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701. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Acclaimed HIV researcher Professor Quarraisha Abdool Karim, who found that a topical gel could stop many women catching the virus, has been awarded one of France's top science prizes named "Christophe Merieux Prize". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Quarraisha Abdool Karim (South Africa) – awarded – "Christophe Merieux Prize" France's top Science Prizes
- South Africa – Cape Town – South African Rand

702. National & States Affairs

Ministry of Jal Shakti has approved Rs. 445 Cr for implementation of 'Jal Jeevan Mission' in Chhattisgarh. Chhattisgarh State has planned to have 100% Functional Tap Water Connection (FHTC) by 2023-24. The Jal Jeevan Mission aims to provide adequate potable drinking water to every rural household of the country by the 2024. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ministry of Jal Shakti – approved Rs. “445 Cr” – for 'Jal Jeevan Mission' in “Chhattisgarh”
- Chhattisgarh – 100% Functional Tap Water Connection (FHTC) – by 2023-24
- Jal Jeevan Mission – potable drinking water to every rural household – by 2024
- Minister of Jal Shakti – Gajendra Singh Sekhawat | Constituency – Jodhpur, Rajasthan
- Chhattisgarh: Capital – Raipur | CM – Bhupesh Baghel | Governor – Anusuiya Uikey

703. Banking & Economic Affairs

In 2019-20, the Indian economy grew by 4.2% against 6.1% expansion in 2018-19, according to data released by the National Statistical Office (NSO). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- As per NSO – India's GDP remained 4.2% – in 2019-20 (6.1% in 2018-19)
- Chairperson of NSO – Bimal K. Roy | HQs – New Delhi
- NSO comes under – Ministry of Statistics and Program Implementation (MoS I/C - Rao Inderjit Singh)

704. Science & Technology

In a major development, the researchers at the Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) have found a rare band tail scorpion fish from Sethukarai coast of Tamil Nadu in the Gulf of Mannar. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CMFRI – found – a rare band tail scorpion fish – in Gulf of Mannar (Sethukarai coast, TN)
- HQs of CMFRI – Kochi, Kerala | Director – Dr. A. Gopalakrishnan



705. International Affairs

Singapore was the top source of foreign direct investment into India for the second consecutive financial year, accounting for about 30% of FDI inflows in 2019-20. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Singapore (30%) – top source of FDI into India (2nd time)
- Singapore – Singapore dollar

706. Appointments & Resignations

Arun Singhal has been appointed as the chief executive officer of India's apex food regulator Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Arun Singhal – appointed as the CEO of – FSSAI
- HQs of FSSAI – New Delhi | Chairperson – Rita Teotia | CEO – Arun Singhal

707. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Shri Piyush Goyal, Union Minister for Commerce & Industry and Railways, participated in the “Digital Summit on Exports” organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). EXIM Bank of India was the Institutional Partner for the Summit. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CII + EXIM Bank – organized “Digital Summit on Exports”
- Participated by – Piyush Goyal (Constituency – Maharashtra)
- Piyush Goyal – Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Commerce & Industry
- CII HQs – New Delhi | President – Vikram Kirloskar | Director General – Chandrajit Banerjee
- HQs of EXIM Bank – Mumbai | Chairman & MD – TC Venkat Subramanian

708. Banking & Economic Affairs

As per Controller General of Accounts (CGA) data, the FY20 fiscal deficit worked out to be 4.59% of the GDP, while the revenue deficit was 3.27%. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- FY20 Fiscal Deficit – 4.59% of GDP
- FY20 Revenue Deficit – 3.27% of GDP
- As per CGA – Soma Roy Burman

709. Science & Technology

The researchers at Lovely Professional University (LPU) in Punjab have developed a multipurpose algae-based four-layered respirator, called "Oxigeno" that filters out 99.3% of the harmful gasses and small particles in the air. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- LPU (Punjab) – developed – algae-based 4-layered respirator - "Oxigeno"

710. International Affairs

Switzerland is the first country to launch an app using the specialized contact-tracing API released by Google and Apple. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Switzerland – 1st to launch an app using Google & Apple's contact-tracing API
- Switzerland – Bern – Swiss Franc | President – Simonetta Sommaruga
- Apple HQs - California, United States | CEO – Tim Cook
- Google HQs – California, USA | CEO – Sundar Pichai

711. Appointments & Resignations

State-run Power Finance Corporation announced the appointment of Ravinder Singh Dhillon as Chairman and Managing Director from June 1 following superannuation of Rajeev Sharma. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ravinder Singh Dhillon – appointed as the CMD of – Power Finance Corporation (HQs – Delhi)
- He will replace – Rajeev Sharma

712. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The government has launched a national programme for the youth, called "Responsible AI for Youth" with is aimed at empowering the young students. It has been jointly developed by the Ministry of Electronics and IT (Meity) and NASSCOM. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Meity + NASSCOM = launched "Responsible AI for Youth" programme for the youth
- NASSCOM HQs – New Delhi | Chairman – UB Pravin Rao | VC – Rekha M Menon
- President – Debjani Ghosh (1st women president of NASSCOM)



713. Appointments & Resignations

Lieutenant General Manoj Pande, AVSM, VSM, will take over as the 15th Commander-in-Chief of the Andaman & Nicobar Command (CINCAN). An alumnus of National Defence Academy, the General Officer was commissioned into the Corps of Engineers (The Bombay Sappers) in December 1982. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Leut. Gen. Manoj Pande – 15th Commander-in-Chief of the Andaman & Nicobar Command
- Andaman & Nicobar: Capital – Port Blair | Governor – Devendra Kumar Joshi

714. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

Total foreign direct investment (FDI) into India jumped 18% to \$73.46 billion in the 2019-20 financial year - the highest in four years, according to data released by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Total FDI – increased by 18% – to \$73.46 billion – as per DPIIT
- RBI's automatic route – increased by 13% – to \$49.98 billion
- HQs of DPIIT – New Delhi
- DPIIT works under – Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Piyush Goyal – Maharashtra)

715. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

Tennis star Roger Federer is now the world's highest-paid athlete, according to Forbes. The publication released its annual "World's 100 Highest-Paid Athletes" for 2020, which shows Federer ranked first with an estimated \$106.3 million in total earnings over the last year. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Roger Federer (Tennis) – highest-paid athlete – according to Forbes 2020 List
- His total Earnings of the last year – \$106.3 million

716. Science & Technology

Google recently launched an experimental new app - "Sodar" that works with Android phones and can tell you if you're too close to someone within two meters while you're trying to practice social distancing. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Sodar" app – Google
- Google HQs – California, USA | CEO – Sundar Pichai



717. Important Days & Dates

Millions of e-cigarette users or vapers across the globe are celebrating “World Vape Day” on 30 May 2020. World Vape Day aims to raise awareness on e-cigarettes or vapes and encourage smokers who are unable to quit on their own. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- May 30 – “World Vape Day”

718. Science & Technology

“Kampecaris obanensis” is the earliest land animal known from a fossil, soil worms are believed to have preceded it, appearing perhaps 450 million years ago, according to the research published in the journal Historical Biology. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Kampecaris obanensis” – world’s oldest known land animal
- As per the research published in – “Historical Biology” journal

719. Science & Technology

Billionaire entrepreneur Elon Musk's SpaceX became the first private company to launch two astronauts in space aboard its Crew Dragon spacecraft. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SpaceX – first private company to launch two astronauts in space
- Crew Dragon Spacecraft – SpaceX
- HQs – California, U.S. | CEO – Elon Musk

720. Schemes & Initiatives

The Madhya Pradesh government is ready to extend the benefits of the Central government-run "Swamitva Yojana" or Proprietary Scheme to the state. The state government has selected 10 districts for the purpose in which the villagers will be able to receive the benefits of the scheme. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Swamitva Yojana" or Proprietary Scheme – Madhya Pradesh
- 10 districts of MP – will receive the benefits of the scheme
- MP: Capital – Bhopal | CM – Shivraj Singh Chouhan | Governor - Lalji Tandon

721. Persons in News

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) has reconstituted its 12-member advisory committee on service providers and it would now be chaired by Manipal Global Education Services Chairman T V Mohandas Pai. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IBBI – reconstituted – 12-member advisory committee – on service providers
- The committee headed by – T V Mohandas Pai (Chairman of Manipal Global Education Services)
- HQs of IBBI – New Delhi | Chairperson – M S Sahoo

722. Defence Affairs

Missile Park 'Agnieprastha' to be set up at INS Kalinga. Foundation Stone for a Missile Park "AGNEEPRASTHA" was laid by Cmde Rajesh Debnath at INS Kalinga. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Missile Park "Agnieprastha" – to be set up at "INS Kalinga"

723. International Affairs

The U.S. has joined G-7 international panel to counter China and for setting ethical guidelines for the use of artificial intelligence, a move previously dismissed by the Trump administration. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- USA – joined G-7 international panel – to counter China
- G-7 Countries – United States, Italy, United Kingdom, Japan, Germany, Canada, France
- Founded in – 1975
- USA: Capital – Washington, D.C. | President – Donald Trump
- Military Exercises with USA:
- (Yudh Abhyas, Tiger Triumph, Vajra Prahar, Cope India, Indo-USCG)

