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Four Cr Indians may go without mobile phones

Yash Sharma

India is the world's fastest growing market for smartphones. But this market could take a major hit if the administration continues to keep both the phones and spare parts off the list of essential supplies during the lockdown period. An association representing the electronics and mobile phone industry says as many as 2.5 crore subscribers are right now without a functioning device. If the lockdown continues till May end this number could

be more than 4 crores.

The government has allowed the sales of essential items only during this lockdown which now has entered its fifth week. Operations of internet, broadcasting and telecom services are allowed but not mobile phones which are necessary to access these services. The Indian Cellular and Electronics Association (ICEA) says the active population of mobile phones is 85 crore currently. They also say approximately 0.25 breakdowns of mobile phones are

recorded on a monthly basis. With the current number of mobile handsets being 85 crores and a breakdown rate 0.25 monthly, it is easy to say around 2.5 crore people are without working phones.

The Indian Cellular and Electronics Association (ICEA) has approached government authorities as well as the Prime Minister for including mobile phones in the list of essential goods as there can be life threatening situations for many without the devices.

Lockdown extension till May 17

#	Activity	Green	Orange	Red	Containment
1	Travel- Air, Train, Metro	NO	NO	NO	NO
2	Inter-state Road Movement	NO	NO	NO	NO
3	Education Institutions	NO	NO	NO	NO
4	Hospitality- hotels, cinemas, malls	NO	NO	NO	NO
5	Worship & Large gatherings	NO	NO	NO	NO
6	Barbershop, spa	YES	YES	NO	NO
7	Coming out between 7 pm and 7 a	NO	NO	NO	NO
8	Age >65, <10, Pregnant - Outing	NO	NO	NO	NO
9	Medical Clinic, OPD	YES	YES	YES	NO
10	Auto, Taxi	1+1	1+1	NO	NO
11	4 Wheeler	1+2	1+2	1+2*	NO
12	2 Wheeler	1+1	1+1	1+0*	NO
13	Inter-district Bus	50%	50%	NO	NO
14	Intra-district Bus	50%	50%	NO	NO
15	Industrials with access control	YES	YES	YES	NO
16	Urban Industries	YES	YES	YES	NO
17	Urban in-situ construction	YES	YES	YES	NO
18	Urban single non/essential shops	YES	YES	YES	NO
19	Ecom Essential goods	YES	YES	Yes	NO
20	Private and Govt (non-core)	YES	YES	33%	NO
21	Agri activities	YES	YES	Yes	NO
22	Bank & Finances	YES	YES	Yes	NO
23	Courier and Postal	YES	YES	YES	NO
24	Goods Traffic	YES	YES	YES	NO

The extension will however see some relaxations which will be regulated based on the spread of the virus in the districts, identified as red (hotspot), green and orange zones. The above chart is based on Govt. notifications.

Journey of the Stars to Heaven

Jyoti Bhattacharya

April 29th Irfan Khan & 30th Rishi Kapoor and Chuni Goswami, three icons leave us for their everlasting abode. Rarely before, have such great stalwarts, left us in so rapid succession. We are dumbfounded in grief and agony. Detected with neuroendocrine tumor in 2018, Irfan Khan passed away due to colon cancer, aged 53. He was an extremely powerful actor who had worked in Indian, British and American films. From 1988's 'Salam Bombay' to 2020's 'Angrezi Medium', he enthralled audiences with his versatile acting. He was awarded the Padma Shri along with numerous awards including National



Film Award, Asian Film Award and four Filmfare Awards. Rishi Kapoor was our own Bollywood romantic hero. In a career spanning five decades he acted in 92 films. The national child award winning artist in 'Mera Naam Joker', he was the recipient of numerous awards. An extremely versatile and popular

star, passed away due to leukemia aged 67.

Subimal or Chuni Goswami was the Legend who was forever a Mohun Bagan man. An exceptionally versatile sportsman, he not only led India to an Asian games gold medal in 1962, he also led Bengal to the 1972 Ranji cricket final. He once even turned out to represent his club in hockey. An actor in 'Prothom Prem', Sheriff of Kolkata in 2005, passed away in a city hospital after a cardiac arrest aged 82.

In the gloomy days of the covid lockdown, the sad news of these deaths has left us heartbroken. We the admirers bow our heads in homage to their departed souls.

Bengali lady part of Covid vaccine development

Sohini Porel &

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While the world is at a standstill, the discovery of a preventive medicine of covid-19 by a Bengal lady has raised a sensation. Sumi Biswas, a researcher at the Jenner institute, University of Oxford, is primarily known as a malaria specialist. 15 researchers have collaborated with her in this project, under the leadership of scientist Sara Gilbert.



