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Smart Auto-Irrigation and Soil Monitoring System

Why in News?

- On June 30, 2022, Scientist Seema Singh of Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Dhanbad informed that IIT (ISM), Dhanbad has launched a new smart auto-irrigation to motivate and engage agriculture and farming for distressed families of farmers affected by COVID-19. and has developed upgradation of soil monitoring system.

Key Points

- It was demonstrated by the IIT, (ISM) Dhanbad research team at Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Dhanbad on June 30, 2022. The project has been set up at KVK, Dhanbad.
- The project is part of IEEE HAC (Committee on Humanitarian Activities) and IEEE SIGHT (Special Interest Group on Humanitarian Technology) with an institute in selected developing countries to improve the current COVID-19 situation.
- The focus has been on running this new advanced system and developing it as a permanent source of income. This newly upgraded system will benefit the farmers.
- Scientist Seema Singh said the project will help farmers or Covid-19 migrants who are less skilled at farming in a more efficient way of irrigation.
- The proposed system has been designed to remove unnecessary water runoff in agricultural land using sprinkler system. The readings of temperature, wind speed, sunshine intensity, soil moisture, air moisture and pH are continuously monitored using sensors. Solar panels have been used to supply power to the system, which will make it more durable.
- It is easily managed by an Android application developed by the students, which will be available on **Google Play Store** under the name 'AgroPro 2.0'. The interface is designed for minimal use, with easy-to-use interfaces most functions are automated, which do not require human intervention.
- The new system is cost effective and can be easily afforded by the farmer. The cost of maintenance is also very low. The system comes with many features, including automatic irrigation, control through multi-language Android app, farmer-irrigation assistance **24x7** monitoring, etc.

Inauguration of 224 Schemes

Why in News?

- On July 4, 2022 Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren inaugurated 224 schemes worth about Rs 512 crore in Dhanbad.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister laid the foundation stone of 118 schemes worth about Rs 350.86 crore and inaugurated 106 schemes worth Rs 161.28 crore on the occasion.
- He also gave appointment letters to 175 newly appointed personnel, including 172 young men and women, trained under the Skill Development Mission.
- Significantly, 80 percent of the state's population is from rural environment. Most of them are farmers and cattle herders. The government is continuously taking steps to increase their income.
- The Chief Minister distributed assets worth about Rs 97.45 crore among 20,146 beneficiaries.
- Importantly, this includes MTS cold room of Rs 16.98 crore among 3665 beneficiaries, assistance of about Rs 5.18 crore to 194 people under Mukhyamantri critical illness plan, PMEGP among 602 people, CC of education and about 9.39 crores as housing loan. Rs. crore, under NRLM, 5361 SHGs in the form of community investment fund and cash credit linkage Rs.30.65 crore, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Rs 37.20 crore among 3100 rural beneficiaries, Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- 487 city beneficiaries. An amount/asset of Rs.10.95 crore has been disbursed.
- Apart from this, the beneficiaries were given the benefit of many more schemes including Sona Sobran Dhoti Saree Distribution Scheme, Chief Minister Pashudhan Yojana, Universal Pension Scheme, Mukhyamantri Sukanya Yojana and Green Card.

Solar Energy Policy, 2022

Why in News?

- On July 4, 2022, under the leadership of Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren, the Solar Energy Policy, 2022 was implemented for the wide expansion of solar energy, under which 4,000 MW of electricity generation from solar energy is for the financial year 2022-23 to 2026-27 is defined.

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Key Points

- A detailed policy has been formulated for the development of solar energy in the State through a number of schemes like Solar Park, Canal Top Solar, Floating Solar.
- The government has set a target of installing about 4,000 MW of solar power in the state in the next 5 years. Under this, a target has been set to install about 3,000 MW on utility scale, 720 MW under distributed solar power and 280 MW under off-grid solar project.
- The new policy has made provisions including single window system, payment mechanism, land arrangement through land bank for the encouragement of private investors.
- Dedicated Solar Energy Cell, Statutory approval within maximum 60 days Scheme for formation of 1,000 Solar Villages, Cross subsidy under the policy of encouraging Economically Backward Villagers and exemption from third party and captive use, at the 1% Indexation for 25 years, exemption in electricity bill, 100% exemption in state goods and services tax for 5 years.
- Two High Level Committees will be constituted by the Government to analyze the works as per the target.

