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THREE-MONTH CONTAINMENT PLAN

CM's new plan: red zone to be divided into 3, no quick relief

100-day work scheme to restart in non-containment zones: Mamata

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CHIEF MINISTER Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday underscored the need for a three-month plan to deal with the Covid-19 crisis, and announced that areas in red zones would be soon given more relaxations while the 100-day work scheme would be restarted in non-containment areas.

"Don't think we will get relief from the Covid-19 crisis anytime soon. We should have a three-month short-term plan in place to tackle the situation," Banerjee told reporters after a review meeting with state officials.

The Chief Minister said the red zones would be divided into three categories, and added: "Steps would also be taken to restart the 100-day work scheme in the non-containment areas."

Banerjee lambasted the Centre's nationwide lockdown plan, saying people were facing problems because it was "poorly planned". Her remark came less than 24 hours after her video conference meeting with Prime Minister Narendra Modi in which she criticised the Centre for politicising the state's response to the pandemic.

She also defended her administration's decision to set up a death audit panel, which has been disbanded. "Accusations were made against us with regard to the audit panel and comorbidity deaths. Now, the Centre has approved [tallying of] comorbidity deaths, and other states are doing it too."

The CM said the state's testing numbers were low because it has only four laboratories. She added that her administration had sought the Centre's permission to set up more laboratories.

MAMATA LAUDS NURSES' ROLE

Kolkata: On the occasion of the International Nurses Day, CM Mamata Banerjee on Tuesday praised the contribution of nurses who are putting themselves and their families at risk while leading the efforts to contain the coronavirus pandemic. Banerjee said nurses were selflessly attending to the patients during this crisis. "Nurses are playing an important role in our fight against the coronavirus. We salute all those nurses who are selflessly attending to the patients in this time of crisis, putting themselves and their own families at risk," she tweeted. **PTI**



Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee addresses a press conference at Nabanna on Tuesday. *Express*

Eight more die, count of recovered patients rises

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THE CORONAVIRUS disease (Covid-19) has claimed eight more lives, the state government announced on Tuesday, even as more patients were discharged since the day before compared to the positive cases detected.

The toll rose to 126, but if deaths due to comorbidities are counted the total is 198. Till 9 am, 110 more positive cases had been detected, pushing up the count to 2,173, according to the government. The Department of Health and Family Welfare said 113 more patients were discharged, taking the total to 612.

"The number of discharged persons is increasing in the state. It is now 28% of the total number," said Home Secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay.

The active case count fell from 1,374 to 1,363, according to the health bulletin.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee told the Home Secretary and Chief Secretary Rajiva Sinha that the health bul-



letin should keep mentioning the deaths due to comorbidities. "Bengal always thinks about such matters before others. Now, many states are making separate columns for comorbidity," she said.

According to the health bulletin, 5,007 samples were tested in the preceding 24-hour period, while the cumulative numbers of specimens examined till Tuesday morning was 52,622. The government said 4.13% of the samples examined till date had tested positive.

The health department said 6,978 people were still in government quarantine, while 24,296 people were in home isolation.

HC allows KMC administrators' board to function till July 20

Kolkata: The Calcutta High Court Tuesday ordered that a panel of administrators headed by Mayor Firdah Hakim would act as the Kolkata Municipal Corporation's caretaker board till July 20.

The order extending the board's term was passed by a division bench of Justices IP Mukerji and T Ghosh. On May 7, a single-judge bench had directed that the board of administrators, appointed by the state government following completion of its five-year term,

would function for four weeks.

In the interim order, Justice Subrata Talukdar directed that the caretaker board would have to look after KMC's daily operations to ensure that the civic body's functions were carried out smoothly during the extraordinary situation arising out of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19) pandemic. This was challenged by petitioner Sharad Kumar Singh before the division bench. **PTI**

Jute industry lost Rs 1,250 cr following lockdown: Industry body

PRESS TRUST OF INDIA,
KOLKATA, MAY 12

THE JUTE sector has incurred an estimated loss of Rs 1,250 crore because of the lockdown imposed to contain the spread of the coronavirus disease (Covid-19), an official of an industry body said on Tuesday.

