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Co-founder and chairman of MindTree, a leading software serv author of several best-sellers, **Subroto Bagchi** is among stories from Odisha. Straddling a corporate career and the vo Bagchi says the future of the state lies in 'creative economy'. I chat with Sandeep Mishra, Bangalore-based Bagchi says it was to create 'intellectual infrastructure' for the next generation

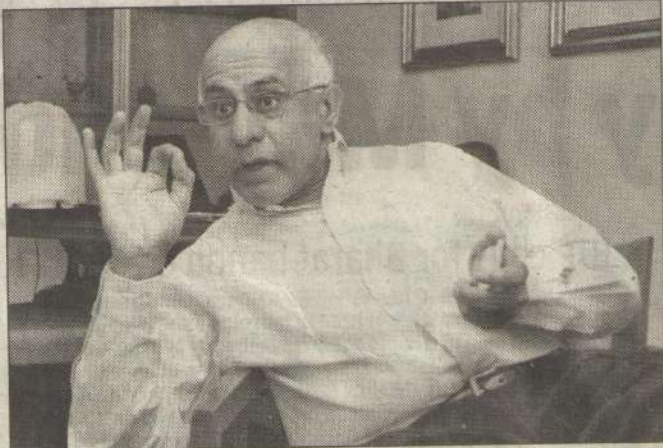
Q-Being a corporate bigwig, what prompted you to take to writing?

A-When I grew up in Odisha, the idea of writing was a respected one. Unlike now when playing cricket fetches you recognition, young children writing a good essay used to get appreciation then. Early on, I used to contribute for a publication called 'Youth Times' and even earned up to Rs 40 a piece. That was then a big deal and that is how my interest in writing evolved. Information Technology is a thinking industry and people who are part of it, are willing to read. A writer initially looks for positive affirmation and I got from my I-T colleagues when I started writing columns for newspapers/magazines. It was a flattering experience, but gradually it became a responsibility. I realized I could create 'intellectual infrastructure' for the next generation through writing.

Q-Tell us something about your graduation from writing columns to books.

A-It was after a publisher friend approached me to write a book on setting up a business that I lapped up the idea and wrote 'The High Performance Entrepreneur' around seven years ago. It was successful and translated into several languages. My next book 'Go Kiss the World' was based on my experiences of growing up in small-town Odisha; it is an inspirational book for young Indians, especially those from small towns and rural areas, to work on their strengths and achieve their goals. The 'Professional', focusing on what it means to be a professional, followed. These three books are a trilogy of sorts.

Q-What inspired you to write your latest book, 'MBA at 16'?



Sanjib Das

A-The idea is to introduce 16-year-olds, who after 4 to 5 years would be charting their professional courses, the world of business. It is not a textbook, but something more palatable akin to a Harry Potter book which takes you to a world of fantasy and from where you will return more informed and inquisitive. The book is meant to give access to teenagers to information about the world of business that is not biased. This is imperative because people either have a 'I, me, myself' view of private jets, oak-panelled boardrooms and helipads atop 28-storey buildings on businesses, while others consider all businesses as bad, anti-sustainability and profit-making at the expense of others.

Q-How did you go about writing the book?

A-In 2010, I had completed half of the draft for the book when I realized I was doing a fundamental mistake: I had not interacted with anyone in their mid-teens for over a decade. Our younger daughter had left home 11 years ago. I needed to know what today's 16-year-olds want before I

write a book for them. That is when I requested two schools to allow me to work with teenagers. We conducted a programme 'Business with Bagchi' spread over four weekends for 31 school-children in Bengaluru in January 2011. Thereafter, I threw away my old manuscript and wrote the book afresh.

Q-Is the book aimed at drawing kids to the world of business?

A-No. It is about explaining to children that business is an important force. Whatever they become in life, be it policymakers, journalists, green activists, judges or corporate guys, they need to know about business. This is of huge national interest. Whether you are in business or not you are a consumer. Today a judge cannot deliver a verdict on 3G spectrum sale without understanding business. That is *raison d'être* of 'MBA at 16'.

Q-You were born and brought up in Odisha, how have your writings been received in your state?

A-My works have been translated into other Indian languages and

even to Korean and Chinese, unfortunately sharing with Odisha has not happened much. Which is why, I am keen that boys and girls in Odisha should read my books, especially the latest one. I would be happy if some renders my works into Odia.

Q-But you have a translator at your home (his wife Susmit, a noted Odia author)?

