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IMPORTANT DAYS – Daily Current Affairs

17th June is observed as World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

- The World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought is observed on 17th June every year to promote public awareness of international efforts to combat desertification.
- Theme for 2019 - “Let’s Grow the Future Together”
- The United Nation General Assembly in 1994 declared 17 June as the "World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought".

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

NATIONAL & INTERNATIONAL UPDATES – Daily Current Affairs

ADB approves Rs 1,650 cr infrastructure projects in Tripura

- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a project worth Rs 1,650 crore in seven of the eight districts headquarter towns in Tripura.
- Out of the total 80 per cent will be grant-in-aid and the state will have to repay 20 per cent loan in due course of time.

Extra Shots:

ADB –

- Establishment - 19th December 1966.

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- President - Takehiko Nakao
- Member – 68 (Last Member- Niue(Alofi/Dollar))
- Tripura –Capital City (Agartala) CM (Biplab Kumar Deb) Governor (Kaptan Singh Solanki)

Assam Government Launched the Chalo app

- The State Transport Minister Chandra Mohan Patowary launched the Assam State Transport Corporation (ASTC) “Chalo App” for the Guwahatians.
- This particular app will be equipped with a multi-module model journey planner for the commuters.
- The “Chalo App” will allow commuters in Guwahati to know the live arrival time of their bus so they plan their travel accordingly.

Extra Shots:

Assam –Capital City (Dispur) CM (SarbanandaSonowal) Governor (JagdishMukhi)

Union Power Minister participated in G20 Ministerial Meeting

- Union Power Minister participated in G20 Ministerial Meeting on Energy Transitions and Global Environment for Sustainable Growth in Karuizawa, Nagano Prefecture, Japan.

Extra Shots:

- Minister of State (IC) of the Ministry of Power: Raj Kumar Singh(Arrah, Bihar)
- Japan (Capital/Currency) –Tokyo/Yen
- Prime Minister- Shinzo Abe
- G20 Summit 2020-Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
- G20 Summit 2021- Italy
- G20 Summit 2022- India

Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2019 held in Mumbai

- The Intersessional Meeting of Kimberley Process (KP) will be hosted by India from 17th to 21st June 2019 in Mumbai.
- About 300 delegates from India and other countries will participate in the five-day meeting.
- KP is a global initiative to remove conflict diamonds from the global supply chain.
- Besides meetings of different working groups and committees of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS), two special forums regarding Diamond Terminology and Artisanal Mining - Small Steps to Larger Outcomes.
- Kimberly Process members are responsible for stemming 99.8 per cent of the global production of conflict diamonds.
- India is one of the founder members of Kimberley Process Certification Scheme and is the Chair of Kimberley Process for 2019 with the Russian Federation as Vice Chair.

Extra Shots:

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

Fifth Meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog Held in New Delhi

- The fifth meeting of the Governing Council of The National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog was held under the chairmanship of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi at Rashtrapati Bhawan Cultural Centre, New Delhi.
- The guiding principle of Union Government is “Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas and Sabka Vishwas”.
- Focus should be given to fisheries, animal husbandry, horticulture, fruits and vegetables in order to fulfill the commitment to double incomes of farmers by 2022.
- Goal to make India \$5 trillion economy by 2024. He urged the states to increase their economy by 2 to 2.5 times, which in turn would increase the common man's purchasing power.

Extra Shots:

NITI Aayog –

- January 1, 2015
- CEO – Amitabh Kant
- Vice Chairman – Rajiv Kumar

Bengaluru gets new Police Commissioner

- Alok Kumar, Additional Commissioner of Police (Crime), has been transferred and posted as Bengaluru's Police Commissioner.
- He replaced T. Suneel Kumar, who has been transferred and posted as Additional Director General of Police (Recruitment.).

Extra Shots:

- Karnataka – Capital City (Bengaluru) CM (HD Kumaraswamy) Governor (Vajubhai Vala)

APPOINTMENT & RESIGNATION – Daily Current Affairs

Mrs. Padmaja IFS, appointed as India's High Commissioner to Tuvalu

- Padmaja IFS officer 1986 batch, she is presently posted as India's High Commissioner to the Republic of Nauru has been appointed as India's High Commissioner to Tuvalu.

Extra Shots:

- Tuvalu (Capital/Currency) – Vaiaku/Australian dollar, Tuvaluan dollar

SPORTS – Daily Current Affairs

FIH Series Finals: India beat South Africa 5-1 in title clash

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- In the FIH Men's Series Finals, India defeated South Africa by 5 goals to one in a summit clash at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar. The goals were scored in the 2nd, 11th, 25th, 36th and 50th minutes.

Extra Shots:

- FIH (International Hockey Federation)
- HQ- Lausanne, Switzerland
- President- Narinder Batra

Joshna Chinappa wins record 17th National Title in Squash

- Joshna Chinappa made a record for the most number of national titles after beating her Tamil Nadu state-mate Sunayna Kuruvilla.
- Joshna broke an age-old landmark set by Bhuvneshwari Kumari who held the record for 27 Years winning consecutive titles from 1976 to 1991.

Extra Shots:

Union Sports Minister of India: Kiren Rijiju

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