Chief Minister Laid the Foundation Stone of 251 Schemes

Why in News?

- On July 6, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren inaugurated the important schemes of the State Government at Godda College, Godda, laying the foundation stone and distribution of assets among the beneficiaries.

Key Points

- At the function, the Chief Minister inaugurated the new crematorium built at a cost of Rs 3835.00 lakh and laid the foundation stone of Godda Police Line to be built at a cost of Rs 5801.90 lakh.
- A total of 17 schemes were inaugurated by the Chief Minister, with a total cost of Rs 5168.80 lakh, while he laid the foundation stone of 251 schemes, at a total cost of Rs 15397.84 lakh.

- Apart from this, the Chief Minister also distributed assets worth Rs 1316.28 lac under various public welfare schemes of the government among the 1345 beneficiaries.
- Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that model schools will also be set up in blocks and panchayats of the state, which will have all the facilities like private schools.

Jharkhand Ranked 10th in 'State Ranking Index for NFSA'

Why in News?

- In the first edition of the 'State Ranking Index for NFSA' released on July 5, 2022, Jharkhand ranks tenth in the entire country. Odisha is at the first position in this index.

Key Points

- Union Minister for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Textiles and Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal released the first edition of the 'State Ranking Index for NFSA'.
- Among the general category states, Odisha topped the 'State Ranking Index for NFSA' with a score of 0.836, while Uttar Pradesh is second with a score of 0.797 and Andhra Pradesh is third with a score of 0.794.
- Among the general category states, Jharkhand is ranked tenth in the 'State Ranking Index for NFSA' with a score of 0.754.
- Among special category states/UTs, Tripura is at the first position with a score of 0.788, followed by Himachal Pradesh with a score of 0.758 and Sikkim third with a score of 0.710.
- Also in the three Union Territories, where Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) is cash-driven, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman Diu are at the top spot with a score of 0.802.
- The index seeks to document the status and progress of the implementation of NFSA across the country and various reform initiatives after consultation with the states.
- It highlights the reforms undertaken by the States and Union Territories and creates a cross-learning environment and scale-up reform measures by all the States and Union Territories.

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- The current index is largely focused on NFSA distribution and will include future purchases, PMGKAY distribution.
- The index for ranking of states and UTs is built on three key pillars, covering the end-to-end implementation of NFSA through TPDS. These pillars are- i) NFSA-coverage, targeting and provisions of the Act, ii) delivery platform, and iii) nutritional initiatives.

Jharkhand Tops in Delta Ranking Released by NITI Aayog

Why in News?

- Recently, Jharkhand has secured the first position in the Delta Ranking for the month of June under the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission Scheme released by the Ministry of Rural Development (Government of India).

Key Points

- Secretary, Rural Development Department of Jharkhand, Dr. Manish Ranjan informed that better work is being done continuously in Rurban Mission and regular review of the progress of work is being done at the state level. He directed the officers of the respective districts to lay emphasis on development-oriented works for the development of the state with greater urgency.
- MNREGA Commissioner Rajeshwari B said that the Ministry of Rural Development (Government of India) has released the Delta Ranking for the month of June, in which Jharkhand is at the first position in the country. Jharkhand has also improved in overall performance and has earned 8th place in the country. In future, the goal of the state government is to benefit every village and every family from the Rurban Mission.
- Under this, initiatives have been taken to strengthen the rural economy and provide employment to the villagers. Rurban scheme is playing an effective role in this work. The objective of Rurban Yojana is to focus on the all-round development of the region, economic development and value creation, increasing ENT and basic services as well as laying emphasis on construction of wells for irrigation facilities.

ICFAI Launches 'Vidya Daan' Initiative to Educate Rural Students

Why in News?

- Recently an innovative initiative named 'Vidya Daan' was launched in the campus of ICFAI University, Ranchi to improve the education level of rural students of neighbouring villages of Jharkhand.

