

## Daily Current Affairs: 09.06.2021

### ILO: World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2021

#### Why in the News?

- The **International Labour Organisation (ILO)** has released the World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2021 (WESO Trends).
- The report analyses the impact of the crisis on the labour market across the world.



#### Key Points

##### Findings:

- The World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2021 projects the global crisis-induced 'jobs gap' will reach 75 million in 2021, before falling to 23 million in 2022.
- The **global unemployment rate will be 5.7 % in 2022, 6.3 % in 2021.**
- Global unemployment is expected to stand at **205 million people in 2022.**
- The related gap in working-hours, which includes the jobs gap and those on reduced hours, amounts to the equivalent of 100 million full-time jobs in 2021 and 26 million full-time jobs in 2022.
- The crisis has also hit women disproportionately. Their employment declined by 5 percent in 2020 compared to 3.9 percent for men.

#### About International Labour Organization (ILO):

- It is a United Nations agency whose mandate is to advance social and economic justice through setting international labour standards.

**Headquarters:** Geneva, Switzerland

**Director-General;** Guy Ryder

**Formation:** 11 April 1919

- The ILO has **187 state members.**
- **India** is a founder member of the International Labour Organization.

#### Note:

**India has assumed the Chairmanship** of the Governing Body of ILO in 2020.

**Source:** ILO



## UN Global Compact's CEO Water Mandate

### Why in the News?

- **NTPC Ltd** has become a signatory to the prestigious UN Global Compact's CEO Water Mandate.



## CEO WATER MANDATE

### Key Points

- NTPC is committed to proactively address water sustainability issues through implementing Water Policy, which will serve as a directive for establishing water management strategies, systems, processes, practices and research initiatives.
- NTPC will further imbibe the 3 R's (reduce, reuse, recycle) for water conservation and management while carrying out its core business activity of power generation.

### About CEO Water Mandate:

- The CEO Water Mandate is a UN Global Compact initiative that mobilizes business leaders on water, sanitation, and the Sustainable Development Goals.

### The Mandate's Six Commitment Areas:

- Direct Operations
- Supply Chain & Watershed Management
- Collective Action
- Public Policy
- Community Engagement
- Transparency

### About UN Global Compact:

- The **United Nations Global Compact** is a non-binding United Nations pact to encourage businesses and firms worldwide to adopt sustainable and socially responsible policies, and to report on their implementation.
- India is also a part of the UN Global Compact.

### About NTPC Limited:

- It, formerly known as National Thermal Power Corporation Limited, is an Indian government electricity board engaged in the business of generation of electricity and allied activities.
- NTPC was conferred Maharatna status by the Government of India in may 2010.

### Other Initiatives for Environmental Conservation:

- Race to Zero Campaign
- Industrial Deep Decarbonization Initiative

**Source: PIB**



## Raimona becomes Assam's sixth national park

### Why in the News?

- Raimona in Kokrajhar district has become Assam's sixth national park.
- The 422 sq ft wildlife habitat in Kokrajhar district adjoins western-most buffer to Manas Tiger Reserve.



### Key Points

- The **Raimona reserve forest** in Kokrajhar district under the Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR), bordering Bhutan, has been upgraded as the sixth national park of the state.
- It is home to golden langur, Asian elephants, tigers, clouded leopards, Indian gaur, wild buffalo, spotted deer, hornbill, more than 150 species of butterflies, 170 species of birds and 380 varieties of plants and orchids.

### Note:

- The other five national parks in the state are **Kaziranga, Manas, Nameri, Orang and Dibru-Saikhowa**.
- **National parks in India** are IUCN category II protected areas.
- **India's first national park** was established in 1936 as Hailey National Park, now known as Jim Corbett National Park, Uttarakhand.
- In 1972, India enacted the Wildlife Protection Act and Project Tiger in 1973 to safeguard the habitats of conservation reliant species.

**Source: The Hindu**

## India elected to UN Economic and Social Council

### Why in the News?

- **India** has been elected to the **United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) for the term 2022-24** in the Asia-Pacific States Category along with Kazakhstan, Afghanistan, and Oman.

### Key Points

#### About United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC):

- **ECOSOC** is one of the six principal organs of the UN, responsible for coordinating the economic and social fields of the organization.





**ECOSOC**

Economic and Social Council

- It was established on 26 June 1945.
- The Council consists of 54 Member States.

**Note:**

- **India** is currently serving the 2021-22 term as a **non-permanent member** of the **UN Security Council** and will assume the Presidency of the 15-nation UN organ in August 2021.

**Source: Times of India**

## Maldives Foreign Minister elected President of UNGA

**Why in the News?**

- **Maldives Foreign Minister Abdulla Shahid** was elected as President of the 76th session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA).



**Key Points**

- Abdulla Shahid will succeed Turkish diplomat Volkan Bozkir who was UNGA President for the 75th session.
- According to the established rules of regional rotation, the President of the 76th session of the General Assembly was to be elected from the Group of Asia-Pacific States.



### About United Nations General Assembly (UNGA):

- It is one of the six principal organs of the United Nations (UN), serving as the main deliberative, policy-making, and representative organ of the UN.
- The UNGA is responsible for the UN budget, appointing the non-permanent members to the Security Council, appointing the Secretary-General of the United Nations, receiving reports from other parts of the UN system, and making recommendations through resolutions.

**Source: Indian Express**

### Ranjitsinh Disale appointed as World Bank Education Advisor

#### Why in the News?

- Ranjitsinh Disale, the first Indian teacher to receive the Global Teacher Prize 2020, has been appointed as the World Bank Education Advisor for the period June 2021 to June 2024.
- The World Bank has appointed 12 advisors from world over and Disale is one of them representing India.



#### Key Points

- Ranjitsinh Disale is a primary teacher from Maharashtra's Solapur.
- Disale was named the winner of the **Global Teacher Prize 2020** in recognition of his efforts to promote girls' education and trigger a quick-response (QR) coded textbook revolution in India.

#### Note:

- The World Bank has recently launched the Global Coach Program, a new initiative focused on accelerating learning by helping countries improve in-service teacher professional development (TPD) programs and systems.

**Source: NDTV**

### Assamese litterateur Lakshmi Nandan Bora passes away

#### Why in the News?

- Padma Shri awardee and noted Assamese litterateur Lakshmi Nandan Bora passed away at 89.





### Key Points

- Lakshmi Nandan Bora won the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1988.
- In 2008, he won the Saraswati Samman from KK Birla Foundation.
- Lakshmi Nandan Bora was honoured by the Government of India in 2015 with Padma Shri, the fourth highest Indian civilian award.

**Source: The Hindu**

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