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NATIONAL NEWS

CBSE unveils an App to detect the Exam Centre.

- The **Central Board of Secondary Education(CBSE)** has now released a mobile application to identify the location of the exam centre for the comfort of the students.
- **Exam Centre Locator - CBSE ECL** is an Android Mobile Application which helps the students to detect the location of their exam centre and can check the distance between their current location to the centre.

First anniversary of Balakote Airstrikes was celebrated in India

- The first anniversary of the Balakote Airstrike was celebrated on 26th February by the Indian Air Force.
- Indian Air strikes on the launch pads located in Balakot in Pakistan's Khyber Paktunkhwa province as a reply to the attack on CRPF soldiers in Pulwama district of Jammu and Kashmir.

Santosh Kumar Gangwar established ESI Hospital in Kakinada.

- **Union Minister of State for Labour and Employment, Mr. Santosh Kumar Gangwar** has laid the foundation stone for the 100 bedded ESI hospital building in Kakinada district of Andhra Pradesh.
- The Estimated Cost of the project is **₹101.54 Crores** and is equipped with modern medical facilities.
- Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh: **Jaganmohan Reddy**.
- Governor of Andhra Pradesh: **Biswabhushan Harichandan**.

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- The **Indian Air Force (IAF) and Royal Air Force-UK (RAF)** jointly initiated the **fifth edition** of Exercise Indradhanush at **Air Force Station Hindan** on 24th February.
- The theme of this edition is **'Base Defence and Force Protection'**. The exercise will be concluded on 29th February.
- Chief of the Air Staff(India): **Air Chief Marshal Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria**.
- Chief of the Air Staff (United Kingdom): **Air Chief Marshal Mike Wigston**.

Cabinet Approves National Technical Textiles Mission.

- The **Cabinet Committee of External Affairs(CCEA)** has approved the establishment of the National Technical Textiles Mission on 26th February.
- For the Mission the Cabinet has allocated a total outlay of **₹1480 crore**.
- The mission was initiated with a view to make India a global leader in technical textiles and to enhance their use in the domestic market.

India's first Artificial Intelligence summit to be held at New Delhi in April.

- The Government of India announced about hosting its **first-ever Artificial Intelligence (AI)-focused summit** in April 2020 with a view of exchange of ideas of the global minds.
- The summit named as **"RAISE 2020 -- Responsible AI for Social Empowerment 2020"** will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The summit is to be organized by the Government of India in collaboration with Industry & Academia.
- Secretary of Electronics and Information Technology Ministry: **Mr. Ajay Prakash Sawhney**.

Ramesh Pokhriyal launched Higher Education Leadership Development Programme for Administrators.

- The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) and the **British Council** jointly announced the launch of the **UK-India Education and Research Initiative (UKIERI)** - funded Higher Education Leadership Development Programme for Administrators.
- The main focus is to train the senior leaders and academic faculties all over the **Indian higher education institutes (HEIs).**
- Union Minister of Human Resource Development: **Ramesh Pokhriyal**.

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

PayU India announces its two key appointments.

- PayU one of the best payment gateway provider in India has announced its key appointments at the executive level.
- **Sudhir Sehgal** has been appointed as the **PayU's Country Head** to lead the Enterprise's Business and **Manas Mishra**, who has been appointed as the **Chief Product Officer**.

Hurun's Rich List 2020, Jeff Bezos tops the Ranking.

- **Jeff Bezos**, the founder and CEO of Amazon, tops the Hurun's Rich List ranking for the third consecutive year with **$140 billion** as his estimated wealth.
- Jeff bezos was followed by **Bernard Arnault** (LMHV, $107 billion) in the second place and **Bill Gates** (Microsoft, $106 billion) comes in the third position.
- From India, **Mukesh Ambani**, CMD Reliance Industries the only Indian to Occupy a position in the top 10. He is in the **9th position with $67 billion**.

SPORTS NEWS

Grand Slam winner Maria Sharapova announced her retirement from tennis.

- The **world's most popular tennis player**, Maria Sharapova has announced her retirement in tennis at the age of 32.
- The **5 times grand slam title winner** Maria Sharapova is originated from **Russia.**

J&K has won gold in the 6th National Ice Stock Sports Championship.

- Jammu & Kashmir has won gold medal in the 6th Nation Ice Stock Sports Championship held at **Ice Rink in Gulmarg.**
- The 3-day event was organised by **J&K Ice Stock Sports Association** with the assistance from **Indian Ice Stock Sports Federation**, sponsored by **J&K Tourism Department**.

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