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Kayakalp Award

Why in News

Recently, 67 Public Health Care Facility Centers were given Kayakalp Awards for the years 2019-20 and 2020-21 by Jharkhand Health Minister Banna Gupta.

Key Points

- Among the awards presented by the Health Minister, the award was given to Pakur district hospital for the year 2019-20 and to Ramgarh and Khunti district hospitals for 2020-21. Apart from these, 32 Primary Health Centers (PHCs), 4 Community Health Centers (CHCs) and 28 Health and Care Centers were also given Kayakalp Awards.
- It is noteworthy that the **Kayakalp Award is given to** health care facility centers since 2015 for maintaining cleanliness in the campus.

Medico City in Kanke, Ranchi

Why in News

 Recently, Additional Chief Secretary, Health Department, Arun Kumar Singh informed that a Medico City would be set up at Rinpas, Kanke, Ranchi.

Key Points

- Medico City will be constructed on 100 acres of land.
- With the formation of Medico City, people will be able to get super speciality health facilities within the state itself and there will be no need to go outside the state for treatment.

Fiber Internet Connection in Jamshedpur

Why in News

Recently, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has decided to install 1 lakh new fiber internet connections in Jamshedpur in the next three years.

Key Points

At present there are 35,000 subscribers of BSNL's 'Fiber to the Home' (FTTH) or 'Ghar Tak Fiber' internet service in Jharkhand, out of which 17,000 are in Jamshedpur only.

- > Jamshedpur accounts for about 45% of the total **development** of BSNL's fiber internet service in Jharkhand circle. As a result the main focus of the company is Jamshedpur.
- **BSNL** is also focusing on expanding this service to three other districts, namely, Seraikela, Kharsanwan and West Singhbhum adjoining East Singhbhum falling in the Jamshedpur commercial area.

Jharkhand Gets Bronze Medal in 'Gatka' Championship

Why in News

> Recently Vinayak Vaibhav of Jharkhand won the bronze medal in the 5th All India Gatka Championship held at the National College of Physical Education, Patiala, Punjab.

Key Points

- Players from 23 states participated in the Sikh martial arts style 'Gatka' competition, out of which Vinayak Vaibhay of Jharkhand won the bronze medal.
- The winners were felicitated by the President of 'Gatka Federation of India' Harcharan Singh Bhullar, General Secretary Baljinder Singh Toor and National Coordinator Dilip Singh.
- On the other hand, the welcome ceremony of Vinayak Vaibhav and the entire team was organized by 'Jharkhand Gatka Association' at Nanhe Kadam Play School.
- Gatka is a traditional martial art, historically related to Sikh Gurus. Gatka made its presence felt in the sports arena in the year 2008 with the establishment of 'Gatka Federation of India'. It has also been included in the 'Khelo India Youth Game' in the year 2021.

Cyber Forensic Labs in 6 Districts of the State

Why in News

> According to the Information Technology and e-Governance Department of Jharkhand, a proposal has been prepared to set up cyber forensic laboratories in six districts of the state to tackle cyber crimes and to trace perpetrators of crimes against women using cyberspace.



Key Points

- According to the Department of IT and e-Governance, these six cyber forensic laboratories will be set up at Deoghar, Jamshedpur, Jamtara, Palamu, Giridih and Dhanbad. Jamtara is known as the 'Cyber Crime Capital' of India.
- For this the department will also sign an MoU with Center for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC).
- These laboratories will be used by the police for forensic examination on various electronic devices like mobile phones and computers recovered from the crime scene and will help the law enforcement agency in solving cyber crimes as well as crimes of other nature.
- According to Jharkhand Police, cyber criminals (mostly school dropouts residing in interior areas) use 'phishing' as one of the most effective ways to dupe people. Phishing is a process in which cyber criminals pose as trusted representatives of banks and finance companies over a phone call and ask for the personal banking details of their target.
- ➤ In July, the Union Home Ministry had set up at least 18 cyber forensic laboratories across the country to fight cyber crime and crime against women with increasing use of cyberspace.

27 PSA Plants Inaugurated in 19 Districts of the State

Why in News

On October 6, 2021, Chief Minister Hemant Soren and Health Minister Banna Gupta inaugurated various schemes and facilities of the Health Department including 27 PSA (Pressure Swing Adsorption) plants in 19 districts of the state. Along with this, the Chief Minister also inaugurated a PSA plant at Ranchi Sadar Hospital with a capacity to produce 100 liters of oxygen per minute and Cobas 6800 machine at RIMS, Ranchi.

Key Points

The Chief Minister and the Health Minister also inaugurated the Pediatric High Dependency Unit (PHDU) online at Angara, Gondlipokar. This facility has been established in association with Yogda Satsang Society of India.

