

India's Top Business Coach Rahul Malodia Hosts First-ever Offline 'Vyapari To CEO' Event in Pune

Pune (Voice news service):- CA Rahul Malodia, India's first business coach to transform careers and help individuals upgrade themselves, is hosting its first-ever offline event, 'Vyapari to CEO' at the Buntara Bhavana Auditorium in Pune on 22nd March 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The event will be conducted by CA Rahul Malodia, India's leading business coach, who has successfully conducted over 1,000 online webinars and coached over 200,000 businessmen over the last 10 years. The one-day 'Vyapari To CEO' event caters to entrepreneurs, self-employed individuals, manufacturers, business owners, professionals, and traders aspiring to scale their businesses and automate operations.

Rahul Malodia will reveal 4 major blueprints to skyrocket attendees' chances of business success: Entrepreneurship Freedom Blueprint, Team Building Blueprint, Sales Growth Blueprint, and Finance Mastery Blueprint. The event will also feature an exclusive Q&A session where Malodia will answer questions from the audience. Rahul Malodia, founder of Malodia Business Coaching, said, "Most business owners in India operate as self-employed rather than CEOs, which limits their growth potential. At this event, I'll provide proven strategies to uplevel your employees, finances, sales, and mindset for exponential business growth. We invite entrepreneurs, and aspiring business owners from Pune and around to join us."

Samsung to Bring AI and Hyper Connectivity to Tech-savvy Indian Consumers: Samsung Vice Chairman and CEO, JH Han

Pune (Voice news service):- Jong-Hee (JH) Han, Vice Chairman, CEO and Head of the Device eXperience (DX) Division at Samsung Electronics, visited Samsung BKC at Jio World Plaza, Mumbai for the first time since the store's opening and underlined the Company's commitment to the Indian market by bringing AI and hyper connectivity to its tech-savvy consumers. He also invited consumers to come and experience Samsung's latest AI innovations across its product portfolio, from televisions and digital appliances to smartphones.

"AI will enable connected technologies to improve people's daily lives while always remaining non-intrusive and in the background. With our model of open collaboration, we want to bring AI and hyper-connectivity to all our consumers. India is the next big

playground for AI and our flagship Samsung BKC store is an embodiment of our 'AI for All' vision and will showcase 'One Samsung'. At the various zones of the store, consumers can see our AI vision in reality and experience how smarter, better experiences will redefine how we live," said Jong-Hee (JH) Han, Vice Chairman, CEO and Head of the Device eXperience (DX) Division at Samsung Electronics. Earlier this year, Han unveiled Samsung's 'AI for All' vision at CES, showcasing how AI will enable people to experience their devices more intuitively and conveniently than ever before. As part of its 'AI for All' vision, Samsung in January unveiled Galaxy AI in its new Galaxy S24 smartphone series. Han said India is one of the biggest and fastest-growing markets globally and offers a huge opportunity for Sam-



sung. "India has a large population of tech-savvy young consumers that inspire us to innovate. Here, thousands of young, enterprising youth work at our R&D centres to bring cutting edge technologies such as AI to the world. We are proud of them," said Han. Samsung recently inaugurated the connected lifestyle experience store Samsung BKC where consumers can experience 'One Sam-

sung'. This entails Samsung's latest AI innovations and how it powers the Company's connected devices ecosystem. The Company has been in India for over 28 years, having begun operations here in 1995. Samsung continues to be deeply committed to India with two state-of-the-art manufacturing plants, three R&D centres and one design centre that employ thousands of people.

Mother's Recipe introduces Summerwala Sharbat in five flavours



Pune (Voice news service):- Mother's Recipe, Indian food brand has announced the launch of a Summerwala Sharbat for the summer season. Following its value of creating nostalgia for its consumers, the Summerwala Sharbat products will reminisce the nostalgia of having fresh Sharbats to beat the heat in summers.

In Indian homes, making sharbat is a family tradition. Grandmas usually share their special recipes and ways to make sharbat. When summer comes and sharbat becomes the go-to drink, especially when guests visit. Sharbat is more than just a tasty drink; it's like a cultural symbol in India. People offer sharbat to guests to show kindness and make them feel welcome. It's a big part of Indian traditions that bring families and communities closer. Keeping this in mind, Mother's Recipe Summerwala Sharbat product category has been introduced in five exciting flavours that promises to bring

back the nostalgia. Mother's Recipe Summerwala Sharbat has launched exciting new range of refreshing flavours : Mango Panna, Rose Sharbat, Jeera Masala, Khus Syrup and Lemon Ginger. With the rising temperature, it is very important to keep our bodies cool and hydrated. Khus, Lemon, Rose, and various ingredients in the sharbat are known to offer various health benefits too such as improving digestion & cooling. The sharbat can be served chilled and can be garnished with mint leaves, lemon slices, or can be turned into a fancy mocktail or a faluda. Mother's Recipe Sharbat range is available in a 750ml PET bottle priced at Rs. 190. The bottles are great for reusing, unbreakable and easy to store in the fridge cabinets. The product will be available across all e-commerce platforms like Big Basket and all retail outlets. The launch of the products is a step forward in having a broader portfolio.

Pune real estate poised for a record year in Office and Industrial & Logistics sector leasing in 2024

Pune (Voice news service):- CBRE South Asia Pvt. Ltd., India's leading real estate consulting firm, today announced that Pune's real estate sector is poised for a record year in office and Industrial & Logistics (I&L) segment leasing in 2024. As per CBRE India, Pune's Office segment leasing is projected to hit 7 mn. sq. ft. in 2024, the highest ever in the last six years. With this, the city currently stands as the sixth-largest office market in India. The availability of land banks has been identified as a significant factor driving this growth, enabling the development of expansive office campuses and providing a diverse selection of high-quality assets at competitive rates. This combination is proving highly attractive to businesses seeking expansion or relocation opportunities. Office leasing in Pune touched 6.3 mn. sq. ft. in 2023, a 13% increase from 2022. This growth stemmed from high-quality developments, a strong talent pool, and competitive pricing. The demand was spread across prime areas, including Aundh, Baner, and Viman Nagar, among others, with each zone absorbing nearly 1.5 million sq. ft. New players, such as Prestige and Salarpuria, and institutional investors such as Mapletree, entered the market, further fueling activity. Driven by pandemic-induced uncertainties, flexible workspace operators captured a

significant portion of leasing activity in Pune. These adaptable spaces allow companies to explore new operational locations and seek agile workspace solutions. While the Banking, Financial Services, and Insurance (BFSI) sector maintained its expansion trajectory, the technology sector witnessed moderate leasing activity due to factors such as return-to-office (RTO) policies and global economic headwinds. Pune's robust talent pool and competitive real estate market remain major draws for information technology (IT) companies. This is evidenced by the establishment of campuses by leading firms such as Tata Consultancy Services, Infosys, Wipro, and Accenture within the city. Their presence reflects a strong confidence in the market's potential. Furthermore, the city's office market is set to be bolstered by upcoming high-quality office developments and ongoing infrastructure projects. The demand is expected to remain stable in the first half of 2024, with a potential upswing in the latter half. Industrial & Logistics segment likely to record highest leasing level in 6 years According to CBRE, the I&L sector in Pune is expected to hit record leasing in six years in 2024 with approximately 2.4 mn. sq. ft., accompanied by a high supply of 3.2 mn. sq. ft. The city hosts a significant number of small and medium-scale equipment

