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1. Manipur CM launches 'CM Da Haisi' web portal to address public grievances (Sept. 20, 2022)

Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh on 19 September launched a web portal to redress the grievances of the people and to resolve the issues related to corruption.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The name of the web portal is '**CM Da Haisi**' (Inform to CM) and the public can raise their grievances in the web portal by logging on to www.cmdahaisi.mn.gov.in.
- The complainants can also check the status of their complaints through this portal.
- Phone numbers for the Anti-Corruption Cell are also provided on the portal.
- The Public Grievance Redressal and Anti-Corruption Cell located in the Chief Minister's Secretariat will use the portal to establish liaison with the concerned department for redressal of public grievances within the stipulated time.

About Manipur :

- Manipur is also called the 'Orchid Basket' of the country. 500 species of orchid flowers are found here.
- This northeastern state is described as Swarna Bhoomi or '**Suvarnabhu**'.
- The major population here is Manipuri people known as **Meiti**.
- **Loktak Lake** is an important lake here.
- The language of the people here is Manipuri, which was added to the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India in 1992.
- Capital- **Imphal**
- Governor- **L A Ganesan**
- Chief Minister- **N Biren Singh**

2. Bengaluru FC wins the 131st Durand Cup beating Mumbai City FC (Sept. 18, 2022)

Bengaluru Football Club (FC) won its first Durand cup title by beating Mumbai City FC by 2-1 in the final of the 131st Durand Cup held at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan (also known as Salt Lake Stadium), Kolkata on 18 September 2022.

N. Sivasakthi and Alan Costa scored the goals for Bengaluru while Lalengmawia Ralte scored for the Mumbai City club.

IMPORTANT FACTS -***Three trophy for the winner :***

- **The winner of the Durand Cup is given three trophies. They are the Durand Cup** (a rolling trophy and the original prize), the **Shimla Trophy** (also 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).
- The Bengaluru Football club was presented with all the three trophies for its win.

131st Durand Football tournament :

- It was hosted by three states, Assam, Manipur and West Bengal.
- Assam and Manipur hosted the tournament for the first time.
- This year 20-top teams of the country, including all 11 teams from the Indian Super League (ISL) participated as compared to 16 teams that participated last year.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -***Durand Cup :***

- Durand football tournament or Durand cup is the **oldest football club tournament in Asia.**
- It was started in 1888 and the first tournament was held in Shimla.
- Initially it was a football tournament for different regiments of the British army and it was later opened to the civilians.
- The Tournament is organised by the **Indian Army and All India Football Federation.**
- The winner is given three trophies, Durand Cup, Shimla Trophy and the President's cup.
- The Cup is named after the **foreign secretary of British India, Mortimer Durand.**
- **FC Goa was the 130th Durand Cup winner.**

3. Nagaland holds its first ever Naga Mircha Festival at Seihama (Sept. 12, 2022)

The 'Naga Mircha (Naga King Chili) Festival' - 2022 was organised for the first time on 10th September at Seihama village of Kohima district in Nagaland.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The festival was organised by the **Horticulture Department.**

- Many northern Angami villages cultivate chillies, with the village of Seihama becoming a major producer with a variety of species.

About Naga Mircha :

- Considered to be the world's hottest chili, the Naga Mircha (King Chili) has consistently been placed in the **top five** in the list of world's hottest chillies based on SHU.
- It is also known as '**Raja Mircha**', '**Bhoot Jolokia**' or '**Ghost Pepper**'.
- It was granted the **Geographical Indication (GI) tag in 2008**. It belongs to the genus Capsicum of the **Solanaceae** family.
- It is an indigenous crop of Nagaland, which is believed to have originated from the Jeliangrong region of Nagaland and is extensively grown in Peren, Som, Kohima and Dimapur.
- It is of normal size and matures to a bright red colour.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -***Nagaland State :***

- Nagaland was formally recognized as a separate state on December 1, 1963, with Kohima declared as its capital.
- It is bounded by Arunachal Pradesh in the northeast, Manipur in the south and Assam in the west and northwest and Myanmar (Burma) in the east.
- Mithun (Gyal) is the state animal of Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh.
- Blyth's Tragopan is the state bird of Nagaland.
- The Konyaks are the largest tribe, followed by the Aos, Tangkhul, Semas and Angami.
- Other tribes include the Lotha, Sangtam, Phom, Chang, Khim Hungama, Yimchungar, Zeliang, Chakhesang (chokri) and Rengm

4. Gadkari calls for joint effort to achieve 5 trillion dollar economy goal (Sept. 9, 2022)

While addressing the 41st Meeting of the Transport Development Council at Bengaluru ,Karnataka on 9 September 2022 ,Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari said that both the Centre and the States should work together to transform the transport sector.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The 41st Transport Development Council meeting was held as part of the 3 day '**Manthan**' organised by the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways at Bengaluru.
- Gadkari said that "In the next five years, both the Centre and the states should work together to transform the transport sector of the country to become a five trillion-dollar economy,"
- In 2019, Prime Minister Narendra Modi envisioned making India a \$5 trillion economy and global powerhouse by **2024-25**.
- He further said that efforts should be made to increase the automobile industry from **7.5 lakhs crore to 15 lakhs crore in the next 5 years** enabling India as a top automobile manufacturing hub in the world.
- Ministers of Transport from Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Manipur, Goa, Karnataka, Delhi and Tamil Nadu participated in the 41st Transport Development Council.

