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1. Schemes & Initiatives

West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee has launched the “Pathashree Abhijan”, a road repair scheme, where more than 7,000 stretches of roads comprising 12,000 kilometers across the state will be repaired. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- West Bengal launched – “Pathashree Abhijan” a road repair scheme
- West Bengal: Capital – Kolkata | CM – Mamta Banerjee | Governor – Jagdeep Dhankar

2. Books & Authors

On the occasion of the 151st birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, Deputy Chief Minister of Delhi Manish Sisodia launched a coffee-table book “Bapu - The Unforgettable”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- A coffee-table book “Bapu - The Unforgettable” – launched by Manish Sisodia

3. Persons in News

The RBI has approved a 3-member interim committee of directors, headed by G Subramonia Iyer to run Dhanlaxmi Bank. The shareholders rejected the resolution for appointment of Gurbaxani as MD and CEO at the 93rd Annual General Meeting of the bank. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI approved a 3-member interim committee to run Dhanlaxmi Bank – headed by G Subramonia Iyer
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)
- HQs of Dhanlaxmi Bank – Thrissur, Kerala

4. Acquisitions & Mergers

Reliance Industries has announced that Singapore Investment Corporation (GIC) and global private equity firm TPG Capital would invest nearly \$1 billion in its retail arm, Reliance Retail Ventures. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- GIC + TPG Capital = would invest nearly \$1 billion in Reliance Retail Ventures Ltd
- HQs of GIC Pvt Ltd – Singapore | CEO – Lim Chow Kiat
- HQs of TPG Capital – California, USA | CEO – Jon Winkelried
- HQs of Reliance – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Mukesh Ambani



5. National & States Affairs

A special Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) court in Lucknow has acquitted all 32 accused in the Babri Masjid demolition case. It also included BJP leaders LK Advani and Murli Manohar Joshi. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CBI court in Lucknow acquitted all 32 accused in the Babri Masjid demolition case
- CBI Court judge – Surendra Kumar Yadav
- HQs of CBI – New Delhi | DG – Rishi Kumar Shukla

6. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The 19th round of Foreign Office Consultations between India and Myanmar held through virtual mode. The Indian delegation at the Consultations was led by Foreign Secretary, Harsh Vardhan Shringla. India has agreed to provide debt service relief to Myanmar under the G-20 Debt Service Suspension Initiative. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 19th round of “Foreign Office Consultations” held between – India & Myanmar
- Myanmar – Naypyitaw – Kyat | President – Win Myint

7. National & States Affairs

The country's largest carmaker Maruti Suzuki India Ltd (MSIL) has shortlisted 5 new startups as part of its third cohort of MAIL (Mobility & Automobile Innovation Lab) programme. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Maruti Suzuki – shortlisted 5 new startups – as part of its 3rd cohort of MAIL programme
- HQs of Maruti Suzuki – New Delhi | Chairman – R C Bhargava | MD & CEO – Kenichi Ayukawa

8. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The names of 14 scientists who received "Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize - 2020" were announced during the foundation day of the CSIR on 26 September. The prize is given to Indian scientists below the age of 45 for outstanding research in 7 fields - Biology, Chemistry, Environment Science, Engineering, Mathematics, Medicine and Physics. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mathematics Sciences: Dr U K Anandavardhanan & Dr Rajat Subhra Hazra
- Medicine Sciences: Dr Bushra Ateeq & Dr Ritesh Agarwal
- Physics Sciences: Dr Rajesh Ganapathy & Dr Surajit Dhara
- Biological Sciences: Dr Shubhadeep Chatterjee & Dr Vatsala Thirumalai
- Chemical Sciences: Dr Jyotirmayee Dash & Dr Subi Jacob George
- Engineering Sciences: Dr Amol Arvindrao Kulkarni & Dr Kinshuk Dasgupta
- Earth, Atmosphere, Ocean and Planetary Sciences: Dr Abhijit Mukherjee & Dr Suryendu Dutta



9. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The PM Narendra Modi has inaugurated the "Vaishvik Bharatiya Vaigyanik (VAIBHAV) Summit 2020" a virtual summit of national and international researchers On October 2 - Gandhi Jayanti. The concluding session will be held on October 31, on the occasion of Sardar Patel Jayanti. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PM Modi inaugurated – "Vaishvik Bharatiya Vaigyanik (VAIBHAV) Summit 2020" – from 1st October to 31st October
- The summit will be concluded on the Birth Anniversary of – Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (31st October)

10. Defence Affairs

USA Department of Defense, the Pentagon has approved India's request to buy USD 90 million worth of equipment, spare parts and logistical support for its fleet of "C-130J Super Hercules cargo aircraft". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Pentagon (USA) approved India's request to buy equipment – for "C-130J Super Hercules cargo aircraft"
- Worth of equipment – \$90 million
- USA – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | President – Donald Trump

11. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

With 1.61 lakh tests in past 24 hours, Uttar Pradesh has become the first state in the country to be undertaking over 1 crore tests to screen coronavirus. Of these, nearly 42% of tests were done through the RT-PCR method. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Uttar Pradesh – became the 1st state in the country to be undertaking over 1 crore Tests to screen
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel

12. Amount & Agreements

The USA has committed USD 1.9 million to support vulnerable populations in India like informal sector workers and micro enterprises whose livelihoods have been disrupted due to COVID-19. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- USA committed USD 1.9 million to India – to support Informal Sector Workers and Micro Enterprises
- USA – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | President – Donald Trump



13. International Affairs

India in a unique move has launched “Green Strategic Partnership” for the first time with Denmark as its partner as the two aim to be at forefront of the global fight against the Climate Change. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India + Denmark = launched “Green Strategic Partnership” for the first time
- Denmark – Copenhagen – Danish krone

14. National & States Affairs

Assam has launched ‘Kritagyata’ portal, an on-line pension submission and tracking system to lend convenience to the pensioners to dispose their pension-related claims. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Assam launched ‘Kritagyata’ portal for pensioners
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi

15. Current GK

The Appointments Committee of Cabinet has approved the restructuring of the SAIL board. After the approval, 4 posts of the CEOs of Integrated Steel Plants (ISPs) of SAIL are to be elevated as Functional Directors, by designating them as Directors-in-charge of Bokaro, Rourkela, Bhilai and one Director-in-charge jointly for Burnpur and Durgapur steel plants. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bokaro Steel Plant – Jharkhand
- Rourkela Steel Plant – Odisha
- Bhilai Steel Plant – Chhattisgarh
- Burnpur and Durgapur Steel plants – West Bengal

16. Defence Affairs

The Acquisition Wing of the Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with M/s Economic Explosive Ltd (EEL), Nagpur, for supply of 10,00,000 multi-mode hand grenades to the Indian Army at an approximate cost of Rs 409 crore. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MoD + EEL = a contract for supply of 10,00,000 multi-mode hand grenades to Army – at cost of Rs 409 Cr
- HQs of Indian Army – New Delhi | Chief – Gen. Manoj Mukund Naravane | Vice Chief – S K Saini
- HQs of EEL – Nagpur, Maharashtra



17. Science & Technology

Scientists from Agharkar research institute, Pune (ARI) discovered 2 new species of 'pipeworts', wetland plants, (*Eriocaulon parvicephalum* & *Eriocaulon karaavalense*) in the Western Ghats of Maharashtra and Karnataka – one of the 35 hotspots of biological diversity in the world. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Agharkar research institute (Pune) – discovered 2 new species of 'pipeworts' wetland plants
- They were found in the Western Ghats of – Maharashtra & Karnataka

18. Important Days & Dates

The CBDT has extended the deadline to file belated/revised income tax returns (ITR) for FY 2018-19 to November 30, 2020 from the earlier one of September 30, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- The deadline to file belated/revised ITR for FY 2018-19 – extended to November 30, 2020
- HQs of CBDT – New Delhi | Chairman – Pramod Chandra Mody

19. Defence Affairs

The Defence Ministry has approved the procurement of 72,000 assault rifles, worth Rs 780 crore, for the Indian Army from the United States. This is the second batch of 'Sig Sauer rifles' that has been cleared for procurement by the defence ministry. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Defence Ministry – approved the procurement of 72,000 assault rifles – worth Rs 780 crore – from the USA
- USA – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | President – Donald Trump
- Ministry of Defence – Rajnath Singh (Constituency – Lucknow, UP)

20. National & States Affairs

Palghar district of Maharashtra has issued an alert for the deadly Crimean Congo Hemorrhagic Fever (CCHF), or Congo Fever, which is believed to spread from animals to humans in the form of ticks and external parasites. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Palghar, Maharashtra – issued an alert for the deadly 'Crimean Congo Hemorrhagic Fever' or 'Congo Fever'
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari



21. National & States Affairs

Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot has launched the “Ambedkar Social Innovation and Incubation Mission” (ASIIM) under Venture Capital Fund for SCs through Video Conferencing. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Thaawarchand Gehlote – launched the “Ambedkar Social Innovation and Incubation Mission”
- Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment – Thawar Chand Gehlot (Shajapur, Madhya Pradesh)

22. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Smriti Irani has addressed the High-level meeting on the 25th anniversary of the “Fourth World Conference on Women”. The 'National Nutritional Mission' launched to improve nutritional status of children, adolescent girls, pregnant women and lactating mothers seeks to make India malnutrition free by 2022. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Smriti Irani addressed – High-level meeting on the 25th anniversary of the “Fourth World Conference on Women”
- Smriti Zubin Irani – Minister of Women & Child Development, Minister of Textiles (Amethi, Uttar Pradesh)



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23. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Rajya Sabha MP and Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) leader Sanjay Singh has been chosen for the “Gandhi Award” instituted by the Mahatma Gandhi National Foundation. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sanjay Singh (AAP leader) – chosen for the “Gandhi Award - 2020”
- HQs of Mahatma Gandhi National Foundation – Kerala | Chairman – Eby J Jose