Key Points

- The Vice Chancellor of ICFAI, Prof. O.R.S. Rao said the university had adopted five neighboring villages, Simalia, Swadgi, Gutua, Tilta and Pundag, under the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) scheme of the Government of India.
- After conducting a survey in these five villages, it has been decided to launch 'Vidya Daan' scheme to improve the quality of education and IT skills of rural students. Under this, remedial classes will be conducted for class 8 students in mathematics and physics from 4:30 PM in the university campus.
- Apart from this, it is being planned to set up Vidya Dan Kendra in 5 Panchayats, in which computer centers will be set up to train youth in IT skills.
- Prof Rao said that a mobile library is also being planned to be set up in which a vehicle with a mobile library of text books and story books will travel to all the 5 villages.

Prime Minister Gifted Various Development Projects to Jharkhand

Why in News?

- On July 12, 2022 Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various development projects worth over Rs 16,800 crore from Deoghar in Jharkhand.

Key Points

- The Prime Minister inaugurated the Deoghar Airport built at a cost of Rs.401 crore to provide direct air connectivity to Baba Baidyanath Dham. Spread over

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657 acres, Deoghar Airport will be second international airport of Jharkhand after Ranchi. The terminal building of the airport has a capacity of about five lac passengers annually.

- The Prime Minister inaugurated the Deoghar-Kolkata-Deoghar flight by presenting flying flags to IndiGo Company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Rono Dutta and Chief of Flight Operations Ashu Mishra.
- The Prime Minister dedicated services related to AIIMS, Deoghar Patient (In-Patient) Department (IPD) and Operation Theater to the nation. This is in line with the vision of the Prime Minister to develop excellent health facilities in all parts of the country. The Prime Minister had laid the foundation stone of AIIMS Deoghar on March 25, 2018.
- The projects inaugurated by the Prime Minister include development of two big shrine buildings with a capacity of 2,000 pilgrims, development of Jalsar Lake front, Sivaganga Talab development etc. The new facilities will improve the experience of lacs of devotees visiting Baba Vaidyanath Dham every year.
- The Prime Minister dedicated and laid the foundation stone of several road projects worth over Rs 10,000 crore. These projects will further encourage connectivity in the region, as well as make movement easier for the general public.
- The Prime Minister also inaugurated and laid foundation stones for various energy infrastructure projects worth about Rs 3,000 crore in the region. This includes the Bokaro-Angul section of GAIL's Jagdishpur-Haldia-Bokaro-Dhamra pipeline; HPCL's new LPG Bottling Plant at Barhi, Hazaribagh and BPCL's Bokaro LPG Bottling Plant were inaugurated. Apart from this, the foundation stone of Parbatpur Gas Collecting Station, Coal Bed Methane (CBM) asset of ONGC was laid in Jharia block.
- The Prime Minister dedicated two railway projects-Godda-Hansdiha electrification section and Garhwa-Mahuria doubling projects. These projects will help industries and power stations to ensure smooth movement of goods. This will also make the movement of trains between Dumka and Asansol easier.
- The Prime Minister also laid the foundation stone of three rail projects - Redevelopment of Ranchi Railway Station, Jasidih Bypass Line and LHB Coach Maintenance Depot, Godda. These include world class passenger amenities including food court,

executive lounge, cafeteria, air conditioned waiting hall etc. in the redevelopment of Ranchi station. This will ensure ease of movement as well as comfort for the passengers.

- Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that under the UDAN scheme, about 70 new locations have been added through airports, heliports and water aerodromes in the last 5-6 years. Today, common citizens are getting the facility of air travel on more than 400 new routes.
- Before 2014, there were 74 airports in India, but in seven years till April 2022, 66 new airports have been established taking a total of 140 airports (including heliport and water aerodrome).
- Under the UDAN scheme, more than 420 air routes have been operated till June 2022. More than 1.79 lac flights have been flown under this scheme. The UDAN scheme has immensely benefited many regions across India including hill states, North-Eastern region and islands.

SAAMAR Campaign

Why in News?

- On July 13, 2022, Rajeshwari B, Director General, Jharkhand State Nutrition Mission, wrote a letter to the Deputy Commissioners of 5 districts of the state, from July 15 to July 31, 2022, under the **SAAMAR** campaign for the investigation of children and women with suspected malnutrition and anemia, panchayat and block wise. Instructions were given to run a special campaign.

