SOWING SEEDS OF TECHNOLOGY

◆ Agri-based startup creates digital platform for farmers ◆ Uses data analytics to solve various cultivation issues

| MOHAMMED RAYAAN |

Chennai, Feb 4:

Farming has always been part of India's economic identity. In this year's Union Budget, the government has provided 30 per cent increase in funds at Rs 1.42 lakh crore for agriculture and farmers' welfare ministry. With sparkling growth in the field of data analytics and artificial intelligence (AI), several startups have now ventured to use such techs to sow seeds of growth in agriculture. After all, data has proven to be the 'new oil' of this century.

DIGI TOOL

Thriving on this tech is Punebased startup, Shivrai Technologies, founded by entrepreneurs Sanjay Borkar and Santosh Shinde. The duo has developed 'FarmERP' - an enterprise resource planning (ERP) software platform that helps 'agribusinesses to collect, integrate and analyze huge amounts of data to support their business decisions'. They also operate 'FarmGYAN' which 'provides science-based intelligent advisory services to farm operators'

DATA MATTERS

Speaking to News Today, Sanjay



CEO co-founder Sanjay Borkar with COO co-founder Santosh Shinde.

and Santosh explain why it's essential to digitize agriculture. The world is moving towards digital transformation yet a lot of Indian farmers continue to view the agricultural industry as something that is a part of a tradition and not as a business,' they say. 'Digitization helps keep the entire process in control and through the collection and analysis of vital data, farmers are able to make bigger decisions.'

BENEFITS

To portray benefits of this tech, the duo offered a hypothetical explanation of a person starting out as a tomato farmer. 'The basic farming process involves getting a good

harvest, getting information from market, selling tomatoes you grow and getting good value for it,' they say. You learn where to get seeds, how they need to be sowed, what

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- * According to National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM) report, the Agritech sector is growing at a rate of 25% y-o-y.
- ❖ The sector has received more than \$248 million funding as of June 2019

are the best practices, how much to water, how much nutrients should be provided and what effect climate change plays. This is when you realize how difficult it is to predict anything during or till the end of the harvest as you cannot say what value you will get.' But Sanjay and Santosh believe that through digitization when 'every stakeholder who is part of farming process is brought onto one platform, it will reduce unpredictability'.

EASY TO USE

The founders explain that 'FarmERP isn't sold directly to individual farmers but instead to companies and organizations who work with farmers using this software platform'. 'The mobile app has been designed in such a fashion that even the technologically challenged can use in an effective manner, they say. 'We are working with NGOs to train and handhold farmers through our other specific offerings like FarmGyan and Farmizo.'

SLOWDOWN

When asked if the economic slowdown has infected the agriculture sector, the duo denied any effect saying, 'As the population keeps increasing, so does the demand for food. They also pointed that many Agri startups have come up within India and outside in the last four years. 'They have been groomed well and work on interesting technology,' they say.

COMBATING GLOBAL WARMING

In 'World Economic Situation and Prospects 2020' report from United Nations, it warned of global warming and its effect on economy. Having such similar concerns, the entrepreneurs informed that 'FarmERP is adding climate-smart intelligence and machine learning into their software solution which will help face the unpredictability of climate change and reduce the

risk that is faced by agriculture industry.'

'Many agriculturists face various challenges that are rising across the globe like forest fires, storms, climate change, and typhoons. So, the immediate effect of utilizing an AgriTech solution for planning purposes can be felt all across the sector,' they added. Their software also has an inbuilt mechanism to mitigate the risk that occurs with the use of harmful pesticides on fresh produce. We jointly work with research organizations to ensure intelligent food safety guidelines for farmers who grow fresh produce,' they said.

HARVESTING SUCCESS

The startup was self-funded in the beginning but now with Series A funding from TechnoGen IT Services, they have been able to enter new markets. They have also sowed seeds of success here in Tamilnadu. 'Here, we are working with Waycool, a leading company which procures produce from various farmers,' said the founders. 'Prominently we are in India, South-East Asia and African countries, apart from which we are also represented in more than 25 countries.' (For details visit, www.farmerp.com)

INBOX

Sennheiser launches soundbar

NT Bureau

Chennai, Feb 4:

German audio giant Sennheiser announced the launch of its Sennheiser AMBEO Soundbar. Sennheiser's new Ambeo Soundbar is priced at Rs 1.99,990. According to a press release, the soundbar places the listener inside the sound experience with incredible realism, delivering 3D sound that blurs the line between playback and reality from a single all- in-one device.

