

Azafran Innovacion launched exclusive kiosk at Ahmedabad One Mall

Azafran Innovacion Ltd, one of India's leading innovative organic solutions providers has launched exclusive kiosk at Ahmedabad Vastrapur, Mall, One Ahmedabad.

The kiosk, situated at first floor of Ahmedabad One Mall, will offer entire range of products under the brand 'Azafran Organic'. At kiosk, visitors can also get advice from Azafran's beauty experts.

Moreover, one can get a complimentary cosmetic pouch for shopping of Rs 499 and above.

The brand offers a complete range of face care, body care and hair care products which are appli-cable to all skin types on a daily basis. The products manufactured by the company are purely organic and made from certified ingredients that are completely free from any kind of chemicals, pesticides, and fertiliz-

Ahmedabad: ers. The Ahmedabad based company has already started selling its products through retail chains like Health & Glow, SPAR, Aditya Birla Retail – More Megastore, Hypercity and is in the process of finalizing marketing tie ups with other

modern trade chains.

Azafran has its own organic farm spread out in 40 hectare facility near Sanand, Ahmedabad which includes its own organic farm, large greenhouses, manufacturing facility and dedicated R&D center for cosmetic research.

Azafran grows over 35 varieties of plants, flowers and herbs specifically for its organic skin care range.

The company has done extensive investments in R&D and a production facility certified by ISO 9001, ISO 14001, OSHAS 18001, WHO and GMP. It has been awarded the USDA and ECOCERT stamp of approval for its organic farm-land.

Essar Ports completes over Rs 2,800 crore investment in Salaya & Vizag terminals

Ahmedabad, Essar Ports Limited (EPL) today said that its investment of over Rs 2,800 crore in its Salaya and Vizag terminal projects has the potential to increase the company's revenues by 30% in FY2018-19 on the back of third-party

cargo growth. Mr Rajiv Agarwal, CEO-EPL, said:"The two fully integrated and automated facili-ties at Salaya and Vizag fur-ther the goal of port-led development set by the Gov-ernment of India and our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri. Narendra Modi. It is also a manifestation of Essar's vision of building world-class

core sector assets of national importance." Essar Buk Terminal Salaya Limited (EBTSL) recently commenced com-mercial operations at its 20

million tonne dry bulk termi-nal at Salaya with the berthing of its first vessel. The facility, the first deep-draft terminal in the Saurashtra

region, has been designed to berth Capesize vessels with a vessel turnaround time of less than two days, thus offering a competitive advan-tage to the local industry. The Salaya terminal, which has been built at a cost

of Rs 2,000 crore, is expected to emerge as the most preferred deep draft port destination for shipment of dry bulk cargo in the Saurashtra region. It is capable of berthing vessels of up to 100,000 tonnes DWT, while handling commodities like coal, bauxite, limestone and fertilisers, including both ex-

port & import cargoes. Capt Deepak Sachdeva, CEO-EBTSL, said: "The business potential of this asset is tremendous since this is the first deep draft terminal in the region.Quick turnaround and our ability to handle vessels up to 100,000 DWT will give a significant competitive edge to our customers." On the east coast of India,

EPL's Essar Vizag Terminal

Limited (EVTL) is executing a Rs 830-crore expansion project aimed at upgrading the iron ore handling capacity of the Vizag Terminal (Outer Harbour) from 12.5 MTPA to 24 MTPA. EVTL re-cently commissioned an 8,000 TPH (tonnes per hour) Ship Loader, which has increased its cargo handling rate from 70,000 TPD (tonnes per day) currently to 120,000 TPD, and is expected to significantly increase revenues. The increased cargo handling will also translate to shorter turnaround times and competitive freight costs for exporters on the east coast.

Mr CH Satyanand, CEO, EVTL, said: "We are happy to have installed and commissioned the ship loader within expected timelines. With a significantly enhanced cargo handling rate, we are now able to cater to the needs of exporters in this region, thus creating new revenue streams for the Company."

Shaoli Mitra wants to quit as Bangla Academy chief

Kolkata,

Theatre personality Shaoli Mitra on Sunday said she has wished to resign from the post of Chairperson of Bangla Academy citing infrastructural issues. Since 2012, Shaoli,

daughter of late Bengali theatre doyens Sombhu and Tripiti Mitra, has been at the state-run regulatory body to promote Bengali language.