The sector is very crucial for the state economy as it employs 40 lakh farmers and three lakh workers at jute.

Mills, and contributes Rs 6,500 crore to the state GDP, said Indian Jute Mills Association chairperson Raghavendra Gupta.

"Around 1.5 lakh tonne of jute goods production, with an estimated value of Rs 1,250 crore, has already been lost. Some mills have managed to re-open but are functioning with 5 to 10 per cent of their workforce," Gupta told PTI.

With dwindling cash flow, jute mills were facing hardship and would have "no alternative but to close units" if the situation continued, he said.

The jute industry's loss had been seen as a gain for the plastic sector, said Gupta, adding that dilution of mandatory jute packaging had taken place during the lockdown.



Mannequins with masks at a cloth store that opened in Barasat, North 24 Parganas, on Tuesday. *Shashi Ghosh*

In message to BJP, CM warns those 'trying to spread riots'

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A COUPLE of days after violence in Malda and Hooghly districts, Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee lashed out at the BJP at a press conference on Tuesday.

"In this time of crisis, we are fighting this pandemic. They are trying to spread riots, and are putting it out on Twitter," Banerjee said without naming the Opposition party.

The police have arrested 42

people in connection with the clashes in Malda's Harishchandrapur block, and Hooghly's Telenipara area on Sunday night. The violence in Harishchandrapur occurred after the residents of a village were barred from entering a neighbouring hamlet, whose market they depend on, because 12 villagers tested positive for the coronavirus disease (Covid-19). The 12, who are from a particular community, had returned from Rajasthan last week.

In Telenipara, the clash broke out after a group raised objections

about people from a particular community allegedly roaming in public even though five people had tested Covid-19 positive.

Responding to questions about the Telenipara violence, the CM said, "I have told the police to take the strictest action. Those who violated the lockdown and indulged in communal clashes will be tried under the National Disaster Management Act. No one will be spared. We will not see whether the person belongs to which community." She also warned those spreading "fake

news on Twitter" to create a "rift between Hindus and Muslims".

"Do you indulge in religious profiling of coronavirus patients or SARI patients? If some people think during the pandemic they will foment communal troubles, we will not allow this," she said.

"Those who are talking big, I want to urge them to go help the frontline Covid warriors. Why not help the cleaning staff, the medical staff and the police? It is easy to vandalise and torch police vehicles. We will not allow this," Banerjee told reporters.

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45 days of lockdown, factories cautious, services stalled, markets choppy

Tracking the impact of Covid on the financial markets

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In view of the COVID -19 (Coronavirus) pandemic situation, there have been modifications in the scheduling of entrance examinations and also in the academic calendar for 2020-21. As it is not feasible to conduct the 2nd / Special OJEE in this session because of time constraint, it has been decided to conduct, as an integral part of OJEE - 2020, a **Special Entrance Examination for admission into 1st year B.Tech. courses of all Government and Private Engineering Colleges of Odisha against the vacancy seats left out after 1st phase OJEE counseling only for those students, who have not been / are not able to appear in the JEE (Main) - 2020 examination due to some reason or other.**

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- Last Date of Application : 31.05.2020**
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Day 49 of lockdown: First train leaves for New Delhi



Migrants cycling from Odisha on their way to Basirhat, North 24 Parganas, Tuesday Shashi Ghosh

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, MAY 12

NEARLY 50 days after the nationwide lockdown was imposed, a special passenger train, carrying over 1,000 passengers, departed from Howrah station for Delhi on Tuesday.

Passengers reached the station much earlier than the scheduled departure time and were allowed to enter the premises after 2 pm. They underwent thermal gun screening and were provided with masks and sanitiser.

