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We hope you will make the best of use of this PDF and perform well in MockDrill Tests at Testzone.

All the best!

Regards

Team Smartkeeda



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आभार,

टीम स्मार्टकीड़ा



## 1. International Affairs

Qatar has announced changes to its labour laws, raising the minimum wage by 25% to 1,000 riyals (\$275) a month. It has also scrapped a requirement for workers to get permission from their employers to change jobs. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Qatar – announced change to its labour laws and increased the monthly minimum wage by 25%
- Qatar – Doha – Riyal | PM – Khalid bin Khalifa bin Abdulaziz Al Thani

## 2. Science & Technology

IIT Delhi incubated startup Chakr Innovation has launched 'Chakr DeCoV' to decontaminate N95 masks. Designed in the shape of a cabinet, Chakr DeCoV is built with an innovative decontamination mechanism. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- IIT Delhi incubated startup Chakr Innovation launched – 'Chakr DeCoV'

## 3. National & States Affairs

Union Ministry of Home Affairs has issued the guidelines for Unlock 4.0 recently. While schools and colleges will remain shut till September end, they can call in 50% of their teachers for facilitating online teaching. Students of classes 9 to 12 can visit schools on a "voluntary basis" to clear their doubts. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Ministry of Home Affairs – issued the guidelines for 'Unlock 4.0'
- Ministry of Home Affairs – Shri Amit Shah | Constituency – Gandhinagar, Gujarat

## 4. Appointments & Resignations

Isle of Man betting group Celton Manx has confirmed the appointment of West Indies cricket icon Dwayne Bravo as the first cricket ambassador for its flagship SBOTOP sportsbook brand. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Dwayne Bravo – appointed as the first cricket ambassador for "SBOTOP" Sportsbook brand

## 5. Appointments & Resignations

State-owned Punjab & Sind Bank has appointed 'S Krishnan' as its Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- S Krishnan – appointed as the MD & CEO of – Punjab & Sind Bank
- HQs of Punjab & Sind Bank – New Delhi | MD & CEO – S Krishnan



## 6. National & States Affairs

The Union Cabinet has approved a National Programme for Civil Services Capacity Building (NPCSCB) dubbed as “Mission Karmayogi” - the biggest bureaucratic reform initiative. It is aimed at capacity building of government employees to make them more creative, proactive, professional and technology-enabled. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Union Cabinet approved – “Mission Karmayogi” - for capacity building of government employees

## 7. National & States Affairs

The State Forest Department of Punjab has launched “I Rakhwali” application to help netizens to become 'Greenery Saviours' and maintain the environment in Punjab. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Punjab – launched “I Rakhwali” application
- Punjab: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Captain Amarinder Singh | Governor – V. P. Singh Badnore

## 8. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the 13<sup>th</sup> edition of “Global Innovation Index List-2020” released jointly by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Cornell University and INSEAD Business School, India has entered the group of top 50 countries in the Global Innovation Index for the first time, moving to the 48<sup>th</sup> rank and keeping the top position among the nations in central and southern Asia. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- “Global Innovation Index List-2020” – released by WIPO + Cornell University and INSEAD Business School
- India – 48<sup>th</sup> | Topped by – Switzerland
- WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization) – Geneva, Switzerland

## 9. Banking & Economic Affairs

The umbrella body for non-banking financial companies (NBFCs), Finance Industry Development Council (FIDC), wrote to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) requesting it to review the latest current account circular. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Finance Industry Development Council (FIDC) requested RBI to review new current account rules
- HQs of FIDC – Mumbai, Maharashtra
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25<sup>th</sup>)



## 10. Important Days & Dates

Union Department of Fertilizers is observing “Swachhta Pakhwada” from 1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September 2020. All PSUs and other Organizations under the Department are participating in the Swachhta Abhiyan in a big way. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Department of Fertilizers – observed “Swachhta Pakhwada” from 1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September 2020

## 11. Banking & Economic Affairs

The RBI has issued revised guidelines for priority sector lending to enable better credit penetration to credit deficient areas and increase lending to small and marginal farmers besides weaker sections. The loan limit was doubled for Renewable Energy & Health Infrastructure. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- RBI issued revised Guidelines for Priority Sector Lending
- The loan limit was doubled for – Renewable Energy & Health Infrastructure
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25<sup>th</sup>)

## 12. Current GK

Toxic effluents discharged into lakes near Peenya Industrial Area has left the “Nelagadaranahalli Lake” contaminated with high-levels of non-biodegradable chemicals, as well as heavy metals. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- “Nelagadaranahalli Lake” – Karnataka
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – BS Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala

