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India ranks 131 in Human Development Index 2020

According to the report released by the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**, **India** has been dropped two spots to **131** among **189 countries** in the **2020 Human Development Index**.

According to the report:

- **Norway** topped the index, followed by **Ireland, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Iceland**, the report showed.
- **Niger** is the lowest ranked country at 189, placed among Low human development category, with a score of 0.394.
- India(131), Bhutan (129), Bangladesh (133), Nepal (142), and Pakistan (154) were ranked among countries with **medium human development**.
- In the BRICS grouping, **Russia** was 52 in the human development index, **Brazil** 84, and **China** 85.

Facts related to India:

- Between 1990 and 2019, India's life expectancy at birth increased by 11.8 years, mean years of schooling increased by 3.5 years, and expected years of schooling increased by 4.5 years.
- India's GNI per capita increased by about 273.9% between 1990 and 2019. Life expectancy for Indian's at birth was 69.7 years in 2019, slightly lower than the south Asian average of 69.9 years, but slightly higher than the average of medium human development index groupings in the world at 69.3 years.

What is Human Development Index?

The Human Development Index measures average achievement of the countries in 3 basic dimensions of human development i.e. life expectancy, education and per capita income.

UNEP announces 2020 Champions of the Earth Award

The **UN Environment Programme (UNEP)** has announced six laureates of the **2020 Champions of the Earth award**, the UN's highest environmental honour. The Champions were chosen for their transformative

impact on the environment and their leadership in urging bold and decisive action on behalf of the planet and its inhabitants.

The Champions of the Earth Award is presented in 5 categories:

1. Lifetime Achievement,
2. Inspiration and Action,
3. Policy Leadership,
4. Entrepreneur Vision,
5. Science and Innovation.

The 2020 Champions of the Earth Award has been bestowed upon 6 individuals. The list of winners is given below.

- **Policy Leadership:** Prime Minister **Frank Bainimarama** of Fiji, honoured in the Policy Leadership category for his global climate action work and his commitment to climate-responsive national development
- **Inspiration and Action:** **Yacouba Sawadogo (Burkina Faso)**, also honoured in the Inspiration and Action category for teaching farmers his traditional nature-based solution to regenerate their soil and turn barren land into arable land and forest across Africa
- **Inspiration and Action:** **Nemonte Nenquimo** (Ecuador), awarded in the Inspiration and Action category for her leadership and unifying work with indigenous communities that halted drilling in Ecuador's Amazon rainforest
- **Science and Innovation:** **Dr Fabian Leendertz** (Germany), honoured in the Science and Innovation category for his discoveries in zoonotic and his work in One Health



- **Entrepreneur Vision: Mindy Lubber** (USA), recognized in the Entrepreneurial Vision category for her commitment to turning capital markets green by mobilizing top investors and companies and making the business case for climate action and sustainability
- **Lifetime Achievement Award: Professor Robert D. Bullard** (USA) who was awarded the Champion of the Earth Lifetime Achievement award for his commitment and service to environmental justice.

About Champions of the Earth award:

The **UN Environment Program (UNEP)** is presenting the Champions of the Earth Award since **2005**, to inspire and motivate more people to act for nature. The award recognizes outstanding environmental leaders from the public and private sectors, and from civil society for their pioneering initiatives aimed at healing the planet amid natural and man-made threats and whose activities have had a positive impact on the environment.

UNESCO launches Bangabandhu award on creative economy

UNESCO has launched an international award named after **Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman** following Bangladesh’s proposal. The UN agency’s executive board unanimously adopted the proposal on **UNESCO-Bangladesh Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman International Prize** for the **“Creative Economy”** in its **210th session**. This is the first time a UN agency launched an award named after Bangabandhu.

About the Prize:

- The award will create the opportunity to spread Bangabandhu’s ideals across the world and inspire the global cultural activists to contribute to the field of the creative economy.
- It will also play a “special” role in branding and image-building of Bangladesh.
- The award will be given every two years with **\$50,000 prize money** – three times in six years. The renewal of the award will be discussed later.
- The first UNESCO-Bangabandhu award is set to be given in the 41st session of the UNESCO’s general conference in **November 2021**. Bangladesh proposed the award in **August 2019**.

