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आभार,

टीम स्मार्टकीड़ा



101. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Tata Consultancy Services has partnered with Transnet Port Terminals in South Africa to create a new platform named 'Cargo Connect'. It will function as an online logistics marketplace where customers can submit logistics related requests and allow service providers to bid online. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- TCS + TPT = partnership to create a new platform named 'Cargo Connect'
- HQs of TCS – Mumbai, MH | MD & CEO – Rajesh Gopinathan
- HQs of TPT – Johannesburg, South Africa | CEO – Portia Derby

102. National & States Affairs

Vodafone Idea has announced its new Unified Brand Identity by renaming all its products under a new name and logo "Vi". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vodafone Idea – announced its new Unified Brand Identity – renaming its products as "Vi"
- HQs of Vodafone Idea – Gandhinagar | CEO – Ravinder Takkar

103. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh was on a 3-day visit to Moscow, Russia to take part in the meeting of Defence ministers of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajnath Singh – attended "SCO Defence Ministers Meeting" – held in Moscow, Russia
- Ministry of Defence – Rajnath Singh (Constituency – Lucknow, UP)
- Russia – Moscow – Russian Ruble | PM – Mikhail Mishustin | President – Vladimir Putin

104. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

US private equity firm Silver Lake has acquired around 1.75% stake Rs 7,500 Crore in Reliance Retail. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Silver Lake – acquired 1.75% stake (Rs 7,500 Crore) – in Reliance Retail
- HQs of Silver Lake – California, USA | CEO – Egon Durban



105. Appointments & Resignations

For the first time in its 31-year history, the Canadian Space Agency will have a female president namely Lisa Campbell. Campbell has replaced Sylvain Laporte, who has been president since 2015. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Lisa Campbell – appointed as the 1st Female President of Canadian Space Agency
- Canada – Ottawa – Canadian Dollar | PM – Justin Trudeau

106. Sports & Games

Pierre Gasly has secured a maiden Formula One triumph by winning a tumultuous 'Italian Grand Prix' for the Alpha Tauri team. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Pierre Gasly (France) – won 'Italian Grand Prix' for the Alpha Tauri team
- France – Paris – Euro | President – Emmanuel Macron | New PM – Jean Castex

107. Appointments & Resignations

IDFC First Bank's Part-Time Non-Executive Chairman Rajiv B Lall has resigned recently. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajiv B Lall – resigned from the post of Part-Time Non-Executive Chairman – IDFC First Bank
- HQs of IDFC First Bank – Mumbai, Maharashtra | CEO – V. Vaidyanathan

108. Appointments & Resignations

Wheaton Precious Metals has announced that the World Gold Council has appointed Randy Smallwood as its President and Chief Executive Officer. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Randy Smallwood – is appointed as the Chairman of World Gold Council
- HQs of World Gold Council – London, UK | CEO – David Tait | Chairman – Randy Smallwood
- HQs of Wheaton Precious Metals Corp. – Vancouver, Canada | President & CEO – Randy Smallwood



109. Science & Technology

A robotic submarine "Matsya 6" designed by students of the IIT Bombay, has won the 3rd position in presentation at the global RoboSub competition held in California in August. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Matsya 6" – a robotic submarine – designed by students of the IIT Bombay
- It has won the 3rd position in presentation at the Global RoboSub Competition

110. Important Days & Dates

The 3rd edition of "Rashtriya Poshan Maah" was celebrated during the month of September 2020. Every year, the 'Poshan Maah' is celebrated under POSHAN Abhiyaan (PM's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment), which was launched in 2018. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 3rd edition of "Rashtriya Poshan Maah" – celebrated during the month of September 2020
- POSHAN Abhiyaan launched in – 2018

111. National & States Affairs

Virudhunagar district of Tamil Nadu has been selected by the Central Government as the state's first Fully Digital Economy district. It houses a large number of small and medium enterprises, especially in the fire crackers and allied sectors. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Virudhunagar (Tamil Nadu) – selected by Central Government as the state's first Fully Digital Economy district
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Thiru Edappadi K. Palaniswami | Governor – Banwarilal Purohit

112. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission (ASRLM) has signed an MoU with North East Small Finance Bank (NESFB) to work in cohesion in support of Bank Linkage of the Self-Help Groups (SHGs) and Producer Groups/ Enterprises under ASRLM. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission + NESFB = to work in cohesion in support of Bank Linkage of SHGs
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi



113. Current GK

The High Court has asked religious trust, Vishnupad Temple management in Gaya, Bihar to settle dispute. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vishnupad Temple management – in Gaya, Bihar
- Bihar: Capital – Patna | CM – Nitish Kumar | Governor – Phagu Chauhan