manufacturers, complementing its robust IT industry. Industrial and logistics parks have emerged as prominent hubs, notably in areas such as Chakan-Talegaon. Other active zones include Sanaswadi-Ranjangaon and Pimpri-Chinchwad. In 2023, Pune saw substantial leasing in the I&L segment, recording 1.7 mn sq. ft., a 113% increase from 2022. Warehousing transactions were led by third-party logistics (3PL) players, FMCG, and auto and ancillary industries. In the industrial sector, engineering and manufacturing firms, including both newcomers and established players, expanded their presence in the city. Pune's industrial prowess is well-recognised, particularly in the crucial automotive manufacturing segment. Major firms such as Bajaj Auto, Tata Motors, and DaimlerChrysler have established their bases here. Beyond automobiles, Pune boasts a thriving engineering and manufacturing landscape encompassing diverse industries such as machine tools, chemicals, and electronics. Anshuman Magazine, Chairman & CEO - India, South-East Asia, Middle East & Africa, CBRE, said, "Several factors contribute to Pune's flourishing real estate landscape. The city's strategic location offers distinct advantages, while its robust infrastructure ensures seamless business operations. Moreover, Pune's skilled workforce



makes it a highly attractive destination for companies seeking to establish or expand their presence in India. This confluence of advantages solidifies Pune's position as a premier real estate destination within the country, attracting both investors and occupiers." Anuj Dhondy, Executive Director, Advisory & Transaction Services, CBRE India, said, "Pune's real estate market is demonstrating robust growth across diverse micro-markets. In the office sector, prime areas like Kharadi, Aundh, Baner, Balewadi and Viman Nagar are witnessing strong demand. This surge in activity is attracting new market entrants, including prominent developers alongside institutional investors seeking a foothold in this flourishing market. The industrial and logistics sector is mirroring this positive trend, with established hubs like Chakan-Talegaon, Sanaswadi-Ranjangaon, and Pimpri-Chinchwad are thriving alongside the presence of numerous equipment manufacturers. This micro-market diversity caters to a wide range of occupier needs and positions Pune for continued success."

ITC Champions Water Stewardship; Attains Two more Platinum Level AWS Certification and enters prestigious 'A' list for CDP Water

Pune (Voice news service):- Strengthening its large-scale efforts in water stewardship, multi-business conglomerate ITC Limited has attained the prestigious Platinum-Level AWS (Alliance for Water Stewardship) Certification for two of its state-of-the-art units in Ranjangaon, Maharashtra, achieving, the highest global benchmark for water management. In another significant milestone, ITC also secured an exclusive Leadership Level 'A' score for Water Security from CDP, a prominent not-for-profit organization that promotes engagement on global environmental issues. The AWS certifications for Ranjangaon units follow the success of the Company in achieving the same feat for its Foods Unit at Malur in 2022, which was recognized as Asia's first food processing facility to receive the certification. ITC's Paperboards Unit in Kovai became the first site in India and the world's first paper mill to achieve AWS certification. The coveted AWS Certification involved rigorous onsite and community level assessments at the Integrated Foods facility at Ranjangaon in Pune district. The unit manufactures ITC's popular food products brands such as YIPPeel noodles, Bingo! snacks and Aashirvaad Atta among others. Alliance for

Water Stewardship (AWS) is a global membership collaboration comprising businesses, NGOs and the public sector that focuses on contribution to the sustainability of local water-resources. The certifications aren't just badges; they signify the scale and impact of ITC's comprehensive initiatives, ensuring sustainable water supply and responsible usage within the facilities. These interventions also extend beyond the confines of the factory, addressing water security for stakeholders in the catchments, and benefiting local communities. Notably, these efforts have already rendered the Ghod river basin water positive. Aligning seamlessly with the Jal Shakti Abhiyan, ITC supports small and marginal farmers in establishing Water User Groups (WUGs) for community-based participatory management of local water resources. ITC's integrated contributions in water management haven't gone unnoticed. The CDP recognition positions ITC among the two companies in India to achieve the prestigious 'A' List status in 'CDP Water'. ITC is the sole representative from the manufacturing sector in 'A' league setting a remarkable standard in the sector, surpassing the Asia regional average of 'C'. Additionally,

the supply side water management program creating a storage capacity exceeding 51.85 million kl of water recharge structures. Rigorous measures within ITC facilities, based on the '3R' principle—recycle, reuse, and reduce—have generated water storage potential exceeding 1 million kl during 2022-23, further contributing to water conservation efforts. ITC's interventions in demand-side water management across agricultural catchments have yielded substantial water savings of 20-45% across 15 crops resulting in estimated potential saving of 1,080 million cu.m of water in the current year. Looking ahead, as part of the bold Sustainability 2.0 agenda articulated by ITC Chairman Mr. Sanjiv Puri, ITC aspires to create rainwater harvesting potential equivalent to over five times its net water consumption by 2030, creating a saving potential of 2,000 million cu.m water through agri water use efficiency, alongside a targeted 40% reduction in specific water consumption compared to the FY 2018-19 baseline. In essence, ITC's journey in water stewardship exemplifies a harmonious blend of corporate responsibility and sustainable practices, setting a benchmark in the pursuit of a greener, more sustainable future.

water stewardship interventions: Emphasizing a 360-degree approach to water stewardship, ITC's Sustainability Program focuses on efficient water management and conservation through watershed development initiatives which have covered over 15 lakh acres and benefited more than 4.40 lakh people. Over 36,600 water harvesting structures have been constructed till date under

JCB India rolls out its 500,000th Construction Equipment

Pune (Voice news service):- India's leading manufacturer of Earthmoving and Construction Equipment JCB India, celebrated the roll out of its 500,000th Construction Equipment. JCB has been in India since 1979 and its products are used in infrastructure development across the country. With six manufacturing facilities in India, JCB proudly exports "Made in India" machines to over 130 countries. The event took place in the presence of JCB's Group Chairman, Lord Bamford at the company's India Headquarters at Ballabgarh. Speaking at the occasion, Lord Bamford said "India is today one of the strongest economies in the world. There has been a significant focus on infrastructure development over the past decade and we are proud to have been a part of this growth through our machines" He further added, "We have continued to invest in India since 1979, that was when we set up our first factory here at Ballabgarh. India now plays an important part in our global business, as it is one of our largest markets, and also contributes to the global supply chain for JCB" The 500,000th machine, a Telehandler, is a versatile



machine for Material Handling. It is a revolutionary new way to handle Material at heights in a Safer and more Productive manner as compared to traditional options. Deepak Shetty, CEO and Managing Director, JCB India said, "It is only fitting that the 500,000th machine to roll out from JCB is Telehandler. This machine, ever since it was introduced in India, has made work sites Safer and more Productive with its superior Design and Engineering. JCB is a world leader in Telehandlers and as India grows, we see opportunities for this machine in the Material Handling sector. Additionally, our brilliant machines such as Backhoe Loaders, Excavators among others will continue to be used in the Infrastructure sector"

