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GoI brings all cooperative banks under supervision of RBI

Government of India will bring an ordinance to put all **cooperative banks** under the **Reserve Bank of India supervision**. This decision was announced by Union information and broadcasting minister Prakash Javadekar.

Now **1,482 urban cooperative banks** and **58 multi-state cooperative banks** came under the supervisory powers of the Reserve Bank of India. The RBI's powers as they apply to the scheduled banks will also apply to cooperative banks. This decision will give an assurance to more than **86 million depositors** in these banks that their money amounting to **Rs 4.84 trillion** will stay safe.

World celebrates International Day of Yoga on 21 June

United Nations celebrates **International Day of Yoga** globally on **21 June** every year to raise awareness worldwide of the many benefits of practicing yoga. Yoga is an ancient physical, mental and spiritual practice that originated in India. The word 'yoga' derives from Sanskrit and means to join or to unite, symbolizing the union of body and consciousness.

The theme of International Day of Yoga 2020 is **"Yoga for Health – Yoga at Home"**.

About International Day of Yoga:

India proposed the draft resolution to establish the International Day of Yoga and the proposal was endorsed by a record 175 member states. Recognizing its universal appeal, on **11 December 2014**, the United Nations proclaimed 21 June as the International Day of Yoga by resolution **69/131**.

Cabinet approves setting up of Rs 15000 crore "AHIDF"

Establishment of Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) has been approved by the Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. The Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund will be worth **Rs 15000 crore** and provide incentivisation of investments in the formation of such infrastructure for dairy as well as meat processing, and value addition infrastructure and establishment of animal feed plant in the private sector.

Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), MSMEs, Section 8 Companies, Private Companies and individual entrepreneur would be the eligible beneficiaries under the scheme. According to the scheme, minimum **10% margin money** would be contributed by the beneficiary while scheduled banks would be responsible for the availability of balance **90%** of the loan component. Interest subvention of **3%** would be provided by the Government of India to the eligible beneficiaries. There will be **2 years moratorium** period for the principal loan amount while **6 years** repayment period thereafter.


A Credit Guarantee Fund of **Rs 750 crore** would be set up by the Government of India. This fund would be managed by **National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)** and will provide Credit guarantee to those sanctioned projects which are covered under MSME defined ceilings. Guarantee Coverage would be provided **upto 25%** of Credit facility of borrower.

Both of the above facilities will ensure availability of capital to meet upfront investment required for the above projects and also help enhance overall returns/ pay back for investors.

NITI Aayog to launch project "Decarbonising Transport in India"

NITI Aayog will launch the **"Decarbonising Transport in India"** project in collaboration with **International Transport Forum (ITF)**. The project would be launched to develop a pathway towards a low-carbon transport system for India. It will design a tailor-made transport emissions assessment framework for India and facilitate the government with a comprehensive understanding of present as well as future transport activities along with the related **CO2 emissions**.

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The project “Decarbonising Transport in India” is a part of the International Transport Forum’s “Decarbonising Transport in Emerging Economies (DTEE)” family of projects. DTEE supports transport decarbonisation across different world regions such as Argentina, Azerbaijan, Morocco and India.

Union HRD Minister virtually launches ‘YUKTI 2.0’ platform

“YUKTI 2.0” platform has been virtually launched by the Union Minister of Human Resource Development, **Ramesh Pokhriyal ‘Nishank’**. The platform will help in systematically adopting the technologies having commercial potential and information related to incubated startups in our higher education institutions. The Young India combating COVID with Knowledge, Technology and Innovation (YUKTI) platform seeks to cover the different dimensions of COVID-19 challenges in a very holistic and comprehensive way. The platform has been developed by the Ministry of HRD.

YUKTI 2.0 is logical extension of earlier version of ‘YUKTI’ and has been launched to find out ideas relevant in COVID pandemic. With the help of this platform, MHRD aims to identify innovative solutions from India’s higher and technical institutions. During the launch, HRD minister encouraged students, faculty members, startups including other stakeholders of higher education institutions to get them registered on the YUKTI portal and share their technologies and innovations.