114. Appointments & Resignations

Diplomat Dr Neena Malhotra has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Italy. He is a 1992-batch Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dr Neena Malhotra – appointed as the next Ambassador of India to – Italy
- Italy – Rome – Euro

115. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to a new report, India's agriculture technology sector has the potential to grow manifold to \$24.1 billion in the next 5 years. With a turnover of \$204 million, India's agri-tech sector is at under 1% of its market potential. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India's agriculture technology sector – to grow manifold to \$24.1 billion in the next 5 years

116. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

India and Angola have held the 1st Joint Commission Meeting during which the two sides agreed to diversify their trade relationship and discussed cooperation in health, pharmaceuticals, defence, agriculture, food processing, digitization and telecom. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India & Angola – held the 1st Joint Commission Meeting
- Angola – Luanda – Kwanza



117. International Affairs

A powerful typhoon named 'Haishen' headed toward southern Japan brought violent winds and heavy rains. Haishen was a name recommended by China and means "sea god" in Chinese. It also hit & South Korea. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- A powerful typhoon named 'Haishen' headed toward southern Japan & South Korea
- The name 'Haishen' was given by – China (means "sea god" in Chinese)
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Shinzo Abe
- China – Beijing – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping

118. Current GK

The gates of Jayakwadi Dam in Paithan district of Maharashtra were opened following heavy rainfall in the catchment area. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Jayakwadi Dam – over Godavari river – in Paithan, Maharashtra
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari

119. Important Days & Dates

The United Nations has marked "International Literacy Day" on September 8, 2020. It has been celebrated since 1996. Kerala continues to be the best performer in terms of literacy while Andhra Pradesh scored the least. Delhi comes in 2nd best performer after Kerala. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 8 – International Literacy Day – by UN – since 1996
- Literacy rate: Topped by – Kerala | Worst – Andhra Pradesh
- HQs of UN – New York, United States | Director – Antonio Guterres

120. Appointments & Resignations

Kavita Lakhani, Executive Director at GolinOpinion, will serve as the National President, Public Relations and Digital Marketing Council, Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (WICCI). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kavita Lakhani – appointed as the National President of – WICCI
- HQs of WICCI – New Delhi | National President – Kavita Lakhani



121. Schemes & Initiatives

The State Bank of India (SBI) has launched a new Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) called “Second Innings Tap-Voluntary Retirement Scheme-2020 (SITVRS-2020)” for its employees. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SBI – launched “Second Innings Tap-Voluntary Retirement Scheme-2020 (SITVRS-2020)”
- HQs of SBI Bank – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Rajnish Kumar
- MD & CEO – Challa Sreenivasulu Setty | Deputy MD & CFO – Chalasani Venkat Nageswar

122. Science & Technology

Scientists from Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology(WIHG) India have developed a neural-based (machine learning-based) practical approach for automatic interpretation of 3D seismic data. This first of its kind approach has been developed by computing a new attribute called meta-attribute. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- WIHG – developed a neural-based practical approach for automatic interpretation of 3D seismic data
- HQs of WIHG – Dehradun, Uttarakhand | Chairman – Prof. Ashok Sahni

123. Science & Technology

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has successfully flight tested a Hypersonic Technology Demonstrator Vehicle (HSTDV), which is an unmanned scramjet vehicle with the ability to travel at 6 times the speed of sound. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DRDO/India – flight tested a Hypersonic Technology Demonstrator Vehicle (HSTDV)
- HQs of DRDO – New Delhi | Chairman – G. Satheesh Reddy

124. Sports & Games

The Changanassery Municipal Council in Kottayam district of Kerala has passed a resolution to name roads after long-jumper Anju Bobby George and the late volleyball international P Bharathan Nair. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Changanassery MC (Kerala) – named roads after – Anju Bobby George (Long Jump) & P Bharathan Nair (Volleyball)
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan



125. National & States Affairs

The Kerala government has announced that an Open University/Varsity named after social reformer 'Sree Narayana Guru' will be established in the state next month. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kerala's 1st Open University/Varsity – named after social reformer 'Sree Narayana Guru'
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

126. Science & Technology

Northrop Grumman has named its NG-14 Cygnus spacecraft as 'S. S. Kalpana Chawla' after Dr Kalpana Chawla, an astronaut of Indian descent. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Northrop Grumman named – NG-14 Cygnus spacecraft as 'S. S. Kalpana Chawla'
- HQs of Northrop Grumman – Falls Church, Virginia, USA | CEO – Kathy Warden

