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All the best! Regards

Team Smartkeeda

स्मार्टकीड़ा टीम की ओर से एक महत्वपूर्ण सन्देश!

मित्रों! हम आशा करते हैं की आप सभी स्वस्थ और कुशल होंगे। इस सन्देश के माध्यम से हम आपसे यह कहना चाहते हैं की ये PDF जून माह में Testzone पर होने वाले MockDrill 100 में आपकी तैयारी को बेहतर करने के लिए उपलब्ध करायी जा रही है। इसPDF में हमने कुछ अति आवश्यक 'Key-Points' के माध्यम से आपको सम-सामयिकी (Current Affairs) सूचनाओं से अवगत कराया है और अगर आप MockDrill में अपनी योग्यता सिद्ध करना चाहते हैं तो आपके लिए हर सूचना को पढना, समझना और उसे याद रखना भी अति आवश्यक है क्योंकिMockDrill में शामिल किए गए प्रश्न PDF में दी गयी सूचना या जानकारी पर ही आधारित होंगे।

हम आशा करते हैं की आप इस PDF का भरपूर लाभ उठाते हुए आने वाले MockDrill Test में बेहतर अंक प्राप्त करेंगे।

आभार,

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1. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Ircon International Ltd (formerly Indian Railway Construction Ltd) has signed a pact with the National Investment and Infrastructure Fund Limited (NIIFL) and Ayana Renewable Power for exploring opportunities in the solar energy segment. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Ircon Int. Ltd + NIIFL + ARP = exploring opportunities in the solar energy segment
- HQs of Ircon Int. Ltd New Delhi | CMD S K Chaudhary
- HQs of NIIFL New Delhi | MD & CEO Sujoy Bose
- HQs of ARP Bangalore, Karnataka | MD & CEO Shivanand Nimbargi

2. Appointments & Resignations

The RBI has extended the tenure of appointment of Shri Subramanian Sundar as Managing Director & CEO (Interim) of Lakshmi Vilas Bank till November 30, 2020 or till regular MD & CEO takes charge, whichever is earlier. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Shri Subramanian Sundar tenure extended as the MD & CEO of Lakshmi Vilas Bank
- HQs Chennai, Tamil Nadu | MD & CEO Subramanian Sundar
- Tagline "The changing face of prosperity"

3. Obituaries

Former international archer turned coach Jayantilal Nanoma was killed in a road mishap. He was 35. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Jayantilal Nanoma passed away Archery
- HQs of World Archery Federation Lausanne, Switzerland | President Ugur Erdener

4. Science & Technology

The Institute for Astronomy at the University of Hawaii's Asteroid Terrestrial-impact Last Alert System (ATLAS) has revealed that a new asteroid known as "2019 LD2" with a comet-like-tail has been discovered moving in the same orbit travelled by Jupiter around the sun. <u>{Read more}</u>

- The Institute for Astronomy at the University of Hawaii's discovered a new asteroid "2019 LD2"
- ATLAS Asteroid Terrestrial-impact Last Alert System



5. Science & Technology

Facebook's experimental app division or the New Product Experimental (NPE) lab has soft-launched a new app called 'Collab' that aims to bring a new approach to collaborative short music videos making. <u>{Read</u> <u>more}</u>

Key Points:

- Facebook launched 'Collab' short music videos making app
- Facebook: HQs California, USA | CEO Mark Zuckerberg

6. Books & Authors

Indian author and renowned personal lifestyle coach, Luke Coutinho's new book, titled "The Dry Fasting Miracle: From Deprive to Thrive" will be published under the Ebury Press imprint of Penguin Random House. The book was co-authored by Sheikh Abdulaziz Bin Ali Bin Rashed Al Nuami, a member of the Ajman royal family in the UAE. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "The Dry Fasting Miracle: From Deprive to Thrive" book authored by "Luke Coutinho"
- Co-authored by Sheikh Abdulaziz Bin Ali Bin Rashed Al Nuami

7. Sports & Games

Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju and Tribal Affairs Minister Arjun Munda inaugurated Khelo India e-Pathshala programme with a webinar, attended by young archers, archery coaches and experts of the discipline from across the country. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Kiren Rijiju + Arjun Munda = inaugurated "Khelo India e-Pathshala programme" a webinar for Archery
- Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju (Constituency Arunachal West)
- Tribal Affairs Minister Arjun Munda (Constituency Khunti, Jharkhand)

8. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Hockey India has nominated national women's team captain Rani Rampal for the 'Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award' & Vandana Kataria, Monika and Harmanpreet Singh were recommended for the Arjuna Award. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Rani Rampal (Hockey) nominated for 'Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award'
- 3 Hockey Players Vandana Kataria + Monika + Harmanpreet Singh = nominated for 'Arjuna Award'
- HQs of Hockey India New Delhi | President Mohd. Mushtaque Ahmad



