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NATIONAL NEWS

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- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid foundation stone for the Manipur Water Supply Project under the **Jal Jeevan Mission**.
- The Manipur Water Supply Project is aimed to achieve the goals of Jal Jeevan Mission – **"Har Ghar Jal"** by 2024 benefitting the people of Manipur.
- Jal Jeevan Mission an initiative to provide **Freshwater Household Tap connections (FHTCs)** to the rural households of Manipur.
- The main aim of the mission is to provide safe and adequate drinking water to the rural households in India by 2024.

Fact: Union Minister of Jal Shakti - **Gajendra Singh Shekhawat**

Chief Minister of Manipur – **N Biren Singh**

Governor of Manipur - **Najma Akbar Ali Heptulla**

India's First 700 MWe Pressurized Heavy Water Reactor at Kakrapar, Gujarat Attains Criticality

- The **Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL)** has announced that, **Unit-3 of Kakrapar Atomic Power Project (KAPP-3)**, achieved its first criticality that is the initiation of controlled and sustained nuclear fission reaction.
- It is the India's First **700 MWe** (megawatt electric) and indigenously developed **Pressurised Heavy Water Reactor (PHWR) in Surat, Gujarat.**
- KAPP-3 is India's **23rd nuclear power reactor** that is completely designed and built by India.

Fact: Headquarters of NPCIL – **Mumbai**

Managing Director of NPCIL – **Satish Kumar Sharma**

Union Home Minister launches Tree Plantation Campaign-2020 of the Coal Ministry

- Union Minister of Home Affairs has launched the Tree Plantation Campaign **"Vriksharopan Abhiyan"** of the Ministry of Coal in the presence of Union Minister of Coal.
- On the occasion, the Union Home Minister inaugurated and laid the Foundation stone of **six Eco**

parks/ Tourism sites.

- The Ministry of Coal at more than 130 locations spread in 38 Districts of 10 States organized the Tree Plantation Campaign.

Fact: Union Minister of Home Affairs – **Amit shah**

Union Minister of Coal - **Pralhad Joshi**

Cipla all set to launch anti-viral drug Favipiravir for treatment of COVID-19 patients

- Pharma Company Cipla is all set to launch the **anti-viral drug Favipiravir** for the treatment of COVID-19 patient.
- **CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Technology** developed a cost effective process and transferred the technology to the Cipla Company.
- Anti-viral drug Favipiravir has shown relliable results in clinical trials for treatment of Covid-19 patients.

Fact: CSIR - **Council of Scientific and Industrial Research**

Headquarters of Cipla – **Mumbai**

Director General of CSIR - **Dr. Shekhar Mande**

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

China Launches Tianwen-1: China's First Rover Mission to Mars

- China has launched its **first Rover Mission, Tianwen-1** to Mars in a Long March 5 Rocket from the **Wenchang Satellite Launch Centre** in Hainan Island.
- This is a first **fully domestic** mars mission of the country.
- The objective of Tianwen-1 is to orbit, land, release the rover, and coordinate observations with an orbiter.

Fact: President of china - **Xi Jinping**

Capital of china – **Beijing**

ECONOMIC NEWS

Airtel Payments Bank Partnered with NSDC to Skill Rural Youth for Financial Services Sector Jobs

- Airtel Payments Bank Ltd has collaborated with **National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)** to train and develop skills among youth in rural India.
- The main aim is to help the youths in rural area to find employment opportunities and become entrepreneurs in the financial services sector.

Fact: Headquarters of Airtel Payments Bank – **New Delhi, India**

MD & CEO of NSDC - **Manish Kumar**

Bank of Baroda Launched 'Insta Click Savings Account', 100% Paperless Digital Self-Assisted Online Savings Account

- India's third-largest public sector bank, **Bank of Baroda (BoB)** launched **'Insta Click Savings Account'**, a 100% paperless digital self-assisted online savings account.
- BoB is working on digitizing all its products and expects to be **100% paperless** by 2023.

Fact: MD&CEO of BoB **– Sanjiv Chadha**

Headquarters of BoB - **Vadodara, Gujarat**

IMPORTANT DAYS

National Broadcasting Day observed on 23rd July

- The National Broadcasting Day was observed in India on **23rd July** every year.
- This is to celebrate the **first ever radio broadcast** aired in India on **23rd July 1927** from the Bombay Station of a private company, the Indian Broadcasting Company.
- The **Indian State Broadcasting Service (ISBS)** became the All India Radio (AIR) on 8th June 1936.
- All India Radio adopted the name **"AKASHVANI"** for the National Broadcast in 1956.
- AIR serves as a medium of mass communication to inform, educate and entertain.

Fact: Motto of AIR - **Bahujan Hitaya, Bahujan Sukhaya**

Headquarters of AIR – **New Delhi**

Union Minister of Information and Broadcasting – **Prakash Javadekar**