

Daily Current Affairs – June 15, 2019

Important Days

June 15 - World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

- The United Nations General Assembly, in its resolution 66/127, designated June 15 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. It represents the one day in the year when the whole world voices its opposition to the abuse and suffering inflicted to some of our older generations
- Elder abuse is a global social issue which affects the health and human rights of millions
 of older persons around the world, and an issue which deserves the attention of the
 international community.

National Affairs

Assam

Domestic Workers Skill Conclave of North East

• In Assam, the day-long Domestic Workers Skill Conclave of North East chapter was held in Guwahati. The conclave is to provide a platform for the exchange of ideas and experiences amongst a wide range of agencies, institutions, associations, enterprises and experts. The first ever conclave is organized by the National Skill Development Corporation, Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and Assam Skill Development Mission.



Rankings & indexes

India static at 101st in FIFA rankings

• The Indian football team remained static at 101st place in the FIFA rankings issued today. India had finished third in the King's Cup in Thailand, which the organizers had said was a FIFA-sanctioned tournament.

Science

ISRO for 1st time opens its laboratories for Indian school students

- The Indian Space Research Organization ISRO has, for the first time, opened its laboratories for Indian school students to undergo two-week training from this year. The first batch of 108 students drawn from all states and Union Territories recently completed their exposure in its laboratories in Bengaluru, Sriharikota, Thiruvananthapuram and other places.
- The training module has been devised as part of its new Young Scientists Programme, or Yuva Vigyanik Karyakram, YUVIKA.

Summit

India-Kyrgyz Business Forum

• PM Narendra Modi and Kyrgyzstan President Jeenbekov inaugurated Indian-Kyrgyz Business forum in Bishkek. The two leaders also asked their business communities to explore the untapped potential for deepening bilateral relations between the two countries. After the bilateral meetings 15 agreements were signed for the strengthening of bilateral cooperation in a wide range of areas including strategic defence partnership.



Kimberley Process Intersessional Meeting 2019

- The Intersessional meeting of Kimberley Process (KP) is being hosted by India from 17th to 21st June, 2019 in Mumbai. Besides meetings of different Working Groups and Committees of the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme (KPCS), two special forums regarding Diamond Terminology and Artisanal Mining Small Steps to Larger Outcomes, will be held during the Intersessional. Around 300 delegates from the Government of India and other participating countries, industry and civil society will be attending the five-day Meeting.
- India is one of the founder members of Kimberley Process Certification Scheme and is the Chair of Kimberley Process for the year 2019 with Russian Federation as Vice Chair. India had earlier chaired KPCS in the year 2008.

MoU & Cabinet Approvals

Centre approves setting up of e-Foreigner Tribunal (e-FT) in Assam

- The Centre has approved setting up of e-Foreigner Tribunal (e-FT) in Assam. The CEO
 of e-FT Mission Anand Prakash Tiwari said that the proposed integrated e-FT IT system
 will be implemented across the state for effective monitoring and resolution of cases
 registered with Foreigner Tribunal.
- The main objective of the project is to maintain a statewide bio-metric and biographic
 data, to capture the illegal migrants' data to computerize data flow for all the
 stakeholders. It will also help in the legalization of eligible beneficiaries for welfare
 schemes.



DGT, Cisco and Accenture sign MoU

• Directorate General of Training under the aegis of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Ministry has joined hands with Cisco and Accenture to skill the youth for the digital economy through its Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs). Nearly 15 lakh students across all the ITIs in India can access the digital learning module via the Bharat Skills portal. This programme will equip students enrolled in ITIs across India with skills for the digital economy over the next two years.

Defence

20TH Anniversary of The Victory at Kargil

• The year 2019, marks the 20th anniversary of victory in 'Operation VIJAY' popularly known as the 'Kargil War'. The Kargil War is a saga of strong political, military and diplomatic actions. The Nation shall be celebrating the 20th anniversary of victory this year in Kargil War with pride, honour and inspiration. This year, 20th anniversary of victory in 'Operation VIJAY' is being celebrated with the theme 'Remember, Rejoice and Renew'.

Awards

Sahitya Akademi announces Bal Sahitya Puraskar and Yuva Puraskar 2019

- Sahitya Akademi has selected 22 writers for the Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2019 and 23 writers for Yuva Puraskar 2019.
- For the Bal Sahitya Puraskar, the Awards relate to books first published during the five
 years immediately preceding the year of Award (i.e. between 1 January 2013 and 31
 December 2017). However, during the initial ten years i.e. from 2010 to 2019, the award
 may also be given to an author based on his/her total contribution to Children Literature.\



• For Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2019,the Award relates to books published by an author of the age of 35 and below as on 1st January of the year of the award.

BBC World Service Global Champion Award

Akshaya Patra, a non-profit organisation running one of the world's largest school meals
project in India, has been awarded the BBC World Service Global Champion Award for
the programme.

