



### 3. 'Vajra' commissioned to the Indian Coast Guard



- Indian Coast Guard Ship 'Vajra' was commissioned by General Bipin Rawat, Chief of Defence Staff at Kattupalli in Chennai.
- This is the **sixth in the series of seven Offshore Patrol Vessels** constructed by M/s Larsen & Toubro Ltd.
- Vajra will be based under the Operational and Administrative Control of Coast Guard District (Tuticorin) and will be deployed extensively for surveillance in exclusive economic zones in the Indian Coastal region.

### 4. Asia's largest Tulip Garden in Srinagar opens



- In the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir, Asia's largest Tulip Garden in Srinagar has been opened for the general public and tourists.

• **About Tulip Garden (Indira Gandhi Memorial Tulip garden):** It is the

largest tulip garden in Asia spread over an area of about 30 hectares.

- It is situated in the valley of the Jabarawan Hills on the banks of Dal Lake.
  - The garden was opened in 2007 with the aim to boost floriculture and tourism in Kashmir Valley.
  - **Note:** The **Tulip festival**, organised at the onset of spring season in the Valley, is an annual celebration that aims to showcase the range of flowers in the garden as part of tourism efforts by the government of Jammu and Kashmir.
5. **Shri Sanjay Dhotre releases Commemorative Postage Stamp on 100 years of first visit of Mahatma Gandhi to Odisha**



- Shri Sanjay Dhotre, Minister of State for Education, Communications and Electronics & Information Technology digitally released a Commemorative Postage Stamp on 100 years of first visit of Mahatma Gandhi to Odisha.
- This Commemorative Postage Stamp celebrates an important event of Indian History which is the **first visit of Mahatma Gandhi to Odisha on 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 1921**.
- It energized the Non-Cooperation movement and strengthened the cause of the freedom struggle.

#### 6. Andhra Pradesh to launch India's first “Government-run Ambulance Network” for animals



- The Andhra Pradesh government has decided to set up mobile ambulance services “Government-run Ambulance Network” for animals to boost the animal husbandry and veterinary sector in the state.
- The Animal Husbandry Department has been further directed to set up one Mobile Ambulance Veterinary Clinic at every assembly constituency.
- These mobile ambulances shall provide veterinary first aid services along with spot diagnosis and attending to emergency cases.

#### • **Facts about Andhra Pradesh:**

**Capital:** Amaravati

**Governor:** Biswabhusan Harichandan

**Chief Minister:** Y.S. Jaganmohan Reddy

#### 7. Russia launches 38 foreign satellites from 18 countries



- **Russian space agency 'Roscosmos'** successfully launched 38 foreign satellites from a Soyuz 2.1a carrier rocket from Baikonur cosmodrome, Kazakhstan.
- The rocket will place in orbit 38 satellites from 18 countries, including South Korea, Japan, Canada, Saudi Arabia, Germany, Italy and Brazil.
- Among them is the **Challenge-1, the first satellite made completely in Tunisia**, which was created by the Telnet telecommunications group.
- **Note:** Recently, **India's PSLV-C51 launched Brazil's Amazonia-1, 18 other satellites.**
- **Facts about Russia:**  
**President:** Vladimir Putin  
**Capital:** Moscow  
**Currency:** Russian Ruble

#### 8. Justice N.V. Ramana to be next Chief Justice of India



- **Chief Justice of India S A Bobde** has recommended the Union Government to appoint the senior most Supreme Court Judge Justice N V Ramanna as the **48th Chief Justice of India.**

- Chief Justice Bobde is set to retire on 23rd April, 2021.

- **Note:** Justice Ramana

was elevated as the Chief Justice of Delhi High Court on September 2, 2013 and was elevated as a Supreme Court Judge on February 17, 2014.

#### 9. US Senate confirms Indian-American Dr Vivek Murthy as Surgeon General



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- The US Senate has voted to confirm Indian-American Dr Vivek Murthy to be President Biden's Surgeon General.

- He will be the **21st surgeon general** of the United States.

**Note:** Dr Murthy had served as the Surgeon General under the Obama administration from 2014

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