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### **1. Haryana CM launches 'smart e-beat' system for Gurugram police ( July 27, 2022 )**

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar launched the 'Smart E-Beat System' at the office of the Commissioner of Police, Gurugram, taking a step towards e-initiative.

#### **Important facts**

- It is an app based system.
- This app based system has been started under the 'Smart Policing Initiative'.
- Till now the policemen posted on the beat used to mark their attendance on their own and there was no system of monitoring them.
- The attendance of motorcycle rider policemen posted on beat will also be applied on this app and their monitoring can also be easily done.
- This system will be linked to the emergency response support system in future so that these riders can also reach for help on the call on Dial-112.
- This new system will cover all 33 police station areas located in the urban area of Gurugram.
- These will have 119 motorcycle riders and each motorcycle rider will have two policemen.
- Gurugram Police has identified 2056 sensitive locations or points in the city, mainly ATMs, petrol pumps, senior citizens residence, school, college, religious places, crime -affected areas, etc.
- Earlier it was implemented in the East Gurugram and Manesar region as a pilot project.
- Removing the deficiencies in it, this e-beat system has been expanded this month and it has also been applied in South Gurugram and West Gurugram.

### **2. Lumpy skin disease kills 1,500 cattle in Gujarat ( July 27, 2022 )**

More than 1,500 animals, mainly cows and buffaloes, have died in Gujarat due to the infectious lumpy skin disease, which has spread to 14 districts of the state.

#### **What is Lumpy Skin Disease?**

- It is caused by infection of cattle or buffalo with the poxvirus Lumpy skin disease virus (LSDV).
- The virus is one of three closely related species of the genus Capripoxavirus.
- The other two species are Sheeppox virus and Goatpox virus.

- Due to its infectious nature and its impact on the economy, the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) has declared it a notable disease.

**Symptoms of disease**

- The main symptoms are fever in animals, discharge from eyes and nose, saliva from the mouth, lump-like soft blisters all over the body, decreased milk production, difficulty in eating, which sometimes leads to the death of the cattles.

**Transmission of disease**

- The virus is easily transmitted through blood-sucking insects such as mosquitoes, flies and ticks, and through saliva and contaminated water and food.
- The virus was first reported in Asia and the Pacific region in 2019 in north west China, Bangladesh and India.
- There is no treatment available for the disease.

**3. PM to lay foundation of India's maiden International Financial Services Centre ( July 26, 2022 )**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lay the foundation stone of the International Financial Services Centre Authority (IFSCA) headquarters building in Gujarat on July 29, 2022.

**Important facts**

- This authority is the unified regulator for the development and regulation of financial products, financial services and financial institutions in International Financial Services Centres in India.
- The Headquarters building of this Authority is envisaged as an iconic structure, reflecting the growing reputation and structure of Gujarat International Finance Tech as a premier international financial hub.
- The Prime Minister will also launch India's first International Bullion Exchange i.e. Bharat International Bullion at Gujarat International Finance Tech- International Financial Services Centre.

**About International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)**

- IFSCA was established in April 2020 under the International Financial Services Centre Authority Bill, 2019.
- An IFSC provides essential services to customers outside the jurisdiction of the domestic economy.
- Its headquarter is located in GIFT City of Gandhinagar (Gujarat).
- It has been established to promote 'Ease of Doing Business' in IFSC and to provide a world class regulatory environment.

- Recently the International Financial Services Centre Authority has become an associate member of the International Organisation of Securities Commissions (IOSCO).

#### **4. 16th Meeting of National Association of Street Vendors of India ( July 26, 2022 )**

Recently, Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Puri addressed the 6th meeting of the National Association of Street Vendors of India (NASVI) organised on the topic "From encroachers to self-employment".

#### **Street vendors**

- Street vendors are individuals who offer to sell goods to the public on a large scale without a permanent built structure to sell the goods.
- Street vendors permanently occupy pavements or other public/private places to sell goods or temporarily move their goods from one place to another by carrying their goods in push carts or head baskets.

#### **Street vendors population**

- The number of street vendors has increased significantly in major cities around the world, especially in developing countries in Asia, Latin America and Africa.
- Around 49.48 lakh street vendors have been identified in India.
- Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of 8.49 lakh street vendors, followed by Madhya Pradesh with 7.04 lakh street vendors.
- There are only 72,457 street vendors in Delhi.
- No street vendor has been identified in Sikkim.

#### **Constitutional Provisions for Street Vendors**

- **Article 19(1)(g)** gives fundamental right to Indian citizens to practice any profession or to carry on business, trade or commerce.
- According to Article 14 of the Constitution, the State shall not deny to any person equality before the law or equal protection of the laws within the territory of India.
- Under **Article 38(1)**, the State shall direct the State to promote the welfare of the people by ensuring a social order in which social, economic and political justice shall be ensured in the national institutions.
- **Article 38(2)** directs to 'reduce inequalities in income status, facilities and opportunities'.
- **Article 39 (A)** directs the State to formulate policy to ensure that citizens, men and women alike, have the right to access to an adequate means of livelihood.
- **Article 41** specifically provides for the 'right to work' within the limits of the economic capacity of the state.

