

PRAYAS KSGNewspaper Spotlight's - (17th July, 2020)

NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHTS

- The Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) in India has declined to 113 in 2016-18 from 122 in 2015-17 and 130 in 2014-2016, according to Sample Registration System (SRS).
- Twitter is investigating a massive hack in which high profile users from Elon Musk to Joe Biden had their accounts hijacked by scammers (For bitcoins).
- India accused Pakistan of not allowing free and unimpeded consular access to death row prisoner Kulbhushan Jadhav. India had demanded that access should be without interference from Pakistani security officials.
- 15th India-EU (Virtual) Summit held virtually; co-chaired by Narendra Modi, Charles Michel & Ursula von der Leyen.
- India and Bhutan opened a new trade route between Jaigaon in West Bengal and Ahlay, Pasakha in Bhutan to establish easy connectivity and to increase trade between India and Bhutan amid the COVID-19 pandemic..
- No postal ballot facility for voters above 65 in Bihar election: EC Poll body cites logistical challenges amid pandemic.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will address a global audience on the subject of U.S. and India as key partners and leaders in a post COVID19 world at the India Ideas Summit on July 22.
- South American country Suriname elects Indian-origin 'Chan' Santokhi as President.
- Telangana Police launch 'CybHER', Virtual Awareness Campaign to Tackle Cyber Crime against Women & Children.
- WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INDICATORS-2019 REPORT:- As per World Intellectual Property Indicators-2019 Report, India has emerged as the top tenth nation in the ranking of the total (resident and abroad) Intellectual Property (IP) filing activity.
- Fall in mortality rate due to kill corona drive :Shivraj singh chauhan

PRADHAN MANTRI KAUSHAL VIKAS YOJANA(PMKVY) STATUS

Key facts

1. PMKVY trained **92 lakhs candidates so far across 37 sectors** in more than 250 job roles.
2. More than **720 PMKVY centres** were opened in 704 districts.
3. PMKVY is a **skill certification scheme** for Industry- relevant skill training.

MADE IN INDIA 5G NETWORK

Key facts

1. Reliance Jio has said that it designed and developed a **complete 5G solution** from scratch.
2. World class 5G service in India, using 100% home grown technology.
3. First time an Indian company is venturing into mobile technology.
4. **Currently, India is a net importer** of telecom equipment.
5. Self-Reliance in 5G is also **important strategically**. as, recently USA,UK banned Chinese Huawei.
6. 5G meant to deliver higher multi-**Gbps peak data speeds**, Uniform user experience to more users.

VALLARPADAM TERMINAL OF COCHIN PORT

Key facts

1. **First trans-shipment port** of India.
2. Trans-shipment hub is the terminal at the port which handle containers, stores them temporarily and transfer them to other ships for the onward destination.
3. **Vallarpadam terminal** has proximity to International sea routes.
4. Proximity to key hinterland markets of India.

WHAT IS KAZI 106F

Key facts

1. It is only **golden tiger** found in Kaziranga National Park of Assam.
2. The skin of this tiger is **orange-yellow with black stripes** and whitish abdominal region.
3. Tiger get these colouring from **recessive genes** that show up due to the **inbreeding**, which occurs due to the **habitat loss**.

AZAD PATTAN HYDEL POWER PROJECT

Key facts

1. Pakistan and china signed an agreement for the **azad pattan hydel power project** on the Jhelum river in PoK.
2. Second power project under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor(CPEC).
3. **India has been protesting the construction of dams and other infrastructure in PoK** and Gilgit Balitistan which are territories claimed by it as part of Jammu & Kashmir.

NISHTHA PROGRAMME

1. NISHTHA is a national initiative for School Heads and Teachers Holistic Advancement at the elementary stage under Samagra Shiksha -a flagship programme of the Union HRD Ministry to improve learning outcomes.