"I have sent a letter to Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee three weeks back offering my resignation but I am yet to get a reply from the Chief Minister's Office," said Mitra who was among the intellectuals who had called for change (paribartan) in West Bengal before the 2011 Assembly elections. "I was facing infrastructure problems in executing my vision to run the academy. Proper infrastructure is needed to get things done the way I wish," she said responding to a query about reasons for offering resignation.

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ONGC to organize Symposium & Photo Exhibition at Delhi

New Delhi,

Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) is organizing a symposium and photo-exhibition titled "The Mangalajodi Inheritance" at New Delhi on January 6, 2018, in association with The Bhubaneswar Bird Walks (TBBW). The objective of the symposium is to promote the cause of the largest brackish water lake to obtain heritage status from UNESCO. Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Hon'ble Minister for

Petroleum and Natural Gas, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Govt. of India will inaugurate the event.

ONGC has embarked on an ambitious project for conservation and holistic development of Chilika Lake area in Odisha, and for accordance of status of UNESCO "World Heritage Site" for Chilika Lake, in line with its commitment towards environment conservation and heritage protection. Shri Pradhan has taken the noble initiative to reach a tripartite agreement between ONGC, Govt. of Odisha and UNESCO. UNESCO has assured all support towards this objective.ONGC has also charted out a systematic plan for development of Mangalajodi village in Chilika through CSR activities.

The objective of this symposium by ONGC and TBBW is to bring together experts and enthusiasts from the fields of conservation, eco-tourism, ornithology, diplomatic corps, media, NGO's, officials from various ministries of Govt. of India, and other related fields, in order to chart out a future course of action for the preservation and development of this rich wetland heritage of Odisha.

Booking for Anubhuti coach has been extended

Ahmedabad,

The temporary arrangement of booking for Anubhuti coach with new train no 22009/22010 has been extended for passengers of Mumbai-Ahmedabad Shatabdi Express for a period of another 6 days i.e. from 8th January to 13th January, 2018. It is worth mentioning that Anubhuti coach has been connected in train No. 12009/12010 Mumbai -Ahmedabad Shatabdi Express train as an additional Executive class coach w.e.f. 3rd January,2018 but for booking purpose of this Anubhuti coach, different numbers 22009/22010 were given for the period of 4 days i.e. from 3rd to 6th January,2018. Now this provision has been further extended as mentioned above.

SBI to raise over Rs 12K cr through overseas bonds

Mumbai,

The State Bank of India (SBI) on Monday said it will raise over Rs 12,600 crore (\$2 billion) by issuing bonds in dollar or other convertible currencies.

"The executive committee of the Central Board... has approved long term fund raising in single/multiple tranches up to \$2 billion," the state-run bank informed in a regulatory filing to the BSE. The BSE filing added that raising of funds would be done through a public offer and/or private placement of senior unsecured notes in US dollar or any other convertible cur-rency during FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19.

Key indices at record highs, Nifty50 closes above 10.600-mark

Mumbai,

Key Indian equity indices on Monday provisionally closed on a higher note prompted by strong global cues, along with healthy buying in capital goods, healthcare and banking stocks.

The wider Nifty50 of the National Stock Exchange (NSE) closed above the 10,600-level for the first time at 10,616.85 points (at 3.30 p.m.) -- up 58 points and 0.55 per cent from its previous session's close.

The Nifty50 touched a fresh intra-day high level of .The barometer 30-so dex (Sensex) of the BSE too scaled a new intra-day high of 34,385.67 points.The Sensex, which opened at 34,216.33 points, provisionally closed higher by 198.94 points or 0.58 per cent at a record high level of 34,352.79 points. The BSE market breadth was bullish as 1,779 stocks dvanced as compared to 1,178 declines. On Friday, the equity indices closed higher on the back of positive global cues, along with inflow of foreign funds. The Nifty50 rose by 54.05 points or 0.51 per cent to close at 10,558.85 points while the Sensex closed at 34,153.85 points -- up 184.21 points or 0.54 per cent.

Next-Gen software key growth enabler for Indian businesses to meet evolving demands. New Delhi, Software is not only a cata-For an overwhelming lyst in transforming ideas 97 per cent of Indian businesses, adopting Next-Gen into outcomes but is also a software solutions is the key competitive differentiator," Sunil Manglore, Managing

to driving growth and ex-pansion while 92 per cent of them stated that software is important for them to create new products or services to enter new markets, a survey said on Monday.