- Arun Kumar Singh, Additional Chief Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department said that PSA plants have been inaugurated under the Prime Minister's Care Fund for the prevention and treatment of Covid-19 at 27 places in 19 districts of the state. At the same time, a Central Laboratory has been constructed in RIMS to provide all kinds of blood related facilities to the public.
- ➤ He said that with the establishment of Cobas 6800 Lab, more than 1200 tests of RT PCR samples of Covid-19 will be done daily. Also, with the installation of 256 slices CT scan in the New Trauma Center, patients will be able to get high quality brain coronary angiography apart from scanning the analysis of lungs.

Ranchi: The Only District with Active Mucormycosis Cases

Why in News

According to the latest data compiled by the Integrated Disease Surveillance Program (IDSP) on October 7, 2021, Ranchi is the only district in Jharkhand that currently has active cases of mucormycosis.

Key Points

- According to IDSP data, in the last eight months, at least 18 of the state's 24 districts had witnessed a fungal infection with a fatality rate of 50 per cent and claimed 31 lives.
- Out of 168 cases of mucormycosis reported in the state so far, 66 cases have been found in Ranchi and 11 out of 31 deaths have occurred.
- As per records, there were only three patients of mucormycosis (commonly known as black fungus) in Jharkhand on October 7, and all three of them are undergoing treatment in Ranchi.
- At the same time, 25 cases of mucormycosis have been reported in East Singhbhum, which is second among the districts of the state, while 11 people were found infected with mucormycosis in Hazaribagh. In other affected districts, 9 people were found infected in Bokaro, 8 each in Dhanbad and Giridih, 7 in Ramgarh and 6 in Palamu.
- Of the 31 deaths in the state, 11 were in Ranchi, five in East Singhbhum, three in Ramgarh, two each in Dhanbad and Godda and one each in Bokaro, Chatra,



- Deoghar, Dumka, Garhwa, Giridih, Hazaribagh and Koderma.
- Mucormycosis is a rare infection caused by exposure to mucor mold found in soil, plants, manure and rotting fruits and vegetables. Jharkhand notified mucormycosis as an epidemic earlier this year following directions from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Inauguration of Several Oxygen Plants

Why in News

On October 7, 2021, Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) dedicated 3 PSA Oxygen Plants installed at Central Hospital Gandhinagar, Central Hospital Ramgarh and CHC Tandwa to the public.

Key Points

- > It is noteworthy that 35 PSA oxygen plants in 35 states and union territories across the country were dedicated to the nation by Prime Minister Narendra Modi through virtual medium from AIIMS Rishikesh.
- CCL has also signed an MoU with Bokaro District Administration for construction of two 200 LPM PSA plants at COVID Hospital, Bokaro.
- Along with this 2 PSA Oxygen Plants are under construction at CHC Ormanjhi and CHC Sonahatu.
- The plant at Gandhinagar Hospital was inaugurated by Rajya Sabha MP Deepak Prakash, while Mandu MLA Jai Prakash Bhai Patel inaugurated the Oxygen Plant at Central Hospital, Ramgarh.
- As per the company's CSR policy, three plants are being set up at Tandwa, Ormanjhi and Sonahatu with a capacity of 200 LPM. The plants at Central Hospitals- Gandhinagar and Ramgarh have a capacity of 1,000 LPM.

Appointment of Four New Judges in Jharkhand High Court

Why in News

On October 8, 2021, Chief Justice of Jharkhand High Court Dr. Ravi Ranjan administered the oath of office and secrecy to four new judges.

Key Points

- > These newly appointed judges are- Ambuj Nath, Gautam Kumar Choudhary, Navneet Kumar and Sanjay Prasad.
- It is known that the names of 5 judges were recommended by the Supreme Court Collegium to the Central Government for appointment to the Jharkhand High Court, but only four names were approved by the Central Government.
- The total sanctioned posts of judges in the Jharkhand High Court are 25, but even after these new appointments, the total number of judges posted is only 19 at present.
- It is noteworthy that before the formation of Jharkhand state, the first circuit bench of Patna High Court was established in Ranchi on 6th March, 1972, which got the status of a permanent bench in 1976, but in present form Jharkhand High Court came into existence on 15th November, 2000 when the state of Bihar was reorganized and a new state of Jharkhand emerged.

One Lakh People Vaccinated by Mobile Van in Ranchi

Why in News

On October 11, 2021, the number of mobile vans administered anti-COVID-19 vaccines in Ranchi crossed one lakh, making Ranchi the first district in Jharkhand to achieve this feat.

