

A top-down view of a wooden desk. On the left is a white laptop with a black keyboard. In the top right is a white cup of black coffee. On the right side are two yellow pencils. A black rectangular box is centered on the desk, containing the text 'PIB Summary May 2020' in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS' WELFARE

- **200 new mandis** have been integrated from 7 different states with e-NAM platform to facilitate the marketing of agricultural products.
- Ministry has called for farmers' movement on **Integrated soil nutrient management** based on soil health card.
- **3rd Advance estimates for foodgrains production** has been released for 2019-20
 - 1.) Foodgrains-295.67MT
 - 2.) Rice-117.94MT
 - 3.) Wheat-107.18MT
 - 4.) Pulses-23.01MT
- **Locust control operation** was conducted at various locations in Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh.

MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCE

- A low pressure area formed over south Andaman sea and adjacent South-east Bay of Bengal.
- A very severe cyclonic storm **AMPHAN** hit over central parts of South Bay of Bengal.

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING

- **Online film festival on Satyajit Ray's documentation** was organized in Mumbai by Masterstroke from May 2nd to May 6th 2020.

MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

- **Giridhar Arramane** has taken the charge as secretary of Ministry of Road transport and highways.

MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- CSIR has developed **Kisan sabha app** in order to connect farmers to supply chain and Freight transport management system.
- **11th May, 2020 was celebrated as National technology day** by focusing on rebooting the economy through science and technology.
- CSIR-National aerospace laboratories (NAL), Bengaluru has developed BiPAP non-invasive ventilator called **Swasthvayu**.
- **Jawahar lal Nehru centre for advanced scientific research (JNCASR)** has developed an **injectable silk fibroin based hydrogel** for sustained insulin delivery in diabetes patient.
- Scientists of the International advanced research center for powder metallurgy and new material (ARCI) have developed next generation biodegradable metal implants.

MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS

- **Government has raised the Minimum support price (MSP) of 49 minor forest produce** from 16% to 66%
- Ministry has launched **Goal** programme in collaboration with Facebook for digital skilling of tribal youth in the country.
- A webinar on **Van-Dhan scheme** was organized by Department of Science and Technology in Rajasthan.

MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT

- **Shri Ajay Tirkey** has taken the charge as secretary of Ministry of Women and child development.

MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI

- **National mission for clean Ganga (NMCG)** has organized an IDEathon on The future of River management in order to explore how COVID-19 pandemic will shape river management strategies in future.
- Haryana Government has proposed to provide tap water connection to all rural households by December, 2022.
- **Natheo** film on Swachh Bharat Abhiyan was premiered virtually.

MINISTRY OF CULTURE

- National gallery of modern arts presented **Ngme ke sangrah se** in order to showcase rarely seen work from its repository during lockdown. Theme-Artist by artists.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the **Virtual Vesak global** celebration on the occasion of Buddha Purnima.

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

- **DRDO has developed a ultraviolet disinfecton tower** to facilitate the rapid and chemical free disinfection of highly infection prone area.
- Indian Navy launched operation **Samudra setu** as a National effort to repatriate Indian citizens from overseas.
- Raksha mantra Shri Rajnath Singh inaugurated 80km long road for curtailing Kailash Mansarovar pilgrimage timing.
- Missile park **Agneeprastha** will be set up in INS Kalinga.

MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

- Ministry has launched **The saras collection** on Government e-marketplace (GeM) portal to showcase daily utility products prepared by rural Self-help groups (SHGs).

MINISTRY OF POWER

- According to recent reports, **India has reduced energy intensity of economy by 20%** as compared to 2005 levels.
- **Power finance corporation has signed a MoU of Rs.22000crore with NBPL** for 22million MW hydro-electric projects in Madhya Pradesh.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

- Ministry has launched **AYUSH Sanjeevani app** which will help to spread the traditional knowledge of AYUSH among global population.
- **International Nurses Day** was celebrated on 12th May, 2020.

MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

- ICAR institutes have released advisory in fisheries sector in 12 different languages
- Ministry has introduced a new scheme **Interest subvention on working capital loans** for dairy sector in order to support cooperatives and Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs) engaged in dairy activities.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

- **Government of India has an agreement of \$500million with Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)** as COVID-19 Emergency response and health system preparedness project.
- **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi announced a special package of Rs.20lakh crores** which is equivalent to 10% of India's GDP by outlining the five pillars of Atmanirbhar Bharat-Economy, Infrastructure, system, Vibrant demography and demand.
- **Government of India, Government of West Bengal and World Bank has signed a loan agreement of \$145million** to improve irrigation services and flood management in Damodar Valley Command area (DVCA).
- **Government of India has signed a loan agreement of \$177million with Asian development Bank (ADB)** for state road improvements in Maharashtra.

MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

- Total turnover of Khadi and Village Industries has reached Rs.90000crore in 2019-20.

MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

- Ministry has launched Central University of Odisha helpline **Bharosa** on cognitive rehabilitation service for students of Odisha.
- NIT, Kurukshetra has implemented Enterprises Resource planning (ERP), **SAMARTH**, which is an e-governance platform to enhance productivity by better information management in institutes.
- Ministry has launched an AI-powered mobile app called **National Test Abhyas** for mock tests of JEE main and NEET 2020.

MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

- **Shri Indu Sekhar Chaturvedi** has taken the charge as secretary of Ministry of New and Renewable energy.
- Government of India has launched a scheme for **100% solarisation of Konark city as well as Konark sun temple.**

MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS

- Indian potash Ltd. has cut the prices of Muriate of Potash (MOP) from Rs.19000/MT to rs.17500/MT

CABINET

- Cabinet has approved scheme for formalization of **Micro-food processing enterprises** with an outlay of Rs.10000crore.
- Cabinet has approved **Atmanirbhar Bharat package** for allocation of foodgrains to migrants as a part of which 8crore migrants will be provided with 5kg of foodgrains per person per month free of cost.
- Cabinet has approved **Pradhan Mantri Matasya Sampada yojana** which will bring Blue revolution through sustainable and responsible development of fisheries sector in India. Total outlay for this scheme is Rs.20500crore

MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND IT

- Government of India has announced a **Bug Bounty programme for Arogya setu app** to find security flaws in the app.
- National AI portal of India-**www.ai.gov.in** was launched by the ministry.

