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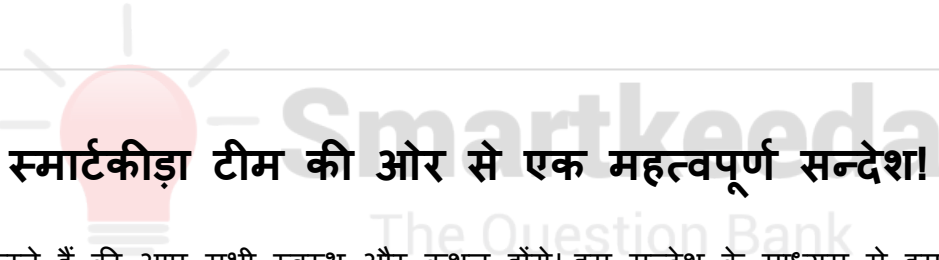
Hi Folks! We hope you all are doing well. We would like to state here that this PDF is meant for preparing for the upcoming MockDrill 100 of October 2020 Month at Testzone. In this Current Affairs PDF we have added all the important Current Affairs information in form of 'Key-points' which are crucial if you want to score a high rank in Current Affairs Mocks at Testzone. Therefore, we urge you to go through each piece of information carefully and try to remember the facts and figures because the questions to be asked in the Current Affairs MockDrill will be based on the information given in the PDF only.

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201. National & States Affairs

Uttarakhand is the first state in the country which has started using Quick Deployment Antenna (QDA) for disaster management, which till now, was being used primarily by paramilitary forces and the national disaster response force (NDRF). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Uttarakhand – the first state in the country to use Quick Deployment Antenna (QDA)
- Uttarakhand: Capital – Dehradun & Gairsain | CM – Trivendra Singh Rawat | Governor – Baby Rani Maurya

202. International Affairs

Bangladesh has approved the death penalty for rapists, replacing life imprisonment as the maximum penalty. The ordinance comes days after the “World Day against the Death Penalty” which was observed on October 10. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 10 – “World Day against the Death Penalty”
- Bangladesh – approved the death penalty for rapists
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Sheikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid

203. Schemes & Initiatives

Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has initiated “Swa-nirbhar Naari: Atmanirbhar Asom” scheme in a bid to empower the economically disadvantaged women of the State. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sarbananda Sonowal – initiated “Swa-nirbhar Naari: Atmanirbhar Asom” scheme
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi

204. Books & Authors

A former RAW Officer, GBS Sidhu has written how pro-Khalistan sentiments and Sikh extremism were deliberately encouraged and then crushed with a heavy hand to draw political mileage in his upcoming book “The Khalistan Conspiracy: A Former R&AW Officer Unravels the Path to 1984”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “The Khalistan Conspiracy: A Former R&AW Officer Unravels the Path to 1984” book – authored by ‘GBS Sidhu’



205. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The “Nobel Prize-2020” for Literature has been awarded to American poet Louise Gluck ‘for her unmistakable poetic voice that with austere beauty makes individual existence universal.’ [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Louise Gluck (American Poet) – awarded “Nobel Prize-2020” – for Literature

206. Appointments & Resignations

Commonwealth Games medallist shuttler Chetan Anand is named the Brand Ambassador of India's first-ever badminton brand 'Transform'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Chetan Anand (Badminton) – appointed as the Brand Ambassador – “Transform” - India's first-ever badminton brand

207. National & States Affairs

The government has launched a website to support entities involved in R&D in the coal sector. The website has been designed and developed by Coal India subsidiary Central Mine Planning and Design Institute. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Government launched website to support R&D in – Coal sector
- The website designed and developed by – Central Mine Planning and Design Institute, Coal India
- HQs of CIL – Kolkata, WB | Director – Anil Kumar Jha | CMD – Pramod Agrawal
- Pralhad Joshi – Minister of Coal, Minister of Mines (Constituency – Dharwad, Karnataka)

208. International Affairs

Kuwait's government has submitted its resignation to Emir Nawaf Al Ahmed Al Jaber Al Sabah in anticipation of the upcoming November general elections. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kuwait's government submitted its resignation – in anticipation of the upcoming November general elections
- Kuwait – Kuwait City – Kuwaiti Dinar



209. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Summit “RAISE 2020” (Responsible AI for Social Empowerment). It was organised by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and NITI Aayog. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PM Narendra Modi inaugurated – “RAISE 2020” Summit | organised by = MeitY + NITI Aayog
- Ravi Shankar Prasad – Ministry of Communications, MeitY, Law and Justice (Patna Sahib, Bihar)
- NITI Aayog HQs – New Delhi | CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson – Narendra Modi | Vice Chairperson – Rajiv Kumar

210. Defence Affairs

A two-day Coastal Security Exercise “Sagar Kavach” to assess the preparedness of all agencies towards dealing with an asymmetric threat emanating from the sea is concluded. The exercise was conducted along the coastal areas of Kerala, Karnataka and Lakshadweep. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- A 2-day Coastal Security Exercise “Sagar Kavach” – conducted at Kerala, Karnataka & Lakshadweep
- Kerala: CM – Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – BS Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala
- Lakshadweep: Capital – Kavaratti | Administrator – Dineshwar Sharma