9. Appointments & Resignations

Pradip Kumar Tripathi, IAS has taken over as Secretary, Ministry of Steel. Tripathi will succeed Binoy Kumar, who superannuated on May 31, 2020. He is an IAS officer of 1987 batch of Jammu and Kashmir (JK) cadre. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Pradip Kumar Tripathi appointed as the Secretary in the Ministry of Steel
- He will succeed Binoy Kumar
- Dharmendra Pradhan Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Minister of Steel (RS MP Madhya Pradesh)

10. Obituaries

Former Union Minister and 3-time Congress MP from Ladakh, P Namgyal, passed away after brief illness in the Union Territory of Ladakh. He was 83. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• P Namgyal – passed away – Politician (MP from Ladakh)

11. National & States Affairs

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Girish Chandra Murmu launched a salary tracker mobile app "MeraVetan" aimed at providing salary-related information to government employees. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Girish Chandra Murmu launched "MeraVetan" a salary tracker mobile app
- J &K Capital Srinagar | Lt. Governor G C Murmu

12. International Affairs

India is set to be re-elected as a non-permanent member of the UN Security Council during the elections in June 2020. <u>{Read more}</u>

- India to be re-elected as a non-permanent member of the UNSC
- UNSC HQs New York, United States | Presidency Estonia (in May), France (in June)



Every year on June 3, the "World Bicycle Day" is celebrated across the globe to recognise the versatility and environment-friendly nature of bicycles as a means of transport. In April 2018, the U.N General Assembly declared June 3 as International World Bicycle Day. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- June 3 "World Bicycle Day" by UN General Assembly (since 2018)
- UNGA HQs NewYork, USA | President Tijjani Muhammad Bande

14. Sports & Games

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Kiren Rijiju has inaugurated 25-day "Khelo India Community Coach Development programme" for 15,000 physical education teachers and coaches around the country. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Kiren Rijiju inaugurated 25-day "Khelo India Community Coach Development programme
- Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports Kiren Rijiju (Constituency Arunachal West)

15. Important Days & Dates

"Global Parents Day" is celebrated on June 1 every year to honour all the parents around the world for their selfless commitment and lifelong sacrifice they do for their children. The day was declared as the Global Day of Parents by the UN General Assembly in 2012. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- June 1 "Global Parents Day"
- Declared by UN General Assembly in 2012
- HQs of UNGA NewYork, USA | President Tijjani Muhammad Bande

16. Obituaries

Former Pakistan first-class cricketer Riaz Sheikh passed away after reportedly testing positive for novel coronavirus (COVID-19). He was 51. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Riaz Sheikh (Pakistan) passed away Cricket
- Pakistan Islamabad Pakistani Rupee | PM Imran Khan | President Arif Alvi



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"International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression" is observed on June 4. The main aim behind observing this day is to acknowledge the pain suffered by children across the world, which is caused due to any kind of abuse including physical, mental and emotional. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• June 4 – "International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression"

18. Appointments & Resignations

Ms. Gaitri I. Kumar (IFS: 1986), presently Ambassador of India to Belgium, has been appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the United Kingdom. <u>{Read more}</u> **Key Points:**

- Ms. Gaitri I. Kumar appointed as the next High Commissioner to the UK
- UK London Pound Sterling | PM of UK Boris Johnson

19. Obituaries

Veteran filmmaker, Basu Chatterjee, the director behind cult films like 'Rajnigandha' and 'Chitchor', passed away due to age-related ailments. He was 93. <u>{Read more}</u> **Key Points:**

• Basu Chatterjee – passed away – Film Director

20. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Government of Andhra Pradesh has recommended the name of 24-year-old archer V. Jyothi Surekha for the prestigious 'Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award' for the year 2020. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- V. Jyothi Surekha (Andhra Pradesh) 'Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award-2020'
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital Amravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor Biswabhusan Harichandan

21. Schemes & Initiatives

Union Minister for Electronics and IT Ravi Shankar Prasad launched 3 major schemes namely 'Production Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI)', 'Scheme for Promotion of Manufacturing of Electronic Components and Semiconductors (SPECS)' & 'Modified Electronics Manufacturing Clusters (EMC 2.0) Scheme' to boost manufacture of electronics in the country. The three schemes would entail an outlay of about Rs 48,000 Cr. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Ravi Shankar Prasad launched 3 major schemes namely "PLI + SPECS + EMC 2.0"
- PLI Production Linked Incentive
- SPECS Scheme for Promotion of Manufacturing of Electronic Components and Semiconductors
- EMC 2.0 Modified Electronics Manufacturing Clusters



