatives of industries and commerce including honorary guest and Ex Finance Secretary, Mr. Subhash Chandra Garg. The festival is India's leading interacting platform for the Fintech ecosystem, a global movement shaping the future of Fintech. Commenting on the achievement, Sovan Mandal, CEO at Valocity India said, "We are honoured to win this prestigious award as it demonstrates the positive impact Valocity is having on our clients and the huge potential



of our product to transform mortgage lending in India. When we entered the market, we promised to lead the way for the property ecosystem delivering cutting edge, cloud-based technology to enable digital data capture and automated valuation workflows. To be presented with this award is a testimony to the problem Valocity is solving for the industry." India is among the fastest growing Fintech markets in the world, comprising of over 3,500 Fintech start-ups. The

Indian Fintech market was valued at USD\$31Billion in 2021 and is estimated to be worth USD\$85Billion by 2025. Carmen Vichelich, Founder and Global CEO at Valocity said, "India is embracing digital faster than ever before, and it is exciting to be delivering much needed automation and standardisation to the property valuation process. While the Valocity platform is well established globally, it is exciting to be recognised for our localised

India solution at these esteemed awards." India's approach to digital financial inclusion is a global model and with initiatives such as Digital India, Housing for All, and India Stack, it has never been more important to embrace digitisation and the latest data and technology. Valocity is proud to collaborate with the industry to deliver ongoing innovation, future-proof solutions, enhanced customer experiences and timely data insights for informed decision making. Valocity is digitising the entire end to end mortgage valuation process in a single seamless platform to deliver significant efficiency, risk and compliance management and operational cost savings. Valocity's advanced Valuation Ordering Platform is entirely cloud based and has supported over a \$1.5 Trillion dollars in loan decisions globally.

Pinnacle Industries partners with Cityflo for the interior design of their new proprietary bus



Pune (P&V news service):- Pinnacle Industries, India's only integrated commercial vehicle seating & interiors company offering end to end solutions for commercial vehicle OEMs across the ICE and EV space, is once again leading the way as they partnered with Cityflo, Mumbai's app-based commute company, to design, develop and manufacture the seating & interiors of their new proprietary bus. This is a first-of-its-kind-in-the-country bus design built specifically for urban Indian commuters. Cityflo aims to add 1,500 such new buses which will service 1 Lakh customers in the next 2 years. Pinnacle Industries is India's leading automotive interiors, seating systems, EV

components, speciality vehicles, railway seating, and electric vehicles company. The design and manufacturing process for the Cityflo bus took almost 2 years to complete and saw the coming together of key mobility industry stalwarts to create the next edition of buses. Pinnacle Industries worked on the design, development and manufacturing of seats, interior trims panels, luggage racks, driver partitions/magazine holders, umbrella holders, roof, flooring & ambience lighting for the new, proprietary bus. The design, development, and manufacturing of the interiors of Cityflo's new proprietary bus were done by Pinnacles Industries. Based on exhaustive customer research within the Cityflo customer base, three prototypes of the seat were created before arriving at the final seat form, which considered customer behaviour onboard the bus. The bus was built with various iterations to meet the required standard & expectations using the Bharat Benz chassis. The existing bus interior was completely redesigned and converted to the new look accordingly. Speaking on the partnership, Mr. Arishant Mehta, President, Pinnacle Industries Limited, highlighted, "Our partnership with Cityflo ensures the best comfort for the passengers' commute. This collaboration strengthens our goal of positioning Pinnacle Industries as

the leader in the commercial mobility space. I am confident that both Pinnacle & Cityflo will provide much more enhanced transportation for Indian roads." Speaking on the collaboration, Vipin Joe, Creative Head, Cityflo said, "Our partnership with Pinnacle Industries was instrumental in designing a customer experience that was truly unique to the Cityflo customer. With their expertise in developing automotive interiors and seating systems, Pinnacle provided us with the best resources in designing, prototyping and manufacturing based on our brief. Our collaboration with them carries on as we continue to test and improve our interiors." The new ergonomic seat profile has an adjustable neck rest with memory foam cushions, stiff lumbar support, individual charging ports per passenger, a centre armrest between seats and an intuitive reclining and seat sliding mechanism for a more seamless experience in a shared commute. Apart from the seat itself, the overhead luggage rack has been redesigned to increase headroom and enhance the perceived volume in the bus. The aesthetics and environment of the bus have also seen a face-lift with the incorporation of a more premium colour palette, sturdier materials, and ambient lighting to induce a calm, comfortable and relaxed surrounding.