A-Laughs....yes, but she keeps busy with her work. A lot of literary stuff gets translated in Odia, not the type of book I write.

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Q-Now, tell us about the IT industry. Is the sector facing tough times?

A-Overall it is a good time to be in the industry. It's a \$90 to \$100 billion industry in India and NASDAQ predicts three-fold growth in eight years. Even if there is two-fold growth during the next eight years, it will be something we have seen very few times in history.

Q-But we hear of layoffs, 'the-bench' and etc. What are the challenges?

A-We simply don't have enough good people. We are not adequately focused on human resource development. Education is bein-

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ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ଓଡ଼ିଆରେ ଯୋଗଦାନ ଆୟୋଜିତ ସ୍ୱଦେଶୀ ପ୍ରେମ ଜାଗୃତି ସଂଗୋଷ୍ଠୀର ୪ର୍ଥ ମହାସମିଳନୀ ପ୍ରବନ୍ଧ ପ୍ରତିଯୋଗିତାରେ କଟକର ଚୁପଶା ସେନାପତିଙ୍କୁ ବିଜାଉର ମହା ଓ ପଶୁସମ୍ପଦ ମନ୍ତ୍ରୀ ଚିତିରାଜ ସିଂ ପୁରସ୍କୃତ କରୁଛନ୍ତି ।

ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୨୮/୫ (ସ୍ୱାଭାବ) — ଓଡ଼ିଶା ଏକ କୃଷି ପ୍ରଧାନ ରାଜ୍ୟ ଭାବେ ସମଗ୍ର ଦେଶରେ ପରିଚିତ ପାଇଛି । ହେଲେ ପ୍ରତିବର୍ଷ କିଛି ନା କିଛି ପ୍ରାକୃତିକ ବିପର୍ଯ୍ୟୟ ଯୋଗାଦେଇ ଗାଈରେ କ୍ଷତି ହେଉଛି । ସେଥିପାଇଁ ରାଜ୍ୟରେ କେବଳ ଧାନ ଗମ୍ଭ ନ କରି ଉଦ୍ୟାନକୁଷି ପ୍ରତି ଗାମ୍ଭୀରୀ ସହ ଆଗ୍ରହ ପ୍ରକାଶ କରନ୍ତୁ । ଓଡ଼ିଆରେ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକାରୀ ବୈଜ୍ଞାନିକ ଏବଂ ଗବେଷକମାନେ କୃଷକମାନଙ୍କୁ ଏଥିମାନେ ଚେଷ୍ଟିତ ପ୍ରୋତ୍ସାହନ ଯୋଗାଇଦିଅନ୍ତୁ ବୋଲି କହିଛନ୍ତି ରାଜସ୍ୱ ମନ୍ତ୍ରୀ ପ୍ରଫୁଲ୍ଲ କୁମାର ପାଣି । ସୋମବାର ଅପରାହ୍ନରେ ଓଡ଼ିଶା କୃଷି ଓ ଚେଷ୍ଟିତ ବିଶ୍ୱବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟ (ଓଡ଼ିଆ) ପରିସରରେ ‘ଶାନ୍ତ ପାଇଁ ଉଦ୍ୟାନକୁଷି’ ଶୀର୍ଷକ ଜର୍ନାଲକୁ ଉଦ୍ଘାଟନ କରି ମନ୍ତ୍ରୀ କହିଥିଲେ, ଫଳ ଶରୀର ପାଇଁ ଅତ୍ୟନ୍ତ ହିତକର ହୋଇଥିବାରୁ ଏହାର ଚାହିଦା ଅଧିକ । ତେଣୁ ଏଠାରେ ଗାମ୍ଭୀରୀ କେବଳ ଧାନ ପ୍ରତି ଗୁରୁତ୍ୱ ନ ଦେଇ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ

ନିର୍ମିତ ପଦାର୍ଥ ଗମ୍ଭ କଲେ ଯୋଗାଦେଇ ଆର୍ଥିକ କ୍ଷତି ସୃଷ୍ଟି ହୋଇପାରେ । ଓଡ଼ିଶାରେ ଉଦ୍ୟାନ କୃଷି ପାଇଁ ବ୍ୟାପକ ଜମି ରହିଛି । ଅନେକ ସ୍ଥାନରେ ମାଟି ମଧ୍ୟ ଉର୍ବର । ତେଣୁ ଏଠାରେ ଫଳଗମ୍ଭ ପାଇଁ ମାଟି ନିର୍ମିତ ଭାବେ ସହାୟକ ହେବ । କେବଳ ଏ ନେଇ ବୈଜ୍ଞାନିକମାନେ ଗାମ୍ଭୀରୀ ମନରେ ଆଗ୍ରହ ସୃଷ୍ଟି କରିବା ଦରକାର । ଉଦ୍ୟାନ କୃଷିରେ ରାଜ୍ୟ ଉଚ୍ଚତ କରାଯାଇ ଆର୍ଥିକ କ୍ଷତିରେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଅନେକ ଉଚ୍ଚତ ହୋଇପାରିବ ବୋଲି ସେ ଆଶାବ୍ୟକ୍ତ କରିଥିଲେ । ଏହି ଅବସରରେ ଓଡ଼ିଆ ପରିସରରେ ଆୟୋଜିତ କୃଷିମେଳାକୁ ମନ୍ତ୍ରୀ ଉଦ୍ଘାଟନ କରିଥିଲେ । ଜର୍ନାଲରେ ମୋଟ ପାଞ୍ଚଶହରୁ ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାତା ପ୍ରଫେସର ପିତା, ଓଡ଼ିଆ କୃଷି ପ୍ରଫେସର ଡି.ପି. ରାୟଙ୍କ ସହ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ ଅତିଥିମାନେ ଯୋଗଦେଇ ଫଳଗମ୍ଭ ଏବଂ ଉଦ୍ୟାନକୁଷି ସମ୍ପର୍କରେ ଗଭୀର ପ୍ରଚାର କରିଥିଲେ ।

ପୂର୍ବଦ୍ୱାରା ଓଡ଼ିଆରେ ସ୍ୱାମୀନାଥନ ଛକରେ ଅନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଥିବା ସ୍ୱଦେଶୀ ପ୍ରେମ ଜାଗୃତି ସଂଗୋଷ୍ଠୀର ୪ର୍ଥ ମହାସମିଳନୀ । ଦେଶରେ ଶିକ୍ଷା, ଅର୍ଥନୀତି, କୃଷି ଉଚ୍ଚତ ପାଇଁ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ କରି ଆସୁଥିବା ସ୍ୱଦେଶୀ ପ୍ରେମ ଜାଗୃତି ସଂଗୋଷ୍ଠୀ ଏବଂ ଓଡ଼ିଆରେ ନିର୍ମିତ ଆନୁକୁଲ୍ୟରେ ଆୟୋଜିତ ଏହି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମରେ ବିଜାଉର ମହା ଓ ପଶୁ ସମ୍ପଦ ମନ୍ତ୍ରୀ ଚିତିରାଜ ସିଂ ମୁଖ୍ୟଅତିଥି ଭାବେ ଯୋଗଦେଇଥିଲେ । ସଙ୍ଗରେ ପକ୍ଷପ୍ରାୟ ଉଦ୍ୟାନ ଗାମ୍ଭୀରୀ ସର୍ବ ଓ ପ୍ରବନ୍ଧ ପ୍ରତିଯୋଗିତାରେ ଯଥାକ୍ରମେ ଚିତ୍ର କୁମାର ଓ ଚୁପଶା ସେନାପତିଙ୍କୁ ପୁରସ୍କୃତ କରା ଯାଇଥିଲା । ଏହି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମରେ କୁଳପତି ରାୟଙ୍କ ସମେତ ପୂର୍ବତନ କୁଳପତି ଶରଣେଶ୍ୱର ପ୍ରଧାନ, ଖୁଲ୍ ହେଲେ ସେ ପ୍ରଧାନ ସୂଚକପତିର ଅଧ୍ୟକ୍ଷ ଡି. ଆଇ. ପିଟର, ଡ. କାରି ସିଂ, ସ୍ୱାମୀ ଚନ୍ଦ୍ରା ନନ୍ଦ, ଏମ.ପି. ପାଣି, ଏସ. ପି. ସିଂ, ବିମଳା ସିଂ ପ୍ରମୁଖ ଉପସ୍ଥିତ ଥିଲେ ।

