

ETEN Enlightens-Daily Current Capsules (Prelims Prep. Prominence) 21st June 2018

International Yoga Day – 21 June

4th International Yoga Day Celebrations in Dehradun

- Fifty-thousand people performed Yoga today to celebrate the 4th International Yoga Day along with Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Forest Research Institute (FRI) in Dehradun.



Inception of International Yoga Day

- In September 2014, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had first pitched the idea of an International Yoga Day at the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).
- Following his request, the UNGA in December 2014 declared June 21 as International Yoga Day.
- June 21 is also the summer solstice, the longest day in the northern hemisphere.

Enlighten about today's events

- 800 differently-abled persons from across the country attempted Guinness World Record in Ahmedabad for 'Largest Silent Yoga Class' on International Yoga Day 2018.
- A world record was created today for the maximum number of people participating in yoga event
1.5 to 2 lakh people attended the event
101 world records were created today and was timed by Guinness Book of World Record and Golden Book of World Record



United Nations

World Refugee Day – 20 June

- Observed every year June 20

Hosting agency

- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

WHY

- to raise awareness of the situation of refugees throughout the world.
- to draw attention to the plight of refugees and also to celebrate their courage and resilience and renew commitment to solve refugee problems.

2018's THEME

- Now More Than Ever, We Need to Stand with Refugees.

Enlighten about Refugees

- Refugees United Nations 1951 Refugee Convention, defines refugees as those who have fled their country owing to well-founded fear of persecution because of their race, religion, nationality, membership in particular social group or political opinion.
- On this day United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) hosts various events and announces theme for its campaign.

Enlighten about The World Refugee Day

- It was proclaimed by United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) h by passing Resolution 55/76 on 4 December 2000.
- The resolution was passed to mark 50th anniversary of UN Refugee Convention, 1951.
- Since then it is observed annually with different themes.
- Prior to passing of this resolution in 2000, African Refugee Day was formally celebrated on 20 June in several countries especially by Organization of African Unity (OAU) member

Ministry of Water Resources

Conference on “International Decade for Action: Water for Sustainable Development 2018-2028” in Tajikistan

- United Nations and Government of Republic of Tajikistan are jointly organizing the Conference to discuss key water related issues of sustainable development goals adopted by UN member countries.
- Tajikistan is a strategic partner country in our extended neighbourhood. The country has a leading role in pioneering global water related issues.

Commerce & Industry

National Strategy for Standardization released by commerce Ministry



- The 5th National Standards Conclave - Implementing the Indian National Strategy for Standardization

- Organized by Department of Commerce and Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).
- Standardisation boosts both exports as well as domestic economic growth by enabling realisation of value of product and services and consumers will be the biggest beneficiary.

Two reports were also released

- Indian National Strategy for Standardization (INSS) and CII-ASL Study on TBT/SPS Notifications.

Enlighten about INSS

- INSS is the result of the combined efforts of Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Ministry of Consumer Affairs and industry stakeholders.
- It provides a vision for the country to achieve the highest quality standards in production and distribution of goods and services in an attempt to reclaim Brand India.

Agreements

Indian Institute of Technology – Banaras Hindu University (IIT-BHU) gets Future-Ready with Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Skills

Enlighten about the MoU

- The Indian Institute of Technology – Banaras Hindu University -IIT-BHU and Amazon Internet Services Private Limited (AISPL) today signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to develop cloud-ready job skills by providing access to the AWS Educate program and to help establish a Cloud Research Lab on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML).
- The Cloud Research Lab will provide students with opportunities to use AWS Cloud technology to pursue research initiatives that focus on AI and ML innovation for India.
- Under the MoU agreement, IIT-BHU gains access to the resources in AWS Educate program and curriculum designed for higher education institutions to incorporate in their courses.

- This collaboration will help accelerate cloud-related technical expertise for students and boost their readiness as they prepare to undertake the industry-recognized Certification.

Access to AWS

- AWS Educate is a global program that provides a robust set of learning content, resources, and AWS Promotional Credits for students and educators to gain hands-on experience with AWS Cloud services.
- Students and educators gain access to instructor-led classes, on-demand training, self-paced labs, as well as ongoing technical assistance and support.

State Specific

Andhra Pradesh police

Becomes first State to complete automation of Crime Records Bureau



The first state to complete automation of crime records bureau

- The Andhra Pradesh police, who lead in using crime data analytics and big data applications, have now become the first in the country to complete automation of the State Crime Records Bureau (SCRB).
- The IT-based web/mobile application is a revolution in data collection as it saves hundreds of man hours for SCRБ personnel who till now have

been collecting offline data from District Crime Records Bureau (DCRB) and manually compiling them while preparing monthly statements.

