



Medicine is the highest form of service to humanity: Governor FIRST GRADUATION CEREMONY OF MANIPAL TATA MEDICAL COLLEGE HELD

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Governor Santosh Gangwar on Monday said that medicine is not merely a profession, but the highest medium of service to humanity. A good doctor does not merely treat the body, he also instils faith and hope in the patient's mind. The harmonious blend of knowledge, compassion, and sensitivity constitutes a physician's greatest hallmark.

The Governor was addressing the first Graduation Ceremony of Manipal Tata Medical College (MTMC), Jamshedpur, held at the college campus in Baridih as part of the 33rd Convocation of Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE). The event marked a historic milestone as the institution's pioneer batch of 133 MBBS students from the 2020-21 academic session graduated successfully.

Dr. Sharath K. Rao, Vice Chancellor of MAHE, formally conferred medical degrees upon the graduating students, who are now set to join the healthcare sector and contribute to society as medical professionals.

In his convocation address, Governor Gangwar described the occasion as a celebration not only of academic achievement but also of the graduates' future service to society. He emphasized that education and healthcare are powerful instruments of social transformation and stressed the need to build a healthier and more equitable society.

The Governor noted that while artificial intelligence, robotics, and advanced medical technologies are rapidly transforming healthcare, the essence of medicine continues to rest on empathy, trust, and human connection. He urged the newly graduated doctors to uphold



Jharkhand Governor Santosh Kumar Gangwar presents the TMA Pai gold medal to Dr Devarchana on the occasion of 1st graduation Ceremony of MTMC in Jamshedpur on Monday. PNS

these values throughout their professional careers.

Joining the event virtually, Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare Minister Irfan Ansari reminded the graduates that a doctor's responsibility extends beyond providing treatment. He said medical professionals must advocate for their patients, earn their trust, and serve as a dependable support system during difficult times. He encouraged the young doctors to reassure patients that they can lead healthy and fulfilling lives after receiving proper care.

Guest of Honour K. Vijay Kumar, Senior Security Advisor in the Ministry of Home Affairs, urged the graduates to pursue medicine with passion, integrity, and a commitment to lifelong learning. He highlighted the importance of teamwork among doctors, nurses, paramedics, and support staff in

delivering quality healthcare services. Addressing the gathering, MAHE Vice Chancellor Dr. Sharath K. Rao said MTMC has rapidly emerged as a respected institution in medical education, research, and innovation. He expressed confidence that the first graduating batch possesses the competence, confidence, and ethical values required to excel in the evolving field of medicine. Speaking on the occasion, Somnath Das, Group President - Special Projects and Officer on Special Duty to MAHE, said the graduation of the first batch stands as proof of the success of the unique collaboration behind MTMC and its long-term value to society. D.B. Sundara Ramam, Vice President, Corporate Services, Tata Steel, said MTMC reflects Tata Steel's enduring commitment to education, healthcare, and community development in the region.

CSIR-NML launches E-Waste training drive to formalise recycling sector

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In a major step towards sustainable e-waste management and environmental protection, CSIR-National Metallurgical Laboratory (CSIR-NML), Jamshedpur, on Monday launched a week-long training programme for master trainers aimed at transforming India's informal e-waste recycling sector into a safer and more organized ecosystem.

The programme, inaugurated by CSIR-NML Director Dr. Sandip Ghosh Choudhury, brings together master trainers from TERI and REKART, who will be equipped with scientific knowledge and practical skills to train thousands of informal e-waste handlers across the country. Led by Dr. Manis Kumar Jha, Chief Scientist and Project Leader, the training focuses on safe handling, segregation, dismantling and recycling of electronic waste generated from mobile phones, computers, printed circuit boards, wires and other electronic devices. Participants are also being sensitized about the environmental and health hazards of unsafe practices such as open burning and uncontrolled chemical use.

A key highlight of the pro-



gramme is hands-on exposure to indigenous technologies developed for recovering valuable metals such as copper, silver and gold from discarded electronics. The initiative seeks to help informal recyclers view e-waste not as waste, but as a valuable secondary resource and business opportunity.

