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Important News: State

41st "Hunar Haat", Celebrations

Why in News:

- The 41st "Hunar Haat", "Kaushal Kuber Ke Kumbh" ceremony was formally inaugurated by the Union Minister for Minority Affairs, Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi.



key points:

- 41st "Hunar Haat", "Kumbh of Kaushal Kuber" is being organized from May 18 to 29, 2022 at Shilpgram, Tajganj, Agra.
- More than 800 artisans and craftsmen from 32 states and union territories of the country will participate in the 12-day "Hunar Haat".
- "Hunar Haat" is an initiative launched as a "credible" platform to strengthen Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's call of "Vocal for Local" and "Atmanirbhar Bharat".
- "Hunar Haat" also plays an important role in "Preservation, Preservation, Promotion" of the age-old rich heritage of arts and crafts of the country.

Source: Indian Express

[MyGov Karnataka Portal](#)

Why in News:

- MyGov Karnataka portal has been launched by the Chief Minister of Karnataka, Shri Basavaraj Bommai to promote participatory governance in the state of Karnataka.



key points:

- After adopting the MyGov Karnataka portal, Karnataka has become the 17th state in India to adopt the MyGov initiative.
- MyGov is the world's largest and most successful program in terms of direct citizen interaction.
- Citizens of the state can share their views and suggestions with the government after registering on the MyGov portal.
- MyGov Karnataka aims to promote active citizen participation and engagement in governance and policymaking, with a focus on the dissemination of timely and authentic information about the welfare schemes of the Government.

What is My Gov Portal?

- My Gov (MyGov) portal was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 26 July 2014.
- The objective of the MyGov portal is to ensure participation in the schemes of the general public, on the basis of their suggestions, to give shape to the plans of the government.

Source: PIB

Arunachal Pradesh's Sela Tunnel Project

Why in News:

- The strategically important Sela Tunnel project has been constructed in Arunachal Pradesh.



key points:



- Situated in West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh, the tunnel project provides an alternate axis to the Sela Pass,
- The Sela Tunnel Project of Arunachal Pradesh is located at an altitude of 13,700 feet. And its length is more than 300 km.
- The Sela Tunnel is being constructed by the Border Roads Organisation. The project consists of two tunnels and a link road.
- The connectivity road distance between the newly constructed tunnels will be 1,200 meters, with Tunnel 2 being one of the longest tunnels constructed at an altitude of more than 13,000 feet.

Source: Indian Express

Regional conference organized in Kolkata

Why in News:



- The two-day conference of Regional Officers was inaugurated in Kolkata by Smt. Alka Upadhyay, Chairperson, National Highways Authority of India-NHAI.

key points:

- The regional conference is a one-of-its-kind initiative to bring the officials of the National Highways Authority of India and regional stakeholders from West Bengal, Jharkhand, Odisha and Assam on a single platform to share information, achievements and challenges.
- In addition to the project review at the Regional Conference, an 'Open House' session has also been organized for open discussion by the Regional Officers and Project Directors.
- This conference was organized under the Amrit Mahotsav of Azadi and under this, more such conferences will be organized in different regions of the country.

National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)

- The National Highways Authority of India is a statutory body under the Ministry of Highways constituted under the National Highways of India Act, 1988.
- The objective of the National Highways Authority of India is to develop, maintain and manage the national highways of the country.

Source: News on Air

Services of CRC for skill development, rehabilitation and empowerment of Persons with Disabilities



Why in News:

- Services of Composite Regional Centre (CRC) for Skill Development, Rehabilitation and Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities were inaugurated virtually in Shillong by Union Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Pratima Bhowmik.

key points:

- The event was organized at U Soso Tham Auditorium in Shillong, Meghalaya.
- The main objective of the newly established CRC is to provide essential services for the differently-abled and to assist in the development of human resources in the state of Meghalaya.
- The permanent structure of CRC will be set up at Umsawli in the East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya.
- The CRC will assist in conducting skill development training for persons with disabilities as well as in carrying out rehabilitation services for different categories of persons with disabilities.