211. Appointments & Resignations

Nilesh Shah has been re-elected as the Chairman of Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI), at the recently concluded Board Meeting of AMFI. He would also continue as the ex-officio Chairman of AMFI Financial Literacy Committee. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Nilesh Shah – re-elected as Chairman of Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI)
- HQs of AMFI – Mumbai, MH | Chairman – Nilesh Shah

212. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

The World Trade Organization (WTO) has revised upwards its forecast for the decline in World Merchandise Trade at 9.2% in 2020 as against 12.9% drop projected earlier. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- According to WTO – World Merchandise Trade is expected to fall by 9.2% in 2020 {Flexible News}
- HQs of WTO – Geneva, Switzerland | DG – Roberto Azevedo | Member Countries – 164 & Observer – 25

213. Science & Technology

The Scientists have discovered around 544 new species from India during 2019 where 364 are animal species and 180 are plant species. It was done with the help of Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) and the Botanical Survey of India (BSI). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Total 544 new species (364 animal species + 180 plant species) – discovered in India during 2019
- HQs of ZSI – Kolkata, West Bengal | HQs of BSI – Kolkata, West Bengal

214. Obituaries

Former acting Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court, Justice Anantkumar Surendraray Dave has passed away. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Anantkumar Surendraray Dave – Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court – passed away
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Vijay Rupani | Governor – Acharya Devvrat

215. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Guidance, a nodal investment promotion and facilitation agency of the State of Tamil Nadu, has partnered with World Economic Forum (WEF) to establish India's first advanced manufacturing hub (AMHUB) in the State. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Guidance (TN) + WEF = to establish India's 1st Advanced Manufacturing Hub (AMHUB) – in Tamil Nadu
- Guidance – a nodal investment promotion and facilitation agency of 'Tamil Nadu'
- HQs of WEF – Cologny, Switzerland | Executive Chairman & Founder – Klaus Schwab
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor – Banwarilal Purohit



216. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The United Nations' World Food Programme has won the "Nobel Peace Prize-2020" for its efforts to combat hunger and food insecurity in regions of conflict and hardship around the globe. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- World Food Programme – conferred the "Nobel Peace Prize-2020" – in Oslo, Norway
- HQs of UNWFP – Rome, Italy | ED – David Muldrow Beasley | Countries – 36

217. Obituaries

Justice K K Usha, former Chief Justice of the Kerala High Court, has passed away recently. She was the 1st women chief justice. She was 81. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Justice K K Usha – the 1st women Chief Justice of the Kerala High Court – passed away
- Kerala: CM – Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

218. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Noted Odia poet Nityanand Nayak will be conferred the prestigious "Sarala Puraskar" for his poetry work 'Setebelaku Nathiba', published in 2017. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Nityanand Nayak (Odia Poet) – conferred "Sarala Puraskar" – for 'Setebelaku Nathiba' poetry – published in 2017

219. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

India's Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂) emissions, which contribute to air pollution, has recorded a significant decline of approximately 6% in 2019 as compared to 2018. India continues to occupy the top emitter's position for the 5th consecutive year, according to a report by Greenpeace India and the Centre for Research on Energy and Clean Air (CREA). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India's SO₂ emissions – recorded approximately 6% decline in 2019 – according to Greenpeace India + CREA
- India – the largest emitter of Sulphur Dioxide (SO₂) – for 5th consecutive year
- Location of CREA – New Delhi



220. Important Days & Dates

“World Egg Day” is celebrated on the second Friday of October every year, which falls on the 9th of October, this year. The day is observed to spread awareness about their nutritional value and importance in the human diet. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 9 – “World Egg Day” (The 2nd Friday of October)

221. Current GK

Two months ago, two villagers were apprehended for killing an adult male deer near the Nokrek National Park. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Nokrek National Park – Meghalaya
- Meghalaya: Capital – Shillong | CM – Conrad Kongkal Sangma | Governor – Satya Pal Malik

222. Appointments & Resignations

Railway Minister Piyush Goyal is given additional charge of the Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution ministry following the death of Ram Vilas Paswan. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Piyush Goyal – given additional charge of – Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
- Piyush Goyal – Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Commerce & Industry | Constituency – Maharashtra

223. Schemes & Initiatives

Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy has launched the “Jagananna Vidya Kanuka” scheme, under which kits will be provided to the government school students across the state. Students from classes 1 to 10 in government schools will get the kits. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Andhra Pradesh – launched “Jagananna Vidya Kanuka” scheme – for the Students from classes 1 to 10
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan



224. National & States Affairs

Goa has become the first state in the country to provide 100% tap water connections in rural areas covering 2.30 lakh households. The government's Jal Jeevan Mission aims to provide piped water to all rural households by 2024. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Goa – became the first state in the country to provide 100% tap water connections in rural areas
- Aim of 'Jal Jeevan Mission' - to provide piped water to all rural households – by 2024
- Goa: Capital – Panaji | CM – Pramod Sawant | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari

225. National & States Affairs

Piyush Goyal has invited startups to register at public procurement portal GeM and offer goods as well as services to government organisations and PSUs. An online discovery platform - "Startup India Showcase" & "Blockchain-based Certificate Verification System" were also launched during the event. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) has conceived the first-ever National Startup Awards to recognise and reward outstanding Startups and ecosystem enablers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DPIIT launched – "Startup India Showcase" & "Blockchain-based Certificate Verification System"
- DPIIT works under – Ministry of Ministry of Commerce & Industry (Piyush Goyal – Maharashtra)

