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Important News: National

Burhanpur Country's first Har Ghar Jal District

Why in News:

- Burhanpur district of Madhya Pradesh has been declared the first Har Ghar Jal district of the country by the government.



key points:

- At present, in all 254 villages of the Burhanpur district of Madhya Pradesh, people have access to clean drinking water through taps.
- At the time of the launch of the Jal Jeevan Mission on August 15, 2019, only 36.5 percent of households in Burhanpur district of Madhya Pradesh had tap water available, but through the efforts of Panchayat representatives, Jal Samiti, and district officials, in just 34 months, the district clean water is provided from the tap in all the houses.

- The Jal Jeevan Mission, launched in the year 2019, aims to ensure the supply of 55 liters of water per person per day to each rural household by the year 2024 through 'Functional Household Tap Connections'.
- Jal Jeevan Mission was launched by the Ministry of Jal Shakti.
- Jal Jeevan Mission also aims to ensure joint use of protected water, augmentation of drinking water source, drinking water supply system, gray water treatment, and reuse of water.

Source: Indian Express

Government Initiatives to Promote Electric Mobility

Why in News:

- NITI Aayog has taken two important initiatives to promote electric mobility.



key points:

- Initiatives launched by NITI Aayog include-
 - E-Amrit Mobile Application- E-Amrit Mobile Application aims to raise awareness about Electric Mobility.
 - Launch of a report supported by the UK's Green Growth Fund technical collaboration on the reuse and recycling market of advanced chemical cell batteries in India.
- Glasgow Breakthrough was launched with the aim of promoting electric mobility at the COP26 climate summit.
- The Glasgow Breakthroughs are a series of actions in five major economic sectors that together represent more than 50% of global emissions.
- India is among 42 countries that have supported and signed up for the Glasgow Breakthrough formed by the UK and is also a co-convenor of Glasgow Breakthrough on Road Transport along with India, UK, and US.

- Glasgow Breakthrough aims for zero-emission vehicle systems affordable, accessible and sustainable in all sectors by 2030.
- India is the fifth largest and fastest growing vehicle market in the world, which offers immense potential for the growth of electric vehicles.

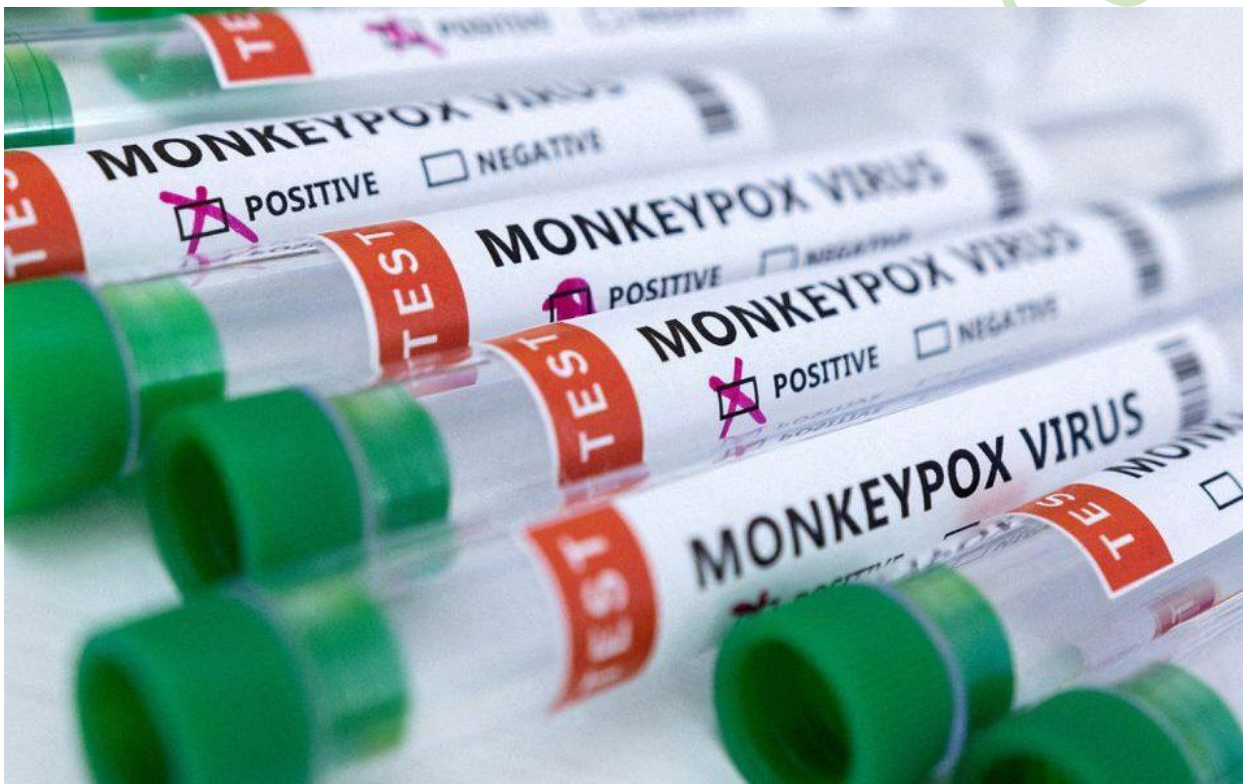
Source: The Hindu

Important News: Health

Monkeypox Virus

Why in News:

- Monkeypox has been declared a global health emergency by the World Health Organization (WHO).



key points:

- The decision was taken at the end of the second meeting of the WHO's emergency committee on the monkeypox virus.
- Monkeypox has been placed in the highest alert category by the World Health Organization, and guidelines issued by the World Health Organization have also been issued to countries.
- More than 16,000 cases of the monkeypox virus have been reported from 75 countries so far.

