

Top 15 Current Affairs of 7 June 2020

NATIONAL AFFAIRS

**Power Minister RK Singh initiated ‘#iCommit’ campaign on the occasion of WED on
June5, 2020**



“#i Commit initiative” is headed by Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL), under the administration of the Ministry of Power. This initiative aims towards the enhancement of energy system by involving governments, corporate, multilateral and bilateral organisations, Think Tanks, and individuals.

About EESL:

It is a Joint Venture (JV) of four reputed public-sector undertakings – NTPC (formerly National Thermal Power Corporation) Limited, Power Finance Corporation (PFC) Limited, REC (formerly Rural Electrification Corporation Limited) Limited, and POWERGRID Corporation of India Limited.

Chairman– Rajeev Sharma

Managing Director (MD)– Saurabh Kumar

Nitin Gadkari launches UNDP national awareness campaign on ‘Prevention of Human and Animal Mortality on Highways’



On the occasion of World Environment Day (**June 05, 2020**), Union Minister for Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) **Shri Nitin Gadkari** has launched the UNDP (United Nations Development Programme) national awareness campaign on ‘**Prevention of Human and Animal Mortality on Highways**’ through a video conference with the aim to reduce or eliminate cases of death on the roads. Gadkari also asked all agencies to comply with the provisions issued by the Wildlife Institute of India under “Eco friendly measures to mitigate impacts of linear infrastructure on wildlife” in order to take care of wildlife.

Amritsar included in Delhi-Katra expressway; Punjab stretch to be converted into Greenfield Expressway



A Greenfield connectivity will be developed in Punjab stretch of **Delhi-Amritsar-Katra expressway** to Amritsar City from Nakodar in Jalandhar (Punjab) via five historic towns of

Sultanpur Lodhi, Goindwal Sahib, Khadoor Sahib and Tarn Taran. It should be noted that this expressway is a part of **Bharatmala Pariyojana** with a total outlay of Rs 60,000 crore while its first phase involve investment of about Rs 25,000 crore i.e. Delhi-Amritsar.

About Punjab:

Capital– Chandigarh

Chief Minister– Captain Amarinder Singh

DPIIT revises public procurement order to Encourage “Make in India” and enhance employment



To encourage the Make In India initiative and to increase the income and employment generation the Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade(DPIIT) revised the public procurement order,2017 on 29th May 2019

Key Points:

- i.** The Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals identified around **55 types** of chemicals, petrochemicals, pesticides and Dyestuff and assessed the domestic manufacturing capacity and local competition.
- ii.** For the **27 out of the 55** identified products, The local suppliers are eligible to bid for the estimated procurement value between **Rs.5 lakh to Rs. 50 Lakh.**
- iii.** For the remaining **28 products** irrespective of the bid amount the procuring entities shall make procurement only from the local suppliers.
- iv.** The Department of Chemical and petrochemicals prescription of local content of local chemicals and petrochemical content in public procurement:

- Min 60% for 2020-21
- Min 70% for 2021-23

- Min 80% for 2023-25

v. Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of State shipping and Chemical and Fertilizer mentioned that the mandatory public procurement of Chemicals and Petrochemicals to boost manufacturing and production of goods, services and works will promote **Make in India** Initiative and strengthen **Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan**.

India loses 750 tigers during 2012-2019; Madhya Pradesh topped: NTCA Data



Of the total tiger mortalities, 369 were due to natural causes, 168 due to poaching, 70 deaths are under scrutiny and 42 due to unnatural reasons, including accident or conflicts events. **Maharashtra** has reported second highest deaths, as it lost 125 big cats during this period followed by 111 in **Karnataka**, 88 in **Uttarakhand**, 54 each in **Tamil Nadu** and **Assam**, 35 each in Kerala and Uttar Pradesh, 17 in Rajasthan, 11 in Bihar and West Bengal and 10 in Chhattisgarh.

