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United Nations Public Service Day 2020: June 23

United Nations Public Service Day is observed annually on June 23 to highlight the   contribution of people associated with public service to the community. The day aims to acknowledge their role in the development process, to recognize their work and to encourage young people to pursue careers in the public sector**.**

Winners of UN Public Service Awards 2020
There were 7 winners namely:

- The Republic of Korea Seongdong District's (Seoul) "HYO Policy".
- The Automatic Social Energy Tariff (ASET), Portugal.
- The Jaboatão Prepara Programme, Brazil.
- In the Mexican state of Nuevo León.
- The e-Mutation initiative, Bangladesh.
- e-Thuto platform, Botswana.
- Spain's Ministry of Justice was awarded for developing the 'Justicia Digital: La visión 360º de la Seguridad.

 The General Assembly designated the day by adopting resolution 57/277 on December 20, 2002.

International Widows Day 2020: June 23

United Nations(UN) **International Widows Day** is observed annually on **June 23** to raise awareness about the human rights violation experienced by widows in many countries following the death of their spouses.
Aim of the day

•To address the issues like poverty & injustice faced by millions of widows and their dependents in many countries.

•To help regain their rights, which have long been ignored and violated.

Background

i.The day was initiated by **Loomba Foundation**, an Non-Governmental Organization(NGO), London on 26 May 2005.

ii. The foundation has led a 5 year long global campaign for UN recognition. The UN in 2010 passed a resolution A/RES/65/189 to recognise the day.

iii.1st International Widows Day was observed in 2011

International Olympic Day 2020 June 23

23rd June is marked as the International Olympic Day and observed all over the world by the Olympians, athletes and fans who participate in the sports

activities. The first Olympic Day was hosted by the National Olympic Committees(**NOC**) of Austria, Belgium, Canada, Great Britain, Greece, Portugal, Switzerland, Uruguay, and Venezuela in their respective countries on **June 23, 1948.**

Note: Due to pandemic the events of 2020 Olympic day will be conducted as an online event.

Background:

i.The proposal for the celebration of World Olympic Day was made by Doctor Gruss in the 41st Session of the International Olympic Committee(**IOC**) in Stockholm in **1947** to promote the idea of the Olympics.

ii. June 23rd is designated as the International Olympic Day in 1948 to commemorate the initiation of the Modern Olympic Games on 23rd June 1894 in Sorbonne, Paris, France.

 Events of 2020:

On Olympic Day 2020, The World Health Organization **(WHO)** and the International Olympic Committee **(IOC)** advocates **#BeActive** in day-to-day routine and participate in the world's largest 24-hour live digital workout.

IOC's **#StayStrong, #StayActive, #StayHealthy** campaign by sharing their daily workouts and uplifting tips on how to stay healthy in body and mind.

About International Olympic Committee(IOC):
The Olympic motto is made up of three Latin words: CITIUS – ALTIUS – FORTIUS (Faster, Higher, Stronger) adopted in 1894.
President of the IOC– Thomas Bach
Headquarters– Lausanne, Switzerland

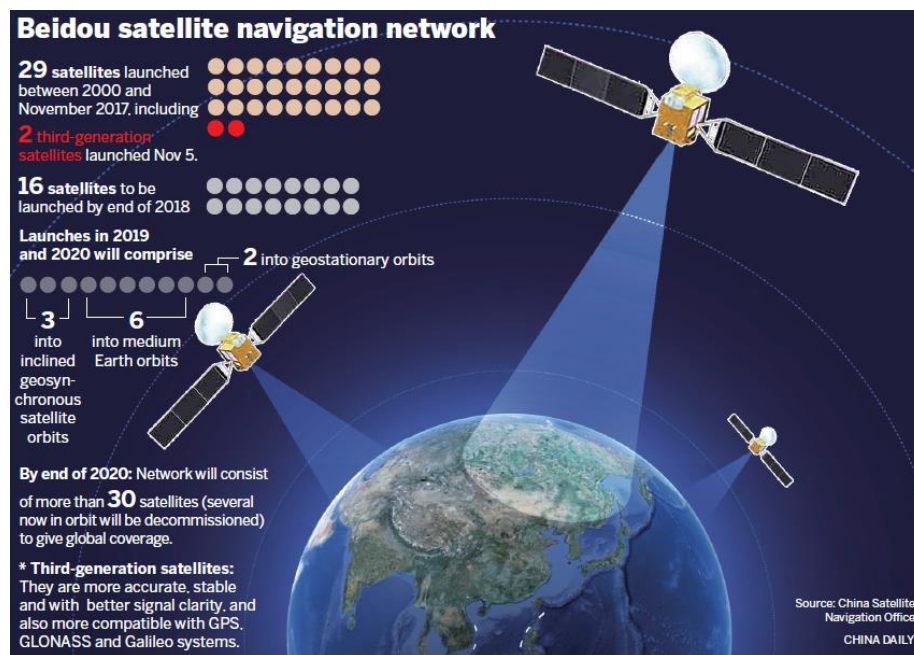## About Indian Olympic Association(IOC):
President– Narinder Dhruv Batra
Secretary General– Rajeev Mehta
Headquarters– New Delhi

China successfully launches last satellite for its BDS

On 23 June, China has successfully launched the last Satellite of its BeiDou Navigation Satellite System (BDS), which is a rival for the Global Positioning System (GPS) of the US, to become a major space power.

