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### World Rare Disease Day

Every Year, last date of February is observed as World Rare Disease Day. It was first launched by Eurordis in 2008. It aims to create awareness about the impacts of the disease.

### Theme: Reframe Rare for Rare Disease Day

The rare diseases include Thalassemia, Haemophilia, Sickle Cell Anaemia and primary immune deficiency according to WHO.

# **Zero Discrimination Day**

Zero Discrimination Dayis observed each year on 1 March.

Zero Discrimination Day highlights how people can become informed about and promote inclusion, compassion, peace and, above all, a movement for change.

### The Day was launched by UNAIDS in 2014. Theme: Zero Discrimination Against Women And Girls.

# ST collection crosses Rs one lakh crore mark in February

Government has collected over one lakh five thousand crore rupees as Goods and Services Tax in February this year which is eight percent more than the GST collected in the same month of last year.

Out of the total revenue, Central Goods and Service Tax (CGST) is over 20 thousand crore rupees, State Goods and Service Tax (SGST) is over 27 thousand crore and Integrated Goods and Service Tax (IGST) is over 48 thousand crore rupees. Finance Ministry stated, during the month of February, the GST revenue from domestic transactions has shown a growth of 12 percent over the revenue during the month of February last year.

# Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla launches 'Suposhit Maa Abhiyaan' in Kota

Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla has stated that society should also come forward to remove malnutrition problems in the country. Mr. Birla was addressing the program after launching the 'Suposhit Maa Abhiyaan' in his constituency Kota Union Minister for Women and Child Development Smriti Irani was also present in the program. Mr. Birla appealed to every section of the society to cooperate in the malnutrition-free India campaign.

Smriti Irani stated that for the first time more than 9 thousand crores have been allocated for the nutrition campaign in the country. She stated that Poshan Abhiyaan needs to be made a mass movement.

### Bihar government raises India's first tribal women battalion

The Bihar government raised the country's first tribal women police battalion named the 'Bihar Police Swabhiman Vahini' with a strength of 675 constables.

Lauding the Bihar police, Chief Minister Nitish Kumar, stated that the empowerment of women in all walks of life is one of the top priorities for the state government "and the country's first 'Bihar Police Swabhiman Vahini' is a living example of our dedication and commitment to uplift the lives of ST women."

The passing out parade of this battalion was held at Patna's Mithilesh stadium. The parade was headed by a woman constable Karuna Hansdah belonging to the Tharu tribe.

### Muhyiddin Yassin sworn in as Malaysia's new Prime Minister

In Malaysia, newly appointed Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yasin took the oath of office. The swearing-in ceremony was held at the national palace in Kuala Lumpur.

Muhyiddin Yasin heads a coalition dominated by the country's ethnic Malay Muslim majority.

Malaysia has plunged into turmoil as Mahathir Mohamad's alliance collapsed after a bid to force out leader-in-waiting Anwar Ibrahim.

### 'Swami Vivekananda Karmayogi Award' Conferred upon Jadav Payeng

Padma Shri Jadav Payeng, the Forest Man of India will be conferred with the prestigious Swami Vivekananda Karmayogi Award in New Delhi.

The arward is instituted by My Home India for his consistent efforts in creating a real man-made forest through massive reforestation.

Padma Shri Jadav 'Molai' Payeng is an environment activist and forest worker from Jorhat. Over the course of past several years, he planted and tended trees on a sandbar of the river Brahmaputra turning it into a forest reserve.

### 19th World Productivity Congress to be held in Bangalore

The 19th edition of World Productivity Congress (WPC) will be held on May 6 to May 8, 2020 at the Bangalore International Exhibition Centre, Bangalore.

World Productivity Congress, the world's largest convention for productivity development, is back in India after a gap of 45 years.

Theme of 19th Productivity Congress 2020: "Industry 4.0 – Innovation and Productivity"

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