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Prepaid Auto Service Started From Ranchi Railway Station

Why in News

- With an aim to provide more facilities to the passengers, Prepaid Auto Service System was inaugurated at Ranchi Railway Station by Ranchi MLA, Chandeshwar Prasad Singh in presence of Railway Divisional Manager (DRM), Pradeep Gupta on 31st December, 2021.

Key Points

- With the launch of this service, the passengers especially the elderly, women, children, disabled and sick passengers will get a lot of convenience from the station to their destination and they will also get rid of the arbitrary fares charged by some auto drivers. Also, women will help the passengers to reach their destination safely.
- The amount to be paid as travel charges under this prepaid auto service system has been determined under a certain norm as a result of approval from the District Transport Department. In case of any inconvenience, passengers can register their complaint by contacting 139.
- Auto booking will be done from the prepaid auto service counter at Ranchi Railway Station. A booth has been made for this. Where passengers have to pay first. After this the receipt will be given to the passenger.
- The rates of autos plying from prepaid booths have been decided on the basis of route and distance. Under this, passengers will be charged a minimum of Rs 100 and a maximum of Rs 300 for booking.

Inauguration of Ammonium Sulphate Plant at BSL

Why in News

- Recently, the new Ammonium Sulphate Plant of BSL's Coke Oven and By Product Group was inaugurated by Executive Director (Projects) R Kushwaha and Executive Director (Works) Atanu Bhowmik.

Key Points

- The ammonium sulphate plant is an important unit of the by-product group, where coke oven gas is processed and ammonia is separated from it to form ammonium sulphate.
- The Marketing Division of BSL markets Ammonium Sulphate, which is mainly used as a fertilizer in agriculture.
- The project was completed with the help of GM (Projects) Pankaj Dev Rai, DGM (Projects) Asghar Raza, GM (Projects) Chandrashekhar Azad, GM (Projects) Deepak Kumar and coke oven officers and staff.
- The gas handling capacity of this plant is 1 lakh eighty thousand Nm cubic per hour.

Clean to Green on Wheels Campaign in Jamshedpur

Why in News

- Recently RLG India has started the 'Clean to Green on Wheels campaign' at Mango, Jamshedpur. This latest awareness and collection program will reach out to over 40 lakh citizens covering 110 cities and 300 towns across the country.

Key Points

- Under this initiative, nine collection vehicles will travel across cities and towns across the country and conduct awareness activities for school students, corporate bodies, wholesale consumers, retailers, members of Resident Welfare Association, informal sector and health camps. It will collect 5500 metric tonnes of e-waste from the users.
- Radhika Kalia, Managing Director, RLG India said, "The Clean to Green on Wheels campaign will continue to serve the purpose by expanding the reach of stakeholders and by emphasizing and promoting proper disposal and recycling techniques of e-waste in daily life. It has been started to bring the whole country under its ambit.
- This campaign RLG India will actively work with manufacturers/brands like Microsoft, LG, HP, Oppo, Lenovo, Pioneer, Motorola, Videojet, Veera etc. to promote safe disposal of e-waste.

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World Trade Center to be Built in the Capital

Why in News

- Recently, **Jharkhand Urban Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (JUICCO)** has issued an expression of interest for the construction of a World Trade Center in the Dhurwa Smart City area of Ranchi, the capital of Jharkhand.

Key Points

- A total of Rs 44 crore 22 lakh will be spent on this center to be built on four acres of land. For this the last date for submission of tender has been fixed as January 19.
- On January 20, it will be inaugurated on the fifth floor of Udyog Bhawan located on Ratu Road. The tendering agency will have to complete the construction work of this center within two years.
- All facilities related to international trade will be available in the premises of the World Trade Center. It will also have a regional office of the Directorate General of Foreign Trade and offices attached to the Export Association of India.
- Apart from this, companies related to import-export will be provided space. Facilities ranging from currency exchange to money transfer will also be available here.
- Apart from this, other facilities of air cargo, ship container and export management will also be available. Here companies doing international business will also get a place to display and promote their products.
- Be aware that this World Trade Center is to be built with the cooperation of both the Center and the State. For the establishment of the World Trade Center, the Central Government has given Rs 9.8 crore to the State Government. The total cost of the scheme is Rs 48 crore.
- It is noteworthy that in 2018 itself, the Central Government had approved the plan to open the World Trade Center in Ranchi.

