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## **DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS 07-05-2022**

### **NATIONAL NEWS**

#### **Global Drug Development Centre at IIT Madras**

- Pfizer, a US Pharmaceutical company has developed a global drug development center on the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras research park campus.
- The center has been set up by Pfizer at a cost of over Rs. 150 crore and is spread over 61,000 square feet and has 10 laboratories.
- It will develop and support products in its global markets and manufacturing centers.
- The center's capabilities will include the development of both, Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs) and finished dosage forms (FDFs) of differentiated products.
- Pfizer currently has three manufacturing units in Visakhapatnam, Goa and Ahmedabad.

#### **West Bengal Signs MoU with Flipkart**

- E-commerce major Flipkart signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Paschim Banga Society of Skill Development (PBSSD), part of the West Bengal government's technical education.
- It is to impart industry training to youths to help create a pool of skilled supply chain operators in the state.
- Candidates will be given an opportunity to do on-the-job training at Flipkart facility for 45 days as trainees at a stipend of Rs 17,500.
- This partnership will help bridge the skill gap for the booming warehousing and supply chain industry in West Bengal besides enhancing commercial and social development in the state.
- Flipkart launched the Supply Chain Operations Academy in 2021.

#### **JITO Connect 2022**

- JITO Connect 2022 is a global summit organised by Jain International Trade Organisation (JITO) in Pune.
- The Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the inaugural ceremony virtually.

- The theme of this summit is 'Together Towards Tomorrow'.
- JITO Connect is an endeavour to help business and industry by providing a mutual networking and personal interactions.

## **Enterprise India National Coir Conclave 2022**

- Union Minister for MSME Shri Narayan Rane inaugurated the 'Enterprise India National Coir Conclave 2022'.
- It is being organised under the "Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav" at Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.
- The main objective of the conclave is on the development of new products and new applications of coir through product development, product diversification and adoption of new technologies.
- It plays an instrumental role in enhancing exports and adding to MSME's share in GDP of the country.
- It is being organized to bring about a co-ordinated effort between the State and Central Governments to promote production of coir and coir products and to identify new areas of application of coir.
- A 'Run for Coir' is also being organized on 6th May 2022 to promote the use of coir, as a natural, degradable, eco-friendly product.

## **Tata Power Solar**

- Tata Power Solar Systems has bagged India's largest solar engineering procurement and construction (EPC) order for 1 GW project worth Rs. 5,500 crore from state-owned hydroelectric power generation company SJVN Ltd.
- The project will be developed under the CPSU (central public sector undertaking) scheme of Ministry of New & Renewable Energy and will be completed within 24 months.
- The project Covers 5,000 acres of land in Rajasthan. It aims at reducing around 22,87,128 kg of carbon emission and is expected to generate around 2,500 million units annually.

## **Apple, Google and Microsoft to Join Hands**

- Technology giants Apple, Google, and Microsoft have announced to create a common "passwordless" sign-in standard that will allow easy, secure authentication options for users across devices and platforms.
- It will expand support for the new sign-in standard, created jointly by the Fast Identity Online (FIDO) Alliance and the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C).
- FIDO Alliance's goal is to replace passwords with more secure, encrypted biometric authentication systems.

## **Vehicle Movement Tracking System Mobile App**

- Chief Minister of Haryana, Shri Manohar Lal launched the Vehicle Movement Tracking System

(VMTS) Mobile App.

- This App has been designed and developed by National Informatics Centre, Haryana.
- This is a generalized app and it can be used for multi-purposes like to track vehicles having sand, concrete, mining etc.

## **AWARDS & PRIZES**

### **Wangari Maathai Forest Champions Award 2022**

- Activist Cecile Ndjebet of Cameroon won the Wangari Maathai Forest Champions Award for the year 2022.
- The award was conferred at a ceremony during the XV World Forestry Congress which was held in Seoul, Republic of Korea.
- The award was given in recognition of her outstanding contribution to preserving forests and improving the lives of people who depend on them.
- The award was presented by the Collaborative Partnership on Forests (CPF), which is chaired by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO).
- She has actively presented that women's participation in forest governance and preservation is fundamental to achieve sustainable forest management.

## **APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS**

### **Additional Director of Tata Motors**

- Tata Motors has reappointed former SBI Chairman Om Prakash Bhatt as an additional director.
- Earlier, he was appointed as a non-executive independent director of Tata Motors from May 9 2017 for a term of five years till May 8 2022.
- He brings years of experience across a wide variety of strategic and operational roles. He had earlier served as Chairman and CEO of State Bank of India.

# IMPORTANT DAYS

## International No Diet Day

- International No Diet Day is celebrated every year on 06 May.
- This day is to promote a healthy life style with a focus on health at any size and in raising awareness of the potential dangers of diet.
- It also raises awareness about weight discrimination.
- It was first started by Mary Evans in 1992.

## World Athletics Day

- World Athletics Day is celebrated every year on 07 May.
- It is to raise awareness among children and young people about the importance of fitness and encourage them to play sports, especially athletics.
- The day was founded by IAAF president Primo Nebiolo in 1996.
- World Athletics Day is part of the IAAF's social responsibility project 'Athletics for a Better World'.



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