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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Almost 60 years after Nagaland attained statehood, the national anthem was played inside its assembly for the first time.
 - Nagaland attained statehood on December 1, 1963, and was the 16th state of the Union.
- ❖ The state of Uttar Pradesh has become the first Indian State that has tabled the paperless budget.

NATIONAL

6th meeting of Governing Council of NITI Aayog

- ❖ The Prime Minister chaired the sixth meeting of the Governing Council of NITI Aayog.
- ❖ The agenda of the meeting included deliberations on agriculture, infrastructure, manufacturing, human resource development, service delivery at the grassroots level, and health and nutrition.
- ❖ The sixth meeting also witnessed the entry of Ladakh for the first time, in addition to the participation of Jammu and Kashmir as a UT.

Puducherry Government resign

- ❖ V Narayana samy, the Chief Minister of the Union Territory of Puducherry, has submitted the letter of his council of ministers' resignation.
- ❖ The decision was taken as the Congress-led Government in the UT lost its majority (14 seats) in the Assembly.
- ❖ Following a series of resignations, the ruling government was reduced to a strength of 12.
- ❖ Two MLAs have resigned in January 2021 while another 2 MLAs resigned in February 2021.

Operational guidelines to Integrate NAFLD

- ❖ The Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has launched the operational guidelines to Integrate the Non-Alcoholic Fatty Liver Disease (NAFLD) with

National Programme for Prevention & Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke (NPCDCS).

NAFLD

- ❖ It is an abnormal condition where fat accumulate in liver in the absence of secondary causes of fatty liver.
- ❖ It will also include the viral hepatitis, alcohol use or medications.

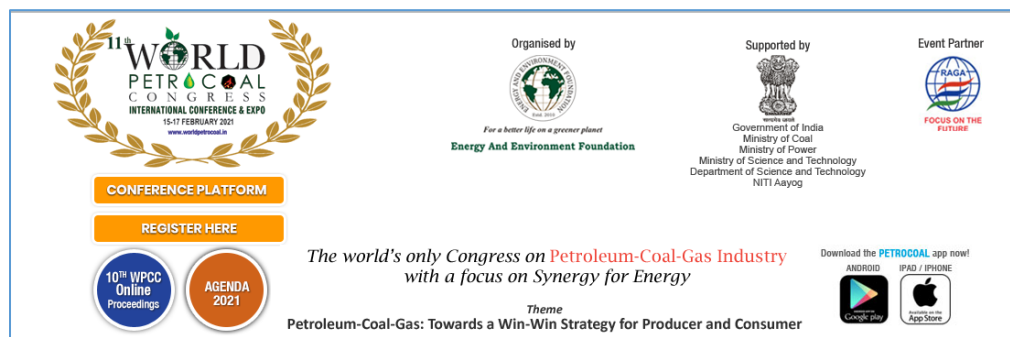
NPCDCS

- ❖ This programme was launched in the year 2010 to prevent and control major Non-Communicable Diseases.
- ❖ The programme focuses on human resource development, strengthening the infrastructure, early diagnosis, health promotion, management and referral.

INTERNATIONAL

11th World PetroCoal Congress 2021

- ❖ 11th World PetroCoal Congress-International Conference and Expo 2021 was organized by the Energy and Environment Foundation.
- ❖ Theme of the event was “Petroleum-Coal-Gas: Towards a Win-Win Strategy for Producer and Consumer”.



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World Future Fuel Summit 2021

- ❖ The World Future Fuel Summit and Expo 2021 was organized by the Energy and Environment Foundation.
- ❖ It is an annual summit to bring together global business leaders, future leaders (students), government, specialist exhibitors from globally.
- ❖ It showcases state-to-art technologies in clean future energy for globally.



Women in Armed Forces

- ❖ Saudi Arabia has opened up the armed forces for Women.
- ❖ Now, the female recruits can now trade their abayas for military uniforms.
- ❖ However, the applicants married to non-Saudi citizens will not be eligible for the recruitment.
- ❖ As per the World Economic Forum's 2016 Global Gender Gap Report, the Saudi Arabia was ranked at 141 out of 144 countries with respect to gender parity.

