

An aerial photograph of a winding asphalt road that curves through a dense, lush green forest. Several cars are visible on the road, including a white car, a blue car, and a white van. The road has white dashed lines for lane markings. The overall scene is vibrant and scenic.

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DAILY NEWS DECODE

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Bangladeshi scientist builds machine to produce sanitary pads from Jute cellulose



- A Bangladeshi scientist Farhana Sultana has successfully built a machine to produce sanitary pads using the jute cellulose for sustainable menstrual health.
- Farhana Sultana has been awarded the grand prize at the 4th Annual Innovations Pitch competition organised by the American Society for tropical medicine and Hygiene.
- She works as an Assistant Scientist at the premier health research institute of Bangladesh icddr,b.
- She developed the jute-cellulose based disposable sanitary pad as an alternative solution for the menstrual health and hygiene for women and girls in Bangladesh.
- Currently, there is no machine available to utilise the jute-cellulose to make sanitary pads.

ASHWAGANDHA



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- The Ministry of Ayush has decided to re-examine the matter relating to the use of Ashwagandha (*Withania somnifera*) leaves in ASU (Ayurveda, Siddha and Unani) drugs by constituting an expert group to this end.
- Earlier, the ministry had issued an Advisory against using the leaves of Ashwagandha in ASU Drugs.
- In the wake of Ayush Ministry barring the use of Ashwagandha leaves (vide letter dated 06.10.2021 to the ASU Drugs Manufacturing Association), representations had been received from the ASU Drugs Manufacturing Industry partners.
- The Expert Group will make appropriate recommendations to the Government of India on the use of Ashwagandha leaves/Panchanga of Ashwagandha in ASU products based on scientific evidence.

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India's candidate elected to executive committee of Interpol

- Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) special director Praveen Sinha was elected the delegate for Asia in the executive committee of the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) following a tough contest involving China.
- In the election, four contestants were China, Singapore, South Korea and Jordan. India's National Central Bureau (NCB-India) reached out to its counterparts around the world to campaign for this election.
- The elections were held in Istanbul, Turkey during the ongoing 89 INTERPOL General Assembly.
- Interpol is the world's largest international police organization with a National Central Bureau in all 195 member states.
- It has seven regional bureaus all over the world. It was formed in 1923. Its motto is connecting police for a safer world. It is headquartered in Lyon, France. Kim Jong Yang is its President.

Tejasvini & Hausala schemes



- Tejaswini Scheme in the course of the credit score outreach programme in Jammu.
- The scheme goals to offer monetary help as much as Rs 5 lakh to younger ladies for establishing gainful self-employment ventures, suited to their expertise, aptitude & native situations.
- Tejasvini scheme focuses on offering monetary help of Rs. 5 lakh to ladies between 18-35 years for beginning their enterprise.
- Hausla Scheme beneath the J&K Trade Promotion Organisation for empowering present ladies entrepreneurs to be role models of their respective sectors. It not solely supplies ability improvement, but additionally, credit score assist, advertising assist & mentorship.

'Shikhar & Shikara':

- **Shikhar scheme focuses on meeting credit requirements up to INR 2 crore for the hotel, tour & tourism industry.**
- **'Shikara' which goals to supply finance for the acquisition of the latest shikara and restore & upkeep of shikara and houseboats by means of collateral-free time period loans with handy reimbursement beneath EMI mode in seven years. Shikara scheme will provide credit up to INR 15 lakh for purchase/repair of Shikaras is provided in Kashmir valley.**

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