226. Banking & Economic Affairs

The RBI has replaced the "co-origination model" with "co-lending model". Now, all Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) including Housing Finance Companies (HFCs) will be allowed to collaborate with banks to undertake priority sector lending. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI has replaced the "co-origination model" with "co-lending model"
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)

227. Defence Affairs

India has successfully test fired its first indigenously developed Anti-radiation missile namely "Rudram-1" which will be part of the tactical weaponry of the Indian Air Force. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India test fired – "Rudram-1" - India's first indigenously developed Anti-radiation missile
- HQs of IAF – New Delhi | Chief – Air Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria



228. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

IBM will set up a Centre of Excellence for artificial intelligence (AI) in India in partnership with Government e-Marketplace (GeM). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IBM + GeM = to set up a Centre of Excellence for AI in India
- IBM HQs – Armonk, New York, United States | CEO – [Arvind Krishna](#)

229. Appointments & Resignations

Myntra has announced YouTuber Bhuvan Bam as its first digital brand ambassador to further engage with the brand's tech-savvy customers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bhuvan Bam – appointed as the first digital Brand Ambassador of – Myntra
- HQs of Myntra – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Amar Nagaram

230. Banking & Economic Affairs

In a bid to increase credit flow to small businesses, the RBI has raised banks' maximum aggregate retail exposure limit/ limit for risk weight to entities with turnover up to Rs 50 crore to Rs 7.5 crore, up from Rs 5 crore. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI raised banks' maximum aggregate retail exposure limit for small businesses to Rs 7.5 Cr (from Rs 5 Cr)
- This is for entities with turnover up to – Rs 50 crore
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)

231. National & States Affairs

Google has launched a new feature in the Covid-19 layer on Maps that displays the demarcation of containment zones in Mumbai, Maharashtra. Mumbai residents can view coronavirus containment zones in Google Maps. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mumbai residents – can view coronavirus containment zones in Google Maps
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari



232. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has addressed the “Invest India conference” in Canada through video conferencing. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

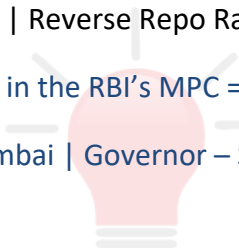
- Narendra Modi addressed “Invest India conference” – in Canada
- Canada – Ottawa – Canadian Dollar | PM – Justin Trudeau

233. Banking & Economic Affairs

The 3 day & 6-member 25th RBI Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting was held from October 7 to October 9. The RBI has decided to keep the repo rate unchanged at 4% and the reverse repo rate at 3.35% in its bi-monthly Monetary Policy review. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 3 day RBI MPC meeting – held from October 7 to October 9
- GDP prediction of India in FY21 as per RBI’s MPC meeting – (-9.5%)
- Repo rate – 4% | Reverse Repo Rate – 3.35%
- Total members in the RBI’s MPC = 6 (3 of RBI + 3 of GoI)
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)



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234. Important Days & Dates

Ministry of Communications, Government of India has celebrated “National Postal week”. The 7-day celebration started from 9th October, 2020 to 15th October, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 9-15 – “National Postal week” – celebrated by ‘Ministry of Communications’
- Ravi Shankar Prasad – Ministry of Communications, MeitY, Law and Justice (Patna Sahib, Bihar)

235. Science & Technology

A team of researchers have reported a new species of perennial woody herb of the genus *Lepidagathis* namely “*Lepidagathis ananthapuramensis*” from the northern laterite plateaus of Kasaragod district in Kerala. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “*Lepidagathis ananthapuramensis*” – a new species of perennial woody herb – discovered in Kerala
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan



236. Current GK

The Kalinga Stadium has completed a 2-year milestone since being refurbished for the Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup Bhubaneswar 2018. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kalinga Stadium – Odisha
- Odisha: Capital – Bhubaneswar | CM – Naveen Patnaik | Governor – Ganeshi Lal

237. Obituaries

Union minister for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Ram Vilas Paswan has passed away recently in October. He was 74. Paswan began his career with the Samyuktha Socialist Party and was elected to the Bihar assembly in 1969. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ram Vilas Paswan – a Politician – passed away
- Union minister for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution | Constituency – Hajipur, Bihar

238. Obituaries

Rock legend and guitarist Eddie Van Halen has passed away recently after long battle with cancer. He was 65. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Eddie Van Halen – Rock legend and Guitarist (Musician) – passed away

239. Important Days & Dates

"World Post Day 2020" is celebrated on October 9, to mark the anniversary of the establishment of Universal Postal Union (UPU) across the world. UPU was established in 1874. This year, the theme is "We Have Always Delivered". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 9 – "World Post Day 2020" | Theme – "We Have Always Delivered"
- HQs of UPU – Bern, Switzerland | DG – Bishar Abdirahman Hussein | Establishment in – 1874

240. Important Days & Dates

"World Migratory Bird Day" is observed every year on the second Saturday of May and October. This year, it was observed on May 9 & October 10. The theme this year is "Birds Connect Our World". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- May 9 & October 10 – "World Migratory Bird Day" (2nd Saturday of May & October)
- Theme – "Birds Connect Our World"



241. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' has virtually inaugurated the Gyan Circle Ventures, a MeitY funded Technology Business Incubator (TBI) of IIIT - Sri City (Chittoor), Andhra Pradesh. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' – inaugurated the “Gyan Circle Ventures”
- Gyan Circle Ventures – a MeitY funded Technology Business Incubator of “IIIT-Sri City (Chittoor)”
- Ministry of Education – Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ (Constituency – Haridwar, Uttarakhand)

242. Current GK

Karnataka Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa has directed the Tourism department to come out with a comprehensive report with regard to identification and development of tourist spots in the state. A development project at the world famous “Jog falls” at cost of Rs 120 crore will be implemented by Karnataka Power Corporation Limited. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Karnataka Tourism Dept – to come out with a comprehensive report for the development of tourist spots
- “Jog falls” – conferred “Sarala Puraskar” – for ‘Setebelaku Nathiba’ poetry – published in 2017
- Jog Falls – located on ‘Sharavati’
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – BS Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala

243. Obituaries

Veteran Marathi actor Avinash Kharshikar has passed away recently in October. He was 68 years old. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Avinash Kharshikar – Marathi actor – passed away

244. Science & Technology

IIM Kozhikode has conducted an Awareness Driven Webinar discussion on the ‘National Education Policy 2020’. IIM Kozhikode will launch an E-Learning hub and Library for villagers in Mavoor which is one of the 5 villages adopted by the Institute under ‘Unnat Bharat Abhiyan’. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IIM Kozhikode – conducted an Awareness Driven Webinar discussion on the ‘NEP 2020’
- IIM Kozhikode – to launch an ‘E-Learning hub’ and ‘Library’ for villagers in Mavoor (Kerala)



245. Current GK

The Indian Air Force (IAF) has achieved a new record of the highest skydive landing at Khardungla Pass, Leh at an altitude of 17,982 feet on the occasion of its 88th anniversary. Wing Commander Gajanad Yadava and Warrant Officer AK Tiwari carried out this successful skydiving jump from C-130J aircraft. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IAF – achieved a new record of the highest skydive landing at an altitude of 17,982 feet
- Skydive landed at – Khardungla Pass – located in Leh, Ladakh
- Ladakh: Capital – Leh | Lt. Governor – R K Mathur

246. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Union Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment Thaawarchand Gehlot has inaugurated the virtual “International conference on Mental Health: Looking Beyond COVID 19” through video conference. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Thaawarchand Gehlot – inaugurated “International conference on Mental Health: Looking Beyond COVID 19”
- Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment – Thawar Chand Gehlot (Shajapur, Madhya Pradesh)

247. Important Days & Dates

“World Mental Health Day” is observed every year on 10 October for global mental health education, awareness, advocacy against the social stigma. The theme this year is “Mental Health for All: Greater Investment – Greater Access”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 10 – World Mental Health Day
- Theme – “Mental Health for All: Greater Investment – Greater Access”

248. Schemes & Initiatives

Uttarakhand Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat has launched the “Mukhya Mantri Saur Swarojgar Yojana” under which 10,000 youth and migrants of the states will get self employment in the green energy sector. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Uttarakhand – launched the “Mukhya Mantri Saur Swarojgar Yojana”
- Uttarakhand: Capital – Dehradun & Gairsain | CM – Trivendra Singh Rawat | Governor – Baby Rani Maurya



249. Defence Affairs

The DRDO has flight tested the "Rustom-2", a medium altitude long endurance indigenous prototype drone and achieved 8 hours of flying at an altitude of 16000 feet at Chitradurga, Karnataka. The prototype is expected to achieve a height of 26000 feet and endurance of 18 hours by 2020 end. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DRDO flight tested – "Rustom-2" a medium altitude long endurance indigenous prototype Drone
- 8 hours of flying at an altitude of 16000 feet at Chitradurga (Karnataka)
- DRDO: HQs – New Delhi | Chairman – G. Satheesh Reddy

250. Science & Technology

Three NIT Warangal students have launched an e-commerce platform - 'Pickmycloth' for the weavers to directly sell their products to the customers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 3 students of NIT Warangal (Telangana) – launched an e-commerce platform - 'Pickmycloth'
- Telangana: Capital – Hyderabad | CM – K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor – Tamilisai Soundararajan

251. Important Days & Dates

The Indian Air Force (IAF) has celebrated the 88th Air Force Day on October 8. The Air Force in India was officially raised in 1932 as the supporting force of the Royal Air Force of the United Kingdom. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 8 – 88th Air Force Day – celebrated by IAF (Founded on 8 October 1932)
- HQs of IAF – New Delhi | Chief – Air Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria

252. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Meghalaya government has decided to partner with Israel for establishing a Centre of Excellence (CoE) on high-value vegetables in the state in order to improve and promote the livelihood of farmers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Meghalaya + Israel = to establish a Centre of Excellence (CoE) on high-value vegetables
- Meghalaya: Capital – Shillong | CM – Conrad Kongkal Sangma | Governor – Satya Pal Malik
- Israel – Jerusalem – Israeli Shekel | President – Reuven Rivlin | PM – Benjamin Netanyahu



253. Obituaries

Veteran Bollywood actor-filmmaker Vishal Anand has recently passed away in October. He was 82. He also directed and produced a few films. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vishal Anand – Actor & Filmmaker – passed away