He further added, "JCB India is today exporting to over 130 countries around the world. This has been possible only because of our relentless focus on One Global Quality. Our customers place their trust in us, and we have always ensured that they get the best value out of their investment". JCB manufactures over 60 different products in nine categories in India. The company has also created a benchmark for gender diversity in the Construction Equipment sector. Its Jaipur factory has 34% women on the shop floor and the Vadodra facility, which was inaugurated in 2022 has almost 52% women on the shop floor. It has a design centre in Pune with over 700 engineers who work on domestic as well as global projects.

JYOTICHAND BHAICHAND JEWELLERS UNVEILS 'MAHA UTSAV': A DAZZLING NIGHT OF GRATITUDE AND PRIZES

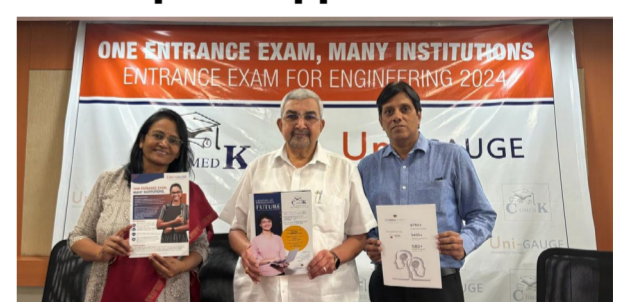


Pune: Jyotichand Bhairchand Jewellers, a distinguished name in the jewelry industry, recently organized a spectacular event titled "Maha Utsav," dedicated to expressing their gratitude to their valued customers. With a legacy of 6 generations, Jyotichand Bhairchand Jewellers has consistently set benchmarks in crafting exquisite jewelry, becoming synonymous with Trust and Transparency. The event, held at the prestigious Teritree Hotel in Hadaspar, was a grand celebration of customer loyalty and support. Jyotichand Bhairchand Jewellers, led by their visionary leaders Mr. Swapnil ShrenikKumar Shah and Mrs. Mukulika Swapnil Shah & Mr. Aushumalin Swapnil Shah, orchestrated an unforgettable evening filled with excitement and anticipation. During the "Maha Utsav," Jyotichand Bhairchand Jewellers demonstrated their commit-

ment to customer satisfaction by presenting amazing gifts through a Quiz Competition. The winners were selected in a fair and transparent manner, reflecting the company's dedication to integrity and fairness. The highlight of the event was the announcement of the bumper prizes: The first prize winner was awarded a luxurious Tata Altroz car, symbolizing progress, mobility, and the ability to navigate through life's journey. The second prize consisted of 2 Activa 6 G bikes, providing winners with a stylish and convenient mode of transportation. The third prize included 3 unique silver bars of 1 kg each, adding a touch of elegance to each winning recipient's collection. The Quiz Competition used for the selection ensured equal opportunities for all participants, creating an unbiased and thrilling experience for everyone involved.

COMEDK - Karnataka's Premier Engineering Entrance Exam Opens Applications

Pune: Over the last five decades, Karnataka has stood as a pillar of leadership in higher education. It remains the preferred destination for individuals aspiring to build a career in engineering, considering its array of diverse colleges, outstanding educational offerings, and a remarkable track record of high job placement rates post-graduation. The state's commitment to higher education has cultivated a substantial pool of skilled professionals, attracting significant global demand. The COMEDK UGET and Uni-GAUGE entrance examination is scheduled to take place on Sunday, May 12, 2024, as a combined examination for admissions to over 150 Engineering colleges in Karnataka and 50+ reputed private and deemed universities across India, respectively. This unified examination is tailored for colleges affiliated with the Karnataka Unaided Private Engineering Colleges Association (KMUPECA) and Uni-GAUGE member universities offering B.E./B.Tech programmes. The online exam will be conducted across 200+ cities in India, in 400+ test centers. This year, it expects over 1,00,000 students to appear for the examination. Candidates from across India can apply for the exam. Applicants can register at www.comedk.org or www.unigaugue.com. The application process is open online from February 01, 2024 to April



05, 2024. In 2022, COMEDK introduced the COMEDK KARES innovation hubs, aimed at preparing students from participating institutions for the workforce through skill enhancement courses. Eight Innovation Hubs have been established across Karnataka, with four located in Bengaluru and the others in Mysuru, Kalaburagi, Mangaluru, and Belgaum. These state-of-the-art centers, each spanning over 5000 sq. ft. are equipped with advanced tools such as Wood routing, Laser cutting, 3D printers, AR-VR equipment, Hand tools, Computer software, UI-UX tools, etc. The Innovation Hubs offer programs in Rapid Prototyping, Robotics, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, and Internet of Things (IoT). Karnataka is the first state to introduce skill-based training to private engineering colleges through this groundbreaking initiative by COMEDK. "At COMEDK, we champion the belief that a student's merit and aptitude should be the sole guiding factors for

their educational journey. Our entrance exam, COMEDK UGET, stands as a testament to our commitment to fairness and objectivity in the testing process," said Dr. Kumar, Executive Secretary at COMEDK. "More than 150 top-notch colleges admit students through UGET, and we take pride in offering an equitable, inclusive, and non-exploitative platform to connect them with young talent." Adds Mr. P. Muralidhar, CEO, ERA Foundation: "We firmly believe that a student's merit and aptitude should be the sole criteria for choosing where to pursue further studies. Uni-GAUGE has been meticulously designed to adhere to the highest standards of fairness and objectivity as a testing platform. We take pride in our contribution to the holistic development of tomorrow's workforce." The entire application and exam process will be online. A detailed process guideline on the online exam and application process has been made available to students on www.comedk.org or www.unigaugue.com

Seagram's Royal Stag BoomBox brings a thrilling musical experience to Pune

Musicians Armaan Malik, Nikhita Gandhi, Dee MC and Ali Merchant

Pune (Voice news service):- Celebrating the spirit of 'Living it Large', Seagram's Royal Stag presents the second edition of Royal Stag BoomBox, a one-of-its-kind musical festival where the best-loved melodies of Bollywood meet the pulsating beats of hip-hop. The musical experience held its third on-ground experience of the year in Pune, March 23rd, 2024. The city came alive as Royal Stag BoomBox audaciously brought together polar opposites of the music industry to create an original soundscape.



