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# NATIONAL AFFAIRS

**Bhopal & Kolkata topped in CSE Rankings in 'Urban** Commute on Clean Transportation'

- CSE Centre for Science and Environment released – 'The urban commute' in Kolkata on pollution in urban commute'.
- AIM To understand the way people travel how it contributes air pollution and energy consumption.
- Background Emission of greenhouse gas from transport is responsible for health-damaging toxic exposure. Growing dependence on personal vehicles for urban commuting can lead to irreversible negative trends and damage.

LEPV- CSE ❖ H.Q. – New Delhi ❖ Executive-Director (Research & Advocacy) – Anumita Roy Chowdhary.

# STATE AFFAIRS

Tamil Nadu CM lays foundation stone for Special Investment Region (SIR) at Kishnagiri

- The SIR will be developed by GMR Infrastructure Ltd. and Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. (TIDCO).
- It will have world-class roads, drainage systems, water & sewage treatment plants, power & internet supply to attract investments.

LEPV- TIDCO ❖ Chairman & MD – Ramesh Chand Meena Ownership – TN Govt.

#### New app & website on plastic pollution free was launched by Tamil Nadu

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister E. Palanisamy launched an app and website on plastic pollution free **Tamil** Nadu.
- He appointed actor **Vivek** as the Brand Ambassador of the project.

### **BUSINESS & ECONOMY**

Reliance power unit wins dispute – in International arbitration Award : \$56 million

- The sum of money will be paid to Reliance Power Netherlands BV by Prestige Capital Holdings and Kokos Jiang.
- Background Reliance Power had acquired the entire economic interest in 3 Coal Mining concessions in Indonesia in 2010 from Kokos Jiang is the owner of Sugico Group in Indonesia.

Pepsi Co CEO Indra Nooyi honoured - 'Game Changer of the Year, 2018'

- **Citi** is the founding partners of Asia Society's Asia Game changer Awards.
- **About the Award** The 2018 Asia Game changer Award will be given in October 2018. It is given to individuals and institutions who have broken barriers, defined courage, worked miracles and in turn inspired their fellow citizens of the World.

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# APPOINTMENTS

#### **Lalchand Rajput**

- Appointed as **Head Coach** of **Zimbabwe Cricket**
- He is likely to remain incharge for the 2020 World **T20** and beyond.
- He was earlier appointed as the interim head coach of Zimbabwe in May.

LEPV- ZIMBABWE ❖ Capital – Harare ❖ Currency – US dollar, Euro, South African rand **\*** President - Emmerson Mnangagwa.

# SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### Lithium-ion batteries that will not catch fire has been developed

- US Scientists have developed lithium-ion batteries.
- Lithium-ion batteries are used in consumer electronics.
- Researchers have developed a practical and inexpensive way to prevent these fires by utilizing.

#### Indian-American Scientist finds simple way to detect Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)

• IBD is caused when the body's immune system fight its intestinal cells. It leads to diarrhea, abdominal cramps, blood in stools and weight loss.

#### Japan wins its first FIFS U-20 Women's World Cup title in France (Football)

- Japan defeated Spain 3-1 in the final and won its
- England defeated France 4-2 and finished in the 3<sup>rd</sup> position.

# **BOOKS & AUTHORS**

'Atal Ji Ne Kaha': A book on Atal Bihari Vajpayee launched

- Atal Ji Ne Kahah has been written, compiled and edited by **Brijendra Rahi**. This book has been published by Darpan Publications.
- Bijendra Rahi, Doordarshan Producer, Senior Journalist and then advisor to the former Highways Minister C. P. Joshi.

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