

**NATIONAL AFFAIRS****Exhibition of 'Monuments of Valour & Victory Homage to Kargil Warriors'**

- Union Culture Minister (IC) Shri Prahlad Singh Patel Inaugurated an Exhibition of 'Monuments of Valour & Victory Homage to Kargil Warriors' on the 20th Anniversary of Kargil Vijay Divas today in New Delhi. The Exhibition was organized by National Monuments Authority of Ministry of Culture.

**Fieldwork of 7th Economic Census to be launched in Tripura**

- The fieldwork of 7th EC is being launched in the States of Tripura on 29th July 2019, and in Puducherry soon after. The fieldwork in other State/ UTs will be launched in August/ September, 2019.

**GUJARAT****Special lion-ambulance in Gujarat**

- Lion Ambulance is the first of its kind in the country, which is fitted with an anaesthesia-cum-ventilator-cum multi-param machine, a blood analyzer and an ultrasound imaging suite. Recently a lion cub has been rescued in Gir Sanctuary with the help of special lion-ambulance.

**SCIENCE****Himalayan knotweed latest threat to Nilgiris ecosystem**

- One of the most recent invader knotweed native to the Himalayas has begun taking root in the upper slopes of the Nilgiris, potentially threatening biodiversity along streams and rivers. The species has begun spreading along many streams and rivulets in the district

**China first to share satellite data with India on floods in Assam**

- India received satellite data on its flood-hit regions from eight nations and China was the first to provide it as part of a multi-lateral mechanism for sharing space-based information for countries affected by natural or man-made disasters, the government said.

**Brain-eating amoeba in North Carolina**

- *Naegleria fowleri*, a single-celled organism known as the “brain-eating amoeba.” The amoeba is typically found in warm freshwater, and the majority of cases in the United States have occurred in Florida and Texas.

**SPACE SCIENCE****MIDHANI's role in Chandrayaan-2**

- The Hyderabad based Mishra Dhatu Nigam Limited (MIDHANI) has played a role in the celebrated Chandrayaan-2 Mission. It developed and supplied materials for Cryogenic Engine (CUS) of GSLV Mk III, a three-stage heavy lift launch vehicle, developed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) for launch of the Chandrayaan-2 spacecraft.

**SUMMITS & CONFERENCES****Ministry of mines organises a workshop on Effective utilization of Red Mud**

- In a step towards productive utilisation of bauxite residue, commonly known as the ‘Red Mud’, an interactive workshop called ‘Waste To Wealth’ was organized by Ministry of Mines in New Delhi.

**MoU, AGREEMENTS & CABINET APPROVAL****Government approves national permit scheme for inter-state travel for bus operators**

- Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari said, the government has approved the national permit scheme for inter-state travel for bus operators. The move is likely to increase the state revenue by 3-4 per cent as the money will be directly credited to the states in a proportionate manner.

**APPOINTMENTS****Shri Subhash Chandra Garg assumes charge as Secretary, Ministry of Power**

- Shri Subhash Chandra Garg assumed charge as Secretary, Ministry of Power. Prior to this, he was serving as the Secretary, Department of Economic Affairs in the Ministry of Finance. He is a Rajasthan cadre IAS officer of 1983 batch.

**B.S Yediyurappa sworn in as CM of Karnataka**

- B S Yediyurappa was sworn in as 31st Chief Minister of Karnataka three days after the collapse of the Congress-JD(S) coalition government, and is set to take the floor test on Monday to prove his majority.

**General Mark Milley as next Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff**

- The US Senate has confirmed four-star Army General Mark Milley as the next Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the most powerful position of the American armed forces.

**SPORTS****Indian Boxing League from October 20**

- Indian Boxing League is going to be held at three venues from October 20 to November 9. Leading Indian boxers such as M.C. Mary Kom, Amit Panghal and Gaurav Bidhuri along with 50 top foreign boxers will be seen in action in this Indian Boxing League.

**Kapil Dev-led CAC to pick India's next head coach**

- The committee comprising Kapil Dev, Anshuman Gaekwad and Shantha Rangaswamy will complete the interview process of the candidates, aspiring to be the new head coach of the Indian team by August 15.

**High level committee formed to strategise preparations for 2020, 2024 Olympics**

- A high level 10-member committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju to coordinate and strategise the preparation for the 2020 and 2024 Olympics.

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