Source: PIB

Important News: India

National Workshop on Sowa-Rigpa Medical System

Why in News:

- A two-day National Workshop on Sowa-Rigpa for Sowa-Rigpa practitioners of North Eastern States has been organized in collaboration with Namgyal Tibet Institute of Science (NIT), Sikkim, National Sowa-Rigpa Institute under the Ministry of AYUSH.



key points:

- A two-day National Workshop on Sowa-Rigpa Medical System will be organized from 20-21 May 2022.
- The formal inauguration of the workshop on the Sowa-Rigpa Medical System will be held on 21st May 2022 at Manan Kendra, Gangtok.
- Traditional Sowa-Rigpa practitioners from all over India along with North-Eastern states will participate in the workshop to be held in Gangtok.
- The core principle of Sowa-Rigpa can be described in terms of the following five points:
 - the body as a foundation for healing in a disease
 - repulsive, i.e., healing
 - Method of treatment by means of repellants
 - medicine that treats disease
 - Materia Medica, Pharmacy and Pharmacology

Related Facts:

- Sowa-Rigpa, the medical system is one of the world's oldest living and well-documented medical traditions with a history of over 2500 years.
- The Sowa-Rigpa system of medicine is also known locally as Aamchi.
- The Sowa-Rigpa system of medicine is a very popular system of medicine in the North-Eastern states of Ladakh, Himachal Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Sikkim, and Darjeeling.

Source: PIB

[International Seminar on 'Review of Thoughts of India from Swaraj to New India'](#)

Why in News:

- An international seminar on 'Review of India's Thoughts from Swaraj to Nav-India' was inaugurated by the Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah in New Delhi organized by the University of Delhi.



key points:

- This three-day symposium has been organized by the Political Science Department of the University to commemorate the centenary celebrations of the University of Delhi.
- This function has been celebrated to commemorate the completion of 100 years of the establishment of Delhi University.
- The main objective of the symposium 'Review of India's Ideas from Swaraj to Nav-India' is to train the youth of the country about Indian innovation.

Source: PIB

Annual Conference of Relief Commissioners and Secretaries of Disaster Management

Why in News:

- The Annual Conference of Relief Commissioners of States and Union Territories and Secretaries of Disaster Management Departments was inaugurated by Union Home Secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla.



key points:

- The Annual Conference of Relief Commissioners of States and Union Territories and Secretaries of Disaster Management Departments is a two-day conference organized in New Delhi.

- The main objective of the conference is to review the preparedness of the States and Union Territories to deal with natural calamities during the Southwest Monsoon.
- For the first time after a gap of two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the annual conference has been held physically in New Delhi.
- The main goal of the conference is to ascertain how each state can develop long-term infrastructure for disaster relief.

Source: All India Radio

National Commission for Women

Why in News:

- Workshop organized by National Commission for Women in New Delhi to focus on issues related to women and representation of women in media.



key points:

- The workshop organized by the National Commission for Women was divided into three technical sessions in which-
 1. 'Gender-Sensitive Indicators for Media in Media Operations and Content',
 2. 'Challenges faced by women media professionals'
 3. Role of Media in Empowerment of Women', has been included.
- The objective of the workshop is to provide media stakeholders with more platforms for solutions to women's problems and stories of women's empowerment and leadership.
- The goal of the workshop is to inform the public about women's rights and the resources available to them in case such rights are violated.

Related Facts National Women Commission

- The National Commission for Women was set up as a statutory body in January 1992 under the National Commission for Women Act, 1990.

- The National Commission for Women was constituted on 31 January 1992 under the chairmanship of Jayanti Patnaik.
- The National Commission for Women is composed of a Chairperson, a Member Secretary and five other members.

