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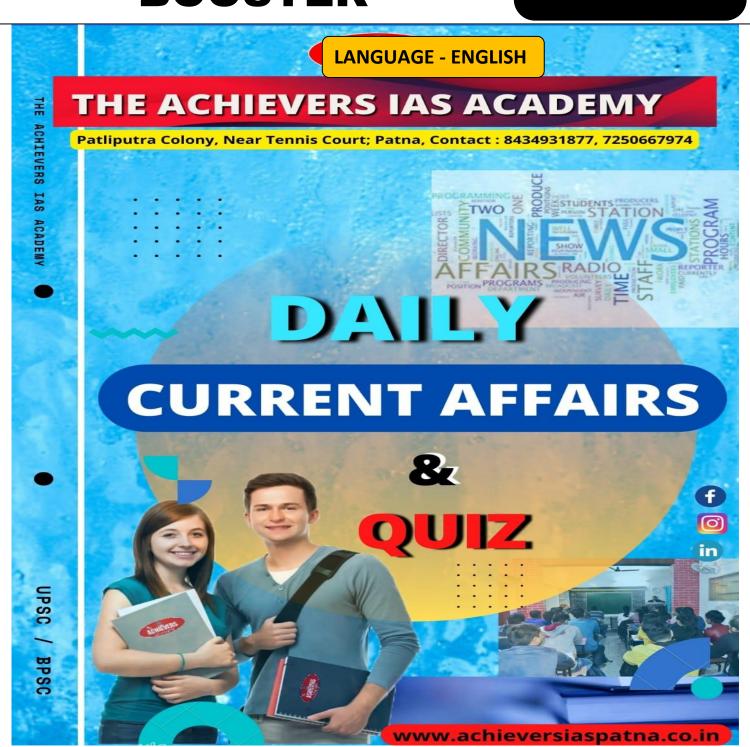
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1. Madhya Pradesh: Burhanpur became the first district in the country, where water is reaching every house through tap



Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat informed that Burhanpur (Madhya Pradesh) has become the first 'Har Ghar Jal' certified district of the country, on which Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan congratulated the residents of the district. According to Shekhawat, 37% households in Burhanpur had access to water in August-2019, which was made accessible to 100% under the scheme.

Burhanpur district of Madhya Pradesh (MP) has achieved great achievement in Jal Jeevan Mission across the country. Burhanpur of Madhya Pradesh has become the first certified 'Har Ghar Jal' district of the country. The Union Jal Shakti Minister has given this information by tweeting. He wrote that Burhanpur in Madhya Pradesh has become the first "Har Ghar Jal" certified district of India. This is the only district where 254 villages have been declared as 'Har Ghar Jal' through a resolution passed by Gram Sabhas. PM Modi has congratulated MP on this big achievement, CM Shivraj has thanked him.

On this, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has tweeted and said that congratulations to the brothers and sisters of Burhanpur for this remarkable achievement. Union Jal Shakti Minister and Jodhpur MP Gajendra Singh Shekhawat also tweeted congratulating that in August 2019, from only 37 percent households to 100% in less than three years, Burhanpur in Madhya Pradesh became

the country's first Har Ghar water certified district. has been made.

2. Indian-origin Kaushik Rajasekhar wins Global Energy Prize



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Indian-origin professor Kaushik Rajasekhar has won the Global Energy Prize. Rajashekhar is a professor of engineering at the University of Houston. He has been given this award for his outstanding contribution to transportation electrification and energy efficiency technologies while reducing power generation emissions. Out of a record 119 nominations from 43 countries, only three people were selected for the honor given by the Global Energy Association. Rajashekhar has been announced as the 2022 prize winner by Viktor Orlov, chief expert at the Center for Innovative Technologies (Rosatom in Russia) and a pioneer in thermonuclear physics. The award ceremony will be held during the Russian Energy Week in Moscow on 12-14 October.

Rajasekhar Electric owns 36 US patents and 15 foreign patents. Renu Khator, Indian-origin chair of the University of Houston, said that Professor Rajasekhar sees only possibilities, not limits. He said that electric vehicles are changing the way the world moves and he has played a key role in discovering and improving this innovation. Congratulating her for the award, she said, "I congratulate him for this global distinction and his

role in establishing the University of Houston as a 'University of Energy'."

3. India, Japan Conduct Maritime Partnership Exercise MPX in Andaman Sea



A Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX) was conducted between the Japan Maritime Self Defense Force and the Indian Navy in the Andaman Sea on Saturday. According to the Defense Ministry, INS Sukanya, an offshore patrol vessel and JS Samidare, a Murasem-class destroyer, conducted various exercises including seamanship activities, aircraft operations and tactical maneuvers as part of operational interactions. The two countries have been conducting regular exercises in the Indian Ocean region to strengthen maritime ties. The aim of the exercise was to enhance interoperability and streamline seamanship and communication processes. The Defense Ministry said that the exercise is part of the ongoing efforts between the two navies towards ensuring safe international shipping and trade in the Indian Ocean region. The aim of the exercise was to strengthen bilateral ties, promote defense cooperation, enhance mutual understanding and interoperability between the two navies and share best practices.

4. PM Modi congratulates Neeraj Chopra on winning the historic silver medal



Olympic Golden Boy Javelin throw player Neeraj Chopra has created history in the World Athletics Championships. Neeraj targeted the silver medal in the final of the championship held in Eugene, USA, throwing 88.13 meters away javelin. He has given India the first medal in this championship after 2003. In this way, after 19 years, India has got a medal in the tournament. Earlier in 2003, long jumper Anju Bobby George won the bronze medal at the World Championships. Rohit Yadav was out of the medal race in the final, finishing at number 10.