## 13. Books & Authors

Two books on Sheela Birnstiel, popularly known as Ma Anand Sheela or Sheela Ambalal Patel, are set to be published in a couple of months. One is "Nothing To Lose" written by Manbeena Sandhu & will be published by Harper Collins. In November, Penguin Random House will come out with Ma Anand Sheela's memoir titled, “My Story in My Own Words”. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- “Nothing To Lose” biography of Sheela Birnstiel – written by Manbeena Sandhu – to be published by Harper Collins
- Ma Anand Sheela's memoir titled, “My Story in My Own Words” – to be published by Penguin Random House



#### 14. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Rajasthan government has signed an MoU with Shri Vallabh Pittie (SVP) International Group for development of facilities related to aviation, defence and textile sectors. Investment of Rs 4,000 Cr is estimated under the projects. [{Read more}](#)

##### Key Points:

- Rajasthan + SVP International Group = signed an MoU (Investment of – Rs 4,000 Cr)
- Rajasthan: Capital – Jaipur | CM – Ashok Gehlot | Governor – Kalraj Mishra

#### 15. Current GK

Ambassador of Poland to India has shared pictures of Qutub Minar illuminated in red and white lights to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the solidarity movement of Poland. [{Read more}](#)

##### Key Points:

- Qutub Minar (New Delhi) – was illuminated in red and white lights to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of – Poland
- Poland – Warsaw – Polish Zloty | President – Andrzej Sebastian Duda

#### 16. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The government has approved for signing a pact between India and Japan aimed at increasing India's exports of textile and apparel to the Japanese market and to boost co-operation in the textiles sector. [{Read more}](#)

##### Key Points:

- India + Japan = an MoU to increase India's Exports of Textile
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Shinzo Abe

#### 17. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the new analysis by the UN Women and the UN Development Programme (UNDP), the COVID-19 pandemic will disproportionately affect women and push 47 million more women and girls into extreme poverty by 2021. [{Read more}](#)

##### Key Points:

- According to UNDP, COVID-19 will push 47 million more women and girls into extreme poverty – by 2021
- HQs of UNDP – New York, USA | Administrator – Achim Steiner



## 18. National & States Affairs

Uttarakhand and Karnataka are paired under 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' programme to promote national integration through mutual understanding. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Uttarakhand & Karnataka – paired under 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' programme
- Uttarakhand: Capital – Dehradun & Gairsain | CM – Trivendra Singh Rawat | Governor – Baby Rani Maurya
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – BS Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala

## 19. National & States Affairs

Jal Shakti Ministry has launched the "Water Heroes - Share Your Stories" contest with an aim to reach out to people on the important subject of water conservation and management. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Jal Shakti Ministry launched – "Water Heroes - Share Your Stories" contest
- Minister of Jal Shakti – Gajendra Singh Sekhawat | Constituency – Jodhpur, Rajasthan

## 20. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has signed an MoU with Maharashtra government to develop the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME) ecosystem in the state. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- SIDBI + Maharashtra = signed an MoU to develop MSME ecosystem in the state
- HQs of SIDBI – Lucknow, UP | Chairman – Mohammad Mustafa
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari
- Nitin Gadkari – Ministry of Road Transport and Highway, Ministry of MSMEs (Nagpur, Maharashtra)

## 21. International Affairs

In a historic step towards peace in the Middle East, the first commercial direct flight between Israel and the UAE landed in Abu Dhabi. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- The 1<sup>st</sup> commercial direct flight between Israel & the UAE landed – in Abu Dhabi
- UAE – Abu Dhabi – Dirham | President – Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan
- Israel – Jerusalem – Israeli Shekel | President – Reuven Rivlin | PM – Benjamin Netanyahu





## 22. Current GK

Karnataka, Uttarakhand and Tripura will celebrate Mahalaya Amavasya during September while Sikkim will observe Pang-Lhabso. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Karnataka, Uttarakhand & Tripura – will celebrate “Mahalaya Amavasya”
- Sikkim – to observe “Pang-Lhabso”

## 23. Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

For the first time, Sudha Painuli, a teacher of Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) established under the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has been selected for the National Award to Teachers (NAT). [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Sudha Painuli (a teacher of Eklavya Model Residential Schools) – selected for the National Award to Teachers
- Eklavya Model Residential Schools – established by ‘Ministry of Tribal Affairs’ | Located at – Uttarakhand
- Uttarakhand: Capital – Dehradun & Gairsain | CM – Trivendra Singh Rawat | Governor – Baby Rani Maurya



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## 24. Science & Technology

The Union Minister of Education Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ has launched ‘EnglishPro’, a free mobile app developed by the English and Foreign Languages University (EFLU), Hyderabad. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ launched – ‘EnglishPro’ a free mobile app – developed by EFLU (Hyderabad)
- Ministry of Education – Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’ (Constituency – Haridwar, Uttarakhand)

## 25. Books & Authors

The book titled, "Let Us Dream" is set to be released in December 2020. It is a product of the numerous exchanges between Pope Francis and his biographer Austen Ivereigh. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- The book titled "Let Us Dream" – is set to be released by ‘Pope Francis’ in December 2020