Key Points

- The special drive will be carried out in five districts of the state- Latehar, Chatra, West Singhbhum, Simdega and Sahibganj.
- Rajeshwari B said that in the review done on the progress of Samar Abhiyan on July 5, 2022, it was found that there are about 20,492 suspected cases of malnutrition and anemia in the state, out of which only 641 have been tested at Anganwadi centres.
- A total of 19,851 suspected cases of malnutrition and anemia are to be investigated. For this, wide publicity should be ensured to check malnutrition and anemia by running a special campaign from July 15 to 31, 2022.

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- The list of all the cases of malnutrition and anemia is available in the SAAMAR App on the investigation done at the Anganwadi center. The Anganwadi Sevika will ensure that the information of the severely malnourished child already identified in the nutrition tracker is compiled in the SAAMAR APP. Anganwadi camp will be organized every day at the village level to ensure that all suspected cases of malnutrition (weight, height, height, medical examination, hunger test) and anemia will be checked in the presence of ANM.
- He has clearly directed that the daily progress report should be compiled on the SAAMAR Dash Board and a meeting under the Chairmanship of the Deputy Commissioner should be held every week to review the situation.
- Children with severe acute malnutrition (**SAM**) from 6 months to 5 years, who do not have any medical illness and are qualified to check for hunger, will be treated for at least 4 months by adopting 11 stages at the Community Based Management Anganwadi Centre (**SAM**).
 - Step-1: Community Mobility
 - Step-2: Screening of suspected cases and physical measurement
 - Step-3: Medical assessment of severely malnourished children
 - Step 4: Check the hunger of severely malnourished children
 - Step-5: Keep it in **STC** or refer to **MTC**
 - Step 6: Nutritional Treatment
 - Step 7: **SAM KIT** (Medicines)
 - Phase-8: Nutrition and Health Education
 - Step 9: Follow-up of the Children
 - Step-10 : Criteria for discharging
 - Step-11: Follow-up after getting discharge
- Children suffering from severe malnutrition (SAM) from birth to 6 months will be treated at the Malnutrition Treatment Centre.
- Children suffering from severe malnutrition (SAM) from birth to 5 years, who have any medical illness and fail to check for hunger, will be treated at the Malnutrition Treatment Centre.
- Children/adolescents/young women and pregnant women suffering from anemia will be treated under the Anemia Free India Programme.

Jharkhand Council of Ministers

Why in News?

- A number of important decisions were taken at a meeting of the Council of Ministers chaired by Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren on July 15, 2022.

Key Points

- In the meeting of the Council of Ministers, it has been decided to provide 75 percent reservation for local people in appointments up to 40,000 rupees salary in the private sector.
- Taking a step towards providing the benefits of the old pension scheme to the state employees, the Government decided to constitute a three-member committee under the Chairmanship of the Development Commissioner. The committee will have Principal Secretary, Department of Finance and Principal Secretary, Department of Personnel as members. It is only on the recommendation of this Committee that the draft implementation of the old pension scheme will be prepared.
- The Council of Ministers has decided to extend the benefit of the old pension scheme to those personnel whose appointment process was completed by December 1, 2004 (the date of implementation of the New Pension Scheme) but who could not get the appointment letter.
- In addition, the Cabinet approved the extension of the period under the pre-run Centrally Sponsored Mission Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan Yojana-2.0 till further orders of the Central Government.
- The Council of Ministers has decided that those consuming up to 100 units of monthly power in the state will get free electricity. There are about 31 lac 52 thousand 773 consumers in rural and urban areas who consume less than 100 units of electricity. The electricity bill of such consumers will be completely waived off.
- The Council of Ministers approved the implementation of the Seventh Revised Pension with effect from 01.01.2016 to the retired teachers/scientists/office bearers-director, founder, registrar and other equivalent pensioners of Birsa Agricultural University, Kanke.
- Other decisions of the Council of Ministers-
 - Approval of the Azim Premji University Bill, 2022 was approved.

