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NITI AAYOG

1. INNOVATIONS FOR YOU

- NITI Aayog releases 2nd Edition of “Innovations for you”.
- It gives the plans for innovation in Agriculture and Allied Sectors.
- 70 Startups from all over Indian took place in this Innovation process.

2. STATE HEALTH INDEX

- 4th Edition of State Health Index is released by NITI Aayog.
- It is named as the “Healthy States, Progressive India”.
- It tells about the health outcomes in each states.
- Best States in this Index are Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Telangana.

PRIME MINISTER

1. 23 PROJECTS IN UTTARAKHAND

- Prime Minister Modi laid foundation stone for 23 projects in Uttarakhand.
- Estimation of these projects outlays INR 17,500 crores.
- These projects includes irrigation, road, housing, health infrastructure, etc.,

2. KANPUR METRO RAIL PROJECT

- Prime Minister Modi laid foundation stone for Kanpur Metro Rail Project in Uttar Pradesh.
- It is a 9 km long rail project.
- It is built along with IIT Kanpur under green building code.

3. MANDI HYDROPOWER PROJECT

- Prime Minister Modi laid foundation stone for Mandi Hydropower Projects, Himachal Pradesh.
- Project outlays of INR 11,000 Crores.

4. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN VARANASI

- Multiple Development Projects are started in Varanasi by PM Narendra Modi.
- These project worth INR 2095 Crores.
- 27 projects comes under this project includes Dairy, Education, Electricity, etc.,

5. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN GOA

- Multiple Development Projects are started in Goa by PM Narendra Modi.
- This project worth INR 650 Crores.
- This projects were announced on the Goa Liberation Day.
- Main thing to be done in this project is “Renovation of Aguada Jail Museum”

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

1. NAGALAND “DISTURBED AREA”

- Minister of Home Affairs Mr. Amit Shah has declared Nagaland as “Disturbed Area”.
- This was done after the incident of killing 14 unarmed civilians by Army Personnels.
- To know what had happened 7 members committee was formed headed by Vivek Joshi.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

1. LOWER CROP INSURANCE PREMIUM

- 2 Sub committees were formed to Lower Crop Insurance Premium under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
- These two committees will do cost benefit analysis.
- They will submit the report on January 10, 2022.

MINISTRY OF ROAD, TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

1. INTELLIGENT TRANSPORT SYSTEM

- India’s 1st Intelligent Transport System was opened at Dasna, Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh.
- It is a 6 lane Eastern Peripheral Expressway.
- It is to enhance safety, prior information about Traffic system and minimize traffic problems.

2. ELECTRIC VEHICLES LEADING STATES

- Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways had released data about Electric Vehicles Leading States.
- According to this report, total of 870,141 registered EV in India.
- Out of this 255,700 registered EV are from Uttar Pradesh.
- Uttar Pradesh is followed by Delhi and Karnataka.

3. MAPMY INDIA

- Ministry of Road, Transport and Highways collaborated with MapMy India at National Conference on Investment Opportunities in Highways, Transport and Logistics.
- It is to provide advanced digital maps to ensure road safety measures.

MINISTRY OF DEFENSE

1. ARTILLERY GUN 155 BR

- Under “Make in India” movement, Artillery Gun 155 BR is made.
- It is a multi-terrain Artillery Gun (MARG-155) –BR mounted on 4X4 High Mobility Vehicle.
- It was developed by Bharat Forge Limited.

2. AUTOMATIC WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

- This water supply system is for citizens of cantonment boards.
- This is done under eChhawani Project.
- This is the 1st GPS based Automatic Water Supply System.
- Developed by “Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and Geo Informatics”.

3. MOU WITH IITE, GANDHINAGAR

- Ministry of Defense signed MoU with IITE, Gandhinagar.
- It is to train 800 Sainik school teachers.
- Trained by course named “Gurudiksha” and “Pratibaddhata”.