## 26. Science & Technology

LazyPay, India's most popular Pay Later offering by PayU Finance, has launched a first of its kind digital credit card called "LazyUPI" that combines the power of UPI and the Buy-Now-Pay-Later concept. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- LazyPay (PayU) – launched a first of its kind digital credit card called "LazyUPI"
- HQs of PayU – Netherlands | CEO – Laurent le Moal

## 27. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

The world has missed out on significant opportunities to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, according to a report titled "Enhancing Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) for Food Systems" released on September 1, 2020 and published by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP). [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- "Enhancing Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) for Food Systems" report – released by UNEP
- HQs of UNEP – Nairobi, Kenya | Executive Director – Inger Andersen

## 28. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

The Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, has maintained its lead as the country's top institution among the 63 Indian institutions in the "World University Rankings 2021" released by the UK based Times Higher Education (THE). [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- IISc Bengaluru – topped "World University Rankings 2021" among the 63 Indian institutions
- The rankings released by – Times Higher Education (located in – UK)

## 29. Ordinance, Bills and Acts

Union Cabinet has approved the "Jammu and Kashmir Official Languages Bill-2020" in which 5 languages Urdu, Kashmiri, Dogri, Hindi and English will be official languages. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Union Cabinet approved "Jammu & Kashmir Official Languages Bill-2020"
- 5 languages – Urdu, Kashmiri, Dogri, Hindi & English
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha



### 30. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

RBL Bank has partnered with Empays Payment Systems to launch cardless cash withdrawal facility from ATMs, leveraging the Instant Money Transfer (IMT) system. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- RBL Bank + Empays Payment Systems – to launch cardless cash withdrawal facility from ATMs
- HQs of RBL Bank – Mumbai, MH | MD & CEO – Vishwavir Ahuja
- HQs of Empays Payment Systems – Mumbai, MH | CEO – Ravi Rajagopalan

### 31. National & States Affairs

The Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY) has issued orders to ban 118 more Chinese apps after banning 59 apps in the first round. The new apps include popular mobile gaming app PUBG, and apps from the stable of Baidu, Tencent and Xiaomi. The apps have been banned invoking powers under section 69A of the Information Technology Act. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- MeitY – issued orders to ban 118 more Chinese apps – under section 69A of the Information Technology Act
- Ravi Shankar Prasad – Ministry of Communications, MeitY, Law and Justice (Patna Sahib, Bihar)



### 32. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The government has proved an MoU between India and Finland for cooperation in the field of Geology and Mineral Resources. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- India + Finland = an MoU for cooperation in the field of Geology and Mineral Resources
- Finland – Helsinki – Euro | PM – Sanna Marin

### 33. Science & Technology

Two alumni of IIT-BHU Ravi Teja and Mayur Dhurpate have developed “iMumz app”, which was declared the India’s second best app in health category in the prestigious ‘AatmaNirbhar Bharat App Innovation Challenge’. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- “iMumz app” – declared the India’s second best app in health category
- Developed by – Two alumni of IIT-BHU “Ravi Teja & Mayur Dhurpate”



### 34. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Ltd (APIIC) has inked an MoU with CSIR-IICT (Indian Institute of Chemical Technology) to set up a bulk drug pharma park in the state of with the Centre's support. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

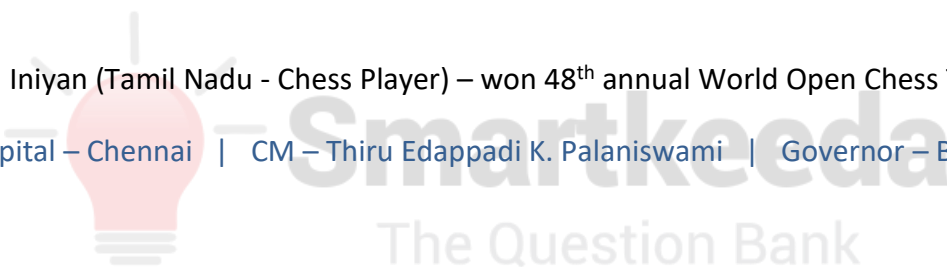
- Andhra Pradesh + CSIR-IICT = to set up a bulk Drug Pharma Park
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amaravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan
- HQs of CSIR – New Delhi | CSIR President – Narendra Modi | Director General – Shekhar C. Mande

### 35. Sports & Games

India's Grandmaster Panneerselvam Iniyam has won the 48<sup>th</sup> annual World Open Chess Tournament (online) recently. Iniyam scored 7.5 points from nine games. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Panneerselvam Iniyam (Tamil Nadu - Chess Player) – won 48<sup>th</sup> annual World Open Chess Tournament
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor – Banwarilal Purohit



