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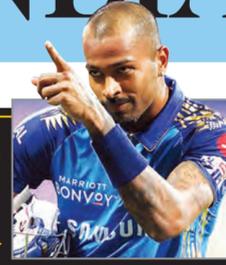
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TALE OF TWO DEMOCRACIES

BIHAR ASSEMBLY POLLS

NDA ahead in more than half of 243 seats of Bihar

The ruling NDA in Bihar was ahead of its rivals in more than half of the state's 243 assembly seats, with the BJP appearing set to outperform its senior alliance partner JD(U) headed by Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, according to trends available so far.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- The hype around the youth brigade of Bihar trouncing the veteran heavyweights, seems to have fallen flat on the face of the opposition, as the trends paint a different picture on the Bihar political landscape
- Interestingly, the BJP was on its way to become the single largest party, when reports last came in



BYPOLLS RESULTS: BJP AHEAD IN MP, GUJARAT AND UP

- The BJP was leading in 17 seats and the Congress in nine in MP
- In Jharkhand, the BJP was ahead in one and the Congress in the other.
- The party was ahead in both the seats in Karnataka
- In Odisha, the state's ruling Biju Janata Dal was ahead in both the seats

(* WHEN WE FILED THIS REPORT)

What happens if TRUMP REFUSES to concede defeat?

US POLLS

The Trump administration threw the presidential transition into tumult on Monday, with President Donald Trump blocking government officials from cooperating with President-elect Joe Biden's team. The developments cast doubt on whether the nation would witness the same kind of smooth transition of power that has long anchored its democracy. The Electoral College is slated to formally confirm Biden's victory on Dec 14 and the Democrat will be sworn into office in late Jan. So, what's next? We analyse the scenarios...



Fact: No president has ever refused to leave the office in the past; so the next steps would be totally unprecedented

TRUMP CARD

- SCENARIO 1:** Trump may choose to take the election result to the Supreme Court, who would then decide what to do — although, there is no guarantee that they would agree to look at the case
- SCENARIO 2:** He may claim that the postal voting has led to voting fraud, and if he was able to provide them with evidence, then the SC would launch an internal inquiry. If voting fraud was found, then the SC may choose to allow him to serve a second term, or will call for re-polls
- SCENARIO 3:** If no voting fraud is found, or if the SC turns down Trump's case, and he refused to accept a Democratic win and hunkers down in the White House, then he will be forcibly removed by the military
- SCENARIO 4:** Biden could direct federal agents to remove the current president from the White House forcibly

Trump will lose his power at midday on January 20, 2021

(SOURCE: AFP/METRO.UK)

Spotlight



RASHID KHAN TO RETURN TO SUSSEX FOR 2021 T20 BLAST

Sussex have re-signed star Afghanistan leg-spinner Rashid Khan for next year's T20 Blast competition. The world's number one T20I bowler, who has had two stints with Sussex, recently concluded his IPL 2020 campaign with SunRisers Hyderabad in which he ended up taking 20 wickets in 16 appearances.

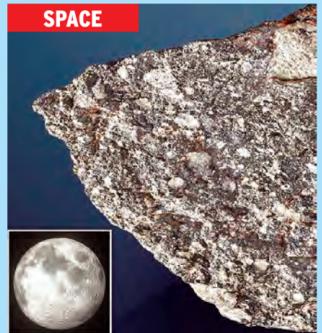
- The leg-spinner was set to play for Sharks T20 skipper Luke Wright's side again this year, but it was mutually agreed he would miss the competition due to his overlapping commitments in the Caribbean Premier League and Indian Premier League
- Rashid's both previous appearances in T20 blast have seen Sussex advance to the knockout stages

IN A FIRST, MOON ROCKS TO BE SCOOPED UP FROM THE LUNAR SURFACE

China is all set to send a spaceship to the Moon later this month to collect the first samples of rock and dust to be returned to Earth in more than 40 years. Chang'e-5 will have just a single lunar day to collect the material from a previously unexplored region of the near side of the Moon before returning to Earth. The spaceship will lift off from the Wenchang Satellite Launch Center on Hainan Island on November 24 on a Long March 5 rocket and land in the north of the Oceanus Procellarum — a vast lava plain on the lunar surface.