5. India's bio-economy to touch US\$ 300 billion by 2030



Releasing India's Bio-economy Report 2022, Dr Jitendra Singh informed that India's bio-economy has reached over US\$ 80 billion in 2021. A growth of 14.1 percent (over \$70.2 billion) has been registered in 2020. Considering the rapid growth in this sector, the minister said, the bio-economy is likely to touch the figure of \$150 billion by 2025 and \$300 billion by 2030.

The biopharma industry nearly tripled its R&D spending from \$360 million in 2020 to \$1 billion in 2021. The industry grew 3 times from 1300 million doses in 2020 to 4500 million doses in 2021.

This, in turn, made it possible to have around 4 million doses of the COVID vaccine per day in 2021. According to the India Bioeconomy Report 2022, the total impact on the bio-economy from COVID vaccines was recorded as \$8.7 billion.

Similarly, the production capacity also saw a huge increase in COVID diagnostics from 25 million tests

in 2020 to 2000 million tests in 2021. Indigenization of already imported raw materials, other essential materials played an important role here.

6. Himachal Pradesh becomes first state to connect all VLTD vehicles with ERSS



Himachal Pradesh has become the first state in the country to connect all registered commercial vehicles equipped with Vehicle Location Tracking Device (VLTD) with Emergency Response Support System (ERSS).

Now these vehicles can be tracked anywhere in the country through VLTD.

Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur has also introduced panic button facility for the safety of women and children in public vehicles.

At the press of the panic button a signal will be received through satellite on 112 and the person in distress will be connected and the police will be alerted.

7. Kamal Haasan got a new gift from UAE, before this these actors have also got it



Kamal Haasan's film 'Vikram' rocked the box office. Now this film is doing well on OTT as well. The film made many records in its name. Kamal Haasan's action avatar was seen in this film, which surprised his fans. When Kamal Haasan went to Dubai to promote the film, the United Arab Emirates gave the Tamil actor its coveted Golden Visa. The actor has shared this information on social media.

Kamal Haasan gets UAE Gold Visa

Kamal Haasan shared his photo on social media and wrote in the caption, 'I am honored to receive Golden Visa from UAE. I thank Lt Gen Mohamed Ahmed Al Marri, Director General, GDRFA, for his visit to the General Directorate of Residency and Foreigners Affairs office in Dubai. Thanks to Dubai Film and TV Commission for supporting the talent and creative people.

According to reports, Kamal Haasan was the UAE administration's first choice for granting a golden visa in 2019, but the actor could not get it due to the Corona pandemic and other political and business reasons. Apart from Kamal Haasan, Naseer, Vijay Sethupathi, Mammootty, Mohanlal, Amla Paul, Dulquer Salmaan, Venkat Prabhu and Shah Rukh Khan also have UAE Golden Visa.

8. Akshay Mundra to be the new CEO of Vodafone Idea



Vodafone Idea Managing Director and CEO Ravinder Takkar will step down soon. However, he will continue on the company's board as a non-executive director. The company has said that in his place, Vodafone Idea's Chief Financial Officer (CFO) Akshay Mundra will be the new Chief Executive Officer. Vodafone Idea CEO Ravinder Takkar's term ends on August 18. He is the CEO of the company for the last three years. The board of the telecom company on Friday approved

Mundra's appointment. The company has not yet disclosed this

The company said Ravinder Takkar is a seasoned global executive and has been associated with the company for nearly three decades. He will continue to work with Vodafone Group. This change in the top leadership of the company is considered very important. Ravinder Takkar had earlier indicated that the company was looking to raise Rs 25,000 crore from investors.

ONE LINER

Minister of State for Science and Technology: Jitendra Singh

Secretary, DBT: Rajesh Gokhale

Vodafone Founders: Gerry Whynt and Ernest

Harrison

Vodafone CEO: Ravindra Takkar (Akshay Mundra will take over soon)

Capital of Himachal Pradesh: Shimla (Summer),
Dharamsala (Winter);

Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh: Jai Ram Thakur;

Governor of Himachal Pradesh: Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar.

Chairman of Central Board of Direct Taxes: Nitin Gupta;

Establishment of Central Board of Direct Taxes: 1924;

Central Board of Direct Taxes Headquarters: New Delhi.

QUIZ

1. Flipkart and which state government has recently signed MoU between Skill Development Mission?

- A. Government of Bihar
- **B.** Government of Gujarat
- C. Government of Maharashtra
- D. Government of Kerala
- 2. Sheikh Mohammed Sabah Al Salem has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of which country recently?
- A. Iran B. Japan
- C. Kuwait D. America
- 3. How many films have been nominated in the feature film category in the recently released 68th National Film Awards?
- A. 105 films B. 205 films
- C. 305 films D. 405 films
- 4. Which of the following film's producer KP Kumaran has received Kerala's highest film award "JC Daniels Award 2022"?
- A. Tamil Film Producer
- **B. Telugu Film Producer**
- C. Hindi Film Producer
- D. Malayalam Film Producer
- 5. According to the recently released report, India has received \$ 87 billion in the form of money orders from abroad in 2021?
- A. UNESCO B. Moody's
- C. Forbes D. WHO
- 6. Dr. Ajay Parida, the famous scientist and director of whom has passed away recently?
- A. Serum Institute
- **B.** University of Delhi

C. Institute of Life Sciences

D. IIT

7. Dinesh Gunawardene has recently been sworn in as the new 15th Prime Minister of which country?

A. Bangladesh B. Myanmar

C. Bhutan D. Sri Lanka

8. Which of the following has approved Open, Cashfree payments, Nearbuy and Fairex for cross border payments under "Sandbox"?

A. Reserve Bank of India B. Central Government

C. Ministry of Finance D. NITI Aayog

