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PM MODI LAUNCHES VIDEO BLOGGING CONTEST 'MY LIFE, MY YOGA' Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched a video blogging competition, and has invited citizens to participate in it. 'My Life, My Yoga'(Jeevan Yoga) that focuses on the transformative impact of yoga on the lives of individuals, comes as one of the activities related to the observation of the sixth International Day of Yoga on June 21

EDUCATION ALERT Schools, colleges, educational/training/coaching institutions will be opened after consultation with States and UTs during Phase II of #Unlock1. Based on the feedback from parents, teachers and other stakeholders, a decision on the re-opening of these institutions will be taken in the month of July

Ministry of Home Affairs

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK: INDIA BECOMES 7TH WORST-HIT COUNTRY

India has now become the world's seventh worst-hit country in terms of coronavirus cases with its tally of **1,82,143**, according to the World Health Organisation's COVID-19 tracker. According to the WHO tracker, a total of **59,34,936** cases have been recorded globally

LEADERSHIP LESSONS

Adaptability is one of the key leadership qualities: Sourav Ganguly

Former Indian captain and Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)chief Sourav Ganguly has asserted that a leader should focus on the **natural talent to bring the best out of any player.** One cannot expect Rahul Dravid type of player to play like Yuvraj Singh and vice versa, he said. The former opener, who shared his experiences with the learners on the Unacademy app recently, also stressed on adaptability as one of the key leadership qualities.

DADA'S MANTRAS ON LEADERSHIP

1 The only way to handle pressure is to live with pressure. The more pressure you handle, the better you become at what you do. You should always steer your fears away to get the best results.

2 The only way to get better is by learning from your own mistakes.

3 The greatest of the leaders make mistakes, but as long as the intentions are right, everything else will fall into place. You should learn from your own mistakes, and leave them behind to be a better version of yourself.

4 Don't let your losses get you down; that's a part of growing up. Learning from failures will lead you to success

What sets a leader apart from commoners? Share your views at timesnie175@gmail.com

Trump calls G7 outdated, wants India, others to join the group

US President Donald Trump has postponed the "outdated" Group of Seven summit that he planned to hold in June at the White House, seeking inclusion of India and some other countries to the grouping of world's top economies. Trump said he is "postponing it until September" and plans to invite Russia, South Korea, Australia and India. "I don't feel that as a G7, it properly represents what's going on in the world. It's a very outdated group of countries," he added.

VIEWPOINT

- G7 is a forum of the seven countries with the world's largest and most advanced economies—France, Germany, Italy, Japan, US, UK and Canada. Heads of States of these countries meet annually on international, economic and monetary issues.
- The US holds the presidency of the G7 this year.
- During the summit, G7 president normally invites Heads of States of one or two countries to attend the meeting as a special invitee.
- Last year, French President Emanuel Macron had invited PM Narendra Modi to the G7 Summit.

Q Does Trump's plan to invite India to the next G7 summit reflects New Delhi's growing international stature? Share your views at toinie175@gmail.com/timesnie175@gmail.com

FREE CELEBRITY WEBCASTS TO NOT MISS DURING LOCKDOWN

Celebrities like Norfolk-born pianist Myleene Klass are helping keep families fit, healthy and entertained as we grabble with home schooling during coronavirus lockdown. Here are some of the best celebrity webcasts to keep boredom at bay...

MYLEENE KLASS:
The Gorleston-born classical pianist, model and pop star is providing both music lessons and lullabies for parents and children during the lockdown period. Apart from hosting an interactive class where kids can play along with a pan and wooden spoon; she also plays a Disney-themed lullaby for babies, and presents Music Klass.
WHERE TO ACCESS: Join Myleene's Music Klass on YouTube

BEAR GRYLLS:
Bear Grylls has teamed up with the Scouts to produce a Great Indoor Adventure. Together they have dreamed up 100 indoor activities to ward off boredom, while kids are stuck in lockdown for most of the day. Bear has created a weekly live video feed called, 'The Great Indoors' which includes making lolly-stick catapults, origami and designing and making hot-air balloons; all activities can be done in the house or garden.
WHERE TO ACCESS: The Great Indoors activities can be accessed on the Scouts web page

OTI MABUSE:
Strictly Come Dancing star Oti Mabuse hosts free online dance classes for children and adults alike, to make sure people remain fit and healthy, and enjoy a quick twirl across the living room despite being in lockdown.
WHERE TO ACCESS: You access the lessons on Oti Mabuse Official on YouTube

NEWS IN BRIEF

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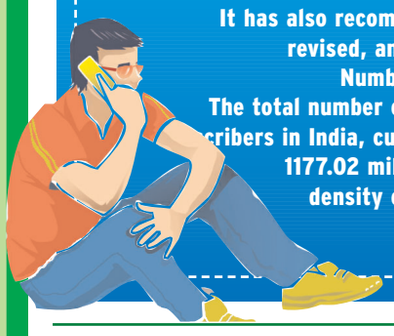
10-DIGIT NUMBERS TO CONTINUE: TRAI

The Telecom regulatory authority of India(TRAI) has refuted claims of shifting to an 11-digit mobile numbering plan, saying that it has only suggested prefixing '0', when mobile numbers are called from landlines. Introduction of a dialling prefix for a particular type of call "is not akin to increasing the number of digits in the telephone number", it stated.

