

# 18th & 19th June

# INTERNATIONAL

#### 1) Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology

- India and the United States have taken a significant step towards strengthening their strategic partnership and driving technology and defense cooperation under Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology.
- It is a roadmap for enhanced collaboration in high-technology areas which focuses on addressing regulatory barriers, aligning export controls, and fostering deeper cooperation in critical and emerging fields.
- The Initiative on Critical and Emerging Technology was announced by India and the US in May 2022 and was officially launched in January 2023 and is being run by the National Security Council of both countries.

## NATIONAL

#### 1) India Infrastructure Project Development Fund

- The Ministry of Finance has launched India Infrastructure Project Development Fund Portal.
- The platform allows the submission of applications under the IIPDF Scheme, reducing processing time, paperwork, and facilitating timely approvals.

#### 2) Dugdh Sankalan Sathi App

- The Union Minister of Heavy Industries launched the "Dugdh Sanakalan Sathi Mobile App". The app is developed by Rajasthan Electronics & Instruments Limited.
- The app provides real-time updates on milk prices from the cloud server, eliminating human errors and ensuring transparency in payment calculations.





# 3) GoI-UNSDCF

- NITI Aayog and the United Nations in India signed the Government of India -United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (GoI-UNSDCF) 2023-2027.
- It is built upon Four Strategic pillars derived from the 2030 Agenda: People, Prosperity, Planet, and Participation. The four pillars encompass Six Outcome Areas:
- Health and Wellbeing
- Nutrition and Food Security
- Quality Education
- Economic Growth and Decent Work
- Environment, Climate, WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene), and Resilience.

## 4) First Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic Project at IIT Jodhpur, Rajasthan

- NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Limited (NVVN), has commissioned its first Rooftop Solar Photovoltaic Project at IIT Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- The one MW Grid-connected Solar Project has been implemented by NVVN under the RESCO model, with a Power Purchase Agreement duration of 25 years.

# **IMPORTANT DAYS**

# 1) International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict

- Every year, on June 19th, International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict is observed to raise the awareness of the need to put an end to conflict-related sexual violence.
- Theme of 2023: "Bridging the gender digital divide to prevent, address and respond to conflict-related correct related corre







## STATE NEWS

#### 1) 4th National Water Awards

- The national awards aim to create awareness about the significance of water and inspire the adoption of best water use practices.
- Madhya Pradesh emerged as the top-performing state in the Best State category, demonstrating its commitment to water conservation.
- In the Best District category, the National Water Award was bestowed upon the Ganjam District of Odisha.
- Jagannadhapuram Village Panchayat in Bhadradri Kothagudem district of Telangana received the Best Village Panchayat award.

#### 2) Gruha Jyothi Scheme

- The Karnataka Government launched its Gruha Jyothi Scheme, aimed at providing affordable housing to the poor and middle-class families of the state.
- The scheme is a part of the state's ambitious "Housing for All" plan and aims to provide housing to nearly 4.5 lakh families in the next five years.

#### **APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS**

#### 1) Kamal Kishore Chatiwal

• Kamal Kishore Chatiwal has been appointed as Managing Director of Indraprastha Gas Ltd. Indraprastha Gas Ltd. was established in 1998, IGL is a joint venture between GAIL India, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and the Government of Delhi.



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# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

## 1) Gandhi Peace Prize for 2021

- Recently, the Ministry of Culture announced that the Gandhi Peace Prize for 2021 will be conferred upon Gita Press, Gorakhpur.
- Gita Press, established in 1923, has emerged as one of the world's largest publishers, promoting Gandhian principles and disseminating knowledge through literature.
- The Gandhi Peace Prize was instituted by the government in 1995.
- The jury responsible for selecting the recipient of the Gandhi Peace Prize is led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

## **SPORTS**

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#### 1) 37th edition of the national games of India

- 37th edition of the national games of India will be held in Goa
- Goa's Chief Minister Pramod Sawant launched 'Moga' at a launch ceremony held at Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium in Taleigao,Goa.
- Maharashtra was the winner of 36th National Games which was held in Goa.



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