Armaan Malik, etching a memorable experience in the minds of all those present. Singer-songwriter Armaan Malik said, "Music transcends all boundaries and brings people together. I am overjoyed to be a part of Royal Stag BoomBox for the second year in a row. Performing live in Indore and then in Pune was truly a beautiful experience." Singer Nikhita Gandhi added, "I had a lot of fun being a part of the first edition of Royal Stag BoomBox and I am delighted to be a part of this unique platform once again. I had a fabulous time meeting my fans in Indore earlier this month, and performing in Pune was just as memorable!" Hip-hop artist Dee MC shared, "Royal Stag BoomBox has carved a niche for itself among lovers of Hip-hop and Bollywood music. I am elated to be associated with the platform for its second edition. Pune's audience absolutely blew me away with their energy!" Artist Ali Merchant said, "Royal Stag BoomBox is back with a bang with new Hip-Hop X Bollywood collabs! I was really looking forward to the experience and Pune was truly

epic!" Kartik Mohindra, CMO, Pernod Ricard India said, "Music and live experiences bring people together and are natural enablers of conviviality. Royal Stag continues to celebrate music as its key youth passion pillar. Carrying forward the brand's 'Live It Large' ethos and youth connect; we are excited for the launch of the second edition of Royal Stag BoomBox. The kind of response and engagement we received for the festival last year was truly overwhelming. This year, the platform is set to elevate the experience by blending the melodies of Bollywood with the pulsating beats of Hip-hop, along with art and cultural experiences, truly exemplifying the brand philosophy of living it large." Speaking about the second edition of Royal Stag BoomBox, Ajay Gupta, CEO-South Asia, Wavemaker said, "Wavemaker is thrilled to continue to be a part of the journey of Royal Stag BoomBox. More than just a musical festival, it represents a cultural movement embracing the 'Living It Large' spirit of the brand. Royal Stag BoomBox guar-

antees an unforgettable blend of swag, emotion, and the vibrant synergy between Bollywood and hip-hop. The beats of this generation will resonate loudly, and we are confident that the second edition will be another massive hit, just like the last one". Commenting on the association, Preeti Nayyar, Senior Vice President - New Business Development & Brand Partnerships, Universal Music Group, said, "As we launch the second season of Royal Stag BoomBox, UMGB (Universal Music Group for Brands) is thrilled and honored to collaborate with Royal Stag for Royal Stag BoomBox, in partnership with GroupM - WAVE-MAKER. As UMGB for Brands, we are dedicated to shaping culture through music, artists, and experiences uniquely crafted for our partners. With this musical odyssey, our goal is to deliver a ground-breaking fusion of 'Melody meets Hip-Hop' featuring live festivals and original music, creating a unique experience for the fans." For many years, music has been a key consumer engagement pillar for the brand. Royal Stag BoomBox audaciously brings together two distinct genres of the music industry, the melody of Bollywood and the gully vibe of Hip-Hop, to create the original sound of today's generation, the Generation Large. This is a tribe that tends to make rather than follow trends; a tribe that is in constant search of soul-touching experiences. Royal Stag BoomBox intends to stir the imagination of this generation, blending music they have inherited, Bollywood scores, with the genre that speaks to them, Hip Hop.

Champ Endurance Celebrates the Triumphant Conclusion of Season 3 of the Punit Balan Group Apla Pune Cyclothon, Powered by Finolex Pipes & Fittings



Pune (Voice news service):- The curtains have drawn on the highly successful Season 3 of the Punit Balan Group Apla Pune Cyclothon, an event powered with enthusiasm by Finolex Pipes & Fittings and hosted by Champ Endurance. This exhilarating event took place on March 17, 2024, at the renowned Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex in Mahalunge, Balewadi, Pune, and has once again put the spotlight on the burgeoning cycling culture in the region. The event, organised by Champ Endurance, unfolded in the early hours, filling the day with energy, enthusiasm, and the shared passion for cycling among participants from cycling groups across Maharashtra, PCPC, Pune Police, PMC, PCMC, Southern Command, Rotary Pune District, NDRF, Indian Navy, Bombay Sappers, AFMC, and numerous corporates. Celebrating Victories and Achievements The competitive spirit of the amateur and elite cyclists was on full display across various categories and distances, ranging from the challenging 100km rides to the spirited 25km dashes. Highlighting the winners who emerged victorious in their respective categories:

- 100km Female (16 to 35 years): Arunima P clinched first place with an out-

- standing time of 04:07:10
- 100km Male (16 to 35 years): Bijen Kumar led the pack, securing first position with a time of 02:44:39.
- 100km Female (36 years & above): Anjali Bhalinge emerged victorious with a time of 03:11:19.
- 100km Male (36 years & above): Michael Lehnig took first place with a time of 02:47:33.
- 50km Female (14 to 35 years): Anjali Ningwaled raced to victory, finishing first with a time of 01:36:31.
- 50km Male (14 to 35 years): Harsh Pawar excelled, clinching first place with a time of 01:24:19.
- 50km Female (36 years & above): Gauri Gumaste claimed the top spot with a time of 01:36:31.
- 50km Male (36 years & above): Kiran Subhash Pawar won first place with a time of 01:25:09.
- 25km Female (14 to 35 years): Ananya Upadhyay, leading with a time of 00:46:45.
- 25km Male (14 to 35 years): Tanish Yan Saxena, first place with a time of 00:41:48.
- 25km Female (36 years & above): Yanping Yan, victorious with a time of 00:47:31.
- 25km Male (36 years & above): Vikrant Sunil Alekar, clinching first with a time of 00:41:51.
- 62km Male Elite Category: Om Karande, excep-



tional performance with a time of 1:31:03.26.

- 31km Female Elite Category: Anjali Ranwade, first place with a time of 0:56:46.96.

Distinguished Guests and a Community United The event was graced by a host of distinguished dignitaries, emphasizing the cyclothon's significance as a community and sporting celebration. Among the attendees were:

- Krishna Prakash, IPS, Chief of Force One
- Dr. Chandrakant Pulkundwar, Divisional Commissioner, Pune Division
- Saurabh Rao, Commissioner of Cooperation & Registrar
- Anjali Bhagwat, Olympic Medalist in Rifle Shooting
- Amol Buchade, Maharashtra Kesari & Rustam-e-Hind Kesari
- Rajendra Singh, Retired ADG
- Prashant Narnavre, Commissioner for Women and Child for Maharashtra State, Pune
- Suhass Patil, Jt. Director, Sports
- Ranjan Sharma, Adl.C.P., Pune
- Pratap Jadhav, Vice President CFI (Cycling Federation of India)
- Sumit Bhatia, Vice President, Finolex Pipes & Fittings
- Mohan Chaulal, Yatish Bhatt, Ashok Shinde from Rotary Pune District 3131
- Sandeep Gupta, Nutra-

ceutical Man of India

- Shriram Balasubramanyam, Director, Zuvetus Healthcare Limited
- Sooraj Sharma, Chairman, RIIMS Institute
- Sanjay Singh, MD, Engineer's Horizon

Ravindra Wani, Race Organizer, with Core Team members Sanjana Lall, Gaurav Firodiya, Sushma Koppikar, Meher Tiwari, Rajashree Wani along with sponsors like Punit Balan and Finolex Pipes & Fittings, expressed their heartfelt gratitude towards all participants, supporters, and the local community for making this event a monumental success. Looking Forward to the Future The Punit Balan Group Apla Pune Cyclothon Season 3 has set a new benchmark in promoting cycling as a viable and eco-friendly mode of transport and as a competitive sport. It stands as a testament to the commitment of the Pune community and beyond in embracing cycling for fitness, environmental conservation, and the sheer joy of riding. As we look forward to future editions, Champ Endurance, along with all its partners and sponsors, pledges to continue this incredible journey, aiming for even greater heights in promoting cycling culture and sustainable living. Together, we pedal towards a healthier, greener future.