TELECOM

- In its report, TRAI said, the migration to a unified or single numbering scheme for fixed line and mobile services is not required for now; sufficient numbering space can be created by various methods, including prefixing '0' for all fixed to mobile calls



It has also recommended an early, revised, and a new National Numbering Plan (NNP)
The total number of telephone subscribers in India, currently stands at 1177.02 million, with a teledensity of 87.45% at the end of Jan 2020

Manipur youth creates 'Iron Man' replica out of electronic waste

INNOVATOR

Enthralled by Hollywood super hero movies, a 20-year-old youth from Manipur has created a replica of Marvel's iconic character, 'Iron Man', out of electronic waste. **Ningombam Prem**, who hails from Heirok Part-2 village in Thoubal district, said that he created the suit using discarded scrap materials, emergency lamps, electronic toys, syringes, speaker frames and even IV-fluid tubes."I always wanted to create a robot since my childhood days. But the craze for Iron Man costume started around 2015," he said. Prem had earlier created demo model of other robotic items, such as mechanism of producing web from the hand like that of Spiderman.

GOOGLE LAUNCHES NEW PROGRAMME TO STOP COVID-19 SCAMMERS

Google has launched a new programme called Scam Spotter to spot and stop scammers who are exploiting the Covid-19 pandemic with alarming speed, and taking advantage of fear and uncertainty

TECH BUZZ

The programme simplifies expert's advice with three rules, when you receive a suspicious phone call or message to figure out if it's a scam. The three rules are: "Slow it down, spot check and stop! Don't send."

- According to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC), people reported $1.9 billion 'lost to scams' in 2019.
- Every minute, more than $3,600 disappeared from wallets and bank accounts, in response to made-up stories of urgently overdue tax payments, bogus contest winnings, or a smooth-talking online suitor, who suddenly needs some gift cards.
- While people aged 25-40 are most likely to be scammed, research shows it's seniors who stand to lose the most, with their median losses more than double the average.

NAMESAKE

WORLD'S DEEPEST OCTOPUS NAMED 'DUMBO' AFTER DISNEY ELEPHANT CHARACTER

In an interesting discovery, scientists have filmed the world's deepest-sighted octopus at almost 4.3 miles down in the Indian Ocean. Believed to be a new species of Grimpoteuthis, a genus of deep-sea umbrella octopuses, it has been named 'Dumbo octopus', as its fins resemble the ears of a Disney elephant character. Scientists said the animal was 14-17 inches-long, inhabiting at around 6,900 metres deep in the ocean, and they hopped from place to place on the seabed

WORLD TEAMTENNIS PLANS TO ALLOW UP TO 500 FANS TO ITS MATCHES

SPORTS

World TeamTennis(WTT) plans to allow up to 500 spectators at each of its outdoor matches during the season-from July 12 to August 2 at a resort in West Virginia. "In accordance with state health guidelines, WTT will allow up to 500 fans (20% capacity) to attend its outdoor matches. Ticket pricing and access points will be announced at a later date," a statement on the official website of WTT, wtt.com read.The likes of 2020 Australian Open champion and World No. 4 Sofia Kenin and US Open champ and 2018 French Open finalist Sloane Stephens will take part in the three-week meet.

All tennis events sanctioned by the ATP, WTA and International Tennis Federation are on hold till at least July due to the Covid-19 crisis

ROGER FEDERER PIPS MESSI TO BECOME WORLD'S HIGHEST-PAID ATHLETE

Swiss marvel and tennis icon Roger Federer has managed to topple the likes of Cristiano Ronaldo and Lionel Messi to become the world's highest-paid athlete. Federer has topped the 2020 Forbes magazine list of highest-paid global athletes for the first time, with massive pre-tax earnings of **$106.3 million.**

Indian skipper Virat Kohli is the only Indian to enter the Forbes list of 100 richest athletes in the world

UV robot to zap coronavirus

A shopping mall in Singapore has deployed a newly-developed smart robot to fight the novel coronavirus, not with chemicals but with light.

ITS SPECIALTY
While spraying has become the norm in many places around the world, the robot uses ultraviolet lamps to disinfect not only surfaces, but tricky-to-reach crevices, and even the air.

SMART ROBOT!
UVC can be harmful to the skin and eyes, which is why the robot, which looks like a bunch of fluorescent lights standing up on a moving base, is tested after the mall's closing time. But it is programmed to turn off its UV lights, if it detects a human in close proximity. Once its route has been fully mapped, the robot is expected to perform its cleaning cycle autonomously, and recharge itself afterwards.

THE COST
Each one costs S$70,000 ($49,500). Some are being leased to clients for S$3,000 ($2,121) a month, and some will be given to hospitals and isolation centres

*S$ stands for Singaporean Dollar

WHAT IS TWITTER FACT-CHECK?

X-PLAINED

WHAT Twitter's fact check has gathered a storm, after the new fact-checking label was used to mark one of the tweets of the US President Donald Trump as "potentially misleading."

WHY Twitter had recently added a 'Fact-Checking' label to tweets with potentially-misleading or false claims. Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey declared war on what he calls "spreading misinformation online", by adding that the public platform will go after such news across the world.

WHERE The labels appear below a tweet that seems to carry harmful misinformation or claim. It links to a page curated by the Twitter staff or "external trusted sources" with more information about the claims made in a tweet. Initially, Twitter rolled out the feature with three categories of labels. Misleading information: not yet confirmed to be false or misleading by experts,Disputed claims: credibility of claims contested and.Unverified claims: information that is unconfirmed as yet

HOW Twitter officials say they identify tweets using "internal systems" that aim to ensure that the platform is not amplifying the tweets with these labels, and detecting highly-visible content quickly.