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MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

1. NHA ESTIMATION REPORT

- Rajesh Bhushan, Union Secretary of Minister of Health and Family Welfare has released National Health Accounts (NHA) Estimates for India for 2017 – 18.
- This is a report to tell about Health Expenditures in India.
- According to this report, total health expenditure by Government has dropped from 40.8% to 28.6% in 2017-18.

2. $300 MILLION LOAN FROM ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK
India borrows $300 Million loan from Asian Development Bank to improve primary healthcare in urban areas.
This project will impact 256 million people across 13 states.

3. HAR GHRAR DASTAK

- This is an initiative for door to door COVID-19 vaccination campaign.
- It is to increase vaccination coverage across India.
- Main aim is to motivate people to get vaccinated fully against COVID-19.

MINISTRY OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON HYDROGEN ENERGY

- International Conference on Hydrogen Energy took place in Delhi.
- This conference is to move a step ahead towards achieving Conference of Parties (COP26) of United Nations Framework convention on Climate Change.
- 60 organizations from India participated.

NITI AAYOG

1. NATIONAL MULTIDIMENSIONAL POVERTY INDEX 2021 BASELINE REPORT

- This report is published by NITI Aayog on November 26, 2021.
- According to this report, Kerala has lowest poverty and Bihar has highest poverty.
- Bihar, Jharkhand and Uttar Pradesh (UP) ranked as the poorest state in India.

2. SDG URBAN INDEX 2021-22

- NITI Aayog launched SDG Urban Index 2021-22.
- It was launched by Dr. Rajiv Kumar, Vice Chairperson of NITI Aayog and Prof Dr. Claudia of Germany.
- Shimla tops this index followed by Coimbatore.

MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

CENTRAL VISTA OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

- Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs proposed Central Vista Project on 2019.
- The main aim of the project is to build a new parliament next to the existing parliament.
- Now, union government has formed 5 member Central Vista Oversight Committee to ensure the fast delivery of projects under Central Vista Redevelopment Plan.

MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
1. 9TH BRICS SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MINISTERS MEETING

- 9th BRICS Science and Technology Ministers Meeting took place virtually by DR. Jitendra Singh.
- Main aim is to improve the ranking of BRICS in Global Innovation Index by strengthening the field of Science and Technology.
- In addition to this, BRICS innovation Action Plan 2021-24 was made.

2. NATIONAL BRAIN RESEARCH CENTRE

- National Brain Research Centre in Manesar Haryana launched by Dr. Jitendra singh, Union Minster of Science and Technology.
- It was brought from Siemens, Germany.
- It is to reduce the scanning time for patients.

VICE PRESIDENT

1. 13TH ASIA- EUROPE SUMMIT

- Vice President Venkaiah Naidu addressed the Retreat Session of 13th Asia- Europe Summit
- The theme of this summit was “Strengthening Multilateralism for Shared Growth”.

2. 24TH BENGALURU TECH SUMMIT

- Inaugurated by Vice President, Venkaiah Naidu.
- Theme: Driving the next
- India’s largest Technology event conducted between 17th to 19th November.

MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

- 20th Summit of Shanghai Cooperation Organization
- The main aim of this summit is to focus on the trade and economic agenda of the Organization.
- It was held in Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan and attended by Dr. S. Jaishankar from India.

MINISTER OF JAL SHAKTI

RIVER CITIES ALLIANCE

- Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Gagendra Singh Shekhawat launched “River Cities Alliance (RCA)”.
- This alliance is the collaboration of National Mission for clean Ganga and National Institute for Urban Affairs
- It’s main aim is to clean Ganges and its tributaries.

PRIME MINISTER

1. NEW AIRPORT IN NOIDA
PM Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for the International Airport in Noida.
- It was laid with the investment worth Rs. 60,000 crores.
- Airport lies in the 1334 hectares in Yamuna Expressway.

2. GLOBAL INNOVATION SUMMIT

- 1st Global Innovation Summit of Pharmaceutical Sector is inaugurated by PM, Modi on Video Conferencing.
- The main aim to bring innovation ecosystem for both Indian and international stake holders in pharmaceuticals industry in India.

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS

BHARATH GAURAV POLICY

- Bharath Gaurav Policy is a theme based Tourist Circuit trains.
- These theme based trains will be operated by private players or state owned operators.
- This is to enhance and promote tourism.