### 36. Books & Authors

The UN Environment Programme (UNEP) has launched a new publication, "The Little Book of Green Nudges". It aims to inspire up to 200 million students around the globe to adopt environmentally friendly habits and greener lifestyles. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- "The Little Book of Green Nudges" – a new publication launched by UNEP
- HQs of UNEP – Nairobi, Kenya | Executive Director – Inger Andersen

### 37. Appointments & Resignations

The Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC) approved the appointment of Vinod Kumar Yadav as the Chairman and Chief Executive of the Railway Board. He is currently the chairman of the Railway board. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Vinod Kumar Yadav – appointed as the 1<sup>st</sup> ever CEO of Railway Board
- HQs of Indian Railways – New Delhi | Chairman & CEO – Vinod Kumar Yadav



### 38. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The 12<sup>th</sup> Mekong Ganga Cooperation Senior Officials' Meeting was held via Video Conference on 3 September 2020. The meeting was attended by Senior Officials from all 6 MGC Member States - India, Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Thailand and Vietnam. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- 12<sup>th</sup> edition of "Mekong Ganga Cooperation Senior Officials' Meeting" held on 3 September

### 39. Obituaries

Former England all-rounder David Capel has passed away recently. He was 57 and diagnosed with a brain tumor in 2018. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- David Capel (UK) – a Cricketer – passed away
- UK – London – Pound Sterling | PM of UK – Boris Johnson

### 40. Science & Technology

The most massive 'Impossible' black hole collision has been discovered by the LIGO and VIRGO Scientific Collaboration also known as LVC (LIGO Scientific Collaboration and Virgo Collaboration). The research was published in Astrophysical Journal. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- The most massive 'Impossible' black hole collision – discovered by the LIGO & VIRGO Scientific Collaboration
- The research was published in – Astrophysical Journal

### 41. Science & Technology

Researchers from Kerala and West Bengal have identified a new species of freshwater fish namely "Systemus gracilus" from the Ganga in West Bengal. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- "Systemus gracilus" – a species of Fish – discovered in West Bengal
- West Bengal: Capital – Kolkata | CM – Mamta Banerjee | Governor – Jagdeep Dhankar

### 42. Appointments & Resignations

Bajaj Allianz Life has announced the appointment of Bollywood actor Ayushmann Khurrana as its Brand Ambassador to promote its products and digital services across offline and online mediums. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Ayushmann Khurrana – appointed as the brand ambassador of – Bajaj Allianz Life
- HQs of Bajaj Allianz Gen. Ins. – Pune, MH | CEO – Tapan Singhel



### 43. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

India will host a summit of the council of heads of government of the SCO on November 30 with a focus on contributing to the trade and economic agenda of the influential grouping. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- India – to host a Summit of the Council of heads of government of the SCO

### 44. Acquisitions & Mergers

The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved incremental acquisition of 6.51% stake by SABIC International Holdings B.V. (SABIC BV) in ClariantAG under Section 31(1) of the Competition Act. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- CCI approved incremental acquisition of 6.51% stake – in ClariantAG under – by SABIC International Holdings
- Under – Section 31(1) of the Competition Act
- CCI HQs – New Delhi | Chairman – Ashok Kumar Gupta

### 45. National & States Affairs

Gujarat government has decided to cut down the salaries of MLAs and ministers by 30% for one year due to COVID-19 pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Gujarat – decided to cut down the salaries of MLAs and ministers by 30% for one year
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Vijay Rupani | Governor – Acharya Devvrat

### 46. Science & Technology

'SpiceJet' has launched a compact, portable, non-invasive ventilation device namely 'SpiceOxy'. A ventilator and an oximeter – both of these are essential for patients suffering from serious Corona Virus infected patients. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- SpiceJet launched – 'SpiceOxy' a compact, portable, non-invasive ventilation device
- HQs of SpiceJet – Gurugram, Haryana | CEO – Ajay Singh



## 47. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The Saudi G20 Presidency has hosted an extraordinary virtual G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting from Riyadh. The meeting was focused on the way forward to realize opportunities of the 21<sup>st</sup> century for all. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- The virtual G20 Foreign Ministers' Extraordinary Meeting – hosted by Saudi Arabia
- Saudi Arab – Riyadh – Saudi Riyal

## 48. Current GK

HCL Company is extending support to India's largest zoo - the Arignar Anna Zoological Park in Chennai - as well as the Madras Crocodile Bank, to help them overcome the challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Arignar Anna Zoological Park – Tamil Nadu
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor – Banwarilal Purohit

## 49. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The Centre for Cellular and Molecular Platforms (C-CAMP) has signed a pact with the India Sweden Healthcare Innovation Centre (ISIC) to jointly identify and nurture frugal innovations and make quality healthcare affordable and accessible. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- C-CAMP + ISIC = signed a pact to jointly identify and nurture frugal innovations
- HQs of C-CAMP – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Dr. Taslimarif Saiyed