**5. Andhra Pradesh Government decided to implement the “Family Doctor Project” ( July 26, 2022 )**

Andhra Pradesh State Government has decided to implement the “Family Doctor Project” on a pilot basis in Padmanabham mandal of Visakhapatnam district.

**Important facts**

- This project will be taken up with an aim to improve health services among the rural population.
- The project is likely to be implemented from 15 August 2022.
- Under the “Family Doctor Project”, a doctor from the Primary Health Centre (PHC) will be made available to look after the health needs of the people in the ward and the village secretariat.
- Doctors will provide patient services for the residents of the ward from 9 am to 12.30 pm.
- Lunch break will be given from 12.30 pm to 1.30 pm.
- The same doctors will again visit patients who are critically ill and need antenatal and postpartum care from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm.
- Prior to the doctor's visit, ANMs, ASHA workers and Mid-Level Health Providers (MLHPs) will go door-to-door to identify those who require the services of a doctor.
- The detailed list will be submitted by them to the doctor. After this the doctors of PHC will visit these houses and provide health services.

**About Andhra Pradesh State**

- Andhra Pradesh was formed on 1 November 1956. It is the first state in India to be formed on linguistic basis.
- In February 2014, the Indian Parliament approved a separate Telangana state from Andhra Pradesh.
- Andhra Pradesh is a mineral rich state, which ranks second in India in terms of mineral wealth.
- Andhra Pradesh ranks first in terms of hydropower generation.
- Kuchipudi is the most famous classical dance form of the state.
- Andhra Pradesh is the state with the largest number of cinema halls in India.
- The major rivers of the state are Godavari and Krishna.
- Capital - Amaravati
- Governor - Biswa Bhushan Harichandan
- Chief Minister - Jagan Mohan Reddy

- Legislative Council - 58 seats
- Legislative Assembly - 176 seats
- Rajya Sabha - 11 seats
- Lok Sabha - 25 seats

## **6. Assam Government Approves Creation Of 2nd Wildlife Sanctuary In Barak Valley ( July 25, 2022 )**

Assam Governor Jagdish Mukhi has approved the proposal for creation of Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary.

### **Important facts**

- "In exercise of the power conferred by section 35 of the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Governor of Assam has declared to constitute the area mentioned in the Schedule as Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary.
- The Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary in the Barak Valley of Assam will be spread over an area of 320 sq km between the Barak River and the Sonai River.
- Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary will be home to slow loris, rhesus macaque, pig-tailed macaque, stump-tailed macaque, Assamese macaque, capped langur, fairer leaf monkey and hoolock gibbon.
- This will be the second wildlife sanctuary in the Barak Valley of Assam after the Borel Wildlife Sanctuary.

### **About Assam State**

- Chief Minister - Himanta Biswa Sarma
- Governor - Jagdish Mukhi
- Number of Districts - 33
- Lok Sabha seats - 14
- Rajya Sabha seats - 7
- State Animal - Indian Rhinoceros
- State Bird - White Winged Duck
- National Parks – Dibru-Saikhowa National Park, Kaziranga National Park, Manas National Park, Nameri National Park, Rajiv Gandhi Orang National Park

## **7. SC accepts Banthia Commission report for OBCs in Local Body Elections in Maharashtra ( July 23, 2022 )**

On July 20, 2022, the Supreme Court of India accepted the report of the Jayant Kumar Banathia Commission on Reservation in Local Bodies.

**Important facts**

- The court has directed the Maharashtra State Election Commission to conduct elections according to this report.
- It also directed to take steps to hold the stalled elections in the state on an urgent basis and to announce the schedule of elections in the next two weeks.
- The Supreme Court was hearing a petition filed by Rahul Wagh against reservation in 2021.

**Report of 'Jayant Kumar Banthia Commission'**

- This report has paved the way for OBC candidates in the local bodies elections in Maharashtra.
- This commission has recommended 27 more reservations in local bodies. This recommendation has been accepted by the Supreme Court. Thus, OBCs will get 27% political reservation in the local self-government elections to be held in the state.
- According to this report, reservation should be provided to OBCs in proportion to their population in every local body. However, this reservation should not affect the statutory reservation for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes. This is subject to the reservation limit of 50%.
- The Jayant Kumar Banthia Commission is a six-member commission, set up by the Maharashtra government in March 2022 to look into the matter of reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in local bodies.
- It submitted its report on 7 July 2022.

**8. Burhanpur of MP becomes first certified 'Har Ghar Jal' district in India ( July 23, 2022 )**

Burhanpur also known as the 'Darwaza of Dakhin' in Madhya Pradesh became the first 'Har Ghar Jal' certified district in the country on 22 July.