5. Crime Multi Agency Centre (Cri-MAC) (Sept. 3, 2022)

At least seven states and one union territory have not uploaded a single alert on the Crime Multi Agency Centre (Cri-MAC) portal since its launch in March 2020.

Important facts

- West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Mizoram, Manipur, Nagaland and Sikkim and the Union Territories of Dadra, Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu have not uploaded a single alert on the platform.
- Delhi, Assam and Haryana uploaded the highest number of alerts on the portal.

About Crime Multi Agency Centre (Cri-MAC)

- **Launched** - 2020 by the Ministry of Home Affairs(MHA)
- **Objective** - To share information on crime and criminals 24×7 with various law enforcement agencies and ensure seamless flow of information between them.
- **Implementation** - The application is implemented by National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).

Significance of the portal

- It facilitates dissemination of information on important crimes including human trafficking across the country on a real time basis and enables inter-state coordination.
- It helps in the detection, identification of victims of trafficking as well as in crime prevention and investigation.

6. After 100 Years, Nagaland Gets Second Railway Station (Aug. 31, 2022)

The north-eastern state of **Nagaland** has got its second railway station after a gap of more than 119 years with the commissioning of a new branch at **Shokhuvi**.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The first railway station was opened here in the year 1903, which is famous as Dimapur Railway Station.
- State Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio flagged off the Donyi Polo Express from Shokhuvi Railway Station. Describing the day as historic, he called it "Red Letter Day" for the province.
- Earlier, the Donny Polo Express ran daily between Guwahati in Assam and Naharlagun in Arunachal Pradesh. Which has now been extended to Shokhuvi, a few kilometres away from Dimapur, by increasing the number of railway stations.
- Where this railway station is located is a small village called Shokhuvi, which is located 25 km away from the district headquarter Dimapur.

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Protected Areas in Nagaland :

- Intanki National Park
- Singphan Wildlife Sanctuary
- Puliebadze Wildlife Sanctuary
- Fakim Wildlife Sanctuary

Major Festivals :

- The '**Hornbill Festival**' is a festival held in Nagaland every year from 1 to 10 December.

7. 38th Ministerial Meeting of India-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission (Aug. 27, 2022)

The 38th Ministerial Meeting of the India-Bangladesh Joint Rivers Commission was held in New Delhi on August 25, 2022.**IMPORTANT FACTS -**

- The Indian delegation was chaired by Union Minister of Jal Shakti **Gajendra Singh Shekhawat** and the Bangladesh delegation was led by Minister of State for Water Resources **Zaheed Farooq**.
- The two countries discussed a wide range of issues related to Ganga, Teesta and several smaller rivers during the meeting.
- The two sides also discussed the exchange of data and information related to floods, river-bank conservation works, general basin management and India's river interlinking project.
- Bangladesh requested for the early completion of the long pending Teesta water sharing treaty.
- Both sides also finalised a draft Memorandum of Understanding to share the waters of the **Kushiyara River** on an interim basis.
- Both sides welcomed the finalization of the design of the **Feni River** Water Drawing Site and its technical infrastructure to meet the drinking water requirements of Sabroom Town in Tripura.
- It is noteworthy that a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the two countries in this regard in October 2019.
- This meeting was held after a gap of 12 years

Rivers between India and Bangladesh :

- India and Bangladesh share **54 rivers**.
- All are part of the drainage system of the Ganga-Brahmaputra-Meghna (GBM) basin.
- The Padma (Ganga), Jamuna (Brahmaputra) and Meghna (Barak) and their tributaries play an important role in maintaining food and water security in Bangladesh.
- The dispute between India and Bangladesh regarding water resource allocation dates back to the time when Bangladesh was East Pakistan.
- In 1961, India began construction of the **Farakka Barrage** which was to be operational by April 1975.
- When India began its preliminary planning for the project, Pakistan expressed concerns over the potential effect of the project on East Pakistan.

Joint Rivers Commission (JRC) :

- It was constituted in 1972 between India and Bangladesh.

- It is a bilateral mechanism to address issues of mutual interest on common / border / transboundary rivers.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -***About Kushiya River :***

- It is a distributary river in Bangladesh and Assam.
- The water of Kushiya drains into tributaries from Manipur, Mizoram and Assam.