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"World Dugong Day" was observed on May 28, 2020. Dugongs are 'endangered' marine species. They are protected in India under Schedule I of the Wild (Life) Protection Act, 1972. There were just 250 dugongs in the Gulf of Mannar in Tamil Nadu, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands and the Gulf of Kutch in Gujarat according to the 2013 survey report of the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI). <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- May 28 launched "World Dugong Day" (Dugong 'Endangered' marine species)
- Protected under Schedule I of Wild (Life) Protection Act, 1972.
- Gulf of Mannar (TN) + Andaman and Nicobar Islands + Gulf of Kutch (Guj.) = 250 dugongs
- HQs of ZSI Kolkata, West Bengal | Director K Venkatraman

23. Appointments & Resignations

Seasoned diplomat and former spokesperson of the External Affairs Ministry Raveesh Kumar has been appointed as India's next Ambassador to Finland. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Raveesh Kumar appointed as the next Ambassador to Finland
- Finland Helsinki Euro | PM Sanna Marin

24. Acquisitions & Mergers

Amazon is in early-stage talks to buy 5% stake worth at least \$2 billion in mobile operator Bharti Airtel, three people with knowledge of the discussions told Reuters, in a move that could turbocharge India's digital economy. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Amazon to buy 5% stake (\$2 billion) in Bharti Airtel
- HQs of Amazon Seattle , USA | Founder & CEO Jeff Bezos
- HQs of Bharti Airtel New Delhi | CEO & MD Gopal Vittal

25. National & States Affairs

The Election Commission has announced the polls for pending 18 Rajya Sabha seats from seven states on 19th June. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Election Commission announced the polls for pending "18 Rajya Sabha seats" from "7 states"
- Chief Election Commissioner Sunil Arora (23rd)
- Two Election Commissioners Ashok Lavasa & Sushil Chandra



26. Appointments & Resignations

Twitter appointed Patrick Pichette as the company's new chairman of the board. He previously served as Google's CFO from 2008 until 2015. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Patrick Pichette appointed as the Chairman of the board of Twitter
- HQs of Twitter San Francisco, California, USA | CEO Jack Dorsey

27. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

India's table tennis star Manika Batra was recommended for the prestigious "Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award" by Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI). <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Manika Batra (Table Tennis) recommended for the "Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award"
- HQs of TTFI New Delhi | President Dushyant Chautala

28. Banking & Economic Affairs

Moody's Investors Service downgraded India's sovereign credit rating for the first time in more than two decades to 'Baa3' from 'Baa2'. {Read more}

Key Points:

- Moody's Investors Service downgraded India's sovereign credit rating to "Baa3"
- HQs of Moody's New York, USA | CEO Raymond W. McDaniel

29. Appointments & Resignations

Adesh Kumar Gupta has been appointed as the Delhi Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) chief by replacing Manoj Tiwari. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Adesh Kumar Gupta appointed as the Delhi BJP Chief
- He replaced Manoj Tiwari
- Delhi: CM Arvind Kejriwal | Governor Anil Baijal | Chief Secretary Vijay Dev



30. Amount & Agreements

A 1500 Cr interest subvention for small business and cottage industries has been announced under Mudra Shishu loan. Under this scheme, one lakh beneficiaries can avail interest benefit of 2% for a year. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "1500 Cr" Interest subvention for small business and cottage industries
- Under Mudra Shishu loan Scheme

31. Science & Technology

World Health Organization has launched Covid-19 "Technology Access Pool (C-TAP)" that aims at making tests, vaccines, treatments and other health technologies to fight COVID-19. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- WHO launched Covid-19 "Technology Access Pool (C-TAP)"
- 35 Countries supported "C-TAP"
- WHO HQs Geneva, Switzerland | DG Tedros Adhanom | Member Countries 194

32. Banking & Economic Affairs

IndusInd Bank has launched India's first mobile app-based facility for opening current accounts in a paperless manner & digitally. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- IndusInd Bank = launched India's first Online app-based facility to open current a/c
- HQs of IndusInd Bank Pune, Maharashtra | MD & CEO Sumant Kathpalia
- Tagline "We Make You Feel Richer"

33. Obituaries

Music composer, director and singer Wajid Khan passed away at the age of 42 in Mumbai. He was diagnosed with the novel coronavirus. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Wajid Khan – passed away – Music Composer, Director & Singer



34. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

South African National Space Agency (SANSA) of South Africa has partnered with NASA to host a deepspace ground station, which will support human spaceflight missions to the Moon, Mars and beyond. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- SANSA + NASA = to host a "Deep-Space Ground Station"
- SANSA a space agency of South Africa (South Africa Cape Town South African Rand)
- NASA HQs Washington, D.C., USA | Administrator Jim Bridenstine

35. Appointments & Resignations

Virendra Nath Datt has taken over the additional charge of Chairman & Managing Director of National Fertilizers Limited (NFL). Datt is associated with Company as Director (Marketing) since October 2018. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Virendra Nath Datt – appointed as the CMD of – NFL (HQs – Noida, UP)