According to the leading software company CA Technologies' "Modern Software Factory" survey, 91 per cent of the respondents highlighted software as key to their digital transformation journey.

Indian businesses recognise software as the defining competitive advantage that will enable them to create new, disruptive businesses or to reshape their existing business landscape, the findings showed.

"Digital disruption and changing customer expectations are driving organisations to become more agile, and to introduce new products and services

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Director, CA Technologies, India, said in a statement.

"By adopting the modern software factory framework, organisations are better able to speed-up time to market, consistently improve the quality of output, reduce risk and increase productivity," he added.

Nearly 93 per cent of respondents said software is essential for them to deliver a better customer experience. "About 92 per cent

said it is essential to improving insights into customers' needs and wants while 90 per cent said it is essential for repositioning the company and its brand," the survey noted. As firms in India become cognizant of the decisive role that software plays in facilitating key business priorities, the survey also found that there is a corresponding emphasis in software-related priorities. Almost 99 per cent of re-

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spondents highlighted that it is essential or important to have better prioritisation of software development in line with business goals.

Although this is seen as the most important priority in India, less than half of them (47 per cent) said their IT teams are very effective in realising it. When it comes to security, the respondents asked to make security a more embedded part of the software development pro-cess. The global online survey of 1,279 senior IT and business executives (575 in the Asia-Pacific region) was sponsored by CA Technologies and conducted by industry analyst firm Freeform Dynamics Intelligence Unit

in July 2017. The Asia-Pacific countries surveyed were India, Australia, China, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore and South Korea. Although software is indisputably pivotal for the growth of compa-nies, the survey found that most organisations are lacking the right IT capabilities. "Organisations in India need to understand that every company today is a software company. Without a mod-

ern approach to software, they will be left behind in today's application economy," stressed Manglore.--IANS

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Siemens to implement electrification of Gujarat Metro Link Express CEO, Mobility Division in

In a massive infrastructure boost to the state of Gujarat, the Indian masstransit operator Metro Link Express for Gandhinagar and Ahmedabad (MEGA) Company Limited has awarded an order of ap-proximately Rs. 579 Crore (Euro 76.04 million) to the consortium of Siemens Limited India and Siemens AG, Germany for electrification of the 39.2-kilometer Metro Express Link in Ahmedabad. The line, currently under construction, will run in Ahmedabad city in two corridors.

Siemens will be responsible for the complete electrification of the new double-track Metro line. In

Ahmedabad, addition, Siemens will also provide a SCADA (supervisory control and data acquisition) system for monitoring and controlling the traction power.

We at Siemens are happy to be an integral part of the development in Gujarat's public transporta-tion system through this landmark Metro line. Metro will play a pivotal role in enhancing quality of life and economic growth of the city and the region.

Mobility is an area of expertise for us and Siemens will continue to partner with the government to help improve connectivity and public infrastructure," said Tilak Raj Seth, Executive Vice-President, Siemens Ltd. and

tion in terms of energy consumption, space occupancy and number of people

Waste to wealth: Hunt for bioenergy in Loktak's invasive plants or buffalo grass) -- a fodder

Imphal,

Scientists in Manipur -which dominates the media discourse on insurgency -are on an aggressive hunt for bioenergy sourced from alien plant invaders of the iconic Loktak lake, aiming to showcase the "Jewel of India" as a top bio-entrepreneurship destination.

Subsequently it will be On the agenda is a pro-

source -- also offers a way to rein in the growth of these lake is not going to help. Afslow but steady invaders.

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Lead Country India. He added, "With addition of this project, Siemens is executing electrification projects for six Metro cities in India, the other five being,

Delhi, Kolkata, Chennai, Nagpur and Greater Noida, matching the pace of urbanization in India."

