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2 MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

2.1 MOU WITH C-DOT TELECOM SOLUTIONS

- Ministry of Railways signed a MOU with C-DOT Telecom Solutions for implementation of 5G in Indian Railways.

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- This MOU will work on the modernization of telecommunication in Indian Railways for public safety and security.

3 PRIME MINISTER

3.1 RAISINA DIALOGUE 2022

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurates 7th Edition of Raisina Dialogue 2022.
- It is a 3 days Dialogue held from April 25 to April 27, 2022 at New Delhi.
- This conference is to address the world's most pressing concerns like geopolitics and geo-economics.

3.2 PRAVIND KUMAR JUGNAUTH VISIT TO INDIA

- Mauritius PM Pravind Kumar Jugnauth's came for an 8 days' official visit to India.
- He was invited by our PM Narendra Modi.
- This visit is to boost bilateral cooperation in a wide range of areas.

3.3 DUDH VANI

- Prime Minister Modi launched "Dudh Vani", India's first dairy community radio.
- This is to assist farmers with important scientific information on agriculture and animal husbandry.

3.4 BIMSTEC SUMMIT

- BIMSTEC Summit is virtually addressed by our Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi.
- This is a 5th BIMSTEC Summit.
- In this Summit India has said to provide USD 1 Billion to increase operational budget.
- Theme of this summit: Towards a Resilient Region, Prosperous, economic, healthy people.

4 MINISTRY OF FINANCE

4.1 APY SCHEME CROSSED 4.01 CRORES

- Total Enrolment in APY Scheme crossed 4.01 crore as on March 2022, says Ministry of Finance.
- Atal Pension Yojana is central government's retirement benefits scheme.
- In this scheme, every Indian citizen can join between the age group of 18 – 40 years and you can get a monthly pension benefit of Rs.1000 to Rs. 5000 from the age of 60 years.

4.2 START UP INDIA SCHEME

- START UP India scheme was launched by Ministry of Finance in 5th April, 2016.
- The main aim is to promote entrepreneurship at the grass-root level of economic empowerment and job creation.
- Over Rs. 30,160 crore loan sanctioned in these 6 years.
- Thus on 5th April, 2022, STAND UP India Scheme completes 6 years since its launch.

5 MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

5.1 UNNAT BHARAT ABHIYAN 2.0

- Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) 2.0 has completed its 4 years since 2018.
- The UBA aims to link the Higher Education Institutions (HEI) with a set of at least 5 villages, so that the institution can contribute to the economic and social betterment of these village communities using their knowledge base.

6 MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

6.1 DACE SCHEME IN UTTAR PRADESH

- Virendra Kumar, Union Social Justice and Empowerment Minister has launched DACE (Dr. Ambedkar Centre of Excellence) Scheme in Uttar Pradesh.
- This center aims to provide coaching to SC students in premier educational institutes to learn, understand and implement the ideas and thoughts of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar.

7 MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYATI RAJ

7.1 AZADI SE ANTYODAYA TAK

- Giriraj Singh, Union Minister for Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) and Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR) launched “Azadi Se Antyodaya Tak” in 75 Districts across 28 states and Union Territories.
- It is 90 days campaign to find out the rural areas which has no direct assistance to beneficiaries.
- This program will be helping to reach out to the person who are in the bottom of the pyramid who has no direct access to the government beneficiary programs.

8 MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

8.1 DIGITAL INDIA RISC-V MICROPROCESSOR

- Digital India RISC-V Microprocessor (DIR-V) Program was launched by Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (States)
- This aims to allow the development of next generation microprocessors in India and around the world.
- This program gave the road map to design and implement innovative patterns in the semiconductor systems.

8.2 BHUVAN AADHAAR PORTAL

- Bhuvan Aadhaar Portal is a joint collaboration of Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) and National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
- This portal will provide information and locations of Aadhaar centres across India.
- This also allows residents to look for appropriate Aadhaar centres by location, according to their needs.

