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IMPORTANT DAYS

26th June: International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

- The United Nations has recognised 26 June as the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.
- Objective: To ensure sustainable development globally and to take measures to tackle drug abuse and trafficking.
- Theme for 2019: "Health for justice, justice for health"

Extra Shots:

United Nations- It is an International Organization. Its Objective of UN is to not only maintain International Peace and Security but also to develop Friendly relations among nations.

- Founded – 24th October, 1945
- Headquarter- New York, United States
- Secretary General- Antonio Guterres (9th SG OF UN)
- He is from PORTUGAL
- Portugal (Capital/Currency) - Lisbon/ Euro
- United States (Capital/Currency) - Washington, D.C/ US Dollar

UNODC - United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

- Founded: 14 July 1997
- Headquarters: Vienna, Austria
- Head: Yuri Fedotov

NATIONAL UPDATES

32nd Congress of the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) begins in Hyderabad

- The 32nd Congress of the International Seed Testing Association (ISTA) has started in Hyderabad today.

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- The event is inaugurated by Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Kailash Choudhary.
- The Seed Congress is being held for the first time in South Asia.
- The deliberations will be mainly focusing on various technologies for increasing quality seed production and seed export-import policies.
- Over 600 delegates including seed experts, officials, policy makers and representatives of national and international companies from nearly 70 countries are taking part in the event.

Extra Shots:

- Telangana – Capital City (Hyderabad) CM (K. Chandrashekar Rao) Governor (E. S. L. Narasimhan)

Odisha CM unveils Flood Hazard Atlas

- Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik unveiled a Flood Hazard Atlas for the efficient management of Flood in the state.
- The Atlas is jointly prepared by National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) and Odisha Disaster Management Authority (ODSAM).
- This atlas will help identify the disaster prone areas of the state so that necessary plans can be made to tackle the situation.

Extra Shots:

- Odisha- Capital City (Bhubaneswar) CM (Naveen Patnaik) Governor (Ganeshi Lal)

AGREEMENTS & MOU

World Bank approves \$147 Million Loan to the Government of Jharkhand

- The World Bank approved a \$147 million loan agreement to provide basic urban services to the people of Jharkhand.
- Their aim is to improve the management capacity of the urban local bodies (ULBs) in the state and to strengthen the capacity of the Jharkhand Urban Infrastructure Development Company (JUIDCO).
- They invest in urban services such as water supply, sewerage, drainage, and urban roads.

Extra Shots:

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- Headquarters: Washington, D.C., United States

- 13th President: David Malpass (U.S)
- Membership: 189 countries (Last- Nauru)
- Jharkhand – Capital City (Ranchi) CM (Raghubar Das) Governor (Draupadi Murmu)

World Bank to provide \$31.58 million loan for financial systems management project in

Uttarakhand

- The World Bank has signed an agreement with Government of India to provide \$31.58 million (about Rs 221 crore) loan for a project to improve Uttarakhand's financial systems and better utilisation of development resources in the state.
- This is a tripartite agreement between the central government, the Uttarakhand government and the World Bank for Uttarakhand Public Financial Management Strengthening project.
- The loan will improve state's ability to manage its financial systems and lead to better utilisation of development resources

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- Uttarakhand- Capital City (Dehradun) CM (Trivendra Singh Rawat) Governor (Baby Rani Maurya)

NSIC signs MoU with CSC - e-governance services India

- National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) has signed an MoU with Common Service Centres (CSC) e-Governance Services India for enhancing new offerings for the MSME sector by synergizing each other's competence.
- This MoU will also enable CSCs to utilize plethora of NSIC offerings through the NSIC portal.

Extra Shots:

- National Small Industries Corporation Limited is a Mini Ratna PSU established by the Government of India.
- Founded: 1955

- Headquarters: New Delhi

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATION

Ann Sarnoff becomes the first female CEO of Warner Bros

- Ann Sarnoff is about to become the new chair and CEO of Warner Bros. She will become the first female CEO of Warner Bros.
- She will replace Kevin Tsujihara.

Extra Shots:

Warner Bros

- Founded: 4 April 1923
- Headquarters: Burbank, California, United States
- CEO: Kevin Tsujihara

DEFENCE

IAF to participate in Indo-French joint air exercise

- The Indian Air Force is participating in a bilateral exercise between Indian and French Air Force named Exercise 'Garuda-VI' in France from 1st to 12th July.
- This is the sixth edition of Exercise and is being planned at French Air Force Base, Mont-de-Marsan.
- The last exercise, 'Garuda V' was held at Air Force Station Jodhpur in 2014.

Extra Shots:

- France (Capital/Currency)- Paris/Euro
- Prime Minister - Edouard Philippe
- President - Emmanuel Macron
- Parliament – Senate
- Exercise between India & France – Shakti (Military Exercise) Varuna (Naval Exercise) Garuda (Air Force Exercise)

BOOKS & AUTHOR

AnupamKher's autobiography: 'Lessons Life Taught Me, Unknowingly'

- Bollywood actor AnupamKher pens down his autobiography, 'Lessons Life Taught Me, Unknowingly'.
- This book is all about the life story of AnupamKher, how a small town boy, son of a clerk at the forest department 'who dared to dream'.
- He is one of the most prolific actors in the Indian Film Industry and a recipient of Padma Shree award in 2014 and Padma Bhushan award in 2016.

VinitGoenka pens new book titled "Data Sovereignty - The Pursuit of Supremacy"

- The book, "Function of Data Sovereignty - The Pursuit of Supremacy" is written by VinitGoenka.
- The book focuses on steps and concrete actions required to build highly capable data centers to ensure data security.
- He is a member of the Governing Council- CRIS (Centre for Railway Information Systems) and Ministry of Railways.

SPORTS

Lewis Hamilton won French Grand Prix

- Lewis Hamilton (United Kingdom) of Mercedes won the French Grand Prix by defeating ValtteriBottas of Mercedes (Finland) and secured 187 points.
- Charles Leclerc of Ferrari (Monaco) got third
- Max Verstappen of Red Bull (Belgium) fourth
- It is held in Circuit Paul Ricard, Le Castellet, France.

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