



Pm Modi Invited Indian Youths To Participate In The 'Digital India Atmanirbhar Bharat Innovate Challenge'.



PM Modi asks youth to take up challenge to create Made in India Apps.

JNS/New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi invited Indian youths to participate in the 'Digital India Atmanirbhar Bharat Innovate Challenge'.

In a bid to promote and identify the best homegrown apps being used by the citizens, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday launched Aatmanirbhar Bharat App Innovation Challenge. The challenge is aimed at promoting the Indian apps which have the potential to scale and become world-class apps in their respective categories.

After India banned 59 Chinese apps including TikTok, SHAREit, Xender, US Browser, Baidu map, Helo, Mi Community, Club Factory, WeChat and UC News amidst the anti-China sentiment due to the border tension between India and China, the challenge has been launched.

PM Modi tweeted, "This challenge is for you if you have such a working product or if you feel you have the vision and expertise to create such products. I urge all my friends in the tech community to participate."

In a LinkedIn post, Prime Minister Modi mentioned about the vibrant tech and start-up ecosystem in India and how the youngsters have excelled in providing tech solutions across sectors.

"India has a very vibrant tech and startup ecosystem, which has done India proud nationally as well as globally. Our youngsters have excelled in providing tech solutions across sectors," the PM said.

"The Covid-19 Pandemic has also brought about a big disruption, which is being tackled through the use of technology to aid our day to day lives," he added.

He said while the nation is working towards creating an Aatmanirbhar Bharat, it is a good opportunity to give direction and momentum to evolve apps which can satisfy "our market as well as compete with the world".

"Nowadays, we are seeing huge interest & enthusiasm among the start-up and tech ecosystem to innovate, develop and promote homegrown apps," the PM said.

The Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology along with Atal Innovation Mission has come up with the Aatmanirbhar Bharat App Innovation challenge to run in two tracks – promotion of existing apps and development of new apps.

This challenge will be jointly hosted by the government and members of the tech community to

make it more holistic.

The PM urged the tech community to participate and help create an Aatmanirbhar App Ecosystem.

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Chinese Prez Xi Jinping Likely To Arrive In India With Delegation



Shanghai/Chennai: In this month Indian PM Narendra Modi will meet Chinese President Xi Jinping in Tamilnadu with a group of Delegations. Chinese President Xi Jinping reaches the Chennai airport with his 200-member delegation, he will be welcomed with a massive performance, put up by 500 dancers, and folk music, sources said.

Ahead of their arrival, in a first, an Air China 747 aircraft, carrying four black, bullet-proof luxury vehicles, landed at the Chennai airport around 6.30 p.m. on Tuesday.

On Friday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will arrive around 12.30 p.m. and the Chinese President, an hour later. The 200-member Chinese delegation will land in a separate aircraft, sources added. Chief Minister Edappadi K. Palaniswami is likely to receive the Prime Minister, who will head to Mamallapuram. It is not clear who will be present to receive the Chinese President, as yet. "As per the plan now, the Prime Minister and the Chinese President will only meet each other at Mamallapuram," a source said.

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Raid In Bokaro Following Naxal's Arrest In Gaya



A joint team of Bihar and Bokaro police conducted a raid in a house at Sector 12 A in Bokaro Steel City last night and recovered laptops, naxal literature and other documents.

In an ongoing probe relating to arrest of a hardcore naxal Rupesh Kumar Singh along with his two associates Mithesh and Kamal at Dovi in Gaya district of Bihar police conducted raid at Bokaro, said Gayan Ranjan City DSP Bokaro.

“Rupesh was residing at Sector 12 A, 3041 since past long,” he added.

On Friday night, Bihar police arrested Rupesh along with Mithelesh and Kamal at Dovi More (Gaya) and recovered huge quantity of explosives and naxal literatures from their car. They were on the way to Chhakarbandha under Dumariya police station in Bihar to deliver explosives to the naxals, police said.

According to the police 15 bundles of detonators (each has 25 electric detonators) have been recovered from their possession besides 32 pieces of gelatin rods. Police also recovered naxal literature, three mobile and one memory chip from their possession.