8.3 SEMICON INDIA

- Semicon India is the Union Government Project mainly aims to make India a global leader in semiconductor manufacturing, design and innovation sector.
- The committee has been formed regarding Semicon India headed by Ashwini Vaishnaw.
- The total estimation for this project is Rs. 76,000 crore.

9 MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

9.1 TRILATERAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION (TDC) FUND

- Ministry of External Affairs has created a platform called Trilateral Development Cooperation (TDC) Fund to provide alternative against Chinese “Belt-Road Initiative”
- Belt-Road Initiative pushed parts of the developing world into a debt trap.
- By this move, both private and public sectors with state support for large scale investments in the Indo Pacific Region.

10 MINISTRY OF STEEL

10.1 5.9 PERCENT GROWTH IN STEEL PRODUCTION

- 5.9 Percent Growth in Steel Production is registered in India during January to March, 2022.
- India is the only country among top 10 steel producing nations of the world, which has registered growth in steel production in January to March period.
- India has produced 31.9 Million Tonnes (MT) of Steel from the month of January to March 2022.

11 MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

11.1 EASE EPCG SCHEME

- Ministry of Commerce and Industry has eased certain norms under EPCG Scheme to promote ease of doing business.
- This is to import more capital goods for producing quality goods and services and enhance India’s Manufacturing competitiveness.

11.2 FOREIGN TRADE POLICY EXTENSION

- Union Government has given Foreign Trade Policy Extension 2015- 20 for 6 months up to September 30, 2022.
- This is to boost external commerce exports in goods and services.

11.3 ECONOMIC COOPERATION AND TRADE IMPACT

- India and Australia signed a pact called Economic Cooperation and Trade Impact to boost ties.
- This agreement is set to provide zero-duty access to 96 per cent of India’s exports to Australia including shipments from main key sectors including engineering goods and gems.

12 MINISTRY OF DEFENSE

12.1 DEFCONNECT 2.0

- Ministry of Defense Rajnath Singh has launched the DefConnect 2.0 in New Delhi.
- This is to celebrate the growth of Indian Defense startup ecosystem.
- The main aim is to attract innovators and investors from India leading industries in the defense sector.
- He has also launched “Innovations for Defence Excellence(iDeX) Prime and the 6th Defence India Startup Challenge (DISC 6)” with 38 problem statements.

12.2 3RD POSITIVE INDIGENISATION LIST

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh Releases Third Positive Indigenisation List in New Delhi.
- This list shows about the 101 items comprising major equipment and platforms for Defense.
- This is to make India as a defense manufacturing hub.

13 MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

13.1 ANNOUNCED MERGER OF FILM MEDIA

- Ministry of Information and Broadcasting announced merger of Film media units with NFDC(National Film Development Corporation).
- This merger will cause 4 media units to merge.
- The 4 units will be Films Division, The Directorate of Film Festivals, the National Film Archives of India (NFAI) and the Children’s Film Society of India under the NFDC.

13.2 AVGC PROMOTION TASK FORCE

- Headed by Apoorva Chandra, Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming and Comics (AVGC) Promotion Task Force was created.
- The main aim of the task is to build and realize the domestic capacity for serving our markets and global demand.
- The task force has to submit it’s first action plan within 90 days.

14 NITI AAYOG

14.1 NATIONAL PANEL ON SAFE MIGRATION

- NITI Aayog and International Organization for Migration (IOM) partners to organize National Panel Discussion on Safe Migration.
- This aims to achieve effective governance of migration through sharing best experience and practices.

15 MINISTRY OF PORTS, SHIPPING AND WATERWAYS

15.1 MUMBAI INTERNATIONAL CRUISE TERMINAL

- India's first kind of International Cruise Terminal to be commissioned on July 2024 at Mumbai, BPX Indira Dock.
- This project comes under Sagarmala Project.
- Total cost estimate of Rs. 495 Crores in area of 4.15 Lakh Sq. Feet.

15.2 WATERWAYS CONCLAVE 2022

- Six MOU's have been signed during the Waterways conclave 2022 on 11th -12th April 2022 in Dibrugarh, Assam.
- The aim is to research and development, consultancy and investment in inland waterways.