Sumi Biswas

Adrian Hill and Teresa Lamb are the other eminent scientists associated with the project. They are known as Sara's team. The team started its

work on developing a COVID-19 vaccine in January this year. The clinical trials have already commenced. Human trials are currently in progress. The likely probability of success is 80%, said the team. 100 more preventives were developed prior to this by various researchers. The results were unsatisfactory. The world therefore eagerly awaits the success of this vaccine.

'Utilise the opportunity' PM to CMs

Shalini Jha

Many companies are about to leave China and will be looking for a new base. It's been heard that America and other countries may take legal action against China because of spreading Corona virus. Companies working in China are uncertain about their future which may result a downfall in their economy.

This is a golden chance for India to develop its self dependence. Keeping all these in mind, Narendra Modi had a video conference with all the Chief Ministers regarding this opportunity. Modi suggested CMs to explore the possibility of capturing investments from the companies who are leaving China & also asked them to create the infrastructure and invite companies to work in India. If companies looking to move out of China were shifting their bases to India, it might boost the Indian economy.

IIC Brainware awarded full star by MHRD

Debkanya Banerjee

The Ministry of Innovation Council (MIC) focuses on uplifting innovation startup entrepreneurship. It encourages systematically to adopt the culture of innovation in all Higher Education Institutions across India. The Institutional Innovation Cell (IIC) conducts various entrepreneurship activities & events like Hackathons, technological competition, mini challenges, involving the industries to identify innovative reward stories. SAMADHAN is a mega online challenge to assess the aptitude of students and Educators to innovate.

Brainware University is an active member participating through the IIC unit. The university along with the mission of MIC take up innovation entrepreneurship and startup ideation for the students & the faculty members. It Promotes various events like organizing workshops, seminars, leadership & motivational talk throughout the year. Due to this lockdown phase the IIC unit of Brainware is conducting such activities through e-contents & sessions through digital applications like YouTube, Twitter under MHRD's portal.

Brainware achieved a full star by MHRD in the last two quarters. The activities conducted is partly instructed by the MHRD and partly by university to acquire points. The cumulative score is appraised as 43.3 out of 50. Brainware University cherished this delightful moment of getting ideas out of students, to build entrepreneurship and startup innovation for the common mass.

Brainware University joins UBA to tackle COVID-19

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Unnat Bharat Abhiyan is encouraged by the vision of renovating variations in rural development methods. All inspirational knowledge institutions are actively participating to build and design an Inclusive India. So is Brainware University. The mission of UBA is to facilitate higher educational institutions to work with the people of rural India in recognizing development challenges. Brainware is actively contributing under UBA to combat COVID-19. The Department of Pharmaceutical Technology, Brainware University has made 200lts of hand sanitizer. It was distributed amongst the neighborhood and five villages adopted by Brainware. To uplift the rural India development, Brainware is applying various safety measures. Regular precautionary measures are delivered to the Gram Pancha-



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yat Pradhan through Whatsapp group to be shared with the villagers.

Webinars were being arranged by the doctors of the locality to reach people and make them aware about how to deal during this lockdown period. Dr. Premangshu Das & Dr. Sourav Nag, spoke on safety measures and prevention tips against COVID-19. Dr. Rima Mukherjee spoke on how best to use time and prepare for the future where as Dr. Pratima Murthy talked

about how to take care of mental health at homestay. This has been uploaded on Brainware official website and Facebook page to reach out to people.

Using local language, Brainware University explained to nearby villagers about the importance of social distancing. Being a participant of UBA, Brainware University is continuously serving rural mass towards development, involving their students, faculty members and specialists.

Brainware gets SIRO recognition from DSIR

Madhurima Ghosh & Jyoti Bhattacharya

Brainware University bagged another success when it was recognised as a Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (SIRO) by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research (DSIR), Ministry of science and technology Govt of India. This recognition enables scien-

tific industrial research organisations to develop local technology network and resident technologies. Simultaneously voluntary organisations can also be roped in. This recognition enables the students of Brainware University to undertake different types of scientific research. This novel project will be the key of further scientif-

ic development. The project approved by DSIR aims at improving the infrastructure resources at indigenous scientific institutions to reduce foreign dependency. It can be expected that this recognition will further encourage scientific development at Brainware University and open up the possibility of a brighter future for its researchers.

Tribute to Satyajit Ray on his centenary year (99th Birthday)



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Corona update



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