

Daily Current Affairs – June 05, 2019**Important Days****June 5 - World Environment Day**

- World Environment Day is the United Nations day for encouraging worldwide awareness and action to protect our environment. Since it began in 1974, the event has grown to become a global platform for public outreach that is widely celebrated in over 100 countries.
- The theme Each World Environment Day is organized around a theme that draws attention to a particularly pressing environmental concern. The theme for 2019 is “Beat Air Pollution”.

June 5 - International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

- According to the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing activities are responsible for the loss of 11–26 million tonnes of fish each year. To curtail this impact, Target 4 of Goal 14 of the Sustainable Development Agenda adopted in 2015 by the UN General Assembly, specifically urges the international community to “effectively regulate harvesting and end overfishing, illegal, unreported and unregulated fishing and destructive fishing practices” by 2020.

National Affairs**Tamil Nadu****Tamil Nadu Health System Reform Program**

- The Government of India, Government of Tamil Nadu (GoTN) and the World Bank signed here today in New Delhi a \$287 Million Loan Agreement for the Tamil Nadu Health System Reform Program.
- The Program aims to improve the quality of health care, reduce the burden of Non-communicable Diseases (NCDs), and fill equity gaps in reproductive and child health services in the State of Tamil Nadu. Tamil Nadu ranks third among all Indian States in the NITI Aayog Health Index which is reflected in vastly improved health outcomes

Kerala**National virology institute at Alappuzha to be upgraded soon**

- The National Institute of Virology at Alappuzha, still struggling to find its functional reliability for testing various viral diseases, will be scaled up in the coming months. Besides, the State had also started a virology institute in Thiruvananthapuram under the Science and Technology department and a virology institute under ICMR has also been set up in Kozhikode. However, none of them have the capability to take up work to meet the State's needs.

International Affairs**US imposes major new restrictions on travel to Cuba**

- The US has imposed major new travel restrictions on its citizens visiting Cuba, banning cruise ships and ending a heavily used form of educational travel as it seeks to further isolate the communist government.
- The Treasury Department has announced that the US will no longer allow cruises to Cuba or the group educational and cultural trips known as "people to people" travel to the island. Along with the cruise ships, the US will also now ban most private planes and boats from stopping the island.

Space Science**ISRO to launch Chandrayaan-2 between July 9-16**

- The Indian Space Research Organisation has found a suitable window to launch India's second spacecraft to the moon, 'Chandrayaan-2' between July 9 and July 16 with an expected soft landing on the moon on September 6. ISRO sources have confirmed that GSLV Mark-III will launch Chandrayaan-2 from Sriharikota during the favoured window time. ISRO has said that all three modules of the moon mission, Orbiter, Lander-Vikram and Rover-Pragyan are ready.

Summit**2nd Global Disability Summit**

- The “2nd Global Disability Summit” to be held at Buenos Aires, Argentina during 6-8 June 2019. The objective of the summit is to deliberate on issues across the world concerning empowerment and inclusion of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) and to work out a mechanism for enabling them to live an independent and dignified life. The Union Minister had also attended the ‘1st Global Disability Summit’ held in London in July 2018.

G-20 Finance Ministers Meeting

- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman will attend the two-day meeting of G-20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank governors in Japan on June 8 and 9, according to a government official. The meeting is likely to focus on risks and challenges being faced by the global economy, investment in infrastructure and international taxation.
- The deliberations at the meeting would be followed by the G-20 Leaders’ Summit scheduled on June 28-29 at Osaka.

Business & Economic Affairs**Economic Census -2019**

- The Seventh Economic Census (7th EC) is being conducted by Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) in 2019. In the current Economic Census, MoSPI has partnered with CSC e-Governance Services India Limited, a Special Purpose Vehicle under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology as the implementing agency for 7th EC

World Bank retains growth forecast for Indian economy at 7.5%

- The World Bank retained its forecast of India's growth rate at 7.5 per cent for the current financial year. In its Global Economic Prospects report, the World Bank also said growth rate is expected to remain the same for the next two fiscals.

Awards

Global Leadership Award 2019

- In United States, Google's India-born CEO Sundar Pichai and Nasdaq president Adena Friedman have been chosen for the prestigious Global Leadership Awards 2019 by business advocacy group USIBC in recognition of the two companies' contribution as the leading technology-driven platforms.

Appointments

Nigeria's envoy to UN elected President of 74th session of UNGA

- Nigeria's Ambassador to the United Nations Tijjani Muhammad-Bande was elected as President of the 74th session of the UN General Assembly. In accordance with the rules, the President of the 74th session of the General Assembly should be elected from among the African States.

Sports

China will host 2023 Asian Cup

- China will stage the 2023 Asian Cup football after South Korea, Thailand and Indonesia dropped their bids. This was confirmed by the Asian Football Confederation in Paris.

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