16 MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

16.1 USD 72,124 TO ELIMINATE DOPING

- India's contribution of USD 72,124 to UNESCO Fund for Elimination of Doping in Sport in 2022.
- This is double the amount of the minimum agreed value.
- India signed in UNESCO Anti-doping Convention, the first step towards the preparation of the UNESCO International Convention against doping in sports.

17 MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

17.1 PRAKRITI

- Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change launched "Prakriti" a green initiatives for Effective Plastic Waste Management.
- Prakriti is a mascot known as "Nature".
- The main aim is to spread awareness about how small changes in lifestyle can make environment better.

18 MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

18.1 SMART CITIES SMART URBANIZATION

- "Smart Cities, Smart Urbanization" conference has an opening event at the Surat International Exhibition and Convention Centre (SIECC), Surat, Gujarat.
- They also launched "AMPLIFI", Assessment and Monitoring Platform for Liveable, Inclusive and Future-ready urban India, which will provide valuable data about Indian cities.

18.2 SCANIDHI SE SAMRIDDI

- SCANidhi Se Samriddhi launched in additional 126 cities across 14 states/Union Territories.
- The main aim is to afford working capital loan to street vendors and has crossed the 30 lakh landmark.
- This scheme also aims to develop the economic status of street vendors.

19 MINISTRY OF HEALTH

19.1 AYUSHMAN BHARAT SCHEME COMPLETES 4 YEARS

- Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Scheme completes 4 years from April 16 to April 22.
- The first center was opened in Jangla, Bijapur District of Chattisgarh.

20 MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

20.1 DORNIER 228 FLIGHT

- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia flags off 1st Made in India Dornier Aircraft flight to connect North Eastern Region(NER), India.
- It is a 19 seater Hindustan Aeronautics India Manufactured Dornier Flight.
- Mainly flagged off from Arunachal Pradesh, the flight will be operational from Dibrugarh in Assam to Pasighat in Arunachal Pradesh and finally to Lilabari in Assam.

21 MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

21.1 SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT AT OKHLA

- Asia's largest Sewerage treatment plant at Okhla, Delhi.
- Okhla sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) with a capacity of 564 Million Litres Per Day.
- It's main aim is to play major Role in Yamuna Cleaning Process.
- Total sanction for this Project in Rs. 665.78 Crore.

22 MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

22.1 MOU WITH APEDA AND NRDC

- MOU is signed between APEDA (Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority) and NRDC (National Research Development Corporation).
- This is to boost Export Value Chain.
- The main area of concentration is Climate Resilient Agriculture related to Zero Carbon Emission farming to produce Carbon Free products for exports.

22.2 NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON AGRICULTURE KHARIF CAMPAIGN 2022

- National Conference on Agriculture Kharif Campaign 2022 has set a record level of 328 million tonnes for the crop year 2022-23.
- This done to review the progress of the rabi (winter) season crops and plan for the Kharif (summer) crops.
- The set target is 3.8 percent higher as compared to the previous year's output.

23 MINISTRY OF AYUSH

23.1 GLOBAL AYUSH INVESTMENT AND INNOVATION SUMMIT 2022

- Ministry of AYUSH first time organized Global AYUSH Investment and Innovation Summit 2022 held at Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- The summit witnessed Letter of Intents (LoIs) worth more than Rs. 9000 Crores.
- The aim of this summit is to attract “lucrative investments” to build India as the “Global Ayush Destination” in the world through agreements with international and national institution.

24 PRESIDENT

24.1 CONSTITUTION (SCHEDULED TRIBES) ORDER AMENDMENT BILL, 2022

- President, Ram Nath Kovind gives assent to Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2022.
- The act provides “Darlongs” a small community of around 11,000 people in Tripura to officially get included in the list of Scheduled Tribes(ST).
- Darlong Community is a sub-tribe of the Kuki Tribe in the list of STs in Tripura.