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ଚିଲିକା, ୭।୬ (ଆପ୍): ଆମ ଦେଶରେ ଯୋଗର ସ୍ୱତନ୍ତ୍ର ସ୍ଥାନ ରହିଛି । ପୁରାତନ ଭାରତ ବର୍ଷରେ ଯୋଗର ସ୍ଥାନ ବହୁ ଉଚ୍ଚରେ ଥିବାବେଳେ ଛାତ୍ରୋତ୍ତମାନଙ୍କ ଆଗମନରେ ଭାରତବାସୀ ଏଲୋପାଥିକ ଜାଲରେ ଛନ୍ଦି ହୋଇଗଲେ । ଆଧୁନିକ ଚିକିତ୍ସାବିଜ୍ଞାନ ପ୍ରୟୋଗ ପରେ ଯୋଗକୁ ବେଶ୍ ଅବହେଳା କରାଯାଇଛି । କିନ୍ତୁ ଏପରି କିଛି ରୋଗ ଅଛି, ଯାହାର ନିଦାନ ଆଧୁନିକ ବିଜ୍ଞାନ ପାଖରେ ନାହିଁ । ଫଳତଃ ଚିକିତ୍ସକମାନେ ଅବଶେଷରେ ଯୋଗକୁ ଶରୀରଚର୍ଯ୍ୟାର ଏକ ଅଙ୍ଗରୂପେ ଗ୍ରହଣ କରିବାକୁ ବାଧ୍ୟ ହୋଇଛନ୍ତି । ସୁସ୍ଥ ସମାଜ ଗଠନ ପାଇଁ ସୁସ୍ଥ ମଣିଷ ଦରକାର । ସ୍ୱାଗତଯୋଗ୍ୟ ପଦକ୍ଷେପ ସ୍ୱରୂପ ଆମ ରାଜ୍ୟରେ ଯୋଗକୁ ବାଧ୍ୟତାମୂଳକ ଶିକ୍ଷା ରୂପେ ଦୀର୍ଘ ୩୦ ବର୍ଷ ହେବ ଯୁକ୍ତ ଦୁଇ ଶ୍ରେଣୀରେ ଲାଗୁହୋଇଛି । ସରକାରଙ୍କ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ସାରା ଓଡ଼ିଶାରେ ସମସ୍ତ ମହାବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟର ଛାତ୍ରା ଶିକ୍ଷକ ଓ ଅନ୍ୟ ଶିକ୍ଷକମାନଙ୍କୁ ତତକାପାଇଁ ଯୋଗ ସମ୍ବନ୍ଧୀୟ ଅତ୍ୟାଧୁନିକ ତାଲିମ ଦିଆଯାଇଛି । ଯୁକ୍ତ ଦୁଇ ପ୍ରଥମ ବର୍ଷର ଥିଉରି ୫୦ ମାର୍କ ଓ ପ୍ରିକ୍ଟିସ୍ ବର୍ଷର ପ୍ରାକ୍ତିକାଳ ୫୦ ମାର୍କ ରଖାଯାଇଛି । ଯଦ୍ୱାରା

କଣେ ଛାତ୍ର ମାନସିକ, ଶାରୀରିକ ଓ ଆଧ୍ୟାତ୍ମିକ ସ୍ତରରେ ସୁସ୍ଥ ରହିପାରିବ । କିନ୍ତୁ ପରିତାପର ବିଷୟ, ଏହି ବିଷୟ ବାଧ୍ୟତାମୂଳକ ହେଲେ ମଧ୍ୟ ଏହାର ମୂଲ୍ୟାୟନ ହେଉନାହିଁ । ତେଣୁ ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀମାନଙ୍କର ଏହି ବିଷୟ ପ୍ରତି ଆଗ୍ରହ ରହୁନାହିଁ । କାର୍ତ୍ତୀ କେତୋଟି ହାତ ଗଣତି ମହାବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟରେ ଏହି ଶିକ୍ଷା ଦିଆଯାଉଛି । ପ୍ରାୟ ଅଧିକାଂଶ ବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟରେ ଯୋଗଶିକ୍ଷାକୁ ଅଣଦେଖା କରାଯାଉଛି । ମହାବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟର ବାର୍ଷିକ ରୂଟିନରେ ଯୋଗ ଏକ ପରିଚ୍ଛନ୍ନ ରୂପେ ଲେଖାଯାଉନାହିଁ । ପୁନଶ୍ଚ ଏହି ବିଷୟକୁ ଶ୍ରେତ୍ୱ ମାର୍କ ଦିଆଯାଉଛି । ତେଣୁ କିରାଣୀମାନେ ମନଇଚ୍ଛା ଗେଡ୍ ବାଣ୍ଟୁଛନ୍ତି । ସେମାନଙ୍କ ଦ୍ୱାରା ଦିଆଯାଇଥିବା ଶ୍ରେତ୍ୱକୁ ପରିଷଦ ସ୍ୱୀକାର କରୁଛି । ଏହାଦ୍ୱାରା ଯୋଗଶିକ୍ଷାର ମହତ୍ତ୍ୱ ଉଦ୍ଦେଶ୍ୟ ସାଧିତ ହୋଇପାରୁନି । ତେଣୁ ଏହାର ଶ୍ରେତ୍ୱବଦନ ବନ୍ଦ ହେଉ । ଅପରପ୍ତ, ଯୋଗଶିକ୍ଷାର ମାର୍କ ମୋଟ ମାର୍କରେ ମିଶାଇ ପ୍ରକାଶିତ ହେଉ, ଯାହାଦ୍ୱାରା ଅନ୍ୟ ବିଷୟ ଭଳି ଯୋଗ ପ୍ରତି ଛାତ୍ରଛାତ୍ରୀଙ୍କ ଆଗ୍ରହ ବଢ଼ିବ । ନଚେତ୍ ଦିନ ଆସିବ, ଯୋଗ ଯୋଗରେ ରହିଯିବ । ଛାତ୍ରମାନେ ବିପଥଗାମୀ ହେବେ ।