Co-CEO, Sennheiser, Daniel Sennheiser at the launch said, 'We are thrilled to be introducing the Ambeo Soundbar in India as Sennheiser's first foray into the home entertainment speaker category. We have developed it with the ambition to create one of the best soundbars in the market – an elegant all- in-one solution for all those seeking an immersive 3D, audiophile-grade home entertainment experience.'

Bengaluru to host IndiaWood

The 11th edition of IndiaWood, organised by NürnbergMesse touted as the region's biggest knowledge sharing show for furniture manufacturing machinery, raw materials, panels, hardware, components and accessories, will be held from 27 February to 2 March at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre, Bengaluru.

According to a press release, the five-day mega show will focus on carpentry, skilling, innovation, automation and digitalization with the aim to drive Indian furniture manufacturing and woodworking industry and establish India as one of the top manufacturing destinations in the region.

'We are delighted to present the 11th edition of IndiaWood, which has witnessed remarkable growth. The 2020 edition is expected to bring more exhibitors, visitors and newer technology and innovations to the forefront and will continue to remain the most important meeting place for the woodworking Industry in the Indian subcontinent,' said CEO, NürnbergMesse GmbH, Peter Ottmann.

IDFC unveils new fund

IDFC Asset Management Company (AMC) announced the launch of an open-ended equity fund, predominantly investing in small cap stocks, – IDFC Emerging Businesses Fund. According to a press release, the new fund seeks to look at Growth opportunities in the Small Cap space alongside applying quality filters. Further, the fund is mandated to invest at least 65 per cent in Small Cap segment. IDFC Emerging Businesses Fund will contain buy and hold strategies as well as opportunistic picks in the cyclical space, the release added.

'Budget gives thrust to infra sector'

Managing director of Aparajitha Corporate Services Private Limited, Nagaraj Krishnan lauded the Union Budget. In a statement, he said that 'major thrust has been given to the infrastructure industry, including railway infrastructure and railway connectivity. This will help them revive from the sluggishness in the economy and improve liquidity in the market'.

He added, 'The manufacturing sector will also get a boost through the investment clearance cell and the already announced reduction in corporate tax to 15 percent. Massive digital push by the government through fiber net connecting villages will add value to rural lifestyle. Announcement of 112 hospitals will definitely play a major role in bridging the gap between healthcare requirement and availability.

'Remove tags to get more women in workforce'

◆ Tata chairman comments during launch of 'Bridgital Nation'

Bengaluru, Feb 4 (PTI):

Tags need to be removed to get more women into India's workforce, Tata Sons Chairman, N Chandrasekaran said. There are lots of 'tags' in India such as 'women cannot do this (kind of jobs); this is only for men,' and all of them have to be removed, he said. There is a possibility of creating platforms for SMEs, there is a possibility of getting (more) women into workforce,' Chandrasekaran said. Policy changes are also needed. In healthcare for example, rules are strict, he noted, pointing to 'what can be done by doctors and what can be done by people who are not doctors.' Chandrasekaran also said that 'care' in general -- such as those targeted at elderly and children as an industry is a 'huge opportunity.

'We got to create women role-models in non-traditional areas,' he said, questioning as to why they can be confined to only educated women. Chandrasekaran made the comments here last evening while responding to a related question after the launch the book 'Bridgital Nation' authored by him and Roopa Purushothaman, Chief Economist and Head of Policy



Infosys co-founder Nandan Nilekani releases the book 'Bridgital Nation' with its authors Tata Sons chairman N Chandrasekaran and Tata's Chief Economist Roopa Purushothaman in Bengaluru.

Advocacy Tata Sons. The launch was followed by a conversation with Nandan Nilekani, Co-Founder & Chairman Infosys and Founding Chairman, UIDAI

Referring to India's education system, Chandrasekaran said it has always been about 'reading, writing and counting.' 'Thinking, collaboration, digital, using software are far more easier to teach than reading, writing and counting,' he opined. 'Everybody need not get into higher education.'

CORPORATE AFFAIRS

Srikalahasthi Pipes cumulative profit at Rs 136.95 cr

| NT Bureau |

Chennai, Feb 4:

Srikalahasthi Pipes Limited announced its financial results for quarter ended 31 December 2019. The Board of Directors of Srikalahasthi Pipes Limited at its meeting held on 3 February approved the un-audited financial results for the quarter ended 31 December 2019. According to a press release, the profit before tax for



the quarter ended 31 December 2019 was Rs 65.13 crore, as compared to Rs 45.15 crore in the corresponding quarter of previous year.