(DRM), Howrah, Ishaq Khan. "We have started the railway services from today after taking all precautions and adhering to safety measures," Khan said. As many as 150 RPF personnel were deployed at the station, while seven RPF personnel boarded the train.

Eastern Railway CPRO Nikhil Chakraborty said, "We are making preparations for the coming days when more trains will arrive."

Ready-to-eat food items, tea and coffee will be provided to the passengers who were allowed to board the train one hour before the scheduled departure. This special train will return to Howrah on May 14.

"I am happy to return home after almost two months. I had come to Kolkata for some work and got stranded due to lockdown. The moment railway services resumed, I bought a ticket to Delhi," said a passenger who wished not to be named.

Meanwhile, two special trains carrying 2,342 people arrived in West Bengal from Karnataka and Tamil Nadu on Tuesday.

In the morning, a special 22-coach train from Bengaluru reached Bankura station. The train had departed from Bengaluru on May 10 with 1,200 passengers.

At 5 pm, another 24-coach train from Katpadi at Vellore in Tamil Nadu reached the Howrah station with 1,142 people. The passengers mainly comprised patients and their relatives who had gone there for treatment.

The passengers who arrived at Howrah station underwent medical check-ups. They were then sent home in buses and other vehicles, arranged by the state government.

Passengers at Bankura station also underwent medical check-up and were given refreshments. About 100 state-run buses were arranged to transport the returnees to their native places in Jhargram, North 24 Parganas, South 24 Parganas, Hooghly, Birbhum, Malda and Murshidabad districts.

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4 policemen attacked while trying to enforce lockdown curbs in S-24 Parganas

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE KOLKATA, MAY 12

FOUR POLICEMEN were injured after they were attacked by local residents of Subhasgram in South 24 Parganas district on Tuesday.

When the policemen tried to enforce lockdown, some people beat them up, police said.

"Police found some residents violating lockdown norms in the area and asked them to go back home. However, a verbal altercation soon broke out between them. Later, the residents launched an attack on the policemen and four of our personnel were injured."

Meanwhile, a civic volunteer was thrashed in Malda's English Bazar for stopping people from violating lockdown norms.

Last month, nearly 10 people were arrested for assaulting two policemen at Tikiapara in Howrah district.

The incident triggered a war of words between the ruling Trinamool Congress and the BJP.

Promote Class 11 students of Bengal boards, schools told

Kolkata: The West Bengal Council of Higher Secondary Education has asked its affiliated schools to promote all class 11 students as their annual exams could not be completed due to the coronavirus-forced lockdown.

The postponed FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup in India was on Tuesday rescheduled to next year from February 17 to March 7 after the world body made a 'thorough assessment' of the situation arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic.

'Everyone has a camera phone, I just need to source them ... You can be at home and also on television'

Star head Uday Shankar delves into the challenges and opportunities in cricket broadcasting without fans at the stadium

WITH DOUBTS being raised about the October-November T20 World Cup in Australia, BCCI officials says that IPL now has a window. Star and Disney India chairman UDAY SHANKAR, while insisting that the tournament should only be played when it's safe, talks about the creative challenge of broadcasting of what looks like the first 'closed doors' IPL. Speaking to SANDEEP DWIVEDI, the man on the top of world cricket's power list explains the importance of imagination in dealing with this unique COVID-19 crisis, the fundamental changes in media business and how working from home has made him sharper and focused.

You must be thinking hard these days ... how are you spending your days?

These days, we all are at home. Being home is more productive. You are much more focused as you know you can only communicate electronically. I'm also thinking sharply because there are no distractions. And because there's a crisis, every team member is trying to think out of the box. On the downside, there is no distinction between workplace and home. You start in the morning and just keep going on, so it's exhausting.

Sports broadcasting is all about understanding the minds of fans. But in these unusual times, do you know what a fan wants to see?