High on Industry Research

From this session, researchers can apply for patent on creation of intellectual property, says Prof Sunil Kumar Sarangi, director, NIT, Rourkela to Ruby Nanda



In a recent global research survey, National Institute of Technology (NIT), Rourkela, has been ranked fifth among the best universities in India. What would you attribute this success to?

This particular research by Cybermetrics lab, a Spain-based international research group, is based on how much the world has benefited from the scientific content of the website. Our global ranking is 1,067 worldwide, which means even smaller institutions are putting up more information than us. We will put up more information on our website as we have a policy of presenting information to the public.

What are the on-going research activities and foreign collaborations at NIT Rourkela?

Research is the reason why NIT exists. We stand for it. New ideas come only through exchange of thoughts and active exchange can be done by journals and travel between institutes. We have an MoU with Konkuk University, South Korea; University of Delft, Netherlands and University of Twente, Netherlands. There are other collaborations at the faculty level. From this session, researchers can apply for patent on creation of intellectual property. We would like more project work and want to invite more industry research and development in campus. This will lead to more live project experience for our students and faculty.

Besides engineering, NIT has opened many other departments. What more is

in the offing?

Brain does not grow in isolation. Knowledge has to be created with exchange of thoughts. The best global universities are composite universities, and based on this international model we want to give broad-based exposure to our students. We will expand Humanities in future. MA in Development Studies was opened recently here, studies in Astronomy, Geology and Earth Science and Food Processing are in the pipeline. NIT Rourkela, with its wide spectrum of departments, is the most widely based NIT institute in India.

What is your view about the 50 per cent weightage being given to Class XII board exam marks and the new two-tier structure for IIT entrance exam from 2013?

I am 100 per cent for the change in the IIT entrance exams. There is a huge gap between IIT - NIT and the next level of colleges. The concept of IIT vs non-IIT is stressful and artificial for students. Also the 50 per cent weightage being given to Class XII marks will help bring students back to school. Today the best brains are being trained in the coaching classes and not school. Public is losing respect for schools. This is a welcome step.

What is your vision for NIT Rourkela in the next five years?

We want to improve in quality and volume. We have 650 acres of land where we can expand and have additional departments. We are aiming for all wings of engineering, science and some level of postgraduate courses. From 1,200 we have grown to students and we plan to expand to take at least 8,000 students. We also keep the undergraduate to-post graduate



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Orissa prefers CET as temporary IIT-O campus

Banki In Cuttack Will Be Its Permanent Address

Sandeep Mishra | TNN

Bhubaneswar: Call it teething problems or battle for supremacy. Either way uncertainties continue to dog IIT-O in a clash of preferences.

While the Centre insists that until its campus is ready, the new IIT in Orissa can function at IIT-Kharagpur, the state government made it clear that it prefers College of Engineering and Technology (CET) as the new showpiece institute's temporary campus.

After a round of brainstorming, senior government functionaries announced on Friday that land for the proposed Indian Institute of Technology has been located at Banki in Cuttack district and until the infrastructure was in place, the institute could start operations at CET.

notwith-standing an IIT-Kharagpur team's recent recommendations to the contrary.