127. Science & Technology

Scientists at the Jawaharlal Nehru Tropical Botanic Garden and Research Institute (JNTBGRI), Palode, have identified a new and rare species of climber of the genus Pothos (family Araceae) from the Western Ghats in Idukki district in Kerala. The species has been christened "Pothos boyceanus" after Peter C. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- JNTBGRI discovered – rare species of climber of the genus Pothos "Pothos boyceanus" – in Idukki, Kerala
- Pothos boyceanus named after – Peter C
- HQs of JNTBGRI – Palode, Kerala | Director – Dr R Prakashkumar
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

128. Persons in News

At the age of 93 and nearly 5 months, Pope Benedict XVI officially became the oldest pope in history. Benedict was the first pope to retire in 700 years citing his diminishing strength after eight years in office. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Pope Benedict XVI (Germany) – officially became the oldest pope in history
- Germany – Berlin – Euro



129. Obituaries

Influential Czech director Jiri Menzel has passed away recently. His 1966 movie “Closely Watched Trains” won the Academy Award for best foreign-language film. He was 82. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Jiri Menzel (Czech Republic) – A Film Director – passed away
- Czech Republic – Prague – Koruna

130. Science & Technology

Hindustan Aeronautics Limited has indigenously developed Light Utility Helicopter (LUH) demonstrated high altitude capability in hot and high weather conditions in the Himalayas for about 10 days. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd – indigenously developed Light Utility Helicopter (LUH)
- HQs of HAL – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Amitabh Bhatt

131. National & States Affairs

Union minister for social justice and empowerment Thaawarchand Gehlot has launched a 24X7 toll free mental rehabilitation helpline ‘KIRAN’ (1800-599-0019) for providing psychological support to people. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Thaawarchand Gehlot launched – toll free mental rehabilitation helpline ‘KIRAN’
- Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment – Thawar Chand Gehlot (Shajapur, Madhya Pradesh)

132. Obituaries

Veteran filmmaker Johnny Bakshi has passed away recently. He was a film director, producer and actor. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Johnny Bakshi – Director, Producer & Actor – passed away



133. Persons in News

As the Nodal agency for the Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), NITI Aayog has constituted a Multidimensional Poverty Index Coordination Committee (MPICC) chaired by Sanyukta Samaddar. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

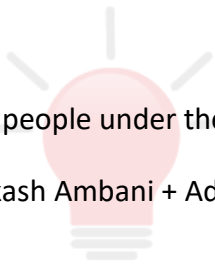
- NITI Aayog constituted – Multidimensional Poverty Index Coordination Committee
- Committee chaired by – Ms Sanyukta Samaddar
- HQs of NITI Aayog – New Delhi | CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson – Narendra Modi | Vice Chairperson – Rajiv Kumar

134. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

Reliance Jio Board Directors Isha Ambani and Akash Ambani, Serum Institute of India CEO Adar Poonawalla and Byju Raveendran, co-founder of Byju's are among the “emerging leaders” from across the world named by Fortune in its annual list of influential people under the age of 40. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- List of influential people under the age of 40 – released by Fortune
- Isha Ambani + Akash Ambani + Adar Poonawalla + Byju Raveendran = “emerging leaders”



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135. International Affairs

Japan has offered incentives to companies shifting their manufacturing destinations from China to India and Bangladesh - ASEAN countries. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Japan – offered incentives to companies shifting their manufacturing destinations from China to India & Bangladesh
- China – Beijing – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Shinzo Abe
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Sheikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid



136. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

To provide robust support to innovators and entrepreneurs in India, Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog, has partnered with Freshworks Inc., a customer-engagement software company. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- AIM + Freshworks Inc. = to provide robust support to innovators & entrepreneurs in India
- AIM – a flagship of NITI Aayog (HQs of AIM – New Delhi | Director – Ramanan Ramanathan)
- NITI Aayog HQs – New Delhi | CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson – Narendra Modi | Vice Chairperson – Rajiv Kumar
- HQs of Freshworks Inc – San Mateo, California, USA | CEO – Girish Mathrubootham

137. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

NBCC Ltd (National Buildings Construction Corporation) has signed an MoU and received Rs 150 Crore project from Election Commission of India to design and construct an Office Building at Dwarka in the national capital. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NBCC Ltd + Election Commission of India = to build an Office Building in New Delhi (Rs 150 Cr project)
- HQs of NBCC – New Delhi | Chairman & MD – Shri P K Gupta

138. National & States Affairs

The first ever Cannabis Medicine Project will be set up with the collaboration of Canada at Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine (IIIM) in Jammu. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 1st Cannabis Medicine Project + Canada = to be set up at IIIM Jammu
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha

139. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to the ranks announced by the Department of Industrial Promotion and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Andhra Pradesh has retained the top spot in the “State Business Reform Action Plan 2019” rankings, while Uttar Pradesh and Telangana bagged the second and third positions respectively. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- State Business Reform Action Plan 2019 / Ease of Doing Business Rankings – released by DPIIT
- 1st – Andhra Pradesh | 2nd – Uttar Pradesh | 3rd – Telangana
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan



140. Banking & Economic Affairs

Aditya Birla Idea Payments Bank has ceased to be a banking company within the meaning of the Banking Regulation Act-1949. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Aditya Birla Idea Payments Bank – ceased to be a Banking Company
- HQs of Aditya Birla Idea Payments Bank – Mumbai, MH

141. Schemes & Initiatives

Delhi government is going to re-launch its anti-dengue campaign “10 Hafte 10 Baje 10 Minute” under which an extensive awareness campaign against Dengue & Chikungunya will be carried out for 10 weeks. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Delhi government – to re-launch its anti-dengue campaign “10 Hafte 10 Baje 10 Minute”
- For the awareness of – Dengue & Chikungunya
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Governor – Anil Bajjal | Chief Secretary – Vijay Dev

142. Current GK

The Big Butterfly Count, a first-of-its-kind event to record the winged species and their population had begun. Butterflies could be spotted in Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary and Aravalli Biodiversity Park. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Asola Bhatti Wildlife Sanctuary – New Delhi
- Aravalli Biodiversity Park – Haryana
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Governor – Anil Bajjal | Chief Secretary – Vijay Dev
- Haryana: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Manohar Lal Khattar | Governor – Satyadev Narayan Arya

143. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Abu Dhabi is holding the Global Aerospace Summit from September 28 to 29 in an online gathering of top executives in aviation, space and defence to discuss the most important issues facing the industry amid the Covid-19 pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Abu Dhabi is holding the Global Aerospace Summit from September 28 to 29, 2020
- UAE – Abu Dhabi – Dirham | President – Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan



144. National & States Affairs

The Punjab State Power Corporation Limited (PSPCL) has launched a novel initiative namely "Kifayati LED Bulb Yojna" worth Rs 8.63 Cr aimed at providing viable power solutions to the people hailing from below poverty line (BPL) and SC and BC backgrounds. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Punjab launched – "Kifayati LED Bulb Yojna" – worth Rs 8.63 Cr
- Punjab: Capital – Chandigarh | CM – Captain Amarinder Singh | Governor – V. P. Singh Badnore

145. Current GK

The archaeological site and remains at Sadikpur Sinauli in Uttar Pradesh's Baghpat district where evidence of the existence of a warrior class around 2,000 BCE was discovered in 2018 have been declared to be of "National Importance" by the Archaeological Survey of India. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sadikpur Sinauli (Uttar Pradesh) – declared to be of "National Importance" by – Archaeological Survey of India
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel
- HQs of ASI – New Delhi | Director General – V. Vidyavathi

146. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Indo-Russian Young Scholars International E-Conference 2020 on "India-Russia domestic and bilateral developments" was organized by Eurasian Foundation. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Eurasian Foundation organized – 'Indo-Russian Young Scholars International E-Conference 2020'
- HQs of Eurasian Foundation – Washington, D. C., USA | President – Lisa Coll

147. National & States Affairs

'Unity in diversity' is the global identity of India. To celebrate and strengthen this identity, National Capital Delhi has been paired with Sikkim under Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat programme. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Delhi + Sikkim = paired under "Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat" programme
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Governor – Anil Baijal | Chief Secretary – Vijay Dev
- Sikkim: Capital – Gangtok | CM – Prem Singh Tamang | Governor – Ganga Prasad



148. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

A virtual meeting of “G20 Education Ministers” hosted by Saudi Arabia, was held to discuss and share experiences of member countries. India was represented by Union Minister of Education Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- G20 Education Ministers Meeting – hosted by Saudi Arabia & represented by Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'
- Saudi Arab – Riyadh – Saudi Riyal
- Ministry of Education – Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' (Constituency – Haridwar, Uttarakhand)

149. Obituaries

Famous Tollywood actor Jaya Prakash Reddy has passed away due to a massive stroke. He was 73. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Jaya Prakash Reddy (Andhra Pradesh) – Tollywood Actor – passed away

