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Paytm to break even in 12-18 months: Bernstein

New Delhi, May 27 (IANS): Paytm is on track to break even in 12-18 months with increased financial discipline and targeted strategic investments, investment research firm Bernstein said in a pre-IPO primer.



According to reports, Paytm is aiming to raise about \$3 billion in an initial public offering (IPO) late this year, which could be the country's largest debut ever.

The startup, backed by investors including Berkshire Hathway, Softbank and Ant Group, plans to list in India in November around Diwali. Paytm, formally called One

97 Communications, is targeting a valuation of around \$25 billion to \$30 billion, as per reports.

"Paytm has come a long way from a simple digital wallet business to an integrated payments ecosystem. We believe the next stage of growth will be led by financial services, particularly delivering seamless credit tech products to consumers and merchants. "With increased financial discipline (rare in the hyper-competitive payments space), Paytm is on track to break even in 12-18 months. We expect Paytm to continue being the largest payments and fintech eco-

system in India," Bernstein said in its report.

Paytm has realigned its payments strategy around merchant payments leadership. Paytm's beneficiary UPI market share (a proxy for merchant receipts) is rising month-on-month and was 16 per cent in April, the report said.

"Combine that with its digital wallet, merchant acquiring and online merchant payments, Paytm has a total throughput of \$52 billion in FY21, up 33 per cent year on year," it added.

Paytm's credit tech vertical is likely to lead the next wave of revenue growth.

"We expect Paytm's revenue base to double by FY23 to \$1 billion with non-payments revenue contributing 33 per cent," Bernstein said.

Paytm has crossed the proof of concept stage on consumer credit tech and merchant credit tech. Early disbursement numbers have been strong, rising month-on-month with strong bank and NBFC funding partners.

Broking business with Paytm Money has also got off to a strong start, the report said.

Kerala government committed to revival of tourism: Minister

Thiruvananthapuram, May 27 (IANS): Kerala's new Tourism Minister P. A. Mohamed Riyas on Thursday assured the stakeholders that the government will unveil various projects focusing on the revival of the vital sector ravaged by the Covid-19 pandemic, including special marketing campaigns.

Riyas, a first-time legislator and son-in-law of Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, said that the government will closely work together with the industry with the aim of doubling tourists' arrival by 2025, and hoped that 2022 will be a "Covid-19 Free Tourism Year."

"The government will implement all possible measures to ease the current problems being faced by the industry. Special marketing campaigns will be conducted once the second wave of Covid-19 recedes," he said, in his address at a virtual meeting of representatives of 18 stakeholders in the tourism sector.

The meeting was convened to elicit suggestions for revival of the industry that has been hit badly by the pandemic and to work out plans for an impressive comeback.

The participants explained to the Minister how the pandemic had resulted in a severe setback for the entrepreneurs and all others engaged in the sector. They noted that unlike any other state, the Kerala government had provided total support and encouragement to the industry during the crisis.

"The roads to tourism centres will be developed and more tourism circuits will be formed by connecting destinations. Through the socially-committed Responsible Tourism, the benefits of tourism sector will be made available to more people. The government's goal is to support the kind of tourism that brings benefits to entrepreneurs, tourists and local community alike," added the Minister.

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Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana- Gramin. According to a press release shared by Deputy Chief Minister Rural Development, who also holds the Rural Development portfolio, the state has been allocated a target of 1.60 lakh houses during 2021-22 with a financial involvement of Rs. 2079 crore.

During the last five years (2016-2021), the cumulative target for Tripura was 53,827 houses with financial involvement of Rs. 699 crore only, the release said, adding that the households would also get benefit of 95 person-days under MGNREGA (Rs. 20,140).

Under this scheme, as many as 1,59,913 rural households would be benefitted with a total allocation of Rs. 2401 crore-housing benefit of Rs. 2079 crore (Rs. 1.30 lakh per household) and Rs. 322 crore for 95 MGNREGA mandays.

The Deputy Chief Minister has extended his gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union Rural Development Minister Narendra Singh Tomar for this support.

Unemployed nurses
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initiative was undertaken to conduct fresh recruitments, he added. According to him, recently the state council of ministers had approved recruitment of 47 ANM and MPW nurses which could no way satisfy unemployed aspirants.

He also said, the health department of Tripura needs people who can work from the front to deal with Covid 19 as well as Malaria, an equivalent threat for the Malaria prone areas.