The last time rock samples from the surface of the Moon were brought back to Earth was from the Apollo mission that returned home in December 1972

SPACE



- The mission is designed to collect samples of dust and debris from a previously unexplored region of the near side of the Moon and return them to the Earth
- This will enable scientists to study the formation of the Moon and better understand its age and the rocks and minerals on the lunar surface
- It is described as a 'grab and go' mission, featuring a lander, ascender, orbiter and returner as part of the Chang'e-5 spacecraft
- The rocks will help scientists to record the last-known volcanic activity on the surface of the Moon, thought to be anything between 1 billion and 3.5 billion years ago

JUGAL HANSRAJ WRITING HIS SECOND BOOK FOR KIDS, WILL BE OUT NEXT YEAR



CELEB BOOK

Actor-director Jugal Hansraj will in 2021 come out with his second book for children, which is a journey of a timid young prince as he learns that true bravery lies within one's own heart and should be used to create peace not war. 'The Coward and the Sword' will be published by HarperCollins India.

- The book talks about the peaceful kingdom of Kofu, ruled over by a benevolent and brave King Rishho and his charming wife Queen Kanito. Its people are resourceful, and more importantly, just like their king, courageous
- Hansraj's first children's fiction novel titled 'Cross Connection: The Big Circus Adventure' was published in 2017

NEWS IN BRIEF

VIRGIN HYPERLOOP CREATES HISTORY, FIRST PASSENGERS TRAVEL SAFELY

Creating a history in the world of transportation, Virgin Hyperloop has successfully tested human travel in a hyperloop pod for the first time. The test took place at the company's DevLoop test track in the desert outside Las Vegas, Nevada on Sunday and the first two passengers were Virgin Hyperloop's CTO and co-founder Josh Giegel and director of passenger experience, Sara Luchian.

Hyperloop is a new transport mode under development to enable high-speed movement of hundreds of people and goods at a time in floating pods through tubes or tunnels above or below the ground



- The speed at which the hyperloop pod travelled was nearly 160 km per hour during the test, but, eventually, the goal is to make humans travel via these airless tubes at speeds of up to 1,223 km per hour
- The occupants made their maiden voyage on the newly-unveiled XP-2 vehicle, designed by BIG e Bjarke Ingels Group and Kilo Design, which was custom-built with occupant safety and comfort in mind
- Virgin hyperloop was founded in 2014 to make Tesla and SpaceX CEO Elon Musk's vision of a futuristic transportation system

RUSSIA'S ISKITIMKA RIVER TURNS 'BEETROOT RED'

The alarming discolouration of the Iskitimka river in the industrial Kemerovo city in Russia has caused a flutter among the residents of the city. Several pictures of the red-coloured river were shared on the social media.



SHARON STONE'S UNWIND THERAPY: Good Bath, yoga, colouring books



When it comes to unwinding, nothing works for Sharon Stone as a good bath, yoga and her colouring books. The 62-year-old Hollywood star believes that self-care is important. Talking about looking after mental health amid the pandemic, Stone said: "The most important thing we can do is stay in touch with others. Zoom calls are a real

CELEB TALK

godsend but another important thing we need to do is self-care." Stone feels, it is important to look after our mental health amid the global virus crisis.