24. Science & Technology

The Branded Royal, a rare butterfly, was documented along the Kotagiri slopes recently. It was last recorded in the Nilgiris in 1888. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Branded Royal – a rare butterfly – documented along the Kotagiri slopes recently
- Last recorded in the Nilgiris – in 1888



25. Current GK

A 6-member committee has been appointed by the Maharashtra forest department to check the feasibility of declaring a 265 sq km area at Kanhargaon in Chandrapur as either a wildlife sanctuary or a conservation reserve. The zone is also an important interstate link for tiger dispersal between Kawal and Indravati Tiger Reserves in Telangana and Chandrapur as well as the Tadoba-Andhari Tiger Reserve buffer, which is 38 km from the proposed airport site and 32 km from the Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kawal Wildlife Sanctuary Tiger Reserve – Telangana
- Indravati Tiger Reserves – Chhattisgarh
- Tadoba Andhari National Park – Maharashtra
- Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary – Maharashtra

26. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The CII Foundation's work on crop residue management has been awarded the "United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG) Action Award" by UNDP in partnership with the Government of Punjab under the category 'Integration, Convergence, Joint Action and Holistic Solution Approach – Industry'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CII Foundation – awarded "UNSDG Action Award" – by UNDP + Punjab
- CII Foundation set up by CII in – 2011
- Punjab: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Captain Amarinder Singh | Governor – V. P. Singh Badnore
- HQs of UNDP – New York, USA | Administrator – Achim Steiner
- HQs of CII – New Delhi | President – Uday Kotak | Director General – Chandrajit Banerjee

27. Important Days & Dates

The United Nations has observed the "International Day of Non-Violence" on 2nd October which is the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, a leader of India's freedom movement and a pioneer of the philosophy of Non-Violence. The day was first observed in 2007. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 2 – "International Day of Non-Violence" – since 2007
- HQs of UN – New York, United States | Director – Antonio Guterres



28. National & States Affairs

The Gujarat government has announced a 25% fee reduction in private schools for the current academic year across all boards and has directed the schools not to charge any other fee under co-curricular activities. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Gujarat – announced a 25% fee reduction in private schools for the current academic year
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Vijay Rupani | Governor – Acharya Devvrat

29. Acquisitions & Mergers

Abu Dhabi-based sovereign wealth fund Mubadala Investment Company will invest Rs 6,247.5 crore to buy a 1.4% stake in Reliance Industries Ltd's retail arm. Mubadala will be the fourth investor in Reliance Retail Ventures Ltd (RRVL). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mubadala (4th) – to acquire 1.4% stake (Rs 6,247.5 crore) – in Reliance Industries Ltd's retail arm
- HQs of Mubadala – Abu Dhabi, UAE | MD & CEO – Khaldoon Al Mubarak

30. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

The Punjab government has announced 17 winners of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Action Awards. Actor Sonu Sood and Dubai-based businessman and philanthropist S P S Oberoi awarded “Special Humanitarian Action Award”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Punjab announced 17 winners of “SDG Action Awards”
- Sonu Sood & S P S Oberoi – awarded “Special Humanitarian Action Award”
- Punjab: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Captain Amarinder Singh | Governor – V. P. Singh Badnore

31. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Union minister For Chemicals and Fertilizers Shri D V Sadananda Gowda has addressed the Inaugural Session of “CII Life Science Conclave 2020.” Pharma sector is likely to grow in to 65-billion-dollar industry by 2024 and to 120 billion dollars by 2030 and Medical Devices industry to reach US \$50 Billion by 2025. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- D V Sadananda Gowda addressed – the Inaugural Session of “CII Life Science Conclave 2020”
- Predictions for Pharma sector: To grow into \$65 Billion – by 2024 & \$120 Billion – by 2030
- Medical Devices industry to reach US \$50 Billion – by 2025
- Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers – D. V. Sadananda Gowda (Bangalore, Karnataka)



32. Defence Affairs

The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) has approved the creation of the "Army Static Switched Communication Network (ASCON) Phase IV" - a secure communication system for the army at a cost of Rs 7,800 crore. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CCS approved the creation of the "ASCON Phase IV" | Cost – Rs 7,800 crore
- CCS is chaired by – Prime Minister of India (Narendra Modi)

33. Science & Technology

AstroSat, India's first multi-wavelength astronomical observatory has completed 5 years of imaging celestial objects in space. It was launched by the ISRO on September 28, 2015. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- AstroSat – completed 5 years of imaging celestial objects in space – on September 28
- It was launched by ISRO – in 2015

34. Sports & Games

The Minister of State for Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri Kiren Rijiju has launched the Sports Authority of India's (SAI) new logo at Delhi's Major Dhyan Chand Stadium. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sports Ministry launched a new logo of – Sports Authority of India – in New Delhi
- Major Dhyan Chand Stadium – located in New Delhi
- HQs of SAI – New Delhi | Director General – Sandip Pradhan
- Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports – Kiren Rijiju (Constituency – Arunachal West)

