

## **Top 15 Current Affairs of 2 June 2020**

### **NATIONAL AFFAIRS**

**“My Life My Yoga” Video Blogging contest launched; announced by PM Modi in Mann Ki Baat**



The contest being organized by the Ministry of AYUSH and the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) is open for participants from all countries. It has already gone live on the social media handles of the Ministry of AYUSH on 31 May 2020. The objective of the contest is to focus on the transformative impact of Yoga on the lives of individuals.

**Ravi Shankar Prasad launched India’s national Artificial Intelligence Portal & launched “Responsible AI for Youth”**



Ministry of Electronics &  
Information Technology  
Government of India



On May 30, 2020 Union Minister for Electronics and Information Technology(IT), Law and Justice and Communications **Ravi Shankar Prasad** launched India's National Artificial Intelligence(AI) **Portal** called. Also launched a National Program for the youth, "**Responsible AI for Youth**" during the occasion of the first anniversary of the second tenure of the government. The portal was developed jointly by the National e-Governance Division of Ministry of Electronics and IT and NASSCOM from the IT industry.  
**Constituency of Ravi Shankar Prasad**– Patna Sahib, Bihar

**India's access to USD 50-60 billion worth of carbon credits can be achieved if it propagates agroecology: NITI Aayog**



The National Institution for Transforming India(NITI) **Aayog** vice-chairman **Rajiv Kumar** stated that India's access to **USD 50-60 billion** worth of carbon credits can be achieved if it propagates **natural farming** and **agroecology**, while suggesting adoption of innovative farming methods based on ecological principles during a virtual high-level round-table on 'Agroecology and Regenerative Agriculture'.

## **BANKING & FINANCE**

**SEBI Extends Deadline for Power Of Attorney Norms till August 1, 2020**



The decision regarding extension has been taken due to the difficulty face by the stock brokers and broker associations in implementing the provisions amid the situation arising due to COVID-19. In a bid to curb the misuse of POA given by the clients to the trading member (TM) or clearing member (CM), SEBI had prescribed that margin obligations to be given in the form of securities by client will be by the way of pledge or re-pledge in the depository system.

## **ECONOMY & BUSINESS**

**Board of BEML approved signing of MoU with MELCO as a part of Expression of Interest (EoI)**



This approval is on the lines of invitation of BEML regarding Expression of Interest (EoI) for Manufacturing, Partnerships under “Make in India” policy. The JV will be for manufacturing of certain propulsion systems and other railway electrical equipment utilized for electric multiple units for Indian Metro Rail Projects, Indian Railway Projects and other products.

## **ACQUISITIONS & MERGERS**

**YES Bank picks 24.19% stake in Dish TV by invoking pledged shares**



Private sector lender **Yes Bank Limited** has acquired a 24.19% stake in **Dish TV India Ltd**, a company providing Direct to Home (DTH) television service in India, following invocation of 44.53 crore pledged shares due to default in payment of debt by Dish TV and some other companies.

It is to be noted that as of March 31, 2019, Dish TV's debt stood at Rs 2,758 crore. Following the transaction, Dish TV promoters led by Jawahar Goel will only have just 30.37% stake in the company.

## **SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY**

**Swiz launches world's first app "SwissCovid" with Exposure Notification API of Apple and Google**



i. Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne (Ecole polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne – **EPFL**) and ETH Zurich (Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich) developed the "**SwissCovid**" based on a decentralized approach to track the spread of coronavirus. SwissCovid utilizes the Exposure Notification API (**Application Programming Interface**) of Apple and Google.

**NASA astronauts dock SpaceX spacecraft with ISS**



NASA astronauts Robrt Behnken and Douglas Hurley docked the SpaceX with the International Space Station(ISS) on 31st May 2020 at 10.16 am EDT (7.59 p.m India), over the border of China and Mongolia before the ISS started travelling above the Earth's night side. Spacex was launched on 30th May at 3.22 pm (1.50 am Sunday India).

### **Karnataka launches COVID-19 tracking platform built by NASSCOM**



On May 30, 2020 The National Association of Software and Services Companies(NASSCOM) announced that it has delivered an end-to-end coronavirus tracking platform for Karnataka, called the Karnataka Listening Dashboard for COVID-19.

### **ENVIRONMENT**

### **Researchers of CMFRI have found a rare bandtail scorpionfish in Gulf of Mannar**



Researchers at the **Central Marine Fisheries Institute (CMFRI)** found a **rare bandtail scorpionfish** from Sethukarai coast in the Gulf of Mannar. This was the first time that the particular species was found alive in Indian waters during the exploratory survey of the seagrass

ecosystem.

**Millipede-like creature, Kampecaris obanensis is the world's oldest-known land animal:  
Scotland Research**



According to the research published in the journal Historical Biology, fossilized **millipede-like Silurian Period** creature called as **Kampecaris obanensis**(approximately 450 million years old) is unearthed on the island of Kerrera in the Scottish Inner Hebrides(**Scotland**), which is likely to be the world's oldest-known land animal.

**SPORTS**

**SAI in collaboration with NSF launches India's 1st online coaching programme 'Khelo India e-Pathshala'**



On June 1, 2020, **Sports Authority of India (SAI)**, the apex national sports body of India, in association with **National Sports Federations (NSF)** has launched India's 1st-ever national-level open online coaching and education programme called "**Khelo India e-Pathshala**" to grassroots players.

## **OBITUARY**

### **Bollywood Music Director Wajid Khan passes away at 42**



On June 1, 2020, Music Director **Wajid Khan**, of the popular duo Sajid-Wajid, known for his compositions for Salman Khan's popular movies such as 'Wanted', the 'Dabangg' and 'Ek Tha Tiger', passed away at the age of 42 in Mumbai, Maharashtra. Wajid Khan was the brother of music director Sajid Khan.

### **American Sprinter Bobby Morrow passed away at 84**



On 30th May 2020, American Sprinter, the San Benito Buller, Bobby Morrow, one of the four men (Jesse Owens(1936), Carl Lewis(1984), Usain Bolt(2012 & 2016)) to win three events at a single game (100m, 200m and 4x100m relay) died of natural causes at the age of 84 in his home in San Benito, Texas. He was born in October 1935, in Harlingen, Texas.

## **IMPORTANT DAYS**

### **20th Anniversary of World Milk Day: June 1, 2020**



**World Milk Day** (WMD) is observed every year on June 1 globally, with the aim to raise awareness about milk and its importance as global food. The day encourages to talk about the benefits of dairy with regards to health and nutrition, affordability and accessibility, the sector's passion and commitment to feeding our communities.

### **World No Tobacco Day 2020, May 31**





31st May of Every year is celebrated as World No Tobacco Day, created by the Member States of the World Health Organization(WHO) in **1987** to educate the public on the effects of tobacco and tobacco related diseases.The theme of World No Tobacco Day 2020 is “**Protecting youth from industry manipulation and preventing them from tobacco and nicotine use**”

### **International Everest Day May 29**



May 29th is observed as the International Everest Day to commemorate the first summit of Mt.Everest by **Sir Edmund Hillary** of New Zealand and **Tenzing Norgay** of Nepal in the year **1953**.In 2008, the Government of Nepal made the decision to mark this day as the international Everest Day when Sir Edmund Hillary passed away.

### **International Day of Action for Women’s Health observed on May 28, 2020**



On **May 28, 2020**, The **International Day of Action for Women’s Health (or International Women’s Health Day)** was observed globally with the aim to raise awareness about the issues related to women’s health and well-being such as sexual and reproductive health and rights

(SRHR) around the world. Netherland based Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights (WGNRR) celebrating this day since the year 1987.