36. National & States Affairs

India has ordered its internet service providers (ISPs) to block file-sharing website WeTransfer in the interest of national security or public interest. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- India blocked "WeTransfer" a file-sharing website
- HQs Amsterdam, Netherlands | CEO Gordon Willoughby

37. International Affairs

A Chinese survey team became the first and perhaps only group to climb Mt Everest this year as a part of a project to re-measure the exact height of the world's tallest mountain. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Chinese survey team - the 1st & only group to climb Mt Everest this year

38. Acquisitions & Mergers

Tata Power has completed the acquisition of 51% stake in TP Central Odisha Distribution Ltd (TPCODL) for Rs 178.5 crore. TPCODL was incorporated on April 6, 2020 as a wholly-owned subsidiary of GRIDCO to carry out the business of Central Electricity Supply Utility (CESU). <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Tata Power 51% stake (Rs 178.5 Cr) in TPCODL
- HQs of Tata Power Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman N. Chandrasekaran
- HQs of GRIDCO Bhubaneswar, Odisha | CMD Dr. Saurabh Garg



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The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations observes June 1 every year as "World Milk Day" to recognize the importance of milk as a global food and to promote its benefits. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- June 1 World Milk Day observed by FAO
- Theme "The 20th Anniversary of World Milk Day"
- HQs of FAO Rome, Italy | DG QU Dongyu

40. Important Days & Dates

June 5th of every year is celebrated as the "World Environment Day" since 1974. This year, Colombia & Germany have been chosen as the country to host the World Environment Day 2020 event. This year, the theme was "Biodiversity". <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- June 5 "World Environment Day" event hosted by Colombia & Germany
- The day is celebrated since 1974
- Theme "Biodiversity"

41. National & States Affairs

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) chaired by the Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the increase in the Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) at a level of at least 1.5 times of the All-India weighted average Cost of Production (CoP), for all mandated Kharif crops for marketing season 2020-21. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- CCEA approved increase in MSPs at level of at least 1.5 times
- MSPs Minimum Support Prices
- CCEA chaired by PM Narendra Modi

42. Persons in News

The Expert Committees on Rationalisation/Closure/Merger of 'Film Media Units' under the chairmanship of Shri Bimal Julka, submitted their report to Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting Shri Prakash Javadekar. <u>{Read more}</u>

- The Expert Committees on Rationalisation/Closure/Merger of 'Film Media Units' Bimal Julka
- Prakash Javadekar Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Ministry of Info. & Broadcasting
- Constituency Maharashtra



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on June 01 launched the silver jubilee celebrations of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences in Karnataka via video conferencing. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Prime Minister launched "Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences"
- The university location Bengaluru, Karnataka

44. Current GK

The COVID-19 (Technology) Access Pool or C-TAP which was mooted by President Carlos Alvarado of Costa Rica has been launched by the WHO. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- The COVID-19 (Technology) Access Pool (C-TAP) mooted by Carlos Alvarado
- Launched by WHO
- Costa Rica San Jose Costa Rican colon

45. Science & Technology

The Defence Research Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed a device "SUMERU-PACS" that helps wearers of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to feel comfortable without sweating. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- DRDO developed "SUMERU-PACS" device
- DRDO: HQs New Delhi | Chairman G. Satheesh Reddy

46. National & States Affairs

The government has given the approval to rename Kolkata Port as Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port. Kolkata Port has traversed 150 years. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Kolkata Port renaming as Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port
- Kolkata Port 150 years old



Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched technology platform 'CHAMPIONS' to help micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) facing difficulties, and to handhold them to become national and international champions. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- 'CHAMPIONS' technology platform launched by PM Modi to help MSMEs
- Nitin Gadkari Ministry of Road Transport and Highway, Ministry of MSME
- Constituency Nagpur, Maharashtra

48. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the global innovation mapping and Research Company StartupBlink, India has moved down from 17th position in 2019 to 23rd this year out of 100 countries for startup ecosystem. The ranking has been led by the US, the UK, and Israel. Moreover, among the top 100 startup cities, only four India cities were captured Bengaluru (14th) has topped among Indian cities. And other cities were New Delhi, Hyderabad & Mumbai. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "Global innovation mapping and Research Company StartupBlink" a Startup Ecosystem Survey
- India 23rd (topped by USA)
- Four Indian cities in top 100 [Bengaluru(14th), New Delhi(15th), Mumbai(22nd), Hyderabad(96th)]

49. National & States Affairs

Minister of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) Ravi Shankar Prasad launched the "Electronics Manufacturing Scheme 2.0" which includes three sub-schemes and has a combined outlay of Rs 50,000, to promote production. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "Electronics Manufacturing Scheme 2.0" launched by MeitY outlay "Rs 50,000 Cr"
- Ravi Shankar Prasad Ministry of Communications, MeitY, Law and Justice
- Constituency Patna Sahib, Bihar

