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NATIONAL

1) A Maritime Partnership Exercise

- A Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX) was conducted between Japan Maritime Self Defense Force and Indian Navy in the Andaman Sea.
- INS Sukanya, an offshore patrol vessel and JS Samidare, a Murasame class destroyer, undertook various exercises including seamanship activities, aircraft operations and tactical manoeuvres as part of the operational interaction.

2) "NIRMAN" Accelerator Programme

- Startup Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC) at IIT Kanpur has launched "NIRMAN" Accelerator Programme, supported by the department of science and technology, the government of India.
- The programme will focus on the manufacturing startups engaged in healthcare and agriculture domains to help them overcome the challenges from their prototype-to-market journey.

3) Statue of Shaheed Chandrashekhar Azad

- A large statue honouring Amar Shaheed Chandrashekhar Azad will be erected in Bhopal. The statue site will be created as a source of inspiration for young people, with soil from Azad's hometown of Bhabra being used at its base.

4) White onion gets Geographic Indication tag

- Recently, White onion from Alibagh (Maharashtra) gets Geographic Indication (GI) tag.
- White onions are grown in Alibagh only with traditional methods and genuine seeds and Geo-climatic conditions of region is the reason for unique taste, flavour, and shape as well.

5) N-Treat Technology

- IIT-Bombay developed N-Treat Technology
- N-Treat is a seven-stage process for waste treatment that uses screens, gates, silt traps, curtains of coconut fires for filtration, and disinfection using sodium hypochlorite.





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STATE NEWS

1) Lumpy Skin Disease

- Lumpy Skin Disease is an infectious viral disease mainly affecting cattles, causing fever, nodules on the skin and occasionally death.
- Recently, it is reported in Gujarat. It is transmitted by blood-feeding insects.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) “Canara ail”

- Canara Bank has launched “Canara ail”, its mobile banking app. The banking app would be a one-stop solution with more than 250 features to cater to the banking needs of its customers.
- It is aimed to eliminate the need to have multiple mobile apps working in silos for availing of different specific services.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Nakul Jain

- Paytm’s parent One97 Communications has appointed Nakul Jain as the CEO of Paytm Payments Services Ltd (PPSL).
- Praveen Sharma, who is now serving as the acting CEO of PPSL, has been promoted to oversee the organisation’s commerce vertical in addition to his other duties.

2) Bajram Begaj

- The ninth President of Albania, Bajram Begaj, a retired military commander and politician, took the oath of office in Parliament.
- He served as the head of general staff of the Albanian Armed Forces and was a major general.

OBITUARY

1) Anant Yashwant Khare

- Marathi writer Anant Yashwant Khare, better known as Nanda Khare, has passed away due to prolonged illness.
- He wrote 19 books on various topics like science, sociology, and geography with some of his most noted works being ‘Antajichi Bakhar’, “Bakhar Antakalachi”