

Committee to Assess TRP System of TV Channels



- The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has constituted a four-member committee to assess the existing Television Rating Points (TRP) of TV channels on November 4, 2020. The committee will be chaired by PrasarBharati CEO Shashi S. Vempati.
- The committee will be responsible to address the needs of the stakeholders and make necessary recommendation for a rating system which shall be 'robust, transparent and accountable' .
- TRP is calculated in India by the Broadcast Audience Research Council (BARC) using a device called Bar-O-Meter, which is installed in over 45,000 households across the country.

Ganga Utsav 2020 Held



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- The three-day long Ganga Utsav-2020 has been organised virtually by the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) jointly with the Ministry of Jal Shakti from November 2-4, 2020.
- The annual event is organised every year with an objective to promote stakeholder engagement and ensure public participation under aegis of Ganga Knowledge Center.
- The 2020 edition marks the 12th anniversary of Ganga being accorded the status of National River, on 4th November 2008.
- The iconic Indian superhero, ChachaChaudhary has been selected as the brand ambassador for the centrally –sponsored Namami Ganga Programme.

Food Safety Compliance System Launched

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- The FSSAI The Food Safety Compliance System (FoSCoS) became operation in the entire country from November 1, 2020.
- The system is operational in nine States/ UT's – Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Gujarat, Odisha, Chandigarh, Goa, Manipur, Puducherry and Ladakh since June .
- FoSCoS is conceptualized to provide one point stop for all engagement of a Food Business Operator (FBO) with the department for any regulatory compliance transaction.

‘Direct Port Entry Safety Facility’

Inaugurated



- Union Minister MansukhMandaviya has inaugurated the ‘Direct Port Entry (DPE) facility’ of VO Chidambaranar Port Trust in Tamil Nadu on October 27, 2020.
- This will help in enhancing Ease of Doing Business for the exporters, as the facility will bring efficiency and reduce dwell time, lower tariff cost and improve the competitiveness of shipper in the international trade.
- The DPE facility would enable direct movement of containers from factories, without intermediate handling at any Container Freight Station (CFS), thus facilitating the shippers to Gate-In their factory stuffed exports directly to the Container Terminal on 24*7 basis.

Two Centers of Excellence for Tribal Welfare Launched



- Union Minister of Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda launched two Centers of Excellence (CoE) for Tribal Welfare in collaboration between Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) and Art of Living (AoL) through video conference on October 27, 2020.
- The first CoE has been launched in Aurangabad district of Maharashtra for training of about 10000 tribal farmers in the field of sustainable natural farming based on Go- Adharith farming techniques.
- The second CoE has been launched in Jharkhand in the field of ‘Strengthening PRIs’ in 5 districts of the state covering 30 Gram Panchayats and 150 villages.

India’s First ‘NyayKaushal’ Inaugurated



- CJI Sharad A. Bobde inaugurates ‘NyayKaushal’ an e-resource centre in the premises of Judicial Official Training Institute in Nagpur.
- It will be the first e –resource centre in India having the facilities like e-filing , e-hearing of cases. The centre would facilitate filing of online cases in the Supreme Court of India , High Courts as well as District Courts across the country.

Panel for Reforms in Urban Planning

Education



- NITI Aayog has constituted a 14-member advisory committee to look into introducing reforms in the urban planning education system.

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- The panel will be headed by NITI Aayog Vice-Chairman Rajiv Kumar and will examine the availability, demand and supply of qualified urban planners in the country.
- The panel will review the current urban planning education system in India in terms of multi-disciplinarity, curriculum and related issues at graduate and post graduate levels in the context of the challenges posed by rapid urdanization.

First-ever High Khadi Fabric Footwear

Launched



- Union Minister NitinGadkari launched India's first-ever high quality Khadi Fabric Footwear , designed by Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC).
- These footwear is made of Khadi fabric like Silk, Cotton and Wool.
- The footwear has been launched in 15 designs for ladies and 10 designs for men and their prices are in the range of Rs. 1100 to Rs. 3300 per pair.
- He also launched the online sale of Khadi footwear through KVIC's e-portal www.khadiindia.gov.in