150. International Affairs

Dubai invites expatriates to work and live in the emirate as part of its 'Retire in Dubai programme' in which it offers a retirement visa that is renewable every 5 years. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dubai – invites expatriates to work and live as part of its 'Retire in Dubai programme'
- Retirement Visa is renewable every – 5 years
- UAE – Abu Dhabi – Dirham | President – Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan

151. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

Andhra Pradesh government has signed MoUs with 8 domestic and global companies including the Netherlands government in the food processing sector. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Andhra Pradesh – signed total 8 MoUs with companies + Netherlands
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amaravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan
- Netherlands – Amsterdam – Euro



152. National & States Affairs

Odisha Chief Secretary, Asit Tripathy has directed the Department of Tourism to start river cruise in the state to counter the impact of COVID-19 on the tourism industry. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Odisha – to start river cruise in the state
- Odisha: Capital – Bhubaneswar | CM – Naveen Patnaik | Governor – Ganeshi Lal

153. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Bhutan has hosted the 35th FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC) which was held. Bangladesh will host the 36th FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC) in 2022. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bhutan – hosted the 35th FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC)
- Bangladesh – will host the 36th FAO Regional Conference for Asia and the Pacific (APRC) in 2022
- HQs of FAO – Rome, Italy | DG – QU Dongyu
- Bhutan – Thimphu – Bhutanese Ngultrum
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Seikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid

154. Acquisitions & Mergers

Infosys has acquired US-based product design firm Kaleidoscope Innovation for \$42 million (Rs 309 Crore) to expand its engineering service offerings in medical devices, consumer and industrial markets across America. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Infosys acquired – “Kaleidoscope Innovation” for \$42 million (Rs 309 Crore)
- HQs of Infosys – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Salil Parekh
- HQs of Kaleidoscope Innovation – USA

155. Sports & Games

Sumit Nagal first Indian in 7 years who has won a singles main draw Grand Slam match at the US Open Tennis Tournament. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sumit Nagal (Tennis) – 1st Indian in 7 year to win a singles main draw Grand Slam match at the US Open



156. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

According to Nitin Gadkari, India currently has the second largest road network in the world and the average rate of road construction has increased to 30 kilometres per day in 2018-19 while the peak being 40 kilometres in a single day. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India has the 2nd largest road network in the world
- The average rate of road construction – 30 km per day in 2018-19
- Nitin Gadkari – Ministry of Road Transport and Highway, Ministry of MSMEs (Nagpur, Maharashtra)

157. International Affairs

Bangladesh is likely to extend the suspended prison term of the main opposition leader Khaleda Zia for another six months. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bangladesh – to extend the suspended prison term of Khaleda Zia (Former PM of Bangladesh) – for 6 months
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Sheikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid

158. Current GK

NIA (National Investigation Agency) has arrested a Mundra port employee in Gujarat's West Kutch district in connection with a case originally filed Uttar Pradesh concerning Pakistan's Inter-Services Intelligence (ISI). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NIA arrested – a Mundra port employee working as payment conduit for ISI
- Mundra port – located in Gujarat
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Vijay Rupani | Governor – Acharya Devvrat

159. Sports & Games

Former England batsman 'Ian Bell' has announced his decision to retire from professional cricket. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ian Bell (England) – announced to retire – From Cricket
- UK – London – Pound Sterling | PM of UK – Boris Johnson



160. Important Days & Dates

Every year on September 5, the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan is being celebrated as “National Teachers’ Day” across the country. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 5 – “National Teachers’ Day” – the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

161. Current GK

The BJP has announced the name of the Srinagar airport silently and nobody even knows about it because it was Sheikh-ul-Alam International Airport. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Sheikh-ul-Alam International Airport” – located in Srinagar, J & K
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha

162. Appointments & Resignations

The Society of India Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) has announced the appointment of Kenichi Ayukawa as its new President. Ayukawa is the MD & CEO, Maruti Suzuki India Ltd since the year 2013. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kenichi Ayukawa – appointed as the President of – Society of India Automobile Manufacturers
- He was MD & CEO of – Maruti Suzuki | HQs of SIAM – New Delhi

163. National & States Affairs

Karnataka is the first State that has approved an exclusive policy for the Information Technology industry back in 1997, has come up with a new 5-year “IT Policy 2020-2025” with a focus on driving tech growth and creating jobs beyond Bengaluru. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Karnataka – the 1st state to approve a new 5-year “IT Policy 2020-2025”
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – B S Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala



164. Appointments & Resignations

Shri Raj Kumar Srivastava, presently Deputy Chief of Mission in the Embassy of India, Tokyo, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Croatia. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Raj Kumar Srivastava – appointed as the Ambassador of India to – Croatia
- Croatia – Zagreb – Kuna | PM – Andrej Plenkovic | President – Zoran Milanovic