## 50. Appointments & Resignations

South Indian Bank has approved appointment of Murali Ramakrishnan as its MD and CEO with effect from October 1. Ramakrishnan had retired from ICICI Bank as Senior General Manager at Strategic Project Group on May 30, 2020 and joined the South Indian Bank as an advisor on July 1, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Murali Ramakrishnan – appointed as the MD & CEO of – South Indian Bank
- Retired from – ICICI Bank as Senior General Manager
- HQs of South Indian Bank – Thrissur, Kerala | MD & CEO – Murali Ramakrishnan



## 51. Sports & Games

The Cycling Federation of India (CFI) will host the first-ever “Cycling Summit” in 2021 across Delhi, Mumbai and Bengaluru. The CFI has signed an MoU with a new-age marketing exploration firm, Contarctica for the summit. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Cycling Federation of India will host the 1<sup>st</sup> ever “Cycling Summit” in 2021 – acrosss Delhi, Mumbai & Bengaluru
- HQs of CFI – New Delhi | President – Parminder Singh Dhindsa

## 52. Current GK

With the Kolleru lake reaching its brim at Atapaka Bird Sanctuary, communication to some island villages has been cut off and residents are crossing the lake through boats. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Atapaka Bird Sanctuary & Kolleru lake – located in Andhra Pradesh
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amaravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan

## 53. Books & Authors

A book titled “The Commonwealth of Cricket: A Lifelong Love Affair with the Most Subtle and Sophisticated Game Known to Humankind” authored by Ramachandra Guha will be co-published by HarperCollins India and William Collins UK. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- “The Commonwealth of Cricket: A Lifelong Love Affair with the Most Subtle and Sophisticated Game Known to Humankind” book – authored by Ramachandra Guha

## 54. National & States Affairs

Uttar Pradesh government has decided to set up exclusive Anti-Electricity Theft Police Stations in every district of state to address the problem of frequent cases of power theft. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Uttar Pradesh – decided to set up exclusive Anti-Electricity Theft Police Stations
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel





## 55. National & States Affairs

The Ministry of Home Affairs has notified 'Rules of Transaction of Business' of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 55 of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganization Act, 2019. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Ministry of Home Affairs – Transaction of Business of the Government of J & K
- Under – Section 55 of the J & K Reorganization Act, 2019
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha

## 56. Amount & Agreements

Japan's donor agency JICA has signed an agreement with the Indian government under which Japan will provide about Rs 3,500 Cr in loan to boost the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic in India. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- JICA (Japan) + India = signed an agreement for Official Development Assistance (ODA) loan worth Rs. 3,500 Cr
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Shinzo Abe

## 57. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the data shared by National Crime Records Bureau, Delhi has recorded the highest number of deaths due to dangerous driving and overall road accidents in 2019 among all cities. Number of accidents in city, however, sees a decline of 7.2% as compared to 2018. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- According to NCRB – Delhi recorded the highest number of deaths due to dangerous driving & road accidents
- HQs of NCRB – New Delhi | Director – Ram Phal Pawar

## 58. Banking & Economic Affairs

As per the research report Ecowrap of SBI as on September 3, 2020, India's real Gross Domestic Product (GDP) is likely to contract by 10.9% in the financial year 2020-21. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- As per SBI's Ecowrap reports – India's GDP – (-10.9%) in 2020-21 FY [{Flexible News}](#)
- Ecowrap – a research organisation of SBI bank
- HQs of SBI Bank – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Rajnish Kumar
- MD & CEO – Challa Sreenivasulu Setty | Deputy MD & CFO – Chalasani Venkat Nageswar



## 59. Science & Technology

Two final year B.Tech students, Rohit Kumar Chaudhary and Kavin Agrawal, pursuing Civil Engineering at IIT Bombay, launched AIR Scanner, a free-of-cost document-scanning mobile application. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Two students of IIT Bombay – launched “AIR Scanner” a free-of-cost document-scanning mobile application

## 60. Acquisitions & Mergers

Adani Group has acquired a 74% stake in Mumbai International Airport Limited (MIAL), a joint venture between the Airports Authority of India and GVK Industries. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Adani Group acquired – 74% stake in Mumbai International Airport Limited
- HQs of Adani Group – Ahmedabad, Gujarat | CEO – Karan Adani

## 61. Defence Affairs

China has reportedly built a Surface-to-Air Missile near a lake, which is a part of the ‘Kailash-Mansarovar’ amid tensions with India over the standoff in Eastern Ladakh sector. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- China – built a ‘Surface-to-Air Missile’ near a Lake
- ‘Kailash-Mansarovar’ – China
- China – Beijing – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping

## 62. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

A team of researchers from IIT Guwahati, in collaboration with scientists from the University of Pardubice, Czech Republic is developing Indigenous Algorithms that can protect the Nation’s digital data from cyber-attacks by advanced computers. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- IIT Guwahati + University of Pardubice (Czech Republic) – to protect the Nation’s digital data
- Czech Republic – Prague – koruna