Global Status Report on Preventing Violence Against Children 2020

Global Status Report on Preventing Violence Against Children 2020 has been released by the **World Health Organization (WHO), UNICEF, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO)**, the Special Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General on Violence against Children and the End Violence Partnership. It has been prepared from a survey administered between 2018 and 2019. In this survey, responses from 155 countries were taken about their progress against the “INSPIRE” framework, which is a set of seven strategies to prevent and respond to violence against children. The report tells us about the progress that the countries have achieved in implementing activities to attain the Sustainable Development Goal targets on ending violence against children.

The report aims to analyse if the governments have national plans of action, policies as well as laws that are in line with those identified as effective by INSPIRE. It also examines if the countries are accurately measuring fatal as well as non-fatal instances of violence.

What is Inspire Framework?

Inspire Framework was launched in 2016. It is a set of seven evidence-based action plan for countries to eliminate the violence against children. INSPIRE is an acronym in which each letter represents a strategy:

I denotes the implementation and enforcement of laws

N denotes norms and values

S denotes safe environments

P denotes parent and caregiver support

I denotes income and economic strengthening

R denotes response and support services

E denotes education and life skills

Key findings of the Global Status Report on Preventing Violence Against Children 2020:

- It states that 89% of countries assign responsibility of addressing the violence against children to multiple sectors. Among them, the education, health, justice and social sectors most often mentioned.
- It mentions that 80% of nations have at least one national action plan to prevent violence against children.
- It shows that only one fifth of the countries has fully funded national action plans or plans that contains specified indicators on the prevalence of violence against children with baseline and target values.
- It concludes that only 56% of countries are providing some national support to implement the INSPIRE strategies.
- It states that the laws against violence that affects children, along with laws restricting exposure to alcohol and firearms are widely implemented but often inadequately enforced.

Union Cabinet approves 2% Interest Subvention on Shishu Loans

Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri **Narendra Modi** has approved the scheme for interest subvention of **2%** to all **Shishu loan accounts** given under **Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)** to eligible borrowers. Under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY), the loans extended for income generating activities up to Rs 50,000 are known as Shishu loans. The Member Lending Institutions such as Scheduled Commercial Banks, Non Banking Finance Companies and Micro Financial Institutions, registered with Mudra Ltd are responsible for extending the above loans. With an objective to promote entrepreneurship among the new generation aspiring youth, it is ensured that more focus is given to Shishu Category Units and then Kishore and **Tarun categories**.

About the Interest Subvention Scheme:

The Scheme for Interest Subvention of 2% would be applicable on all Shishu loan accounts given under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY) to the eligible borrowers. The interest subvention would be applicable for a period of **12 months**. The scheme would be applicable to loans which are outstanding as on **31st March, 2020**; and not in Non-Performing Asset (NPA) category, in line with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) guidelines, on 31st March 2020 and during the period of operation of the Scheme. According to the scheme, people who will make regular repayments of loans would be eligible to avail the benefits of the interest subvention which would be payable for the months in which the accounts are not in NPA category, and the months in which the account becomes a performing asset again, after turning NPA. The estimated cost of the interest subvention scheme would be approximately **Rs 1,542 crore which would be borne by the Government of India**.

Implementation of the scheme:

The Interest Subvention Scheme will be implemented through the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI). The scheme would be in operation for a period of 12 months. For borrowers, who have been allowed a moratorium by their respective lenders, as permitted by RBI under the 'COVID 19 Regulatory Package', the Scheme would begin after the completion of the moratorium period till a period of 12 months i.e. **from September 01, 2020 till August 31, 2021**. While, for other borrowers, it would begin with effect from **June 01, 2020 till May 31, 2021**.

THE Young University Ranking 2020 released

Times education (THE) has released the world's young university ranking for the relatively newer generation of universities, which are 50 years old or younger. The **2020 ranking includes 414 universities**, up from 351 in 2019. As many as two Indian universities made it into the highest 100, while none could enter the **'50 under 50' category**. The Young University Rankings are supported an equivalent metrics because the the World University Rankings. But the weightings are recalibrate to reflect young universities' missions, with less emphasis on reputational surveys and more on factors like research productivity, staff-student ratios, institutional income and doctoral education.