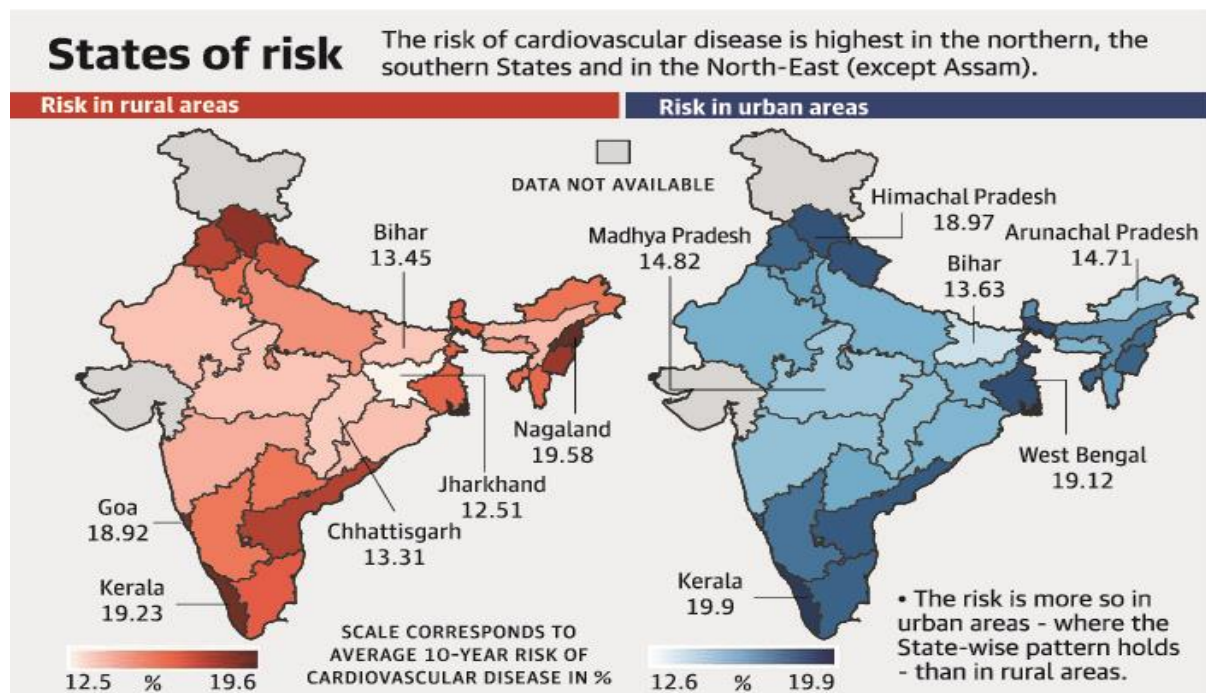
Enlighten about i- App web – based application

- i-App cloud is now helping the police access the entire information of crimes under various IPC sections.
- The information is available at the touch of a button on mobile phones and computers helping the police to analyse trends in crime and take necessary action.
- i-App is now providing comparative analytics of gender violence, bodily offences and property offences in each unit, range, region and State using data charts.
- It is a tool by which cops can easily understand the crime patterns in each unit, compare the trends and take necessary action
- The iApp cloud application can collect, store, process and retrieve data and generate reports every month.
- It can provide a seamless interface with the crime data flowing from the districts.
- The data is further integrated into the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) and Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) data banks

Health Report

[Keralites face highest risk of cardiovascular disease](#)

Enlighten about the report



- A study based on two recent national surveys of nearly 8,00,000 adults between 34 and 70 years, has found that people of Kerala — across sexes — were most at risk of cardiovascular diseases while those in Jharkhand were least likely to have the condition.
- The women of Goa at highest mean cardiovascular risk at 16.73% while men in Himachal Pradesh and Nagaland were most vulnerable with mean cardiovascular risk of 24.23%.
- Adults in urban areas, as well as those with a higher household wealth, tended to have a greater cardiovascular risk.
- The study used the data from the District Level Household Survey-4 (DLHS-4) and the second update of the Annual Health Survey (AHS).

State wise statics

- With 19.90%, adults living in urban areas, Kerala had the highest mean risk, followed by West Bengal (19.12%) and Himachal Pradesh (18.97%). In contrast, those living in urban areas of Daman and Diu had the lowest mean risk (12.60%), followed by Bihar (13.63%) and Arunachal Pradesh (14.71%).
- In general, the cardiovascular risk is lower in rural areas compared with urban areas.
- But Goa has bucked this trend with the rural areas showing a higher mean value (18.92%) than the urban areas (18.79%).