The programme is part of a national project jointly implemented by C-MET Hyderabad, CSIR-NML Jamshedpur and CIPET-LARPM Bhubaneswar, with support from the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Government of India. Project officials said the long-term goal is to train 15,000 informal e-waste operators, create 75 recycling clusters, formalise at least 30 units and establish eco-parks where scientific recycling can

be carried out safely. The initiative will also support implementation of E-Waste Management Rules, 2016 and strengthen India's circular economy by promoting resource recovery and reducing environmental pollution. Experts noted that while India's e-waste generation is growing rapidly, much of it still flows through informal channels where unsafe recycling practices pose serious risks to both human health and the environment. The CSIR-NML initiative aims to bridge this gap through technology transfer, skill development and formalisation of the sector. The programme is expected to play a crucial role in promoting resource efficiency, creating green livelihoods and advancing sustainable e-waste management across the country.

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From code to chords: Aaditri's 'Kabhi Aur' urges listeners to stop waiting

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There is a particular kind of quiet that settles over people who have put their dreams on hold. It is not loud regret, but a dull persistence, a feeling that something is waiting. For Aaditri, a software developer and indie rock artist originally from Patna, that quiet has been a companion for years.

Her journey, on paper, looks like success. She cracked the Joint Entrance Examination, studied at IIT Kharagpur, and built a career in technology. Yet, beneath the surface, something was missing. Whenever she found a moment, music crept back in. Surrounded by fellow engineers who were also musicians, Aaditri realised that choosing music was not the anomaly she once thought. That realisation gave her courage to pursue it fully, alongside her sensible tech career.

Her debut single "Bepankh" explored the helplessness of being stuck in a life never quite chosen, still yearning for abandoned dreams. It resonated with listeners who recognised the ache of deferred passion. But with her second single "Kabhi Aur", released this week, something has shifted. The resignation is gone. In its place is urgency.

The track holds up a mirror to endless deferral - the responsibilities that pile up and close in until the dream quietly suffocates. Aaditri's voice is sharper, her guitar lines more insistent. It is the sound of someone who has stopped making excuses and started making music. "Music was always there, waiting," she says.

"With Kabhi Aur, I wanted to capture the moment when



you stop postponing and start creating what truly matters."

The single is not just a song; it is a statement. It speaks to young professionals across Ranchi, Jharkhand, and beyond, who balance careers with creative impulses, often sacrificing one for the other. Aaditri's journey shows that the two need not be mutually exclusive. Her decision to embrace both paths reflects a growing cultural shift where passion projects are no longer dismissed as impractical.

With more singles already in the works, Aaditri seems intent on making up for lost time. Her music blends indie rock sensibilities with raw storytelling, offering listeners both catharsis and courage. For Ranchi's emerging creative scene, her voice adds a fresh dimension - one that insists dreams deferred can still be reclaimed.

"Kabhi Aur" is now available on all major streaming platforms. Give it a listen, and if it hits, you'll know exactly why she couldn't keep waiting any longer. And maybe, just maybe, you'll stop waiting too.

Marandi raises alarm over infiltration, demands NRC in Jharkhand

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Expressing serious concern over the issue of illegal infiltration in Jharkhand, Leader of the Opposition and former Chief Minister of the state, Babul Marandi, on Monday claimed that large-scale infiltration has resulted in significant demographic changes across the state, adversely affecting the tribal population.

Addressing journalists at the Circuit House in Jamshedpur, Marandi said that the issue of citizenship status must be clarified and warned that if the situation continues unchecked, he would demand the implementation of the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Jharkhand by the Central Government.

Highlighting concerns over demographic trends, Marandi cited census figures and said the tribal population, which stood at 35.38 percent in 1951, had declined to 26.20 percent by the 2011 Census. He expressed apprehension that the figures in the forthcoming census could reveal an even steeper decline.

According to him, Bangladeshi infiltrators are entering Jharkhand through West Bengal and subsequently dispersing to various parts of the country. He maintained that the NRC remains the only effective mechanism to identify and curb illegal infiltration.

Launching a sharp attack on the state government led



by Hemant Soren, Marandi alleged that corruption, crime, and loot have increased significantly under the current administration. He said it is the responsibility of the Opposition to expose the shortcomings of the government, but accused the ruling dispensation of responding with rhetoric rather than concrete action. Marandi further challenged the government to take action if it possesses any evidence against him, asserting that he has nothing to hide.

On the issue of citizenship and NRC, he also targeted Rahul Gandhi and Mamata Banerjee, alleging that they are misleading the public. Referring to reports concern-

ing Bangladeshi nationals apprehended in West Bengal, he raised questions about border security and the movement of infiltrators.

Earlier in the day, Marandi received a warm welcome from BJP workers upon his arrival at the Circuit House. The reception was led by BJP District President Sanjeev Sinha and attended by several party leaders, including Trade Cell Convener Niraj Singh and former spokesperson Rajesh Shukla.