50. Persons in News

Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan was tested positive for the novel coronavirus. {Read more}

- Nikol Pashinyan (PM of Armenia) tested positive for Covid-19
- Armenia Yerevan Armenian Dram



51. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Yes Bank has partnered with Chalo to launch of a co-branded contactless travel card in Mangalore and Udupi, which would enable users to load money on the card to make 'tap to pay' payments across buses. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Yes Bank + Chalo = to launch of a co-branded 'Contactless Travel Card'
- HQs of Yes Bank Mumbai, Maharashtra | MD & CEO Prashant Kumar
- Tagline "Experience our Expertise"

52. National & States Affairs

India's longest expressway, the "Purvanchal Expressway" in Uttar Pradesh is likely to be completed by 2021. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• "Purvanchal Expressway" (UP) - India's longest expressway - to be completed by 2021

53. Banking & Economic Affairs

The State Bank of India has created a separate business vertical to focus on financial inclusion and micromarkets (FI&MM) in semi-urban and rural areas. Under FI&MM, the Bank will offer loans predominantly for agriculture & allied activities, and micro/small enterprises. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

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- SBI created a separate business vertical to focus on FI&MM
- SBI Bank HQs Mumbai, Maharashtra | SBI Bank Chairman Rajnish Kumar
- SBI Bank MD & CEO Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
- SBI Bank Deputy MD & CFO Chalasani Venkat Nageswar
- SBI Life CEO Sanjeev Nautiyal

54. National & States Affairs

The Delhi government launched a mobile application called "Delhi Corona" to help residents track the availability of hospital beds and ventilators for Covid-19 patients. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Delhi government launched "Delhi Corona" app to track the availability of hospital beds
- Delhi: CM Arvind Kejriwal | Governor Anil Baijal | Chief Secretary Vijay Dev



55. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has nominated Mr Rohit Sharma for the prestigious Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award 2020 while Mr Ishant Sharma, Mr Shikhar Dhawan and Ms Deepti Sharma have been nominated for Arjuna Awards. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Mr Rohit Sharma Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award nominated by BCCI
- Ishant Sharma + Shikhar Dhawan + Deepti Sharma = Arjuna Awards
- HQs of BCCI Mumbai, MH | Chairman Sourav Ganguly

56. Obituaries

Former two-time Tamil Nadu State BJP president K N Lakshmanan died due to age-related ailments. He was 90 years. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- K N Lakshmanan passed away Politician (BJP Tamil Nadu)
- Tamil Nadu: Capital Chennai
- CM Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor Banwarilal Purohit

57. National & States Affairs

The Union cabinet has approved further changes to the definition of micro, small and medium enterprises, a Rs 20,000-crore fund to provide equity support to stressed entities in the sector, and equity infusion of Rs 50,000 crore into MSMEs through a fund of funds. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- The revised turnover & investment limit of MSMEs:
- Micro: Investments Rs 1 Cr & Turnover Rs 5 Cr
- Small: Investments Rs 10 Cr & Turnover Rs 50 Cr
- Medium: Investments Rs 50 Cr & Turnover Rs 250 Cr

58. Appointments & Resignations

The Indian arm of German sports brand Adidas announced the appointment of former Miss World Manushi Chillar as its new brand ambassador. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Manushi Chillar appointed as the brand ambassador of "Adidas"
- HQs of Adidas Herzogenaurach, Germany | CEO Kasper Rorsted



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The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) and the Ministry of Human Resource Development have launched internships under the The Urban Learning Internship Programme - "TULIP" for college students and graduates. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- MoHUA + MoHRD = launched "TULIP" Internship Programme for students
- MoHUA Minister Hardeep Singh Puri
- MoHRD Minster Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' (Constituency Haridwar, Uttarakhand)

60. International Affairs

Torrential rains at the weekend caused by Tropical Storm Amanda have killed at least 20 people in Central America. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Tropical Storm "Amanda" - killed 20 people in Central America

61. Important Days & Dates

June 2 is observed as "International Sex Workers Day" to bring to the fore the miserable living conditions under which this community works. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• June 2 – "International Sex Workers Day"

62. Appointments & Resignations

Emmy-winning TV producer Krishnendu Majumdar is the first Indian to be named as the chairperson of BAFTA (British Academy Film Awards) in its 73 year-long history. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Krishnendu Majumdar appointed as the chairperson of BAFTA
- BAFTA belongs to UK