The Profit after tax for the quarter ended 31 December 2019 is Rs 67.66 crore as against Rs 31.15 crore in the same quarter of previous year. The cumulative profit after tax for the nine months ended 31 December 2019 was Rs 136.95 crore as against Rs 81.71 crore in the corresponding nine months ended 31 December 2018, thus registering an increase of about 68 per cent, the release added.

GS Rathi, Whole-time Director informed that commercial operations of first furnace of 9 MVA to produce Ferro Silicon has commenced on 16 January and the operations are stabilized.

NAME CHANGE

I, SURESH SHINNAIYAN, S/o.Chinnaiyan, Date of Birth 10/06/1982, residing at Thalaivamanglam Village, Orathanadu Taluk, Thanjavur District State of Tamilnadu, shall henceforth be known as

SURESH CHINNAIYAN. **SURESH SHINNAIYAN**

P.Kantha W/o K.Palani Residing at: No.12/41, Thulasi Street, Demellows Road Pattalam, Ch-12, I have Lost my Land original Document Thiruvallur district Veppampettu Village, Sri Ganesh Nagar Land 1200 sq.ft Survey No.303/4 Including 303/6, 303/6B Patta No.942 document No.5436

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residing at No.86/3, Mundakanni Amman Koil Street, Mylapore, Chennai - 600 004 and she had purchased a property of vacant land, extent of 1.5 cents in survey nubmber no.20 at Vellore town Salavanpettai, Punjakaraov street, Plot no.6 under a sale deed dated 16.12.1969 registered as document No.1362/1969 SRO of Vellore. The said ORIGINAL SALE DEED is lost along with the paren documents of the said property when Mrs.S.Parameswari was traveling on 23.01.2020 in the MTC bus from Chenna Mylapore to parry's corner to meet her advocate Mr.Mohammed Aseef at High

If any has found the said original sale deed and the parent docume kindly hand over to her advocate under

MR.MOHAMMED ASEEF,

No.336, 3rd Floor Thambu Chetty Street Cell: 9994713914.

PUBLIC NOTICE The Public notice is issued on behal-

of my client Mrs.Nagalakshmi W/0. Late Mr. Mathuravanan aged about 45 years residing at No.2/9, Mani Nayakar, 2nd Cross Street, Radha Nagar, Chrompet Chennai -600 044. My client's husband Late Mr. Mathuravanan, died on 4.8.2015. My client's husband late Mr. Mathuravanan executed in Indiar Bank Yagappa Nagar, Thanjavur, M.O.D. No.5572/2008 vide O.D. Account No.796537447 on 13.10.2008. I have lost the M.O.D. Document on 4/12/2019 while travelling from my residence a Radha Nagar to my advocate office a Chitalapakkam. My client was not able to trace the above document. If any person found the above said the M.O.D. Document is requested to hand over the document to my office at the above M.MANI, L.L.B. Advocate

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Notice

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Regulation 29 (1) (a) read with Regulation 47 of the SEBI (Listing Obligations and sclosure Requirements) Regulations 2015, a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company will be held on Wednesday the 12th February 2020, at Chennai to consider amongst others, the Unaudited Financial Results of the Company for the Quarter ended 31st December 2019. The Notice is also available or the Companys website at www southernlatex.in and also the website of the Stock Exchange where the BSE Ltd..- www.bseindia.com.

For **SOUTHERN LATEX LIMITED**

KAVITHA. COMPANY SECRETARY 8 Place : Chenna Date: 04 February, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

Parthasarathy Desikan, son of S. Desikan inform that the original Sale deed dated 3/4/1969 executed by the Perambur Co-Operative Building Society Ltd executed in favour of his father S. Desikan registered as Document No. 1504/1969 at SRO. Sembium. relating to his property bearing Plot No. D 71, Door No. 33, in Loco Scheme 2nd Street, Jawahar Nagar, Chennai 600082, comprised in R.S.No. 19, Ayanavaram Village, measuring 2415 sq .ft. was lost on 01/02/2020 while going for taking Xerox copies near his house in Loco Scheme 2nd Street, Jawahar Nagar, Chennai 600082 and the same is not traceable till this date and it is not

Parties having any claim/ may undersigned within 15 days from S. AMBALAVANAN.

encumbered in any manner.

