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NATIONAL AFFAIRS

'Swavalamban Sashakt'

- SIDBI and Confederation of Women Entrepreneurs of India have launched "Swavalamban Sashakt-Mega campaign" to encourage and to create awareness about the Stand Up India scheme of Central Government.

Naval Electronic Systems

- Indian Navy and Indian Institute of Technology Delhi signed a Memorandum of Understanding to further their relationship on research in the underwater domain of Naval Electronic Systems.

Govt to sell 20% stake in National Fertilizers

- The Central Government is all set to sell 20% stake in National Fertilizers Ltd out of its shareholding of 74.71% through an Offer For Sale.
- To initiate the sale process, the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management has invited tenders from merchant banks.

"Jalabhishekam Water Conservation Campaign"

- Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh, inaugurated 57,000 water structures under the "Jalabhishekam Water Conservation Campaign".

- The conservation work will help to achieve the goal of water conservation and build a self-reliant Madhya Pradesh.

STATE AFFAIRS

Meghalaya Police signs MoU with SBI

- Meghalaya Police has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with State Bank of India for implementation of e-Challan in the jurisdiction of Shillong Traffic Police.

Police Museum

- The state of Madhya Pradesh has launched a Police Museum at the police headquarters in Bhind, Madhya Pradesh.
- Several other items related to the Chambal dacoits will come up at the police museum.

BUSINESS & ECONOMY

USD 400 million to Maldives project

- The Reserve Bank of India has announced that the Export-Import Bank of India will provide USD 400 million to Maldives project.
- It will provide the fund for the Greater Male Connectivity Project.

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ENVIRONMENT & GEOGRAPHY

Flood forecasting

- The **UT of Jammu & Kashmir** and a **United Kingdom based space agency** have joined hands to work on a collaborative project on the **impact-based flood forecasting**.
- The project is supported by the **national space innovation** programme.

Mandarin duck

- The **Mandarin duck** which is a **colourful duck** from eastern Asia was spotted in **Assam** recently after **118 years**.
- Mandarin duck is the habitat of **eastern China and southern Japan**.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

“Turn Around India: 2020 – Surmounting Past Legacy”

- **Jual Oram**, Member of Parliament released the **RP Gupta’s** new book titled **“Turn Around India: 2020-Surmounting Past Legacy”** on creating awareness among masses.
- The book was published by **Himalaya Publishing House**.

IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day of Women and Girls in Science

- The **United Nations International Day of Women and Girls in Science** is annually observed across the world on **11th February**.
- 2021 THEME: **“Women Scientists at the forefront of the fight against COVID-19”**.

World Unani Day

- **World Unani Day** is annually observed across the globe on **11th February**.
- The day marks the **birth anniversary of Hakim Ajmal Khan**, a great Unani scholar and social reformer.