About the UNESCO awards:

The UNESCO launches awards in recognition of the contribution of leaders in several fields, such as education, culture, science and technology, with the financial help of the member states. It had launched 22 awards named after noted individuals or organisations.

India ranks 111 in Human Freedom Index 2020

A worldwide ranking of civil, economic and personal freedom, the **Human Freedom Index 2020** was released.

India was placed at the **111th spot** out of **162 countries**.

In 2019, India ranked **94** on the index.

The first three spots have been bagged by **New Zealand, Switzerland and Hong Kong**. The **United States and the United Kingdom** are tied at the 17th spot on the index. War-torn **Syria** ranked the last on the list.

Facts related to India:

- India’s scored 6.30 out of 10 in personal freedom and 6.56 in economic freedom. The country’s overall human freedom score was 6.43.
- However, India has been ranked ahead of China and Bangladesh, which ranked 129 and 139 on the 2020 index respectively.

About Human Freedom Index:

Human Freedom Index was published by American think tank **Cato Institute and Fraser Institute** in Canada. The index takes into account 76 indicators of personal, civil, and economic freedoms to rank 162 countries from 2008 to 2018. The institutes noted that the world has seen a notable decline in personal freedom since 2008.

NITI Aayog releases ‘Vision 2035: Public Health Surveillance in India’

NITI Aayog has released a white paper titled **‘Vision 2035: Public Health Surveillance in India’** on 14 December 2020. The ‘Vision 2035: Public Health Surveillance in India’ is a continuation of the work on **Health Systems Strengthening**. The building blocks for this vision are an interdependent federated system of governance between the Centre and states.

About the “Vision 2035: Public Health Surveillance in India”:

- The vision of this white paper is to make India’s public health surveillance system more responsive and predictive to enhance preparedness for action at all levels.

- The citizen-friendly public health surveillance system will ensure individual privacy and confidentiality, enabled with a client feedback mechanism.
- India aims to provide regional and global leadership in managing events that constitute a public health emergency of international concern.
- **Public health surveillance (PHS)** is an important function, requiring primary, secondary, and tertiary levels of care.
- The white paper lays out India's vision of **2035** for public health surveillance through the integration of the three-tiered public health system into **Ayushman Bharat**.

National Affairs

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has delivered the inaugural address at **FICCI's 93rd Annual General Meeting (AGM)** and Annual Convention via video conferencing. Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) has organised the convention from December 11 to 14, 2020. The theme for the FICCI 93rd AGM is '**Inspired India**'. The Prime Minister also inaugurated the virtual FICCI Annual Expo 2020.
- The **Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB)**, India and the **Central Committee on Drug Abuse Control, Myanmar** conducted the **5th edition of the India-Myanmar Bilateral Meeting** on Drug Control Cooperation. The Indian delegation was led by the Director-General Narcotics Control Bureau, **Shri Rakesh Asthana**.

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- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** laid the foundation stone of the **30,000 megawatt (MW)** capacity hybrid renewable energy park in **Kutch district of Gujarat**. It will be the largest renewable energy park of its kind in the world. It is expected to play a major role in fulfilling India's vision of generating **450 GW (4,50,000 mw) of power by 2030**.
- United Kingdom Prime Minister, **Boris Johnson** has invited Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** to join the **UK-hosted G-7 summit 2021**. UK Prime Minister Johnson has also accepted the very generous invitation to attend **India's Republic Day celebrations in January**. PM Johnson will attend India's annual Republic Day parade in New Delhi.
- **India** has pledged a sum of **USD 1 million** to the **World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)**, towards its scientific research budget, to ensure an atmosphere of Clean Sport globally. The contribution made by India is the highest among contributions made by other world governments, including **China, Saudi Arabia and Egypt**.

States in the News

- The **International Hockey Federation (FIH)** had announced that the **2023 FIH Men's Hockey World Cup** will be hosted in **Odisha**, for a second consecutive time. The tournament will be held at two venues, **Bhubaneswar and Rourkela**.
- The SoftBank-backed mobility platform, **Ola** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Tamil Nadu government**, to set up its first factory in the state, at an investment of **Rs 2,400 crore**.
- The **Government of Maharashtra** has approved the **Unified Development Control and Promotion Regulations, (UDCPR)**, to strengthen and bring uniformity in the real estate construction laws of the state.
- **Uttar Pradesh government** will launch a special program to double the income of farmers. The program named as "**Kisan Kalyan Mission**" will cover all assembly constituencies of the state.
- The **Government of India** and the **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** have signed a **US \$4.21 million project readiness financing (PRF) facility** for the preparation of infrastructure development projects to improve urban amenities and develop tourism infrastructure in **Tripura**.

- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has signed **\$300 million** loan agreement with the Government of India to upgrade rural power distribution networks in **Uttar Pradesh**. This upgradation helps to provide reliable electricity supply to consumers in the state. This is the first tranche of the loan for the **Uttar Pradesh Power Distribution Network Rehabilitation Project**.

Agreements/MoUs Signed

- Indian Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** and **Uzbekistan** President **Shavkat Mirziyoyev** co-chaired the virtual Summit held between the two countries, to strengthen strategic partnership among them. The Government of India also approved a **US \$448 million Line of Credit** for four developmental projects in Uzbekistan in the fields of road construction, sewerage treatment and information technology.
- The **Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH)** signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Federal Ministry of Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation and Technology of the Republic of Austria** on Technology Cooperation in the Road Infrastructure Sector. The MoU will further strengthen ties, promote long-standing bilateral relations and enhance trade and regional integration between the two countries.
- The **Norwegian Institute of Bioeconomy Research (NIBIO)** has signed an MoU with cGanga, a think-tank of **National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG)** for development of sludge management framework in India.
- The **Government of India** and the **World Bank** have signed a **\$400 million** project to protect vulnerable groups in urban and peri-urban areas across the country impacted by COVID-19. This is the second such assistance in the series of two '**Accelerating India's COVID-19 Social Protection Response Programme**'.
- The **Government of India** and the **New Development Bank (NDB)** have signed a loan agreement worth **\$1,000 million** for 'supporting India's economic recovery from COVID-19'. The loan has a tenor of **30 years**, including a **5-year grace period**. The programme will support Indian Government in mitigating the adverse economic impact of COVID-19 pandemic and enable economic recovery in the rural areas.

- **SBI General Insurance** partnered with **IntrCity RailYatri**, to provide travel insurance of **₹5 lakh** on tickets for bus commuters opting to travel through **IntrCity RailYatri**. The travel cover is offered on buying the ticket.

Books and Authors

- The 2nd non-fiction book by author **Amish Tripathi** is titled "**Dharma: Decoding the Epics for A Meaningful Life**". The book offers practical, philosophical lessons drawn from ancient **Hindu epics**. It is co-authored by his sister **Bhavana Roy**.
- Lok Sabha Speaker **Om Birla** has released a book on the occasion of the **19th anniversary of the Parliament attack on 13 December**. He released the book '**The Shaurya Unbound**' (English Version) and '**Samundar Samawe Boond Mein**' (Hindi Version) was released on the **2001 incident**. As many as 14 people including the five terrorists died during the incident.

Banking/Economy/Business News

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has decided to set up an **Automated Banknote Processing Centre (ABPC)** in **Jaipur** for the receipt, storage and dispatch of currency notes.
- **Canara Bank** has launched **FX 4 U** that enables its entire internet banking users to handle forex transactions hasslefree. **FX 4 U** is used for forex remittance through internet banking. With this development, eligible customers will be able to undertake remittance facility in adherence to the **FEMA regulations 1999**.
- Rating agency **CRISIL** has lowered the contraction rate of **India's GDP** and now expects the growth rate of the Indian economy to **contract 7.7%** in the ongoing fiscal **2020-21**, compared to the **9%** forecast in September 2020, due to "**faster-than-expected**" recovery in the second quarter. For the fiscal 2021-22 (FY22), CRISIL expects the growth to bounce back to **10%**.
- **S&P Global Ratings (previously Standard & Poor's)** has raised India's GDP growth projection for the **FY21 (2020-21)** to **- 7.7 per cent** from **- 9 per cent** estimated earlier. The lower contraction rate is based on rising demand and falling COVID infection rates. The US-based S&P rating agency has projected India's growth to rebound to **10 per cent** in the next fiscal, i.e. **2021-22 (FY22)**.