254. National & States Affairs

Piyush Goyal has inaugurated the Phoolbagan Station of Kolkata's East-West Metro corridor which is likely to be completed by December, 2021 at the estimated cost of ₹8,575 crore. The total length of the project is 16.6 km and it will consist of 12 stations. Phoolbagan is the first underground station to become operational in the East West Metro corridor, which travels both below the surface and on elevated tracks, and also through underwater tunnels below River Hooghly. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Piyush Goyal inaugurated – 'Phoolbagan Station' of Kolkata's East-West Metro corridor – to be completed by 2021
- Phoolbagan Station – the 1st underground station to be constructed below 'Hooghly River' (West Bengal)

255. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

FICCI Ladies Organisation (FLO) has signed an MoU with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) for empowering women through skill training to enhance their employability and promote entrepreneurship. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- FLO + NSDC = an MoU for empowering women through skill training
- HQs of FICCI – New Delhi | Chairman – Sangita Reddy
- HQs of NSDC – New Delhi | MD & CEO – Manish Kumar

256. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Ministry of Tourism has organised a webinar on "Charkhe pe Charcha" under Dekho Apna Desh Webinar Series on 2nd October 2020 to mark the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The Webinar titled "Charkhe pe Charcha" focused on spinning wheel and Khadi. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ministry of Tourism – organised a webinar on "Charkhe pe Charcha"
- Prahlad Singh Patel – Ministry of Tourism, Ministry of Culture



257. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has inked 3 MoU with State Bank of India to extend credit support for various projects in Gujarat. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NABARD + SBI = to extend credit support for various projects – in Gujarat
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Vijay Rupani | Governor – Acharya Devvrat
- HQs of NABARD – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Chintala Govinda Rajulu
- HQs of SBI Bank – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Dinesh Kumar Khara
- MD – Challa Sreenivasulu Setty | Arjit Basu | Ashwani Bhatia
- CFO of SBI – Charanjit Singh Attra | MD & CEO of SBI General Ins. – Prakash Chandra Kandpal
- MD & CEO of SBI Card – Ashwini Kumar tewari | MD & CEO of SBI Mutual Funds – Vinay M. Tonse

258. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and Union Territory Administration of Ladakh have signed an MoU for conducting a Benchmark Survey to promote dairying and rural livelihoods in Ladakh. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NDDB + Ladakh = an MoU for conducting a Benchmark Survey to promote dairying and rural livelihoods
- HQs of NDDB – Anand, Gujara | Chairman – Dilip Rath
- Ladakh: Capital – Leh | Lt. Governor – R K Mathur

259. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Union Cabinet has approved signing of MoU in field the of cyber-security between India & Japan. India and Japan are committed to an open, interoperable, free, fair, secure and reliable cyberspace environment and will work towards promoting the Internet as an engine of innovation and economic growth. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Union Cabinet approved signing of MoU in the field of cyber-security between – India & Japan
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Yoshihide Suga

260. National & States Affairs

42nd GST Council meeting was recently held virtually. From the first of January onwards, the taxpayers whose annual turnover is less than Rs 5 crores will not be required to file monthly returns. GST Council has allowed them quarterly filing of returns. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- 42nd GST Council meeting held virtually
- GST Council allowed Quarterly Filing of returns to the taxpayers with annual turnover of less than Rs 5 crores
- GST council formed under – “Article 279A” of Indian Constitution

261. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Amazon India has partnered with Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) to provide their customers with the facility to book reserved train tickets on its platform. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Amazon + IRCTC – partnership to launch online reserved train ticket booking on its platform
- HQs of Amazon – Seattle , USA | Founder & CEO – Jeff Bezos
- HQs of IRCTC – New Delhi | Chairman & MD – Mahendra Pratap Mall

262. Important Days & Dates

This year the “World Sight Day” is observed on October 8 across the world. It is observed to bring global attention to blindness and vision impairment. The theme of this year is “Hope in Sight”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 8 – “World Sight Day” | Theme – “Hope in Sight”

263. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the World Bank, as many as 150 million people are likely to be in extreme poverty by 2021 because of the coronavirus pandemic. The COVID-19 pandemic is estimated to push an additional 88 million to 115 million people into extreme poverty in 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- According to World Bank – 150 million people to be in extreme poverty by 2021 (additional 88 million in 2020)
- World Bank HQs – Washington D.C., USA | Member Countries – 189
- President – David Malpass | MD & CFO – Anshula Kant



264. Banking & Economic Affairs

Chqbook has launched India's first 'Financial Control Center' or 'Neobank' on mobile to empower 60 million Small Business Owners like kiranas, merchants, chemists, and others running proprietorships. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Chqbook launched – India's 1st 'Financial Control Center' or 'Neobank' to empower 60 million small business owners
- HQs of Chqbook – Gurgaon, Haryana | CEO – Vipul Sharma

265. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar and his Japanese counterpart Toshimitsu Motegi have participated in the 13th India-Japan Strategic Dialogue which was held at Tokyo, Japan. They discussed cooperation in manufacturing, skills, infrastructure and health sectors, reaffirming the similarities in their respective India-Pacific visions. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- S Jaishankar participated – in the 13th India-Japan Strategic Dialogue – held at Tokyo, Japan
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Yoshihide Suga

266. Current GK

Pocharam Wildlife Sanctuary is a forest and wildlife sanctuary located 15 km (9.3 mi) from Medak and 115 km (71 mi) from Hyderabad, Telangana, India. It is named after the Pocharam lake, formed from the bunding of the Allair from 1916-1922.