M.A., B.L., P.G.DIPIN IR & PM Advocate. Old No· 5/1 New No: 9/1 Baliah Avenue, Luz, Mylapore Chennai - 600 004 Cell: 9841035799

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Notice is hereby given that my client Mrs.R.Sakkubai, W/o Captain.E.Ramadoss [late], residing at Flat No:F4, First Floor, Old Plot No:75. New Plot No:38. Anna Street Gandhi Nagar, Saligramam, Chennai - 600 098, who purchased the Flat No:F4, First Floor Old Plot No:75, New Plot No:38, Anna Street Gandhi Nagar, Saligramam, Chennai - 600 Q93, comprised in Survey No:8 of Saligramam Village to an extent of 3500 Square Fee [SCHEDULE -A] and an extent of share 831/6820 as stated in [SCHEDULE -B] by way of a registered deed of sale dated 11.10.1999 registered at the office of the Sub-Registrar a Virugambakkam in Document No:4504/99 and has been enjoying the same since then. While so, On 27.01.2020, She along with her son on a two wheeler, went to Saidapet, Chenna along with other original documents and then went to purchase fish from fish market situated at Jones Road, Saidapet, Chennai and returned to two wheeler and sat as a pillior rider and found that the above referred original ent dated 11.10.1999 bearing number 4504/99 was missing and try to find the same for a week, but in vain. Hence it is requested that if any person found the same to send th same to the address of my client and further is informed that if any encumbrance is created based on the lost document, the same shall not bind on my client in any way and such encumbrance shall not confer any right or M/S M.RAVI KUMAR 8

GEETHA RAVIKUMAR, Advocates Office: No: 44/215, Labour Colony Cell: 98840 87034, 9445372237

PUBLIC NOTICE

clients, D. LOGU @ LOGANATHAN & D. VARMAN, residing at Santhipetta 110, state that the original WILL dated 10.12.2001, registered as Doc. No. 52 of 2001, on the file of SRO, Thiruporus executed by their father, K.E Dhanusu Naicker, relating to various properties ncluding the land measuring 66 Cents in S. No. 876 of Kayaar Village, has beer misplaced and lost on 02.02.2020, wher they went to Mettu Theru Bus Stand from their house.

In spite of diligent search, the same is not raceable. However my clients states that the said original WILL dated 10.12.2001, egistered as Doc. No. 52 of 2001, on the ile of SRO, Thiruporur, has not been parted for any borrowing and that the property is free from encumbrances.

If any person has any objection by reason of being in possession of the said original WILL, he or she may contact the undersigned, in writing within 7 days from the date of this publication and any encumbrance created with the aforesaid lost document, will not bind my clients.
S. INDRAJITH (ADVOCATE)

> South West Boag Road 2nd Flr, 'B' Portion, T. Nagar Chennai - 600 017

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NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING Notice hereby given that the Extraordinary General Meeting of the company will be held at the Registered office on 26th February 2020 at 4.00 p.m. at the above address. All the share

Place: Chennai Date: 03.02.2020

holders are requested to attend the meeting. By order of the Board Sri. S. Thirunavukkarasu President

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Further, the outcome of the above meeting will be available on the website of the company i.e http://www.sunedisoninfra.com and on the website of BSE Limit <u>www.bseindia.com</u>

For SunEdison Infrastructur Limited

R.V.Suresh Babi

Company Secretary

Both also at: Flat No.14, C-Block, IV Floor, DABC Soundarya Apartments, EB Road, Mogappair East, Chennai -

nas filed the above referred applicatio in this Tribunal, for recovery of a sum o Rs.76,69,161.10/- from the defendants. Whereas the service of summon could not be effected in the ordinary nanner and whereas substituted service has been ordered by this Tribunal,

and hence this notice through pape

SUMMONS TO DEFENDANTS

THROUGH SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

Whereas the above named applicar

oublication You are therefore directed to annea pefore this Tribunal in person o through a duly instructed Advocate and file written statement on or before 24.02.2020 at 11.30 AM and show cause as to why reliefs prayed for should

not be granted. Take notice that in case of default, the application shall be heard and decided in our absence, in accordance to law. Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on this 31st day of January

Signature of the Registra

Place: Chennai Seal of the Tribunal Date: February 03, 2020