Source: PIB

Indian Pavilion inaugurated at Cannes Film Festival

Why in News:

- The Indian Pavilion has been inaugurated at the Cannes Film Festival by Minister of Information and Broadcasting Anurag Singh Thakur.



key points:

- Along with the inauguration of the Indian Pavilion, the poster of the 53rd International Film Festival of India to be held in Goa has also been unveiled by the Union Minister Anurag Thakur.
- India has been accorded the status of a country of honour at the Marche du Film Festival organized along with the Cannes Film Festival.
- Incentives of up to 30 per cent cash assistance with a limit of \$260 thousand will be provided for the production and shooting of foreign films in India.
- At the inauguration of the Indian Pavilion at the Cannes Film Festival, it was announced that foreign films to be made in India will be offered an additional bonus with a limit of \$65,000 for hiring 15% or more Indian individuals.

What is the International Film Festival of India?

- International Film Festival of India was started in the year 1952 in Mumbai.
- International Film Festival was organized in Goa in the year 2004. Since then, International Film Festival is organized every year in Goa.

Source: PIB

Cannes Film Festival 2022



Why in News:

- The opening ceremony of the Cannes Festival saw the largest ever official Indian delegation on the red carpet.

key points:

- Cannes Film Festival is organized in France from May 17 to 28, 2022.
- India's largest delegation to the Cannes Film Festival was led by the Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting, Shri Anurag Thakur.
- A total of 11 members were given an opportunity to make their presence felt on the red carpet in this festival held in France.
- Folk artist Mr. Mame Khan got the opportunity to be the first member of the Indian contingent to lead the red carpet.
- For the first time, various regional cinema artists along with prominent artists have been included in the Indian delegation.

Related Information-

What is Cannes Film Festival?

- Cannes Film Festival, an annual film festival established in the year 1946
- Cannes Film Festival is organized in the city of Cannes, France
- The Cannes Film Festival showcases new films from all over the world, including documentaries, in all genres.

Source: Navbharat Times

National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT)



Why in News:

- The Union Minister of Electronics and Information Technology, Communications and Railways, Shri Ashwini Vaishnav, on 17 May 2022 inaugurated the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) Center Leh, Extension Center Kargil and IT Enabled Incubation Center for Handicrafts and Handloom Sectors.

Key Point:

- The National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) works to develop industry oriented good quality teaching and training in the areas of latest technical know-how along with providing formal and non-formal teaching in the field of IECT.
- The main objective of NIELIT is to become the single source of assurance of quality computer education for the informal institutions of the nation.
- Among other objectives it aims to become a premier institute of the country for examination and certification in the field of Information, Electronics and Communication Technology (IECT).

Source: PIB

Democracy group headed by Election Commission of India on 'Electoral Integrity'



Why in News:

- The Democracy Group on 'Electoral Integrity' will be headed by the Election Commission of India in partnership with 100 democratic countries.

key points:

- As part of the 'Summit for Democracy', India will lead the 'Democracy Group on Electoral Integrity.
- This has been announced by a four-member US delegation led by Uzra Zeya, Under Secretary for Civil Defense, Democracy and Human Rights, in a meeting held at the Electoral House in New Delhi.

- In this conference, India will share its knowledge, technical expertise and experiences with other democratic countries of the world.
- The 'Summit for Democracy' is one of the biggest activities of the yearlong with events and dialogues on topics related to democracy.

Related Information-

Election commission of India

- The Election Commission of India is an autonomous constitutional body that conducts the Union and State election processes in India. Elections to the Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, State Assemblies, President and Vice President are also conducted in the country by the Election Commission of India.

Source: All India Radio

Vaishakh Buddha Purnima Celebrations in Lumbini, Nepal



Why in News:

- The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, led the Vaishakh Buddha Purnima celebrations at Lumbini, the birthplace of Buddha.

key points:

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the "foundation" ceremony for the construction of the India International Center for Buddhist Culture and Heritage in Lumbini and addressed a large gathering of Buddhist monks.
- During Vaishakh Buddha Purnima, the Ministry of Culture in association with the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC) organizes a colorful program for Vaishakh Buddha Purnima Day celebrations in New Delhi.
- India and Nepal signed six agreements following bilateral talks between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Nepalese counterpart Sher Bahadur Deuba during his visit to Lumbini.