- The **State Bank of India**, in its research report '**Ecwrap**' has revised the GDP growth of India at **(-) 7.4 percent** in FY21. Earlier this forecast was **(-) 10.9 percent**. The SBI research report has also forecast India's GDP growth in **FY22 at 11 percent**.
- **Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) Ltd.** has launched an electronic spot platform, "**BSE E-Agricultural Markets Ltd (BEAM)**", for agricultural commodities through its subsidiary BSE Investments Ltd. The platform aims to boost the competitiveness of the Indian agricultural market by enhancing the strength of the BSE in financial markets, market technology and its vibrant ecosystem.
- The domestic rating agency, **ICRA Ratings** expects the technical recession in the country's economy to end in the fourth quarter of the current fiscal, limiting the contraction in the GDP to **7.8 per cent** in the financial year 2021.
- Digital financial services platform **Paytm** has launched a **24x7 RTGS facility** to support the companies that make high-value transactions. Paytm Payout is the only service provider that offers seamless round the clock money transfers through **Wallet, UPI, IMPS, NEFT & RTGS**.
- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has imposed a monetary penalty of **Rs 50.00 lakh** on **The Urban Co-operative Bank Ltd in Kerala**. This fine is imposed for non-compliance with directions issued on **Income Recognition and Asset Classification (IRAC)** norms and on Management of Advances-UCBs.

Appointments/Resignations

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has approved the re-appointment of **Uday Kotak** as **Managing Director** of **Kotak Mahindra Bank** for a further period of three years, with effect from **January 1, 2021**.
- The CEO of Prasar Bharati, **Shashi Shekhar Vempati** has been elected as the Vice President of **Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU)** for a period of three years. Prasar Bharati is India's largest public broadcasting agency.
- **Sukhbir Singh Sandhu** has been given **six months** extension as the **chairman of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)**.

Defence News

- **Himgiri**, which is the first of the three **Project 17A ships** being built at **Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited (GRSE), Kolkata** was launched. The launch of 'Himgiri' has showcased GRSE's commitment towards the building of three state-of-the-art warships of **P17A for Indian Navy**.
- The **interceptor boat C-454**, built by **Larsen and Toubro** at its **Hazira plant**, will operate from Gujarat under the control of the Commander Coast Guard Region North-West of the **Indian Coast Guard**. It was commissioned by **Surat Police Commissioner Ajay Tomar**.
- **Indian Coast Guard's (ICG)** Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) '**Sujeet**', which is second in the series of 5 OPVs was commissioned at the **Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL)** in **Vasco Town, Goa** by **Raj Kumar, Secretary (Defence Production)**.

Awards and Recognitions

- **Ashraf Patel**, the founder member and Board member of **Pravah and ComMutiny – The Youth Collective (CYC)** has been declared as the winner of the **Social Entrepreneur of the Year (SEYO) Award – India 2020**. The award was presented by the Union Minister of Women & Child Development & Textiles, **Smriti Zubin Irani**.
- **International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN)** Asia Regional Office awarded **Paul Sein Twa**, for **Goldman Environmental Prize 2020** for Asia. This award is given to him for his efforts in promoting the self-determination of the **Karen people** in managing their natural resources.



- **Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)** has been awarded with the prestigious **Golden Peacock Environment Management Award** for the year 2020 in the Steel Sector by the Institute of Directors.
- The Bayern Munich striker, **Robert Lewandowski** has been named **The Best FIFA Men's Player 2020**, beating off competition from last year's winner **Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo**. The 32-year-old Lewandowski, top scorer in Europe and winner of the Champions League with Bayern. Manchester City full-back, **Lucy Bronze** won the **women's best player award**, becoming the **first female English player** to take the prize.
- **Vidyut Mohan** was one of the "Young Champions of the Earth" winners by **United Nations Environment Programme**. A 29-year-old Indian entrepreneur is among the seven winners of the prestigious "Young Champions of the Earth" 2020 prize given by the UN environment agency to global change-makers using innovative ideas and ambitious action to help solve some of the world's most pressing environmental challenges.
- The chairman emeritus of the Tata group **Ratan Tata**, will be honoured with 'Global Visionary of Sustainable Business and Peace' award. The award is given by the **Indo-Israel Chambers of Commerce** for promoting innovation that supports sustainability and peace in the region, including with the Palestinians.