35. National & States Affairs

Haryana CM Manohar Lal Khattar has digitally launched 'Gram Darshan' - a platform making the accessibility of data of as many as 6,197 Gram Panchayats of the state online. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Haryana – launched 'Gram Darshan' platform – to make 6,197 Gram Panchayats online
- Haryana: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Manohar Lal Khattar | Governor – Satyadev Narayan Arya



36. Appointments & Resignations

M5 Entertainment has announced the onboarding of Kareena Kapoor Khan as brand ambassador of 'Drools' - India's leading dogs and cat's nutrition brand in India. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kareena Kapoor Khan – appointed as brand ambassador of 'Drools'

37. National & States Affairs

Chemicals and Fertilisers Minister D V Sadananda Gowda has launched "POS 3.1 Software, SMS Gateway and Home delivery facility" of fertilisers for farmers in Andhra Pradesh. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- D V Sadananda Gowda launched Home delivery of fertilisers for Andhra Pradesh farmers
- Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers – D. V. Sadananda Gowda – Bangalore, Karnataka
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan

38. Science & Technology

ICMR and Hyderabad-based "Biological E" have developed purified Equine Antisera, raised in animals, as a prophylaxis and treatment for Covid-19. Antiserum is blood-based serum containing antibodies against viruses. The therapy works like plasma therapy. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- ICMR + Biological E = developed purified 'Equine Antisera' – as a prophylaxis and treatment for Covid-19
- HQs of ICMR – New Delhi, India | Director General – Balram Bhargava | Established in – 1911
- HQs of Biological E – Hyderabad, Telangana

39. Current GK

The Animal Husbandry and Fisheries Department of Chandigarh in coordination with Forest Department has initiated a step to control mosquito-borne diseases like malaria and dengue. The Fisheries Department has released Mosquito Killer fish (Gambusia) at Butterfly Park. The Gambusia fish released in the water bodies is being produced at Fish Seed Farm at "Sukhna Lake" functioning under the Fisheries Department. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Sukhna Lake" – Chandigarh
- Shri Giriraj Singh – Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying (Begusarai, Bihar)



40. Important Days & Dates

World Animal Protection along with the Asia for Animals coalition is celebrating "World Day for Farmed Animals" on October 2 to bring focus on the need to treat farm animals as sentient beings and make visible the importance and urgency of farm animal welfare. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 2 – "World Day for Farmed Animals"

41. National & States Affairs

The Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry has celebrated the achievements under the 'Swachh Bharat Mission' in the past 6 years on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. The ministry has organised a webinar titled 'Swachhata Ke 6 Saal, Bemisaal'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MoHUA organised – a webinar titled 'Swachhata Ke 6 Saal, Bemisaal'
- Swachh Bharat Mission launched by PM Narendra Modi – in 2014
- MoHUA Minister – Hardeep Singh Puri

42. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

Delhi is ranked first among 19 metropolitan cities in India in recording the highest number of crimes against women, according to data released by the National Crime Records Bureau. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Delhi – recorded the highest number of crimes against women – according to NCRB
- HQs of NCRB – New Delhi | Director – Ram Phal Pawar

43. National & States Affairs

Indian Railways has developed new Freight Business Development (FBD) portal for Freight Clients to increase its freight revenue. The portal has been developed by the team of the Centre for Railway Information Systems (CRIS). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Indian Railways – developed new 'Freight Business Development (FBD) portal' – for Freight Clients
- Chairman of Indian Railways – Vinod Kumar Yadav | HQs – New Delhi
- HQs of CRIS – New Delhi | Chief Systems Manager – Sanjeev Kumar Pal



44. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has presented the "Anundoram Borooh Award 2020" to students who secured 75% or above in matriculation (10th) examination in Guwahati. As part of the award, an amount of Rs 20,000 to each was directly transferred to bank accounts of 16 thousand 944 students for purchasing laptops. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Assam – presented the "Anundoram Borooh Award 2020" – to students who secured 75% or above in 10th
- An amount of Rs 20,000 – to each student's bank a/c for purchasing laptop
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi

45. Defence Affairs

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has unveiled the "Defence Acquisition Procedure (DAP) 2020" which is aligned with the government's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat and giving an impetus to the Make in India initiative. The DAP was prepared under Apurva Chandra. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajnath Singh unveiled – "Defence Acquisition Procedure 2020" – prepared under Apurva Chandra

46. National & States Affairs

Union minister Jitendra Singh has inaugurated 23 road and bridge projects worth around Rs 73 crore in Kathua, Udhampur, Doda and Reasi districts of Jammu and Kashmir. The projects involve a road length of 111 kilometers that will benefit more than 35,000 people in the region. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Jitendra Singh inaugurated – 23 road & bridge Projects – in J&K (Worth: Rs 73 crore)
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha
- Jitendra Singh – MoS of DoNER, MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space

47. Science & Technology

The NASA has launched a spacecraft of Northrop Grumman Cygnus (NG-14 Cygnus) named after "SS Kalpana Chawla", the first Indian-born woman to enter space, for her key contributions to human spaceflight. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NASA launched – "SS Kalpana Chawla" spacecraft of Northrop Grumman Cygnus (NG-14 Cygnus)
- NASA HQs – Washington D.C., USA | Administrator – Jim Bridenstine