THE Young University Rankings 2020: Indian Universities

Rank	University
62nd rank	IIT-Ropar
64th rank	IIT Indore
101-150 band	IISER Pune
101-150 band	IIT-Gandhinagar
151-200 band	Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham
151-200 band	IIT-Bhubaneswar
151-200 band	IIT-Guwahati
151-200 band	IIT-Hyderabad

THE Young University Rankings 2020: the top 10

Rank	University
1.	The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong
2.	Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
3.	Paris Sciences et Lettres – PSL Research University, Paris, France
4.	Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies – Pisa, Italy
5.	Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), South Korea
6.	Maastricht University (Netherlands)
7.	City University of Hong Kong
8.	Pohang University of Science and Technology (POSTECH), South Korea
9.	Sorbonne University, France
10.	Pompeu Fabra University, Spain

National Affairs

- Union Minister **Jitendra Singh** has inaugurated two bridges **Devika** and **Puneja** at Udhampur and Doda districts respectively in **Jammu and Kashmir**.
- **Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship (MSDE)** and **IBM** partners to unveil free Digital Learning Platform **“Skills Build Reignite”**. Along with “Skills Build Reignite”, IBM has also launched the **Skills Build Innovation Camp**.
- The **Republic of Mali** has awarded the project management consultancy contract for the development of **500 megawatts (MW) solar park** to **National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC)**.
- **Niti Aayog** has formed a panel to develop a **job platform** for **migrant labourers**. Through this panel, Niti Aayog includes top officials of tech companies like Google, Microsoft and Tech Mahindra.
- A **Line of Credit (LOC)** of **USD 20.10 million** has been extended by the **Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank)** on behalf of the Government of India, to the Government of the Republic of Nicaragua. This LOC has been extended for reconstruction of **Aldo Chavarria Hospital** in the Republic of **Nicaragua**.
- **France** has signed a loan agreement of **200-million-euros** with India to boost India’s COVID-19 response. With the loan agreement, France aims to increase the state and central governments’ capacities to support India’s most vulnerable people in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis.
- The Minister of State for Shipping (Independent charge) and Chemicals & Fertilisers **Mansukh Mandaviya** has introduced India’s largest **1st Virtual Healthcare & Hygiene EXPO 2020**. This Expo has been organised by **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)**.
- The Food Processing Edition of the **“Exclusive Investment Forum”** has been launched by the Union Food Processing Industries Minister **Harsimrat Kaur Badal**. It has been designed by the Invest India, the **National Investment Promotion & Facilitation Agency** of the Government of India.
- **“Information about Country of Origin”** has been mandated for the sellers by the **Government e-Marketplace (GeM)**, a Special Purpose Vehicle under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. The sellers have been advised to mention **“Information about Country of Origin”** while registering all new products on GeM.

- **India** has pledged to contribute **USD 10 million** to the **United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA)**.
- A behaviour change campaign called **“Navigating the New Normal”** has been launched by the NITI Aayog in partnership with **Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF)**, **Ashoka University**, **Centre for Social and Behavioural Change (CSBC)**, and the Ministry of Health, and Ministry of Women & Child Development.
- Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Steel, **Dharmendra Pradhan** has inaugurated a **Product Application and Development Centre (PADC)** set up by Indian Oil at **Paradip, Odisha**.