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- Approval was given for rationalization of existing posts of professors and creation of new posts in Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee University.
- The Pandit Raghunath Murmu Tribal University Bill, 2022 was approved.
- A family court was sanctioned in Ramgarh district.
- The PREJHA Foundation has been entrusted with the operation of 8 new polytechnic colleges opened at Khunti, Chatra, Lohardaga, Hazaribagh, Jamtara, Godda, Bagodar and Palamu.
- The State Council of Ministers has also approved the proposal for restructuring of the Finance Department. Under this, 505 old posts have been surrendered and 515 new posts have been created.
- The state government has decided that Tana Bhagats will be given Rs.4000 annually for buying clothes twice a year. This benefit will be available to all Tana Bhagats above the age of 25 years.
- The cabinet has decided to give 1 kg of Chickpeas dal to all the ration card holder families of the state at the rate of Rs 1 per month. Along with this, approval was given to the process of simplification for amendment in ration cards under the public distribution system.

Draft for NEP in State Universities

Why in News?

- Recently, on the basis of the draft given by the Jharkhand State Government to implement the NEP on behalf of the UGC, a draft has been prepared to implement the New Education Policy-2022 (NEP) from this academic session in all the seven universities of the state.

Key Points

- According to this, the graduation will now be four years. It will also be mandatory to read a vocational subject. Apart from this, two new compulsory subjects have been included in the core.
- The draft is to be submitted to the Department of Higher and Technical Education. After getting the approval, all the universities will prepare the syllabus and carry out subject mapping, after which it will be put on the Chancellor's portal.
- It may be recalled that a committee was constituted by the Department of Higher Technical Education

and Skill Development to implement NEP-2022 in the universities of the state, which met from July 2 to 14.

- The four-year undergraduate course under the format will be of 160 credits, 20 credits per semester. It will be mandatory to study one subject of vocational and two new subjects of core for three semesters. After this, the subject in which the performance will be good, the student will be able to pursue further studies in that subject.
- The subjects have been made multidisciplinary. The two new subjects that are going to be added to the core include Understanding India and Mathematical Analysis and Computational Thinking.
- Among the vocational subjects, BBA, BCA, Health & Hygiene and Yoga Wellness have been included as compulsory subjects. One of these subjects will have to be studied.

Agriculture Minister Inaugurates 24×7 Pet Clinic

Why in News?

- On July 19, 2022, Jharkhand's Agriculture Animal Husbandry and Cooperation Minister Badal Patralekh inaugurated the newly constructed Directorate of Animal Husbandry Building, Auditorium, 24×7 Pet Clinic under Hesag, Hatia.

Key Points

- Minister Badal Patralekha also inaugurated a workshop to apprise the cattle herders, public representatives, etc., about the activities of animal husbandry.
- In the program, Badal also released a booklet of rules and regulations related to animal husbandry for the state's cattle rearers, such as guidelines for poultry, goat rearing, swine rearing and State Animal Welfare Board.
- He said that the service of pet clinic has been started at District Animal Husbandry Office, Ranchi to provide 24×7 medical facilities to the cattle owners. Soon a model animal hospital will also be opened in the capital Ranchi, in which all types of facilities will be available to the cattle owners and 24×7 veterinary facilities will be made available in all the districts of the state.

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- On this occasion, Minister Badal distributed assets under the schemes of Poultry and Duck to some selected beneficiaries. In the last one year, he distributed appointment letters to the employees appointed through compassionately.

India Innovation Index, 2021

Why In News?

- Jharkhand has been **ranked 10th in the category of 17 major states** in the India Innovation Index-2021 released by NITI Aayog Vice Chairman Suman Beri on July 21, 2022.