World's 1st Case of H5N8 Avian Flu

- ❖ Russia reported the first case of transmission of the H5N8 strain of avian flu to humans.
- ❖ The H5N8 is a sub-type of the Influenza A virus.
- ❖ It causes flu-like symptoms in birds and mammals.
- ❖ There was no sign yet of transmission between humans.
- ❖ Till now, it is largely restricted to birds and poultry.
- ❖ Recently, the samples of Crows from Maharashtra's Beed district were found positive for the H5N8 strain.

ECONOMY

State Bank of Sikkim under RBI

- ❖ RBI has brought State Bank of Sikkim under its regulatory purview.
- ❖ It was not regulated by Reserve Bank of India unlike other banks till now.
- ❖ Till now, RBI had the right and obligation to function as banker to all the state government except for the state government of Sikkim.
- ❖ Now the bank will be regulated by the RBI on a par with other banks
- ❖ However, the bank's ownership structure will not change.

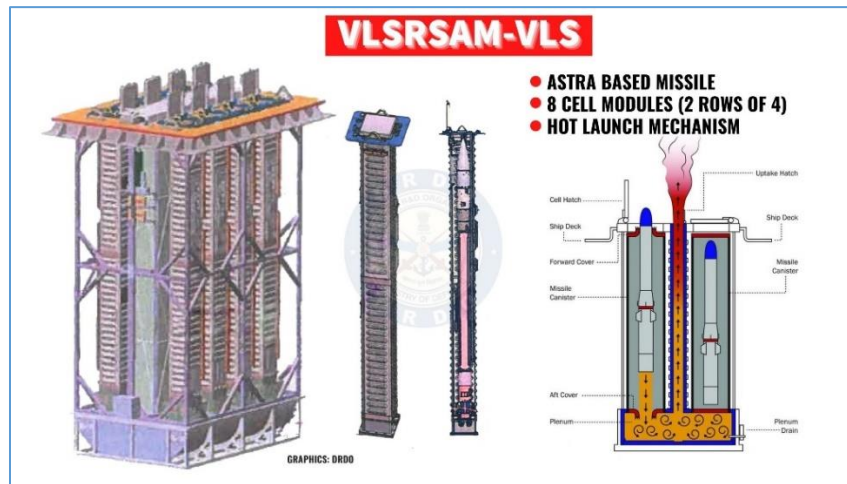
State Bank of Sikkim

- ❖ It was established in 1968, as an autonomous body.
- ❖ It was wholly owned by Government of Sikkim.
It was established under the State Bank of Sikkim Proclamation 1968.
- ❖ The bank provides treasury operations for the state government.
- ❖ It operates only within the jurisdiction of Sikkim.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

VL-SRSAM Missile System

- ❖ The DRDO conducted two successful launches of Vertical Launch Short Range Surface to Air Missile (VL-SRSAM).
- ❖ The VL-SRSAM is indigenously designed and developed by DRDO for Indian Navy
- ❖ It aims to neutralize various aerial threats at close ranges including sea-skimming targets.



ICGS C-453 Interceptor boat

- ❖ The Indian Coast Guard Ship (ICG) named as C-453 was commissioned into services in Chennai
- ❖ This was the 17th interceptor boats out of the 18.
- ❖ They are being indigenously built by Larsen & Toubro Ltd.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Asia Environmental Enforcement Award-2020

- ❖ The Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) has received the Asia Environmental Enforcement Award-2020.
- ❖ This is awarded by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
- ❖ WCCB got the award twice in three years.
- ❖ Wildlife Crime Control Bureau (WCCB) has been awarded this year under the Innovation category.



- ❖ Earlier, the Bureau had received the award in 2018 under the same category.
- ❖ Wildlife Crime Control Bureau is a statutory multi-disciplinary body under the Wild Life (Protection) Amendment Act, 2006.
- ❖ It was established in 2008 by the Government of India under the Ministry of Environment and Forests.
- ❖ It works to combat organized wildlife crime in the country.