63. Schemes & Initiatives

The Skill Development and Entrepreneurship ministry has launched a new initiative 'SWADES' to conduct a skill mapping exercise of the Indian citizens returning from overseas under the 'Vande Bharat Mission' along with Civil Aviation Ministry and External Affairs Ministry. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- MSDE + MCA + MEA = launched a new initiative "SWADES"
- MSDE Minister Mahendra Nath Pandey (Constituency Chandauli, UP)
- MCA MoS Hardeep Singh Puri
- MEA Minster Subrahmanyam Jaishankar (Constituency Gujarat)



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In Himachal Pradesh, the State Government launched an online portal "Skill Register" to create a sound database of migrants, who have recently entered the state during the lockdown in the wake of the Corona pandemic. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Himachal Pradesh launched an online portal "Skill Register"
- Himachal Pradesh: Capital Shimla & Dharamshala | CM Jai Ram Thakur | Governor Bandaru

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65. Persons in News

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has appointed a committee headed by Rajnath Singh to resolve any problem in the implementation of the Rs 3 lakh crore collateral-free loan scheme for MSMEs under Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) scheme announced by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- A committee for 'Rs 3 lakh crore collateral-free loan scheme' for MSMEs headed by Rajnath Singh
- ECLGS Scheme Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme
- Rajnath Singh Minister of Defence Ministry | Constituency Lucknow, UP

66. Schemes & Initiatives

Union Government launched PM SVANIDHI - Pradhan Mantri Street Vendor's Atmanirbhar Nidhi, a special micro-credit facility scheme for providing affordable loan to street vendors. The IT platform will also help in integrating the vendors into the formal financial system by integrating a web portal with UdyamiMitra portal of SIDBI for credit management and PAiSA portal of MoHUA to administer interest subsidy automatically. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "PM SVANIDHI" scheme for "Street Vendors"
- UdyamiMitra portal SIDBI
- PAiSA portal MoHUA (Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri)

67. Appointments & Resignations

The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) announced that Uday Kotak, MD and CEO, Kotak Mahindra Bank, has assumed office as President of CII for 2020-21. He takes over from Vikram Kirloskar. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Uday Kotak appointed as the President of CII
- He will replace Vikram Kirloskar
- Cll HQs New Delhi | President Uday Kotak | Director General Chandrajit Banerjee



68. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Saregama, a music label of India, has entered into a global deal with Facebook to license its music for video and other social experiences across products offered by the social media giant. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Saregama + Facebook = to license its music for video and other social experiences across
- Facebook: HQs California, USA | CEO Mark Zuckerberg

69. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

GAIL (India) and Energy Efficiency Services Ltd (EESL) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in New Delhi for cooperation in development of Trigeneration projects in India. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- GAIL + EESL = for cooperation in development of Trigeneration projects
- HQs of GAIL New Delhi | CMD Manoj Jain
- HQs of EESL New Delhi | Chairman Rajeev Sharma

70. International Affairs

A cyclonic storm has developed off the eastern coast of India over the east-central Arabian Sea and Lakshadweep area, according to the India Meteorological Department (IMD). The IMD has released a new list of 169 cyclone names adopted by the WMD. The name Nisarga is the first in the list proposed by Bangladesh. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

The Question Bank

- "Nisarga" cyclone developed over the east-central Arabian Sea and Lakshadweep area
- IMD has released a new list of 169 cyclone names (HQs New Delhi | DG Dr Mrutyunjay Mohapatra)
- 'Nisarga' name proposed by Bangladesh
- Bangladesh Dhaka Taka | PM Seikh Hasina | President Abdul Hamid

71. Current GK

A three-member team with experts from the Wildlife Institute of India, the ministry of environment, forests and climate change and the Indian Veterinary Institute will be visiting Gujarat to assess the recent deaths of lions in eastern part of Gir sanctuary. In last three months, 30-odd lions died in the Gir east region. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- 30 deaths of Lions in "Gir National Park" Gujarat
- Gujarat: Capital Gandhinagar | CM Vijay Rupani | Governor Acharya Devvrat



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Power Minister R K Singh formally launched pan-India Real-Time Market (RTM) in electricity, which allows consumers to buy power just one hour before delivery. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• R K Singh – Real-Time Market (RTM) in electricity

73. National & States Affairs

Odisha, Sikkim and Mizoram have been included under the National Food Security Act (NFSA) through "one nation, one ration card" plan, according to Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, Ram Vilas Paswan. The facility will now be available in 20 states/UTs. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Odisha + Sikkim + Mizoram = included under "one nation, one ration card" plan
- Now, the Total is 20 States/UTs
- Ram Vilas Paswan Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
- Constituency Hajipur, Bihar

74. Important Days & Dates

June 2 is celebrated every year as "Telangana Formation Day" as this is the day when the Telangana state officially came into existence under the Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation Act of Parliament in 2014. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- June 2 "Telangana Formation Day"
- Telangana: Capital Hyderabad | CM K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor Tamilisai Soundararajan