Key points

- In Niti Ayog's 3rd India Innovation Index, states and union territories were classified into the category of **17 major states, 10 north-eastern and hilly states and 9 union territories and city-states** for effective comparison of their performance.
- In the category of 17 major states, Karnataka is at the top spot with 18.01 points, while Telangana (17.66 points) is second and Haryana (16.35 points) is third. Jharkhand (13.10 points) is at the 10th position. Odisha are 16th with 11.42 points and Chhattisgarh are 17th (last) with 10.97 points.
- **Manipur topped the northeastern and hill states category** with 19.37 points. Uttarakhand (17.67 points) is at the second spot in this category, while Nagaland (11.00 points) is at the bottom.
- Chandigarh (27.88 marks) has topped the union territories and city-states category. In this category, Delhi (27.00 points) is at the second position, while Ladakh (5.91 points) is at the bottom.
- According to the report, the percentage of schools in Jharkhand has improved by about 50 percentage points. THE ICT labs in schools have increased from 23 percent to 73 percent. Enrollment in PhD has also increased. However, the student-teacher ratio with slight improvement is 60:1.
- The state's FDI inflows as a percentage of GSDP have also come down from around 8 percent to 5.5 percent. Regarding Jharkhand, the report says that being an important industrial state, Jharkhand has the potential to go up in the rankings in innovation.
- It may be mentioned that the India Innovation Index prepared by NITI Aayog and the Institute of Competitiveness is a medium for evaluation and

development of the country's innovation ecosystem. This puts the states and union territories in the order of their innovation performance, so that there is healthy competition between them.

- This Innovation Index has been prepared on the lines of the Global Innovation Index. In previous versions, the analysis was done on the basis of 36 indicators, but this time 66 indicators were used. The first and second innovation indices were released in October 2019 and January 2021 respectively.

Jharkhand's New Tourism Policy

Why In News?

- On July 24, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren launched jharkhand's new tourism policy in New Delhi.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister has talked about providing special packages to the investors under this new tourism policy of Jharkhand, under which the state government will give a special package to the investors on the basis of 'first first serve'. At the same time, investors are also being given a variety of incentives, under which the following benefits will be given:
 - Capital investment is being given 20-25% subsidy up to a limit of Rs 10 crore.
 - A discount of 75% of Net SGST will be given for 5 years.
 - There will be no stamp duty and electricity duty for 5 years.
 - Special provisions have been made in the policy for women, SC, ST and divyangs.
 - A single window system has been created for investments and incentives.
- The Chief Minister said that under the new tourism policy, religious places like Deoghar, Parasnath, Madhuban and Itkhori would be beautified besides providing civic amenities to them.
- To promote eco-tourism, the work of development of Latehar-Netarhat-Betla, Chandil-Dalma-Mirchaiya-Getelsud eco-circuit is in progress, connecting tourism activities with nature. Rest house facilities will be made available at these places for the tourists to stay.

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- Experience of the glorious culture of the state The emphasis is being laid on organizing food festivals, inter-state cultural programmes to showcase the vibrant and diverse culture of the state.
- To enhance the potential of rural tourism, the beautification of identified villages, local cuisine and promotion of rural life include promotion of rural life. Village Tourism Committees (VTC) and Rural Tourism Sub-Committee will be constituted in this regard.
- State's tourism policy will showcase the state's mineral wealth and explore possibilities through mining tourism.
- The new tourism policy will include activities like promotion of adventure tourism activities like paragliding, water sports, rock climbing, gliding etc. There are plans to develop dams like Tilaiya, Masanjor, Chandil, Patratu, Getalsud, Kellaghagh, Kanke, Hatia for water sports.

'Postcard From Jharkhand'

Why in News?

- The documentary series 'Postcard of Jharkhand' premiered on National Geographic Channel India with the launch of Jharkhand Tourism Policy, 2021 on July 23, 2022.

Key Points

- It was officially released at the launch event of Jharkhand Tourism Policy, 2021 under the **MoU** signed between the state government and National Geographic India a few months ago .
- This important initiative has been taken to bring the rich heritage of Jharkhand to the world stage in the field of tourism and to present an unforgettable glimpse of the natural wealth, tradition and culture of the State.
- Through this series, National Geographic India will show a wonderful glimpse of temples ranging from McCluskeyganj, Nakata Pahar, Netarhat, The Dalma Hills, Lodh Fall, Hundru Fall, Betla National Park to Deori Temple, Sun Temple and Baidyanath Dham.
- The breathtaking cinematography will share its spiritual and enchanting journey exploring the panoramic, lush green forests, spectacular wildlife, hill stations and various destinations that exist across the state with heart-touching adventures.

