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NATIONAL

1) President's Colour to the Indian Naval Aviation

President Ram Nath Kovind has awarded the President's Colour to the Indian Naval Aviation at a ceremonial parade held at the INS Hansa base near Panjim in Goa. The president was given the guard of honour by the Indian Navy on the occasion. The President's Colour is the highest honour bestowed on a military unit in recognition of its exceptional service to the nation.

2) "Shikshak Parv-2021"

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the "Shikshak Parv-2021" and addressed the inaugural conclave through a video conference. The theme of 'Shikshak Parv-2021' is "Quality and Sustainable Schools: Learnings from Schools in India". The event was organised by the Ministry of Education.

3) Atmanirbhar Bharat corner

Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India in collaboration with the Ministry of External Affairs, is setting up an Atmanirbhar Bharat corner in 75 Indian Missions/ Embassies across the world in the next 3 months. With the focus on "Vocal for Local" and building an "Atmanirbhar Bharat", TRIFED is undertaking several activities, while re-dedicating its efforts towards tribal empowerment.

4) Joint Working Group Air Systems in the Defence Technology and Trade Initiative

India and the US have signed a Project Agreement to jointly develop an Air-launched Unmanned Aerial Vehicle or drones that can be launched from an aircraft. The PA was signed under the Joint Working Group Air Systems in the Defence Technology and Trade Initiative, between India's Ministry of Defence and the US Department of Defence.

STATE NEWS

1) Right to Sit

Tamil Nadu government has tabled a bill to amend Tamil Nadu Shops and Establishments Act, 1947. The bill sought to add a subsection to mandatorily provide seating facilities for the employees. It would benefit thousands of employees of large and small establishments, particularly those working in textile and jewellery showrooms.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Bank of Baroda tops the MeitY Digital Payment Scorecard for 2020-21

Bank of Baroda, announced that the bank has Ranked #1 with a total of 86% marks on the scorecard issued by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology for the month of February and March 2021. In the same period last year, BOB was rated "Average" by Meity, which has now been upgraded as "Good".





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GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT

1) Deepor Beel Wildlife Sanctuary

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has notified the Eco-sensitive zone of the Deepor Beel Wildlife Sanctuary (Assam). Kaziranga National Park became the first in the country to use satellite phones and Dehing Patkai and Raimona were designated as National Parks.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Satish Parekh

Ashoka Buildcon Managing Director and promoter Satish Parekh has taken over as the president of the India Chapter of the International Road Federation. The governing council of the International Road Federation unanimously endorsed Satish Parakh as President, IRF-IC. He takes over from Subhmay Gangopadhyay.

2) Harsha Bhupendra Bangari

The government has appointed Harsha Bhupendra Bangari as the new Managing Director of the Export-Import Bank of India. Before this Bangari was posted as deputy managing director at EXIM Bank. He will replace the incumbent MD David Rasquinha.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) International Literacy Day

International Literacy Day is observed globally on 8th September every year. The day spread awareness about the importance of literacy for individuals, communities, and societies. The theme of 55th International Literacy Day is Literacy for a human-centred recovery: Narrowing the digital divide.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Asian Federation of Advertising Associations

Indian advertising doyen Ramesh Narayan will be inducted into the Asian Federation of Advertising Associations Hall of Fame at AdAsia 2021. The AFAA Hall of Fame sets out to recognise the best of the very best. It's for those who've defined a generation of advertising.

2) Yamin Hazarika Woman of Substance Award

Namita Gokhale has been chosen as the recipient of the seventh Yamin Hazarika Woman of Substance Award. She was conferred upon the honour recently in a virtual ceremony. She is a co-founder and co-director of the Jaipur Literature Festival, Gokhale also mentors Himalayan Echoes and the Kumaon Festival of Literature and the Arts.



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OBITUARY

1) Rajni Kaul

Rajni Kaul who was the first News Broadcaster for BBC Hindi passed away in Faridabad, Haryana. She was 93. She was not only the first woman to join BBC Hindi as a staff member but she also became the first woman to read a news bulletin in Hindi on the network in 1961. She was well-known for her programme Indradhanush.

2) Keshav Desiraju

Former Union health secretary Keshav Desiraju has passed away, due to “acute coronary syndrome”. Desiraju was the grandson of former president Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. He was the 1978 batch IAS officer from the Uttarakhand cadre. He was known for his contributions to mental health and community healthcare. He was the architect of India’s mental healthcare act of 2017.