Summit and Conference

- The **9th edition** of **Sustainable Mountain Development Summit (SMDS)** held in **Dehradun, Uttarakhand**. The four-day-long summit was organised by **Indian Mountain Initiative (IMI)** and hosted by **Sustainable Development Forum Uttaranchal (SDFU), Dehradun**. The theme for 2020 SMDS was 'Emerging Pathways for Building a Resilient Post COVID-19 Mountain Economy, Adaptation, Innovation and Acceleration'.
- The **Government of India** and **Bangladesh** held a virtual summit to hold comprehensive discussions on the entire spectrum of the bilateral relationship, including further strengthening cooperation in the post-COVID-19 era. The meeting was led by Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** and his Bangladesh counterpart **Sheikh Hasina**. The two leaders jointly inaugurated the **Chilahati-Haldibari rail link**, which would connect the borders of the two neighbouring countries.

Ranks and Reports

- American media personality and reality TV star, **Kylie Jenner** has been crowned the **highest-paid celebrity of 2020 by Forbes**. The top-earning stars in the world earned a combined of **\$6.1 billion in 2020** with Kylie Jenner.

Ranked at number 2 on the list by making **\$170 million** was American rapper and record producer **Kanye West**, who is also coincidentally **Kylie's brother-in-law**. In addition to **Tyler Perry, Howard Stern, and Dwayne Johnson**, A-listers athletes like **Roger Federer, Cristiano Ronaldo, Lionel Messi, Neymar and LeBron James** helped round out the top 10.

Science and Technology

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** will launch a communication satellite **CMS-01**, formerly named **GSAT-12R**, on December 17, using its **Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) rocket's XL** variant numbered as **PSLV-C50**. The CMS-01 will be a replacement for GSAT-12 that weighed **1,410 kg** and was launched on July 11, 2011, with a mission life of eight years.
- The **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)** has set up a dedicated **Space Situational Awareness (SSA) Control Centre** named "**NETRA**", at its **ISTRAC campus at Peenya, Bengaluru**. The ISRO SSA Control Centre 'NETRA' was formally inaugurated by ISRO Chairman **K Sivan**.
- **NASA** and the **European Space Agency (ESA)** have selected Indian-American **Raja Chari** to be the Commander of the **SpaceX Crew-3 mission** to the International Space Station. Presently Raja Chari, is a colonel in the US Air Force. He will be the commander of SpaceX Crew-3 mission, while Nasa's **Tom Marshburn** will be pilot and ESA's **Matthias Maurer** will serve as a mission specialist. This mission is expected to be launched next year.

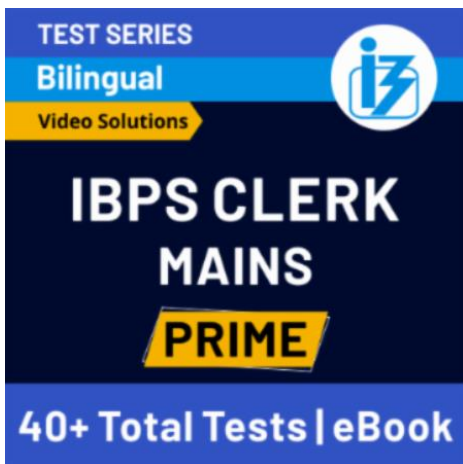
Sports News

- **Max Verstappen** (Red Bull – Netherlands) won the season-ending **Abu Dhabi Grand Prix 2020**, held in **Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates**. This was his second victory of the season and 10th victory of his career.
- Indian Tennis player, **Ankita Raina** clinched her third doubles title of the season after she won the **2020 AI Habtoor Tennis Challenge** jointly with her Georgian partner **Ekaterine Gorgodze** in Dubai.

- The **2030 Asian Games** were awarded to **Doha, Qatar** and the **2034** event went to **Riyadh, Saudi Arabia** after a deal was struck between the rival nations. Doha beat Riyadh for the 2030 Games in the vote at the **Olympic Council of Asia's (OCA)** general assembly.
- Pakistan's star pacer, **Mohammad Amir** has announced his retirement from international cricket citing 'mental torture' by the management as the reason behind his decision.