MINISTER OF DEFENSE

GSAT-7C DEAL

- Union Minister of Defense, Rajnath Singh proposed GSAT-7C Deal for Air Force.
- It is done under the cost of Rs. 2,236 crore.
- The main aim of this satellite is to provide real time connectivity of Software Defined Radios.

MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION

1. SIGNS MOU WITH INDIAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

- Ministry of Civil Aviation signs MOU with Indian School of Business to analyze the effect of Regional Connectivity Scheme on Commercial Air Travel in India.
- The main aim to develop the commercial air travel infrastructure in India.

2. WINGS INDIA 2022

- The main theme of this event, “India@75: New Horizon for Aviation Industry”.
- It is a Asia’s largest event on Civil Aviation.

MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

SCLCSS FOR SERVICE SECTOR

- SCLCSS means Special Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme.
• It was service sector to boost production in the North eastern Region.

MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

SURVEY ON DOMESTIC WORKERS

• Union Minister Bhupender Yadav flags off the 1st All India Survey on Domestic Workers from Delhi.
• It is conducted by the Labour Bureau, Chandigarh.
• It will cover all the 30 states and 7 union territories of India.

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMER WELFARE

NUTRITION SMART VILLAGE

• Under the Poshan Abhiyan Scheme, 75 villages are approached to fight against malnutrition.
• It is the part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav and launched by Indian Council of Agriculture Research.

MINISTRY OF TOURISM

MOU WITH IRCTC

• Ministry of Tourism signed MoU with IRCTC to improve hospitality and tourism industry.
• Accommodation units will be provided under SAATHI for safe and sustainable tourism is the main aim.

PRESIDENT

HONORARY RANK TO PRABHU RAM SHARMA

• President Ram Nath Kovind confers Honorary Rank of General of Indian Army to Nepal Army chief Prabhu Ram Sharma.
• This was done on a 4-day official visit of Prabhu Ram Sharm to India.

MINISTRY OF FISHERIES, ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING

1. KISAN CREDIT CARD TO ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRY AND FISHERY FARMERS

• This is a Nationwide Animal husbandry, dairy and fishery farmers, Kisan Credit Card Campaign.
• This is a 3 months campaign from November 15, 2021 to February 15, 2022.
• Over 14 lakh fresh Kisan Credit Cards were sanctioned to this campaign.

2. LINAC-NCDC FISHERIES BUSINESS INCUBATION CENTRE (LIFIC)

• LINAC-NCDC Fisheries Business Incubation Centre (LIFIC) in Gurugram, Haryana.
• Built at a cost of Rs. 3.23 crore.
• The main aim is to promote fisheries start-ups under real market led conditions.

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

1. RAJYA SAINIK BOARD

• Ministry of Home Affairs approves the Rajya Sainik Board in Ladakh.
• This will help 60,000 ex-serviceman, war widows, non-combatants, etc.
• This will be headed by a director.

2. AYUSHMAAN CAPF

• Home Minister Amit Shah launched Pan-India Health Cards Scheme for CPPF (Central Armed Police Forces).
• It is a joint initiative of Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
• About 35 lakh cards were scheduled to be distributed by December 2021.

MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION

LEGAL METROLOGY

• This is a Rule 5 of the Legal Metrology (Packaged Commodities), Rules 2011.
• Pack sizes of various commodities were omitted.
• Date of Manufacture for pre-pack commodities was made compulsory.
• It will come into effect from 1st April 2022.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

8.5% RETURN ON PF

• Ministry of Finance approved 8.5% return on Provident Fund deposits for 2020 – 21.
• Now the Employee’s Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) will credit this interest in account of active 60 million beneficiaries.

MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

AADHAAR HACKATHON 2021

• This is to promote innovation culture among youths.
• It is the part of “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav”.
• It is to improve the interface of Aadhaar Enrolment platform.
5 NEW VESSELS

- Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the 5 new vessels at Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL).
- These 5 vessels were launched by five senior most women employees of CSL.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT

BHASHA SANGAM MOBILE APP

- This app is to increase proficiency in Indian Languages other than their mother tongue.
- It is an initiative for school children.
- It is launched in 22 Indian languages.

MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SELF HELP GROUP TO EARN RS. 1 LAKH PER ANNUM

- This initiative to enable rural SHG women to earn at least Rs. 1 lakh per annum.
- Initial fund of Rs, 80,000 crores is being credited to SHG’s annually.