- From prehistoric stone art to magnificent temples and ancient monuments, the film will be highlighted.
- The documentary series is led by Jamshedpur-born film actress Rasika Duggal. She will introduce the audience to the tribal traditions rich with tribal dances of Jharkhand, Sohrai paintings, local cuisine and the architecture of the state.

Mukhyamantri Sarathi Yojana

Why In News?

- On July 26, 2022, Chief Minister Hemant Soren, in a congratulatory function organized for the candidates of Jharkhand who have succeeded in the Civil Services Examination-2021, said that 'Mukhyamantri Sarathi-Yojana' will be launched in the state soon.

Key Points

- It is worth mentioning that in the budget of the financial year 2022-23, the Jharkhand government had announced to start Jharkhand Mukhyamantri Sarathi Yojana.
- Under this scheme, the state government will get the candidates of all categories/communities, who are unable to bear the cost of coaching for the preparation of UPSC, JPSC and other competitive examinations, to prepare for the competitive examination at their own expense.
- Significantly, 26 candidates from Jharkhand have been successful in the Civil Services Examination-2021 conducted by the Union Public Service Commission.
- The Chief Minister said Jharkhand is the first state in the country where children studying abroad are being given scholarships for higher education. In the coming time, the state government will increase this scope of children going abroad.

World Trade Centre

Why in news?

- On July 29, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren laid the foundation stone of the World Trade Centre in Ranchi, the capital with an aim to make Jharkhand a leading state in the field of exports, accelerate export business and provide better facilities.

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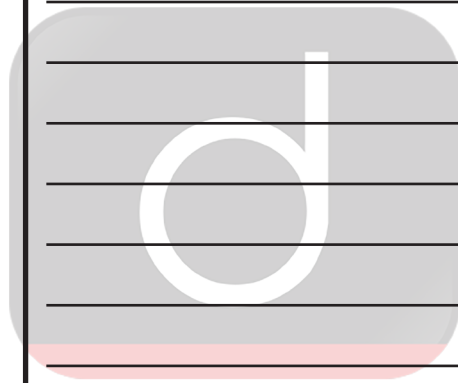
- The MoU was signed between Judco and SIDBI at the foundation stone laying ceremony of the World Trade Centre. Through this, assistance will be provided through SIDBI to those who develop industrial infrastructure and set up industries in the state.
- Judco will act as a technical and implementing agency for the execution of the project in the construction of the World Trade Center.
- Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Hemant Soren said that all the activities related to international trade, especially export promotion, will be carried out under one roof at the World Trade Centre. This centre will play an important role in strengthening the economic activities here.
- The State Government has constituted the State Export Promotion Committee and the District Export Promotion Committee to enhance the productivity of export related activities.
- It is known that Jharkhand produces the highest amount of silk in the country, accounting for 76.4% of the total production of the country. The total exports from the state in 2020-21 stood at \$1,622.31 million. Exports from the state stood at \$2,201.55 million in 2021-22 (as of February 2022).
- The major commodities exported from the state are iron, steel, auto parts, iron and steel products. The total exports of iron and steel from Jharkhand in the financial year 2021-22 were US\$ 1.367 billion, which was 62.1% of the total exports. Jharkhand produces 53% of the total 5 States producing lakhs.
- Jharkhand's 32% export go to South Asian countries such as Bangladesh, Nepal. state's 25% exports go to south-east Asian markets. Vietnam is at the top. 13% of exports are made to European countries like Italy and 11% to East Asian markets like China.
- Speciality of the World Trade Center-
 - All facilities related to international business will be available in one campus at the World Trade Center.
 - The centre will have regional offices of directorate general of trade and offices attached to export council of india. Apart from this, space will be provided for import-export companies. Here you will get facilities ranging from currency exchange to money transfer.
 - The World Trade Centre will be constructed in collaboration with the Central and State Governments. It will be built in 3.45 acres of land. Its total project cost will be Rs 44.59 crore.
 - The companies doing international business here will also be provided space to showcase and promote their products.
 - The World Trade Centre will boost exports of agricultural and food products, textiles, tasar products and engineering goods.
 - Construction of the World Trade Center will be completed in 2 years. It will have multipurpose conference halls, seminar halls, many more facilities besides the Import-Export Bank.



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