Important Days

- The **National Energy Conservation Day** is celebrated every year on **14 December** by **Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)**, under Ministry of Power.
- In India, **Vijay Diwas (also called Victory Day)** is celebrated every year on **December 16**. The country is celebrating the **49th** Vijay Diwas in 2020. Vijay Diwas is observed to commemorate the service, valour, and sacrifices of the gallant men of the Indian Armed Forces' victory over **Pakistan in 1971 war**.
- The **International Migrants Day** is observed globally on **18 December** every year. In **December 2000**, the UN General Assembly proclaimed **18 December** as International Migrants Day after considering the large and increasing number of migrants in the world.
- The theme of International Migrants Day 2020 is **'Reimagining Human Mobility'**.
- **UN Arabic Language Day** is observed annually on December 18 every year. The day was established by the **UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)** in 2010 to celebrate multilingualism and cultural diversity as well as to promote equal use of all six of its official languages throughout the Organization.



- **Goa Liberation Day** is observed on **19 December** every year in India and it marks the day Indian armed forces freed Goa in **1961** following **450 years of Portuguese rule**.

Obituaries

- Renowned Sanskrit scholar, **Vidyavachaspati Bannanje Govindacharya** has passed away. He was well versed in Veda Bhashya, Upanishad Bhashya, Mahabharata, Ramayana and Puranas and had written commentaries on Veda Suktas, Upanishads, Shata Rudriya, Brahma Sutra Bhashya, and Gita Bhashya.
- US Air Force officer and test pilot **Chuck Yeager**, who in 1947 became the **first pilot** in history to **have exceeded the speed of sound** in level flight, has passed away. As a test pilot, on October 14, 1947, Yeager became the **first human to officially break the sound barrier**, when he flew the experimental **Bell X-1 aircraft** at Mach 1 (speed of sound) at an altitude of **45,000 ft (13,700 m)**. Level flight means flying at a constant altitude, not going up and down.
- **Ambrose Dlamini**, the Prime Minister of **Eswatini**, a country in **Southern Africa**, has passed away after contracting coronavirus. He was appointed as the **tenth** prime minister of the country in October 2018.
- Noted Indian wrestler, **Sripati Khanchanale**, who had won the prestigious **'Hind Kesari'** title in 1959, passed away. In 1959, Khanchanale won the 'Hind Kesari' title by defeating wrestler **Rustam-e-Punjab Battasingh** at the New Railway Stadium in Delhi.
- Eminent aerospace scientist and Padma Vibhushan awardee, **Roddam Narasimha** has passed away. He had served at the prestigious **Indian Institute of Science (IISc)**, where he taught Aerospace Engineering from 1962 to 1999. He also served as the director of the **National Aerospace Laboratories** from 1984 to 1993.
- Former Australia Test all-rounder, **Eric Freeman** has passed away. He made his Test debut against **India** at the Gabba (Brisbane Cricket Ground) in **1968** during which his opening scoring shot was a six, and he became the first player to achieve the feat.

Miscellaneous News

- The **India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)** along with **Department of Posts (DoP)** launched a digital payment application called '**DakPay**' on 15 December 2020, in an effort to provide Digital Financial inclusion at the last mile across India. The app was launched by Union Minister for Communications, Electronics & Information Technology and Law & Justice, **Ravi Shankar Prasad**.
- **Nehru Zoological Park, Hyderabad**, with its standard working procedures, has acquired ISO 9001:2015 **Quality Management Standards Certification** from ASCB, UK. The Hyderabad Zoo has become the first zoo in the country to receive **ISO 9001:2015 Quality Management Standards Certificate**. This was presented to Telangana Forests Minister **A. Indra Karan Reddy**.
- The **Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS)** has banned Mauritian badminton player **Kate Jessica Foo Kune** for **two years** for an anti-doping violation.
- **Mega leather park** to come up in **Ramaipur village of Kanpur** with an investment of **Rs 5,850** crores. The park, part of the mega leather cluster project will create 50,000 direct jobs & indirect employment for 1.5 lakh people.

Static Takeaways

- Chief Executive Officer of NITI Aayog: Amitabh Kant.
- Chairperson of NITI Aayog: PM Narendra Modi.
- President of WADA: Sir Craig Reedie; Headquarters: Montreal, Canada.
- Founded: 10 November 1999.
- Chief Minister of Odisha: Naveen Patnaik.
- Odisha Capital: Bhubaneswar.
- Odisha Governor: Ganeshi Lal.
- Airports in Orissa: Biju Patnaik International Airport, Jharsuguda Airport, Rourkela Airport, Jeypore Airport and Savitri Jindal Airport.
- Tamil Nadu Capital: Chennai.
- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister: Edappadi K. Palaniswami.
- Tamil Nadu Governor: Banwarilal Purohit.
- Tamil Nadu State Dance: Bharathanatyam.
- Chief Minister of Maharashtra: Uddhav Thackeray; Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari.
- Capital of Uzbekistan: Tashkent; Currency: Uzbekistani Som.
- Austria Capital: Vienna.