Key Points:

- Pocharam Wildlife Sanctuary – Telangana
- Telangana: Capital – Hyderabad | CM – K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor - Tamilisai Soundararajan

267. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

The Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office (DMEO), Niti Aayog has conducted a Data Governance Quality Index Survey (DGQI). Department of Fertilizers under the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers has been ranked 2nd amongst the 16 Economic Ministries / Departments and 3rd out of the 65 Ministries / Departments with a score 4.11 on a scale of 5. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office – conducted a Data Governance Quality Index Survey (DGQI)
- Development Monitoring and Evaluation Office – functions under 'Niti Aayog'
- Department of Fertilizers – ranked 2nd amongst the 16 Economic Ministries / Departments
- Department of Fertilizers – ranked 3rd amongst the 65 Ministries / Departments



268. Appointments & Resignations

RBI has extended the term of Rajesh Kumar Chhibber (RK Chhibber) as the Chairman and Managing Director of Jammu & Kashmir Bank for a period of 6 months. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RK Chhibber – term extended as the Chairman & MD of 'J&K Bank' – for 6 months
- HQs of J&K Bank – Sri Nagar, J & K | CEO – R K Chhibber

269. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Uttar Pradesh government has signed a concession agreement with representatives of Zurich Airport International to commence work on Noida International Airport in Jewar for a period of 40 years. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- UP + Zurich Airport International – International to commence work on Noida International Airport in Jewar, UP
- Zurich Airport International – in Switzerland | Noida International Airport / Jewar Airport – Uttar Pradesh
- Switzerland – Bern – Swiss Franc | President – Simonetta Sommaruga
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel

270. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

An MoU has been signed between the Indian Sign Language Research and Training Center (ISLRTC) and the National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) to make educational materials accessible for hearing impaired children. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- ISLRTC (New Delhi) + NCERT = signed an MoU to make Educational materials accessible for deaf children
- HQs of NCERT – New Delhi | Director – Hrushikesh Senapaty

271. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

NITI Aayog, the New and Renewable Energy Ministry, and Invest India have organised a Global Symposium virtually "India PV EDGE 2020" on October 6 to become self-reliant in manufacturing of solar equipment in the next 18 months and reduce its dependence on Chinese imports. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NITI Aayog + New & Renewable Energy Mini. + Invest India = organised a Global Symposium "India PV EDGE 2020"
- NITI Aayog HQs – New Delhi | CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson – Narendra Modi | Vice Chairperson – Rajiv Kumar
- Raj Kumar Singh – Minister of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)



272. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

India is expected to overtake China as the world's largest cooking gas LPG residential sector market by 2030, according to Wood Mackenzie. Liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) demand in the residential sector will continue to see sustainable growth at a Cumulative Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 3.3%, reaching 34 million tonnes (MT) in 2030. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India – to overtake China as the world's largest cooking gas LPG residential sector market – by 2030
- CAGR – Cumulative Annual Growth Rate – of 3.3%
- China: Capital – Beijing | Currency – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping

273. Appointments & Resignations

Senior IPS officer and former Director General of Police (DGP) of Uttarakhand, MA Ganapathy, has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MA Ganapathy – appointed as the Director General (DG) of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS)

274. Appointments & Resignations

The Centre has appointed M Rajeshwar Rao as the new Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India. He has succeeded NS Vishwanathan as the Central Bank's 4th deputy governor. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- M Rajeshwar Rao – appointed as the 4th Deputy Governor of – RBI (by succeeding – NS Vishwanathan)
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)
- Total Deputy Governors – 4 – Mukesh Kumar Jain | B P Kanungo | Michael D Patra | M Rajeshwar Rao

275. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Piyush Goyal has released the results of the 1st edition of “National Startup Awards” to recognize and reward outstanding startups and ecosystem enablers with high potential of employment generation or wealth creation. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Piyush Goyal – released the results of the 1st edition of “National Startup Awards”



276. Current GK

Suspected toxic waste pollution off Russia's Kamchatka peninsula that caused the mass deaths of marine animals has formed a moving slick stretching 40 kilometres along the Pacific coastline. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kamchatka peninsula – located in Russia
- Russia – Moscow – Russian Ruble | PM – Mikhail Mishustin | President – Vladimir Putin

277. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

The Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has released an interesting report titled "NSS REPORT: TIME USE IN INDIA-2019". It showed the percentage of the population engaged in various activities and the time they spend on those activities. The data further indicates that an average Indian spends only 11.4% of the total time on employment and related activities and on the other hand, spends 50.4% of the total time on self-care and maintenance. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MoSPI – released an interesting report titled "NSS REPORT: TIME USE IN INDIA-2019"
- NSS – National Sample Survey
- 11.4% of the total time – on employment and related activities
- 50.4% of the total time – on self-care and maintenance

278. Appointments & Resignations

The government has appointed Dinesh Kumar Khara as the new Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI) for a period of 3 years. His appointment is effective from October 7 and he has replaced Rajnish Kumar. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dinesh Kumar Khara – appointed as the Chairman of "SBI" – for 3 years
- HQs of SBI Bank – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Dinesh Kumar Khara
- MD – Challa Sreenivasulu Setty | Arjit Basu | Ashwani Bhatia
- CFO of SBI – Charanjit Singh Attra | MD & CEO of SBI General Ins. – Prakash Chandra Kandpal
- MD & CEO of SBI Card – Ashwini Kumar tewari | MD & CEO of SBI Mutual Funds – Vinay M. Tonse

