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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The RIC (Russia-India-China) Meeting was organised to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the Second World War.
- ❖ Patanjali has launched its Ayurvedic medicine Coronil, Swasari Vati and Anu Taila.
 - It claims that the drug can treat COVID-19.
- ❖ Saudi Arabia announced that it will hold a "very limited" Hajj this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
 - The Hajj pilgrimage in the holy city of Mecca is considered a must for Muslims at least once in their lifetime.
- ❖ The United States Government has decided to suspend 'Green Cards and Non-Migrant Work Visas' till the 31st December 2020 in an effort to protect jobs.

NATIONAL

Virtual Healthcare & Hygiene Expo 2020

- ❖ It was e-inaugurated by Mansukh Mandaviya (Union Minister of State for Chemicals & Fertilizers).
- ❖ The exhibition is the first-ever virtual exhibition in India.
- ❖ It was organized by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI).

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INTERNATIONAL

Treasury Securities of USA

- ❖ India (USD 157.4 billion) has become the 12th largest holder of United States Government Securities.
- ❖ On behalf of the Government of India, India's Central bank - The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) invests in foreign assets.
- ❖ The Treasury Securities backed by the United States Treasury Department is one of the safest assets for any Central Bank around the world.
- ❖ Top 3 Countries (at the end of April 2020)
 - Japan - USD 1.266 Trillion
 - China - USD 1.073 Trillion
 - United Kingdom - USD 368.5 Billion

Island dispute between China and Japan

- ❖ A group of Islands without inhabitants located at the South China Sea has been a point of disagreement between Japan and China since 1972.
- ❖ The island is known by the name Senkakus in Japan, while in the People's Republic of China and Taiwan the Islands are known by the name Diaoyu.
- ❖ The Senkaku Islands are located in the East China Sea between Japan, the People's Republic of China, and the Republic of China (Taiwan).
- ❖ The entire area under which the Senkaku Islands are located is known by the name Tonoshiro in Japan.
- ❖ The Tonoshiro area will be renamed as Tonoshiro Senkaku as per Japan's new Law.



SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

CIPREMI

- ❖ The Union Health Ministry added 'Remdesivir' only for restricted emergency use for Covid 19.
- ❖ Hetero and Cipla Pharmaceuticals were granted approval by the Drug Controller General of India for the production and marketing of this antiviral drug Remdesivir.
- ❖ Under the brand name 'Covifor', the Hyderabad based Hetero Pharmaceuticals' generic version of Remdesivir will be marketed in India.
- ❖ The United States-based biopharmaceutical company, Gilead Sciences is the developer of this drug.
- ❖ Cipla was granted the voluntary non-exclusive by Gilead Science for manufacturing and marketing of the drug in India under generic drug name 'CIPREMI'.
- ❖ Covifor is the second such drug to enter the Indian market after Fabiflu by Glenmark.
- ❖ Japan was the first country to approve Remdesivir drug as a treatment for COVID-19.
- ❖ United Kingdom, Singapore, and Japan are the only countries where the drug has been approved.

BeiDou Satellite System 3 (BDS - 3)

- ❖ China completed the launch of its final satellite of BDS - 3.
- ❖ It is a part of the third generation of the BeiDou Navigation Satellite System (BDS-3) and was the 55th satellite of the Beidou system.
- ❖ BDS-3 has started providing global navigation services from December 2018 to countries that had signed the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) of China.
- ❖ BeiDou means 'Big Dipper' in Mandarin.
- ❖ It is an effort to compete with the United States Government's NAVSTAR Global Positioning System (GPS), Russia's GLONASS, and the Galileo Systems of the European Union.

ENVIRONMENT

Decarbonising Transport in India

- ❖ NITI Aayog will launch the project 'Decarbonising Transport in India'.
- ❖ The project is in collaboration with the International Transport Forum (ITF).
- ❖ It is aimed for reducing the carbon dioxide emission caused due to transportation in the country.
- ❖ India's Decarbonising Transport initiative is a part of the DTEE project.
- ❖ DTEE stands for Decarbonising Transport in Emerging Economies.
- ❖ DTEE is a project of ITF under which Argentina, Morocco, and Azerbaijan are the participants.
- ❖ ITF is an intergovernmental organization with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OCED).