The most important priority globally is for people to be safe. Only when it is safe to have a tournament, we should have it. We have a lot of business riding on live sports but nothing is even remotely in the same zone as the safety of people.

That said, to say that people will only like something in a certain form is a very static way of looking at things. I believe that the society is always open to trying out new things. In fact, it is the business and the experts who are more stuck in their ways.

When we were launching Hotstar, our streaming service, five to six years ago, about a million people told me: "What are you do-



Uday Shankar is the the Chairman of Star and Disney India and also president of The Walt Disney Company for Asia Pacific.

creating and enhancing the atmosphere through graphics, audio, sound effects and all that.

Can you think of an innovation that recreates on TV the whole drama that used to be in the stands?

You watch sports at home? Whenever you're watching a tense moment, do you not have a very intense expression on your face? So, all we need to do is capture it. And today technology is ready for that. So, you can be at home but you can also be on television. Our ability to recreate the same atmosphere for the fan who are watching it from home is limited only by our imagination, otherwise the fan gives you enough opportunity to capture those moments of intensity and excitement. If this had happened 20 years ago, without broadband and hundreds of millions of smartphones with cameras, it would be a challenge. Today it's happening at a time when we're ready.

So, you are replacing the guy in the stands with the guy on the couch. Will there be webcam or go pro at homes?

Why will I need them, everyone has a camera phone, I just need to source them. So, we'll have to start thinking differently. It's a creative challenge, it's not a sporting challenge.

What about the changes on the field in terms of broadcasting the game?

I can't tell you all the details, the reason being we're still working on it. I don't have full clarity. Things evolve, say 'day cricket' became 'night cricket' and that in turn brought with it a new set of opportunities and challenges.

So that's the kind of game you love, you are in the habit of making new rules, new sports ...

Our biggest challenge is we have these fixed ideas in the head about how to do things. Not just in the way sports is played or produced; it's about everything. Earlier, no

one thought we could operate without going to office. Every morning, we would get into our vehicles and go to office. We felt it was important. Now suddenly, no one is going to office and the world is okay.

We launched 'Disney plus Hotstar' in the middle of this lockdown. All our commercials for digital and our TV channels were produced in a decentralised manner and still everybody came to know about it.

We need to break our muscle memory. No matter which business you are in, those who are able to think differently and work backwards from the new reality, they will be able to create much more value.

In the coming days, foreign travel, in and out, will be tough. So, have you thought of going local or even hyper-local.

First of all, we all know that travel is going to be a bit of a challenge. But look, players can come in. Earlier, they used to come five days in advance; now they will have to come two weeks before the game. They will be in quarantine; they will have to be more careful when training.

You will also have to take hard decisions, isn't it? You have got this huge network, in terms of your regional reach, like the very successful Tamil commentary initiative. You also have heavy-duty analytical shows like Dugout that cater to serious fans. Do you think you'll have to shrink operations?

It's tough for me to say that right now, we'll have to see the horizon for live sports. I don't like to take tactical decisions quickly. We are running a business, it's not a charity, we have to be profitable, or else we won't be sustainable. So, if something doesn't work, it doesn't work.

But just because there has been a disruption, I don't see a reason to downsize. Dugout is a very compelling product. It's the fine dining experience of cricket. And also, by talking cricket in regional languages, whether it is in South or elsewhere, we have widened the scope of cricket. I don't think just the dis-

ruption itself means that we should do less.

What about a larger correction, in terms of the kind of money that sports broadcasters pay for television rights and IPL salaries? Do you need to go back to BCCI in terms of renegotiating these already existing deals?

Look, first and foremost, we have a contract. We are an honourable company and we will honour it. But the sports bodies are also aware of the challenges in the market place ... the economy and incomes have taken a hit. And as far as Star and cricket are concerned, it is the goose that lays the golden egg. We have invested more in cricket than any other media company, any time in the world.

I think in my experience, all sports bodies and authorities value the fact that our commitment to cricket is so high. If there is a real problem, we will go to them and I'm sure we will get a fair audience.