Key Points

- > To protect against corona in Ranchi, vaccination was started from a mobile van on May 28, 2021, which made this record by touching the figure of one lakh on October 11, 2021.
- Initially vaccination was started by only 2 mobile vans, but at present the service of 11 mobile vans is being taken.
- It may be noted that mobile vaccination was started with the aim of resolving the technical problem of online registration regarding Kovid-19 vaccination and non-internet friendly of a large population, in which the people were given the phone number (7546028221) so that they can request for vaccination by calling
- Due to this process, especially the elderly, differentlyabled and disabled people from slum areas have benefited immensely.



Jharkhand High Court Gets one More Judge

Why in News

On October 11, 2021, a notification was issued by the President for the transfer of Allahabad High Court Judge Subhash Chand to the Jharkhand High Court.

Key Points

- ➤ With the appointment of Justice Subhash Chand, the total number of judges in the Jharkhand High Court will increase to 20, while the total sanctioned posts of judges in the Jharkhand High Court are 25, i.e. 5 posts are still vacant.
- It is to be noted that earlier on October 6, 2021 also, a notification was issued by the President for the appointment of 4 new judges in the Jharkhand High Court and on October 8, 2021, these judges took oath of office and secrecy.
- On October 8, 2021, Ambuj Nath, Gautam Kumar Choudhary, Navneet Kumar, Sanjay Prasad were sworn in by the Chief Justice of Jharkhand High Court, Dr. Ravi Ranjan.
- ➤ It may be noted that the **Supreme Court Collegium** had recommended the names of 5 judges for appointment to the Jharkhand High Court.

Waste Paper Award

Why in News

Recently, the team of 'NIFT' Hatia (Jharkhand) has won the Waste Paper Award for their research, at the 12th Conference on Material Processing and Characterization, 2021 organized by National Institute of Technical Teachers Training, Chandigarh.

Key Points

- The conference was organized in online mode, in which a total of 239 researchers from India and abroad presented their research in the field of Material Science.
- The team of NIFT, Hatia (winner of the Waste Paper Award) included Kumar Satyam, Divya Prakash Srivastava and Saurabh Kumar, under the guidance of Prof Raikumar Ohdar.
- Researchers from countries like India, Ethiopia, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, United

- Arab Emirates, USA and Vietnam participated in the conference.
- In this four-day conference, 11 prominent scientists of the country and abroad gave their research related lectures.

Jharkhand's Ramgarh lags behind in NITI Aayog's Delta Ranking

Why in News

In the Delta ranking recently released by NITI Aayog on the basis of the survey for July-August 2021, Latehar and Ramgarh of Jharkhand have been ranked 111th and 112th respectively, while Gajapati district of Odisha has got the first position.

Key Points

- Earlier, Latehar was 13th and Ramgarh 22nd in the Delta rankings, but they have lagged behind due to slow pace of development plans.
- The Delta Ranking launched by NITI Aayog shows the incremental progress in developmental areas such as health and nutrition, education, agriculture and water resources, financial inclusion, skill development and basic infrastructure in aspirational districts of the country.
- It is noteworthy that the Aspirational District Program launched in 2018 aims to bring about rapid transformation in these districts, which have made comparative progress in key social sectors.

Pradhanmantri Awas Yojna (Rural) scheme

Why in News

According to the recently released data, in the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (Gramin, Awas Plus) in Jharkhand, tribal district Simdega is at the first place with 93.25 percent target achievement, while Ranchi district is second with 91.99 percent target achievement.

Key Points

According to the data, Ranchi district was given a target of 17,958 houses for 2021-22. Against this



- target, 16,520 beneficiaries have been approved for the housing scheme.
- Khalari block has become the first block in Ranchi which completed the target five months back. In Khalari block, a target was set to provide housing to 105 beneficiaries for the financial year 2021-22, which has been completed.
- ➤ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana was launched in the year 2015. The benefit of this scheme is given to the economically weaker section of the rural area, who do not have their own pucca house. They are given financial assistance for building a house or repairing a kutcha house. Under the scheme, an assistance of Rs 1.30 lakh is given to the people living in rural areas and Rs 1.20 lakh in urban areas.
- The objective of PMAY (Gramin) is to provide a pucca house with basic amenities to all homeless households and families living in kutcha and dilapidated houses.
- > The minimum size of the house has been increased from 20 sqm to 25 sqm with clean cooking space. Similarly, the unit assistance has been increased from Rs 70,000 to Rs 1.20 lakh in plain areas and Rs 75,000 to Rs 1.30 lakh in hilly states and difficult areas.
- The cost of the unit assistance is to be shared between the Center and the State Government in the ratio of 60:40 in the plain areas and 90:10 for the North Eastern and Himalayan States.