724. National & States Affairs

Uttar Pradesh government has signed an MoU with Industries and Business Chambers to create 10 lakh jobs for migrants and promote the MSME sector. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- UP – signed an MoU – with Industries and Business Chambers – to create employment
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel

725. Current GK

IIT Madras Researchers undertook a major project - 'The dredging methodology' at the famous Chilika Lake, the largest brackish water body of Asia and the first Ramsar site of India, to help in tripling the population of the Irrawaddy dolphins. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IIT Madras – undertook a major project – at Chilika Lake (Odisha)
- Odisha: Capital – Bhubaneswar | CM – Naveen Patnaik | Governor – Ganeshi Lal

726. Obituaries

Sprint Legend, Bobby Morrow who won three athletics gold medals at the 1956 Melbourne Olympic Games, has died aged 84. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bobby Morrow (USA) – passed away – Athlete (Sprinter)

727. National & States Affairs

Budget carrier SpiceJet said its freighter arm SpiceXpress has received approval for conducting drone trials from aviation regulator Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 'SpiceXpress' of "SpiceJet" – received approval for conducting drone trials from DGCA
- Parent agency of DGCA – Ministry of Civil Aviation (Hardeep Singh Puri)

728. Persons in News

Former Miss World Manushi Chhillar has been roped in by The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) to spread awareness about menstrual hygiene through its initiative named "Red Dot Challenge". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Manushi Chhillar – roped in by – UNICEF – for "Red Dot Challenge" initiative
- UNICEF HQs – New York, United States | Executive Director – Henrietta H. Fore

729. Obituaries

Veteran lyricist Yogesh Gaur, known as Yogesh in Bollywood, passed away recently. He was 77. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Yogesh Gaur – passed away – lyricist



730. National & States Affairs

A two megawatt solar photovoltaic plant was commissioned at INS Kalinga as part of the Centre's objective to achieve 100 GW of solar power by 2022 as part of the National Solar Mission. This plant is the largest in the Eastern Naval Command and has an estimated life of 25 years. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 2 MW Solar Photovoltaic Plant – commissioned at “INS Kalinga”
- Centre's objective to achieve – 100 GW of solar power – by 2022
- Estimated life of this plant – 25 years

731. Science & Technology

Aarogya Setu has become world's largest contact tracing app reaching over 11 crore 40 lakh people in 40 days. The iOS version of the open source app was released recently. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Aarogya Setu – world's largest Contact Tracing App (11 crore 40 lakh people in 40 days)

732. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

First phase of the Army Commanders' Conference was conducted at South Block, New Delhi from 27 to 29 May 2020. Over three days, the Indian Army's apex leadership deliberated upon various aspects related to existing and developing security challenges. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 1st phase of Army Commanders' Conference – conducted in New Delhi
- HQs of Indian Army – New Delhi | Chief – Gen. Manoj Mukund Naravane | Vice Chief – SK Saini
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Governor – Anil Baijal | Chief Secretary – Vijay Dev

733. National & States Affairs

Kerala Police will get its first woman Director General when R. Sreelekha assumes office as the new head of the Kerala Fire and Rescue Services. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- R. Sreelekha – 1st woman DGP of Kerala
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram
- CM – Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

734. Amount & Agreements

India can have access to carbon credits worth USD 50-60 billion if it propagates natural farming and agroecology, according to NITI Aayog Vice chairman Rajiv Kumar. To achieve this, India will have to practice agroecology as an innovative process and broaden the matrix for measuring results. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India's access to carbon credits – worth USD 50-60 billion
- NITI Aayog HQs – New Delhi | CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson – Narendra Modi | Vice Chairperson – Rajiv Kumar

735. International Affairs

The United Nations Security Council (UNSC) has adopted a resolution extending until May next year an arms embargo on South Sudan and a travel ban and financial sanctions for targeted individuals. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- UNSC – adopted a resolution – an arms embargo on South Sudan (extending up to May 2021)
- UNSC HQs – New York, United States | Presidency – Estonia (in May), France (in June)
- South Sudan – Juba South – Sudanese Pound

736. National & States Affairs

Ministry of Tribal Affairs has announced Inclusion of 23 additional Minor Forest Produce (MFP) items and stipulation of their Minimum Support Price (MSP) under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme titled "Mechanism for Marketing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP) through Minimum Support Price (MSP) and development of value chain of MFP". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Inclusion of 23 MFP– announced by Ministry of Tribal Affairs
- MSP – Minimum Support Price (Arjun Munda – Khunti, Jharkhand)