## 63. Persons in News

Union Minister R K Singh has launched the Green Term Ahead Market (GTAM) for Electricity, a move that will lead to an increase in the participants in the renewable energy sector. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- R K Singh – launched the Green Term Ahead Market (GTAM) for Electricity
- GTAM – Green Term Ahead Market



## 64. National & States Affairs

Karnataka has invited Domestic & Global toymakers in line with PM's vision of boosting toy manufacturing in India. Koppal has been identified for the toy cluster. It is expected to attract around Rs 5,000 Cr investment at the toy cluster. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- India's 1<sup>st</sup> toy manufacturing cluster to come up in – Koppal, Karnataka (Expected investment – Rs 5,000 Cr)
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – BS Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala

## 65. Persons in News

The IRDAI has constituted a 6-member working group headed by Dinesh Pant to examine various aspects for allowing life insurance companies to offer index-linked products. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- IRDAI constituted a 6-member working group – headed by Dinesh Pant
- HQs of IRDAI – Hyderabad, Telangana | Chairman – Subhash C. Khuntia

## 66. Appointments & Resignations

Aveek Sarkar, the Editor Emeritus and Vice Chairman of the Ananda Bazar Group of Publications, has been elected as Chairman of Press Trust of India. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Aveek Sarkar – appointed as Chairman of Press Trust of India
- HQs of PTI – New Delhi

## 67. International Affairs

The High Commission of India has gifted books to 100 universities and colleges in Bangladesh to mark "Mujib Barsho" - the birth centenary year of Bangladesh's founder president Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- High Commission of India gifted books to 100 universities and colleges – to mark "Mujib Barsho – in Bangladesh
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Seikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid



## 68. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Federal Bank and Innoviti Payment Solutions have announced their partnership to provide convenient and affordable options of Federal Bank Debit Cards through Innoviti POS terminals. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Federal Bank + Innoviti Payment Solutions = partnership to provide Federal Bank Debit Cards
- HQs Federal Bank – Kerala | MD & CEO – Shyam Srinivasan
- HQs of Innoviti Payment Solutions – Bangalore, Karnataka | CEO – Rajeev Agrawal

## 69. National & States Affairs

In Madhya Pradesh, a massive ‘Gandagi Bharat Chhodo’ campaign was launched by the State Government. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Madhya Pradesh – launched ‘Gandagi Bharat Chhodo’ campaign
- Madhya Pradesh: Capital – Bhopal | CM – Shivraj Singh Chouhan | Governor – Anandiben Patel

## 70. Defence Affairs

INDRA NAVY-2020, earlier planned in Vladivostok has been postponed due to Covid-19 pandemic situation. INDRA NAVY-2020 is planned as PASSEX on September 4-5, during the passage of Russian Navy ships from Hambantota to Malacca Straits in the Bay of Bengal. This exercise is held once in 2 years since 2017. Last time, it was held in India in December 2019. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- India + Russia = to conduct “INDRA NAVY-2020”
- Russia – Moscow – Russian Ruble | PM – Mikhail Mishustin | President – Vladimir Putin

## 71. Important Days & Dates

Since 1982, “National Nutrition Week” has been annually observed in the first week of September (1-7) to promote awareness about proper nutrition in a diet. The National Nutrition Week (NNW) is an annual nutrition event organised by Food and Nutrition Board within Ministry of Women and Child Development. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- September (1-7) – “National Nutrition Week” – organised by ‘Food and Nutrition Board’ – since 1982
- The Food and Nutrition Board functions under – Ministry of Women and Child Development
- Smriti Zubin Irani – Minister of Women and Child Development, Minister of Textiles (Constituency – Amethi, UP)



## 72. Important Days & Dates

Punjab National Bank, India's second-largest public sector lender has celebrated "Small Industry Day" by offering 'PNB Seva Scheme'. This Day is observed annually on August 30 in our country. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- August 30 – "Small Industry Day" – celebrated by Punjab National Bank
- HQs of PNB – New Delhi | MD & CEO – S. S. Mallikarjuna Rao

## 73. Books & Authors

Actor Channing Tatum is set to release his first children's book titled "The One and Only Sparkella" and has dedicated it to his 7-year-old daughter Everly. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- "The One and Only Sparkella" book – written by 'Channing Tatum'

## 74. National & States Affairs

The Andhra Pradesh government has reportedly received the IRDA (Insurance Regulatory Development Authority) nod to form its own insurance company. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Andhra Pradesh – received the IRDA nod to form its own insurance company
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amaravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan
- HQs of IRDAI – Hyderabad, Telangana | Chairman – Subhash C. Khuntia

## 75. Books & Authors

Former President Pranab Mukherjee has written a book "The Presidential Years" that chronicles his journey as India's head of state in exhaustive detail. It would be released on his birth anniversary on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2020. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- "The Presidential Years" book – authored by 'Pranab Mukherjee' (to be released on 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2020)