Gujarat is well on its way

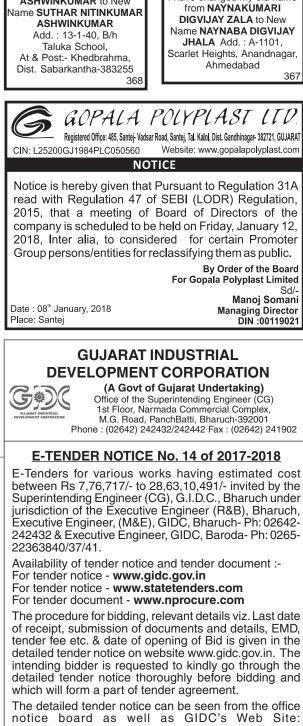
to create a world-class Mass Rapid Transit system which will be an integral part of community infrastructure development in the city.

moval of the weeds and throwing them around the

ter decay and disintegration "Our study shows that of these weeds the nutrients this excessive growth of are coming back to the lake paragrass can tackled by us-(leading to eutrophication). ing it sustainably as a biorefinery feedstock. Ini-Therefore, we decided to start tially we will set up a 500 kg programme which can crecapacity as a pilot plant. ate wealth from the waste,"

explained Sahoo. Loktak.northeast l

The Metro rail system has proven to be most efficient mode of transporta-



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set up a biorennery in the lake landscape, that churns carbohydrate-rich feedstock -- derived from an invasive weed called paragrass -- into alcohol and other value-added chemical products.

Spearheaded by a group of scientists at Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD) here under the leadership of Director Dinabandhu Sahoo, the search for alternative energy from paragrass (pani wala ghaas

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will be held on 30th January 2018 HIRING OF ONE NON AC VEHICLE Tuesday at 11.00 A.M. at the E-Tender Notice No. Dy.CE(C)III/ADI egistered Office of the Company for /EHICLE/2018/01 Date: 01-01-2018 taking on record of the unaudited Financial Results for the quarter 1) Name of work: Hiring of One Tata Sumo/Zylo/Tavera or similar (Non-AC ended on 31st December 2017 and for Sr. AFA/C/I/ADI for calender vea 2018 in connection with all ongoing This information is also available on arious works of Construction units o Ahmedabad. (2) Approximate cost of vork: ₹ 3,46,944.00/-, (3) EMD: € 6.940/-. (4) Closing time and Date for submission and Opening of Bid: Submission of E-tender: 09-02-2018 up o 15:00 Hrs., Opening: 09-02-2018 a For, VINYOFLEX LIMITED 16:00 Hrs. (5) Website particulars Notice board location where by Order & behalf of the complete details of tender can be Board of Directors seen & address of the office: Office o for Vinyoflex Ltc Dy. Chief Engineer (Construction) III PO: Railwaypura, Western Railway Ahmedabad-380002. Website CS. Hetal Lodhiva Company Secretary & Compliance Officer www.ireps.gov.in

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GUJARAT WATER SUPPLY & SEWERAGE BOARD E-TENDER NOTICE NO. 14 2017-2018 (2nd attempt)

The Executive Engineer, P.H. Mechanical Division, "Jal Bhavan", Saru section Road, Jamnagar-361008, Ph.No. (0288) 2551893 department invited E-Tender Two Bid system from experienced Agencies for similar work of SITC of Pumping Machineries with Electro-Mechanical accessories etc. Agency has to quote tender with consideration of G.S.T.

Sr. No.	Name of Work	Estd. Tender Value Rs. in Lakhs	EMD Rs.	Tender Fee
1	2	3	4	5
1	TENDER I.D. NO. 290670 S.I.T.C. of Pumping Machinery with accessories & Electro-Mechanical Instrumentation & all allied work complete with post completion comprehensive O & M for 05 years of AJI-3 (Dhrol Nagarpalika) RWSS in Jamnagar Dist.	40.38	40,400	1500
2	TENDER I.D. NO. 390677 S.I.T.C. of Pumping Machinery with accessories & Electro-Mechanical Instrumentation & all allied work complete with post completion comprehensive O & M for 05 years of AJI-3 Remolding RWSS Project of Latipur Zone & Kothadhar Zone in Jamnagar Dist.	141.95	142000	3600
Last date of on-line bid submission is date 16.01.2018. More Details will be available on Web Site www.gwssb.nproicure.com and above mention office. Any one or all Tenders can be rejected by competent authority without Any reason. Now onwards all the improvements/corrections will be done on- line any exemption certificates will not be accepted. (JAM/575/18)				

upscaled to industrial scale told this Sahoo, correspondent. The spurt in the growth of paragrass and other weeds, as also algal blooms, is enhanced by the unnatural enrichment of the water body by two plant nutrients, phosphorus and nitrogen (in a process called eutrophication), which ultimately leads to depleted oxygen levels and generally poor water quality.

largest freshwater lake, is unique for a floating mass of intertwined and semi-anchored thick plant mats, locally known as phumdis. In these phumdis, about 1.5 metre deep, one encounters fisherfolk (crouched within make-shift huts and shelters) going about their business surrounded by a multitude of plant and animal species, including some very rare ones.

conspiring for violence in Bhangar

Kolkata, jured.