- There are currently only two other such health emergencies, one involving the coronavirus pandemic and the second being continued efforts to eradicate polio.

Source: The Hindu

Bal Raksha Mobile App

Why in News:

- Bal Raksha Mobile App and Immunization Center for Children are inaugurated at All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) by the Union Minister of AYUSH, Shri SarbanandaSonowal.



key points:

- The Bal Raksha Mobile App is also launched by the Union Minister of AYUSH on the occasion.
- Bal Raksha Mobile App aims to generate awareness among parents about pediatric preventive health care through Ayurveda interventions.
- Feedback will also be collected from parents regarding the impact of the kit on the health and immunity of their children with the help of the Bal Raksha Mobile App.

- All India Institute of Ayurveda, an autonomous organization under the Ministry of AYUSH, aims to further strengthen the coordination between traditional knowledge of Ayurveda and modern tools and **technology**.

Source: PIB

Important News: Polity

Amendment to the Flag Code of India

Why in News:

- The Flag Code of India has been amended by the government for the purpose of displaying the tricolor in the open and in different houses or buildings day and night.



key points:

- Initially, a provision was made in the Flag Code of India that the flag could be flown in the open only from sunrise to sunset, but in the new amendment, this provision has been abolished by the government.
- According to the new provision, the public, a private organization or a member of an educational institution has been permitted to hoist the flag, ceremonial or otherwise, on all days and occasions in keeping with the dignity and respect of the national flag.
- The Flag Code of India was amended earlier on December 30, 2021, to allow the use of polyester for making hand-spun, hand-woven, and machine-made flags, in addition to cotton, wool, silk, and khadi Was.

- This step has been taken by the government with an aim to further empower the Har Ghar Tiranga initiative being run by the government before the 75th anniversary of Indian independence.

Source: Indian Express

BIS standard for the safety of toys

Why in News:

- 10 Indian Standards have been published by the Bureau of Indian Standards on safety aspects of toys related to physical safety, chemical protection, flammability, and electrical safety.



key points:

- Seven Standards are included in the Quality Control Order on 'Safety of Toys', issued by the Bureau of Indian Standards, which has made toys with the ISI mark mandatory for children below the age of 14 years.
- Presently, no person is permitted to manufacture, import, sell or distribute, store, rent, lease, or exhibit for sale ISI Marked Toys under license from BIS.
- As per the guidelines issued, before being licensed, toys are required to pass stringent tests for various physical, chemical, and electrical safety requirements aimed at ensuring that those toys are safe for children.

- The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) was established as the National Standards Body of India under the Bureau of Indian Standards Act 2016.

Source: Times of India

Important News: Awards

68th National Film Awards

Why in News:

- The 68th National Film Awards have been announced by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting.



key points:

- Bollywood actor Ajay Devgn and Tamil actor Suriya have been jointly presented with the National Film Award for Best Actor for the year 2020 at the 68th National Film Awards for their roles in the films Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior and Soorarai Potro.
- This year Aparna Balamurali has been awarded the Best Actress Award for her role in the Tamil film Soorarai Potro.
- At the 68th National Film Awards, the Best Hindi Film award went to ToulidasJunior, and the Best Feature Film award went to Soorarai Potro.
- Tanhaji: The Unsung Warrior has also won the award for Best Popular Film Providing Wholesome Entertainment this year and the Best Non-Feature Film award for Anna's testimony.

- The award for Best Film on Social Issues this year went to 'Justice Delayed but Delivered' and Three Sisters.

Source: The Hindu

Important Days

National Broadcasting Day

Why in News:

- Every year 23 July is celebrated as National Broadcasting Day in the world.



key points:

- Radio broadcasting was started from Bombay station by the Indian Broadcasting Company on 23 July 1927, in whose memory 23 July is celebrated every year as National Broadcasting Day.
- Radio broadcasting services in India were started in the year 1923 during British rule under the initiative of the Radio Club of Bombay.

- In the year 1930, the Indian State Broadcasting Service (ISBS) was started by the British Government for the implementation of radio broadcasting.
- In May 1932, the Indian Broadcasting Company was permanently merged as the Indian State Broadcasting Service by the British Government, which was converted into All India Radio by the Government on June 8, 1936.
- In the year 1957, the name of All India Radio was changed to All India Radio by the British Government.
- Presently broadcast in 23 languages and 146 dialects, All India Radio is one of the largest broadcasting organizations in the world in terms of socio-economic and cultural diversity in terms of languages broadcast.

Source: All India Radio