It is estimated that messages were exchanged only from chip, said Ravish Kumar DSP Sherghati. During interrogation Rupesh admitted that he is a member of CPI Maoist’s Special Investigation Committee of Crime Bureau Technical cell. Rupesh admitted that he supplied explosives to the naxals in many adjoining states. Even before that three consignments have already been supplied, police said.

Rupesh told to the police that he a postgraduate and presently working as an editor of a magazine published from Jharkhand, DSP said adding, “Police is investigating on every aspect.” Mithelesh who is advocate was reportedly missing form 4 June from Ramgarh. He is a resident of Roba Colony, Ranchi Road, Ramgarh, police said.



Cbse Workshop On Capacity Building For ‘Educator’ On Examination & Spot Evaluation At Dps Bokaro



Bokaro: Aiming to provide educators specific strategies related to the ‘Conduct of Examinations and Error-free Evaluation Process’, a workshop on ‘Capacity Building Programme on Examination and Spot Evaluation’ was conducted at DPS Bokaro on Wednesday,

The dynamic interactive session was organised by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) where Principals, Head examiners Assistant Head Examiners and Evaluators from the district explored numerous ideas to improve strategies and give their best at all times for the success of their students.

Director and Principal, DPS Bokaro Dr. Hemlata S Mohan inaugurated the capacity building programme in Mahatma Gandhi Hall of DPS Bokaro. While inaugurating the programme she remarked that this programme is important considering the upcoming board examination 2019. She stated that the evaluators must think of the children’s’ future and hence seriously take up the evaluation process as per the guidelines of CBSE.

Principal, Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Dr. Ashok Singh and Principal, Pentecostal Assembly School Rita Prasad, resources persons initiated the session, deliberating on strong procedures for conducting examinations and introduced the new initiatives of the board.

He said quality evaluation is very important, so schools should cooperate and spare their best

teachers for it.

Dr. Ashok remarked that face-to-face interaction is must, so this programme was organized to disseminate comprehensive and inspiring tips for promoting academic engagement in exam practices.



Search Operations Intensify In Jhumra, Lugu Hillocks Regions



The district police Bokaro along with CRPF cops intensify search operations in the Jhumra and Lugu hillocks regions on Wednesday.

The outlawed CPI Maoist again proved their strong presence in these regions; putting forces on toes naxal rebels pasted dozens of posters in maoist infested area of Gomia, Sadam, Tulbul and in Tenughat areas in Bokaro district on Tuesday midnight.

To make their 'Martyr Week' a grand success the maoist cadres gathered in these regions and have begun the celebrations are 'on'.

There were intelligence inputs suggesting that the CPI (Maoist)'s which annually observed the Martyr's week which started from Friday (28 July to 3 August) onwards to give a tribute to their leader Charu Mazumdar and Kanahi Chatterjee on their death anniversaries.

The Intelligence Bureau has issued an alert as Maoists cadre could target security cops and government properties too. Maoists could plant landmines to target security forces in Bokaro, Dhanbad and Giridih districts, sources said. Meanwhile, the district's police have decided to put cities in foolproof security cover. On the direction of higher ups high alert has been declared across the district, said Sanjay Kumar SSP Operation.

Meanwhile taking tough on a sudden rise in the Maoists activities patrolling have been intensified. "The police have beefed up security in the naxal-infested areas across the district. Cops are instructed to tackle all adverse situations and keep strong security arrangements", he said.

Naxal rebels are active in 19 of the 24 districts of Jharkhand.



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5 Cops Injured In Ied Blast In Jharkhand



Five security personnel, including three CRPF men, today suffered injuries in an IED blast during an anti-Naxal operation in the jungles of Latehar district, even as the forces seized 50 bombs, 165 detonators and over five dozen grenades. Officials said the encounter occurred when a patrol team led by CRPF's CoBRA unit was on the Buda Pahar axis

where Latehar's border in Jharkhand. An encounter took place between the CRPF men and Naxal cadres of the 'Arvidndji Dalam', they said. "Five troops have suffered minor injuries after an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) exploded. They include two assistant commandants and a jawan of the CRPF and two sub-inspectors of Jharkhand police. The team was out for an anti-Maoist operation," they said.

