

# PRAYAS KSG NEWSPAPER SPOTLIGHT'

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### NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHTS

- ISRO to Launch Brazil's Amazonia-1 Earth Observation Satellite on PSLV
- Solar energy will play big role in 'Atmanirbhar Bharat': PM.
- Indian Battalion Wins the Annual The United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) Environment Award for 2020.
- Boeing handed over the last of the five AH64E Apache attack helicopters to the Indian Air Force (IAF), completing the contract for 22 Apaches. They have been deployed at the Leh air base.
- ASEEM PORTAL : Union Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has launched Aatamanirbhar Skilled Employee-Employer Mapping (ASEEM) portal to help skilled people find sustainable livelihood opportunities.  
The portal will map details of workers based on regions and local industry demands and will bridge demand-supply gap of skilled workforce across sectors.
- With public transport affected due to the spread of COVID19, the Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry invited cities (smart cities) to come up with quick solutions for promoting cycling.
- Deforestation of the Brazilian Amazon increased by a record 25% year on year in the first half of 2020.
- BHASHAN CHAR : Bangladesh has announced that it will not move the Rohingyas settled on the Bhashan char island amid Corona pandemic.
- Mongolian Kanjur :
  - The Ministry of Culture has taken up the project of reprinting 108 volumes of Mongolian Kanjur by March 2022 under the National Mission for Manuscripts (NMM).
  - It is a Buddhist canonical text in 108 volumes and is considered to be the most important religious text in Mongolia.
  - It is a source of providing a cultural identity to Mongolia.
  - In the Mongolian language 'Kanjur' means 'Concise Orders'-the words of Lord Buddha in particular.

### INDIA TO ENHANCE TRADE WITH BANGLADESH

#### Key facts

1. Multi-pronged strategy to enhance trade and business partnership with Bangladesh.
2. Earlier, China has announced tariff exemption for 97% of Bangladeshi Products.
3. India effort's-Trade of essential items with Bangladesh via the Rail route amid COVID-19.
4. Duty free access to several Bangladeshi Products.
5. India provided funds for development of Infrastructure in various sectors.
6. Bangladesh and India have Inland Water Transit and trade protocol.
7. Bangladesh is India's biggest trade partner in South Asia.

### DRAFT CODE ON WAGES RULES,2020

#### Key facts

1. Normal working hours in a day are reduced to 8 hours from 9 proposed earlier.
2. Code replaces 4 laws-Payment of wages Act, 1936; Minimum wages Act, 1948; Payment of Bonus Act, 1965; Equal Remuneration act, 1976.
3. Seeks to universalize the provisions of minimum wages and timely payment of wages.
4. Minimum wage will aim to ensure a uniform standard of living across the country.

### WHAT IS GLYPHOSATE

#### Key facts

1. Centre released draft notification banning use of glyphosphate except through operators.
2. Widely used agrochemically by the farmers to control weeds.
3. WHO highlighted Glyphosate's adverse impact on human health.

### PROF.P.C.MOHALANOBIS NATIONAL AWARD IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS

#### Key facts

1. First award was given to former RBI Governor Rangrajan.
2. Award is named after Prof.P.C. Mahalanobis, regarded as father of Indian statistics.
3. P.C. Mahalanobis had set up the Indian Statistical Institute in Kolkata in 1932.
4. He also shaped the Planning Commission.

### SERIOUS FRAUD INVESTIGATION OFFICE(SFIO)

#### Key facts

1. Organisation under corporate ministry for detecting and prosecuting or recommending for prosecution of white collar crimes/frauds.
2. White collar crime is a nonviolent crime committed for financial gain.
3. It was set up on the recommendation of Naresh Chandra Committee.

### Nadaun Police Station of Himachal Pradesh declared as one of the best in India.

1. The Union Minister of Home Affairs announced the Annual Ranking of Police Stations for 2019 prepared by the Ministry of Home Affairs.
2. The ranking system of Police Stations was introduced by the Ministry of Home Affairs in 2018.
3. The best performing police station is based on the addressing of Property offence, crime against women and weaker sections.