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NATIONAL NEWS

BSNL launches 'Bharat Fibre' in Pulwama

• BSNL has become the first operator to begin optical fibre-based high-speed broadband service in Pulwama with launch of 'Bharat Fibre'. It is the first such FTTH (Fibre-to-the-home) services set up in the Kashmir valley.

India-France to hold anti-submarine drills off Djibouti

• Under the 17th edition of bilateral Varuna Exercise, India and France will hold anti-Submarine warfare games off the coast of Djibouti near the Horn of Africa.

Air traffic growth hits 5-yr low in FY 19 at 11.6%, Cargo at 6%

• The growth rate in air traffic hit a 5 year low, affected by low growth of 3.9 percent in the March quarter as against 14.9% in the first three quarters.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

UK Parliament becomes the first to declare climate Emergency

• The UK parliament becomes the first national legislation body in the world to declare a 'climate change emergency'. This move is in reponse to Extinction Rebellion protests that blocked traffic in key parts of central London for a week in April.

Warren Buffet's Berkshire Hathway buys Amazon share, the exact amount will be disclosed in Berkshire's quarterly report to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission later this month.

Asia-pacific to grow 5.7% this year ADB

- World Bank Scales up Support for Cyclone Idai Hit Nations to $700 Million for South African Countries.

OBITUARY

CPM leader and former finance minister, V viswanatha Menon Passed away