165. Amount & Agreements

Srei Equipment Finance (SEFL) has received a €10 million (Rs 86, 63, 10, 000) framework loan from German export financier KfW IPEX-Bank to facilitate German exports to India. The NBFC's finance cover is backed by insurer Euler Hermes. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Srei Equipment Finance – received a €10 million loan from – KfW IPEX-Bank
- HQs of KfW IPEX-Bank – Frankfurt, Germany | HQs of SREI – Kolkata, West Bengal

166. Science & Technology

In September 3, SpaceX launched its 12th Starlink mission successfully. The mission added 60 more satellites into Earth's lower orbit. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SpaceX – launched its 12th Starlink mission
- The mission added 60 more satellites into Earth's lower orbit
- HQs of SpaceX – California, U.S. | CEO – Elon Musk

167. Science & Technology

In a significant development, researchers at the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI), Kozhikode have discovered 2 new species of cockroach wasps in the Western Ghats. These wasps species were discovered from Coonoor in Tamil Nadu and Peppara Wild Life Sanctuary in Kerala. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- ZSI (Kozhikode) – discovered 2 new species of cockroach wasps in the Western Ghats
- Peppara Wild Life Sanctuary – in Kerala



168. Ranks, Reports & Surveys

The Vice President Shri M Venkaiah Naidu has released 'The State of Young Child in India' report. The report has been prepared by Mobile Creches. Kerala, Goa, Tripura, Tamil Nadu and Mizoram are among the top 5 States for well-being of children. Out of the 159 million children aged below 6 years in India, 21% are undernourished, 36% are underweight and 38% do not receive full immunization. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- M Venkaiah Naidu released – 'The State of Young Child in India' report – prepared by 'Mobile Creches'

169. National & States Affairs

Andhra government has moved to the Supreme Court against High Court order on scrapping English medium from Class I to VI in government schools. A bench of the apex court, headed by Justice Dr DY Chandrachud issued notice to the respondent. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Andhra government moved to the SC against HC – on scrapping English medium from Class I to VI
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amaravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan

170. Important Days & Dates

The "National Wildlife Day" is observed on September 4 every year with an aim to increase awareness about wildlife species and ways to protect them. In India, the government promulgated the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 to prohibit the hunting of wild animals to protect them from extinction. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 4 – National Wildlife Day (The Wildlife Protection Act, 1972)

171. Banking & Economic Affairs

The RBI has raised the limit on bonds held-to-maturity (HTM) to 22% from 19.5% of total deposits, known as Net Demand and Time Liabilities (NDTL). This means banks will have room to buy more bonds without bothering about short-term fluctuations in yields. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI raised the limit on bonds held-to-maturity (HTM) – to 22% (from 19.5%)
- NDTL – Net Demand and Time Liabilities
- RBI: HQs – Mumbai | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th)



172. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Foreign minister S Jaishankar of India has participated in BRICS Foreign Ministers Meeting to discuss the fallout of the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic. The meeting was held by the rotating chair Russia. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- S Jaishankar – participated in BRICS Foreign Ministers Meeting
- BRICS Member Countries – 5 – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
- Chairmanship of BRICS – Russia in 2020 & India in 2021

173. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has delivered a Special Key Note Address at the “US-India Strategic Partnership Forum” (USISPF) 3rd Annual Leadership Summit through video conference. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Narendra Modi – addressed the 3rd edition of Annual Leadership Summit of USISPF

174. Amount & Agreements

The Karnataka Cabinet has approved a Rs 600 Cr project - Rejuvenating Watersheds for Agriculture Resilience through Innovative Development (REWARD) - for the benefit of 20 taluks with low groundwater levels in Karnataka. While the World Bank will fund 70% of the project (Rs 420 Cr). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Karnataka approved – Rs 600 Cr “REWARD” project
- 70% of the project (Rs 420 Cr) – funded by World Bank
- World Bank HQs – Washington D.C., USA | Member Countries – 189
- President – David Malpass | MD & CFO – Anshula Kant
- Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore | CM – BS Yediyurappa | Governor – Vajubhai Vala

175. Ordinance, Bills and Acts

Odisha government has approved the promulgation of "The Odisha Universities (Amendment) Ordinance 2020" to amend the Odisha Universities Act 1989. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Odisha – will amend the Odisha Universities Act 1989
- Odisha: Capital – Bhubaneswar | CM – Naveen Patnaik | Governor – Ganeshi Lal



