

# PRAYAS KSG NEWSPAPER SPOTLIGHT'

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## NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHTS

- **Nepal blacks out Indian news channels, Nepal will not allow foreign TV channels that indulge in the character assassination of its leaders and will seek legal remedies against such news outlets.**
- **Coronavirus fears, force Maoist cadre to lie low, There was no major Maoist activity, but for a surrender in the Visakhapatnam area. The situation was similar even in the Andhra Odisha Border (AOB) region.**
- **INDIA GLOBAL WEEK 2020 Prime Minister Modi inaugurated the India Global week 2020, an international event on India's globalisation. It's theme is "Be The Revival: India and a Better New World".**
- **India will take a decision on whether to include Australia in the Malabar exercises with Japan and the U.S. at a Defence Ministry meeting early next week.**
- **Indian Institute of Technology – Hyderabad(IIT-H) collaborates with NVIDIA to establish India's first 'NVIDIA Artificial Intelligence(AI) Technology Centre'(NVAITC) to speed up the research work on AI and its commercial purpose.**
- **Hundreds of Rohingya refugees on a flood-prone island in the Bay of Bengal will not be allowed to leave unless they agree to return home, Bangladesh authorities said.**

## AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND UNDER ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT

### Key facts

1. Medium-Long term debt financing facility for post-harvest management infrastructure.
2. Rs.one Lakh Crore will be provided by banks and financial institutions as loans to different agricultural groups.
3. Interest subvention of 3% per annum of loans up to Rs.2 Crores.
4. Duration: **2020 to 2029.**

## WORLD BANK REPORT ON INDIAN HEALTH CARE

### Key facts

1. Indian health care is **underfunded.**
2. Low Public health Infrastructure (**1.3% of GDP**).
3. Only **25% is the central share** of total Public expenditure because public health is a state subject.
4. Per capita capital expenditure is less than Rs.200 in 2020.
5. **High out of the pocket expenditure** (Individuals which are not covered under any financial protection scheme).
6. Approximately **70% of total health expenditure** is borne by consumers.

## PRADHAN MANTRI FASAL BIMA YOJANA(PMFBY) UPDATES

### Key facts

1. Centre asked states to invoke **penalty on insurance companies that have defaulted** on settling the claims.
2. Delay in claims settlement leading to **further hardships to farmers.**
3. PMFBY Norms-settlement of claims has to be completed by insurers **within 60 days from Crop cutting** date, failing beyond which states can levy penal interest at 12%.
4. PMFBY provides crop insurance from pre-sowing to post-harvest period as premium rate of 2% for kharif crops, 1.5% for rabi crops and 5% for horticulture and commercial crop.

## BHUBANESWAR LAND USE INTELLIGENCE SYSTEM (BLUIS)

### Key facts

1. Odisha becomes the first state in India to use high resolution satellite imagery utilising space technology and artificial intelligence to monitor government lands.
2. BLUIS is a web and mobile based solution to monitor the unauthorised change of land use and to prevent the encroachment of government lands.

## ZYCoV-D

### Key facts

1. COVID-19 Vaccine candidate by Zydus Cadilla, Second potential vaccine after **Bharat Biotech's COVAXIN.**

## MP Current affairs

1. Prime Minister Modi will dedicate to the nation the 750 MW Solar Project set up at Rewa, Madhya Pradesh on July 10, 2020.