DIC Inaugurates Amrit Park at Bokaro Steel Plant

Why in News

- On January 5, 2022, BSL Director-in-Charge Amarendu Prakash inaugurated Amrit Park at Bokaro Steel Plant in the presence of ED and other senior officials.

Key Points

- It has been developed by the officers and staff of HRCF (Hot Rolled Coil Finishing) department of BSL using waste-scrap material in the plant.
- It has been developed as part of **Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav** celebrations (75th year of Independence).
- The DIC Director informed that this will not only improve the housekeeping in various shops and departments in the plant but will also be aesthetically appealing, where employees can relax during their leisure time.
- He has also asked other shops and departments to develop similar parks using waste material in the plant.

Women's Help Desk

Why In News

- Recently, the **Jharkhand Police Headquarters** has planned to open **Women Help Desks** in most of the urban police stations of the state for better police handling in cases of violence and related violence in the state.

Key Points

- In the first phase, a plan has been made to open Women's Help Desks in all the police stations of the capital as well as in 300 police stations of the state. These women's help desks will be constructed with the Nirbhaya Fund of the Central Government.
- 300 tablets will be procured for smooth running of women help desks in police stations of the state. Women helplines **will be opened by February 2022**.
- It is noteworthy that on November 2, 2021, a proposal was sent by the **state's DGP Neeraj Sinha to the Home,**

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Prison and Disaster Management Department of the State government to open the women's helpline.

- After the order of the state government, the CID has been given the responsibility of taking action in this direction. State ADG CID Prashant Singh has constituted a technical committee for the purchase of laptops.

CM Inaugurates Seven New PSA Oxygen Plants

Why in News

- On January 12, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren in collaboration with Path Organization, inaugurated seven new PSA Oxygen Plants online at various hospitals in the state.

Key Points

- Two PSA Oxygen Plants have been installed in Sadar Hospital, Ranchi, one at Mercy Hospital in Jamshedpur and one each at Chakulia (East Singhbhum) and Kuchai (Seraikela-Kharsawan) Community Health Center in collaboration with Path organization.
- On this occasion, the Chief Minister said that in an effort to strengthen the health system in the state, health infrastructure is being strengthened from block to district level, so that people can get better medical benefits from their homes in nearby hospitals or health centers.
- He said that today PSA plants have been installed in every district. RTPCR and state-of-the-art Cobas machines are also available for corona testing.
- There are about 25,000 beds available in hospitals. Now there is adequate availability of oxygen supported beds, ICU and ventilator in the state.

AVIG Robot

Why in News

- Recently, software engineer Saswayam P Ranjan, resident of Dhanbad district of Jharkhand, after nearly two years of hard work, has designed a robot named **AVIG**, which can deactivate the virus of corona and other variants in a few seconds from home, office, mall-shop etc. Due to this the risk of spreading the infection can be zero percent.

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- If a corona infected person unknowingly reaches a closed place, then there is a risk of this infection reaching another. In this situation the AVIG robot can be used in a limited area.
- This robot will inactivate the harmful virus, bacteria present at that place. This robot works on a network of WiFi operated by Android phones, which by rotating its tiny wheels inactivates the bacteria, germs present by the effect of ultraviolet-ray.
- This robot can be used in the factory production floor, corporate office, hospital, airport, metro, commercial mall, school, tuition hall, hotel, railway waiting hall, bank, restaurant, prayer hall, shop, store, parlor, community center, house-bungalow, in hundreds of places like apartments.

Inauguration of State-of-the-art Environmental Laboratory at BSL

Why in News

- On January 15, 2022, Atanu Bhowmik, Executive Director (Operations), Bokaro Steel Plant, inaugurated the newly renovated Hi-Tech Environment Laboratory of Bokaro Steel Plant.

