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IMPORTANT DAYS

25th June: Day of the Seafarer

- The annual Day of the Seafarer celebrated on 25th
- The objective of this day is to thanks the seafarers for their contribution to the economy and civil society of the world.
- 2019 campaign - I Am On Board with gender equality
- 2019 Theme – “Gender Euality”
- It is started by International Maritime Organisation (IMO)

Extra Shots:

IMO -

- Founded: 17 March 1948
- Headquarters: London, United Kingdom
- Founder: United Nations
- Head: Kitack Lim

NATIONAL UPDATES

Government schools to introduce self-defence training programmes for girls

- Ministry of Human Resource Development has launched Integrated Scheme for School Education named SamagraShiksha.
- The government has introduced a self-defence training programme for girls under SamagraShiksha so as to make them strong.
- Self Defence training will be imparted to girls from classes 6 to 12 stuyding in government schools.
- Government will provide Rs 3,000 per month for a period of three months to all Government-run school for this Programme.

Extra Shots:

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- Minister of Human Resource Development – Ramesh Pokhriyal (Haridwar)

Government to launch Universal Smart Card Driving License

- Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has decided to modify the format of driving licenses to smart card type driving licences.
- Flagship application of Ministry of Road Transport and Highways named SARATHI developed by NIC, has a common countrywide database of all driving license holders.
- Almost 15 crore driving license records are available in its central repository.

Extra Shots:

- Minister of Road Transport and Highways - Nitin Gadkari (Constituency – Nagpur)

Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment proposes to introduce The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2019

- Ministry of Social Justice And Empowerment proposes to introduce a Bill titled "The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2019" in the Lok Sabha.
- The aim of this bill is to mitigating the stigma, discrimination and abuse against the marginalized Transgender population and bring them into the mainstream of society.

Extra Shots:

- Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment - Thaawarchand Gehlot (Constituency – Ujjain, MP)

Maharashtra Government to step up mechanism to redress farmers' grievances

- The Maharashtra government will step up its vigilance mechanism to ensure fast redressal of grievances regarding drought mitigation.
- The government will keep strict vigilance through tehsil and district level committees to ensure officials are available for farmers

Extra Shots:

- Maharashtra – Capital City (Mumbai) CM (Devendra Fadnis) Governor (C. Vidyasagar Rao)

Maharashtra to get floating solar power generation plants on four dams

- Maharashtra Water Resources Minister Girish Mahajan announced that Maharashtra is all set to get floating solar power generation plants in four dams.
- The estimated investment per megawatt is Rs 4.45 crore, with a total installed capacity of 500 MW
- A committee headed by the executive director of the Vidarbha Irrigation Development Corporation (VIDC) is currently scrutinising the detailed project report and drafting the tenders.

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Extra Shots:

- Maharashtra – Capital City (Mumbai) CM (Devendra Fadnis) Governor (C. Vidyasagar Rao)

J&K govt starts 'Back to Village' Programme to connect with rural people

- Jammu and Kashmir government has started 'Back to Village' Programme from 20th to 27th June 2019, an initiative to connect with the rural people.
- This initiative involves field visits, public interactions, registering of grievances, an inspection of public utilities, holding of awareness camps and other allied activities.
- Special awareness was also conducted by the Nodal Officer, Trespone CDPO Tai Suru Parveen Akhtar, on Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan (PM-SYM) Pensions Scheme.
- The scheme provides pension benefits to the unorganized workers who have to pay a monthly premium of 55 to 200 rupees depending on the age of the subscriber, falling between the age group of 18-40 years, after attaining 60 years.

INTERNATIONAL UPDATES

UAE launches UN-developed anti-money laundering platform

- The UAE Central Bank's Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) announced that it has launched the new anti-money laundering platform, called (goAML).
- Objective of goAML is to gather and analyse intelligence submitted by reporting entities, which is then analysed and disseminated to law enforcement authorities when deemed necessary.
- The platform will act as an integral part of the FIU by elevating its IT structure, strengthening a country-wide cooperation against criminal activity.
- The goAML platform, a fully integrated software solution, was specifically customised to commensurate with the requirements of the UAE's anti-money laundering and counter terrorist financing framework and key stakeholders
- All financial institutions in the UAE must register on the new platform by June 27, 2019 to avoid penalties.

Extra Shots:

- UAE (Capital/Currency) – Abu Dhabi/Dirham
- Prime Minister – Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Japan gifts Imphal Peace museum to Manipur

- Japan gifts Imphal Peace museum to Manipur to mark the 75th anniversary of Battle of Imphal.