Rs. 579-cr package
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covering all eight districts. The state has sent a proposal for more 18 oxygen plants because oxygen is important in the battle against COVID-19." He also said that Tripura was holding the top position in the country in terms of vaccination. He said as many as 16,27,000 people had already been vaccinated in the state.

Covid Vax
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said, "as many as 15,67,153 doses have already been administered-10,60,042 persons have received the first shot and 5,07,111 got the second jab as on May 26." Giving more details, he said, 52,411 healthcare workers, 89,137 frontline workers, 5,37,709 people in 45-59 age group, 3,26,711 people in 60+ age group and 54,275 people in the 18-44 age group have received the first dose till May 26.

TCS completes acquisition of GE's stake in its Saudi arm
Mumbai, May 27 (IANS): IT major TCS on Thursday said that it has completed the acquisition of GE's stake in Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Saudi Arabia. In a regulatory filing, the company said that the acquisition was completed on May 26. TCS had announced to acquire the stake in January. The acquisition was to be completed within 3-6 months. In September 2013, TCS had created a first of its kind All-Women Business Process Services Center in Riyadh (Saudi Arabia), in partnership with GE. Saudi Desert Rose Holding BV, a wholly-owned subsidiary of General Electric International (Benelux) BV, held 24 per cent share in TCS Saudi Arabia, while the remaining 76 per cent was with Tata Consultancy Services Netherlands BV (a wholly-owned subsidiary of TCS). Following the acquisition, TCS owns 100 per cent of the company.

State has adequate
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state. He said, in March, the positivity rate was only 0.51 per cent, in April, the positivity rate had increased to 2.68 per cent while in the current month till May 24, the figure had jumped to 6.96 per cent- almost 7 per cent.

Agartala Municipal Corporation had registered the highest rate of infection, he added.

In another note, the Chief Minister announced a Rs. 579-crore package to support the poor section in this Covid crisis.

Before concluding his video message, Deb reiterated that the state was fully prepared to deal with any eventuality. He had also made an appeal to the people for strictly following Corona Curfew, safety norms and other guidelines as prescribed by the central

AMC begins cooked
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each of the four AMC zones".

He said, "similar efforts have been put in place last year also, so the task force is trained to carry out the drive and they are well aware as to whom and weather to deliver".

Bamboo wastage
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factories don't see much profit." "When I saw the matter, I have planned to do something for proper utilization of the bamboo wastage and developed the concept of making composite products in collaboration with the CIPEP Agartala. The trial had started in February this year," Jamatia told Tripura Times.

He said, "the bamboo fibre is of good quality. The products which are being made are the mixtures of bamboo fibre and a bit of plastic. To run the project, there is a requirement of trained manpower. So, at first the CIPEP will now arrange training for the interested youths."

According to Jamatia, he had taken a cue from China, during his visit to the country years ago, to develop the wonderful concept. Initially, he has made some products like plates and bowls out of bamboo fibre composite. He said the bamboo fibre composite is environment friendly and anti-bacterial as well as it has better mechanical properties compared to normal plastic.

CAW, General crimes
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respectively. However, the total number of CAW declined to 265 in 2021 (Upto April)".

Notably, Data for the year 2017 is as per Crime in India while data for 2020 and 2021 are as per the available record of the concerned office.

Elaborating further, Nath said, "Number of rape cases declined from 183 in 2017 to 45 in April 2021. Similarly, molestation cases recorded a dip from 260 in 2017 to 39 in April 2021. Kidnapping and Dowry deaths also recorded a decrease during the periods. The number of Kidnapping came down to 04 in April 2021 from 95 such cases in 2017 while Dowry death recorded a dip from 33 in 2017 to 04 in April 2021. The number of Torture and other crimes also registered a fall from 348 and 53 respectively in 2017 to 110 and 13 in April 2021".

The Education Minister also mentioned that General crimes like robbery, murder, rioting, kidnapping etc. also registered a fall till April 2021 compared to 2017.

"Incidences of murder and kidnapping declined from 124 and 117 in 2017 to 31 and 51 in April 2021. Cases of Rioting decreased to 48 in April 2021 compared to 124 in 2017. Other Misc Crimes took a dip from 1385 in 2017 to 837 in April 2021", Nath said and added that Dacoity, Robbery, Burglary and theft cases also recorded a decline in April 2021 compared to 2017.