STATES

Mukhyamantri SHRAMIK

- ❖ Jharkhand is to become the second state after Kerala to launch a job guarantee scheme.
- ❖ It will be on the lines of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MNREGA).
- ❖ It will focus on providing 100-day work for the unskilled workers living in the urban areas of the state.
- ❖ It will be named Mukhyamantri SHRAMIK (Shahri Rozgar Manjuri For Kamgar).
- ❖ Ayyankali Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme (AUEGS) is the 100-day employment guarantee scheme of the Kerala Government for urban poor.

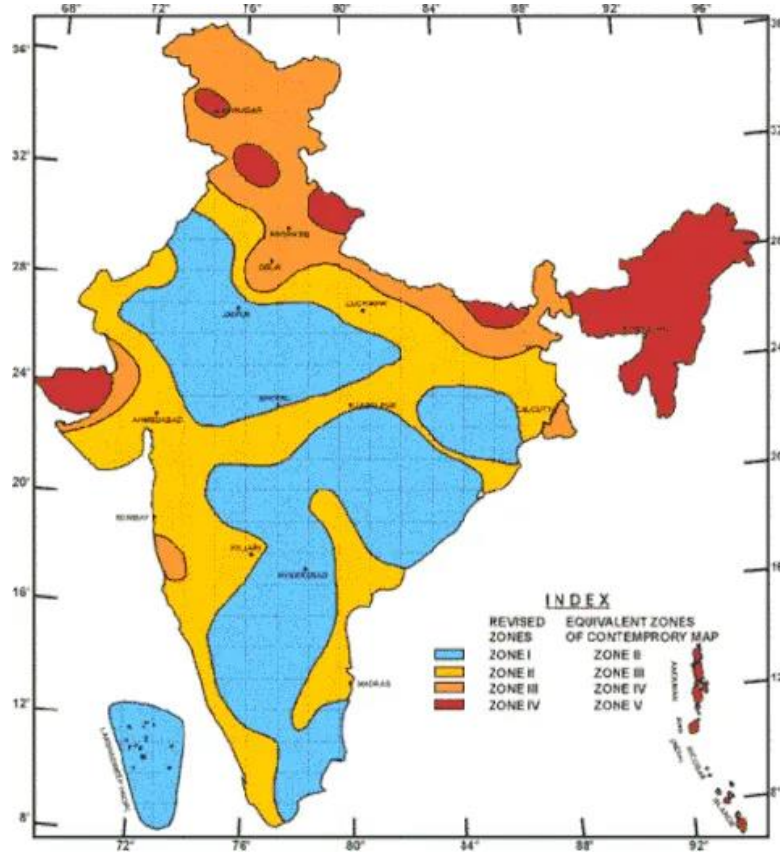
Indira Rasoī Yojna (Indira Kitchen Scheme)

- ❖ The Rajasthan state Government launched this scheme.
- ❖ It is to provide pure and nutritious food to the economically weaker sections of the society.

Earthquakes in Northeast

- ❖ A medium intensity earthquake of 5.1 magnitude rocked Mizoram, Meghalaya, Manipur and the other northeastern States.

- ❖ As per the seismic hazard map of India, both the states of Mizoram and Tripura lie entirely in Zone V.



IMPORTANT DAYS

International Olympic Day - June 23

- ❖ On 23rd June 1894, the International Olympic Committee was founded in Paris, France.
- ❖ It was first celebrated in the year 1948.



United Nations Public Service Day - June 23

- ❖ In 2002, the United Nations General Assembly designated 23rd June to be observed as 'United Nations Public Service Day.
- ❖ It aims to highlight the value and virtue of public service to the community.