176. Sports & Games

Novak Djokovic has been disqualified from US Open for accidentally hitting a line judge in the throat with a tennis ball. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Novak Djokovic (Serbia - Tennis)– disqualified from US Open
- Serbia – Belgrade – Serbian Dinar

177. Important Days & Dates

“International Day of Charity” is celebrated on September 5 every year. As per UN's website, charity can alleviate the worst effects of humanitarian crises, supplement public services in health care, education, housing and child protection. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 5 – UN's “International Day of Charity”

178. Ordinance, Bills and Acts

The Assam Assembly has passed a bill to protect, preserve and restore tangible heritage which are currently not covered under any national or state law. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Assam Assembly – passed a bill to protect, preserve and restore tangible heritage
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi

179. Acquisitions & Mergers

India Grid Trust (IndiGrid) has approved acquisition of Gurgaon Palwal Transmission Limited (GPTL) from transmission firm Sterlite Power at a value of Rs 10.8 billion. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IndiGrid acquired GPTL – from Sterlite Power – at Rs 10.8 billion
- HQs of GPTL – New Delhi | MD – Pratik Agarwal
- HQs of IndiGrid – New Delhi | CEO – Harsh Shah



180. Appointments & Resignations

The Federation of Automobile Dealers Associations (FADA) has announced the appointment of Vinkesh Gulati as its 35th President for the year 2020-22. He is also the first President from Uttar Pradesh. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vinkesh Gulati – appointed as the 35th President of – FADA
- HQs of FADA – New Delhi

181. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

Union Minister of State (I//C) for Culture and Tourism Shri Prahlad Singh Patel has virtually attended 5th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting on September 3, 2020. The Meeting was held under the Chairpersonship of Russia. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Prahlad Singh Patel – attended 5th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting
- BRICS Member Countries – 5 – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa
- Chairmanship of BRICS – Russia in 2020 & Indian in 2021

182. Science & Technology

China has launched Reusable Experimental Spacecraft on board a Long March-2F carrier rocket from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- China – launched Reusable Experimental Spacecraft – on a Long March-2F carrier rocket
- China – Beijing – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping

183. International Affairs

Germany has launched Indo-Pacific strategy with India. It is expected to play a key role in Berlin's outreach in the region where China's aggressive foreign policy has rattled countries. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Germany launched – “Indo-Pacific strategy” with India
- Germany – Berlin – Euro



184. National & States Affairs

The Election Commission will set up the India's first regional voters' awareness centre in Jaipur. It will cater to 4 states - Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab and Madhya Pradesh. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Election Commission will set up the India's first regional voters' awareness centre – in Jaipur
- It will cater to 4 states – Rajasthan, Haryana, Punjab and Madhya Pradesh
- Chief Election Commissioner – Sunil Arora (23rd)

185. Sports & Games

Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju has launched Bhaichung Bhutia Football Schools' app, 'enJogo', to enable youngsters continue training amid the COVID-19 pandemic. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kiren Rijiju launched – Bhaichung Bhutia Football Schools' app "enJogo"
- Sports Minister – Kiren Rijiju | Constituency – Arunachal West

186. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

WhatsApp has announced a strategic partnership with CyberPeace Foundation with the aim to create awareness on cyber safety among students. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- WhatsApp + CyberPeace Foundation = partnership to create awareness on cyber safety among students
- HQs of Whatsapp – California, USA | CEO – Jan Koum
- HQs of CyberPeace Foundation – New Delhi | President – Capt. Vineet Kumar

187. National & States Affairs

Andhra Pradesh government has banned online games such as Poker and Rummy. The government has also announced punishment of up to 2 years in jail if someone found organising such online games. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Andhra Pradesh – banned online games such as Poker & Rummy
- Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amravati (LC), Visakhapatnam (EC) & Kurnool (JC)
- CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan



188. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

India will host the Quad Foreign Ministers Meet later this year. Apart from the Quad meeting, details are also being worked out for the India-US 2+2 dialogue. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India will host the Quad Foreign Ministers Meet + India-US 2+2 Dialogue
- USA – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | President – Donald Trump

189. International Affairs

The Daudkandi (Bangladesh) - Sonamura (Tripura) Inland Waterway Protocol route was operationalised recently. Tripura has received the first ever inland shipping cargo from Bangladesh under the Protocol for Inland Water Trade & Transit (PIWTT) was signed between India and Bangladesh in 1972. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Inland Waterway Protocol route was operationalised – between Daudkandi (Bangladesh) & Sonamura (Tripura)
- Tripura received the 1st ever inland shipping cargo from Bangladesh under PIWTT (signed in 1972)
- Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Sheikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid
- Tripura: Capital – Agartala | CM – Biplab Kumar Deb | Governor – Ramesh Bais