Nifty ends at record closing level

Mumbai, May 27 (IANS): The Nifty50 on the National Stock Exchange (NSE) settled at its record closing level on Thursday. It closed at 15,337.85, higher by 36.40 points or 0.24 per cent from its previous close of 15,301.45 points. Healthy buying was witnessed in banking and IT stocks. The BSE Sensex closed at 51,115.22, higher by 97.70 points



or 0.19 per cent from its previous close of 51,017.52 points. It had opened at 51,128.80 and touched an intra-day high of 51,282.90 and a low of 50,891.66 points.

Shrikant Chouhan, Executive Vice President, Equity Technical Research at Kotak Securities said: "Due to the rebalancing of the FTSE index, the market remained heavily volatile on the day of monthly expiry of the F&O contracts. The Nifty once again gave buyers the opportunity to buy on dips." The top gainers on the Sensex were State Bank of India, Kotak Mahindra Bank and Axis Bank, while the major losers were HDFC, Bajaj Finance and ONGC.

No.F.3 (5-18)/Proc/ART & ICTC/TSACS/2021-22
Tripura State AIDS Control Society
May,27/2021

Short Notice Inviting Quotation

Sealed Quotation in two (2) bid systems is hereby invited by the Project Director, Tripura State AIDS Control Society, from the resourceful, reliable and bonafied manufacturer or their authorized Distributor/Supplier for supply of Co-Trimoxazole-960 Mg. Tab. The detailed information, terms & conditions and description, specification of item etc. may be collected from the office of the undersigned (from Proc. section) on any working day between 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. till 14th June 2021 or can be down loaded the same from the tender related website health.tripura.gov.in The last date of receiving tender is up to 3-00 p.m. of 15th June, 2021 and will be opened on next working day at 3-30 p.m. if possible.

Sd/- (Dr. P.K. Majumder)
Project Director
Tripura State AIDS Control Society
Agartala: Tripura.

সন্ধান চাই
একটি গাড়ি যাহার রেজিস্ট্রেশন নাম্বার হল NL02Q6592 (TATA LPT2515-TATA Motors Ltd) Truck উক্ত গাড়ি পানিসাগর থানার মোকদ্দমা নং ২০২৮ পানিসাগর গাওঁ তারিখ ২৭/০৭/২০১৮ ধারা ২০(১)/১৯ এন.ডি.পি.এস আর্ট ১৯৮ এ মুলে বাজেয়াপ্ত করা হয়েছে।
উক্ত গাড়ির প্রকৃত মালিকের কোন সন্ধান এখন পর্যন্ত পাওয়া যায় নাই।
অতএব গত ০৬.০৪.২০২১ ইং তারিখে Ld. SPL Sessions Judge, উক্ত জিলায় ধনিন্দার উক্ত গাড়ি নিলামে বিক্রয় করার আদেশ করেন। নিলামে ক্রয় করার ইচ্ছুক ব্যক্তিগণকে নিম্নোক্ত বিক্রয়কার যোগাযোগের অনুরোধ রহিল।
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NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER
NIT No. F. 21(3-1)-Agri(SS)2021-22/534 dtd 24-05-2021
The Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare invites an e-Tender for supply of 125 MT Hybrid Paddy Seeds from Hybrid Paddy Seed producing firms or their authorized dealer operating in the State of Tripura against the selected varieties for Kharif, 2021-22.
• Estimated Tender Value :- Rs. 3,12,50,000/-
• EMD :- Rs. 3,12,500/-
• Tender Fee :- Rs. 5,000/-
• Bid submission end date & time :- 15-06-2021 16:00 Hrs.
For details visit website www.tripuratenders.gov.in
ICA-C-768/21 Sd/- (Dr. D. P. Sarkar) Director of Agriculture Tripura

MEMORANDUM
Due to extension of Corona Curfew in the entire state of Tripura upto 05/06/2021, the interview scheduled for awarding the Electrical Contractor License for the year 2021 w.e.f. 27/05/2021 to 29/05/2021 is hereby postponed until further notification.
Sd/- Illegible
Electrical Inspector
(Ex-Officio Secretary, TELB)
ICA-D-201/21 Agartala, Tripura (W).

