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NATIONAL NEWS

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- An online conference was organized under the leadership of Minister for Electronics and Information Technology, Ravi Shankar Prasad to facilitate the the occasion of 3 years of UMANG and 2000 plus services milestone.
- Wherein the Minister launched the UMANG's international version in coordination with Ministry of External Affairs.
- The international version is for selected countries, which includes USA, UK, Canada, Australia, UAE, Netherlands, Singapore, Australia and New Zealand.
- The UMANG mobile app -Unified Mobile Application for New-age Governance is a Government of India all-in-one unified, secure, multi-lingual, multi-service Mobile App.
- The focus of the app is providing access to high impact services of various Government of India Departments and State Governments.

Odisha Assembly passes 'Odisha Essential Services (Maintenance) Amendment Bill-2020'

- The state assembly of Odisha passed the Essential Services (Maintenance) Amendment Bill-2020.
- The bill seeks to amend the existing Act of 1988 to prohibit strikes by employees of essential services in the state.
- Expanding the ambit of essential services, the bill includes services like fire service, excise, forest, prison reforms, electronics and Information and Communication departments.

Fact: Chief Minister of Odisha - Naveen Patnaik

Governor of Odisha - Ganeshi Lal

Country's first moss garden comes up in Uttarakhand's Nainital district

- India's first moss garden inaugurated in at Khurpatal in Uttarakhand's Nainital district.
- The 10 hectares area garden developed by research wing of state forest department and inaugurated by Ramon Magsaysay awardee and renowned water conservation activist Rajendra Singh.
- The main aim behind developing the garden was to conserve the various species of moss and other bryophytes.
- The garden is with 30 representative moss species and other bryophyte species, including two species listed in IUCN Red List (Hyophila involuta and Brachythecium buchananii) and a moss trail

nearly 1.25 km long.

Fact: Chief Minister of Uttarakhand - Trivendra Singh Rawat

Governor of Uttarakhand - Baby Rani Maurya

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

NASA-ESA launch sentinel-6 Michael Freilich satellite to monitor the oceans

- The US space agency NASA and the European Space Agency (ESA) successfully launched 'Copernicus Sentinel-6 Michael Freilich satellite', to monitor the rising global sea level.
- The joint US-European satellite lifted off on a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket from Space Launch Complex 4E at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California.
- The Sentinel-6 Michael Freilich satellite will help to enhance weather forecasts and provide detailed information on large-scale ocean currents to support ship navigation near coastlines.

Fact: Headquarters of NASA - Washington D.C., United States.

Headquarters of ESA - Paris, France.

BANKING NEWS

NABARD sanctions RS 74.31 crore for Meghalaya roads

- The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has sanctioned Rs 74.31 crore to government of Meghalaya for construction of 6 new roads and improvement of 24 existing roads.
- The amount sanctioned under Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF)-Tranche-XXVI.
- The roads will benefit 131 villages and will facilitate easy access to nearby health centres, marketing centres and educational institutions by the people.

Fact: CM of Meghalaya - Conrad Kongkal Sangma

Governor of Meghalaya - Satya Pal Malik

IMPORTANT DAYS

Martyrdom Day of Guru Tegh Bahadur being observed today

- Martyrdom Day of Guru Tegh Bahadur, the ninth Guru of Sikhs, is being observed today across the country.
- It was on this day in 1675; Guru Tegh Bahadur sacrificed his life to protect religion, human values, ideals and principles.
- The martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur is remembered as Shaheedi Divas every year.

AAI observes Aviation Safety Awareness Week 2020

- Airports Authority of India (AAI) commenced Aviation Safety Awareness Week 2020 from 23rd November to 27th November 2020.
- The weeklong celebration is being observed at all airports and ANS locations managed by AAI across India.
- The main aim is to raise awareness on Aviation Safety; AAI will undertake various employee engagement programs at the airports and ANS stations like reviewing of documents and facilities, Mock exercises, preventive maintenance etc.



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