Marandi is scheduled to participate in a BJP organizational meeting in Ghatshila on Monday as part of the party's ongoing outreach and organizational activities in the region.

Testing the Marriage Before the Wedding

Fourth in a series on marriage, tradition, and the lives we need to build together.



BY NIVEDITA PANDEY

We have inherited detailed Saptapadi vows. We have built no practice for living them. Two people making the most consequential decision of their lives deserve more than blessings, a horoscope match, and gifts.

The Catholic Church requires couples to complete structured marriage preparation called Pre-Cana before a wedding can take place. This

involves multiple sessions taught by trained clergy, supplemented by married couples who speak from lived experience. The model works because it is embedded in an institution people already trust.

The temple is that institution for millions of Hindu families. Here's what this could look like:

First, a structured series of 4-5 sessions conducted over a month, with self-reflection exercises and honest conversations facilitated between the couple. Couples should be guided through the difficult conversations that often become fault lines in a marriage.

Second, the people delivering it must be trained and certified, not self-appointed. The curriculum must be grounded in scriptural knowledge and practical relational wisdom, developed by religious scholars with genuine gender representation, and delivered by people assessed against it. This will prevent well-meaning but biased indi-

viduals injecting their own prejudices into vulnerable moments.

Elders learned in the tradition - retired, rooted in their communities, respected by families - can be trained for this role. Their lived experience of building a household adds what no certification alone can provide: wisdom that has been tested by time.

Third - my most radical suggestion - the outcome must be genuinely open. This preparation is not to make people compulsorily marry. If, after several sessions of genuine reflection, a couple concludes they are incompatible, want fundamentally different things, or are marrying for the wrong reasons - that is not failure. That is the programme working exactly as it should. This is what honest testing actually means - entering preparation without a predetermined outcome. A society that pushes people into marriage without preparation, and traps them inside it without recourse, should be

able to accept this: informed non-marriage is a better outcome than uninformed marriage.

Before institutions act, families can. Indian families negotiate jewellery, gifts, and menus over months. The two people getting married are rarely asked: Have you discussed what happens when one of you loses income? How will you handle conflict with in-laws? What does respect look like in your home when you are angry? Families need to be prepared too - on how to create comfort for the new entrant, how to handle mismatch in expectations and values, and when to adjust vs. when to escalate. These are the questions the Saptapadi was already asking.

At the individual level, each of us entering marriage must sit with a harder question than is this the right person? The harder question is: Am I the right person?

Can I handle conflict without turning abusive? Can I take responsibility when I

am wrong? Can I respect someone's dignity even when I am hurt? Can I grow and contribute to the other person's growth?

It is time our institutions made honest reflection central to how we prepare for marriage. We already know what uninformed marriage costs - we have watched it and endured it. What we have never built is something to prevent it. If the vows we recite are sacred, preparing ourselves to live them must be treated as sacred work.

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Health Minister conducts surprise inspection at Dumka hospital



KUMAR PRABHAT : DUMKA

Taking a serious note of the prevailing state of medical services, Jharkhand Health Minister Dr. Irfan Ansari conducted a surprise inspection of the Dumka Sadar Hospital, severely reprimanding top medical officials over glaring administrative and operational lapses.

During his unannounced visit, the Minister took stock of the patient footfall and the corresponding availability of medical practitioners. Pointing out the disproportionate patient-to-doctor ratio, Dr. Ansari underscored the pressing need to augment the strength of doctors at the facility to ensure timely treatment.

Irked by several deficiencies observed on the hospital premises, he pulled up the Sadar Hospital Superintendent and the Civil Surgeon, issuing a stern warning to rectify the shortcomings at the earliest.

Asserting that the state government has a zero-tolerance approach toward medical negligence, Dr. Ansari categorically stated that playing with the health of the public would not be tolerated under any circumstances.

He reaffirmed that providing dignified, accessible, and high-quality healthcare to the masses remains the supreme priority of the current dispensation. In a bid to ensure systemic

improvements and keep the hospital administration on its toes, the Minister announced that he would personally carry out surprise inspections every fortnight to review the health infrastructure. Highlighting the state's broader vision, he noted that the government, under the leadership of Chief Minister Hemant Soren, is making continuous strides to fortify Jharkhand's healthcare framework.

Before concluding his visit, Dr. Ansari issued an appeal to all doctors, paramedical staff, and administrative officials, urging them to work in absolute synergy to deliver exemplary and seamless medical services to the common man.