4. 5 DRDO PRODUCTS TO ARMED FORCE

- Ministry of Defense handed over 5 DRDO products to armed force.
- It is done under the agreements for Transfer of Technology.
- They also transferred 6 licensing agreements for transfer of technology.

MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

1. TRIFED VAN DHAN

- This is to promote awareness about tribes of India, MSP of Tribal Products.
- TRIFED – Tribal Co-operative Marketing Development Federation of India.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

1. DOCPRIME HEALTH LOCKER

- India's 1st health locker integrated with Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission.
- It was launched by Docprime Technology Private Limited.
- Using this we can create Digital health ID for ourselves and our family members.
- We can upload and maintain all of our health records in that locker under our ID.

MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

1. AGREEMENT WITH TAJIKISTAN

- Minister of External Affairs Jaishankar signed Agreement with Tajikistan Foreign Minister Sirojiddin Muhridin.
- The agreement is based on diplomatic training and program of Co-operation.
- Energy, connectivity, trade, security and capacity building are signed in this agreement.

2. INDIA-CENTRAL ASIA DIALOGUE

- Chaired by Minister of External Affairs Jaishankar, India-Central Asia Dialogue took place at New Delhi from 18th to 20th December 2021.
- This dialogue was attended by Foreign Ministers of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan.
- It was done with focus on trade and co-operation between these countries.

3. INDIA OCEAN DIALOGUE

- 8th India Ocean Dialogue held on December 15, 2021.
- This is to achieve UN2030 agenda.
- Theme of this Dialogue: Post Pandemic Indian Ocean.

PRESIDENT

1. BIJAY DIBOS

- President Ram Nath Kovind attended "Bijay Dibos" of Bangladesh.
- This event took place in Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- Just to reflect strong relationship between the 2 countries, President of Bangladesh Abdul Hamed invited our President.

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES

1. GI TAG FOR MITHILA MARKHANA

- GI tag is issued for Mithila Markhana.
- Mithila Markhana is known as fox nut which is grown in the Mithila region of Bihar.

2. ANIMAL HUSBANDRY STARTUP CHALLENGE

- On Dec 13, 2021 Animal Husbandry Startup Challenge was announced by Ministry of Commerce and Industries.
- This was launched by Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying.
- It is done with the partnership of Startup India.
- This challenge is to address the 6 challenges that is faced by Animal Husbandry and Dairy Sector.

3. LOGIXTICS

- LogiXtics is an unified logistics interface platform Hackathon (ULIP).
- It aims to crowd source ideas to benefit the logistics industry in India.

4. SCHEME OF INVESTMENT PROMOTION

- A Scheme for Investment Promotion is proposed by Ministry of Commerce and Industries.
- The duration of this scheme is 5 years (2021-22 to 2025-26).
- Financial outlay for this scheme is INR 970 Crores.
- This is a Centrally sponsored scheme to promote Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in India.

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE

1. ASKOT WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

- Askot Wildlife Sanctuary is declared as the “Askot Wildlife Sanctuary Eco-sensitive Zone”.
- It covers the area of 22 km around Askot Wildlife Sanctuary.
- It is declared as eco sensitive zone by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

2. KAZHUVELI WETLAND

- Kazhuveli Wetland is declared as the 16th Bird Sanctuary in India.
- It is located in Tamil Nadu.
- It is done under the “Section 18 of the wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972”.
- It is the 2nd Brackish water lake in South India after Pulicat lake.

MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1. INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE FESTIVAL 2021

- Dr. Jitendra Singh (Independence Charge) of Ministry of Science and Technology inaugurated 7th International Science Festival 2021 at Panaji, Goa.
- Theme of this festival: “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav” – Celebrating science, Technology and innovation for a prosperous India.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

1. E-VERIFICATION SCHEME 2021

- New rules for e-Verification Scheme 2021 is done.
- This is to avoid mismatch information about tax payers.
- According to Income Tax Act 135A, proposes faceless information gathering.
- This is to improve efficiency in Tax filling.