- The satellite was launched from the Xichang Satellite Launch center in Sichuan Province.

- BDS is one of the four global navigation networks among the US's GPS, Russia's GLONASS and European Union's Galileo.
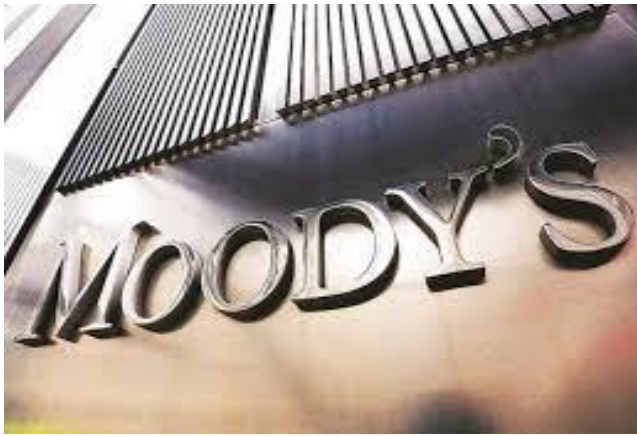
- A Long March 3B rocket launched the final BDS into orbit from the satellite launch center.

Previous Beidou satellites:

China started developing the Beidou satellite system in the 1990s.The first satellite was launched in October 2000.BeiDou-2 became operational in China in 2011 with a partial constellation of 10 satellites in orbit.

India's GDP to Fall 3.1% in 2020; Geo-Political Tensions Will Increase Risk: Moody's Global Macro Outlook report 2020

According to the **Moody's Global Macro Outlook report for June 2020**, there will be a contraction of **3.1 %** in **India's** gross domestic product (**GDP**) in 2020 & expects a change in geographical conditions in Asia due to tensions at the border between India and China.

Earlier Estimates:
Previously in April 2020, Moody's had forecasted a 0.2 % increase in India's GDP in 2020. The agency has now revised its estimate of the impact of the coronavirus (COVID-19) epidemic.
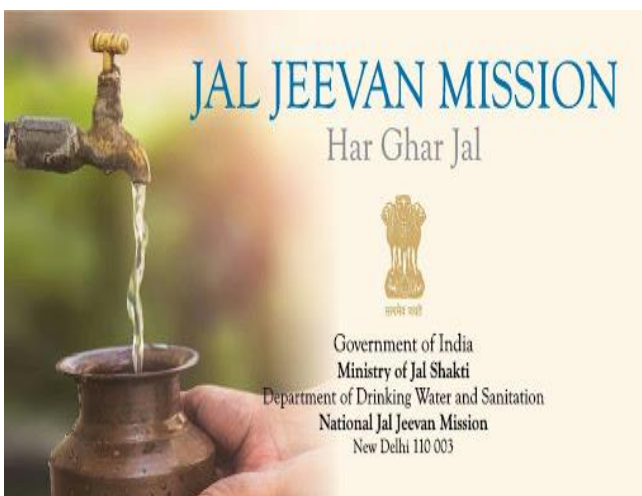
Expect better GDP in 2021:
The slight relief for India is that GDP will reach the level of 6.9% in 2021. Till then, there will be a slow recovery in the Indian economy, which will start from the second half (H2) of this year.

China will be the only country to register growth in the G20 group:

On a larger scale, in this report, it has been said about the economy of the G20 (Group of 20) countries for 2020 that a contraction of 4.6 % will be seen. But, in 2021, these economies will grow at a rate of 5.2 %.

China will be the only G-20 country to record growth in 2020 with a growth rate of 1 % and 7.1 % in 2021 thereafter.

Centre Approved Funds for Implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission in Telangana & Odisha

On the lines of the announcement made by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2019 regarding Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) which aims to provide "Functional Household Tap Connection" (FHTC) to 18 Crore rural households of the country by the year 2024, the Centre has earlier approved funds for the implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission for Odisha, Meghalaya, Assam & Bihar.

Now extending this scheme further for other states, Centre has now approved funds to the following states for FY2020-2021:

Central Govt allocated Rs. 412.19 Crore for Telangana under Jal Jeevan Mission in 2020-21

The Union government has allocated Rs 412.19 Crore for the effective implementation of JJM in Telangana for FY2020-21. The funding has been increased in comparison in FY19-20 when it was Rs 259.14 Cr.