Kojagra Festival

Why in News

On October 19, 2021, Mithila Cultural Council (MSP), Bokaro organized 'Kojagra Utsav' at Mithila Academy Public School Auditorium, Bokaro Steel City to commemorate 'Maa Lakshmi Puja'.

Key Points

- A grand cultural festival was organized on this occasion, in which solo songs and group songs were presented by artists Arun Pathak, Preeti Rai, Sujata Jha, Madhu Jha, Kiran Jha, Neelu Jha, Kiran Mishra, Preeti Priya, Alka Jha in Maithili language.
- MSP general secretary Avinash Kumar Jha said that on this day, people of the society worship Goddess Lakshmi and pray for happiness and prosperity.
- This festival is celebrated in every household on the day of Ashwin Purnima. Especially in the house of

- newly married youths of the society, it is celebrated as a big festival.
- There is a tradition of **eating 'paan' and 'makhan'** as prasad on this day.

World Trade Center to be built in Ranchi

Why in News

During the cabinet meeting on October 21, 2021, an amount of Rs 27 crore 42 lakh was approved by the state government for the construction of World Trade Center in Ranchi Smart City.

Key Points

- In this World Trade Center, all facilities related to international business will be found in one complex. Facilities ranging from currency exchange to money transfer can also be found here. Apart from this, other facilities of air cargo, ship container and export management will also be available.
- There will also be a regional office of the Directorate General of Foreign Trade and offices attached to the Federation of Indian Exports. Apart from this, space will be provided for companies involved in import-export.
- Here companies doing international business will also get a place to display and promote their products.
- This World Trade Center will be built with the cooperation of both the Center and the State, the Central Government has given Rs 9.8 crore to the State Government for the establishment of the World Trade Center. The total cost of the scheme is Rs 48 crore.
- In the year 2018 itself, the central government approved the plan to open the World Trade Center in Ranchi. After that the first installment of the assistance amount was also allocated by the Center to the state government, but till now the work on the scheme could not be started.

11th National Junior Women's Hockey Championship

Why in News

On October 20, 2021, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren inaugurated the 11th National Junior



Women's Hockey Championship at Astro Turf Stadium, Simdega. Teams from 27 states will participate in this competition, which will run till October 29.

Key Points

- > The opening match was played between the hosts Jharkhand and Tamil Nadu. This competition was to be held in the month of April, but it was canceled due to the Covid-19 epidemic.
- One of the most remote and backward districts of the state, Simdega is known as the hockey capital of the state. The 11th National Sub-Junior Women's Hockey Championship was held here a few months back.
- The teams are divided into eight pools. Kerala, Tamil Nadu with Jharkhand in Pool-A, Haryana, Assam, Rajasthan in Pool-B, Mizoram in Pool-C, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh in Pool-D, Uttarakhand, Manipur, Maharashtra, Delhi in Pool-E and Gujarat, Chandigarh, Bihar, Goa, Jammu and Kashmir in Pool-F, Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh in Pool-G and Karnataka, Punjab, West Bengal and Lakshadweep, Puducherry in Pool-H has gone.
- Apart from this, the Chief Minister also laid the foundation stone of the new Astro Turf Hockey Stadium in Simdega and Khunti districts.
- Simdega and Khunti districts of Jharkhand are recognized as the nursery of hockey. Salima Tete, who played for the Indian women's team in the Olympics held this year, and Nikki Pradhan are residents of Khunti. Ansuta Lakra, former captain of the Indian women's hockey team, is also from Simdega.

'Best International Principal' Award

Why in News

Recently, by the Science Olympiad Foundation (SOF), Principal of DPS Bokaro, A.S. Gangwar was awarded the 'Best International Principal Award' for the year 2020-21.

Key Points

- ➤ In recognition of his leadership qualities, pioneering initiatives in the field of education and academic excellence of the students, the Academic Council of SOF has conferred this honor to Gangwar.
- SOF conducts National Science Olympiad, Indian

- Economics Olympiad, National Computer Olympiad, International Mathematics Olympiad examination every year in 42,800 schools in more than 1400 cities spread across 22 countries of the world.
- Gangwar is one of the few Principals of the eastern region who have received this award this year. Gangwar has also received several prestigious honors for his service in education, including Sandipani Vishisht Gurujan Samman, Vidyapati Shikshak Samman, Progressive Principal Award and International Principal Award (2019-20).