## 76. International Affairs

The World Health Organization (WHO) has certified that Togo has become the first country in Africa to eliminate human African Trypanosomiasis or Sleeping Sickness, a disease caused by parasites transmitted through infected tsetse flies. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Togo – became the first country in Africa to eliminate human African Trypanosomiasis or Sleeping Sickness
- Togo – Lome – CFA franc

## 77. Schemes & Initiatives

A woman was appointed to drive an ambulance in Tamil Nadu, claimed to be the first in the country under a new initiative flagged off by Chief Minister K Palaniswami to strengthen emergency services in the state. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Tamil Nadu – the first in India to appoint a woman to drive an ambulance
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor – Banwarilal Purohit

## 78. Appointments & Resignations

The government has extended Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) chairman Pramod Chandra Mody's tenure for the second time for a period of 6 months with effect from 01.09.2020 to 28.02.2021 or until further orders, whichever is earlier. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Pramod Chandra Mody – tenure extended as the Chairman of CBDT – for a period of 6 months
- HQs of CBDT – New Delhi | Chairman – Pramod Chandra Mody

## 79. National & States Affairs

The Gujarat government has officially announced the inauguration of the 1<sup>st</sup> ever 'Sea Plane Service' in the state from October 31 that marks the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Gujarat – announced the inauguration of the 1<sup>st</sup> ever 'Sea Plane Service'
- October 31 – Birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Vijay Rupani | Governor – Acharya Devvrat



## 80. Banking & Economic Affairs

Private lender ICICI Bank announced the launch of 'Home Utsav', a virtual property exhibition that digitally showcases real estate projects by renowned developers from key cities across the country. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- ICICI Bank – launched 'Home Utsav' a virtual property exhibition
- ICICI Bank: HQs – Mumbai | MD & CEO – Sandeep Bakhshi | Tagline – "Hum Hain Na!"

## 81. Important Days & Dates

"World Coconut Day" is celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, every year. It is observed by the Asian and Pacific Coconut Community (APCC) to emphasise on the importance of the fruit in poverty reduction. This year, the theme was "Invest in Coconut to save the world". [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- September 2 – "World Coconut Day" – by APCC
- Theme – "Invest in Coconut to save the world"

## 82. Appointments & Resignations

Flipkart-owned fashion marketplace Myntra has appointed Bollywood actor Kiara Advani as its Brand Ambassador. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Kiara Advani – appointed as Brand Ambassador of – Myntra
- HQs of Myntra – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Amar Nagaram

## 83. National & States Affairs

India will soon come up with Forensic Accounting and Investigation Standards (FAIS) as it aims to set basic quality parameters for conducting investigations. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- India – will soon come up with Forensic Accounting and Investigation Standards (FAIS)

## 84. Current GK

Fishermen in Wular Lake have fished out a body of a 30-year-old man namely Sarwar Ganaie in north Kashmir's Bandipora district. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Wular Lake – Jammu & Kashmir
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha



## 85. Current GK

A study by the scientists at the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology (WIHG) has found that 15% of Mussoorie Hill Station in Uttarakhand and its surrounding area is highly susceptible to landslides. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- According to WIHG – 15% of Mussoorie hill station is highly susceptible to landslides
- Mussoorie Hill Station – Uttarakhand
- Uttarakhand: Capital – Dehradun & Gairsain | CM – Trivendra Singh Rawat | Governor – Baby Rani Maurya

## 86. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

Amul, Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF), has become the first Indian dairy firm to make a place in the global top 20 list released by Rabobank, a Dutch multinational banking and financial services company. According to the list, Switzerland's Nestle topped the list with a turnover of \$22.1 billion. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Amul – became the first Indian dairy firm to enter into Rabobank's annual listing of "Top 20 Global Dairy-2020"
- HQs of AMUL – Anand, Gujarat | MD – Rupinder Singh Sodhi
- HQs of Rabobank – Utrecht, Netherlands | CEO – Wiebe Draijer

## 87. Amount & Agreements

Japan has extended an emergency support loan of up to 50 billion Yen (almost Rs 3,500 Cr) to back India's response to the Covid-19 crisis. It will help in implementation of health and medical policies and development of hospitals equipped with ICUs. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Japan – extended an Emergency Support Loan of up to 50 billion Yen (almost Rs 3,500 Cr)
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Shinzo Abe

## 88. International Affairs

Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, President of the UAE has approved amendments to the Labour law. The UAE has become the first Arab country to grant a 5-day parental leave to employees in the private sector. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- UAE – became the 1<sup>st</sup> Arab country to grant a 5-day parental leave to employees in the private sector
- UAE – Abu Dhabi – Dirham | President – Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan





## 89. Books & Authors

Filmmaker Karan Johar has penned a children's book, titled "The Big Thoughts of Little Luv", which is inspired from his own experiences as a parent. The book will be published by Juggernaut Books. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- "The Big Thoughts of Little Luv" book – authored by 'Karan Johar'
- Published by – Juggernaut Books

## 90. Current GK

In a departure from the past, the annual migration of butterflies from the hill ranges of the Eastern Ghats towards the Western Ghats is an early phenomenon this year. This year, the first migratory sighting was recorded in the Parambikulam Tiger Reserve in Palakkad district. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Parambikulam Tiger Reserve – Palakkad, Kerala
- Kerala: CM – Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

## 91. Appointments & Resignations

K Padmakar, who is the senior director on Bharat Petroleum Corp Ltd (BPCL), will be given the additional charge of Chairman and Managing Director (CMD). [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- K Padmakar – given additional charge of Chairman and MD of – Bharat Petroleum Corp Ltd
- HQs of BPCL – Mumbai, MH | CMD – K Padmakar

## 92. Schemes & Initiatives

Ram Vilas Paswan has recently reviewed the progress made towards the implementation of "One Nation One Ration Card" Plan and another 2 Union Territories of Ladakh and Lakshadweep approved the integration. With this, a total of 26 States/UTs are now seamlessly connected with each other under the One Nation One Ration Card plan. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- 2 UT of Ladakh and Lakshadweep – included under "One Nation One Ration Card" scheme
- Total 26 States/UTs are now connected – under "One Nation One Ration Card" scheme
- Ladakh: Capital – Leh | Lt. Governor – R K Mathur
- Lakshadweep: Kavaratti | Administrator – Dineshwar Sharma
- Ram Vilas Paswan – Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution (Constituency – Hajipur, Bihar)



### 93. Appointments & Resignations

Lebanon's ambassador to Germany, Mustapha Adib, is set to become country's next Prime Minister after getting the support of senior Sunni politicians . [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Mustapha Adib – to become Prime Minister of Lebanon
- Lebanon – Beirut – Lebanese Pound | PM – Mustapha Adib

### 94. Appointments & Resignations

Hemant Khatri (retired) has assumed charge as Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Hindustan Shipyard Limited. He has rich experience of overseeing construction of 2 naval fleet tankers INS Deepak and INS Shakti in European Shipyards at Italy. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Hemant Khatri – assumed charge as Chairman & MD of – Hindustan Shipyard Limited
- HQs of HSL – Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh | Chairman & MD – Hemant Khatri

### 95. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the latest rankings of global solar companies by Mercom Capital, Adani Group has become the world's largest Solar Power Generation Asset owner in terms of operating, under construction and awarded solar projects. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- Adani Group – became the world's Largest Solar Power Generation Asset owner
- HQs of Adani Group – Ahmedabad, Gujarat | CEO – Karan Adani

### 96. Appointments & Resignations

A one-year extension was given to L C Goyal as the Chairman and Managing Director of India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO) and he will continue in the post till September 1, 2021. [{Read more}](#)

#### Key Points:

- L C Goyal – one year extension as Chairman and MD of – India Trade Promotion Organisation (ITPO)
- HQs of ITPO – New Delhi | Chairman & MD – L C Goyal



## 97. Sports & Games

A floodlit, 15,000-capacity stadium in Sikkim, to be named after Indian football great Bhaichung Bhutia, will be inaugurated once the COVID-19 pandemic subsides. This will be the first-ever stadium in the country to be named after any footballer. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Bhaichung Bhutia (Footballer) – became the first Indian footballer to have a stadium named after him – in Sikkim
- Sikkim: Capital – Gangtok | CM – Prem Singh Tamang | Governor – Ganga Prasad

## 98. Sports & Games

Former Olympic giant slalom champion Viktoria Rebensburg announced her retirement from downhill skiing. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Viktoria Rebensburg (Germany) – announced retirement – from Downhill Skiing
- Germany – Berlin – Euro

## 99. National & States Affairs

The Supreme Court has granted telecom companies 10 years to clear their pending AGR (Adjusted Gross Revenue) dues of around Rs 1.43 lakh Cr to the Indian Government, providing much needed relief to some of the Telcos which could have faced the prospect of winding up their operations for being unable to pay the entire amount at one go. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Supreme Court granted – 10 years to telecom companies to clear their pending AGR (Adjusted Gross Revenue) dues
- Dues worth – Rs 1.43 lakh Cr
- Supreme Court Chief of Justice – Sharad Arvind Bobde (47<sup>th</sup>)

## 100. Defence Affairs

Greece and Turkey are planning Rival Naval Exercises off the Crete Island amid an escalating row over energy claims in the Eastern Mediterranean. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Greece and Turkey – planning ‘Rival Naval Exercises’ – off the Crete Island in Greece
- Greece – Athens – Euro | Turkey – Ankara – Lira
- Turkey – Ankara – Lira | President – Recep Tayyip Erdogan





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