There is no good time for a crisis. But take your five-year IPL deal, in business there are phases - first investment, followed by breaking even, and then profits. So, this economic slump after two IPL seasons, is it a good time or bad?

Of course, it was the wrong time for the whole world. But IPL has been very good for us. So have been the ICC and also the other cricket rights that we have. And you have seen after all this, we took New Zealand cricket rights and only recently we took the rights of South Africa cricket too.

So, it's not that we ever stopped. It has hurt us greatly; but it has hurt everybody. So, I won't read too much into this. For us, the two big challenging scenarios are: if cricket doesn't work or the economy's not good. But we know that cricket works; there is no question about it. The key question in our minds is the how the Indian economy will perform. How strongly and quickly it rebounds from the COVID setback.

During the 2008 slump, you focused on your core competence, which was

entertainment. It proved to be a good move. So, what is your core competence now - is it entertainment or sports or is it cricket?

The big difference between 2008 and 2020 is that Star is far more diversified; it is much bigger and much deeper in this country. In 2008, we were just doing entertainment, nothing else. At that point, we had a sports business but that was a joint venture with ESPN.

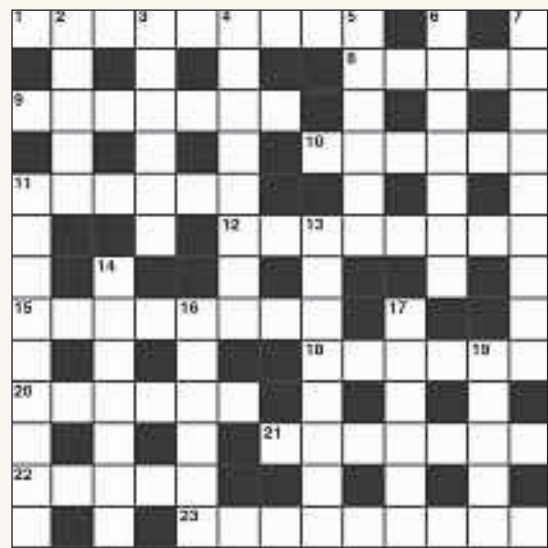
I think the core competence of the company, The Walt Disney and Star in India, is our ability to be creative, bold and disruptive. I think the media business is going through a very deep fundamental transition where it is becoming more and more disintermediated and leaning towards direct to consumer. Don't forget that we have about 200 million television sets in homes in this country and we already have more than double of that number by way of mobile devices, each with a screen and with data access. Over the next few years, we will be about 250 million TV sets and there will be about 700-750 million mobile screens. So right now, the biggest opportunity and the biggest challenge is how do we make sure that in countries like India, the mobile device becomes the default mode of content consumption.

We have a sustainable economic model. Our subscription service 'Disney plus Hotstar' and the way we have invested in technology and consumer experience should hold us in good stead.

How big is the logistical hurdle of holding cricket behind closed doors? Like we are seeing in European football, things like testing, isolation and keeping players away from their families.

It will be a challenge and we are required to deal with it for the first time. But it will get easier. Look, on Day 1 of lockdown, even using sanitiser and mask was a big disruption. I heard so many people say that they were not able to breathe properly. Now everybody is wearing masks. We will get used to it.