Defence

Indra-2018

- The tri-service joint military exercise Indra-2018 between India and Russia will take place in India in the second half of 2018

Enlighten about INDRA military exercise

- It was launched in 2003 as bilateral exercise between India and Russia to boost cooperation and interoperability between navies of two countries.
- The name of the exercise INDRA has been derived from INDia and RussiA.
- Till 2016, the bilateral exercises under INDRA were undertaken between respective Armies, Navies and Air Forces of India and Russia by separately engaging with each other without concurrent participation from other services.
- This exercise was transformed into tri-services military exercise in 2017 and was for first time held successfully in October 2017 at Vladivostok, Russia.
- It was India's first joint tri-services exercise and also first between Russia and India.

2018 as “Year of Disabled Soldiers in Line of Duty”

WHAT

- Indian Army is observing year 2018 as “Year of Disabled Soldiers in Line of Duty”

WHY

- To honour soldiers who have been disabled in line of duty.

OBJECTIVE

- The primary focus of this initiative is to alleviate sufferings of these soldiers, who have done their duty with utmost dedication to nation and have been disabled for the life.

Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs

India Smart Cities Awards

Highlights

- Surat Smart City - “City award’ for showing great momentum in Implementation of Projects Under ‘India Smart Cities Award’ 2018
- Bhopal and Ahmedabad Selected for ‘Innovative Idea’ Award for their Transformative Approach Towards Sustainable Integrated Development
- Nine awards in three categories, i.e., Project Award, Innovative Idea Award and City Award have been announced under the India Smart Cities Awards

Enlighten about the awards

- The city award is being given to Surat for showing great momentum in implementation of projects especially in the categories of urban environment, transport and mobility and sustainable integrated development.
- The Innovative Idea award is being given to a project/idea particularly remarkable for its innovative, bottom-up and transformative approach towards achievement of sustainable integrated development.
- Joint winners in this category are Bhopal for their Integrated Command and Control Centre (ICCC) and Ahmedabad for Safe and Secure Ahmedabad (SASA) Project.

Enlighten about the objectives of this award

- India Smart Cities Award were launched on 25 June 2017 with an objective to reward cities, projects and innovative ideas, promoting sustainable development in cities
- Eligible Participants were Smart Cities only, where respective ULBs / Smart City SPVs were to submit proposals
- There are 3 categories of awards

Innovative Idea Award

- Recognize exceptional innovation across 7 Urban themes
- Cross-cutting theme (integrating more than one category).
- Should contribute to the successful transformation of cities
- Demonstrated multi-stakeholder partnership models & civic collaboration

City Award

- City need not submit any proposal
- Multiple proposals submitted for 'Project Award' and 'Innovative Idea Award' and project implementation will be considered for evaluation

Project Award

- Completed projects (as on 1st April 2018).
- Separate awards for each of the 7 (Seven) Urban themes

Enlighten about Urban theme



Process of Evaluation

- A technical committee of international/multilateral experts from UN Habitat, Asian Development Bank and NIUA evaluated the submissions based on Innovation, Impact, and Replicability/Scalability

Pre Factoids

Vice President receives the Book 'Vedvigyan Alok'

- The Vice President of India, Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu has received the book "Vedvigyan Alok" (Maharishi Aitareya Mahidas Praneet - Aitareya Brahmina ki Vaigyanik Vyakhya) authored by Acharya Agnivarat Naishthik

Enlighten about the book

- The Book Vedvigyan Alok is the scriptural verse in Vedas' prose.
- The Brahman textbooks are placed second in order of preference of Vedic literature.
- These texts were composed only by the Brahmin community; hence their names are called "Brahmins".
- Their language is Vedic Sanskrit which has been considered extremely complicated.
- All these are written according to the Vedas that means all the four Vedas get different Brahmins.

Ministry of Finance

2nd Edition of MSME Pulse Report by SIDBI-TransUnion CIBIL

Associated agencies

- Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), a premier Financial Institution for the Promotion, Financing and Development of the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise (MSME) sector and TransUnion CIBIL, a Credit Information Company, in a joint endeavor with TransUnion CIBIL brings-out
- MSME Pulse - a Quarterly Report on MSME Sector

WHY

- for providing the policy makers, regulators and industry with precise data-driven insights to support policy as well as business decisions.
- The First Edition was released in the month of March, 2018.

Highlights of second edition

- The 2nd Edition of MSME Pulse by SIDBI-TransUnion CIBIL for June 2018 quarter has now been released.
- The findings show that the overall commercial credit exposure (Y-o-Y) has shown the highest growth rate in the last five Quarters.

Sources – PIB, The Hindu, Livemint