DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS 05-11-2022

NATIONAL NEWS

Lakhpati Didi Yojana

- The Chief Minister of Uttarakhand Pushkar Singh Dhami launched the 'Lakhpati Didi' Yojana in Dehradun on 04 November 2022.
- The scheme is part of the government to empower the women of the state.
- The Lakhpati Didi Yojana is being launched by the Rural Development department of the Uttarakhand government under the National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM).
- The government is aiming to enable at least 1.25 lakh women's associated with various self-help groups (SHG) in the state to earn over one lakh rupees per year (Lakhpati) by 2025.
- The government will tie up e-commerce platforms like Amazon, Flipkart, Government e-Marketplace (GeM) so that the SHG products get national and international markets.

CII Agro Tech -2022

- The Vice President of India Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurated the 15th CII Agro Tech -2022 at Chandigarh on 04 November 2022.

- The CII Agro Tech 2022 has been organised by the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) in partnership with Haryana and Punjab government from 4-7 November 2022.

- The CII Agro Tech -2022 is India's premier international initiative exclusively focused on strengthening the Indian Agriculture and Food Processing sector through technology interventions, discussions, and nurturing partnerships.

- Theme of the 15th CII Agro Tech -2022 is 'Digital Transformation for Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security'.

India's Largest Wind Turbine

- Adani New Industries Limited (ANIL) announced that it has installed a wind turbine taller than the world's tallest 'Statue of Unity' at Mundra, Gujarat.
- This turbine has been installed by Mundra Windtech Limited (MWL), a subsidiary of Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL).
- The 200 m long wind turbine has a power generation capacity of 5.2 MW and can provide electricity to about 4,000 homes.

- It is the largest wind turbine in terms of power generation and has a rotor diameter of 160 metres.

UIDAI Launches ‘Aadhaar Mitra’

- The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has launched its new Chatbot ‘Aadhaar Mitra’ or better resident experience.
- The new Chatbot comes with enhanced features like - check Aadhaar enrollment/update status, tracking of Aadhaar PVC card status, information on enrollment centre location etc.
- Residents can even register their grievances and track them using Aadhaar Mitra.
- UIDAI has been again placed at the top amongst all government departments for resolving public grivances for October 2022.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

COP27 Meeting in Egypt

- Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bhupender Yadav will lead the Indian delegation to attend the 27th Session of Conference of Parties of the UNFCCC (COP 27) scheduled to be held at Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt from 06 November to 18 November, 2022.
- The COP 27 conference is being organized by the Bonn, Germany based United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) with Egypt being the host country.
- The COP 27 will focus on delivering action on a number of issues critical to tackling the climate emergency.

BANKING

Currency in Circulation Declines- SBI Ecowrap

- State Bank of India (SBI) in its latest research report Ecowrap published on 03 November 2022 has announced that the currency in circulation declined by Rs 7,600 crore in the Diwali week in 2022.
- This was for the first time in the last 20 years that the cash circulation has come down during Diwali festival season.
- According to the report the main reason for the decline in cash circulation was the change in

the Indian payment system from a cash led to smartphone led payment economy.
- The innovation in fintech has led to development of interoperable payments systems like Unified Payment Interface (UPI), Wallets and Prepaid Instruments have made it simple and cheaper to transfer money digitally.

SPORTS

Asian Continental Chess Championship

- Top seeded Indian Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa and P V Nandhidhaa won the titles in the Open and women's sections respectively in the Asian Continental Chess championship held in New Delhi.
- The Asian Continental Chess Championship was held in New Delhi from 26 October to 03 November 2022.
- R Praggnanandhaa has also qualified for the FIDE World Chess cup to be held in 2023.

AWARDS & PRIZES

Member of the Order of Australia Award

- Amit Dasgupta was honoured with a member of the Order of Australia Award for his service to the Australia-India bilateral relationship by the Australian government.
- Amit Dasgupta on 03 November 2022 was appointed as an Honorary Member in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AM).
- Amit Dasgupta is a former Indian diplomat, author and educator.
- Order of Australia is an award and when it is conferred on a person the Australian government says that they have made the person its member.
- Amit Dasgupta was the Consul-General of India to Australia from 2009 to 2012.
- It was established in 1975 by Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of Australia to honour Australians and others who have demonstrated outstanding service or exceptional achievement.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

Government Set up Radhakrishnan Committee

- The Government of India has set up a four-member high level committee for strengthening the Assessment and Accreditation of Higher Educational Institutions under the chairmanship of Dr. K. Radhakrishnan on 04 November 2022.
- The Committee will suggest measures to the government to strengthen the Assessment and Accreditation processes for the Higher Educational Institutions and prepare a road map for

the National Accreditation Council envisioned in the National Education Policy, 2020.
- Accreditation plays a vital role in making quality assurance an integral part of the functioning of Higher Educational Institutions.

CEO of EESL

- Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) has appointed Vishal Kapoor as its chief executive officer (CEO).

- Kapoor holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Indian Railway Institute of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering (IRIMEE).

- He worked with Indian Railways in the design, operation and maintenance of rolling stock of Indian Railways.

- He introduced high-capacity car carrying cargo cars in India and exported over a dozen engines to Tanzania and Myanmar.

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