190. Defence Affairs

India and Russia have finalised a major deal for manufacturing AK-47 203 rifles. The AK-47 203 is the latest and most advanced version of the AK-47 rifle, which will replace the Indian Small Arms System (INSAS) 5.56x45 mm assault rifle. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India & Russia – finalised a major deal for manufacturing 'AK-47 203 rifles'
- Russia – assured to follow a policy of 'no arms supply to Pakistan'
- Russia – Moscow – Russian Ruble | PM – Mikhail Mishustin | President – Vladimir Putin

191. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

An agreement was signed between Ministry of Tribal Affairs and Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) for setting up of National Institute of Tribal Research (NITR) at the IIPA campus, New Delhi. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ministry of Tribal Affairs + IIPA = signed an MoU to set up National Institute of Tribal Research (NITR)
- Ministry of Tribal Affairs – Arjun Munda (Constituency – Khunti, Jharkhand)
- IIPA located at – New Delhi



192. Current GK

Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray has announced that a 600-acre land parcel in the Aarey Milk Colony near “Sanjay Gandhi National Park” (SGNP) would be reserved as a forest. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 600-acre land parcel in the Aarey Milk Colony of Maharashtra – reserved a Forest
- “Sanjay Gandhi National Park” – Maharashtra
- Maharashtra: CM – Uddhav Thackeray | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshiyari

193. National & States Affairs

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has launched the Smart Performance Appraisal Report Recording Online Window (SPARROW) system for Jammu & Kashmir Administrative Service (JKAS) officers at the Raj Bhavan. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Jammu & Kashmir launched – “SPARROW” system
- SPARROW – Smart Performance Appraisal Report Recording Online Window
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha

194. Current GK

A rare Albino Sambar deer has been spotted in the “Kuno-Palpur Wildlife Sanctuary” in Madhya Pradesh. As per reports, a solo Albino Sambar deer was spotted in “Navegaon National Park” in Gondia in Maharashtra. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- A rare Albino Sambar deer – spotted in the “Kuno-Palpur Wildlife Sanctuary” – in Madhya Pradesh
- A solo Albino Sambar deer – spotted in “Navegaon National Park” – in Maharashtra

195. Schemes & Initiatives

Assam government has re-launched an old scheme called “Swami Vivekananda Assam Youth Empowerment (SVAYEM)” with the aim of providing self-employment to around 2 lakh youths of the state. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Assam – re-launched “SVAYEM - Swami Vivekananda Assam Youth Empowerment” Scheme
- Assam: Capital – Dispur | CM – Sarbananda Sonowal | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi



196. MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

The National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) has signed an MoU with IIT Roorkee for collaboration in areas of universal design principles and inclusive development in the backdrop of 'Building Accessible Safe Inclusive Indian Cities' (BASIIIC) program. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NIUA + IIT Roorkee = collaboration for 'Building Accessible Safe Inclusive Indian Cities' (BASIIIC) program
- HQs of NIUA – New Delhi | Director – Hitesh Vaidya

197. National & States Affairs

The Jammu and Kashmir government has set up a 10-member council under the chairmanship of Mohit Gera for conservation of biological diversity and sustainable use of its components. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- J & K – set up a 10-member council for conservation of biological diversity
- Council under the chairmanship of – Mohit Gera
- J & K Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha

198. Meetings, Conferences and Summits

The Minister for Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda has inaugurated 2 day "National Tribal Research Conclave" to be held virtually on 3rd and 4th September, 2020. This is the second workshop of its kind. The first such workshop was organized in January 2020. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Arjun Munda – inaugurated 2 day "National Tribal Research Conclave"
- Ministry of Tribal Affairs – Arjun Munda (Constituency – Khunti, Jharkhand)

199. International Affairs

US President Donald Trump has announced Wilmington in southern US state North Carolina as the first World War II Heritage City at a ceremony held to mark the 75th anniversary of the end of World War II. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- USA announced Wilmington – as the first 'World War II Heritage City'
- USA – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | President – Donald Trump



200. National & States Affairs

Under “Ek Bharat Sresht Bharat scheme” Goa is paired with Jharkhand. Lot of cultural exchange activities are happening on this front. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Goa + Jharkhand – paired Under “Ek Bharat Sresht Bharat scheme”
- Goa: Capital – Panaji | CM – Pramod Sawant | Governor – Bhagat Singh Koshyari
- Jharkhand: Capital – Ranchi | CM – Hemant Soren | Governor – Draupadi Murmu





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