Key Points

- Built as per the latest guidelines of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India, this laboratory is equipped with latest technologies and necessary facilities for environmental parameter monitoring of various units of the plant, including Effluent Parameter Monitoring, Stack Emission Monitoring, Work Area Air Quality Monitoring and noise monitoring are included.
- The laboratory will also meet the environmental monitoring requirements of the township and Bokaro General Hospital. The laboratory has facilities to test and monitor various parameters of drinking water.
- In addition, it is equipped with state-of-the-art technologies like spectrophotometer, stack emission kit, gas analyzer, BOD incubator, work-zone air quality monitor, pH meter, TDS meter, noise monitor and hack built multi-parameter measuring instrument.

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- In addition the laboratory is 5S and ISO 14001 certified. This laboratory has been renovated by the team of the Environment Control Department under the leadership of General Manager (Environmental Control) NP Srivastava.

Gola-Ormanjhi Expressway

Why in News

- Recently, SK Mishra, Regional Officer of the National Highways Authority of India, said that the Expression of Interest will be issued soon for the construction of Gola-Ormanjhi Expressway from Bokaro.

Key Points

- Mishra said that the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has completed all its process and sent it to the Government of India. Soon the tender for its construction will be issued by the NHAI Headquarters located in New Delhi.
- About Rs 1700 crore will be spent to build the road from Bokaro to Gola and from Gola to Ormanjhi. Tenders will be issued in separate packages for both the sections.
- This will be the first real expressway in the state, which will be around the existing Ormanjhi-Sikidari-Gola, Bokaro road, but will be completely different. Work is being done on this under greenfield project.
- NHAI has prepared an action plan to make this important expressway. About one km before Pudang toll plaza at Ormanjhi, Ranchi, this road will turn towards Sikidari-Gola and will also connect with Sikidari Road.
- This road will be constructed from near Jainmore in Bokaro, which will go towards Gola. The road will also have a service lane. Rest houses will also be built on this road for the drivers of big goods vehicles. With the construction of the expressway, heavy vehicle drivers as well as those taking private vehicles will get the option of walking on better roads.
- This will also reduce the burden of vehicles on Ormanjhi, Sikidari-Gola-Bokaro road and people will be able to travel on a good road by paying toll.

Dhanbad Got Second Women Police Station

Why in News

- On January 16, 2022, Dhanbad Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP) Sanjeev Kumar inaugurated the district's second women's police station in Tiltand area of Baghmara block. A Mahila Thana is already functioning in the Sadar police station premises of the district.

Key Points

- The SSP said that efforts were being made to establish this police station since 2016. The new Mahila Police Station will help women and their family members to complain about atrocities without any hesitation, as the officer-in-charge will be a woman police officer.
- Sonika Verma has been appointed as the first in-charge of this police station. Talking to the media, Sonika Verma said that now any woman can directly come to the police station for help if she is a victim.
- This police station will cover the entire population residing in the Baghmara Police Sub Division.

Ranchi MP Started Computer Bank for Rural Students

Why in News

- Recently, BJP MP from Ranchi, Sanjay Seth has started a computer bank on the lines of book bank to make rural students computer literate.

Key Points

- The MP said that he is collecting old computers and laptops, which people do not use. The collected unused computers and laptops will be made available to the rural students so that they too can become computer literate.
- He said that in times of pandemic when most of the educational institutions are closed and have moved to online mode of education, these computers will be very helpful for the students to continue their studies.
- This laptop will be given to such schools in rural areas, where children are taking computer education, but they do not have a computer. The MP has urged people from all sections of the society to help in these efforts.
- He said that with the advancement of technology people are not using old computers. These computers

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that are functional but not in use can be very useful for students who are interested in learning computers.

- It is noteworthy that a few months before the launch of the computer bank, the MP had launched a book bank for the rural underprivileged students at his office in Argora. The book bank houses books on various subjects donated from different areas in and around Ranchi, mostly school and intermediate level books.