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- The Imphal Peace museum is inaugurated Red Hill, Imphal by Manipur Revenue minister KaramShyam, Japanese Ambassador to India Kenji Hiramatsu, High Commissioner of UK Dominic Asquith and TNF Chairman YoheiSasakawa.

Extra Shots:

- Japan (Capital/Currency) – Tokyo/Yen
- Prime Minister – Shinzo Abe

BUSINESS & ECONOMY

Bangladesh receives highest ever net FDI amounting to 3.61 bn dollars

- Bangladesh received the highest ever net foreign direct investment (FDI) amounting to 3.61 billion dollars in 2018.
- Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA) announced that China was the biggest source for FDI inflows last year at 1.03 billion dollars, followed by the Netherlands and the UK.
- Government of Bangladesh is working to improve its ranking in the ease of doing business index from the current level of 176 out of 190 to below 100 in the near future.

Extra Shots:

- Bangladesh (Capital/Currency) – Dhaka/Taka
- Prime Minister – Sheikh Hasina

BANKING & FINANCE

RBI launches Complaint Management System

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Shaktikanta Das launched a Complaint Management System (CMS) on its website on June 24, 2019.
- This RBI CMS has launched for lodging complaints against banks and NBFCs with a motto to improve customer experience in timely redressal of grievances.
- The RBI is also planning to introduce an Interactive Voice Response (IVR) system to track the status of complaints.

Extra Shots:

- RBI: Governor- Shaktikant Das (25th)
- Founded – 1st April 1935, Kolkata
- Headquarter – Mumbai
- Deputy Governors - BP Kanungo , Mahesh Kumar Jain , N. S. Vishwanathan

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REPORT & INDEX

NITI Aayog releases 'Healthy States, Progressive India' report

- NITI Aayog released the second edition of “Healthy States, Progressive India”, ranking states and Union territories on their year-on-year incremental change in health outcomes, as well as, their overall performance.
- Among the larger states, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh & Maharashtra ranked on top in terms of overall performance.
- Haryana, Rajasthan and Jharkhand are the top three ranking states in terms of annual incremental performance.
- Haryana, Rajasthan and Jharkhand showed the maximum gains in improvement of health outcomes from base to reference year.
- The report has been developed by NITI Aayog, with technical assistance from the World Bank, and in consultation with the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- The report was jointly released by Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog, Dr Rajiv Kumar, member NITI Aayog Dr VKPaul, CEO, NITI Aayog; Amitabh Kant and the Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare; Preeti Sudan.

Extra Shots:

- NITI Aayog - NITI Aayog is a policy think tank of the Government of India
- Formed: 1 January 2015
- Headquarters: New Delhi
- CEO: Amitabh Kant
- Chairperson: Narendra Modi
- Vice Chairman: Dr Rajiv Kumar

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

K Natarajan to be new Chief of Indian Coast Guard

- Krishnaswamy Natarajan has been appointed as the next director general of Indian Coast Guard.
- He will replace Rajendra Singh.
- Natarajan joined the Coast Guard on January 18, 1984, and holds a Masters Degree in Defence and Strategic Studies from Madras University.

Shefali Juneja appointed as India's representative in ICAO

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- Senior bureaucrat Shefali Juneja was appointed as India's representative in the council of International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO), a United Nations body.
- She has been appointed for a period of three years.
- She will replace senior IAS officer Alok Shekhar.

Extra Shots:

- ICAO - ICAO was established in 1944 by Convention on International Civil Aviation (Chicago Convention).
- Objective: To manage administration and governance of Chicago Convention.
- Headquarters: Montreal, Canada
- Head: Fang Liu
- President: Olumuyiwa Benard Aliu

SPORTS

India proposes to host 2023 IOC session in Mumbai

- India proposed to host the 2023 International Olympic Committee session in Mumbai.
- Indian Olympic Association President Narinder Batra and IOC member Nita Ambani submitted the formal bid to IOC Chief Thomas Bach on the sidelines of the governing body's 134th Session at Lausanne in Switzerland.
- India has earlier hosted an IOC Session in 1983 in New Delhi.

Extra Shots:

- International Olympic Committee (IOC) –
- Founded: 23 June 1894
- Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland
- President: Thomas Bach

OBITUARIES

Swami Satyamitranand Giri Maharaj passes away

- Swami Satyamitranand Giri Maharaj, a renowned seer, passed away at Dehradun in Uttarakhand at an age of 87.
- President Ram Nath Kovind, Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi have condoled the demise of the spiritual leader.

Freedom fighter Mohan Ranade passes away

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- Freedom fighter Mohan Ranade, who participated in Goa's liberation movement, passed away.
- Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has condoled Mohan Ranade's death.

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