States in the News

- **Rajasthan state government** will soon launch **Indira Rasoi Yojana** for the poor. This scheme will start to ensure that **“no one sleeps hungry”** in the state.
- Union Cabinet has given **International Airport status** to **Kushinagar Airport** in **Uttar Pradesh**. The International status to the Airport will end in boosting of domestic/international tourism and economic development of the regions.
- **Tripura government** has announced a special initiative for activity-based learning named **‘Ektu Khelo, Ektu Padho’**.
- In **Madhya Pradesh**, **Madhya Kshetra Vidyut Vitaran Company** has launched the **Nishtha Vidyut Mitra Scheme** for women empowerment. Under the scheme, women Self-Help Groups at Gram Panchayat level will work as Nishtha Vidyut Mitra.
- **Tripura government** has announced an ambitious scheme **“Mukhyamantri Matru Pushti Uphaar”**. The scheme aims to provide nutrition kits to pregnant and lactating women in order to combat infant and maternal mortality and malnutrition. The scheme is expected to benefit **40,000 women** in the state.
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has virtually launched a path-breaking scheme **“Atma Nirbhar Uttar Pradesh Rojgar Abhiyan”** in **Uttar Pradesh**. The scheme aims to generate employment for the migrant workers of the state who recently returned from other states. The scheme has been launched in 31 districts of Uttar Pradesh constituting more than **25,000 returnee migrant workers**.
- **Maharashtra State Government** has introduced **“Maha Parwana”** plan to attract fresh investment in industries. This plan will offer incentives and a **single-window clearance system**.

International Affairs

- The **World Bank** has approved USD **1.05 billion** for three projects in **Bangladesh** to generate quality jobs and boost economic recovery in the wake of the **COVID-19 pandemic**. The three projects namely: **Private Investment and Digital Entrepreneurship (PRIDE)**, **Enhancing Digital Government and Economy (EDGE)**, and **Second Programmatic Jobs Development Policy Credit**, are expected to help the economy in its recovery by generating jobs and encouraging direct private investment in specialized economic zones.
- The **Senkaku Islands dispute**, or **Diaoyu Islands dispute**, concerns a territorial dispute over a gaggle of uninhabited islands referred to as the Senkaku Islands in Japan, the Diaoyu Islands in **China** and **Tiaoyutai** Islands in Taiwan. The Senkakus island chain has been administered by Japan since **1972**, but its status has remained disputed so far. Both **Japan and China** claim ownership of those islands. Recently, a local council in southern Japan has approved a bill to change the name of an area containing Senkaku Islands from **Tonoshiro to Tonoshiro Senkaku**.
- **Pakistan** will remain on the grey list of the **Financial Action Task Force (FATF)** for failing to suits the worldwide terrorist financing watchdog's deadline to prosecute and penalise terrorist financing in the country. The plenary was held under the **Chinese Presidency of Xiang Liu**. FATF had expressed serious concerns over Pakistan's failure to finish its 27-point action plan in line with the agreed timelines, which led to September 2019.

Books and Authors

- **Amish Tripathi** has released his new fiction book '**Legend of Suheldev: The King Who Saved India**'. The book is published by **Westland Publications Pvt Ltd**. The book is about the Indian King Suheldev who battles to protect his country, makes huge individual penances, shows radiant initiative and joins everybody inside the nation paying little mind to their religion, rank, area, or status in the public eye.

Banking/Economy/Business News

- The **Reserve Bank of India** has enhanced the withdrawal limit for depositors of Punjab and Maharashtra Cooperative Bank Limited, Mumbai to **Rs 1 Lakh** per depositor. The withdrawal limit was earlier set at **Rs 50,000**.