CM Inaugurates State-of-the-art Prime Scan Ecosystem of Machines at Bokaro Hospital

Why in News

- On January 18, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren inaugurated the state-of-the-art Prime Scan Ecosystem of Machines at Dental Hospital, Bokaro through virtual medium.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister said that it is a matter of pride to have this state-of-the-art machine in the field of dentistry in a state like Jharkhand. With this all the diseases related to teeth will be completely cured. People here will not have to go to big hospitals of big cities for dental diseases.
- On this occasion, the operators of the hospital told that for the first time in Jharkhand and Bihar, the facility of this state-of-the-art Prime Scan Ecosystem of Machine is going to be available to the people. Effective and precise treatment of teeth can be done through this machine.
- Apart from this, where earlier the treatment of teeth used to take several days, now through this machine, complete treatment of diseases related to teeth can be done in very less time. People will not have to make frequent visits to doctors and hospitals for dental treatment.

ESL CEO Inaugurates Safety Park

Why in News

- On January 18, 2022, the CEO of Vedanta ESL Steel Limited, N.L. Watte inaugurated a newly constructed 'Safety Park' at the Industrial Complex of ESL with

an aim to raise awareness about safety amongst the employees. This includes a variety of safety equipment models.

Key Points

- Speaking on the occasion, Vette said that ESL always aims to fulfill its business goals by providing a safe and clean environment to its employees and contributing to the welfare of the society and inclusive growth of the country.
- He said that with the help of this safety park, we can fulfill our goal of 'Zero Damage' by making our employees aware of all types of safety.
- ESL aims to improve safety and environment in the coming days. Safety training has been made mandatory for all new employees and business partners. AI based cameras and sensor devices have been installed for vigilance at important places.
- Health risks of employees and business partners are being monitored, PPE bank has been set up to issue PPE to employees and business partners.

CM Launches App for Subsidized Petrol in the State

Why in News

- On January 19, 2022, Chief Minister Hemant Soren launched the CMSUPPORTS app for registration of poor people covered by the National Food Security Scheme or Jharkhand State Food Security Scheme for their two-wheelers under the 'Petrol Subsidy Scheme'. Now ration card holders will be able to take advantage of the scheme by registering on the app or <http://jsfss.jharkhand.gov.in>.

Key Points

- Through DBT, the Chief Minister will launch the scheme from Dumka on January 26, 2022 and benefit the eligible beneficiaries of the scheme.
- Through the scheme from January 26, 2022, a subsidy of Rs 25 per liter for a maximum of 10 liters of petrol per month to the beneficiaries covered by the ration card for their two-wheeler, i.e. Rs 250 per month will be transferred to their bank account through DBT.

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- The eligibility criteria of the scheme include –
 - Applicant should be a ration card holder under National Food Security Act or Jharkhand State Food Security Act.
 - The verified Aadhaar number of all the family members should be mentioned in the ration card.
 - The bank account number and mobile number linked with Aadhaar of the applicant should be updated.
 - The registration of the vehicle of the applicant should be in the name of the applicant.
 - Applicants should have a valid driving license.
- Applicant's two wheeler should be registered in Jharkhand state.
- The applicant will have to enter his ration card and Aadhaar number by visiting the CMSUPPORT app or <http://jsfss.jharkhand.gov.in>, after which an OTP will be sent to his Aadhaar linked mobile number.
- The ration card number of the applicant will be the last eight digit password of the login and the Aadhaar of the head of the family.
- After OTP verification the applicant will enter the vehicle number and driving license number while selecting the name in the ration card. The vehicle number will be sent to the DTOs login, which will be verified by the DTO. After verification the list will go to the login of the District Supply Officer.

Agriculture Minister Launched 'Kisan Call Center'

Why in News

- On January 19, 2022, with the aim of making the farmers aware of the problems and suggestions of the state's farmers, Badal Patralekh, the state agriculture minister, launched the 'Kisan Call Center' in online mode at Nepal House.

Key Points

- On the occasion, Badal also launched a song prepared by the Department of Agriculture to inspire people for 'BlockChain Technology' and COVID-19 vaccination.
- Speaking on the occasion, the Minister said that the State Government is sensitive towards the problems

of the farmers and also wants to be aware of their suggestions. Keeping this objective in mind, the government has started 'Kisan Call Center', which will be operated by the Directorate of Agriculture.