165 detonators, 50 IEDs, 20 explosives, 63 grenades, 20 bullets, rations, medicines, 100 litres diesel, cordex wire and other items were seized from two hideouts, they added.

The injured personnel, identified as assistant commandants Varunendra Singh and Jitendra Singh, havildar Subhash Shinde of Cobra 209 batallion and police sub-inspectors Prabhakar Munda and Vinay Kumar of Latehar, were air-lifted to Ranchi for treatment, the officials said, adding that the operation which began last evening has now ended.

There was information that four ultras, who were injured in a recent encounter with security personnel in Chhattisgarh, were being brought to Latehar through Buda Pahar for treatment, officials said.

Also that top Maoist leader Arvind, who carries a reward of Rs one crore on his head, along with senior LWE leaders Sudhakakran from Andhra Pradesh and others had assembled at Buda Pahar, they said.

The security personnel entered the Maoist hideouts in the dense forest in total darkness.

Apart from Latehar, Garwah, Palamau district police force, Chhattisgarh police also participated in the operation led by SP Anoop Birtheray, police said.

The security personnel in the past had at least 12 armed encounters with Arvind and the operation yesterday was stated to be the biggest launched in Latehar after the recent visit by Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh.

The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) is deployed in the state as part of the anti-Naxal

operations grid.

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Naxal Movements Dips After Demonetisation



There has been a sharp dip in Naxal operations in states like Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Odisha, where they enjoy a formidable network, largely on account of demonetisation. Union home minister Rajnath Singh also gave an indication to this effect even as intelligence agencies are still busy gathering information on impact of

demonetisation on terror activities in the North-East as well as Jammu and Kashmir.

Mr Singh on Tuesday admitted that demonetisation has indeed increased problems for Naxals, implying that intelligence inputs reveal that they have weakened. Without getting into the specific details of the damage inflicted on the Maoists, the minister claimed that available inputs suggest that they were facing a major cash crunch following a ban on old Rs 500 and Rs 1,000 currency notes.

"It is correct that Naxals have weakened post- demonetisation. The intelligence information received by us shows their problems have increased. Their strength has reduced," Mr Singh said. Intelligence agencies have also informed the home ministry that Naxal outfits were pressurising local businessmen and village committees to convert their old currency following which Naxal-dominated states were told to launch a special offensive against this.

Top home ministry officials said the exact impact of demonetisation on Naxal operations and even terror activities would be known over the next few weeks though all possible indications suggest that it has had a severe impact.

"While we have already received information about Naxal operations, intel agencies are monitoring activities of terror outfits in North-East and the Valley. Terror groups in the North-East are the biggest receivers of funds followed by the Valley so we are keeping a close tab on that," a senior intelligence official said.

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Maoist Leader Kishenji's Bodyguard Killed In Encounter In Jharkhand, Wife Arrested



A hardcore Maoists Supaye Tuddu (30) was killed in an encounter at Putu jungle in rebel-infested Ghorabandha police station area of Ghatshila sub-division early Tuesday morning.

According to information security personnel of Jharkhand Jaguar and district police carried out an anti-insurgency operation in Ghorabandha at about 6 am, when an encounter took place with the rebels that led to Tuddu's death.

Tuddu's wife Sonali (27) who is also a naxal was caught by the police. The police have recovered two fire-arms, both 9 MM pistols from the spot of encounter.

Soon after the encounter, director general of police, Jharkhand, DK Pandey, additional director general (Operation) RK Mallik and Anurag Gupta, ADG (Special Branch) visited the spot.

East Singhbhum, senior superintendent of police Anoop T Mathew and SP (Rural) Shailendra Burnwal also had been to the Putu jungle where the encounter took place.

According to information, Tuddu was zonal commander of CPI-Maoist Ghurabandha zone and was wanted in connection with 27 naxal-related cases in East Singhbhum district only.

Moreover, he was wanted by Bengal and Odisha police in connection with the naxal-related cases registered there. He was carrying a reward of Rs 15 lakh on his head by the state police.

While his wife Sonali Tuddu was wanted in as many as 10 cases by the East Singhbhum district police.