MINISTRY OF POWER

1. HYDROGEN MICROGRID PROJECT

- Hydrogen Micro grid project was proposed at Simhadri near Nisakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- It is a standalone fuel cell based Micro Grid project.
- It is India’s 1st and world largest green Hydrogen micro grid.
- India targets to become carbon neutral by 2070.

MINISTRY OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

1. MOU FOR DATA EXCHANGE

- MoU is signed by Corporate Affairs Ministry and Financial Intelligence Unit of Ministry of Finance.
- Data Exchange is to enforce effective enforcement of schemes.
- It is to government vision of minimum government, maximum governance.

MINISTRY OF JAL SAKTI

1. WATER IMPACT SUMMIT 2021

- This summit is conducted by National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) and centre for Ganga basin Management and studies.
- Event Theme: “River Resources Allocation” Planning and Management at the Regional Level.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

1. DIGITAL MEDIA PARTNERSHIP

- Anurag Takur, Minister of Information and Broadcasting signed Letter of Intent (LOI) with Nguyen Manh Hung, Minister of Information and Broadcasting of Vietnam.
- This is to strengthen the field of Digital media and strengthen the partnership with India –Vietnam.

MINISTER OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

1. LEGAL MARRIAGE AGE FOR WOMEN

- The legal Marriage Age for women is raised from 18 to 21 years.
- The Union Cabinet has given approval to pass this.
- Amendments are made in Prohibition of Child Marriage Act (PCMA), 2006, Special Marriage Act 1954 and Hindu Marriage Act 1955.
- Legal age for men to getting married in 21.

MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT RAJ

1. LOCALIZATION OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG)

- Localization of Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) by panchayat raj institutions.
- Training Management Portal is launched.
- Gram Panchayat Development Plan (GPDP) monitory dashboard has been made.

MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

1. DIGITAL PAYMENT UTSAV

- This is to bring Government, Banks, Financial services and startups to tackle the rise of Digital payment.
- In the event Yes Bank launched Rupay credit cards.

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

1. SWACHH TECHNOLOGY CHALLENGE

- Entrepreneurial skills in India for waste management sector need to be developed.
- It can be done by utilizing urban local bodies.

2. SMART CITIES MISSION 2023

- Extension of Smart Cities Mission 2023 was done.
- Around 100 cities are participating in this mission.
- It is extended due to COVID-19 emergency situation.

MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT

1. SHRESHTHA YOJANA

- Shreshtha Yojana is implemented at the New Delhi.
- This yojana is to support the socio-economic upliftment of SC Students by providing quality residential education.

MINISTRY OF AYUSH

1. MOU WITH CSIR-CIMAP

- Ministry of AYUSH signed MoU with CSIR-CIMAP (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research Central Institute of Medicine and Aromatic Plants, Lucknow)
- This is to promote production of Quality planting materials for medicinal plants.

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

1. NEW HELICOPTER POLICY

- Minister of Civil Aviation, Jyotiraditya announced New Helicopter Policy.
- This policy is to set up dedicated hubs and corridors to boost air connectivity in India.

MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION

1. UNEMPLOYMENT RATE AT 9.3%

- Unemployment Rate at 9.3% for January to March 2021.
- This was released by National Statistical Office (NSO).
- Unemployment in Urban area rose from 9.0% to 9.3% in same months of 2021.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM

1. 9TH INTERNATIONAL TOURISM MART

- 9th International Tourism Mart is opened by Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio and Ajay Bhatt.
- It is for North East Region at Kohima, Nagaland.

- 75 sellers of North East Region and 50 buyers across India attended this Mart.

MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS

1. UNIQUE FACE RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY

- Unique Face Recognition Technology if launched by Dr. Jitendra Singh for all pensioners.
- Unique Face Recognition Technology work as the proof of “Digital Life Certification” for pensioners.
- This is by Department of Pension and Pensioners welfare.

