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NATIONAL NEWS

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Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH Shri Shripad Yesso Naik inaugurated National Research Institute of Unani Medicine for Skin Disorders (NRIUMSD) upgraded from Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine (CRIUM) at AG Colony Road, Erragadda, Hyderabad.

Tamil Nadu becomes first State to enact law on contract farming

- Tamil Nadu has become the first State in the country to enact a law on contract farming with President Ram Nath Kovind giving assent to the Agricultural Produce and Livestock Contract Farming and Services (Promotion and Facilitation) Act.
- The law would safeguard the interests of farmers when there is a bumper crop or during major fluctuation in market prices. In such a scenario, the farmers will be paid a predetermined price arrived at the time of signing agreements with buyers.

FACTS

CM-Edappadi K. Palaniswami

Governor-Banwarilal Purohit

IIIT Hyderabad researchers create first ever Indian Brain atlas

- Researchers at the IIIT Hyderabad that the first ever Indian Brain Atlas (IBA) has been created.
- They stated that the next step is to prepare atlases for different age groups to study age related effects on brain anatomy.
- The average brain size of an Indian was smaller in height, width and volume in comparison to people of the Caucasian and eastern races.
- The immediate implication of this finding can be seen in treatment outcomes of neurological problems or brain related ailments - like dementia, Alzheimer’s disease, Parkinson’s disease etc.

APPOINTMENT

Rafael Grossi elected as the new IAEA head



- Rafael Mariano Grossi of Argentina has been elected as the new Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency.
- In the final balloting held, Grossi received the required majority from the IAEA Board of Governors to be appointed new Director General.

FACTS

IAEA Headquarter- Vienna, Austria

RESIGNATION

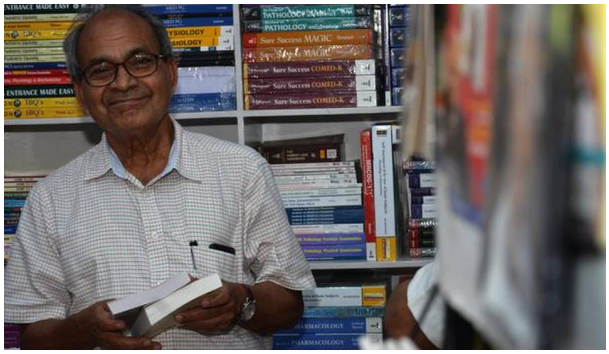
Lebanon PM Saad Hariri resigns amid nationwide anti-government protests



- Lebanon Prime Minister Saad Hariri announced resignation from the post amid a wave of protests against his government.

AWARD

Writer Anand selected for Ezhuthachan Puraskaram



- Noted writer Anand has been selected for the 27th Ezhuthachan Puraskaram, the highest literary honour of the State government.
- His Govardhante Yatrakal had won the Kendra Sahitya Akademi award, Veedum Thadavum and Jaina Manushyan Kerala Sahitya Akademi award and Marubhoomikal Undakunnath, Vayalar award.
- The Ezhuthachan Puraskaram comprises a cash prize of ₹5 lakh and a citation.

OBITUARY

Former Karnataka Lokayukta N. Venkatachala passes away



- N. Venkatachala, former judge of the Supreme Court and former Lokayukta of Karnataka, died. He was 89.

John Witherspoon, comedian and actor who starred in 'Friday,' has died at 77

- Actor and comedian John Witherspoon, whose hilarious takes on father-figure characters made for iconic scenes in a number of movies and television shows including "Friday," died.

Sadako Ogata: First female UN refugee chief dies at 92



- A Japanese academic and diplomat who became the first female to be appointed UN High Commissioner for Refugees has died aged 92.
- Sadako Ogata worked on some of the largest crises of the decade during her time in service from 1991 to 2000.
- Challenges included helping Kurdish refugees fleeing from Iraq after the 1991 Gulf War, and the Balkans War.
- She was known for her great passion in working to protect the "defenceless and dispossessed".

SPORTS

Shiva Thapa, Pooja Rani win gold at Olympic Test event for Boxing

- Shiva Thapa (63kg) and Pooja Rani (75kg) clinched gold medals with impressive wins, while Ashish (69kg) settled for a silver as India ended with a decent haul of seven medals at the Olympic Test Event for Boxing.

Rugby World Cup: South Africa crowned champions as England fall short

- South Africa have won the Rugby World Cup in a stunning 32-12 victory over Eddie Jones's England.
- The Springboks are champions for a third time after Makazole Mapimpi and Cheslin Kolbe added tries to Handré Pollard's 22 kicked points.
- A strong performance from Rassie Erasmus's side was too much for England but the consistency of the boot of fly-half Pollard made the difference

Pooja lights up day for India at Worlds with bronze medal

- Pooja Dhanda became only the fourth Indian woman grappler to win a medal at the World Championship, grabbing a bronze with a stunning 10-7 win over the 2017 European champion Grace Jacob Bullen.
- One of the two wrestlers in a medal contention, the 24-year-old Pooja executed a four-point throw in each of the two periods in the 57kg contest to deliver the best performance of her career.

Korea Junior Open Badminton: Luwang wins boys' title; Sathish wins bronze



- Maisnam Meiraba Luwang lived up to his top billing as he clinched the boys’ singles U-19 title at the Woncheon Yonex Korea Junior Open International Challenge 2019 in Miryang, Korea.

- The top seed from Manipur needed just 36 minutes to brush aside the challenge of 15th seed Lee Hak Joo of Korea in a 21-10, 21-13 win.

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