- **Yes Bank** has partnered with **fintech startup "Affordplan"** to launch '**Swasth Card**', a co-branded healthcare card, under Swasth program. YES BANK's wallet has also been integrated on **Affordplan Swasth** to enable wallet QR scan for making payments to merchant partners empanelled on the Affordplan Swasth app.
- **UCO Bank** has tied up with four insurers to offer various insurance products to its customers through its network of branches across the country. The lender teamed up with SBI Life Insurance Company, the Oriental insurance company and **Religare insurance Company**, Star Health and Allied insurance company for selling their products.
- The **Karnataka Bank** has rolled out a new product titled "**KBL Micro Mitra**" for the Micro entrepreneurs. Under the newly launched product, the Micro manufacturing and service enterprises will be offered a financial assistance of up to Rs 10 lakhs.
- **Moody's Investors Service** has released its June update to **Global Macro Outlook (2020-21)**. In its latest release, the rating agency projected the Indian economy to shrink **3.1%** in the fiscal year **2020**, citing the extent of coronavirus-related disruption. It also forecasts Indian economy to **register 6.9%** growth in fiscal year **2021**.
- The **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** has approved the acquisition of stake in Jio Platforms Limited by Jaadhu Holdings LLC. **Jaadhu Holdings LLC** will acquire approximately **9.99% stake in Jio Platforms**.
- The **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** has projected that Indian economy will experience a sharp contraction of **4.55% in Fiscal Year 2021**, as compared to that of **1.9% expansion** projected in the month of **April 2020**. The international organization has called this a "historic low" for India. IMF has forecasted that Indian economy will recover in the fiscal year 2022 with a growth rate of **6%**. These projections has been stated by IMF in its latest World Economic Outlook titled "**A Crisis like No Other, An Uncertain Outlook**".
- **Yes Bank** has partnered with **UDMA Technologies** to launched its digital wallet solution '**Yuva Pay**' **mobile app**. Through this app, the bank enables contactless payments for its customers.
- Flipkart co-founder **Sachin Bansal's** financial services startup "**Navi**" has launched a mobile app "**Navi lending**" to provide instant personal loans targeted at consumers in the middle-income segment.

Appointments/Resignations

- The U.S. Senate has appointed Indian-American scientist **Dr Sethuraman Panchanathan** as the Director of the **National Science Foundation (NSF)**.
- **Vijay Khanduja** has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the **Republic of Zimbabwe**. He is presently serving as Director in the **Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)**.
- **Dr Nirakar Pradhan** has appointed as new as the **Chief Executive Officer** of the **Professional Risk Managers' International Association (PRMIA)** of its new India office.
- Former Indian opener **Wasim Jaffer** has been appointed head coach of the **Uttarakhand cricket team**.
- **Indian Financial Technology & Allied Services (IFTAS)** has announced the appointments of **T Rabi Sankar** as the Chairman of the organization. Agency also appoints **Dr N Rajendran** as the **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** of the organization.

Awards and Recognitions

- The **German Book Trade** has chosen Indian Nobel prize-winning economist and philosopher **Amartya Sen** for its prestigious **2020 Peace Prize**. He has been chosen for the prestigious prize for his pioneering work addressing issues of **global justice, social inequality in education and healthcare**.
- The Maharashtra government has declared the **Vithabai Narayangaokar lifetime achievement** award to folk artist **Gulabbai Sangamnerkar**.
- The **Annasaheb Kirloskar award** will be presented upon veteran theatre on-screen character artist **Madhuvanti Dandekar**.
- **Himachal Pradesh state Panchayati raj department** wins 1st prize under **e-Panchayat Puraskar-2020**. This prize was given by the Union Ministry of Panchayati Raj.

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Summit and Conference

- The **virtual 32nd special Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism (EAG)** plenary meeting was attended by the Indian officials including the representatives from enforcement agencies. The meeting was held under the aegis of the **Financial Action Task Force (FATF)**.
- The **45th annual meeting of the United States India Business Council (USIBC)** will be marked with the **2020 India Ideas Summit**. In 2020 summit will be held virtually on **21st and 22nd July**. Both Indian and the **United States of America** Government at present are looking to start their economies after months of lockdown with revised strategies for businesses, the focus will be on the importance of re-establishing trade between both the nations, digitization, equitable growth, the future of **healthcare system post-COVID-19, etc.**

Science and Technology

- The **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** has received a patent for its **Liquid Cooling and Heating Garment (LCHG)**. **Liquid Cooling and Heating Garment (LCHG)** is a protective garment for human spaceflight.
- **IIT-Bombay** has created Indian beneficiary chip "**Dhruva**". This chip can be utilized in cell phones and route gadgets to discover locations and route inside the nation. Dhruva will get signals from India's NAVIC group of navigation satellites just as the US Global Positioning System-based satellites to decide these precisely under every single climate condition.
- **Union Cabinet** chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved the establishment of **Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACE)**.
- **NASA** has announced that its headquarters in **Washington, D.C.**, will be named after **Mary W. Jackson**, one of its history-making engineers. The information was passed by **NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine**.