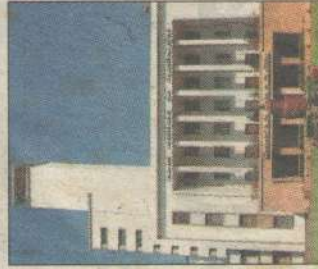
"The land was selected from a list of eight sites. The chosen one is government land and completely encroachment free. There is also no forest land in the patch," industries minister B B Harichandan said.

"For IIT-O, 600 acres is needed. We have about 1,200 acres of government land at Gobindapur village between Dompara-Talabasta in Banki. If needed, the institute can get more land. Moreover, it is on the banks of the River Mahanadi, so there will be no water problem," he explained.

The other shortlisted sites, including Pithapalli on the city's outskirts, Gayabandha in Khurda, Tangi in Cuttack and Chilika, were found unsuitable because

the site would be an hour's drive from the airport," a senior officer said. The Union ministry of human resources development had emphasized on good air, rail and road connectivity while selecting the site for new IIT.

The minister also objected to the Centre's move to start operations from IIT-Kharagpur. "We will request the HRD ministry to launch the courses at CET here. The infrastructure will be ready there within 15 days. Faculty can also be sourced locally from Institute of Mathematics, Institute of Physics and National Institute of Science, Education and Research (NISER) besides some retired IIT teachers, who have settled in the capital city," he said. He added the state will soon write to the Centre detailing its preferences.



of unavailability of adequate land and encroachment problems, said officials.

"The patch in Banki is 62 km from the airport here. The road from the airport to Nandankanan Zoo is being six-laned. From the zoo to the proposed location the roads belong to state public works department and it has been decided to improve those within a year. Once the roads are ready, the in-

Nalco to build medical college in Koraput

Ashok Pradhan | TNN

Bhubaneswar: Public sector undertaking Nalco promised the state government on Thursday to open a 100-seat medical college and 300-bed hospital in tribal-dominated Koraput district. This raises the number of medical colleges in the pipeline in the state to 12, including three by PSUs.

"Responding to the government's proposal, Nalco has come forward to establish a 100-seat medical college in Koraput as part of its corporate social responsibility. The company will submit its detailed proposal to the government within seven days," health minister Prasanna Acharya said.

While National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) is in the process of starting a medical college in Sundargarh, Mahandi Coalfields Limited is planning one in Talcher.

"Land identification and alienation for the MCL college will be done at the earliest," the minister said after reviewing various proposals of establishing medical colleges in the state. To meet the shortage of laboratory technicians in hospitals, the government has also requested MCL to start a DMLT training centre.

New Delhi-based OSL Group's Centre for Joint Disorders will establish a 150-seat medical college, 750-bed super-speciality hospital, a dental college and a nursing college in Bhubaneswar. The group has promised to start work within two months, the minister said.

The upcoming Sardar Ra-

Hospital plan injects cheer

Koraput: The state government's efforts to pursue the Nalco to set up a medical college and hospital in Koraput district has been welcomed by one and all. If the medical college and hospital comes up, patients from Koraput, Malkangiri, Nabarangpur and Rayagada districts will be immensely benefited. As of now, they are often referred to hospitals in Vishakapatnam in Andhra Pradesh or to those in Berhampur, Bhubaneswar and Cuttack which are hundreds of miles away from here. In many cases, the patients die in transit.

"Just imagine, a patient from Motu in Malkangiri district is required to travel over 700 km if he has to visit a hospital in Bhubaneswar or Cuttack! A government medical college and hospital in Koraput, which is at the heart of south Odisha, will almost be god-gifted," said a social activist, Sanjit Patnaik.

Former Koraput MLA Tara Prasad Bahinipati said, "For the past several years, we have been demanding that Nalco and HAL should establish a medical college and hospital in the district, but every time they decline our demand citing various reasons. We welcome the state government's efforts."

"Establishing a medical college and hospital in Koraput is a long-standing demand of the people of the area, as the district lacks proper healthcare facilities," said another Koraput-based activist, Ajit Patra. TNN

jas medical college and hospital at Jaring in Kalahandi district, being established by Selvam Education and Charitable Trust of Tamil Nadu, will start admitting students from the next academic year, the minister said.