48. Banking & Economic Affairs

Indian Bank has introduced a “Kisan Credit Card Loan Scheme” for fishermen in Tamil Nadu. Under this scheme, Kisan credit card loans of up to ₹ 2 lakh as working capital with low-interest rate will be provided. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Indian Bank introduced – “Kisan Credit Card Loan Scheme” for fishermen – in Tamil Nadu (loans of up to ₹ 2 lakh)
- HQs of Indian Bank – Chennai, TN | CEO – Padmaja Chundururu
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor – Banwarilal Purohit

49. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Union textiles minister Smriti Irani has addressed the session of the ‘India-Bangladesh Virtual Conference on Textiles and Apparel Sector’ jointly organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Smriti Irani addressed – the session of the ‘India-Bangladesh Virtual Conference on Textiles and Apparel Sector’
- The conference organised by – CII & FBCCI
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Sheikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid
- HQs of CII – New Delhi | President – Uday Kotak | Director General – Chandrajit Banerjee

50. Obituaries

Kuwait's Emir (Ruler) Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad Al-Sabah has passed away recently. He was 91. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sheikh Sabah al-Ahmad Al-Sabah – Emir (Ruler) of Kuwait – passed away
- Kuwait – Kuwait City – Kuwaiti Dinar | PM – Sabah Al-Khalid Al-Sabah

51. Science & Technology

The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has launched the “Project Management Information System” (P-MIS) portal of the National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB) to monitor the progress of projects and administering loans. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MoHUA – launched “P-MIS” portal – developed by ‘National Capital Region Planning Board’ (New Delhi)
- MoHUA Minister – Hardeep Singh Puri



52. Banking & Economic Affairs

The RBI has excluded 6 Public Sector Banks from the Second Schedule of the “RBI Act – 1934” following their merger with other banks. These 6 banks are Syndicate Bank, OBC, UBI, Andhra Bank, Corporation Bank, and Allahabad Bank. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI – excluded 6 Public Sector Banks from the Second Schedule of the “RBI Act – 1934”
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)

53. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

Actor Sonu Sood who is often dubbed as the "messiah of migrants" for his philanthropic work during coronavirus induced lockdown, has been conferred with the prestigious “SDG Special Humanitarian Action Award” by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sonu Sood – conferred with “SDG Special Humanitarian Action Award” by UNDP
- HQs of UNDP – New York, USA | Administrator – Achim Steiner

54. International Affairs

A 100-bed state-of-the-art Cancer Hospital & 22,000-seater Cricket stadium will be set up in Hulhumale, Maldives under the USD 800 million Line of Credit extended to the Maldives. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 100-bedded Cancer hospital & 22,000-seater Cricket stadium – will be set up in Maldives – by India
- India extended USD 800 million LoC to Maldives for this purpose
- Maldives – Male – Maldivian rufiyaa | President – Ibrahim Mohamed Solih

55. Current GK

Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has stressed upon innovative and efficient measures for conservation and preservation of world-renowned Dal Lake, Wular Lake and other water bodies in the Union territory. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- J & K – stressed upon conservation and preservation of Dal Lake, Wular Lake and other water bodies
- Dal Lake & Wular Lake – located in J & K
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha



56. Obituaries

Lyricist Abhilash, who wrote 'Itni shakti hamein dena daata' has passed away recently. His real name was Om Prakash. And he was 74. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Abhilash or Om Prakash – a Lyricist – passed away

57. Persons in News

Indian government has set up a panel to screen all Chinese Foreign Investment proposals. The panel is headed by the Home Secretary, Ajay Kumar Bhalla. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India set up a panel to screen all Chinese Foreign Investment proposals – headed by 'Ajay Kumar Bhalla'
- Home Secretary of India – Ajay Kumar Bhalla

58. National & States Affairs

The South Eastern Railway has launched a project "Operation My Saheli" to boost the security of women passengers in trains during their entire journey. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- South Eastern Railway launched – "Operation My Saheli" project
- HQs of South Eastern Railway Zone – Kolkata, West Bengal | GM – Sanjay Kumar Mohanty

59. National & States Affairs

The Maharashtra government has banned the sale of unpackaged "loose" cigarettes and beedis, making it the first Indian state to do so. Maharashtra currently contributes to around 8-10% of the cigarette sales volumes. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Maharashtra – the 1st state to ban the sale of unpackaged "loose" cigarettes and beedis
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari

60. National & States Affairs

The Ministry of Home Affairs has sanctioned 3 additional branches of the National Investigation Agency (NIA) to be located at Imphal, Chennai and Ranchi. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ministry of Home Affairs – sanctioned 3 additional branches of NIA – at Imphal, Chennai & Ranchi
- Ministry of Home Affairs – Shri Amit Shah | Constituency – Gandhinagar, Gujarat



61. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The landmark 75th session of the United Nations General Assembly has commenced amidst the devastating coronavirus pandemic from September 15 to September 30, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 75th session of the UNGA – commenced virtually amid coronavirus pandemic
- HQs of UNGA – New York, USA | President – Tijjani Muhammad Bande

62. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

NITI Aayog and Embassy of the Netherlands have signed a Statement of Intent (SoI) on September 28 to support the 'Decarbonization and Energy Transition Agenda' for accommodating cleaner and more energy. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NITI Aayog + Netherlands = signed a Statement of Intent on 'Decarbonization and Energy Transition Agenda'
- NITI Aayog HQs – New Delhi | CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson – Narendra Modi | Vice Chairperson – Rajiv Kumar
- Netherlands – Amsterdam – Euro

63. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Chennai-based small rocket-maker Agnikul Cosmos Private Ltd has signed an agreement with the Alaska Aerospace Corporation to launch indigenously developed "Agnibaan" rocket from foreign rocket ports in the US. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Agnikul Cosmos + Alaska Aerospace = an agreement to launch "Agnibaan" rocket – in the USA
- HQs of Agnikul Cosmos – Chennai, TN | Co-Founders – Srinath Ravichandran
- HQs of Alaska Aerospace Corporation – Anchorage, USA

64. National & States Affairs

Dalle Khursani, the famous red hot cherry pepper of Sikkim, is set to get a geographical indication (GI) tag from the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Dalle Khursani" – the famous red hot cherry pepper of 'Sikkim' – to get GI tag from DPIIT
- Sikkim: Capital – Gangtok | CM – Prem Singh Tamang | Governor – Ganga Prasad



65. Important Days & Dates

Coffee Board will organise events throughout the State from October 1 to 7 to celebrate “International Coffee Day” that falls on October 1. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 1 – “International Coffee Day”

66. Important Days & Dates

‘Harijan Sevak Sangh’ has celebrated its foundation day on September 30. On this day in 1932, Harijan Sevak Sangh was founded, when Gandhi Ji was in Yervada Jail, Pune and on fast. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 30 – Foundation day of ‘Harijan Sevak Sangh’ (established in – 1932)

67. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The 2nd India-Australia-Japan-USA ministerial meeting was held in Tokyo on October 6. US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo visited Japan to attend the 2nd meeting of the Quad foreign ministers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 2nd “India-Australia-Japan-USA ministerial meeting” or “Quad foreign ministers Meeting” – held Tokyo, Japan
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Yoshihide Suga

68. Defence Affairs

Fast Patrol Vessel (FPV) ICGS 'Kanaklata Barua' of the Indian Coast Guard is commissioned at Kolkata. It has been designed and indigenously built by the Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- ICGS 'Kanaklata Barua' – commissioned at Kolkata
- Designed & indigenously built by – Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd
- FPVs – Fast Patrol Vessels
- HQs of GRSE – Kolkata, India | CMD – Rear Admiral Vipin Kumar Saxena



69. Appointments & Resignations

Vijai Vardhan, a 1985-batch IAS officer, has been appointed as Chief Secretary of Haryana by replacing Keshni Anand Arora. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vijai Vardhan – appointed as Chief Secretary of Haryana (by replacing - Keshni Anand Arora)
- Haryana: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Manohar Lal Khattar | Governor – Satyadev Narayan Arya

70. Current GK

The Jabalpur airport is getting upgraded and its new terminal is likely to be constructed and commissioned by March 2022, according to the Airports Authority of India (AAI). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- A new terminal of “Jabalpur airport” is likely to be constructed and commissioned by – March, 2022
- Jabalpur Airport – located in Madhya Pradesh
- HQs of AAI – New Delhi | Chairman – Arvind Singh

71. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

SBI Cards and American Express have entered a strategic partnership to offer a powerful mix of global benefits and exclusive privileges for discerning consumers in India. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SBI Cards + American Express = a strategic partnership to offer exclusive privileges to their premium consumers
- HQs of SBI Card – Gurugram, Haryana | Chairperson – Rajnish Kumar | MD & CEO – Ashwini Kumar Tewari

72. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

India’s business tycoon and Asia’s richest man Mukesh Ambani continues to top the “IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich list 2020” for the ninth consecutive year with a total wealth of Rs 6,58,400 crore. He has earned Rs 90 crore every hour since the March lockdown, suggests the IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich List 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mukesh Ambani – topped “IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich list 2020” for the 9th consecutive year
- Total wealth – Rs 6,58,400 Cr | He earned Rs 90 Cr / hour since March lockdown



73. International Affairs

Human rights organisation Amnesty International has decided to halt its operations in India after a successful 8-year run alleging that its bank accounts were frozen as part of government's "witch-hunt". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Amnesty International – decided to halt its operations in India
- HQs of Amnesty International – London, UK | Secretary-General – Kumi Naidoo

74. Science & Technology

Science and Technology Minister Dr Harsh Vardhan has launched the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) Technologies for rural development. The technologies were launched under a joint initiative of CSIR, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA), IIT Delhi and Vijnana Bharti (VIBHA). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dr Harsh Vardhan – launched the 'CSIR Technologies for Rural Development'
- A joint initiative of = CSIR + UBA + IIT Delhi + VIBHA

75. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Flipkart has announced a partnership with Bajaj Allianz General Insurance Company to offer 'Digital Suraksha Group Insurance for customers in the country. This policy will cover financial losses caused by various kinds of online frauds and cyber attacks. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Flipkart + Bajaj Allianz = to offer 'Digital Suraksha Group Insurance for customers
- HQs of Flipkart – Bangalore, Karnataka | Chairperson – Binny Bansal
- HQs of Bajaj Allianz Gen. Ins.– Pune, MH | CEO – Tapan Singhel

76. International Affairs

The Ministry of External Affairs is creating a new vertical, which includes a new Oceania territorial division with Australia at its centre, as well as including the Indo-Pacific and Asean divisions within it. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ministry of External Affairs – to create a new Oceania Territorial Division
- Ministry of External Affairs – Subrahmanyam Jaishankar | Constituency – Gujarat



77. National & States Affairs

In Maharashtra's Sangli district, the police have launched a campaign, 'No Mask, No Ride' to contain the spread of Coronavirus in the region. The campaign is part of the state government's "My Family, My Responsibility" which was launched on 15th of September to control the surging pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 'No Mask, No Ride' campaign – launched in Sangli, Maharashtra
- "My Family, My Responsibility" – belongs to Maharashtra
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari

78. National & States Affairs

Indian Railways has rolled out User Depot Module (UDM) developed by Centre for Railway Information Systems (CRIS) digitally across all user depots of Western Railway. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Indian Railways rolled out – User Depot Module (UDM) – developed by CRIS
- Chairman of Indian Railways – Vinod Kumar Yadav | HQs – New Delhi
- HQs of CRIS – New Delhi | Chief Systems Manager – Sanjeev Kumar Pal

79. Science & Technology

ICMR scientists have flagged presence of another Chinese virus called 'Cat Que Virus', which has a potential to cause disease in India, even as it grapples with the Covid pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- ICMR scientists warned India for the presence of another Chinese virus called – 'Cat Que Virus'
- HQs of ICMR – New Delhi, India | Director General – Balram Bhargava

80. Ordinance, Bills and Acts

President Ram Nath Kovind has given his assent to the 3 labour codes. The Industrial Relations Code combines the features of 3 erstwhile laws - the Trade Unions Act, 1926, the Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act, 1946, and the Industrial Disputes Act, 1947. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ram Nath Kovind – gave his assent to the 3 Labour Codes
- Trade Unions Act, 1926 | Industrial Employment (Standing Orders) Act, 1946 | Industrial Disputes Act, 1947



81. National & States Affairs

Telangana chief minister K Chandrasekhar Rao will launch web portal “Dharani” for integrated land record management on October 26 on the occasion of Dasara. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Telangana – to launch “Dharani” web portal on the occasion of Dasara
- Telangana: Capital – Hyderabad | CM – K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor – Tamilisai Soundararajan

82. International Affairs

The city of Tel Aviv is working on creating wireless electric roads to charge and power public transportation in the city. With this, this city has become the first city with electric roads that charge public buses. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Tel Aviv (Israel) – became the first city with Electric roads that charge public buses
- Israel – Jerusalem – Israeli Shekel | President – Reuven Rivlin | PM – Benjamin Netanyahu

83. Appointments & Resignations

Kuwait's Sheikh Nawaf al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah has sworn in as the Gulf monarchy's new Emir in parliament. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sheikh Nawaf al-Ahmad al-Jaber al-Sabah – sworn in as new Emir of – Kuwait
- Kuwait – Kuwait City – Kuwaiti Dinar | PM – Sabah Al-Khalid Al-Sabah

84. Current GK

“Chandaka-Dampara Wildlife Sanctuary” in Odisha, which was closed since March 27 in view of the COVID-19 pandemic, will reopen its gates for the public from October 2. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Chandaka-Dampara Wildlife Sanctuary” – in Odisha
- Odisha: Capital – Bhubaneswar | CM – Naveen Patnaik | Governor – Ganeshi Lal



85. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

State Bank of India (SBI) has partnered with Hindustan Unilever (HUL) to offer an instant paperless overdraft facility of up to Rs 50,000 to retailers of the FMCG multinational for their billings with distributors. The retailers will first have to register on the company's Shikhar app - a digital ordering platform. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SBI + HUL = partnership to offer an instant paperless overdraft facility of up to Rs 50,000
- Shikhar app – belongs to HUL | Yono app – SBI
- 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
- HQs of HUL – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Sanjiv Mehta

86. Important Days & Dates

“International Day of Older Persons” is observed on October 1 every year. It is a United Nations designated day to focus on the well-being and special needs of the elderly people. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 1 – UN's “International Day of Older Persons”
- HQs of UN – New York, United States | Director – Antonio Guterres

87. Banking & Economic Affairs

The Reserve Bank of India has deferred implementation of provisions made under Basel III capital due to uncertainty related to Covid crisis. RBI would push back the final tranche of the Capital Conservation Buffer (CCB) and the implementation of Net Stable Funding Ratio (NSFR) by 6 months. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI – deferred implementation of provisions made under Basel III capital
- RBI – to push back final tranche of CCB & NSFR – by 6 months
- CCB – Capital Conservation Buffer | NSFR – Net Stable Funding Ratio
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)