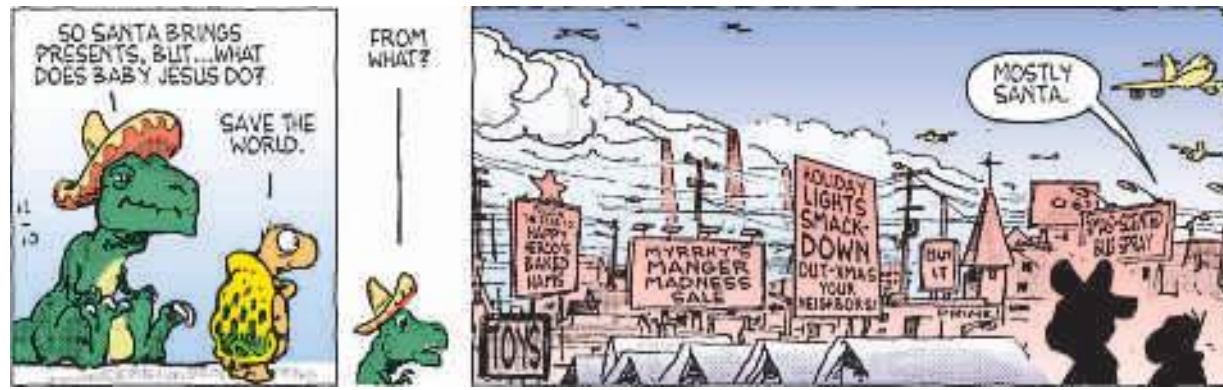
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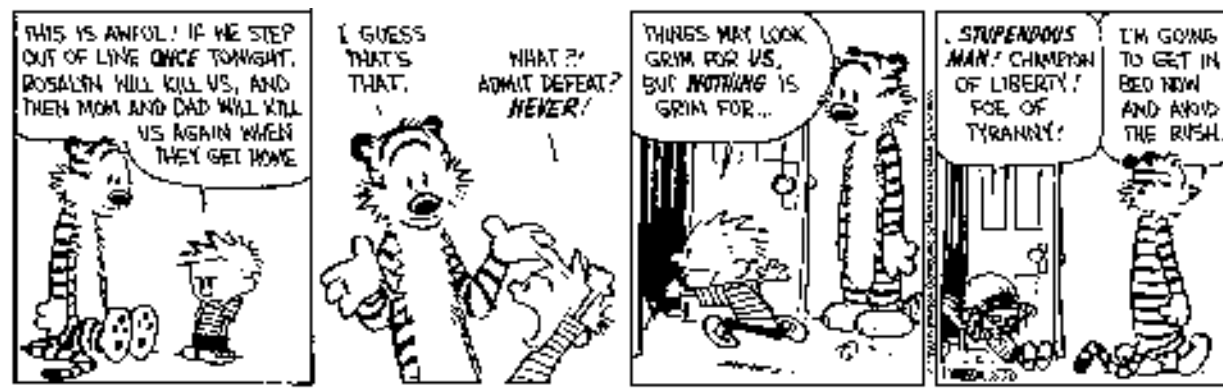
- ACROSS**
- Increase support to control violence (9)
 - Words of love among sisters (5)
 - Grape producer holds a label to mark its year (7)
 - TV programme that's being reviewed? (6)
 - Fix a direction indicator (6)
 - Press for a reduction? (8)
 - Acrobats in glasses (8)
 - Characteristics begin holding one back (6)
 - Make a second charge for killing (6)
 - Stop before the outlet (7)
 - Indicating the right quarter (5)
 - Italian girl in disorderly style on arising (9)
- Down**
- Goes out of play (5)
 - He's stupid in trying to open it without a key (6)
 - I'd turn up in a sort of orange fabric (8)
 - Destroy a one-sided listener with charm (6)
 - A grave ceremony (7)
 - Hot lines upset Rose Smith (9)
 - I stay true to the principle of self-denial (9)
 - Car is not damaged, being strong (4,4)
 - Insinuates one politician isn't truthful (7)
 - Deserts for growing things (6)
 - Ravel's composition may be carried on (6)
 - Fitting end for a piece of wood (5)

Solutions Crossword 4116: Across: 11 Laertes, 4 Crawl, 7 Nile, 8 Alsatian, 10 High-handed, 12 Creeps, 13 Allows, 15 Single room, 18 Abridged, 19 Asps, 20 Sinew, 21 Squalls. Down: 1 Lynch, 2 Eulogies, 3 Silent, 4 Crane flies, 5 Avid, 6 Landaus, 9 Shop window, 11 Colossal, 12 Compass, 14 Agrees, 16 Moses, 17 Bran.