Ranks and Reports

- **Swiss National Bank (SNB)** has released 'Annual banking statistics, 2019'. According to the latest SNB data, **India** has moved down three places to **77th rank** in terms of money parked by its citizens. While **Britain** holds the **first place** in this list with a share of 27 % of the total deposits.

Sports News

- The **International Tennis Federation** has declared the list of players, who chose for the **ITF World Tennis Tour Player Panels**. India's **Niki Poonacha** is elected as a player member to **ITF World Tennis Tour Player Men's panels**.
- New Zealand wicketkeeper-batswoman **Rachel Priest** has announced her **retirement from International Cricket**. She has represented New Zealand in 87 One Day Internationals (ODIs) and 75 T20Is. She had a long career which spanned for 13 years.
- **Liverpool** has won the **English Premier League 2019-20** title. The football club has won the first English top title in **last 30 years**. This is club's overall 19th league title win, while this victory is their first in the Premier League era. The club won the title after Manchester City's loss to Chelsea with **score 2-1**.
- The **FIFA Women's World Cup 2023™** will be hosted by **Australia and New Zealand**. The joint offer put together by Football Federation Australia and New Zealand Football got **22 of the 35** substantial votes cast by the FIFA Council individuals in the first voting form, with the **Colombian Football Association having acquired 13 votes**.
- According to a poll conducted by Wisden India, **Rahul Dravid** is the greatest Indian **Test batsman of all time**. Dravid beats **Sachin Tendulkar** by a narrow margin of votes in the final round of voting. Dravid got **52 per cent** of the votes, with as many as 11,400 fans participating within the final round of voting. Dravid saw off Tendulkar within the final round of the voting by a narrow margin despite trailing at **42 per cent**.

Important Days

- **International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice** is observed globally on **21st June**.
- **World Music Day** is observed globally on **21st June** every year. This day is celebrated to honour **amateur and professional musicians**.
- **World Hydrography Day** is observed globally on **21st June** every year. This day was adopted by the International Hydrographic Organization (IHO). World Hydrography Day 2020 theme is **"Hydrography enabling autonomous technologies"**.
- **International Widows Day** is observed globally on **23rd June** every year. **Loomba** Foundation initiated the **International Widow's Day in 2005**.
- **United Nations Public Service Day** is observed globally on **23rd June** every year. This day is to highlight the contribution of public service in the development process and to value public service to the community.

- The **Olympic Day** is celebrated globally on **23rd June** every year. This year, amid COVID-19 pandemic, the Olympic Movement will celebrate Olympic Day 2020 by creating the world's largest 24 hour digital-first Olympic workout.
- The **International Maritime Organization** is observed on **25th June** as the **Day of the Seafarer**. The 2020 campaign for the day: **Seafarers are Key Workers**.
- **International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking** is observed globally on **26th June** every year. The theme of International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking 2020: **"Better Knowledge for Better Care"**.
- **International Day in Support of Victims of Torture** is observed on **26th June** every year. This day is observed by the United Nations to raise awareness among the people about the human torture that it is not only unacceptable but it is also a crime.
- **Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Day** is observed globally on **27th June** every year **since 2017**. This day is observed by the United Nations to raise public awareness of their contribution to sustainable development and the global economy.

Obituaries

- Former Left-arm spinner **Rajinder Goel** passed away. Goel played 157 first-class matches, most of them for Haryana, and finished with 750 wickets.
- Padma Shri awardee and a social worker **Vidyaben Shah** passed away recently. She was a pioneer in the field of child welfare as she created the the first Bal Bhavan in **Rajkot** in the **1940s**.
- Major General (Retd) **Lachhman Singh Lehl** passed away. He was one of India's finest military brains and one of its last surviving officers to have taken part in both the **1948 and 1971 wars**. He was commissioned in the Regiment of Artillery in **1943**.
- A movie producer & philanthropist, Steve Bing passed away. He produced films such as Get Carter and Every Breath, and also wrote the screenplay for movie **Kangaroo Jack**.
- Former Karnataka basketball star player, **K Raghunath** passed away. He was one of the founding members of the still-popular Beagles Basketball Club.
- Former Indian shooter and coach **Pournima Zanane** passed away due to cancer.
- Former member of parliament (MP) and veteran journalist **Vishwa Bandhu Gupta** passed away. He was associated with the Congress party during the 1980s and served as a Member of Parliament from Delhi between April 1984 to 1990, in the Rajya Sabha.