The SDFID of UK has been preparing a report to facilitate a medical college in Balangir. Similarly, land transfer work for the proposed medical college by Sahyog Foundation in Keonjhar will be fast-tracked, the minister said.

Acharya said the government would soon examine the

proposals of Basantidevi Charitable Trust and Bidyabharti Charitable Trust as well to open a medical college in Rayagada. The government has also agreed in principle to a proposal from Shankar Netralaya of Chennai to start a 200-bed eye hospital in Berhampur. The government on Tuesday asked Bangalore-based Narayana Hrudayalaya, which has taken land from the state government to establish a super-speciality hospital in Bhubaneswar, or start work or return the land. The group assured to start work by September.

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କଟକ, ୬।୭ (ବ୍ୟୁରୋ): କଟକ-ପାରାଦୀପ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟର ଠିକା ନେଇଥିବା ଏଆରଏସଏସ କମ୍ପାନୀ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ସମାପ୍ତରେ ବିଳମ୍ବ କରୁଥିବାରୁ କେନ୍ଦ୍ରାଞ୍ଚଳ ରାଜସ୍ୱ କମିଶନର ଅରବିନ୍ଦ ପାଢୀ କ୍ଷୁଦ୍ର ହୋଇଛନ୍ତି । ଧାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ସମୟ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ଯଦି ଉକ୍ତ କମ୍ପାନୀ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଶେଷ ନକରେ ତାହେଲେ କମ୍ପାନୀ ବିରୋଧରେ ମାମଲା ଦାୟର କରିବାକୁ ଏଠାରେ ଅନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ଏକ ସମାକ୍ଷା ବୈଠକରେ ଆରଡିସି ଶ୍ରୀ ପାଢୀ ଚେତାବନୀ ଦେଇଛନ୍ତି । ଆବଶ୍ୟକସ୍ଥଳେ ଉକ୍ତ କମ୍ପାନୀକୁ କଲା ଚାଲିକାଢୁଛୁ କରାଯିବାରୁ ସୁପାରିଶ କରାଯିବ ବୋଲି ସେ କହିଛନ୍ତି । ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ବିଳମ୍ବିତ ହେଉଥିବାରୁ ଏହାର ସମାକ୍ଷା ପାଇଁ ଆରଡିସିଙ୍କ ଅଧ୍ୟକ୍ଷତାରେ ଏକ ବୈଠକ ଅନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଥିଲା । ବୈଠକରେ କଟକ ଓ ଜଗତସିଂହପୁର ଜିଲ୍ଲାର ବରିଷ୍ଠ ପ୍ରଶାସନିକ ଅଧିକାରୀ ଓ ପୂର୍ବ ବିଭାଗ ଅଧିକାରୀମାନେ ଯୋଗ ଦେଇଥିଲେ । ସମଗ୍ର ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଏବେ ଏଆରଏସଏସ କରୁଛି । କିନ୍ତୁ ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟରେ ବିଳମ୍ବ ହେଉଛି । ଏପରକି ଗତ ବର୍ଷେ ହେଲା କମ୍ପାନୀ ମୋଟାମୋଟି ଭାବେ କୌଣସି କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ କରୁନାହିଁ । କେବଳ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା କଡ଼ରେ କମ୍ପାନୀର ଓକିସପଗୁଡ଼ିକ ଦେଖାଯାଉଛି । କିନ୍ତୁ କାମର ଦେଖାନାହିଁ ।

ଉଲ୍ଲେଖଯୋଗ୍ୟ ଯେ, ୨୦୦୭ ମସିହାରେ କଟକ-ପାରାଦୀପ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଆରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଥିଲା । ୨୧୮ କୋଟି ଟଙ୍କାର ବ୍ୟୟବରାଦ ଥିବା ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ଶିଳାନ୍ୟାସ ମୁଖ୍ୟମନ୍ତ୍ରୀବେଶ ଜାକଜମକରେ କରିଥିଲେ । ଦୁଇ ବର୍ଷ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଶେଷ ହେବ ବୋଲି ଶିଳାନ୍ୟାସ ଉଦ୍ଦେଶ୍ୟରେ

