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### NATIONAL AFFAIRS

#### Biggest floating solar power plant

- The biggest **floating solar power plant** of India is to be set up at **Ramagundam in Telangana**.
- The capacity of the solar power plant is **100 MW**. The project is commissioned by **National Thermal Power Corporation**.

#### Rules of thermal power plants emission standards

- The Ministry of Environment, amended the **rules of thermal power plants emission standards**.
- The **new rule** has extended the **deadline for the thermal power plants within 10 Kms of National Capital Region** and in cities with more than ten lakh population to comply with the **new emission norms by the end of 2022**.

#### National Register for Driving Licenses

- The **Ministry of Road Transport** announced that the **National Register for Driving Licenses** is to be created.

- This is being done to **remove duplication** of driving licenses in the country. Most of the states are already on the **SARATHI portal of National Informatics Centre**. These states have been instructed to migrate to the newly created national register.

#### Indian Railways has achieved the highest ever electrification

- The **Indian Railways** has achieved the **highest ever electrification** of sections during **2020-21**. It has covered **6,015 kilo metres** of electrification in a **single year**.
- This is **37% higher** than that achieved in 2019-20. In the last seven years, the electrification of Indian Railways has increased by seven times.

#### Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation Limited

- The **TRIFED, Ministry of Tribal Affairs** and the **Government of India** have launched **two interesting competitions for the tribal people**.
- They are **“Be the Brand Ambassador of Tribes India”** and **“Be a Friend of TRIBES INDIA”** contest. The contests were launched in association with **MyGov.in**.

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## PM-KUSUM

- The first **farm-based solar power plant** under the **Prime Minister's Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthan Mahabhiyan** scheme has come up in **Jaipur** with a provision for production of **17 lakh units of electricity** every year.
- The **PM-KUSUM** scheme was to support installation of **off-grid solar pumps in rural areas** and reduce dependence on grid, in grid-connected areas.

## STATE AFFAIRS

### Tamilisai launches COVID19 vaccine centre for women

- **Puducherry Lt. Governor** Tamilisai Soundararajan volunteered for **vaccination at the Rajiv Gandhi Women and Children's Hospital** to launch an **exclusive vaccination centre for women** at the hospital and provide a **fillip to the vaccination program**.

## BUSINESS & ECONOMY

### Harmonised System of Nomenclature

- The **Ministry of Finance** announced that the **businesses with annual turn over of more than Rs 5 crores** will have to **furnish six-digit HSN code** on their **tax invoices**.
- The businesses with an annual turn over of **less than five crores** of rupees have to **furnish four-digit HSN code**. Previously, the requirement was four digits and two digits respectively.

### India's Merchandise Trade Deficit

- According to the data released by the government showed that **India's trade deficit in goods widened to USD 14.11 billion in March 2021** from USD 9.98 billion during March 2020.
- **India's merchandise exports in March 2021 were USD 34.0 billion** as compared to USD 21.49 billion in March 2020, an increase of 58.23%.

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

### Covid-19 Reinfection

- A team of **scientists** from the **Indian Council of Medical Research** examined the cases of **1,300 individuals** who had tested positive for the **corona virus twice**.
- It was found that 58 cases of the 1,300 individuals or 4.5% could be classified as **possible reinfections**. The first confirmed case was reported from Hong Kong.

## AWARDS & RECOGNITION

### Sportstar Aces awards

- **G.R Viswanath** was conferred the **'Lifetime Achievement Award'** while **Sachin Tendulkar, M.S. Dhoni and Mithali Raj** were also honoured in the **2021 Sport- star Aces Awards**.
- **Sportsman of the Decade (Cricket): M.S. Dhoni**
- **Sportswoman of the Decade (Cricket): Mithali Raj**
- **Sports for Social Good: Anantapur Sports Academy**
- **Inspirational Giant of Indian Sport: Sachin Tendulkar**