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NATIONAL NEWS

MP Government to Launch CM Learn and Earn Scheme

- In Madhya Pradesh, the Chief Minister's Learn and Earn scheme is set to be launched with the aim of providing employable skills to the youth.
- Chief Minister's Learn and Earn scheme in Madhya Pradesh focuses on providing training, financial support, and employment opportunities to the youth.
- By identifying numerous work areas and involving various industries, the scheme aims to equip the young workforce with the necessary skills to enhance their employability and contribute to the state's development.
- A significant aspect of the Learn and Earn scheme is that it not only focuses on skill acquisition but also provides financial support to the youth.
- Participants in the scheme will receive a monthly allowance ranging from Rs 8,000 to 10,000.
- This allowance aims to assist the youth in meeting their financial needs while they learn and work.
- The Learn and Earn scheme is a proactive measure taken by the government to address the issue of unemployment by equipping young individuals with necessary skills.

NHPC Inks MoU with Maharashtra Government

- State-owned NHPC Limited has announced its collaboration with the Department of Energy, Maharashtra government through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).
- The primary objective of this partnership is to establish Energy Storage Systems, specifically Pumped Storage Systems, alongside other Renewable Energy Sources like Solar, Wind, and Hybrid, with a total combined capacity of 7,350 MW.
- The introduction of energy storage systems, such as Pumped Storage Systems, is crucial for storing excess energy during periods of low demand and utilizing it during peak hours.
- These systems play a vital role in ensuring a reliable and uninterrupted power supply.
- They contribute to grid stability, enable efficient energy management, and facilitate the integration of intermittent renewable energy sources into the power grid.
- By combining pumped storage systems with solar, wind, and hybrid power generation, this collaboration aims to optimize the utilization of renewable energy resources.

First AIIMS in Country to Get NABH Accreditation

- AIIMS Nagpur, the branch of the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences in Nagpur, has emerged as the first AIIMS in India to be accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals (NABH).
- This accreditation places AIIMS Nagpur at par with the world's leading hospital standards in terms of quality and patient care.

- The NABH accreditation serves as validation of their efforts in these fields.
- The NABH accreditation is a voluntary and internationally recognized certification that signifies a healthcare organization's commitment to delivering high-quality healthcare services and ensuring patient safety.

KFON Internet Connectivity Launched by Kerala Government

- The Pinarayi Vijayan-led Kerala government officially launched the Kerala Fiber Optical Network (KFON).
- Kerala is the first state to declare the right to internet as a fundamental right.
- The main objective of KFON is to bridge the digital divide and ensure high-speed broadband internet access to all households and government offices in Kerala.
- KFON uses fibre optic technology to provide fast and reliable internet connection.
- The Government of Kerala aims to bridge the digital divide and promote digital inclusion through the implementation of KFON.
- The initiative aims to create a robust digital infrastructure that fosters innovation, economic growth and social development.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Non-Permanent Members of The UN Security Council

- Algeria, Guyana, the Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia were elected nonpermanent members of the UN Security Council for a two-year term.
- The newly elected members will take up their new responsibilities on 01 January 2024 and serve till 31 December 2025.
- Slovenia defeated Belarus by a vote of 153 to 38, while Algeria, Guyana, Sierra Leone and the Republic of Korea were elected unopposed.
- These new members will replace Albania, Brazil, Gabon, Ghana and the United Arab Emirates at present when their two-year term ends on 31 December 2023.
- It was established in 1945 by the United Nations Charter.

BANKING

Myntra Partnered with Kotak Mahindra Bank

- Kotak Mahindra Bank (KMBL) in partnership with Myntra has launched its first-of-its-kind cobranded digital fashion and lifestyle credit card namely the Kotak Myntra credit card.
- It is to provide trendy and new-age consumers an apt choice for their fashion needs.
- The card will be available on MasterCard and RuPay networks.
- The card will be available across Myntra as well as Kotak mobile applications.
- The card will be dedicated to fashion shoppers across metros, tier 1, tier 2 and 3 cities.