STONE'S TIPS

- Go and take a shower or have a really good bath. Why not pull up a yoga mat? How about painting, drawing or colouring in? I have a bunch of colouring books on a table with some big jars of pens and pencils. I sit and do those all the time. I do them with my kids or with a friend and I find it to be a really nice way to centre myself while we're talking. It's very calming
- It's extraordinarily important that we all look after our mental health, especially now with this pandemic. This time has been very difficult for everyone because people are losing everything that they identify themselves with. When people lose their sense of self, they lose their sense of steadiness and that becomes a dangerous thing

Disney updates holiday movie calendar, Gal Gadot-starrer 'Death on the Nile' delayed indefinitely

Adventure movie 'Death on the Nile' has been taken off the holiday movie calendar, further jeopardising the chances for a revival this year of the industry. Walt Disney Co said, the release of the mystery adventure based on an Agatha Christie novel and with a star cast that includes Gal Gadot and Kenneth Branagh had been delayed indefinitely.



ENTERTAINMENT

- 'Wonder Woman 1984' from Warner Bros is now the last potential Hollywood blockbuster still on the calendar for 2020, with a Dec 25 release date
- The only remaining Disney-owned movie to be released this year is the independent Oscar hopeful 'Nomadland'
- Hollywood studios have pushed a string of movies, including the new James Bond film 'No Time To Die' and action movie 'Black Widow' into 2021

This Diwali, Make a difference

5 WAYS TO GIVE MORE & SPEND LESS



Brighten up the day for a homeless animal

1 This Diwali you can light up the lives of homeless animals by donating biscuits, rice and basic medicines (Ridd and Spectazrol) to the homeless animals living in the shelters. If you love animals but do not have the time or the space required to look after them; pledge to donate sum amount (starting from ₹200 per month) to an animal shelter.

Donate online, if you are really busy

4 This lockdown has confined us to our homes but you can still be generous. Get online and donate for a cause. There are several websites such as GiveIndia where you can choose a cause and make an online donation. Or you can visit sites of independent NGOs dedicated to a cause like Project Nanhi Kali for educating a girl.



Be a volunteer for a day

5 There can't be a better way to give back to the society. Choose a volunteering service through websites such as ivolunteer.in or karmayog.org. On these sites, NGOs lists out volunteering opportunities for a day or for a particular time frame. **PS: Volunteering can also get you a college degree.**

Cook, share and celebrate at an orphanage



2 There is fun in making Diwali goodies for guests, but it will be more pleasurable if you do for those who don't get to eat mama's home-cooked food. Cook or bake something at home, and share it with the kids in the orphanage or with the elders in the old age home, whichever is closer for you. Or have it picked up for delivery!



3 The sparkle in the eyes of kids who can't afford toys will be priceless than the sparkle of the crackers. So pack up your toys you don't need and donate it through toybank. It's currently providing such services in Mumbai, Bengaluru and Pune. There are other sites pan India that can reach your toys to those who need them.

WHAT WE CAN LEARN THIS DIWALI

Giving back in your household

Charity begins at home, and the first person whose Diwali you should be attempting to brighten should be your domestic help. Buy sweets or a simple meaningful gift for your domestic help.



Community outreach

Also, ensure that the children and personnel in your local community and neighbourhood are cared for. Diwali can be a time to gather resources such as non-perishable food items, blankets and other essentials.



FRESH FACED THROUGH winter



With the pandemic turning the spotlight on health and environment, even our beauty routine is being impacted. More and more people are turning to personalised products for every unique skin types and problems

EXPERTS SHARE 5 GREAT TIPS FOR WINTER SKINCARE

1 **Moisturise well**, preferably twice a day and on damp skin. **Ample hydration in the form of a moisturiser** suited for your specific skin type is necessary to reinstate the lost moisture in winters.

2 **Use sunscreen when you step out!** Sunscreen is as important in winters as it is in

summer. The ozone layer is the thinnest in winters, allowing those harsh UV rays to often harm the skin.

3 **Use a gentle, sulphate-free face wash that doesn't dry out skin** Sulphates are among the worst toxins to be found in products which deep cleanse, since these agents dehydrate the skin as well. Make sure you pick a cleanser which is mild, doesn't dry out the skin, yet cleanses deeply.

