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Important News: World

World Employment and Social Outlook-Trends 2022



- The **International Labour Organisation (ILO)** has released the **World Employment and Social Outlook-Trends 2022 (WESO Trends)**.
- The report examines the impacts of the crisis on global and regional trends in employment, unemployment and labour force participation, as well as on job quality, informal employment and working poverty.
- It also offers an extensive analysis of trends in temporary employment both before and during the COVID-19 crisis.

Findings of the Report:

- Global unemployment is projected to stand at 207 million in 2022.
- This is 21 million more than in 2019 before the novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic began.
- Global working hours in 2022 will be almost two percent below their pre-pandemic level — that is equivalent to the loss of 52 million full-time jobs.
- There is the need for a broad-based labour market recovery — the recovery must be human-centred, inclusive, sustainable and resilient.

About International Labour Organization (ILO):

- **Headquarters:** Geneva, Switzerland
- **Director-General;** Guy Ryder
- **Formation:** 11 April 1919

Source: DTE

Indonesia passes law to relocate capital from Jakarta to remote Borneo



- Recently, Indonesia's parliament has passed a law approving the relocation of its capital from slowly sinking Jakarta to a site 2,000 kilometres away on jungle-clad Borneo Island that will be named "Nusantara".
- The move was first tipped by President Joko Widodo in April 2019, citing rising sea levels and severe congestion on densely populated Java Island.
- The new capital (Nusantara) will cover about 56,180 hectares in East Kalimantan province on the Indonesian part of Borneo, which the country shares with Malaysia and Brunei.
- Indonesia is not the first country in the region to relocate from an overpopulated capital.
- Malaysia moved its government to Putrajaya from Kuala Lumpur in 2003, while Myanmar moved its capital to Naypyidaw from Rangoon in 2006.

Source: TOI

Important News: India

National Commission for Safai Karamcharis



- The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved the extension of the tenure of the **National Commission for Safai Karamcharis (NCSK)** for three years beyond 31.3.2022.
- The total implication of the extension for three years would be approximately Rs.43.68 crore.
- The major beneficiaries would be the Safai Karamcharis and identified manual scavengers in the country since the NCSK for 3 more years beyond 31.3.2022.
- The **NCSK** was established in the year 1993 as per the provisions of the **NCSK Act 1993** initially for the period upto 31.3.1997.

Background:

- The NCSK has been giving its recommendations to the Government regarding specific programmes for welfare of Safai Karamcharis, study and evaluate the existing welfare programmes for Safai Karamcharis, investigate cases of specific grievances etc.

- Also as per the provisions of the **Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013**, the NCSK has been assigned the work to monitor the implementation of the Act, tender advice for its effective implementation to the Centre and State Governments and enquire into complaints regarding contravention/non-implementation of the provisions of the Act.

Source: PIB

MoHUA announces winners of Streets for People and Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge



- The **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA)** organised an online event wherein it announced eleven winning cities for the **Streets for People Challenge**, and ten winning cities for the pilot stage of the **Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge**.
- At the event, the Ministry also launched Season-2 of India Cycles4Change and Streets for People Challenges and a book titled ‘Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge: Stories from the Field’.
- These cities will now enter the scale up stage of the challenge wherein the projects undertaken in the pilot stage will now be scaled up in a sustainable manner.

Announcement of winning cities under Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge

- MoHUA announced ten winning cities for the **Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge**, in collaboration with the Bernard van Leer Foundation (BvLF) and technical partner World Resources Institute (WRI) India.

Source: PIB

Cabinet approves infusion of Rs. 1,500 crore in Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited



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- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by the Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, approved the equity infusion of Rs.1500 crore in **Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA)**.
- This equity infusion will help in employment generation of approximately 10200 jobs-year and CO2 equivalent emission reduction of approximately 7.49 Million Tonnes CO2/year.

About Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited (IREDA):

- IREDA, a mini ratna (Category-1) company under the administrative control of MNRE was set up in 1987 to work as a specialised non-banking finance agency for the Renewable Energy (RE) sector.

Source: PIB

Important News: Appointment

Roberta Metsola becomes European Parliament's new president



- **Roberta Metsola**, Centre-right Maltese lawmaker, was chosen to head the **European Parliament**.
- Her election comes a week after the shock death of outgoing parliament president David Sassoli.
- Roberta Metsola has become the only third woman to hold the position.
- She is also viewed as a political moderate despite the controversy over her anti-abortion stance.
- She is a member of the biggest Parliamentary bloc, the European People's Party.

About European Parliament:

- The Parliament is composed of 705 members.
- **Headquarters:** Strasbourg, France
- **Founded:** 10 September 1952, Europe

Source: newsonair

Important News: Sports

Best FIFA Football Awards 2021



- The Best FIFA Football Awards is an association football award presented annually by the sport's governing body, FIFA.
- The first awarding ceremony was held on 9 January 2017 in Zürich, Switzerland

Best FIFA Football Awards 2021:

- The Best FIFA Men's Player: Robert Lewandowski
- The Best FIFA Women's Player: Alexia Putellas
- The Best FIFA Men's Goalkeeper: Edouard Mendy
- The Best FIFA Women's Goalkeeper: Christiane Endler
- The Best FIFA Men's Coach: Thomas Tuchel
- The Best FIFA Women's Coach: Emma Hayes
- FIFA Puskas Award: Erik Lamela
- FIFA Special Award: Cristiano Ronaldo

Source: HT

Important News: Personality

Shaoli Mitra, eminent theatre personality, actress passes away



- **Shaoli Mitra**, an eminent Bengali theatre personality, passed away.
- Mitra, who was the recipient of Sangeet Natak Akademi in 2003, Padma Shri in 2009, and Banga Bibhusan in 2012, will be remembered by her fans and critics alike for her solo performances as Draupadi in "Naathvati Anaathbat" and as Sita in "Sitakatha" or Bitata Bitangso.

Source: India Today