BANKING & FINANCE

SBI launches separate FI&MM vertical for agriculture and small businesses



State Bank of India (SBI) has created a separate **Financial Inclusion and Micro Market (FI&MM) vertical** within the bank with an exclusive focus to provide financial services to people engaged in agriculture and allied activities and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). The new wing will be headed by deputy managing director (DMD) of the bank **Sanjeev Nautiyal** at the national level.

About State Bank of India (SBI):

Formation– 1 July 1955

Headquarters– Mumbai, Maharashtra

Chairman– Rajnish Kumar

Tagline– The banker to every Indian; With you- all the way; A bank of the common man; Pure banking, nothing else.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

Hyderabad International Airport receives Platinum Recognition in ACI Asia-Pacific Green Airports recognition 2020



On 5th June 2020, World Environment Day, In **Asia-Pacific** Annual Green Airport Recognition 2020 Airports Council International(**ACI**) awarded the highest Platinum Recognition to **GMR** led Rajiv Gandhi Hyderabad International Airport(**RGHIA**) for their effective water management under the **15-35 Million** Passengers per annum(**MPPA**) category.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

Rohit Sharma becomes 1st ever brand ambassador of IIFL Finance



On 28th May 2020, Vice-Captain of Indian Cricket Team in limited-overs, Rohit Sharma became the **first brand ambassador of the IIFL Finance**. IIFL finance is one of the leading Non-Banking Finance Companies of India which manages over **Rs. 36,000 crore assets**.

About IIFL Finance:

Headquarter– Mumbai, Maharashtra

Chairman– V.K.Chopra

Executive Director & CEO – Sumit Bali

Krishnendu Majumdar, the 1st Indian origin from UK appointed as Chair of BAFTA



On June 2, 2020 The British Academy of Film and Television Arts(**BAFTA**) appointed Emmy-winning television producer of ‘Hoff The Record’ **Krishnendu Majumdar** as its chairperson for the next 3 years. He becomes the **1st** Indian origin Chair from the United Kingdom(UK) in its 73 year-long history & is also the **youngest** chair in 35 years. He succeeds **Pippa Harris** who will continue as a deputy chairperson.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Pest Day 2020: June 6



World Pest Day or World Pest Awareness Day is celebrated every year on **June 6** to raise awareness of how pest management helps preserve the quality of life. The day is initiated by the **Chinese Pest Control Association**, and co-sponsored by the Federation of Asian and Oceania Pest Managers' Association (**FAOPMA**), the National Pest Management Association(**NPMA**), and the Confederation of European Pest Management Associations(**CEPA**).

UN Russian Language Day 2020 – June 6



June 6th is annually celebrated as the **Russian Language Day** by the United Nation(**UN**) to promote and support Multilingualism and cultural diversity and to celebrate the birthday of the famous Russian poet **Alexander Puskin** who was born on **6th June 1799**. The Department of Public Information (**Department of Global Communication**) made the decision to designate

Language days on International Mother Language Day as the initiative of UNESCO. The First UN Russian Language Day was celebrated in **2010**.

International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing 2020 – June 5



June 5th is annually observed as the International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated (IUU) fishing to ensure the sustainability of the fisheries to stop the illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing activities. In December 2017, the United Nations General Assembly declared the 5th of June as the “**International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated fishing**” in its annual resolution on sustainable fisheries. The first International Day for the fight against IUU fishing was observed in **2018**.

STATE NEWS

Nitin Patel presented Rs 2.17 lakh crore Gujarat budget for 2020-21



Gujarat Deputy Chief Minister and Finance Minister **Nitin Patel** presented a Rs 2,17,287 crore budget for the financial year 2020-21. No new tax was introduced in the budget. The budget mainly focused on agriculture & education. Provisions were also made for different wings of the state for needing development.

AC GAZE

Army Commanders Conference 2020 held in New Delhi

The Army Commanders' Conference, an apex level biannual event's First phase of the Conference was conducted at South Block, New Delhi from 27 to 29 May 2020, which facilitates conceptual level deliberations culminating in important policy decisions. The second phase of the conference scheduled from 24 to 27 June 2020.