4 **Keep yourself hydrated with fluids.** Your body's water requirements are the same throughout the year. So keep yourself hydrated as much in winter with water and juices for good skin.

5 **Load up on Vitamin C** Vitamin C plays a huge role in reversing the dehydrating and dulling effect winter season has on skin and hair health. Have oranges, kiwis, amla, etc.

BOOK OF THE DAY



A guide to discovering your personal Ikigai

The Japanese concept of 'ikigai' or 'the reason for being' combines purpose, passion, vocation and profession. While Ikigai may be presented as a philosophical concept, its discovery is unique to every person and

makes life worthwhile and rewarding to live. A new book by author-entrepreneur Atul Khekeade weaves an engaging story on this individual journey to Ikigai.

The novel 'Me Ki Gai' is a man's journey to discovering himself and his own ikigai zone when guided by a mystic character saving him from a life-ending situation. It is the story of Parth, a young adult who is looking to start his career and build a better

Satisfaction but feeling of uselessness

Comfortable but feeling of emptiness



Delight and fullness, but not wealth

Excitement and clacency but sense of uncertainty



lifestyle for himself and his family. He discovers his ikigai through his own experience along the journey with Krishna. Prabhudas, the mystic, guides Parth with a systematic process that may help millions of people discover their own.

Housing some profound, heart-touching explanations on the Japanese

concept of finding direction and purpose in life. 'Me Ki Gai', the author believes, can come to the aid of the millions of people who lost jobs and hope during the Covid-19 pandemic, and discover their own reasons for jumping out of bed in the morning.

"But when the going gets tough, the tough get going. If looked within, the principles of ikigai may help us build a new world with a more rewarding personal and professional life," says the optimistic author.

Activities BOX



QUIZ TIME (CURRENT AFFAIRS)

Q.1) The Homolographic projection has the correct representation of...

- A. Shape B. Distance
C. Baring D. Area

Q.2) Which of the following is tropical grassland?

- A. Taiga B. Savanna
C. Pampas D. Prairies

Q.3) The iron and steel industries of which of the following countries are almost fully dependent on imported raw materials?

- A. Britain B. Japan
C. Poland D. Germany

Q.4) The temperature increases rapidly after the...

- A. Ionosphere B. Exosphere
C. Stratosphere D. Troposphere

Q.5) The least explosive type of volcano is called...

- A. Basalt plateau B. Cinder cone
C. Shield volcanoes D. Composite volcanoes

Q.6) What is the original name of Muhammad Ali?

- A. Aram Jones B. Rambo Dingal
C. Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr
D. Kuper AstonBem

ANSWERS

1. D) Area 2. B) Savanna 3. B) Japan 4. A) Ionosphere
5. A) Basalt plateau 6. C) Cassius Marcellus Clay Jr

KNOWLEDGE BANK

BIRDS

Grey-headed swamphen

Grey-headed swamphen (Porphyrrio poliocephalus) is a species of swamphen found in the Indian subcontinent, southern China and northern Thailand. It used to be considered a subspecies of the purple swamphen, but was elevated to full species status in 2015; today the purple swamphen is considered a superspecies. The male has an elaborate courtship display, holding water weeds in his bill and bowing to the female with loud chuckles.



EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY

Develop a story based on the pictures in around 250 words. Send your entry along with your name, class, school and picture at toinie175@gmail.com



Mind teasers MATHS QUIZ

Q.1) The average weight of 8 people increases by 2.5 kg when a new person comes in place of one of them weighing 65 kg. What might be the weight of the new person?
A. 76 kg B. 85 kg
C. 88 kg D. 95 kg

Q.2) The captain of a cricket team of 11 members is 26 years old and the wicket keeper is 3 years older. If the ages of these two are excluded, the average age of the remaining players is one year less than

the average age of the whole team. What is the average age of the team?
A. 23 years B. 34 years
C. 43 years D. 53 years

ANSWER:
(1) B) 85 kg
(2) A) 23 years