Source: Indian Express

Important News: World

BRICS Foreign Ministers Meeting

Why in News:

- BRICS Foreign Ministers' meeting has been held in China to prepare for the 14th BRICS summit.



key points:

- The BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meeting held in China has been organized in a virtual form, which is hosted by Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi.
- The theme of the BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meeting is 'Promoting High Quality BRICS Partnership in a New Era for Global Development'.
- India's Foreign Minister Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar, South African Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Naledi Pandor, Brazilian Foreign Minister Carlos Alberto Franco Franca and Russian Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov attended the BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meeting.

What is the BRICS Group?

- The idea of the BRICS group was first introduced by the leading economist Jim O'Neill.
- BRICS is a grouping of the world's five leading emerging economies- Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa whose first summit was held in 2009 in Yekaterinburg, Russia.

Source: News on Air

First International Migration Review Forum

Why in News:



- India's Minister of State for External Affairs Shri V. Muraleedharan will lead the Indian delegation to the first International Migration Review Forum to be held under the aegis of the General Assembly at the United Nations in New York from May 17 to 20.

key points:

- The first International Migration Review Forum will consist of four interactive multi-stakeholders round tables, policy dialogue and a plenary.
- The International Migration Review Forum will serve as the primary intergovernmental global forum to review progress made at local, national, regional and global levels in implementing the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration (GCM).
- In General Assembly Resolution A/RES/73/195, UN member states agreed to review progress made at local, national, regional and global levels in implementing the GCM within the framework of the United Nations.

Source: The Hindu

Jamaica Visit by Indian President



Why in News:

- Indian President Ram Nath Kovind is on a state visit to two Caribbean countries, Jamaica and St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

Key Point:

- The President, who is on a historic visit to Jamaica, will inaugurate a road in the name of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar and a garden dedicated to Indo-Jamaican friendship during the Indian President's visit to Jamaica.
- Ram Nath Kovind is the first President of India to visit Jamaica.
- About 70,000 Indian migrants, whose ancestors came from India (mainly residents of eastern Uttar Pradesh and Bihar) as indentured laborers between 1845–1917, make up about 3% of Jamaica's population.
- Jamaica is an island country located in the Caribbean Sea. It is the third largest island in the Greater Antilles and the Caribbean, after Cuba and Hispaniola.

Source: all india radio

Important News: Economy

7th Annual Meeting of Board of Governors of New Development Bank

Why in News:

- The 7th Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of New Development Bank was chaired by the Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman through video conference in New Delhi.



key points:

- Governors/alternative governors of Brazil, China, Russia, South Africa and new members from Bangladesh and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) also attended the 7th Annual Meeting.
- This year's theme for the 7th Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of the New Development Bank is "NDB: Optimizing the Development Impact".
- In this meeting it was announced by Nirmala Sitharaman that India's economic growth is estimated to be 8.9 percent in the current financial year, which is the highest among all major economies.
- The main objective of the New Development Bank is to successfully establish itself as a credible development partner for emerging market economies.

What is New Development Bank?

- The New Development Bank is a multilateral development bank, established by the BRICS countries (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) in 2014 with the objective of mobilizing resources for infrastructure and sustainable development projects in BRICS as well as other EMDCs. was done.

- The New Development Bank was operationalized in 2015.
- The headquarter of New Development Bank is located in Shanghai, China.
- The New Development Bank has so far approved 21 projects in India for an amount of \$7.1 billion.

