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INTERNATIONAL

1) Viva Engage

- Microsoft has announced that it is introducing Viva Engage, a new app in Teams that helps build community and connection, along with providing tools for personal expression.
- Built on the foundation of Yammer, Viva Engage brings people together across the organisation to connect with leaders and coworkers, find answers to questions, share their unique stories, and find belonging at work.

2) Ookla's Speedtest Global Index

- India's rankings fell by three spots in the median mobile speeds, according to Ookla's Speedtest Global Index. India has at the number 115th spot in May this year, but it dropped down to 118th in June.
- India's median download speeds on fixed broadband marked an improvement at 48.11 Mbps in June 2022, from 47.86 Mbps in the previous month.

NATIONAL

1) Human Space Flight Expo

- Indian Space Research Organisation, ISRO Chairman S Somnath inaugurated the Human Space Flight Expo at Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium in Bengaluru to commemorate the Azadi ki Amrit Mahotsav.
- ISRO is embarking on its maiden unmanned mission Gaganyaan soon and the exhibition showcased the crew module, GSLV Mark III human-rated launch vehicle and crew escape systems.

STATE NEWS

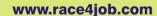
1) 'Swanirbhar Naari'

- Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has launched 'Swanirbhar Naari', a scheme to empower indigenous weavers in Assam's Guwahati.
- The state government will procure handloom items directly from indigenous weavers via a web portal under the scheme.

2) Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation

- Minister of Jal Shakti said that Kaleshwaram Lift Irrigation was not eligible for

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inclusion under the National Project Scheme as Telangana has obtained investment clearance from Centre.

- It is a multi-purpose irrigation project on the Godavari River in Kaleshwaram

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) FICCI has downgraded 7% for 2022-23

- Industry body Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry has downgraded India's economic output estimate for this financial year by 40 basis points to 7% for 2022-23.
- In April, FICCI had estimated India's growth at 7.4% for 2022-23.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Mario Draghi

- Prime Minister of Italy, Mario Draghi has stepped down from his post after key coalition parties withdrew their support for his government on measures tackling the high cost of living. Draghi submitted his resignation to President Sergio Mattarella.
- Recently, Italy's inflation rate hit 8 per cent in June, its highest level since 1986, according to the statistical agency.

2) Rajarshi Gupta

- Rajarshi Gupta has been appointed as Managing Director of ONGC Videsh. He was recommended for the position by the Public Enterprise Selection Board (PESB).
- He has more than 33 years of wide-ranging experience in supervisory, managerial and strategic planning capacities in domestic and international operations of ONGC and ONGC Videsh.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Federation of Neurology

- The World Federation of Neurology celebrates World Brain Day on every July 22, focusing on a different theme each year.
- World Brain Day 2022 is dedicated to the theme "Brain Health for all".