- Farmers of the state can register their problems and suggestions from anywhere in this Kisan Call Center, whose toll free number is 1800-123-1136.
- Efforts will be made to solve their problems from block level to headquarter level and action will be taken on the farmers after getting their suggestions. Along with this, the officials will also monitor it continuously.
- In the Kisan Call Center, farmers will be given answers according to their language, so that farmers do not face any problem in communication.
- Tracking of seeds can be done through the new technology 'Blockchain Technology', so that the seeds given to the farmers can be tracked till the field.
- These two new technologies introduced by the Agriculture Department will bring transparency in the works and the farmers of the state will also get the benefit of it. Also, its result will be seen in production.

Important Decisions of Jharkhand Cabinet

Why in News

- On January 19, 2022, the cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Hemant Soren approved the proposal of giving mobile tabs to 21 thousand students of classes 1 to 12 of 136 residential schools of the state, besides approved 51 proposals.

Key Points

- In the financial year 2021-22, the Jharkhand cabinet has decided to give mobile tabs to the students of classes 1 to 12 in a total of 136 residential schools under the Welfare Department of Scheduled Tribes, Scheduled Castes, Minorities and Backward Classes. In this sequence, 21 thousand students will be given this facility.
- These mobile tabs will come in handy to continue studying at home due to the closure of residential schools in the wake of Kovid-19. The cabinet has approved this proposal with a cost of about Rs 26.25 crore.

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- For the dissemination of information about the schemes of the state government, information about the schemes of the government will also be printed on the first page of the notebooks of the students of government schools from class I to XII.
- Taking another important decision, the cabinet also approved the Jharkhand Assistant Teacher Teacher Service Manual related to para teachers. Para teachers will now be called assistant teachers. Under this rule, the service of 62878 para teachers has been fixed for 60 years. On the basis of merit, honorarium increase, compassionate and other benefits will be given by conducting examinations at regular intervals.
- The cabinet has decided that under the take home scheme, now fortified rice will be distributed instead of normal rice to 6 to 36 months old children, pregnant women, malnourished children under the Centrally Sponsored Nutrition Scheme.
- Changes have also been approved in the rules regarding restoration of services of many departments. At the same time, one lakh will be given to the dependent in case of silicosis disease while working in factories and four lakh rupees to the dependent in case of death.
- The retirement age of Ayurvedic Medical Officers has been increased from 60 to 65 years.
- Aadhar Permanent Enrollment Center will open in all panchayat buildings, municipal bodies, wards of the state. The Information Technology and e-Governance Department of the State Government has approved MoU with CSCSPV for this.
- An agency named NISG has been selected on the basis of nomination under IT Advisory Service for the protection of land records across the state.
- To increase the revenue of liquor in the state, the state government will sign an MoU with the Chhattisgarh State Marketing Corporation Limited. Chhattisgarh government agency has been selected as consultant to the state's Beverages Corporation.
- Other major schemes got approval-
 - 29 crore 23 lakh 37 thousand rupees sanctioned for the revival of Kanchi irrigation project.
 - Approval of Rs 185 crore loan from NABARD for 17 rural water supply schemes under ITIF 27.
 - Nikki Pradhan, Salima Tete, who are playing in the Indian Hockey team from Jharkhand in Tokyo

Olympics, post-facto approval of prize money given to archers Deepika Kumari, Komolika Bari, Ankita Bhagat and coach Purnima Mahto.

- Nominated by Care India for Foundation Literacy Program for children in the age group of 1 to 3 years.
- Approval for construction of residential colony for policemen in Godan by spending Rs.58 crore 1 lakh 80 thousand.
- Under the MLA scheme, an expenditure of Rs 50 lakh has been made optional for water supply schemes on the recommendation of the MLAs.
- Under the Masaliya-Rajeshwar Irrigation Project in Dumka, a plan of Rs 1204 crore has been approved for the installation of underground irrigation pipelines.

Tata Steel's First of its Kind CBM Injection Initiative to Reduce Emissions

Why in News

- Recently, as part of its continued efforts to move towards sustainable steel production, Tata Steel has initiated trials for continuous injection of Coal Bed Methane (CBM) gas into a blast furnace at Jamshedpur Works. This is the first instance in the world where CBM will be used as an injectant in a steel company.

