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FM announces 5th tranche (last) of economic support under the Aatma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan



The Part 5 of “Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan” (self-reliant India Movement) is focused on seven areas viz. **MNREGA, Health and Education, Business during Covid, Decriminalisation of Company Act, Ease of doing business, Policy related to Public Sector Units, State government and resources** related to it.

1. Rs 40,000 crores increase in allocation for MGNREGS to provide employment boost
2. Health Reforms & Initiatives- Public Expenditure on Health will be increased by investing in grass-root health institutions. National Institutional Platform for One health by ICMR will encourage research. And the implementation of National Digital Health Blueprint under the National Digital Health Mission.
3. Technology Driven Education with Equity post-COVID- PM eVIDYA– By Manodarpan, New National Curriculum and Pedagogical framework, National Foundational Literacy and Numeracy Mission.
4. Further enhancement of Ease of Doing Business through IBC related measures
5. Decriminalisation of Companies Act defaults.
6. Ease of Doing Business for Corporates
7. Public Sector Enterprise Policy for a New, Self-reliant India

Israel Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu sworn-in for the 5th time



May 18, 2020, Benjamin Netanyahu has been sworn as the Israel Prime Minister (PM) for the 5th time after signing of power-sharing deal with rival-turned-partner Benny Gantz of Blue and White Party. He will now chair the post until 13 November 2021.

Longest stay PM: In July 2019, Netanyahu surpassed David Ben-Gurion to achieve Israel's longest-serving prime minister.

International Museum Day 2020: May 18



International Museum Day (IMD) is celebrated every year on May 18 globally, **to create awareness on the importance of museums for the development of society.** The event highlights a specific theme which changes every year to reflect the basis of the international museum community's preoccupations.

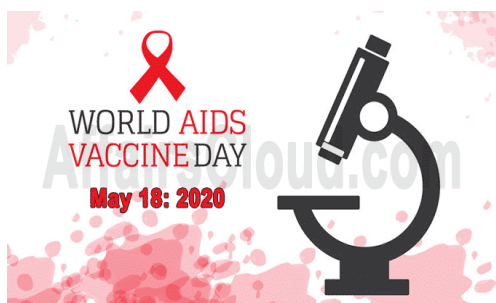
preoccupations.

Theme for the year 2020: **“Museums for Equality: Diversity and Inclusion”.**

History of the day: The day is organized by the International Council of Museums (ICOM) and has been celebrated since 1977.

ICOM: The International Council of Museums (ICOM) was created **in 1946**, is a non-governmental organisation maintaining formal relations with **UNESCO** (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) and having a consultative status with the United Nations (UN) Economic and Social Council (**ECOSOC**).

World AIDS Vaccine Day celebrated on May 18, 2020



May 18, 2020, World AIDS Vaccine Day (or HIV Vaccine Awareness Day) has been celebrated all over the world to recognize and acknowledge the hard work of the thousands of health professionals, volunteers, members of the medical field and scientists who have been working together for so many years to make

HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) / AIDS (Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome) vaccine.

The first AIDS Vaccine Day was celebrated on **18 May 1998**. A year before that, then US (United States) president Bill Clinton insisted on the discovery of a vaccine to treat the epidemic.

National Dengue Day: 16 May



In India, the National Dengue Day is observed every year on 16 May. The day is an initiative by the Ministry of Healthy and Family Welfare, to raise awareness about dengue and its preventive measures, and preparedness for control of the vector-borne disease

before the transmission season begins. Dengue is caused by the bite of Aedes mosquito.

Japan launches new unit for defense in outer space named Space Operations Squadron



Japan launched a new space defense unit that will monitor and counter threats to the satellites of Japan.

The unit is named Space Operations Squadron and is a part of Japan’s Air Self-Defense Force. It has started will 20 members and will become fully operational by the year 2023.

The role of Space Operations Squadron is to monitor and protect Japanese satellites from enemy attacks or space debris.

Kotak Mahindra Bank becomes first bank in India to allow video KYC

Kotak Mahindra Bank has introduced the video-KYC facility for customers opening savings account on Kotak 811 platform.

With this, Kotak Mahindra Bank has become the first Indian bank to offer video-based “zero-contact” onboarding service.

RBI has introduced the notification regarding Video-based KYC in January 2020. With Video KYC, verification of documents, signature are completed via a video call with a representative from the bank without any physical interface.

Indian-origin Hinduja-Reuben Brothers Shares Second Spot in Annual UK Rich List 2020



The pair of Indian-origin siblings, Reuben and the Hinduja brothers, shares the **second spot in the Britain's annual rich list, with a fortune of 16 billion pounds each.**

'The Sunday Times Rich List 2020' has been topped by British inventor-entrepreneur **James Dyson** tops with 16.2 billion pounds.

Srichand and Gopichand Hinduja, the Hinduja Group of companies owner in UK, lost 6 billion pounds to slip to second position from the top slot in 2019.

Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Amphan' Circling over central parts of South Bay of Bengal



A Severe Cyclonic Storm 'Amphan' (pronounced as UM-PUN) has positioned over the central parts of South Bay of Bengal and is likely to intensify further into a Very Severe Cyclonic Storm during next 12 hours.

It was currently lies centred at about 960 km south of Odisha's Paradip, 1110

km south-southwest of West Bengal's Digha and 1,230 km south-southwest of Bangladesh's Khepupara.

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh Approves Rs 400-crore Defence Testing Infrastructure Scheme



Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh has approved the launch of Defence Testing Infrastructure Scheme (DTIS), to provide private sector defence and aerospace companies affordable testing facilities to test and validate weaponry they are designing.

The initiative will give a boost to domestic defence and aerospace manufacturing by creating state of the art testing infrastructure for this sector.

The total outlay of the scheme is Rs 400 crore, and would run for the duration of five years.

Karnataka launches first accelerator for cyber security start-up



Karnataka's Centre of Excellence on Cyber Security (**CS-CoE**) launched the first cyber security accelerator for startups in India, Hack is an Accelerator for Cyber Security in Karnataka (**H.A.C.K**) inaugurated on 16th May 2020 by Additional Chief Secretary in Charge of Department of IT, BT and S&T, EV Ramana Reddy.