PVR INOX's pocket-friendly Passport is now available across India with unbeatable features

Pune (Voice news service):- PVR INOX Ltd., India's largest multiplex chain, has launched the second edition of its monthly cinema subscription service, Passport, redesigned based on valuable consumer feedback. This iteration of Passport, which is now available across the country, including the South Indian states, is even more user-friendly and is loaded with exciting new features and fewer conditions. Commencing from 18th March, subscribers will have access to watching movies at an affordable price. From Mondays to Thursdays, subscribers can watch up to 4 movies per month for just Rs. 349/-.

Subscribers also have the option to purchase and redeem tickets for someone else through Passport. If subscribers wish to watch movies on recliners, or in premium & experiential

formats, like IMAX, P[XL], ICE, ScreenX, MX4D or 4DX, they can pay an additional fee of Rs. 150 over and above the Passport coupon and have an enjoyable experience. However, this feature would not be available in South Indian markets. Movie lovers can acquire their PVR INOX Passport 2.0 on the PVR & INOX app or website and through PayTM. Subscribers will also have an option of buying a 3-month subscription by paying a total of Rs 1047 upfront, which will offer them food vouchers worth Rs 350. With just 50,000 PVR INOX Passports up for grabs this time, movie buffs better hurry to secure theirs for the ultimate cinematic journey, as bookings will remain open only for 3 weeks. Expressing his excitement about the launch of PVR INOX

Passport 2.0, Gautam Dutta, Co-CEO of PVR INOX Ltd., said, "While our first edition of the PVR INOX Passport was met with much love and appreciation from moviegoers, there was a lot of meaningful feedback from users on how we could make it better, and add to Passport's capability to revolutionize cinema going in the country. We can now proudly claim to have curated a refreshed version, which is absolutely consumer friendly, overcomes the challenge of price-friction, and would allow us to truly transform the cinema-going habits in our country. While allowing audiences to explore more content from more genres, a proposition like this also holds potential to bring in more audiences for movies, big or small. Gautam also adds, "This time, PVR INOX Passport will be available in the southern

3rd Sub Junior National Championship: Uttarakhand, Delhi boxers shine in the pre-quarterfinals

Pune (Voice news service):- Aditya Mehra along with four other boxers from Uttarakhand and Arti Kumar among six Delhi pugilists stormed into the quarter-finals on day four at the 3rd Sub Junior National Championship at the Shaheed Vijay Singh Pathik Sports Complex in Greater Noida.



Uttarakhand were a dominant force in the boys section with four out of five boxers winning their respective bouts with RSC decision. Aditya Mehra (35kg) notched up a comfortable win against Ansh of Haryana with the referee stopping the contest in round

one to give Uttarakhand a perfect head start. Pratham Chand (40kg) followed next, outclassing Madhya Pradesh's Khushdeep to grab a 5-0 win. The trio of Prajwal Singh Bhandari (49kg), Natiak Prasad (58kg) and Yash Kapri (70+kg) continued the momentum for Uttara-

khand, winning their bouts convincingly in the first round itself with a RSC decision. Four boxers each from Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh and Manipur also moved to the boy's quarter-finals with the wins. Arti Kumar (33kg) led the way for

Delhi in the girls section with her thumping RSC win over Gujarat's Lisa in round one. Priyanjali (46kg) and Kaynat (64kg) clinched victories with the referee stopping the contest against Suvidnya Dodake of Maharashtra and Sneha Bobus of Kerala respectively in round three. Siya (37kg), Ahaana Sharma (49kg) and Sarika Yadav (52kg) were the other Delhi boxers to progress into the last-8 stage. Five boxers from Rajasthan and Haryana also entered the quarter-finals. The semi-finals and finals will be played on Sunday and Monday respectively.

Laapataa Ladies Fame 'Chutney Men' Narendra Khatri will be seen in the role of Devnarayan in the film 'Gauriya Live', the film will be released on March 29th



Pune: Gauriya Live, directed by Gabriel Vats, is scheduled to release on March 29. The story of this film is based on borewell. Actor Narendra Khatri says, "This film is based on borewell. In many places, borewells are made for construction work or in search of water. So many pits remain open and a child falls into them. Gauriya Live Film Also a girl falls into a borewell pit. The entire rescue incident is in this film. Narendra Khatri says, my character in this film is of Devnarayan, which is very funny, will make you laugh and make you emotional as well, I have

a very active character, the entire film has been shot in eight days. After 2 days of shooting, director Gabriel Vats told me that now you have to take this film forward. I was very happy to hear this. Now the film is not far away, the film will be released on March 29, you all will like this film, apart from Narendra Khatri, this film also stars Peepli Live's Nattha Omkar Das, Ada Singh and Vinay Jha. The writers of the film are Seema Saini and Gabriel Vats, producers of this film are Rahul Rangare, Nishant Jain and Rohit Raj Singh and Rajeev Ji.

ANP Corp Organizes "ANP Run Pune Run" Charity Half Marathon to Support Underprivileged Communities

Pune (Voice news service):- ANP Corp, a prominent real estate developer, announces the upcoming "ANP Run Pune Run" Charity Half Marathon, scheduled for April 7th, 2024, at Balewadi Stadium in Pune. This charitable event, organized in collaboration with RunBuddies, aims to promote a healthier lifestyle while extending crucial support to underprivileged people, particularly in healthcare. Each registration for the event will contribute to the ANP Care Foundation's mission of providing free dialysis to those in need, thereby making a tangible difference in their lives. Mr. Rishi Adwani, Director of ANP Corp, underscored the company's dedication to social responsibility, stating, "At ANP Corp, we are committed to making a tangible impact on the lives of the less for-



tunate. The ANP Run Pune Run Half Marathon reflects our ethos of community support. Through our ANP Care Foundation, we aim to offer essential healthcare services to those in need." Mr. Sourabh Adwani, Director of ANP Corp, echoed this sentiment, saying, "We are proud

to lead this initiative, which goes beyond physical activity. The ANP Run Pune Run Half Marathon exemplifies our commitment to social welfare and inclusivity. Each step taken during this event brings us closer to ensuring easy access to healthcare services."