Key Points

- The process is expected to reduce the coke rate by 10 kg/thm (tonne of hot metal), which would be equivalent to reducing 33 kg of CO₂ per tonne of crude steel. The trial will take place in the next few weeks.
- The technology, design and development of the entire system in E Blast Furnace to facilitate CBM injection is done by the in-house team of Tata Steel.
- Tata Steel's Vice President of Iron Making, Uttam Singh said that the technology to decarbonize steel on a large scale is not yet ready. Tata Steel has taken various technology initiatives including pilots and trials to explore new and scalable solutions for decarbonisation.
- This test will help in quantifying the reduction in coke rate used in blast furnace and its effect on productivity

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and will provide useful insights about operation of blast furnace with hydrogen based injectors. This will help in creating a roadmap for future sustainable operation of blast furnace with green fuel containing more hydrogen.

- CBM consists mainly of 98% methane with trace amounts of other gases extracted from underground coal deposits. India is endowed with abundant resources of CBM, the main source of which is the eastern region of the country.
- This test provides a promising opportunity both logistically and economically to leverage the use of CBM for injection purposes.
- Tata Steel continues to invest in breakthrough technologies to achieve the highest environmental performance standards through process improvement, efficient raw material and resource management, high utilization of by-products, lifecycle assessment of products, etc.
- Leading the cause of sustainability, the company commissioned India's first steel recycling plant in Haryana, started using electric vehicles to transport finished steel and set up India's first plant for CO2 capture from blast furnace gas in Jamshedpur .

AISECT University Awarded as Best Private University of Hazaribagh

Why in News

- Recently the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) announced the Online Education Excellence Awards, 2022, in which AISECT University, Hazaribagh, Jharkhand was adjudged the best university of the year.

Key Points

- The Online Education Excellence Awards, 2022 event was organized by the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM), in which the Governor of Jharkhand, Ramesh Bais was the chief guest.
- In the program, the difficulties faced in providing online education in remote areas during the Corona

period and aspects of making it successful through alternative means were discussed in detail.

- In the online program, Registrar of AISECT University, Dr. Munish Govind said that the aim of AISECT University is to prepare the students for the modern environment by developing technical skills, traditional knowledge, values etc.
- It may be mentioned that the All Indian Society for Electronics and Computer Technology (AISECT), was established with a new concept of spreading computer literacy and technology training to the rural masses in their mother tongue.
- It is currently the leading national network of ICT enabled services with over twenty thousand centers. It includes 28 states and 3 union territories of India.
- Three universities have been established by AISECT for this – Dr. CV Raman University, Bilaspur (Chhattisgarh), AISECT University, Patna (Bihar) and AISECT University, Hazaribagh (Jharkhand).

Savita Kumari of Jharkhand honored with Prime Minister's National Child Award

Why in News

- On the occasion of National Girl Child Day on January 24, 2022, Prime Minister Narendra Modi honored 61 children of the country with the Prime Minister's National Child Award for the year 2021 and 2022 in a virtual ceremony as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, in which Savita Kumari of Jharkhand is also included.

Key Points

- This year's awardees include 15 boys and 14 girls from 21 states and union territories. These children have been selected from all regions of the country for their exceptional achievements in the categories of Innovation (7), Social Service (4), Educational (1), Sports (8), Art and Culture (6) and Gallantry (3).
- Similarly, among the award winners for the year 2021, 32 children from 21 states/UTs in innovation (9), art and culture (7), sports (7), educational (5), gallantry (3) and social service (1) categories have chosen.
- The PMRBP awardees participate in the Republic Day Parade every year. Each awardee of PMRBP is

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presented with a medal, a cash prize of Rs 1 lakh and a certificate.

- Savita Kumari of Jharkhand was awarded the Prime Minister's National Child Award - 2022 in the sports category.
 - The award winners of PMRBP 2021 and 2022 attended the event from the respective district headquarters along with their parents and the district magistrate of their respective district.
 - During the ceremony, the Prime Minister presented digital certificates to 61 winners of PMRBP 2021 and 2022 using blockchain powered technology developed by IIT Kanpur under the National Blockchain Project.

Chief Minister Laid the Foundation Stone of 14 Rice Mills in 10 Districts of the State

Why in News

- On January 24, 2022, Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren laid the foundation stone of 14 rice mills in 10 districts of the state in the foundation stone laying of Rice Mills in different districts program organized in the auditorium at Mantralaya, Jharkhand.