737. Important Days & Dates

"International Everest Day" was recently observed on 29 May. Nepalese Tenzing Norgay and New Zealand's Edmund Hillary had climbed the Mt. Everest on this day in 1953, as the first humans to achieve the feat. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- May 29 – "International Everest Day"
- Tenzing Norgay (Nepal) & Edmund Hillary (New Zealand) – 1st humans to climb in – 1953

738. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

London-based Anish Kapoor has topped 'Hurun India's Art List' for the second year in a row for the top 50 living Indian artists. He saw a turnover of Rs 44.39 crore in 2019. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Anish Kapoor (London) – topped "Hurun India's Art List-2020" (with turnover of 44.39 Cr in 2019)

739. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

National Career Service (NCS), a labour and employment ministry project, has joined hands with TCS iON to provide free-of-cost online skill training to registered job seekers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NCS Project (Ministry of L&E) + TCS iON = to provide free-of-cost online skill training
- MoS I/C in Ministry of L&E – Santosh Kumar Gangwar

740. Obituaries

Well-known astrologer Bejan Daruwalla passed away in Ahmedabad hospital. He was 89. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bejan Daruwalla – passed away – Astrologer & English Professor

741. Appointments & Resignations

Venkataramani Sumantran, the chairman and managing director of Chennai-based Celeris Technologies, has been appointed the independent director of IndiGo. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Venkataramani Sumantran – appointed as the Director of – IndiGo
- Earlier, he was – CMD of – Celeris Technologies (Chennai)
- HQs of IndiGo – Gurugram, Haryana | CEO – Rono Datta

742. Acquisitions & Mergers

Private sector lender YES Bank has acquired 24.19% in Dish TV, making it the second-largest shareholder in the direct-to-home (DTH) company. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Yes Bank – acquired 24.19% stake in – Dish TV
- HQs of Yes Bank – Mumbai, Maharashtra | MD & CEO – Prashant Kumar
- Tagline – "Experience our Expertise"
- HQs of Dish TV Ltd – Noida, UP | CEO – Anil Dua



743. National & States Affairs

India Observatory, an open-source database, has come up with a GIS-enabled dashboard named “CoAST India” that includes an India map reflecting the movement of migrants in real time on their long journeys. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India Observatory – developed “CoAST India” a GIS-enabled dashboard
- HQs – Gujarat

744. Appointments & Resignations

The ministry of finance appointed PR Jaishankar as the managing director of the India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd (IIFCL) for three years. Jaishankar served as the executive director of the National Housing Bank prior to this. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PR Jaishankar – appointed as the MD of – IIFCL (HQs – Chennai, TN)

745. National & States Affairs

The Western Railways (WR) is all set to build India's first all-steel railway foot over bridge (FOB) at Bhayandar station. The structure will be corrosion resistant and will also reduce maintenance costs. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bhayandar Station (WR) – India's first all-steel railway foot over bridge (FOB)
- HQs of Western Railways – Mumbai | General Manager – Shri Alok Kansal

746. Persons in News

Cricket superstar Virat Kohli remains the only Indian in the Forbes' list of world's highest-paid athletes with total earnings of USD 26 million, jumping to the 66th spot from 100 in the 2020 standings. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Virat Kohli (66th) – in Forbes' list of world's top 100 highest-paid athletes
- Earnings – USD 26 million

747. Important Days & Dates

Each year, the World Health Organization (WHO) holds World No Tobacco Day on May 31. Their goal is to spread awareness about the risks of tobacco use and how we can make the world tobacco free. Theme of this year is “Protecting youth from industry manipulation and preventing them from tobacco and nicotine use”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- May 31 – World No Tobacco Day – observed by WHO
- Theme – “Protecting youth from industry manipulation and preventing them from tobacco and nicotine use”



748. National & States Affairs

The Kerala government has announced that its ambitious Kerala Fibre Optic Network (K-FON) project, envisaged to provide free internet access to the poor, would be rolled out by December, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- K-FON project – Kerala
- 1st Indian state to declare internet as fundamental right
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

749. National & States Affairs

Prime Minister of India called upon one and all to participate in the “My Life, My Yoga”(also called “Jeevan Yoga”) Video Blogging Contest, a joint effort by the Ministry of AYUSH and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), during the course of his monthly Mann Ki Baat address to the nation. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- AYUSH + ICCR = “My Life, My Yoga” a Video Blogging Contest
- MoS of AYUSH – Shripad Yesso Naik | Constituency – North Goa
- HQs of ICCR – New Delhi | DG – Dineshk Patnaik