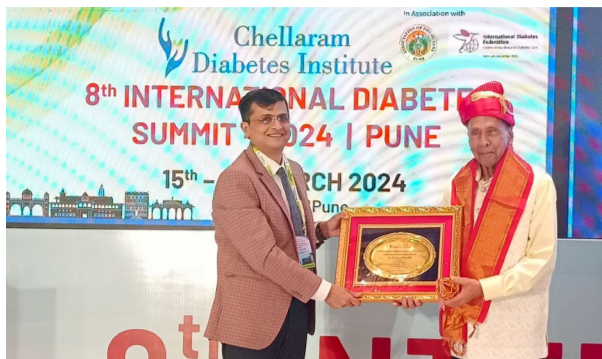
Mr. Tanuj Pherwani, Director of ANP Corp, emphasized the event's inclusive nature, stating, "The ANP Run Pune Run Half Marathon welcomes participants from diverse backgrounds. Whether you're an experienced runner or simply wish to support a noble cause, there's a place for everyone. Together, we can make a meaningful difference in the lives of those in need." The event will offer various distance categories, including a 21 KM Timed Run, 10 KM Timed Run, 5 KM Fun Run, and 3 KM Fun Run/Walk. Participants will receive race essentials and support, including a t-shirt, medal, goody bag, timing chip, breakfast, hydration, route support, and an e-certificate. Registration for the ANP Run Pune Run Half Marathon is now open online at <https://www.runpunerun.com>.

National Equestrian Championship Eventing

Close to 200 riders will compete in National Equestrian Championship Eventing at the Army Polo and Riding Centre in New

Delhi. The first three-day competition will begin on March 21 and the second and final will begin on March 28. The Eventing competition, also known as Horse Trial, comprises three disciplines Dressage, Cross Country and Show Jumping. In three-day events, Show Jumping competition unfolds on day three.

Collaboration and shared knowledge, mighty resources required to make progress in fight against diabetes- experts



Pune (Voice news service):- Collaboration and shared knowledge is required to make progress in the fight against diabetes, opined various experts at the 8th International Diabetes Summit 2024 organised by Chellaram Diabetes Institute in Pune. Prof. Sunil Bhagwat (Director IISER, Pune) and Dr. Narendra Kotwal (Commandant AFMC, Pune) graced the inaugural function as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour respectively. Dr. Gururaj Mutalik (Professor Emeritus, B. J. Medical College & Sassoon Hospital, Pune) was conferred the lifetime achievement award. Mr. Lal L. Chellaram, the Patron of the 8th International Diabetes Summit 2024, Dr. Un-

nikrishnan AG, C.E.O. Chellaram Diabetes Institute, Dr. (Brig.) Anil P. Pandit, C.M.D. Chellaram Diabetes Institute, Mr. Prakash Bhoopalkar, Vice Chairman Chellaram Group, Mrs. Shobhana Chellaram and other dignitaries were present on the occasion. The three-day summit covered talks on managing diabetes complications, cost-effective diabetes care, new advances and role of technology in diabetes management. The focus this year was on obesity which is one of the important risk factors of diabetes. Dr. Narendra Kotwal Commandant AFMC, Pune said that the increasing number of diabetics presents a significant challenge for our health care system, but also an opportunity for innovations and collaboration. Diabetes is not just a medical condition, it is a formidable challenge that impacts individuals, Families and communities. Its prevalence is rising at an alarming rate and it is in fact that we come together to address this global health crisis. Prof. Sunil Bhagwat Director IISER, Pune said that there are so many parameters that contribute to the conditions like that of diabetes. Each person's condition may not be answerable with the same medication which means detailed study of individuals and parameters is required. So data science, machine learning, artificial neural networks and similar tools are bound to be very helpful and it is here that an institution like IISER where biologists working hand in hand with data scientists and chemists will be able to help the society at large. Dr. Gururaj Mutalik Professor Emeritus, B. J. Medical College & Sassoon Hospital, Pune said that despite many breakthrough discoveries there is no respite for diabet-

Diabetes is not only a disease of sugar and metabolism alone but much deeper than that. It affects the entire genome and the system is broken. Referring to the emerging science of genomic and epigenomic studies, he said it is so difficult to conquer diabetes. And now there is hope as scientists at the laboratory level are speaking of non-coding RNAs and epigenetic mechanisms. Medical genetics has taken wings. In the last 15 years 20 Nobel prizes have gone to this subject for genomic and epigenomic advances whether it is diabetes, cancer, chronic diseases, heart diseases and thrombosis. When we grow old chromosomes break down (chromosomal aberration) and immune systems break down and metabolic systems one by one begin to go astray. For example, in diabetes, not only carbohydrate metabolism, but fat metabolism and protein metabolism is deeply disturbed. We need mighty resources to fight diabetes. There is a need for collaboration between or-

BioFound Biotech Wins the Biz QuoTiEnt 2024 Pune Finals!



Pune (Voice news service):- BioFound Biotech won the Biz QuoTiEnt 2024 Finals held in Pune on March 15, 2024. Biz QuoTiEnt is an annual business plan competition for college students organised by the TIE (University) team at TIE (The Indus Entrepreneurs) Pune. Starting with 106 entries it was whittled down to five finalists over three rounds. The Business Plan competition is organised for all the TIE chapters across the globe. Winners from each country will take part in the global finals on 1st May 2024 in Silicon Valley, USA. BioFound Biotech is co-founded by Arsh Chavan and Aditya Joshi. These students have put their heads together and developed an enzyme that aids in better conversion of molasses to ethanol. BioFound Biotech was awarded a cash prize of Rs. 1,00,000/- from TIE Pune. The first runner up was SaralX founded by Akashdeep Bansal who wants to ensure that the digital world is made more accessible to People with Disabilities. Akashdeep Bansal was awarded Rs 50,000. The second runner up was Cognac Metaverse that plans to build a more realistic Metaverse. Aditya Gaurav (of Cognac Metaverse) was awarded Rs 25,000/-.