- Hollywood Director **Joel Schumacher** passed away. The costume designer-turned-director was renowned for directing hit movies such as St. Elmo's Fire, The Lost Boys, Falling Down, including two Batman films.
- Trinamool Congress MLA, **Tamonash Ghosh** passed away due to COVID-19. He represented Falta Assembly constituency in South 24 Parganas district in West Bengal. He was three-time MLA from **Falta** & party treasurer since 1998.
- Vir Chakra awardee, Sqn Ldr (retd) **Parvez Jamasji** passed away. He was commissioned in 1965 and retired in 1985. He was awarded the **Vir Chakra for gallantry during the 1971 Indo-Pakistan war**.

Miscellaneous News

- Union Minister of Information & Broadcasting, **Prakash Javadekar** inaugurated the Virtual India Pavilion at Cannes Film Market 2020, commencing India's participation at Cannes Film Festival. During the e-inauguration, the minister invited international film fraternity to come as well as shoot in India, and sell in the international market. This year, India has sent two films for screening during the festival, namely: **MaiGhat: Crime No 103/200 (Marathi) and Hellaro (Gujarati)**.
- Bollywood actress **Priyanka Chopra** and filmmaker **Anurag Kashyap** named among **the 50 ambassadors** at 45th edition Toronto International Film Festival (TIFF) 2020. This year 45th edition Toronto International Film Festival is to be held virtually. The 45th edition of TIFF will take place from September 10-19.
- Former England women's captain **Clare Connor** is to become the **1st female president of Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)** in its 233-year history.

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- The **Bengaluru International Airport Ltd (BIAL)**, which operated the **Kempegowda International Airport** becomes the 1st airport in India, who installed an indigenously-developed Aviation Weather Monitoring System at its new runway on both ends. This new AWMS technology developed by **Bengaluru-based CSIR-National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL)**.
- The **world's first yoga university** outside India has been launched in **Los Angeles, US**. The Yoga University has been named after **Swami Vivekananda**. The chancellor of SVYASA- Swami Vivekananda Yoga Anusandhana Samsthana (Deemed University at Bengaluru for the study of yoga), **Dr H R Nagendra** will be the first Chairman of the **Vivekananda Yoga University**.

Static Takeaways

- Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir: Girish Chandra Murmu.
- Union Minister for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship: Mahendra Nath Pandey.
- Union Minister of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries: Giriraj Singh.
- Republic of Mali Capital: Bamako; Currency: West African CFA franc.
- President of Republic of Mali: Ibrahim Boubacar Keita.
- International Solar Alliance Headquarters: Gurugram.
- International Solar Alliance Founded: 30 November 2015.
- International Solar Alliance Director-general: Upendra Tripathy.
- Headquarters of NITI Aayog: New Delhi.
- Chairperson of NITI Aayog: Narendra Modi.
- Chief Executive Officer(CEO) of NITI Aayog: Amitabh Kant.
- Vice Chairperson of NITI Aayog: Rajiv Kumar.
- Managing Director of Exim Bank: David Rasquinha.
- Capital of Nicaragua: Managua; Currency: Nicaraguan córdoba.
- President of France: Emmanuel Macron; Capital: Paris.
- International Transport Forum (ITF) is an intergovernmental organisation for transport policy, since 2008.
- Secretary-General of International Transport Forum: Young Tae Kim.
- Chief executive officer of NITI Aayog : Amitabh Kant.
- Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers: D. V. Sadananda Gowda.

