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MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

- A two day International webinar on **Lokmanya Tilak-Swaraj to self-reliant India** was inaugurated by the ministry on the occasion of 100th death anniversary of the great freedom fighter Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak.
- **International Youth day** was observed on 12th August, 2020.

MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATION

- **BSNL's Bharat Air fiber high-speed broadband service** was launched in Akola, Maharashtra.
- Ministry inaugurated **BHARAT-AIRFIBER** which is a last mile telecom connectivity solutions based on radio network.

MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

- Khadi village industries commission has launched a program **Khadi agarbatti atmanirbhar mission** in order to provide employment to migrant workers while increasing the domestic production of agarbatti.
- 700 bee boxes has been distributed in Western UP as a part of **Honey mission** in order to propel self-employment opportunities for migrant workers.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE

- Ministry has launched **Krishi Megh** which is a step towards digital agriculture of New India.
- Ministry has launched **Sahakaar cooptube** NCDC which is a new initiative of National cooperative development corporation. It will provide guidance about formation and registration of cooperatives.
- **Under Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana 2020-21**, Ministry has proposed for funding of start-ups under the innovation and agripreneurship component of the scheme.
- **Devlali-Danapur kisan rail** was inaugurated by the ministry. It will help farmers in getting proper market and price for their products.
- **India ranks 1st in terms of number of organic farmers and 9th in terms of area under organic farming.**

MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

- Foundation stone of IIM has been laid by the ministry in Sirmaur, Himachal Pradesh.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM

- Ministry has inaugurated world class **Thenzaul golf resort project** in Mizoram under the Swadesh Darshan scheme.

MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- According to recent reports, 17crore mandays employment has been provided and Rs.13240crore has been paid to migrant workers under Garib kalyan rojgar Abhiyan.
- A book-**Farm livelihood intervention under DAY-NRLM** has been released by the ministry.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

- **Defence institute of advanced technology** has bagged the first prize in Smart India Hackathon 2020.
- Ministry launched Indian coast guard offshore patrol vessel called **Sarthak**.

MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

- Indian railways have introduced **Kisan Rail** which is a special parcel train from Devlali in Maharashtra to Danapur in Bihar on a weekly basis.

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

- **National highways authority of India (NHAI)** has signed a MoU with **IIT Delhi** to set up center of excellence on the use of Artificial intelligence in data driven decision making in NHAI.
- **FASTag has been made mandatory** for availing all discounts on the National highways fee plaza.

MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS

- Sport authority of India has launched **Khelo India mobile app** to facilitate online training program for physical education teachers.
- **National sports day** was observed on 29th August, 2020.

PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE

- PM inaugurated **Rashtriya swaccha Kendra** which is an interactive experience center on Swachh Bharat Mission.
- PM launched the platform for **Transparent taxation-Honoring the honest**.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

- **Shri G C Murmu** has taken the charge of **Comptroller and Auditor general of India**.

MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

- **World Biofuel day** was observed on 10th August, 2020. Theme-Biofuels towards Atmanirbhar Bharat.

MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

- Ministry has developed **Empowering tribals-transforming India** which is an online performance dashboard.
- Ministry has launched **Swasthya** which is a tribal health and nutrition portal.

AYUSH

- A mobile unit facility **Dhanwantari rath** has been launched to bring Ayurveda at the doorstep of Delhi police families.

CABINET

- Cabinet has approved the proposal of leasing out three airports-Jaipur, Guwahati and Thiruvananthpuram of Airport authority of India through Public private partnership.
- Cabinet has approved the setting up of **National Recruitment Agency** to conduct Combined Eligibility Test (CET).

CABINET COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

- CCEA has approved the **Fair and remunerative price of Sugarcane at Rs.285/quintal** payable by sugar mills for sugar season 2020-21.

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

- **Indore has again got the title of cleanest city in India** fourth time in a row.
- Ministry has launched online dashboard **SUANidhi**, i.e. PM street vendors Atmanirbhar nidhi which a one stop solution to all stakeholders looking for proper information and monitoring.

NITI AAYOG

- Atal innovation mission has partnered with India-Sweden healthcare innovation centre in order to expand start-up ecosystem.
- NITI Aayog has launched **Nationally determined contribution (NDC)** which is a transparent initiative for Asia India component.