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PRESS RELEASE

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- Hon'ble Chief Minister Shri Naveen Patnaik said that low pressure rain has created flood situation in the State and directed the Hon'ble MLAs to remain with people in such difficult time. Saying that State Government shall provide all kinds of assistance to mitigate the problems of the people, Hon'ble Chief Minister also advised the Hon'ble MLAs to organise more blood donation camps during this period.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister discussed with the Hon'ble MLAs, through Video Conference, regarding JEE Main and NEET Examinations and directed them to provide necessary cooperation to the students as they are the future of the country and of Odisha. Assuring that State Government has ensured their free transportation and accommodation, Hon'ble Chief Minister advised the Hon'ble MLAs to extend required assistance to the examinees in their respective areas.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister, today on the occasion of National Small Industries Day, said that Small industries can be a harbinger for bigger change as the country is looking to reboot economy affected by COVID-19 pandemic. He called upon all to take pledge to promote and nurture small businesses so that they emerge as strong pillars of our economy.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed happiness that Ganjam has turned around the COVID-19 situation, leveraging increased testing, extensive contact tracing & screening of recovered patients. He also said that case positivity rate & number of deaths have significantly decreased in the district.
- Principal Secretary, Department of Water Resources Smt. Anu Garg in a high level meeting today reviewed the flood situation in the State. Water levels have started receding in few of the rivers. 46 gates of Hirakud Dam have been opened and around 10 Lakh cusec water is flowing at Munduli. Water Resources Department and District Administration are keeping close watch on the situation and necessary measures are being taken by monitoring the situation at regular interval. (By evening 43 numbers of gates of Hirakud Dam are opened)
- As per direction of Hon'ble Chief Minister, persons who have successfully completed institutional quarantine are being given incentive of Rs.2000/- each.

- A sum of Rs. 129,45,13,000/- has been paid so far. This amount is given from Chief Minister's Relief Fund.
- From 29th August to 30th August morning, 8 no of cases have been registered by the Police in the state for violation of regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19. All these cases are for violation of Lock Down. 29 persons have been arrested.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 29th August, 17,31,556 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 1,00,934.
- > 70,714 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 482.
- No of active cases are 29,685.
- > 29,685 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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