EMPLOYMENT NOTIFICATION
Appication(s) are invited for engagement under Health & Family Welfare Department of 50 (Fifty) Multi Purpose Worker (Male) & 50(Fifty) ANM/ Multi Purpose Worker (Female) purely on contractual basis for 06 (six) months, honorarium @ Rs.16,000/- (Rupees Sixteen thousand) only per month to combat the COVID-19 pandemic situation which is being dealt with under the provision of Disaster Management, Act 2005. Last date of submission of application(s) is 02.06.2021 up to 15:00 HRS. Further details are available at office of the Directorate of Family & P. M, Govt. of Tripura, Pandit Nehru complex, 'Gurkhabasti, PO-Kunjaban, Agartala, West Tripura and also available in www.health.tripura.gov.in & www.tripuranrhm.gov.in
Sd/- Illegible
Director of Family Welfare & P.M
Government of Tripura
Agartala
ICA-D-207/21

PRESS NOTICE INVITING e-TENDER NO: 03/NIVEWPWD/AMP/2021-22. Dated: 21-05-2021.
Memo No. F.TC-I (P-J)/EE/PWD/AMP/977-1050 dated, 21-05-2021.
Cost of Tender form: Rs.2, 500/-
Last date and time for document downloading and bidding: - 16-06-2021, upto 15.00 hrs.
Time and date for opening of bid: - 16-06-2021, at 16.00 hrs. if possible.

Sl No.	Name of work	Estimated Cost	Earnest Money	Time for completion	Class of Bidder
1	DNIT No: 04/ NIT/SE-II/RR/ 2021-22.	Rs. 52,84,218.00	Rs. 52,842.00	06(Six) Months.	Appropriate Class.
2	DNIT No: 05/ NIT/SE-II/RR/ 2021-22.	Rs. 59,68,379.00	Rs. 59,684.00	06(Six) Months.	
3	DNIT No: 06/ NIT/SE-II/RR/ 2021-22.	Rs. 53,59,764.00	Rs. 53,598.00	06(Six) Months.	
4	DNIT No: 07/ NIT/SE-II/RR/ 2021-22.	Rs. 52,78,748.00	Rs. 52,787.00	06(Six) Months.	

Tender can also be seen in the website i) www.tripura.nic.in ii) www.tenders.gov.in iii) www.tsu.trp.nic.in/ tender iv) https://tripuratenders.gov.in
All other necessary information can be seen in the Division office in office hours.
For and on behalf of Governor of Tripura
Sd/- (Er. S. Chakma)
Executive Engineer
Amarpur Division, PWD(R&B)
Amarpur, Gomati Tripura
ICA-C-761/21

Karnataka eases lockdown curbs on e-commerce firms

Bengaluru, May 27 (IANS): With Covid cases declining by the day, Karnataka on Thursday eased extended lockdown restrictions on e-commerce and home-delivery firms.

"Delivery of all goods, including food, by e-commerce and home-delivery firms will be allowed from Friday," said state Revenue Secretary N. Manjunath Prasad in a fresh order, withdrawing the May 9 order, restricting delivery of merchandise to curb movement of delivery personnel and vehicles.

The revised order will enable e-tailers and delivery firms to scale their operations, as the state is among the top 5 markets for online shopping across the country.

"The new order also eases curbs on movement of citizens, especially lawyers, their assistants and support staff to their offices during court working days," said Prasad, who is the member-secretary of the state disaster management executive committee.

The order, however, restricts the functioning of law firms with 50 per cent of their staff strength.

The state government extended the lockdown till June 7 from May 24 to contain the virus spread, as positive cases and deaths spiked, especially in Bengaluru, which accounts for over 50 per cent of the state's Covid tally as the epi-centre of the pandemic.

"The lockdown restrictions on all other activities will continue till 6 a.m. on June 7 as notified on May 22, with 4-hour relaxation from 6-10 a.m. daily for buying essential goods and daily needs like milk, fruits and vegetables," an official said.

Amazon.in has also collaborated with Ketto which will enable SMBs to use the crowdfunding platform to raise funds to support their communities. Ketto will waive off the success fees for all such fundraisers hosted by Amazon.in marketplace sellers.

Further, Canon India is conducting a vaccination awareness drive and setting up support camps in its adopted villages -- Maheshwari (Haryana), Parivali (Mumbai), Kalyanpur (Kolkata) and Annadodi (Bengaluru), to help them register for vaccination.

The company is helping the villagers with the required information on vaccination, its benefits, after-effects, and procedures. It is also helping them to get registered on the government portals, in case walk-in registration is not available.