Source: PIB

4th meeting of the National Start-up Advisory Council (NSAC)



Why in News:

- Shri Piyush Goyal, Cabinet Minister in the Government of India, chaired the 4th meeting of the National Start-up Advisory Council (NSAC).

key points:

- The 4th meeting of the National Start-up Advisory Council (NSAC) was held in Delhi.
- The major objective of the meeting is to strengthen the start-up ecosystem through various initiatives and programmes.
- The NavIC Grand Challenge was also launched by Piyush Goyal during the meeting, the main objective of which is to promote the adoption of NavIC as a geo-positioning solution.
- To participate in NavIC, participants will have to apply on the website of Start-up India. The main objective of this initiative is to identify solutions for start-ups that are working on developing NavIC enabled drones.

Related Information

What is National Start-up Advisory Council (NSAC)?

- The National Start-up Advisory Council has been constituted by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Government of India.
- The main objective of this council is to provide necessary advice to the Government of India for creating a strong ecosystem for nurturing innovation and start-ups in the country.

- The National Start-up Advisory Council is chaired by the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Government of India and includes both official and non-official members.

Source: The Hindu

Important News: Defense

Indian Navy P8I Aircraft



Why in News:

- Indian Defense Minister, Shri Rajnath Singh during his visit to Mumbai made a flight onboard the Indian Navy P8I Long Range Maritime Reconnaissance Anti-Submarine Warfare Aircraft, showcasing various capabilities by the Indian Navy.

key points:

- During the visit, the Indian Navy demonstrated long range surveillance, electronic warfare, imagery intelligence, ASW missions and search and rescue capabilities employing state-of-the-art mission suits and sensors.
- P8I aircraft were inducted into the Indian forces in 2013.
- The P-8I aircraft incorporates state-of-the-art sensors such as multi-mode radar, electronic intelligence system, sonobuoy, electro-optic, infrared cameras and advanced weaponry.
- P-8I aircraft have been used along the International Border, the Line of Control and the Line of Actual Control to monitor the movements of adversaries.

Source: PIB

YAI Multiclass Sailing Championship (IN-MDL Cup 2022)



Why in News:

- Participants from the Sailing and Windsurfing teams of the Indian Navy have brought laurels to the Indian Navy by winning two Gold, one Silver and two bronze medals at the YAI Multiclass Sailing Championship (IN-MDL Cup 2022).

key points:

- YAI Multiclass Sailing Championship organized from 08 to 15 May 22 at Indian Naval Water Skills Training Center (INWTC) Mumbai under the aegis of Sailing Association of India (YAI) and Indian Naval Sailing Association (INSA) for Senior Olympic Classes of Yachts had gone.
- The YAI Multiclass Sailing Championship was organized by M/s Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) and was a YAI ranking event as well as a selection test for the Asian Games.

Source PIB

Science and Technology

Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)



Why in News:

- The Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) will be organized on 17 May 2022 in which Prime Minister Narendra Modi will attend as the chief guest.

Key Point:

- The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) was established in 1997 through the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Act, 1997.
- Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) is a regulatory authority of the telecom sector in India.
- The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Act was amended by an ordinance with effect from 24 January 2000.
- Through an amendment in the year 2000, a Telecom Disputes Settlement and Appellate Tribunal (TDSAT) was set up to handle the judicial and dispute functions from the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI).

Source: PIB

Environment

Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary

Why in News:

- Ramgarh Vishdhari Sanctuary has been notified as the 52nd Tiger Reserve of India.



key points:

- Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary is the fourth tiger reserve of Rajasthan after Ranthambore, Sariska and Mukundra.
- The newly notified Tiger Reserve includes the tiger habitat between Ranthambore Tiger Reserve in the northeast and Mukundara Hills Tiger Reserve on the southern side.
- According to the "Status of Tigers in India" report released in 2019, there are a total of 2,967 tigers in 20 states of India.