8. India nominates GARBA to be inscribed on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list (Aug. 23, 2022)**India has nominated the dance form Garba to be inscribed in the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage List.****IMPORTANT FACTS -**

- After including 'Durga Puja' in UNESCO's list of intangible cultural heritage last year, India has now nominated 'Garba' dance for 2022.
- India was selected by UNESCO in July 2022 to serve on the Specialized Intergovernmental Committee on the 2003 Convention for the Protection of the Intangible Cultural Heritage.
- India received 110 votes from 155 state parties making the selection final.

Garba Dance :

- It is a type of Indian dance usually performed on festivals and other special occasions in the state of Gujarat, India.
- Traditionally this nine day Hindu festival is performed during Navratri.
- It is a dance performed by women around it by filling an earthen pot, called a garbo, with water.
- A betel nut and silver coin are kept inside the pot, which is called Kumbh. A coconut is placed on top of it.
- The dancing women move round the pot and a singer and a dholak or tabla player give the music.
- 'Garba' is born according to a lamp, which is called Garbhadeep, which means the lamp placed inside the pot.

India's 'Intangible Cultural Heritage' recognized by UNESCO :

- (1) Tradition of Vedic chanting (3) Ramlila, traditional performance of Ramayana (3) Kutiyattam, Sanskrit theatre (4) Ramman, religious festivals and rituals of the Garhwal

Himalayas, India (5) Mudi yettu, ritual theatre and dance drama of Kerala (6) Kalbelia Folk Songs and Dances of Rajasthan (7) Chhau Dance (8) Buddhist Chanting of Ladakh: Recitation of Sacred Buddhist Scriptures in the Ladakh Region of the Himalayas, Jammu and Kashmir, India (9) Sankirtana, Traditional Singing, Nagade of Manipur and dance (10) Brass and copper utensils made by Thathers of Punjab (11) Yoga (12) Navroz, (13) Kumbh Mela (14) Durga Puja, Kolkata.

- UNESCO was established in the year 1945 to develop the "intellectual and moral solidarity of mankind" in the form of lasting peacekeeping.
- UNESCO officially recognizes sites of cultural and natural importance as World Heritage.
- India has a total of 40 Tangible Heritage Sites (31 Cultural, 8 Natural and 1 Mixed) and 14 Intangible Cultural Heritages recognized by UNESCO.

9. Centre bars 13 states from power exchange over dues (Aug. 20, 2022)

Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO), the national grid operator under the Ministry of Power, has barred 12 states and one Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir from buying/selling electricity due to non-payment of dues.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- These states include Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Karnataka, Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Chhattisgarh, Jammu and Kashmir, Rajasthan, Manipur and Mizoram.
- This is the first time that the grid operator has invoked the Electricity (Delay Payment Surcharge and Related Matters) Rules, 2022, to not allow discoms to buy power from alternative short-term sources.
- The total outstanding dues of non-payment discoms is Rs 5,000 crore, of which Telangana has the highest dues of Rs 1,380 crore.
- Under the new Late Payment Surcharge (LPS) rules, it will be implemented from August 19.
- As per the LPS rule, if the discoms do not clear the pending dues to Genco within seven months, their power exchange is suspended.

Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO) :

- It is a wholly owned Government of India Enterprise under the Ministry of Power, Gov of India.
- Earlier it was a wholly owned subsidiary of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID).
- It was set up in March 2009 to handle the power management functions of PGCIL.

- It is responsible for ensuring the integrated operation of the grid in a reliable, efficient and safe manner.
- It consists of 5 Regional Load Despatch Centers and one National Load Despatch Center (NLDC).

10. Asia's oldest football tournament Durand Cup begins on 16 August (Aug. 16, 2022)

The 131st season of the Durand Cup football tournament will be held in several cities across West Bengal, Assam and Manipur for the first time from August 16, 2022.

Important facts

- This year the tournament has increased from 16 to 20 teams in which apart from 11 ISL clubs, 5 clubs from I-League and 4 teams from Armed Forces will also take part.
- The third oldest football tournament in the world and the oldest in Asia, the Durand Cup was first held in Dagshai (Himachal Pradesh) in the year 1888.
- Mohun Bagan and East Bengal are the most successful teams in the history of Durand Cup having won it sixteen times.
- In the previous edition of the tournament, Goa won their maiden Durand Cup title by defeating Mohammedan Sporting 1-0.

131st Durand Cup

- The tournament will have a total of 47 games, with Guwahati and Imphal hosting 10-10-game matches of both Group C and Group D.
- 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 Krirangan (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 Lampak Stadium in Imphal.
- The tournament will culminate with the Grand Finale to be held at VYBK on 18 September 2022.

Groups of the tournament

- **Group A** - FC Goa, Mohammedan Sporting, Bengaluru FC, Jamshedpur FC, Indian Air Force
- **Group B** - ATK Mohun Bagan, East Bengal, Mumbai City FC, Rajasthan United, Indian Navy
- **Group C** - Chennaiyin FC, Hyderabad FC, NEROCA, TRAU, Army Red
- **Group D** - Kerala Blasters, NorthEast United, Odisha FC, Sudeva Delhi FC, Army Green