75. Obituaries

Bobby Joe Morrow, the Texas sprinter who won three gold medals in the 1956 Melbourne Olympics, has passed away. He was 84. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Bobby Joe Morrow (USA) - passed away - Athlete (Sprinter)



76. Appointments & Resignations

Mr. Sibi George (IFS: 1993), presently Ambassador of India to Switzerland, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the State of Kuwait. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Sibi George appointed as the next Ambassador to Kuwait
- Kuwait Kuwait City Kuwaiti Dinar | PM Sabah Al-Khalid Al-Sabah

77. National & States Affairs

Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrashekar Rao inaugurated "Kondapochamma Reservoir" in Siddipet district of Telangana. A pump house will lift Godavari water to this reservoir which is at a height of 618 meters from the source Godavari river. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "Kondapochamma Reservoir" Siddipet district, Telangana (Water source Godavari river)
- Telangana: Capital Hyderabad | CM K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor Tamilisai Soundararajan

78. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Kritika Pandey, a writer from Ranchi, was announced as the regional winner for Asia in the "2020 Commonwealth Short Story Prize" for her story "The Great Indian Tee and Snakes". <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Kritika Pandey won "2020 Commonwealth Short Story Prize"
- For her short story "The Great Indian Tee and Snakes"

79. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The Athletics Federation of India confirmed recommending star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra for the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award. Dutee Chand, Arpinder Singh, Manjit Singh & PU Chitra were recommended for the Arjuna Award. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Neeraj Chopra (Javelin throw) recommended for the "Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award"
- 3 Runners Dutee Chand + Manjit Singh + PU Chitra + Arpinder Singh (triple jump) = "Arjuna Award"



Indian Energy Exchange has launched the much-awaited Real-Time Electricity Market (RTM) on its platform effective 01 June 2020 which allows consumers to buy power just 1 hour before delivery. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- IEX launched RTM "Real-Time Electricity Market" to buy power just "1 hour" before delivery
- HQs of IEX New Delhi | CMD Rajiv Srivastava

81. Appointments & Resignations

Shri Sushil Kumar Singhal appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to the Independent State of Papua New Guinea. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Shri Sushil Kumar Singhal appointed as the next High Commissioner to Papua New Guinea
- Papua New Guinea Port Moresby Kina

82. National & States Affairs

The government will provide Kisan Credit Card (KCC) to 1.5 Crore dairy farmers belonging to milk unions and milk producing companies within the next two months (1st June-31st July 2020) under a special drive. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Gol – to provide 'KCC' – to 1.5 Crore Dairy Farmers

83. Science & Technology

The 'Ultra Swachh' disinfection unit has been developed by the Institute of Nuclear Medicine & Allied Sciences (INMAS) in partnership with industry partner M/s Gel Craft Healthcare Private Ltd, Ghaziabad. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• 'Ultra Swachh' disinfection unit developed by – DRDO-INMAS(Delhi) + Gel Craft Healthcare(Ghaziabad, UP)

• INMAS works under – DRDO (HQs – New Delhi | Chairman – G. Satheesh Reddy)

84. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Mastercard, Axis Bank and Worldline launched Soft POS to become the first financial payments service in India to transform everyday smartphones into merchant Point of Sale terminals. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Mastercard + Axis Bank + Worldline = launched Soft POS
- HQs of Mastercard New York, USA | CEO Ajay Banga
- HQs of Axis Bank Mumbai | MD & CEO Amitabh Chaudhry
- HQs of Worldline France | CEO Gilles Grapinet





85. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The WHO has conferred the 'World No Tobacco Day Award 2020' to the Socio-Economic and Educational Development Society (SEEDS), an NGO, for its efforts to ban pan masala, gutkha, e-cigarettes and hookah in Bihar and Jharkhand. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- WHO conferred the 'World No Tobacco Day Award 2020' to 'SEEDS' NGO (based in Delhi)
- WHO HQs Geneva, Switzerland | DG Tedros Adhanom | Member Countries 194

86. International Affairs

The United States and the United Kingdom both have announced the expansion of the G7 grouping. While the United States has proposed G7+4, the United Kingdom wants a G7+3, calling it '10 Democracies (D10)'. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Expansion of the G7 grouping calling it '10 Democracies (D10)'
- The idea of G7+4 proposed by USA
- The idea of G7+3 proposed by UK
- G7 Countries Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, USA & UK

87. Banking & Economic Affairs

Moody's expected India's real GDP to contract by 4% in fiscal 2020 because of the shock from the coronavirus pandemic and related lockdown measures. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Moody's expected India's real GDP to contract by 4% in 2020 (Flexible news)
- HQs of Moody's New York, USA | CEO Raymond W. McDaniel

88. International Affairs

The Archeological Survey of India (ASI) recently discovered a 1100-year-old monolithic sandstone Shiva linga from the 9th century CE in Vietnam. <u>{Read more}</u>