As part of its initiative to foster entrepreneurship amongst the student community, TIE launched Biz QuoTiEnt, a business plan competition, two years ago (in Pune). Says Vinit Deo, chairperson of TIE U Pune, "Our aim is to encourage students to become entrepreneurs rather than go out into the job market and seek a job. As entrepreneurs, they will be job givers. The students who were selected for the semi-finals were mentored by the TIE Charter Members (who are successful businessmen themselves) to give them a better understanding of how to look at their idea, how to validate it, how to write a business plan, etc. Our hope is that they will continue to work on their business ventures even after they pass out of college." TIE Pune also awarded category prizes for: Best Student Start-up for Social Impact won by SaralX, Best Student Start-up for Oral Pitch to AgroAIM, Best Student Start-up Idea to BioFound Biotech, Best Student Start-up for Presentation to Rika and Best Student Start-up for Teamwork to Cyber Chakra. In addition to these category awards Cyber Chakra and Raftech Solutions were given Finalist Certificates. The Chief guest for the Biz QuoTiEnt chapter finale was Mr. Shirish Deshmukh Chairman, Defence Equipment's Manufacturers Association. These five semi-finalists presented to a jury of three successful businessmen,

Anil Tabib Founder ForesightINAD charter member TIE Pune, Chetan Rawal Founder & CEO, BioGenics Lab and Ranjeet Shetye Partner, YourNest VC Managing Director (India), Everstream Analytics. While giving the Jury's Perspective Anil Tabib said, "to be honest it was very difficult to choose from these five. But I think what every start up founder must understand that you get five minutes to explain what your idea is, how it will work for the problem you aim to solve. You may romance with your idea but a VC or even the market looks at it differently. You have to be able to communicate it in one simple statement. I know it's not fair, but then that is how things are." This programme was proactively planned and executed by the TIE U, Pune team which is chaired by Vinit Deo (Founder Posiview Consulting) and co-chaired by Dr. Anagha Pathak (Founder Unity I E and additional ventures) and Dr. Pratima Sheorey (Founder eVyaas Learning), associate members like Payal Doshi (Founder Preexam and My Class Admin), Yogesh Bramhankar (Head SCIE) and Dr. Amarpreet Ghura (Associate Professor, FLAME University).

A guide to effectively manage diabetes

Pune (Voice news service):- Fasting from dawn until sunset is a fundamental pillar of Ramadan. However, for individuals managing diabetes, this abstinence from food and drink can cause fluctuations in blood glucose levels. To sustain energy levels and nourish the body, rituals include pre-dawn meals and evening feasts. However, for individuals with diabetes, these meals require careful consideration to prevent any sudden spikes or drops. Alongside a well-balanced nutritional plan, regular monitoring is important for people living with diabetes. Accurate and real-time blood glucose readings can be constantly tracked with the help of prick-free devices like continuous glucose monitoring (CGM). This combination of a balanced diet and regular monitoring is essential for those fasting during this time, ensuring effective management of blood glucose levels throughout the holy month. Dr. Vaishali Deshmukh, Consultant and Head of Endocrinology and Secretary of SPHERE, Pune said, "According to a recent ICMR study, 101 million people in India are living with diabetes, underscoring the importance of effective holistic management. Amidst the sacred observance of Ramadan, continuous glucose monitoring (CGM) emerges as an ally for people living with diabetes. Through real-time tracking of blood sugar levels, CGM empowers individuals to identify and manage any glucose spikes associated with pre- and post-fast meals.

By harnessing CGM insights, people can make informed diet decisions. This can help them navigate the portion sizes and meal timing along with making diabetes specific nutrition choices that can address their needs. The symbiotic relationship between CGM data and dietary decisions fosters both effective blood glucose management and sense of empowerment." Here are a few tips to manage your diabetes while you observe Ramadan this year: 1. Regularly monitor blood glucose levels: It is extremely important to consistently check your blood glucose levels. CGM devices support real-time glucose monitoring instead of capturing blood sugar levels at a particular point in time. The data is easily accessible on your smartphone, too, and can support easier decision-making related to food, physical activity, and therapy. Utilizing data from these devices can enable individuals to take corrective actions with the meal plan and maintain health during this period. 2. Properly recharge your body with nutrients during Iftar: According to tradition, the fast is broken with dates and fruits, which is followed by a proper balanced meal. Make sure to drink water and hydrate yourself well, and avoid highly caffeinated or sugary drinks like coffee, tea, and soft drinks. It is important to have a stable meal plan striking a balance between intake of carbohydrates, protein, and fats. Have more nutrients and fiber-rich starchy foods like oats, multigrain breads, veg-

etables, lentils (dal), and proteins like fish, tofu, and nuts. Additionally, you can have diabetes-specific oral nutritional supplements like Ensure Diabetes Care as an evening snack during Iftar (or even at the time of Sehri). Such scientifically formulated supplements, with high-quality protein and vital nutrients, have a slow-release energy system which helps manage one's blood glucose, hunger, and energy levels. Consult your doctor to select the right solutions for your nutritional needs. 3. Keep your body moving: Physical activity is as important as proper diabetes nutrition, it also essential to maintain good health. In addition to eating right during fasting, staying fit through regular exercise is a great way to manage diabetes. It's recommended to avoid overexertion and aggressive workouts (especially during the last few hours of fasting). Instead, just do simple workouts of around 30 minutes. 4. Improve your sleep schedule: getting adequate hours of good-quality sleep is crucial in maintaining good health. It also helps people avoid sleep deprivation, which can negatively impact your hunger or craving levels. Also, sleep plays an important role in supporting immunity, metabolism, and regulating blood glucose levels, which is essential when managing diabetes. There is never a challenge that cannot be managed with a dedicated action plan. These four simple steps can definitely help you feel healthy despite long hours of fasting.

NSDC, IIT Guwahati partners with Yuvaan Educative to empower the youth with new age career courses

Pune (Voice news service):- National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) under the aegis of the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Guwahati and Yuvaan Educative to empower the youth of the nation with new age career courses in Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML), Digital Literacy, and Financial Literacy. The aim is to ensure that candidates are equipped and job-ready for these future-oriented skills. The initiative undertaken by NSDC's aims to synchronize skill development with industry needs and emphasizes preparing candidates for future-ready job opportunities. Through meticulously designed course pedagogy, participants will undergo rigorous training tailored to meet industry standards. The program is structured to provide comprehensive skill enhancement and professional development, with a wide array of learning experiences, including capstone projects, internships, live projects, and continuous feedback mechanisms. The MoU was exchanged between Mr. Ved Mani Tiwari, CEO of NSDC and MD of NSDC International, and Mr. Harsh Khemka, CEO of Yuvaan Educative—a prominent Ed-Tech organization. This partnership signifies a fusion of public and private entities aiming to provide comprehensive career assessment tools and skill development resources for empowering the youth. Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Ved Mani Tiwari, CEO, NSDC and MD, NSDC International, said, "At NSDC, our mission extends beyond mere skill impartation, we are dedicated to shape individuals into multiskilled professionals prepared for the demands of tomorrow's job market. This partnership with Yuvaan Educative marks a significant milestone in our journey. By offering courses in AI, ML, Digital Literacy and Financial Literacy, we are empowering aspiring technologists to embark on a transformative career journey." Through this partnership, students will benefit invaluable expertise from seasoned faculty members, renowned for their qualifications, and glean practical insights from industry veterans, enriching their educational experience. The innovative partnership will not only enhance the student's proficiency in emerging technologies but also cultivate a culture of innovation and exploration within India's dynamic tech ecosystem. By providing access to advanced training and cutting-edge resources, NSDC, IIT Guwahati, and Yuvaan Educative LLP will empower the next generation of tech leaders and driving India's digital transformation forward.

