

## Daily Current Affairs - 09/09/2021

### Delhi government launches 'Business Blasters' Program

- Deputy Chief Minister of Delhi, Manish Sisodia launched the 'Business Blasters' program on September 7, 2021.
- This program was launched with the aim of developing young entrepreneurs at school-level by providing students some seed money in order to start a business.
- It will be implemented across all the Delhi government schools under the "Entrepreneurship Mindset Curriculum (EMC)".
- Under the program, class 11 and 12 students will be provided seed money of Rs 2,000 to start their business.
- The program was started at the School of Excellence Khichripur under a pilot project. 9 groups of 41 students were formed in this and they were provided the seed money of Rs 1,000. They made huge profits in it.



Source: TOI

### HDFC-NSIC pact to provide Credit Support to MSMEs

- HDFC Bank has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) to offer and strengthen credit support to MSMEs across India.
- Partnership with NSIC will help in boosting the MSME Sector growth which is the backbone of India in terms of economic development as well as job creation.
- Under this MOU, HDFC Bank will provide MSMEs a set of specially tailored schemes in order to enhance their competitiveness.
- HDFC Bank branches will also extend support to MSME projects in the areas they are located and other important industrial sectors in India.



Source: TOI

### Deity is owner of land attached to temple: SC

- According to supreme court bench comprising of Justices Hemant Gupta and A S Bopanna, Deity is the owner of land attached to a temple.
- According to the bench, a priest cannot be treated as Bhumiswami (owner of land).
- The priest holds the land just for the management of property of the temple.
- SC bench noted that, ownership column only requires the name of the deity alone because deity as a juristic person is the owner of the land.
- Occupation of the land is also by the deity which is carried out by servant or managers in behalf of the deity. Thus, name of the manager or priest is not required to be mentioned in the column of occupier.



Source: TOI

### India's first Agriculture Export Facilitation Centre set up at PUNE

- The Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce Industries and Agriculture and NABARD (National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development) recently launched the first Agricultural Export Facilitation Centre.
- The Centre will aid in boosting the agricultural and food exports of the state of Maharashtra.
- The centre will act as a one-stop shop to export agricultural food productions.
- The centre is open to anyone who is involved in agricultural exports.

- It will provide guidance in areas such as Minimum residue level, orchard management, branding and marketing, country-wise protocols, special export treatments and government export schemes.



Source: Lokmat

### Cyclone Tauktae: Maharashtra govt approves a relief fund of Rs 252 Cr

- The state government will give Rs 4 lakh to the kin of those who got killed during the cyclone Tauktae in accordance with NDRF norms and Rs 1 lakh from the state exchequer.
- Financial aid of Rs 1,50,000 will be provided for houses completely damaged during the cyclone while Rs 50,000 for houses with 50 per cent damage, Rs 25,000 for houses with 25 per cent, and Rs 15,000 for houses with 15 per cent damage.
- Any slum damaged during the cyclone and which is eligible for rehabilitation will get Rs 15,000.
- Compensation of Rs 50,000 per hectare for crop loss, Rs 250 per damaged coconut tree, and Rs 50 per areca nut (supari) tree (maximum up to 2 hectares) will be given.
- Families that suffered the loss of clothes and utensils will be given Rs 5,000 each.
- Fishing boats damaged during the cyclone will be given Rs 25,000 each and partially damaged boats will get Rs 10,000.
- Damaged fishing nets will receive Rs 5,000 for repairs.



Source: Lokmat

## Mee Annapurna program launched for farmers in Maharashtra

- Mee Annapurna, an inclusive program has been launched for the welfare of farmers and Bhoomiputras in Maharashtra. The initiative was announced by Integrated Risk Insurance, an IRDA Licensed insurance intermediary.
- Mee Annapurna will integrate three critical aspects of livelihood and comprehensive engagement. Elaborating on the scheme, Dr JH Rusat from Integrated Risk Insurance stated that the 'Mee Annapurna' program involves three commandments - Expertise, Engagement and Entitlement.
- The program is a part of the organisation's commitment as a Corporate Social Responsibility towards the welfare of the farmers and agriculture community in Maharashtra.



Source:Sakal

## Noida DM Suhas LY becomes 1st IAS officer to win Paralympic medal

- Noida District Magistrate Suhas LY became the 1<sup>st</sup> IAS officer to win a medal in Badminton at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics Games. The 38-year-old Suhas LY made history by winning a silver medal in the men's singles SL4 category on September 5, 2021. Yahtiraj came second to the top seed and world champion Lucas Mazur of France. Suhas has an impairment in one of his ankles.
- Suhas came second in the finals against Lucas Mazur 21-15, 17-21, 15-21. Suhas who is currently ranked World No. 3 in the SL4 category won the first set before losing to Mazur in the next two sets in a 62-minute summit clash. In total, the Indian Paralympic Badminton player Suhas played three matches including the semifinals on September 4, 2021, before the final match at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics Games. Source: Lokmat



## Integrated Vaccine Testing: Early Phase Testing for NovaVax Integrated Influenza, Covid-19 Vaccines

- The US firm NovaVax announced on September 8, 2021 that it has begun early testing to evaluate the safety and immunity of the combined seasonal influenza and Covid-19 vaccines.
- The test will be performed on 640 healthy adults aged 50-70 years and in Australia.
- All test participants will be those who have previously been infected with the coronavirus or have been vaccinated with the official Covid-19 vaccine at least eight weeks before the study.
- Combined vaccine test:
- Clinical trials will be conducted with NovaVax's recombinant protein-based Covid-19 vaccine NVX-CoV2373 and NanoFlu™ vaccine candidate and Saponin-based Matrix-M auxiliary in the same formulation (COVID-NanoFlu Combination Vaccine).
- The NovaVax Covid-19 vaccine, NVX-CoV2373 and Nanoflu have previously shown strong results as independent vaccines in Phase 3 clinical trials.
- Combined vaccine trials are expected to begin by the end of 2021.



Source: ANI News