Jharkhand School Innovation Challenge, 2021

Why in News

On October 23, 2021, the award of the winner of 'Jharkhand School Innovation Challenge, 2021' was given to Shubham Kumar Sharma of Dhanbad at the award ceremony held at Indian Institute of Technology (Indian Mineral School), Dhanbad.

Key Points

- The chief guest of the award ceremony was Dr. Mohit Gambhir, Director, Research Shell, Ministry of Education, Government of India, who participated in the ceremony through an online medium.
- The runner-up award of this competition was given to Ankit Kumar of Atomic Energy Kendriya Vidyalaya, East Singhbhum.
- The winner was presented by the Director of IIT (ISM) Dhanbad, Prof. One lakh was given by Rajiv Shekhar and Rs 75,000 was given to the runner-up.
- ➤ It may be noted that to encourage youth skills, IIT (ISM), Dhanbad established the Naresh Vashistha Center for Tinkering and Innovation (NVCTI) in 1967.
- Jharkhand School Innovation Challenge is also a part of this objective, which provides a platform to the students of classes 8 to 12 to present their creative skills and technical and innovative skills for problem solving.

Rohan Sarkar

Why in News

> Recently Rohan Sarkar of Jharkhand has been selected



from India for Masters in Sports Management, Administration and Analysis course at the world famous Loughborough Sports University in United Kingdom.

Key Points

- Loughborough Sports University in London (United Kingdom) has been ranked first in the world for the year 2020 for all higher academic studies, research and analysis related to sports. Rohan's session will start from 2022.
- > Rohan has been selected on the basis of his merit and interactive performance.

Central Energy Scheme

Why in News

On October 26, 2021, the state government issued a notification to constitute a committee at the district level for monitoring the Central Energy Schemes.

Key Points

- A committee will be formed at the district level to ensure that electricity connection reaches every household in rural areas and the last person is benefited from the schemes related to electrification of the central and state governments.
- The government has said that in the last 5 years, a new scheme of Rs 3 lakh crore for modernization and to deal with the challenges related to Pt Deendayal Upadhyaya Gram Jyoti Yojana, Integrated Energy Development Scheme, Pradhan Mantri Har Ghar Bijli Saubhagya Yojana and Rural Electrification Scheme Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme has been notified.
- These plans include establishment of more and more substations and upgradation of existing substations and ensuring public participation and monitoring. District Electricity Committee has been constituted for each district for monitoring the schemes.

Investment for Cement Plant

Why in News

On October 28, 2021, under the Jharkhand Industrial and Investment Promotion Policy, 2021 (JIIPP), it was signed between Sarva Dalmia Cement India Limited and Industries Department, Government of Jharkhand in the Investor Meet held in New Delhi. Accordingly, the government has provided land in Bokaro for the establishment of a cement plant.

Key Points

- Under the MoU, allotment of land to Dalmia Cement Bharat Limited has been done within the stipulated time frame, with the level of possession and lease deed authority of the allotted plot.
- Under this, an investment of about Rs 577 crore was ensured. The establishment of this plant will produce 2.0 million tonnes per annum.
- > The work of setting up the cement plant will start in November 2021. The construction of the plant is expected to be completed within a year. The state government has provided 16 acres of land at Balidih in Bokaro district to the company for setting up the plant.

Gramino Ki Aas, MGNREGA Se Vikas

Why in News

On October 28, 2021, on the instructions of MGNREGA Commissioner Rajeshwari B, Rozgar Maha Divas was organized in all the panchayats of Jharkhand under the campaign 'Gramino Ki Aas, MGNREGA Se Vikas' with the aim of connecting the villagers with employment.

Key Points

- On the occasion of Rozgar Mahadiwas, on-spot job cards of the villagers were made by organizing programs at the cluster level in the blocks of all the districts and those workers, who have got 100 days of employment under MGNREGA, were honored with prizes.
- During this, workers were made aware of MGNREGA schemes by the Panchayat Secretary and Rozgar Sevaks and motivated to work in the schemes run in the village.

11th National Women's Junior Hockey Championship

Why in News

> In the final match of the National Women's



Junior Championship played on October 29, 2021, Jharkhand team became the runner-up after defeating Haryana.

Key Points

- ➤ In the final match of the championship, Haryana defeated Jharkhand team 3-2.
- > On the other hand, Maharashtra team finished third after defeating Chandigarh 6-2.
- ➢ It may be noted that the 11th National Women's Junior Hockey Championship was organized from Oct. 20, 2021 to Oct. 29, 2021 in Simdega district of Jharkhand.
- In the final match, Deepika Soreng and Rupani Kumari scored for Jharkhand.
- Defeated in the final, Jharkhand's team missed out on winning this title for the third time in a row (hattrick) and this time they had to be content with the silver medal.

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