88. Amount & Agreements

The New Development Bank (NDB) of the BRICS countries has approved USD 241 million loan for Mumbai Metro and USD 500 million for the Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) Project. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NDB approved USD 241 million loan – for Mumbai Metro Rail Project
- NDB approved USD 500 million loan – for Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS Project
- HQs of NDB – Shanghai, China | President – Marcos Troyjo
- NDB established by – BRICS Countries – In 2014
- BRICS Countries – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa

89. Banking & Economic Affairs

Indian Bank, a premier Public Sector Bank, has launched another green initiative, “IB-eNote” that enables a totally paperless working environment. The IB e-Note is a tool that enables processing and tracking of notes put up by various offices digitally. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Indian Bank launched another green initiative – “IB-eNote” for paperless working environment
- HQs of Indian Bank – Chennai, Tamil Nadu | CEO – Padmaja Chunduru

90. National & States Affairs

The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) is planning to undertake ‘Sanitation Literacy Campaign’ (SLC) from October 2 to promote literacy on 'WASH' (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) in 2,000 villages across the country covering one lakh rural population. Rs 800 crore has been for this purpose. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NABARD – planning to undertake ‘Sanitation Literacy Campaign’ – to promote literacy on 'WASH'
- WASH – Water, Sanitation and Hygiene | Amount allocated – Rs 800 Cr
- HQs of NABARD – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Chintala Govinda Rajulu



91. Important Days & Dates

October 1 is celebrated as “World Vegetarian Day” by people across the globe. The day was established by the North American Vegetarian Society in 1977 to promote a vegetarian lifestyle and make people aware of the benefits of eating a vegan diet. October 1 also marks the beginning of “Vegetarian Awareness Month.” [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October 1 – “World Vegetarian Day” – by ‘North American Vegetarian Society’ – since 1977
- October – “Vegetarian Awareness Month”

92. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar has addressed the “UN Biodiversity Summit” on October 01. Javadekar said “India aims to restore 26 million hectares of degraded and deforested land, and achieve land-degradation neutrality by 2030.” [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Prakash Javadekar addressed – “UN Biodiversity Summit” on October 01
- India’s Aim: to restore 26 million hectares of degraded land & achieve land-degradation neutrality by – 2030

93. National & States Affairs

The Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU) has decided to start an independent ‘Maratha kingdom’ study and research centre, through which a detailed study of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and other Maratha kings will be undertaken at the university. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Savitribai Phule Pune University – decided to start an independent ‘Maratha kingdom’ study and research centre
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari

94. Ordinance, Bills and Acts

The President Ram Nath Kovind has given his assent to the Taxation and Other Laws (Relaxation and Amendment of Certain Provisions) Bill, 2020, which will extend compliance-related timelines for taxpayers while offering significant relief to foreign investors. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ram Nath Kovind gave his assent to – Taxation and Other Laws (Relaxation and Amendment of Certain Provisions) Bill, 2020
- HQs of CBDT – New Delhi | Chairman – Pramod Chandra Mody



95. Important Days & Dates

On this occasion, to mark the 20 years of the first light event of the 2m optical-infrared 'Himalayan Chandra Telescope' (HCT) at the Indian Astronomical Observatory (IAO) has organized a 2-day online science workshop during September 29-30, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 'Himalayan Chandra Telescope' of IAO – completed 20 years recently
- HQs of IAO – Leh, Ladakh

96. Important Days & Dates

Doctors and nurses in Madurai's Government Rajaji Hospital have taken a pledge to mark 'Pinktober' or the "World Breast Cancer Awareness Month" being observed in October. Pinktober is observed to create awareness among women about early screening and diagnosis for breast cancer. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- October – observed as "World Breast Cancer Awareness Month" or 'Pinktober'
- Rajaji Hospital – located in Madurai, Tamil Nadu

97. Banking & Economic Affairs

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has set the Ways and Means Advances (WMAs) limit at Rs 1.25 lakh crore for the central government for the second half of FY21. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI set the WMAs limit at Rs 1.25 lakh crore – for the second half of FY21
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)

98. Obituaries

Noted literary critic G. S. Amur has recently passed away after suffering from age-related illness. He was 95. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- G. S. Amur – Author – passed away



99. National & States Affairs

Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat has inaugurated a 25-kilowatt capacity “Pirul Power Project” worth Rs 25 lakhs for generating electricity using Pirul (dry pine needles) at Chakon Dhanari village in Uttarakhand. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Uttarakhand inaugurated – 25-kilowatt capacity “Pirul Power Project” – worth Rs 25 lakhs
- Uttarakhand: Capital – Dehradun & Gairsain | CM – Trivendra Singh Rawat | Governor – Baby Rani Maurya

100. Current GK

Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant met Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi to discuss the state's dispute over “Mahadayi river” water sharing with Karnataka. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mahadayi river – located in Karnataka
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – B S Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala





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