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INTERNATIONAL

1) Annual Sustainable Development Impact Summit

The World Economic Forum's annual Sustainable Development Impact Summit will take place on September 20-23, 2021 in Geneva, Switzerland. The summit convenes under the theme "Shaping an Equitable, Inclusive and Sustainable Recovery".

2) World's first steel produced without using coal

Swedish green steel venture HYBRIT, which had made the 'world's first' customer delivery of steel produced without using coal. The steel was made using Hydrogen Breakthrough Ironmaking Technology, which uses 100% fossil-free hydrogen instead of coal and coke. The venture has started delivering the fossil-free steel to the Volvo Group as part of its trial run.

NATIONAL

1) "Yuktdhara"

The Union Minister of State for the Ministry of Science and Technology, Jitendra Singh launched a new Geospatial Planning Portal under Bhuvan named "Yuktdhara" to enable the planning of new MGNREGA assets using Remote Sensing and GIS-based information. The portal has been jointly developed by ISRO and the Ministry of Rural Development.

2) Amrit Mahotsav Shri Shakti Innovation Challenge 2021

MyGov under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology and UN Women have joined hands to launch the Amrit Mahotsav Shri Shakti Innovation Challenge 2021. The aim of this challenge is to encourage technology solutions developed by Women Entrepreneurs related to Women's Safety and Empowerment.

3) "Vaccinate India Programme"

Vice President of India, M. Venkaiah Naidu, launched "Vaccinate India Programme". This programme was organised by Give India Foundation and Sustainable Goals Coordination Centre in Bengaluru. It was launched under CSR in association with Planning Department of the Karnataka government.

STATE NEWS

1) Metro rail network in Bengaluru

ADB and the Government of India have signed a \$500 million loan to expand the metro rail network in Bengaluru with the construction of two new metro lines totalling 56 km in length. The new metro lines will further strengthen safe, affordable and green mobility in Bengaluru.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) National Monetisation Pipeline





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Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman, unveiled a four-year National Monetisation Pipeline. Scheme was launched with a Rs 6 lakh crore unlock value in brownfield projects. It also engages the private sector. They will have the rights but not the ownership in projects. Scheme will be using the funds for infrastructure creation across India.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1) White House cybersecurity meeting

Apple Inc CEO, Tim Cook and Microsoft Corp Chief Executive, Satya Nadella are set to attend White House cybersecurity meeting. In the meeting, they will discuss efforts by private companies to improve cybersecurity. Cyberattack is an offensive act that targets computer information systems, infrastructures, computer networks, or personal computer devices.

2) India's first indigenous motorised wheelchair vehicle

Indian Institute of Technology has developed India's first indigenous motorised wheelchair vehicle called NeoBolt. NeoBolt can be used on roads as well as on uneven terrains. It was developed to empower wheelchair users a convenient, safe and low-cost mode of outdoor mobility as compared to cars, auto rickshaws and modified scooters. It is powered by a Lithium-Ion Battery.

GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT

1) Tropical Storm Henri

Tropical Storm Henri has made its landfall near western Rhode Island. As per US National Hurricane Center, it made landfall with wind speed of 60 mph. Rhode island is a state in New England region of the United States. With respect to area, it is the smallest U.S. state and the seventh-least populous state.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) S. Vishwanathan

Reserve Bank of India had appointed committee headed by N. S. Vishwanathan to make suggestions on structure for the urban cooperative banks. Panel was set up to suggest structure on the basis of deposits, prescribed different capital adequacy as well as regulatory norms for them with respect to their sizes.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) "Mission Domination: An Unfinished Quest"

A new book titled "Mission Domination: An Unfinished Quest" authored by Boria Majumdar & Kushan Sarkar. The Book Published by Simon & Schuster Publisher India Private Limited. The Book talks about the short story of several Indian cricketers life events such as Rishabh Pant, Rohit Sharma, Shubman Gill, R. Ashwin, Cheteshwar Pujara.