- Austria Currency: Euro.
- Austria President: Alexander Van der Bellen.
- Norway Currency: Norwegian krone.
- Norway Capital: Oslo.
- Prime Minister of Norway: Erna Solberg.
- New Development Bank Headquarters location: Shanghai, China.
- New Development Bank President: Marcos Prado Troyjo.
- New Development Bank Founder: BRICS.
- New Development Bank Founded: 15 July 2014.
- Headquarters of World Bank: Washington, D.C., United States.
- President of World Bank: David Malpass.
- World Bank Founded: July 1944.
- Prime Minister of Bangladesh: Sheikh Hasina; Capital: Dhaka; Currency: Taka.
- RBI 25th Governor: Shaktikant Das; Headquarters: Mumbai; Founded: 1 April 1935, Kolkata.
- Syndicate Bank was amalgamated into Canara Bank on April 2020.
- Canara Bank Founded: July 1906 by Shri Ammembal Subba Rao Pai.
- Canara Bank Tagline: Together We Can.
- Canara Bank MD & CEO: L V Prabhakar.
- Canara Bank Headquarters: Bangalore, Karnataka.
- Chairman of State Bank of India: Dinesh Kumar Khara.
- SBI Founded: 1 July 1955
- SBI Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Bombay Stock Exchange Established: 1875.
- Bombay Stock Exchange Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- MD and CEO of Bombay Stock Exchange: Ashish Kumar Chauhan.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Establishment: 2003.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank Tagline: Lets make money simple.
- Prasar Bharati Founded: 23 November 1997.
- Prasar Bharati Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union Headquarters: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union President: Ibrahim Eren.
- Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union Formation: 1 July 1964.

- Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Director General of ICG: KrishnaswamyNatarajan
- Indian Coast Guard Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Director-General of International Union for Conservation of Nature: Dr Bruno Oberle.
- International Union for Conservation of Nature Headquarters: Gland, Switzerland.
- International Union for Conservation of Nature Founder: Julian Huxley.
- International Union for Conservation of Nature Founded: 5 October 1948.
- Chairman of SAIL: Anil Kumar Chaudhary.
- SAIL Headquarters: New Delhi.
- SAIL founded: 19 January 1954.
- UNDP Headquarters: New York, New York, United States.
- UNDP Head: Achim Steiner.
- UNDP Founded: 22 November 1965.
- Olympic Council of Asia Headquarters: Kuwait City, Kuwait.
- Olympic Council of Asia President: Ahmed Al-Fahad Al-Ahmed Al-Sabah.
- Olympic Council of Asia Founded: 16 November 1982.
- Olympic Council of Asia Motto: Ever Onward.
- Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Power: Raj Kumar Singh.
- UNESCO headquarters: Paris, France.
- UNESCO Head: Audrey Azoulay.
- UNESCO Founded: 16 November 1945.
- Eswatini Capitals: Mbabane, Lobamba; Currency: Swazi lilangeni.
- ISRO Chairman: K.Sivan.
- ISRO Headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- The administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration: Jim Bridenstine.
- Headquarters of NASA: Washington D.C., United States.
- Goa Capital: Panaji.
- Governor of Goa: Bhagat Singh Koshiyari.
- Chief Minister of Goa: Pramod Sawant.
- SBI General Insurance CEO: PC Kandpal.
- IntraCity RailYatri CEO: Manish Rathi.
- Court of Arbitration for Sport President: John Coates;
- Court of Arbitration for Sport HQ: Lausanne (Switzerland).
- Uttar Pradesh Capital: Lucknow.
- Uttar Pradesh Governor: Anandiben Patel.
- Uttar Pradesh Chief minister: Yogi Adityanath.
- Paytm HQ: Noida, Uttar Pradesh;
- Paytm Founder & CEO: Vijay Shekhar Sharma.
- RBI 25th Governor: Shaktikant Das; Headquarters: Mumbai; Founded: 1 April 1935, Kolkata.

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