Centre to allocate Rs 3,000 crore from PM CARES for ventilator supply & migrants welfare

The Central Government is all set to allocate **Rs 3,000 crore** from the **Prime Minister's Citizen Assistance and Relief in Emergency Situations Fund (PM CARES)** Fund for supply of ventilators and for the welfare of migrant labourers.
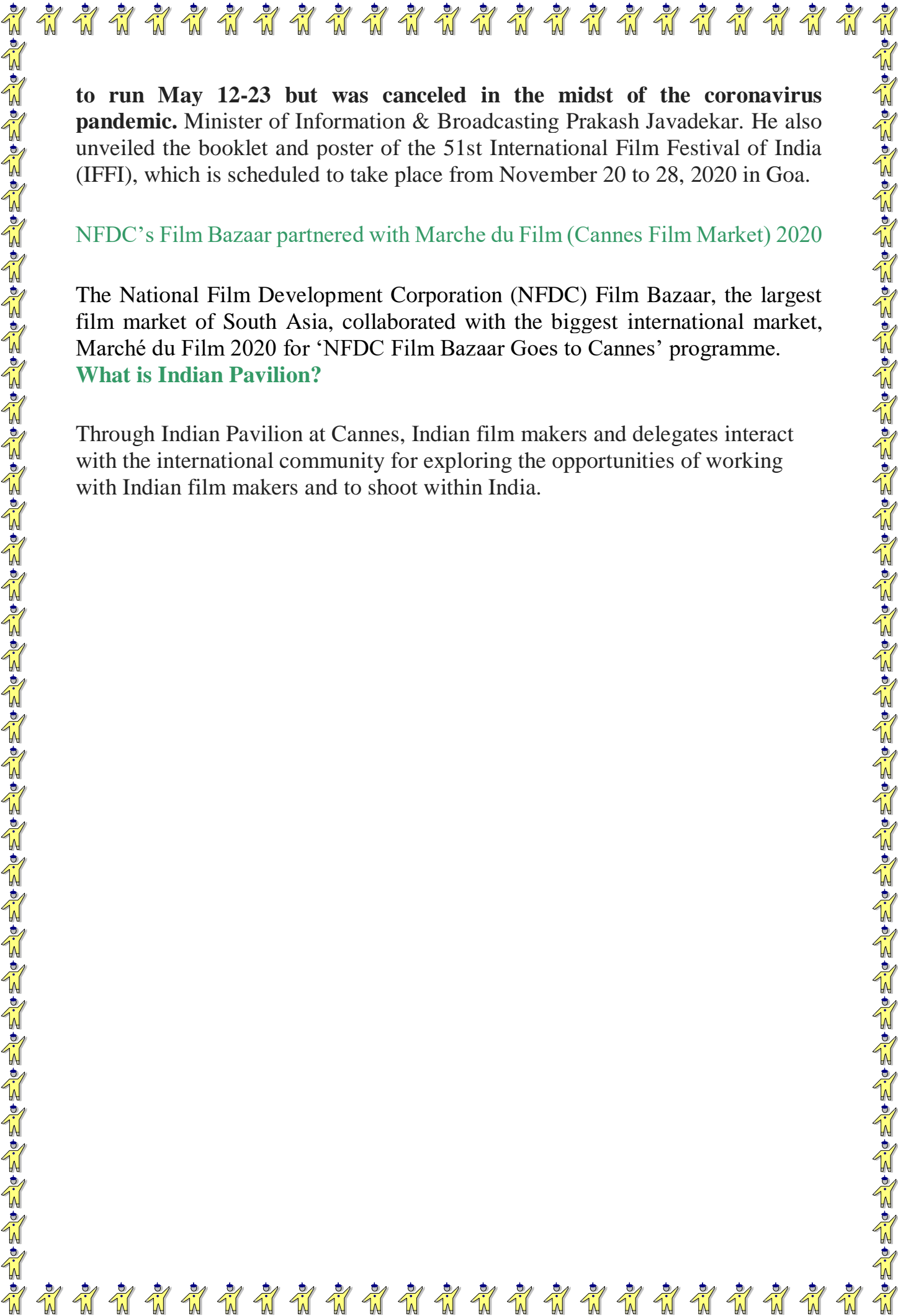
Allocation towards supply of ventilators: Rs 2000 cr

Centre will spent Rs 2,000 crore in the procurement of 50,000 Made-in-India ventilators to Government-run Covid hospitals in all States/Union Territories (UTs)

1st Online Edition of Cannes Film Market 2020 Launched; Virtual India Pavilion Inaugurated by Union Minister Prakash Javadekar

On June 22, 2020, the Cannes Film Festival launched the 5 days long first online edition of Marché du Film 2020 (Cannes Film Market) which will continue till June 26, 2020. Marché du Film is the business arm of Cannes Film Festival. **original 2020 festival was scheduled**

to run May 12-23 but was canceled in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. Minister of Information & Broadcasting Prakash Javadekar. He also unveiled the booklet and poster of the 51st International Film Festival of India (IFFI), which is scheduled to take place from November 20 to 28, 2020 in Goa.

NFDC's Film Bazaar partnered with Marche du Film (Cannes Film Market) 2020

The National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) Film Bazaar, the largest film market of South Asia, collaborated with the biggest international market, Marché du Film 2020 for 'NFDC Film Bazaar Goes to Cannes' programme.
What is Indian Pavilion?

Through Indian Pavilion at Cannes, Indian film makers and delegates interact with the international community for exploring the opportunities of working with Indian film makers and to shoot within India.