

JUNE 19 CURRENT AFFAIRS

- **Steel Authority of India Ltd (SAIL)** has supplied around 60,000 tonnes of steel material for the **111-km-long Jiribam-Tupul-Imphal new broad gauge railway project** in Manipur.
- **The National Programme on Technology Enhanced Learning (NPTEL)** along with **IBM**, the multinational technology firm, will offer a **12-week online course on blockchain architecture, design and uses**.
- A brand new **Cathay Pacific Airbus A350-1000 aircraft**, which flew from the **French city** of Toulouse to **Hong Kong**, was partly powered by a **sugarcane-based biofuel**.
- **Central Water Commission (CWC)** into a **Collaboration Agreement with Google** for effective management of water resources particularly in the field of flood forecasting and dissemination of flood related information to the masses.
- The world's oldest known critically endangered species **Sumatran orangutan**, "**Puan**" has died in an **Australian zoo** aged 62. It was described as the "**grand old lady**" of **Perth Zoo**.
- **Google** announced the **launch of a training programme for journalists**, aimed at **raising awareness against misinformation** and **providing new tools to the fourth estate against fake news**.
- **The Indian Institute of Technology – Banaras Hindu University -IIT-BHU** and **Amazon Internet Services Private Limited (AISPL)** signed a **MoU to develop cloud-ready job skills** and to help establish a **Cloud Research Lab on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML)**.
- A workshop on **Cyber Security Framework for Department of Defence** inaugurated by **RakshaMantri Smt Nirmala Sitharaman**.
- "**International Decade for Action: Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028**" in **Tajikistan** to discuss key water related issues of sustainable development goals adopted by **UN member countries**.

- **Shri J P Nadda, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare released the National Health Profile (NHP)-2018 prepared by the Central Bureau of Health Intelligence (CBHI).**
- **National Health Resource Repository (NHRR) - India's first ever national healthcare facility registry of authentic, standardized and updated geo-spatial data of all public and private healthcare establishments.**
- **The Union Human Resource Development Minister, Shri Prakash Javadekar launched 'National Digital Library of India' developed by IIT Kharagpur on the occasion of National Reading Day in New Delhi.**
- **Kazhimugam (delta or the place where a river meets the sea) - Perumal Murugan**
- **Union Minister of Women and Child Development (WCD), Smt. Maneka Sanjay Gandhi launched the "Handbook on legal processes for Police in respect of Crime against Children" in New Delhi.**
- **Manisha Varun - Mrs. India Universe 2018 pageant**
- **Sandeep Bakhshi – Chief operating officer of ICICI Bank**
- **The Telangana police launched a mobile-based messenger application 'Cop Connect', to provide real time information to over 60,000 police officers across the State.**
- **England broke the record for the highest score in a men's one-day international cricket for the second time in two years at Trent Bridge by scoring 481 for six against Australia.**