Avanse Financial Services partners with National Skill Development Corporation to enable financial solutions for skill development for the youth

Pune (P&V news service):- Avanse Financial Services, India's new age, technologically advanced education-focused NBFC, partnered with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to provide easy, fast, and affordable financing solutions for the youth of the country interested in fulfilling their skilling requirements. This collaboration is a progressive step towards catering to the growing need for a skilled workforce in the country across various sectors by assisting the aspirants in acquiring the required skills with the help of customised financing solutions. Skill-based education or vocational training is extremely crucial as employers expect potential employees to have

practical skills and the required expertise along with academic degrees. Technical and Vocational Education & Training (TVET) enables people to acquire the necessary skills, which makes them job-ready and thus, positively impacts the economy in the long-run. This unique partnership will assist Avanse Financial Services in creating an empowered workforce in India with the help of the institutions affiliated with NSDC through a result-oriented framework that corresponds with the need of the industry. On the commencement of this collaboration, Mr. Amit Gaianda, MD & CEO, Avanse Financial Services said, "Skill development is extremely crucial, as it can contribute to structural transformation

and economic growth by enhancing employability and labour productivity. India is one of the youngest countries in the world, with more than 62% of the population in the working-age group and more than 54% of the total population below 25 years of age. This creates a large pool of human resources with high-untapped potential for development." He further said, "We are delighted to partner with NSDC as it will give us an impeccable opportunity to strengthen our purpose of democratising education and education financing in India. This will enable us to contribute towards developing a 'skilled India', a nation with a future-ready young population geared up to reach the

zenith of success. We believe this partnership will enable us to amplify our reach and thus, fulfil our mission of making education financing seamless, affordable and accessible for every deserving Indian student." Mr. Ved Mani Tiwari, COO and Officiating CEO, NSDC stated, "Access to finance is critical for democratisation of education and skills. Partnerships with NBFCs like Avanse Financial Services help NSDC move one step closer towards its core purpose, 'Skills4All, Anytime, Anywhere', as it helps achieve financial inclusion of those sections of our society who otherwise can't imagine acquiring skills for new age employment/entrepreneurship opportunities in India or overseas."

GSTN approves Cygnet Infotech as an Invoice Registration Portal (IRP)

Pune (P&V news service):- Cygnet Infotech is now approved as an Invoice Registration Portal (IRP) by Goods and Services Tax Network (GSTN), an organization which provides shared IT infrastructure and services to both central and state governments including taxpayers and other stakeholders. GSTN expects voluminous data for e-Invoice registrations and generation and to streamline this process it has identified and appointed select private players as IRPs to cater to this increasing demand. The IRP portal helps

validate the genuineness of the invoices post de-duplication check with the GST Network by assigning a unique 64-character number known as IRN (Invoice Reference Number), to every GST invoice. "Businesses may use Cygnet TaxTech's tax compliance management solutions to create, automate, and stay up to date with their tax technology architecture and streamline worldwide tax compliance operations. Our building block architecture helps streamline multiple business processes such as

Order to Cash, Record to Report, Procurement to Pay, and more", said Niraj Huthuesing, Founder and Managing Director of Cygnet Infotech. He added, "With our recent acquisitions of Glib & euVAT, along with milestones such as being India's first company to acquire Peppol membership, recent launch of our Fintech offerings, and now being registered as an IRP, we are working towards a clear vision of unlocking greater value for the tax & finance ecosystem through our technology enabled data driven

solutions. These solutions will further enable small and mid-sized businesses to handle their compliances without errors as well as assist in tax data analysis, audit evaluation, vendor digitization, and the establishment of a systematic and contemporary legacy system for better decision making." Cygnet IRP is a part of Cygnet TaxTech. Cygnet TaxTech has recently aggregated its global indirect tax compliance and automation solutions.