**Important facts**

- Burhanpur is the only district in the country where all the people in 254 villages are getting safe drinking water through taps.
- At the time of launch of Jal Jeevan Mission on 15 August 2019, only 36.54 per cent of the over one lakh households in Burhanpur had potable water through tap connections.
- Village Water and Sanitation Committees (VWSCs) have been constituted in all 254 villages.
- The VWSC is responsible for the operation, maintenance and repair of the water supply infrastructure developed under the 'Har Ghar Jal' programme.

- Following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas and Sabka Prayas", three states - Goa, Telangana and Haryana and three union territories - Andaman and Nicobar Islands, D&N Haveli and Daman and Diu and Puducherry have provided 100% tap water coverage.

### **Jal Jeevan Mission**

- Jal Jeevan Mission was launched in 2019.
- Under the mission, it is envisaged to supply 55 liters of water per person per day to each rural household through functional household tap connections by 2024.
- Jal Jeevan Mission comes under Jal Shakti Ministry.
- This mission ensures the functionality of existing water supply systems and water connections, monitoring and testing of water quality as well as sustainable agriculture.

### **9. Home Minister launched e-FIR system of Gujarat Police for vehicle and mobile thefts ( July 23, 2022 )**

Union Home Minister Amit Shah launched the e-FIR system of Gujarat Police for vehicle and mobile thefts in Gandhinagar on 23 July.

#### **Important facts**

- With the introduction of e-FIR, citizens will not need to go to the police station to register a complaint of vehicle and mobile theft.
- People can file an online FIR.
- The concerned police will reach out to the complainant within 48 hours of receiving the complaint.
- The police have been given a stipulated time frame within which it will be necessary to resolve the complaints.
- The complainant will also be informed through email/SMS about the progress made in the registration and investigation of this online complaint.
- The police will complete the investigation within 21 days and send a report to the court.
- Failure to do so will result in action being taken against the concerned police personnel.
- The Government of Gujarat launched Citizen First Mobile App, Citizen Portal in 2019 to enable the citizens of the state to access police services online using the e-GujCop database.

### **e-Gujcop Project**

- It was launched by the former Chief Minister of Gujarat Narendra Modi in 2013.
- It is an application database of crime and criminal information developed by Home Department, Government of Gujarat for crime prevention and crime detection.

**About Gujarat State**

- Formation - 1 May 1960
- Gujarat is also known as 'The Land of Legends'.
- The Gir Forest National Park in Gujarat is home to the only wild population of Asiatic Lions in the world.
- Gujarat is the main producer of cotton, tobacco and groundnut in the country.
- Garba is the main traditional dance of Gujarat.
- Lothal was the ancient city of Gujarat where India's first port was established.
- Capital- Gandhinagar
- Governor- Acharya Devvrat
- Chief Minister- Bhupendrabhai Patel (BJP)
- Assembly seats-182
- Rajya Sabha seats- 11
- Lok Sabha seats- 26

**10. Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma unveils 131st Durand Cup trophy ( July 22, 2022 )**

Himanta Biswa Sarma, Chief Minister, Assam, unveiled the three Durand Cup trophies in a glittering ceremony at Guwahati on 21st July.

**Important facts**

- Three trophies of the 134-year-old Durand Cup, Asia's oldest football tournament, were unveiled.
- The tournament will be held for the first time in Assam's Guwahati from August 17 to September 4.
- As part of the trophy tour involving five cities, Guwahati, the venue of 10 Group D games, was chosen as the first stop.
- It will see participation of 20 teams from across the country including 11 ISL teams.
- The matches of the tournament will be held at the Indira Gandhi Athletic Stadium in Guwahati.
- Apart from Indira Gandhi Athletic Stadium in Guwahati, Khuman Lampak Stadium in Imphal and Kishor Bharati Kridangan in Kolkata in West Bengal and Naihati Stadium in North 24-Parganas district will host the matches.



- The three trophies, the Durand Cup (a rolling trophy and the original prize), the Shimla Trophy (a rolling trophy and first given by the residents of Shimla in 1904) and the President's Cup (for permanent keep and first presented by Dr Rajendra Prasad, India's first President in 1956) are on a five-city tour.
- It was flagged off from Kolkata on July 19, 2022 and will be the first time the host will leave for Imphal in Manipur after being in Guwahati for two days.

### **131st Durand Cup**

- There will be a total of 47 games in this tournament, with both Guwahati and Imphal hosting 10-games of group C and group D each.
- All the seven knockout games will be held at three venues in West Bengal.
- The inaugural pool matches will begin from 16 August at the Vivekananda Yuva Bharati Kreerangan (VYBK) Stadium in Kolkata.
- The matches will be held on August 17 at the Indira Gandhi Athletic Stadium in Guwahati and on August 18 at the Khuman Lampakh Stadium in Imphal.
- The tournament will culminate with the Grand Finale to be held at VYBK on 18 September 2022.

### **About Durand Cup**

- The tournament was started in 1888 under the leadership of Sir Henry Durand, a renowned Indian civil servant and Foreign Secretary of India.
- It was first held in Shimla.
- The most successful teams are East Bengal and Mohun Bagan with 16 wins each.
- BSF comes in third place with 7 wins.