279. Sports & Games

Honda will withdraw from Formula One (F1) at the end of the 2021 season. Honda, which resumed competition in F1 in 2015, is the power unit supplier to Red Bull and AlphaTauri. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Honda – to withdraw from Formula One (F1) at the end of the 2021 season
- HQs of Honda Motor – Tokyo, Japan | CEO – Takahiro Hachigo



280. Acquisitions & Mergers

Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Limited has announced the completion of the acquisition of Krishnapatnam Port Company Ltd., (KPCL) for an enterprise value of Rs 12,000 crore. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone – completed the acquisition of ‘Krishnapatnam Port’
- Krishnapatnam Port – located in Andhra Pradesh
- HQs of APSEZ – Ahmedabad, Gujarat | CEO – Karan Adani
- HQs of KPCL – Nellore, Andhra Pradesh | Managing Director – C. Sasidhar

281. Appointments & Resignations

The government has appointed 3 eminent economists Ashima Goyal, Jayanth R Varma and Shashanka Bhide as members of the rate-setting Monetary Policy Committee of the RBI. As per the RBI Act, these 3 new members would have 4-year terms. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ashima Goyal, Jayanth R Varma & Shashanka Bhide – appointed as members of RBI MPC – for 4 years terms
- Total members in the RBI's MPC = 6 (3 of RBI + 3 of GoI)
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)

282. Current GK

The Rajasthan government will build temporary Shelters for migratory birds near the famous Sambhar Lake before this year's winter season. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajasthan – to build temporary Shelters for migratory birds near ‘Sambhar Lake’
- Rajasthan: Capital – Jaipur | CM – Ashok Gehlot | Governor – Kalraj Mishra

283. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

India's GDP is expected to contract by 9.6% in the fiscal year 2020-21 (FY21), according to the World Bank's report titled ‘South Asia Economic Focus’. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- ‘South Asia Economic Focus’ report – released by World Bank
- World Bank predicted India's GDP = (-9.6%) for FY21
- World Bank HQs – Washington D.C., USA | Member Countries – 189
- President – David Malpass | MD & CFO – Anshula Kant



284. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Vistara and Axis Bank have launched a co-branded Forex Card that can load up to 16 currencies. Club Vistara (CV) is the airline's frequent flyer program. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vistara + Axis Bank = launched a co-branded 'Forex Card' that can load up to 16 currencies
- HQs of Vistara – Gurgaon, Haryana | CEO – Leslie Thng
- HQs of Axis Bank – Mumbai | MD & CEO – Amitabh Chaudhry

285. National & States Affairs

To commemorate the Birth Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October 2020, "Shramdan" drive was organized by the Department of Justice. On this occasion, Online Essay Competition and Painting Competition were also organized. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Shramdan" drive – organized by Department of Justice – on 2nd October 2020

286. National & States Affairs

Gajanan Mallya, General Manager of South Central Railway has presented "Man of the Month" safety awards to 45 employees for showing ness in the duty and taking timely action to prevent unsafe conditions. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- South Central Railway Zone – presented "Man of the Month" safety awards – to 45 employees
- HQs of South Central Railway zone – Secunderabad | General Manager – Shri Gajanan Mallya

287. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Telangana Government has signed a tripartite agreement between DET, GIZ India and Siemens India to implement a new initiative, Indo-German Initiative for Technical Education (IGNITE). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Telangana + DET + GIZ + Siemens = for Indo-German Initiative for Technological Education
- HQs of DET – Ahmedabad, Gujarat | HQs of GIZ – Bonn, Germany
- HQs of Siemens India – Mumbai, Maharashtra | MD & CEO – Sunil Mathur
- Telangana: Capital – Hyderabad | CM – K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor – Tamilisai Soundararajan



288. National & States Affairs

The “National Clinical Management Protocol based on Ayurveda and Yoga for Management of Covid-19” was released by Dr. Harsh Vardhan and Shripad Yesso Naik, Minister of State for AYUSH. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dr. Harsh Vardhan & Shripad Naik released – National Clinical Management Protocol
- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare – Dr. Harsh Vardhan (Chandni Chowk, Delhi)
- MoS of AYUSH – Shripad Yesso Naik | Constituency – North Goa

289. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

French scientist Emmanuelle Charpentier and American Jennifer A. Doudna have won the “Nobel Prize - 2020” in Chemistry for developing a method of Genome Editing known as “CRISPR”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Emmanuelle Charpentier (France) & Jennifer A. Doudna (USA) = “Nobel Prize -2020” in Chemistry
- Prize given for developing a method of Genome Editing known as “CRISPR”

290. National & States Affairs

Guntur Municipal Corporation (GMC) has entered the final lap of establishing the world’s first ‘Plastic-to-Petrol’ making unit. This is considered to be 100% indigenous, zero pollution and zero waste-plastic waste vanishing plant. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Guntur Municipal Corporation (Andhra Pradesh) – to establish the world’s 1st ‘Plastic-to-Petrol’ making unit
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan

291. Obituaries

Mexican scientist Mario Molina, who became his country's first winner of the “Nobel Prize for Chemistry” for his work on the threat to the ozone layer from chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), has passed away at the age of 77. In 2008, he was appointed a scientific adviser to U.S. President Barack Obama. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mario Molina (Mexico) – a Scientist – passed away (winner of - “Nobel Prize for Chemistry”)
- Mexico – Mexico City – Peso



292. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

SJVN Limited has signed an MoU with Ministry of Power, Govt. of India detailing targets for year 2020-21. It has aimed to achieve 9680 Million Units of electricity generation during the year under 'Excellent' category. SJVN will have Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) target of Rs.2880 Cr and Turnover target of Rs. 2800 Cr under 'Excellent' category. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

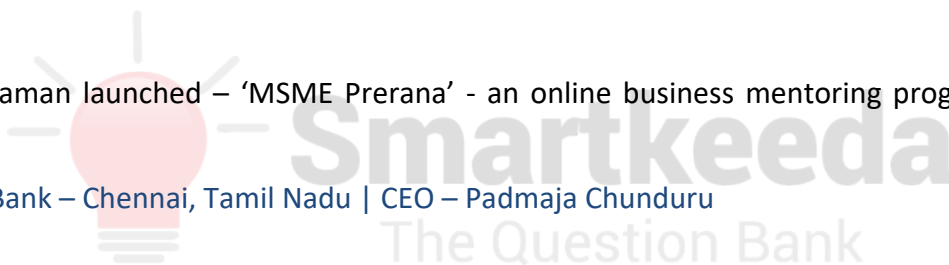
- SJVN Ltd + Ministry of Power (GoI) – an MoU to achieve 9680 Million Units of electricity generation in 2020-21
- Under – 'Excellent' category
- HQs of SJVN Ltd – Shimla, Himachal Pradesh

293. Banking & Economic Affairs

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has launched 'MSME Prerana', an online business mentoring programme of Indian Bank. The programme is aimed at empowering entrepreneurs through skill development and capacity building workshops. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Nirmala Sitharaman launched – 'MSME Prerana' - an online business mentoring programme of Indian Bank
- HQs of Indian Bank – Chennai, Tamil Nadu | CEO – Padmaja Chundururu



294. Appointments & Resignations

J Venkatramu has been appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of India Post Payments Bank (IPPB). He is presently working as the CEO in Equitas Small Finance Bank. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- J Venkatramu – appointed as the MD & CEO of – IPPB (Currently, CEO in Equitas Small Finance Bank)
- HQs of IPPB – New Delhi | MD & CEO – J Venkatramu

295. Appointments & Resignations

Jordan's King Abdullah II has designated his Chief Policy Adviser to form a new government. Bishr al-Khasawneh has been appointed as the Prime Minister of Jordan recently. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bishr al-Khasawneh – appointed as the Prime Minister of – Jordan
- Jordan – Amman – Dinar | PM – Bishr al-khasawneh | King – Abdullah II



296. Obituaries

Former governor of Manipur & Nagaland and CBI chief Ashwani Kumar has passed away recently in October. He was 69. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ashwani Kumar – Former governor of Manipur & Nagaland and CBI chief – passed away
- HQs of CBI – New Delhi | DG – Rishi Kumar Shukla
- Manipur: Capital – Imphal | CM – N. Biren Singh | Governor – Najma Heptulla
- Nagaland: Capital – Kohima | CM – Neiphiu Rio | Governor – Ravindra Narayana Ravi

297. National & States Affairs

PM Narendra Modi has launched a “Jan Andolan” campaign for COVID-19 appropriate behaviour. PM Modi has also asked citizens to remember wearing a mask, wash hands, and practice 'Do Gaj Ki Doori'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PM Narendra Modi launched – a “Jan Andolan” campaign

298. National & States Affairs

Union Minister of Textiles and Women & Child Development, Smriti Zubin Irani has launched the 1st ever Brand & Logo for Indian Cotton on 2nd World Cotton Day on 7th October, 2020. Now India's premium Cotton would be known as ‘Kasturi Cotton’ in the world cotton Trade. A mobile app, “Cott-Ally” has been developed by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) for providing latest news regarding weather condition, Crop situation and best farm practices. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Smriti Zubin Irani launched – the 1st ever Brand & Logo for – Indian Cotton
- India's premium Cotton would be known as – ‘Kasturi Cotton’
- “Cott-Ally” mobile app – developed by Cotton Corporation of India (CCI)
- HQs of CCI – Mumbai, MH | Chairman & MD – Pradeep Kumar Agarwal

299. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Union Cabinet has approved an MoU signed in June 2020 between the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) and International Barcode of Life (iBOL), Canada, regarding DNA Barcoding. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Union Cabinet approved an MoU – between “ZSI” & “iBOL-Canada” – regarding DNA Barcoding
- HQs of ZSI – Kolkata, West Bengal | Director – K Venkatraman
- Canada – Ottawa – Canadian Dollar | PM – Justin Trudeau



300. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Prasar Bharati and Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) have signed an MoU to broadcast and promote new agriculture technology and innovations. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Prasar Bharati + IFFCO = to broadcast and promote new agriculture technology
- HQs of Prasar Bharati – New Delhi | CEO – Shashi Shekhar Vempati
- HQs of IFFCO – New Delhi | Chairman – Balvinder Singh Nakai





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