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MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRIES

- **India International Cooperative trade fair took place in New Delhi** in which focus was given on calling for a mass movement to strengthen the cooperative sector in Agriculture.
- **India-UK Joint Economic trade committee (JETCO) meeting was held in London** on 15th of July with an aim to boost the economic engagement between the two countries.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

- The number of awards given to the cadets of NCC has been increased from 143 to 243 and the amount of cash incentives have been increased to Rs.30000 from Rs.20000
- Defence Ministry has launched a dashboard for the effective monitoring of defence productions, Intellectual Property Rights and Mission of Raksha Gyan Shakti.
- **India and Myanmar has signed a MoU** on Defence cooperation.
- In order to robust the tier between India and Russia, **INS Tarkash participated in the Russia Navy Day Parade** on 25th July 2019.

MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

- **Shodhganga, Shodhgangotri and National Digital Library** are the various initiatives promoted by the Ministry for Digital reading.
- The Parliament has passed the **Central Education institutions Bill, 2019** which considers the Universities/Colleges as one unit and restores the earlier reservation system based on 200 point roster.
- A programme called **"Study in India"** is going to be implemented in order to facilitate Internationalization of higher education in India.
- **National Institute of Technology, Uttarakhand** campus will be established in **Sumai, Srinagar, Uttarakhand**.
- Ministry has released a UGC guide to student induction programme called **'Deeksharambh'** to help new students to adjust to the new environment.
- A UGC scheme-**Paramarsh** has been launched to monitor National Accreditation and assessment council (NAAS) to promote quality assurance in higher education.

MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS

- **Direct sale of Biodiesel (B100)** for blending with high speed diesel has been approved by the Government.
- Rs.595438crore has been contributed by the petroleum sector to Exdequer in 218-19

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

- **A bridge will be constructed over Brahmaputra to link Dhubi in Assam with Phulbari in Meghalaya.** It will be funded by Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA).
- The Government has undertaken 17 major road development projects of length 1554km to enhance the connectivity of National Highways in Jammu & Kashmir.

- **'One Nation One Card' scheme** was launched by the Prime Minister in Ahmedabad to enable seamless travel by metros and other transport systems across the country.

MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES

- Cabinet has approved the **Inter-state River water dispute (Amendment) bill, 2019** for the adjudication of disputes related to water of Inter-state rivers and river valley.

MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- **Rs.9368.12crore and Rs.255crore** has been allocated for **Supplementary Nutrition Mission** and the scheme for adolescent girls respectively for the current fiscal year.

MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

- An orientation course on **Parliamentary practice and procedure** was organized for the benefit of Assistant secretaries on 17th July 2019.

MINISTRY OF CULTURE

- A **tribal poetry meet** was organized by Sahitya Akademi in **Agartala**.
- **Amit Pathak's poetry collection-"Raag-Upraag"** was awarded with **Yuva Purashkar**.
- **Rishi Basistha** is the winner of **Bal Sahitya Purashkar** for his book **"Ek Phoolak Guldasta"**.

MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

- Ministry has approved the **Code of Occupational safety, health and working condition bill, 2019**. It is an amalgamation of the 13 central labour acts.
- A total of 3085205 persons have been enrolled in **Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Mandhan scheme** till July, 2019.
- **Atal Bimit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana** has been launched by the Employees state Insurance to provide relief to the insured persons upto an amount of 25% of average daily earning in case of unemployment.

MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

- As per the amended bidding guidelines of wind power projects, the timeline for land acquisition for wind power projects has been extended from 7 months to 18 months.

MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- **Ministry of Rural Development** has signed a **MoU with National Remote sensing Center, Hyderabad and ISRO** for geo-tagging of the assets under the MGNREGA in different Panchayats
- **Number of employment days has been increased under MGNREGA**. Now, an additional 50 Days of wage employment will be provided and above 100 days of additional employment will be provided in drought affected areas.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE

- Total budget estimated for the **Restructured National Bamboo Mission for the year 2019-20** is **Rs.150crores**.
- **Assistance of Rs.50000/ha** will be given to farmers for 3 years under **Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana**.
- **Under Agricultural Marketing Infrastructure (AMI) Scheme, a subsidy of 25% and 33.33%** based on the category of the beneficiary is being provided for well-equipped scientific storage facilities
- A new central sector scheme on **“Promotion of Agricultural Mechanization for In-situ management of Crop residue in the state of Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and NCT of Delhi”** has been launched for the period 2018-19 to 2019-20 with an total outlay of **Rs.1151.80crores** under which financial assistance at the rate of 50% of the project cost will be provided to the farmers for purchasing In-situ crop residue management machines.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM

- As a part of Swadesh Darshan scheme, Development of **Coastal tourism circuit has been sanctioned in Tamil Nadu**.
- According to a latest report, **tourism has contributed 12.38% to employment during 2017-18**.
- **Incredible India campaign** has won the Pacific-Asia travel Association (PATA) Gold award 2019 in the category of “Marketing Primary Government Destination”.
- A world class **Coastal and Eco-tourism circuit has been developed in Kakinad hope Island in Andhra Pradesh**.

MINISTRY OF MINES

- Ministry has approved the amalgamation of **National Institute of Miners’ health with ICMR-National Institute of Occupational Health, Ahmedabad**.
- **A workshop-Waste to wealth** was organized for the effective utilization of Red mud or Bauxite residues.

MINISTRY OF SHIPPING

- A **MoU has been signed between India and Maldives** for the establishment of passenger and cargo services by sea connecting Kochi, Kerala with Male and Kulhadufussi in Maldives.
- A **multi-model terminal is being developed at Sahibganj in Jharkhand** to open up alternate route for Nepal bound Cargo.

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

- **Chandrayaan-II spacecraft** was successfully launched into the earth orbit on July 22nd, 2019. It is the first operational flight of Geo-synchronous satellite launch vehicle (GSLV) Mk III.

MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE

- The new premises of **National Company Law Tribunal** was inaugurated at Centrum hall of World Trade Center, Mumbai.

MINISTRY OF PERSONAL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS

- **22nd National conference on e-governance will be held at Shillong, Meghalaya** on 8-9 august, 2019. Theme of the conference-Digital India: Success to Excellence.

- Shri rajiv Kumar has been appointed as the Finance secretary.

MINISTRY OF CONSUMERS AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

- Consumer Protection Bill-2019 was passed by the Lok Sabha on 30th July, 2019 with an aim of timely and effective settlement of consumer's disputes.

PRESIDENT'S SECRETARIAT

- President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind visited Benin on 28th July, 2019. India has offered US\$ 100million of credit for various developmental projects in Benin.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

- Mobile app Digital DPD, e-version of Rozgar Samachar and e-Book Satyagrah Geeta are some of the e-projects launched by the ministry to revitalize the reading culture.

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

- Parliament passed the Muslim women (Protection of Right on marriage) Bill 2019 on 30th July, 2019 in order to ban Triple talaq.

