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INTERNATIONAL

1) "The State of the World's Children 2021"

Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya has released UNICEF's global flagship publication "The State of the World's Children 2021; On My Mind: promoting, protecting and caring for children's mental health in New Delhi. The report details the significant impact of COVID-19 pandemic on children's mental health.

NATIONAL

1) Wada Kolam rice

A variety of rice widely grown in Wada in the Palghar district has been given a 'Geographical Indication' tag, which will give it a unique identity as well as wider markets. Wada Kolam, also known as Zini or Jhini rice, is a traditional variety grown in the Wada tehsil of Palghar, with the grain being off white in colour.

2) PM MITRA parks

The Centre has approved the setting up of seven new mega textile parks, or PM MITRA (Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel Parks) across the country in an effort to help furthering the growth of the textile sector in the economy and position India strongly on the Global textiles map. The '5F' Formula consists of Farm to fibre; fibre to factory; factory to fashion; fashion to foreign.

STATE NEWS

1) App Fishwaale

Assam Minister for Fisheries Parimal Suklabaidya launched an App Fishwaale, India's first efish market. Table size fish such as bhangon, mrigal and rohu and freshwater and seawater frozen fish (icebox) will be available coupled with dry fish packets, dry fish raw, fish pickles and processed fish products.

2) 'Swechha' programme

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy has launched the 'Swechha' program to tackle the stigma attached to menstruation, prioritize female personal hygiene, and encourage a healthy dialogue of information.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) 'Postpe'

BharatPe, announced its entry into the 'Buy Now Pay Later' category with the launch of 'postpe'. The new platform provides credit to customers to buy now, but pay later from anywhere. Customers using the postpe platform can download the app from Play Store and avail interest-free credit limit of up to Rs 10 lakh.

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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Nobel Prize in Literature 2021

The Nobel Prize in Literature 2021 was awarded to Abdulrazak Gurnah born in Zanzibar and active in England, "for his uncompromising and compassionate penetration of the effects of colonialism and the fate of the refugee in the gulf between cultures and continents."

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1) Mosquirix

The World Health Organisation endorsed the world's first Malaria Vaccine in the hope that it will spur stalled efforts to curb the spread of the parasitic disease. Malaria is a life-threatening disease caused by parasites that are transmitted to people through the bites of infected female Anopheles mosquitoes. It is preventable and curable.

GEOGRAPHY AND ENVIRONMENT

1) New Tiger Reserve

The National Tiger Conservation Authority has designated the combined areas of the Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary as a Tiger Reserve. It is located in the northern part of Chhattisgarh, bordering Madhya Pradesh and Jharkhand.

OBITUARY

1) Arvind Trivedi

Veteran television actor Arvind Trivedi, who is famously known for his iconic role of demon-king Raavan in Ramanand Sagar's TV serial Ramayan, has passed away. He was 82. He was also part of the political field, as an MP from Sabarkatha constituency in Gujarat.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Cotton Day

World Cotton Day is observed globally on 7th October. The international day aims to celebrate the advantages of cotton, ranging from its qualities as a natural fibre to the benefits people obtain from its production, transformation, trade and consumption.

SPORTS

1) 2024 European Championship

Germany has unveiled the logo for soccer's 2024 European Championship during a ceremony with a light show in the stadium that will hold the final. The logo features an outline of the Henri Delaunay Cup — the bulbous tournament trophy — set on a coloured oval outline that resembles the Olympiastadion's roof.