750. National & States Affairs

The National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) has delivered a Covid-19 data tracking platform to Karnataka, helping the state take data-driven measures to control the pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NASSCOM + Karnataka = Covid-19 data tracking
- NASSCOM HQs – New Delhi | Chairman – UB Pravin Rao | VC – Rekha M Menon
- President – Debjani Ghosh (1st women president of NASSCOM)
- Karnataka Capital – Bangalore | CM – B S Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala

751. Important Days & Dates

Goa celebrated its statehood day on May 30. It was on this day in 1987 Goa became the 25th state of the Indian Union. Before this, Goa, along with Daman and Diu, was a union territory. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- May 30 – “Goa statehood Day”
- Capital – Panaji | CM – Pramod Sawant | Governor – Satya Pal Malik



752. Sports & Games

Long-distance runner Kiranjeet Kaur, who won the Tata Steel Kolkata 25K among the Indians last year, has been handed a four-year ban by World Athletics' anti-doping body for returning positive for a banned substance. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kiranjeet Kaur (Long-distance runner) – banned for '4 Years' – by WADA
- HQs of WADA – Montreal, Canada | President – Sir Craig Reedie

753. Schemes & Initiatives

Ministry of New and Renewable energy (MoNRE), through the 'One Sun One World One Grid' (OSOWOG) initiative, plans to take another leap towards building a global ecosystem of interconnected renewable energy resources of over 140 countries that are seamlessly shared for mutual benefits and global sustainability. The vision behind the OSOWOG mantra is 'The Sun Never Sets'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "OSOWOG" initiative – by MoNRE (Minister – Raj Kumar Singh)
- OSOWOG – "One Sun One World One Grid"
- To interconnect renewable energy of more than 140 countries
- Vision – 'The Sun Never Sets'
- HQs of Int. Solar Alliance (ISA) – Gurugram, Haryana

754. Sports & Games

The Sports Authority of India (SAI) is all set to launch "Khelo India e-Pathshala" in association with National Sports Federations (NSF) from June 1 with an aim to provide first-ever national-level open online coaching and education programme for grassroot-level athletes. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SAI + NSF = launched "Khelo India e-Pathshala"
- HQs of SAI – New Delhi | Director General – Sandip Pradhan

755. National & States Affairs

Markets regulator SEBI has extended to August 1, 2020 the date for implementing norms pertaining to 'Power Of Attorney' given by clients to trading members or clearing members. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SEBI – extended POA – to Aug 1, 2020
- POA – Power Of Attorney
- HQs of SEBI – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Ajay Tyagi



756. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The meeting of the heads of tax authorities from BRICS countries was hosted by the Federal Tax Service of Russia. Finance secretary, Ajay Bhushan Pandey also urged BRICS nations to share covid-19 related tax measures. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- BRICS countries Meeting – hosted by “Russia”
- Finance secretary of India – Ajay Bhushan Pandey
- BRICS Countries – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa (Founded in - June 2006)

757. National & States Affairs

Amidst lockdown following COVID-19 pandemic Dibrugarh District administration in Upper Assam takes to cloud-based application software named “Swagatam - Gateway to visit Government” for citizen centric services. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Swagatam – Gateway to visit Government” a cloud-based app – launched in Dibrugarh, Assam
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi

758. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Board of BEML (Bharat Earth Movers Limited) has signed an MoU with M/s MELCO to study and decide on the possibility of setting up a Joint Venture Company for manufacture of certain propulsion systems and other railway electrical equipment. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- BEML + MELCO = to set up a Joint Venture Company
- HQs of BEML – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CMD – Deepak Kumar Hota
- HQs of MELCO – Tokyo, Japan | CEO – Takeshi Sugiyama

759. Amount & Agreements

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has sanctioned credit of Rs 1,050 crore in the current fiscal so far to West Bengal for benefit of farmers and poor people in rural areas. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NABARD – sanctioned – Rs 1,050 Cr – to West Bengal
- HQs of NABARD – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Chintala Govinda Rajulu
- West Bengal: Capital – Kolkata | CM – Mamta Banerjee | Governor – Jagdeep Dhankar

760. Important Days & Dates

The International Day of Action for Women's Health (or International Women's Health Day) has been observed every year on May 28 since 1987. The main agenda of this day is to promote the sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) of all women all over the world. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- May 28 – “International Day of Action for Women's Health” or “International Women's Health Day”
- Since – 1987



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