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ମୁଖ୍ୟମନ୍ତ୍ରୀ ଘୋଷଣା କରିଥିଲେ । ପ୍ରାରମ୍ଭିକ ପର୍ଯ୍ୟାୟରେ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟର ୨ଟି ଠିକା କମ୍ପାନୀ ନେଇଥିଲେ । ଗୋଟିଏ ନାରଜ କମ୍ପାନୀ ଓ ଅନ୍ୟଟି ଏଆରଏସଏସ । ୮୨ କି.ମି. ବିଶିଷ୍ଟ ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରାର ୪୩ କିଲୋମିଟର ବିଶିଷ୍ଟ କଟକ-କନ୍ଧପୁର ଅଂଶର ନିର୍ମାଣ ଦାୟିତ୍ୱ ନିରଜ ଗୁପ୍ତା ନେଇଥିବାବେଳେ ଅବଶିଷ୍ଟ କନ୍ଧପୁରରୁ ପାରାଦୀପ ପର୍ଯ୍ୟନ୍ତ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରାର ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଏଆରଏସଏସ କମ୍ପାନୀ ନେଇଥିଲା । ତେବେ କାମ ମଝିରେ ନାରଜ ଗୁପ୍ତା କେତେକ କାରଣରୁ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଅଧାରୁ ଛାଡି ଦେଇଥିଲା । ଫଳରେ କଟକରୁ ପାରାଦୀପ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ସମ୍ପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଏଆରଏସଏସ ଉପରେ ନ୍ୟସ୍ତ ହୋଇଥିଲା । ଚଳିତ ବର୍ଷ ଡିସେମ୍ବର ସୁଦ୍ଧା ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଶେଷ ହେବ ବୋଲି ଏଆରଏସଏସ କହିଛି । କେଉଁଠି କେତେ ପର୍ଯ୍ୟନ୍ତ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା କେଉଁ ସମୟରେ ଶେଷ ହେବ ଏହାର ଏକ ତାଲିକା ମଧ୍ୟ ଏହି କମ୍ପାନୀ ପକ୍ଷରୁ ଦିଆଯାଇଛି । ତେବେ ଧାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ସମୟ ମଧ୍ୟରେ ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ଶେଷ ନହୁଏ ତାହାଲେ ତା' ବିରୋଧରେ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟାନୁଷ୍ଠାନ ଗ୍ରହଣ କରିବାକୁ ଆରଡିସି ସ୍ପଷ୍ଟଭାବେ ନିର୍ଦ୍ଦେଶ ଦେଇଛନ୍ତି । ଏହା ହେଉଛି ରାଜ୍ୟର ଦୀର୍ଘତମ କଂକ୍ରିଟ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା । ମୁଖ୍ୟତଃ ପାରାଦୀପରେ ଏକାଧିକ ବୃହତ ଶିଳ୍ପାନୁଷ୍ଠାନ ଗଢି ଉଠୁଥିବାରୁ ଏହାକୁ ଆଖିଆଗରେ ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରା ନିର୍ମାଣ କରାଯାଉଛି । ଏଥିସହ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରାରେ ଅନେକ ଭାରାଯାନ ଚଳାଚଳର ସମ୍ଭାବନା ଥିବାରୁ ଏହାକୁ ସଂପୂର୍ଣ୍ଣ କଂକ୍ରିଟ କରାଯାଇଛି । କିନ୍ତୁ ମୂଳରୁ ଠିକା କମ୍ପାନୀ ଓହରିବା ଓ ଅନ୍ୟାନ୍ୟ କାରଣ ପାଇଁ ଏହି ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରାକାମ ନିମ୍ନମାନର ହୋଇଥିବା ଅଭିଯୋଗ ହୋଇଛି । ବହୁ ସ୍ଥାନରେ କଂକ୍ରିଟ ପାଟି ଯାଇଥିବା ଦେଖାଯାଉଛି । ଏଥିପାଇଁ ଜନସାଧାରଣ ବିଭିନ୍ନ ସମୟରେ ଆନ୍ଦୋଳନାତ୍ମକ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ ମଧ୍ୟ ଗ୍ରହଣ କରିଛନ୍ତି । ତେବେ କମି ଅଧିଗ୍ରହଣ, ବିଦ୍ୟୁତ ଖୁଣ୍ଟ ଉଠିବାରେ ବିଳମ୍ବ ଓ ଜଙ୍ଗଲ ବିଭାଗ ମଞ୍ଜୁରୀ ନ ମିଳିବା କାରଣରୁ ରାଷ୍ଟ୍ରାକାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ବିଳମ୍ବ ହୋଇଛି ବୋଲି ଏଆରଏସଏସ ପକ୍ଷରୁ କୁହାଯାଉଛି ।