- Chief Minister of Rajasthan: Ashok Gehlot; Governor: Kalraj Mishra.
- Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh: Yogi Aditya Nath; Governor: Anandiben Patel.
- Chief Minister of Tripura: Biplab Kumar Deb.
- Governor of Tripura: Ramesh Bais.
- Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh: Shivraj Singh Chouhan; Governor: Lal Ji Tandon.
- Prime Minister of Bangladesh: Sheikh Hasina; Capital: Dhaka; Currency: Taka.
- President of World Bank: David Malpass.
- RBI 25th Governor: Shaktikanta Das; Headquarters: Mumbai; Founded: 1 April 1935, Kolkata.
- Yes Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Yes Bank MD & CEO: Prashant Kumar.
- Yes Bank Tagline: Experience our Expertise.
- Headquarters of UCO Bank: Kolkata, West Bengal.
- Managing Director(MD) & Chief Executive Officer(CEO) of UCO Bank: Atul Kumar Goel.
- MD & CEO of Karnataka Bank: Mahabaleshwara M.S.
- Indian Financial Technology & Allied Services (IFTAS) Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- National Science Foundation (NSF) is an independent federal agency created by Congress in 1950.
- Currencies of Zimbabwe: United States Dollar.
- Capital of Zimbabwe: Harare.
- President of Zimbabwe: Emmerson Mnangagwa.
- Professional Risk Managers' International Association (PRMIA) Founded: 2002.
- Professional Risk Managers' International Association (PRMIA) Headquarters: Wilmington, Delaware, United States.
- Chief Minister of HP: Jai Ram Thakur; Governor of HP: Bandaru Dattatraya.
- Union Minister of Panchayati Raj: Narendra Singh Tomar.
- International Tennis Federation President/CEO: David Haggerty.
- International Tennis Federation Chief Operating Officer(COO): Kelly Fairweather.
- International Tennis Federation Headquarters: London, United Kingdom.
- Secretary-General of the United Nations: António Guterres. United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA. It was founded on 24 October 1945.
- International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) was the International Hydrographic Bureau (IHB) which was established in 1921.
- Chairman of International Hydrographic Organization: Shepard M. Smith.
- Secretary-General of International Hydrographic Organization: Mathias Jonas.
- Headquarters of International Hydrographic Organization: Monaco.
- President of International Olympic Committee: Thomas Bach.
- International Maritime Organization Secretary-General: Kitack Lim.
- International Maritime Organization Headquarters: London, United Kingdom.
- International Maritime Organization Founded: 17 March 1948.
- Chairman of Indian Space Research Organisation: K.Sivan; Headquarters: Bengaluru.
- Union Minister of Science and Technology: Harsh Vardhan.
- IIT-Bombay Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Director of IIT-Bombay: Subhasis Chaudhuri.
- ISRO Director: K. Sivan, Headquarters: Bengaluru; Established: 1969.
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Headquarters: Vienna, Austria.
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime Founded: 1997.
- Toronto International Film Festival starts: 1976.
- Toronto International Film Festival Headquarters: Toronto, Canada.
- Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) Founded: 1787.
- Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC) Headquarters: London, United Kingdom.
- The headquarters of FATF is in Paris, France.
- FATF was founded in July 1989.
- CEO of NITI Aayog: Amitabh Kant.
- National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) Headquarters: Bangalore, India.
- National Aerospace Laboratories (NAL) Director: Jitendra J Jadhav.
- Chief Minister of Tripura: Biplab Kumar Deb; Governor: Ramesh Bais.
- Chief Minister of Odisha: Naveen Patnaik; Governor: Ganeshi Lal.
- United Nations celebrates International Day of Yoga globally on 21 June.
- The theme of International Day of Yoga 2020 is "Yoga for Health – Yoga at Home".
- International Society for Small and Medium Enterprises Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Headquarters of FIFA: Zürich, Switzerland.

- President of FIFA Gianni Infantino.
- Chief Minister of Maharashtra: Uddhav Thackeray; Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari.
- Swiss National Bank (SNB) Headquarters: Zurich, Switzerland.
- Swiss National Bank (SNB) Chairman: Thomas Jordan.
- Yes Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Yes Bank MD & CEO: Prashant Kumar.
- Yes Bank Tagline: Experience our Expertise.
- Navi headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- Navi established: 2018.
- Headquarters of NASA: Washington D.C., United States.

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