- The joining fee and annual fee for this credit card is Rs 500 only.
- 7.5% instant discount on unlimited transactions on Myntra, up to Rs 750 per transaction.

Manappuram Finance Unveiled a Digital Lending App Ma-Money

- Kerala-based Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), Manappuram Finance Ltd has launched a new digital lending platform named Ma-Money.
- It is to provide customers all the financial products offered by Manappuram Finance under one umbrella.
- Ma-Money is a key component of Manappuram Finance's overall goal to grow its digital presence and provide clients with innovative and user-friendly financial products.
- The app is primarily targeted at customers in tier 2 and tier 3 cities.
- It offers a wide range of loans, including personal loans, business loans, consumer durables loans, loans for the healthcare industry, food industry, small-scale industries, school finance to improve infrastructure, car loans, home repair loans, and farm equipment loans, among others.

SPORTS

U-20 Asian Athletics Championships

- Siddharth Chowdhary, representing India, won the gold medal in the men's shot-put event at the Under-20 Asian Athletics Championships held in Yecheon, South Korea.
- He achieved this feat by recording a personal best throw of 19.52 metres.
- Indian athletes Sharuk Khan earned a silver medal in the 3000 meters steeplechase event,
 Shivam Lohakare a silver medal in the javelin throws and Sushmitaa silver medal in the long jump event.
- Apart from this, Shakeel finished third in the 800-meter race by securing a bronze medal.
- The Indian mixed relay team also put up a commendable performance, bagging another bronze medal.
- India's total medal tally has gone up to nine at the Under-20 Asian Athletics Championships in South Korea.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

New Chairman of The Hindu Group

- Nirmala Laxman has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of The Hindu Group Publishing Private Limited (THGPPL) for a period of three years.
- He succeeds Malini Parthasarathy, who stepped down after completing her three-year term at the board meeting on June 5, 2023.
- Nirmala Laxman During her time as joint editor of The Hindu, she was instrumental in relaunching and setting up new features sections, including 'The Hindu Literary Review', 'Young World' and 'The Hindu in School'. played an important role.
- Nirmala Laxman is the founder and curator of Lit for Life, a literary festival organized by The Hindu.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

A Book Titled 'Amrutkaal Ki Ore'

- BJP President Jagat Prakash Nadda released a book titled 'Amrutkaal ki Ore' in New Delhi based on nine Years' Achievements of the Narendra Modi Government.
- Nadda said the nine years of the Modi government have transformed the country and its progress is being recognised by the world today.
- He said, there has been a big difference since 2014 when Prime Minister Narendra Modi took office.
- The BJP president said, from policy paralysis to a bold decision-making government, the political culture has changed drastically.
- He said, earlier there used to be vote bank politics and now it is report card politics.

IMPORTANT DAYS

World Food Safety Day

- World Food Safety Day is observed every year on 07 June.
- It is celebrated to highlight the importance of maintaining food standards and protecting consumers from foodborne illnesses.
- The theme of World Food Safety Day 2023 is 'Food Standards Save Lives'.
- The theme emphasises the important role of food safety standards in ensuring the well-being of individuals.
- World Food Safety Day encourages cooperation among nations and raises awareness of the importance of food safety standards in protecting public health.
- The Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) proposed the observance of World Food Safety Day in 2016.

OBITUTARY

Veteran Hindi and Marathi film Actress Sulochana Latkar

- Renowned Hindi and Marathi film Actress Sulochana Latkar passed away at the age of 94 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- She was a well-known actress of Marathi and Hindi cinema and acted in 50 films in Marathi and around 250 films in Hindi.
- Sulochana Latkar made her debut in films in 1946.
- She was most known for her performances in Marathi films such as Sasurvas (1946) and Meeth Bhakar (1949).
- Latkar was a recipient of the civilian honour of Padma Shri in 1999 for her contribution to cinema.
- In 2003, she was awarded the Chitrabhushan Award instituted by the Akhil Bharatiya Marathi Chitrapat Mahamandal.
- She was awarded the Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004.

