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## **NATIONAL AFFAIRS**

### **Konkan 18 : India – United Kingdom Navy Exercise begins in Goa**

- The **Bilateral KONKAN Exercise** provides a platform for the 2 Navies to periodically exercise at Sea and in harbor, so as to build interoperability and share best practices.
- The **Royal Navy** will be represented by **HMS Dragon**, a Type 45 class destroyer equipped with an integral wildcat helicopter.

**LEPV**- Indian Navy ❖ Chief of Naval Staff – Admiral Sunil Lanba  
❖ H.Q. – New Delhi.

### **IIT Kharagpur and University of Auckland ink pact for Research tie-up**

- This MoU to foster **Academic Exchange and Research collaboration, Faculty Exchange and visiting/ adjunct appointments.**
- The 2 renowned organizations will explore opportunities in the field of **Healthcare Technologies, Cyber Security and Artificial Intelligence.**

### **NGT forms committee to prepare scrapping of banned diesel and petrol vehicles**

- The committee will consist of **Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport**, Central Govt. with representatives from the **Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB)**, Environment Ministry & Delhi Government.
- It is also directed the Chief Secretary and the CPCB to furnish their separate reports with regard to the action taken by **March 31, next year.**

## **STATE AFFAIRS**

### **Largest Sewage Treatment Plant (STP) in Mumbai**

- Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change have given a go-ahead.
- The STP will come up on 35 hectares of Mangrove land.
- The Malad STP will take 4 years to be constructed and will treat, 11500 million litres of untreated water that directly flows into the sea.

### **'DataCity' Urban challenge launched by Karnataka Government and Numa : Bengaluru**

- It will be organized by **Bangalore Water Supply and Sewage Board (BWSSB)** and French utility company **SUEZ.**
- It will be a **7-month innovative programme** that will enable corporate to identify the relevant innovative start-ups.

### **The first state to launch single Emergency number '112' under ERSS : Himachal Pradesh**

- In a single Emergence **'112'** connecting Police, Fire, Health and other help lines through an **Emergency Response Centre (ERC).**
- The service is part of the **Emergency Response Support System (ERSS)** under which **'112 India'** Mobile app is available.

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## INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

### 2<sup>nd</sup> India-UAE strategic conclave held in Abu Dhabi

- This **Strategic Conclave** organized by **Economic Times, India** was held in Capital of United Arab Emirates, Abu Dhabi.

### Inclusive Wealth Report 2018 released by UN Environment in Paris, France

- **Republic of Korea, Singapore and Malta topped** the chart of biennial Survey of Growth in Wealth of Nations.
- **India's Economic growth** had a major effect on its natural assets like **forests, food and Clean Air**.

### Slovenia becomes only NATO Country with female Army Chief

- **North Atlantic Treaty organization** with female Army Chief after appointment of **Major General Alenka Ermenc**.

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION

### The best State at India International Trade Fair (IITF) – Uttarakhand

- This fair which was held at **Pragati Maidan, New Delhi**.
- The states were awarded due to their pavilions showcasing potential to boost **Tourism & Promotion of Local products**.

**LEPV- IITF** ❖ Theme – ‘Entrepreneurs of Rural India’ ❖ It was organized by – **India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)**

### Azim Premji conferred highest French Civilian Honour

- French Civilian Award ‘**Chevalier de la Legion d’Honneur**’ which means ‘**Knight of the Legion of Honour**’.
- The award is presented to him for contribution towards developing **Information Technology**.

## APPOINTMENTS

### Shri Arvind Saxena

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## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### World's first gene-edited babies created in China by He Jiankui

- He is a **Chinese Scientist** announced creation of the **World's first genetically edited babies**, at **Hong Kong, China**.
- Announcement was made at **International Summit on Human Genome Editing** in **Hong Kong, China**.

## SPORTS

### World Chess Champion : Magnus Carlson

- He belongs to the country **Norway**.