JCB Literature Foundation in collaboration with Access For ALL Introduces a first of its kind multi-sensory, inclusive-learning initiative, in Pune

Pune (Voice news service):- The JCB Literature Foundation in collaboration with Access For ALL, unveiled its unique Accessible Learning Box - Sugamya Qissa Pitara, on Monday in Pune at the Dnyangangotri Residential School. After initiating its resource centres in Delhi at the Samadhan Centre in January, second in Jaipur's Umang School in February and third in Baroda's Arpan Charitable Trust, this is the Foundation's fourth such effort. Making reading inclusive, the Pitara is not just a learning tool; it's a transformative experience. Featuring diverse tools such as large font, sensory, quiet, and behavioural books, along with tactile devices tailored for special needs, the initiative addresses the unique requirements of visually impaired children and those with learning disabilities. Crafted with Universal Design principles, each

Sugamya Qissa Pitara is flexible, safe, and easy to use, featuring vibrant, artist-created furniture that adds an inclusive touch to the learning environment. Talking about the initiative, Manish Tayal, Director, JCB Literature Foundation, said, "This is a milestone moment for us at the JCB Literature Foundation, not just because it's being done for the first time—an accessible resource centre for those with special needs, but because of the impact such a project has on the lives of people. The project is not just aimed at making the lives of children easier, but also that of the parents, primary caregivers, and educators. We have piloted this project in Delhi, Jaipur, Baroda and now in Pune in the first year and hope to take this forward in more locations in the future." Extending beyond the classroom, Sugamya Qissa Pitara supports

parents and caregivers with new books, activity sheets, and specialized training by Inclusive Learning Experts. Specially crafted caregivers' manuals in Hindi and English provide invaluable insights and support for fostering effective learning environments at home. According to UNESCO, there are more than 78 lakh children with disabilities in India between 5-19 years. While 61% of them were attending an educational institution, about 12% had dropped out and 27% had never been to school at all. Recognizing the urgent need for inclusivity and accessible education, this initiative aims to bring joy and accessibility to education for children with special needs across the country. With a shared vision of empowering every child, this innovative learning solution seeks to bridge gaps and create a more inclusive reading landscape.

Add a Healthy Twist to Holi: Make Almonds Your Go-To Festive Snack

Pune (Voice news service):- Holi is a joyous festival celebrated with vibrant colours, symbolizing the spirit of togetherness as families and friends unite in cheerful gatherings. During this festive occasion, exchanging gifts and relishing delicious meals with loved ones are cherished traditions. However, amidst the festivities, it's crucial to exercise caution against indulging in unhealthy snacks and foods, recognizing their potential long-term impact on our health. Therefore, practicing mindfulness while celebrating Holi becomes imperative. Incorporating a handful of almonds into your diet during this time can enhance taste as well as provide essential health benefits, ensuring a balanced and enjoyable celebration. Almonds, rich in 15 essential nutrients like vitamin E, magnesium, protein, riboflavin, and zinc, are renowned for their ability to provide numerous health benefits, including supporting heart health, managing weight, and regulating



blood sugar levels. Incorporating these powerhouse nuts into Holi celebrations can elevate the festivities. Whether presented as gifts, incorporated into traditional recipes, or enjoyed as snacks, almonds symbolize prosperity and well-being. Their delicious taste and satisfying crunch enhance the flavors of various Holi dishes, from sweet gujiya to savory almond chaat. Moreover, gifting almonds expresses good wishes for health and happiness. By embracing almonds in Holi festivities, everyone can enhance the joy of the occasion while embracing a healthier lifestyle. So, embrace the colourful spirit of Holi with the goodness of almonds, enhancing your celebration with nutrition and joy. Indulge in the festivities, share the love, and savor every moment with almonds by your side!

Punekar's contribution in digitalization is important - Dr. Pramod Verma

Pune (Voice news service):- Due to the rapid digital revolution in India, UPI Aadhar card has succeeded in uniting the whole country and the citizens of the country. UPI is currently available in about 10 countries around the world! Widely used. Dr. Pramod Verma was speaking at the international conference organized by DPG Tech Fusion on Digital. The conference was organized by Sunbird Group and TechD Technologies at the Northeast Auditorium of Symbiosis, Vimanagar. Madhuchandra R, head of Estep Foundation, Parth Lavate, co-founder TechD Technologies, Santosh Vasbhaktula, Sashi Kumar Ganeshan, Nikhil Velpunar, Dinanath Kholkar, Atul Tulsibagwale, Mandar Wadhavekar were present. Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Pramod Verma, Former Chief

Architect of Aadhaar, UPI and India Stack, Sitio Estep Foundation, said that India is undergoing a strategic shift in building digital infrastructure with new scale and speed. Digital Public Goods (DPGs), Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) are driving innovation and creativity. Innovators are the driving force of change as India undergoes a strategic shift in building digital infrastructure with new scale and speed. We can accelerate growth by using open standards and data, artificial intelligence (AI) to help innovators and start-ups adopt market innovation. Many countries are actually reimagining the possibility of sustainable economic development and India has shown the world how it can be done. DPI should inculcate the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship among students and youth to encourage in-



novators with good technical skills. For this, this conference was attended by a large number of youth and youth working in the field of technology. In the next three years, India's contribution in areas like credit system, logistics and e-commerce will be very big. Pune residents have remarkable achievements in the digital sector. The country will always remember that Punekar's contribution to digitalization is important. Tomorrow (23rd) at 10 am. Anand Deshpande, Head of Persistent Systems will guide the digitalization.

Experience what makes Singapore a truly extraordinary holiday destination

Pune (Voice news service):- Mumbaikars can witness Singapore coming to life in their very own city through an Instagrammable 3D creative installation at Phoenix Palladium Mall in Lower Parel from 7 - 25 March 2024. Through this eye-popping 3D anamorphic installation, travel enthusiasts will be able to immerse themselves in enchanting moments and key offerings by destination Singapore. Consumers could marvel at our 'Gardens. Made In Singapore' experience which spotlights our lush nature through the unique lens of futuristic architecture set by the Supertrees of Gardens by the Bay in a dazzling spectacle of light in Singapore's urban oasis. Additionally, 'Performance Art. Made In Singapore' is a visual feast that pays homage to the humble yet addictive chilli crab dish that is both delectable and Instagram-worthy. For a whimsical peek through Singapore's Peranakan Shop-houses, they can explore 'Window Shopping. Mr. Markus Tan,

Regional Director for India, Middle East, South Asia & Africa, STB, said, "Through this exciting campaign, we aim to bring the island city to Indian travellers in a fresh, game-changing way, offering Instagrammable moments and exciting culinary experiences all across India. We invite travellers to consider anew Singapore's vibrant, boundary-breaking spirit, and to come experience for themselves the host of unique offerings that are made possible only in Singapore".