Source: Times of India

Important Days

World Bee Day



- May 20 is celebrated every year as World Bee Day.
- The theme for this year's World Bee Day is "Bee engaged: Build Back Better for Bees".
- On the occasion of World Bee Day this year, a large national program has been organized in Gujarat by the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, whose main objective is to promote beekeeping and bring maximum benefits to the small farmers of the country.
- Honey Testing Lab and Processing Unit set up at Pulwama, Bandipora and Jammu in Jammu and Kashmir, Tumkur in Karnataka, Saharanpur and Pune in Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand by Union Minister Shri Narendra Singh Tomar in a conference organized on the occasion of World Bee Day. Virtual opening.
- Anton Jansa, the pioneer of beekeeping, was also born on 20 May 1734.
- After the proposal of Slovenia, in the year 2017, the United Nations declared 20 May as World Bee Day.

Source: PIB

National Endangered Species Day



- National Endangered Species Day is observed every year on the third Friday of May to highlight the growing need to protect endangered species across the world.
- The theme of National Endangered Species Day 2022 is "Recovering key species for ecosystem restoration".

Source: ENDANGERED SPECIES COALITION

International Museum Day



- International Museum Day is a global day observed annually on 18 May.
- International Museum Day is organized annually by the International Council of Museums.
- The Theme of International Museum Day 2022 is “The Power of Museums”.
- International Museum Day was started in 1977 and was started by the International Council of Museums.
- The main objective of International Museum Day is to provide an opportunity to end the various challenges faced by museums.

Source: The Hindu

Sikkim State Foundation Day



Why in discussion:

- The 47th Foundation Day of Sikkim was celebrated on 16 May 2022, on which the Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi greeted the residents of Sikkim.

key points:

- Amendment was introduced by the President on 15th May through which Sikkim was finally included in the Union of India as the 22nd state of the country on 16th May 1975.
- After the inclusion of Sikkim as a Union State of India, Dorji was made the Chief Minister of Sikkim and the monarchy was abolished.
- Sikkim is the first state in the country to become 100% organic.

Source: PIB

Sports

World Boxing Championship

Why in News:

- Indian boxer Nikhat Zareen has won the gold medal in the flyweight (52kg) category of the Women's World Championships in Istanbul.



key points

- After winning this title, Nikhat Zareen has become the 5th Indian female boxer from India to become the world champion.
- Indian boxer Nikhat Zareen has won the title by defeating Thailand's Jitpong Jutamus 5-0.
- Earlier Nikhat Zareen became the first Indian woman boxer to win two gold medals at the prestigious Strandja Memorial in February.
- Prior to Nikhat Zareen, MC Mary Kom, Sarita Devi, Jenny RL and Lekha KC have won gold medals for India in women's boxing.

Source: All India Radio

Deaflympics Games 2021



Why in News:

- India registered its best performance in Deaflympics by winning 16 medals at the Deaflympics Games held from 1st May 2022 to 15th May 2022.

key points:

- India selected 65 athletes to participate in the Deaflympics 2021 Games.
- Best ever performance by India in Deaflympics 2021 India won a total of 16 medals including 8 gold medals in Deaflympics 2021.
- India won 3 gold medals in shooting, 3 in badminton and 1-1 in wrestling and golf.
- A total of 11 categories were participated by India in the Deaflympics 2021 Games.
- This year the Deaflympics 2021 was held at the Festa da Uva Main Pavilion in the city of Caxias do Sul, southern Brazil.
- In Deaflympics 2021 Around 2,100 athletes from 72 countries participated in the Deaflympics 2021 Games this year.

Related Information

what are Deaflympics

- The Deaflympics is an international multi-sport event organized by the International Committee for Sport for the Deaf (ICSD).
- Deaflympics are held every 4 years.
- Deaflympics is the oldest multi-sport event after the Olympic Games.
- The Deaflympics was earlier called the International Games for the Deaf but
- In 2001 the name of the International Games for the Deaf was changed to Deaflympics.
- In the year 1924, the first edition of the Deaflympics was organized in Paris.