OVER THE HEDGE by Michael Fry & T Lewis



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MARVIN by Tom Armstrong



DAY TODAY

BY PETER VIDAL

- ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)**
Your mood will begin to change, and you are likely to become considerably more serious and less sociable. This is fine just as long as you are able to make use of the all-important time you must spend by yourself. The best plans might arise from a favourite fantasy, not from the facts.
- LIBRA (Sep 24 - Oct 23)**
The financial situation is looking fairly complicated, but there's nothing new in that. You should avoid any temptation to speculate today, and at the very least you may secure whatever sensible and expert advice is necessary. But don't take risks with your own security.
- TAURUS (Apr 21 - May 21)**
It's definitely a moment for facing serious issues. Partners will want to know exactly how committed you are, and also to what extent you are prepared to take care of practical questions. What you need most is security. And what you need, you must have!
- SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 23)**
It could be crunch-time at home as irreversible force meets immovable object. Don't be hasty, for it seems unlikely that anything will be resolved until this time next week. And if partners are urging you on, you may explain to them why they're wrong.
- GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)**
You'll have to work hard to achieve your aims. One very important reminder is to watch out for legal complications at work. The vital safeguard is always to be absolutely sure of your rights as well as your duties. But, if you fulfil your responsibilities willingly, then you're more likely to receive what's due to you.
- SAGITTARIUS (Nov 24 - Dec 22)**
Although home and family affairs do not seem to be important in your long-term cycles, they figure today in your immediate planetary aspects. You should therefore pay extra attention to matters which may have been allowed to drift. You might even remember something you'd forgotten all about.
- CANCER (June 22 - July 23)**
You are certainly in a very serious mood when it comes to relationships. You may be facing a desire for commitment, perhaps deeper than you've known for some while, but it may be impossible to freeze feelings at a particular moment in time. But, then, perhaps that's not what you really want.
- CAPRICORN (Dec 23 - Jan 20)**
You have every right to expect that others will respond to your suggestions in as amiable a manner as possible. You also have a right to demand that partners observe financial propriety. If they let you down, you will be entitled to complain - and loudly.
- LEO (July 24 - Aug 23)**
You may put the spotlight on money, especially on joint business ventures or investments. However, always bear in mind that financial decisions are all too easily swayed by what others want, or by what you feel is expected of you. You will gain by doing the right thing.
- AQUARIUS (Jan 21 - Feb 19)**
You're now at a professional and public turning-point and, if you ever had any desire to be praised by your peers for a personal achievement, now is the time to lay yourself on the line. Someone who has misunderstood you will soon mend their ways.

JUMBLED WORDS

Given below are four jumbled words. Solve the jumbles to make proper words and move them to the respective squares below. Select the letters in the shaded squares and jumble them to get the answer for the given clue.

DTIO SPROUT
DOYTT AAPPWW

SOLUTION: IDIOT, DOTTY, STUPID, PAMPERM - Minna Thomas Antrim

SUDOKU 4208

Difficulty Level 2s
Instructions
To solve a Sudoku puzzle, every digit from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine vertical columns, in each of the nine horizontal rows and in each of the nine boxes.

Difficulty Level
1s = Very easy; 2s = Easy; 3s = Medium; 4s = Hard; 5s = Very Hard; 6s = Genius

SOLUTION SUDOKU 4207

1	9	4	8	6	2	3	7	5
5	2	8	1	7	3	4	6	9
6	3	7	4	5	9	1	8	2
7	1	3	2	4	6	5	9	8
2	4	6	9	8	5	7	3	1
9	8	5	3	1	7	6	2	4
8	7	2	5	3	4	9	1	6
3	5	1	6	9	8	2	4	7
4	6	9	7	2	1	8	5	3

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