Demanding peace and completion of the power project in violence-hit Bhangar, West Bengal's ruling Trinamool Congress on Sunday blamed the CPI-M, Congress and Maoist outfit CPI-ML Red Star for indulging in "conspiracy" that led to violence over the construction.

'The purpose of today's (Sunday's) meeting was to bring peace in the locality. More than 97 per cent of works for the construction of power grid sub-station was completed and then the agitation erupted. The Left parties and Congress are politicising the issue and

indulging in conspiracy," state Minister Abdur Razzak Molla said at the meeting. Bhangar in South 24 Pargana district witnessed

massive agitation by the villagers over the state government's power grid project that has left two locals dead and several in-

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Trinamool accuses opposition of

Trinamool's public meeting was seen as a response to the meeting organised by 'Jomi, Jibika, Bastutantra o Poribesh Raksha Committee (committee to protect land, livelihood, ecology and environment)' that is leading the movement in the region.A The committee's meet-

ing on Thursday had witnessed massive gathering by the locals and was attended by CPI-M leader Sujan Chakraborty, CPI-ML leader Alik Chakraborty and other Left wing leaders in Bhangar's Natunhat.

The villagers backed by the committee turned the anti power grid agitation into a land stir demanding the state government to return their land and stop the construction of the power grid.

Molla said the villagers should understand that the project was designed for the benefits of the local people and it aimed at avoiding the problem of low voltage in the region. "We are ready for talks for the overall development in the region but agitators must assure they would not hamper the construction works of power grid substation," he said.

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CENTRiC 'L3' smartphone in India for **Rs 6,749**

New Delhi,

Domestic handset-maker CENTRiC Mobiles on Monday launched its budget smartphone CENTRiC "L3" in India for Rs 6,749."We have launched 'L3' which has all the desired specifications in the right budget. With L3, we aim to become the category leaders, Manish Agarwal, founder, CENTRiC Mobiles said in a statement. The device features a 1.3 GHz quad-core processor with 2GB RAM and 16GB internal memory which can be expanded up to 256GB. The phone comes with a 13MP rear auto-focus (AF) amera and a 5MP front shooter. There is a 5-inch HD IPS display with 2.5D curved glass. The dual-SIM budget device has a fingerprint sensor, 4G LTE support and a 3,050mAh battery.

Emirates, Etihad join forces for airline security

Dubai.

United Arab Emirates (UAE) flag carrier Emirates Airline on Monday signed a a Memorandum of Understanding (MoÚ) with Etihad Airways for cooperation in aviation security. The MoU was signed by Tim Clark, President Emir-

ates Airline, and Tony Douglas, Group CEO of Etihad Aviation Group, reports Xinhua news agency.

Emirates said that "the historic agreement, the first between the UAE's two world-leading aviation groups, signals the importance of closer collaboration in aviation security to effectively exploit joint synergies to enhance efficiency and security for the benefit of both groups' customers".

One of the key areas of cooperation outlined in the MoU involves the sharing of information and intelligence between Emirates, which in November added the 100th Airbus A380 Superjumbo to its fleet, and Etihad, whose name means unity in Arabic, on critical aspects of aviation security. Sheikh Ahmed Bin Saeed Al-Maktoum, chairman

and chief executive of Emirates Airline said: "Security is one of the foremost priorities of the global aviation industry.

Through this agreement, Emirates Group Security will collaborate with Etihad Aviation Group to share know-how and extend aviation security services in order to better handle shared challenges, he added.

In October 2017, Clark said the Dubai governmentcontrolled airline was open to cooperate with local rival Etihad Airways, but stressed that a full merger between the two was "up to the owners", hence the ruling families of Dubai and Abu Dhabi .-- IANS