Source: PIB

Reports and Indexes

Status Report of Inequality in India

why in News:

- The report 'State of Inequality in India' has been released by the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM).



key points:

- The report presents information by providing a comprehensive analysis of the various ecosystems of inequality in the country, which have a direct impact on the well-being and overall development of the population.
- The report is divided into two sections, covering key areas such as income distribution, labor market dynamics, health, education and household characteristics.
- According to the Inequality Status report, India's rural areas have a 44.4% higher wealth concentration compared to only 7.1% in urban areas.
- With respect to the unemployment rate, the report shows that India's unemployment rate for the year 2019 - 2020 is 4.8% while the labor population ratio in India is 46.8%.
- The report shows that as per the National Family Health Survey-5 (2019-21), 97% of households have been provided with electricity, while 70% of the citizens have access to better sanitation services and 96% of the citizens. , Safe drinking water is successfully available.

Source: PIB

Miscellaneous

'Youth Shivir' organized by Shree Swaminarayan Mandir

Why in News:

- With the aim of involving more and more youth in social service and nation building, 'Yuva Shivir' was organized by Shree Swaminarayan Mandir.



key points:

- 'Yuva Shivr' is jointly organized by Shree Swaminarayan Mandir, Kundalddham and Shree Swaminarayan Mandir Kareligh, Vadodara.
- 'Yuva Shivr' has been organized in Vadodara, Gujarat and 'Yuva Shivr' has been addressed virtually by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The 'Yuva Shivr' aims at making youth partners in building a new India through initiatives like 'Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat', 'Atmanirbhar Bharat', 'Clean India' etc.

Related Facts: Shri Swaminarayan

- Swaminarayan was born in 1781 in Chhapi, Uttar Pradesh. In 1792, he embarked on a seven-year pilgrimage across India at the age of 11, adopting the name Neelkanth Varni.
- In 1800, Swaminarayan was inducted into the Uddhava sect by his guru Swami Ramananda and was given the name of Sahajanand Swami.
- In 1802, Swaminarayan ji was handed over the leadership of the Uddhav sect.
- Sahajanand Swami organized a meeting and taught the Swaminarayan Mantra. From this point on, he is known as Swaminarayan and the Uddhava sect is known as the Swaminarayan sect.

Source: PIB

Samvaad with Scindia Initiative

Why in News:



- Civil Aviation Minister Shri Jyotiraditya M Scindia discussed the benefits and challenges of farmer drones under the "Samvad with Scindia" initiative with various farmers across the country.

key points:

- Samvaad with Scindia Initiative organized in a virtual form.
- The "Samvad with Scindia" initiative was aimed at making farmers aware of the benefits of drones over using drones as a tool for agriculture.
- The "Samvad with Scindia" initiative was spearheaded by Shri Amber Dubey, Principal Joint Secretary, Drone Division, Ministry of Civil Aviation.
- Under the "Samvad with Scindia" initiative, the Minister of Civil Aviation shared various government policies related to drones with the farmers and made the farmers aware of how farmers can take advantage of the various schemes launched by the government.

Source: PIB

Inauguration of facilities in ancient Kanheri caves



Why in News:

- The Union Minister for Tourism, Culture and Sports Shri Prahlad Singh Patel inaugurated the facilities at the ancient Kanheri Caves on the occasion of Buddha Purnima.

Key Point:

- The Kanheri Caves are a group of caves and rock-cut monuments cut into a large basalt outcrop in the forests of the Sanjay Gandhi National Park, on the former island of Salsette.
- The Kanheri Caves are one of the largest single excavations in the country, consisting of more than 110 different rock-cut monolithic excavations.
- The excavations in the Kanheri caves were mainly carried out during the Hinayana phase of Buddhism.
- The name Kanheri is derived from 'Kanhagiri' in Prakrit and is found in the Nasik inscription of the Satavahana ruler Vasisthaputra Pulumavi.

- The earliest reference to the Kanheri caves was given by a foreign philosopher named Fa-Hen, who came to India during 399–411 CE.

Source: PIB

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