- 1100-year-old monolithic sandstone Shiva linga in Vietnam
- Vietnam Hanoi Vietnamese dong | PM Nguyen Xuan Phuc



89. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The DBS (Development Bank of Singapore) has partnered with Transport Corporation of India Limited (TCIL) for empowering truck drivers by facilitating real-time payments through the DBS RAPID (Real Time APIs by DBS) solution. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- DBS + TCIL = for DBS RAPID (Real Time APIs by DBS) solution
- HQs of DBS Group Singapore | CEO Piyush Gupta
- HQs of DBS bank India Mumbai | CEO Surojit Shome
- HQs of TCIL Gurgaon, Haryana | CMD D P Agarwal

90. National & States Affairs

The 92-page booklet 'One Year of Modi 2.0 - Towards A Self-Reliant India' has been released by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- "One Year of Modi 2.0 Towards A Self-Reliant India" booklet
- Released by Ministry of Information & Broadcasting (Prakash Javadekar Maharashtra)

91. Defence Affairs

The defence ministry placed an order with the state-run Ordnance Factory Board for supply of 156 Infantry Combat Vehicles (ICVs) for the Indian army worth Rs 1,094 crore. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Defence Ministry ordered Ordnance Factory Board to supply 156 Infantry Combat Vehicles (ICVs)
- For 'Indian Army' (Chief General Manoj Mukund Naravane | Vice Chief Satinder Kumar Saini)
- Rajnath Singh Minister of Defence Ministry | Constituency Lucknow, UP
- HQs of OFB Kolkata, West Bengal | Chairman Hari Mohan

92. Ordinance, Bills and Acts

The Union Cabinet approved amendment to the Essential Commodities Act, 1955. The new framework will include enabling barrier-free inter-state trade as well as e-trading of agricultural produce in the country. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

• Union Cabinet – amended – "Essential Commodities Act, 1955"



93. Persons in News

The Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA), K Vijay Raghavan to the Government of India and the Department of Science and Technology (DST) have initiated a consultation process for formulation of a new national Science, Technology and Innovation Policy (STIP 2020). <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- PSA + DST = have initiated a consultation process for "STIP 2020"
- PSA K Vijay Raghavan

94. National & States Affairs

Karnataka has invited chip major Intel to set up a manufacturing unit in Mangaluru or Belagavi in the State. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Karnataka invited "Intel" to set up a manufacturing unit in Mangaluru or Belagavi
- Karnataka Capital Bangalore | CM B S Yediyurappa | Governor Vajubhai Vala
- HQs of Intel California, USA | CEO Bob Swan

95. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Union Cabinet approved the signing of an MoU with Bhutan for cooperation in the field of environment protection and management of natural resources. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- India + Bhutan = MoU for cooperation in the field of environment protection
- Bhutan Thimphu Bhutanese Ngultrum

96. National & States Affairs

The Annual Action Plan of Arunachal Pradesh to achieve 100% household tap connections in the State was approved by National Jal Jeevan Mission, Ministry of Jal Shakti. The State proposed to provide 100% tap connections to all the households by March, 2023. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Arunachal Pradesh to achieve 100% household tap connections by 2023
- Arunachal Pradesh: Capital Itanagar | CM Pema Khandu | Governor B D Mishra



97. Amount & Agreements

The Centre has approved Rs 812 Cr for implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in Odisha during 2020-21. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Government approved "Rs 812 Cr" for implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in "Odisha"
- Odisha: Capital Bhubaneswar | CM Naveen Patnaik | Governor Ganeshi Lal

98. National & States Affairs

In a move to facilitate easy availability of the masks made by self-help groups (SHGs) in Tiruvallur, the district administration is planning to install mask vending machines in important places in the district. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- 'Mask Vending Machines' to be installed in Tiruvallur, Tamil Nadu
- Tamil Nadu: Capital Chennai
- CM Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor Banwarilal Purohit

99. Acquisitions & Mergers

Facebook Inc. completed its acquisition of 9.9% stake in Jio Platforms via a new entity Jaadhu Holdings LLC, according to regulatory documents. <u>{Read more}</u>

Key Points:

- Facebook acquired 9.9% stake in "Jio Platforms" via "Jaadhu Holdings LLC"
- Facebook: HQs California, United States | CEO Mark Zuckerberg

100. National & States Affairs

Chhattisgarh Police has launched a campaign 'Spandan' to protect the jawans from depression and stress. This campaign was initiated from a Maoist affected Kanker district of Bastar division. <u>{Read more}</u>

- Chhattisgarh Police launched "Spandan" campaign to protect the jawans from depression
- Chhattisgarh: Capital Raipur | CM Bhupesh Baghel | Governor Anusuiya Uikey