Key Points

- The Chief Minister laid the foundation stone of these rice mills in Garhwa, Palamu, Latehar, West Singhbhum, Khunti, Gumla, Simdega, Dhanbad, Bokaro and Godan districts of the state.
- Kurmipur in Palamu district, Garja and Hethma in Simdega district, Timra and Kalamati in Khunti district, Kasira and Konbir in Gumla district, Kushmahi in Garhwa district, Jalta in Latehar, Chaunpurkhas and Sealjoda in West Singhbhum district, Deviana in Dhanbad district, Bokaro district. Foundation stone was laid for Rice Mills Units at K Mirdha and Govardhanpur in Godan district.
- The Chief Minister said that due to paucity of rice mills in the state, farmers were not getting adequate price for their produce. With the opening of rice mills, those problems will now come to an end. The opening of new and modern rice mills will give a big support to the farmers of the state as well as the

economy of Jharkhand. With the establishment of rice mills, a large number of local people will also get employment opportunities.

- The Chief Minister said that under the Food Processing Policy, Jharkhand Industrial Area Development Authority is providing land to the investors at concessional rates. The state government is encouraging investors in many ways to set up processing units in the state.

MoU between Tata Steel and Jharkhand Badminton Association

Why in News

- Amidst the growing popularity of badminton sport in Jharkhand recently, with every household taking up badminton as a hobby or profession, Tata Steel and Jharkhand Badminton Association have jointly signed an MoU to promote badminton in the state.

Key Points

- This MoU will pave the way for settlement of all pending litigation and settlement between Tata Steel and Jharkhand Badminton Association.
- The Tata Steel Sports Division Badminton Development and Advisory Committee has been constituted to take this initiative forward. The committee will work to develop badminton as a sport at Tata Steel's Badminton Training Center and Mohan Ahuja Badminton Stadium.
- This also includes providing best-in-class infrastructure for training and organizing district, state, national and international badminton tournaments.
- It is to be known that badminton is the most played sport in the world after football. Its popularity in the city has increased manifold.

Padma Award to Girdhari Ram Gonjhu of Jharkhand

Why in News

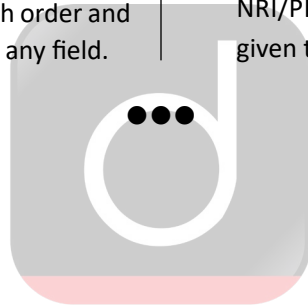
- On January 25, 2022, on the occasion of the 73rd Republic Day, the President announced 128 Padma Awards for the year 2022, in which Girdhari Ram Gonjhu of Jharkhand has been selected for the Padma Shri.

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- Dr. Giridhari Ram Gonjhu, an eminent litterateur, educationist and cultural worker of Jharkhand, will be given the Padma Shri award posthumously in the field of literature and education.
- Dr. Gonjhu was knowledgeable in Hindi and Nagpuri language and had been a professor in the Tribal Language Department of Ranchi University.
- Dr. Gonjhu, a simple and friendly nature, was also a regular writer of My Mati published by Prabhat Khabar newspaper.
- The Padma Awards are the country's highest civilian honors, which are conferred in three categories. These three categories include Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri. 'Padma Vibhushan' for exceptional and distinguished service, 'Padma Bhushan' for distinguished service of high order and 'Padma Shri' for distinguished service in any field.
- These awards are given in various disciplines/fields i.e. arts, social work, public affairs, science and engineering, trade and industry, medicine, literature and education, sports, civil service, etc.
- These awards are announced by the President every year on the occasion of 'Republic Day' and are given in formal functions held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, usually in March/April.
- This year the President has approved the conferment of 128 Padma Awards, including 2 Jodi Awards (the award given to a pair is counted as one award). The list includes 4 Padma Vibhushan, 17 Padma Bhushan and 107 Padma Shri awards.
- Among the recipients of Padma awards, 34 are women and 10 persons in this list are under the Foreigner/ NRI/PIO/OCI category and 13 persons have been given the award posthumously.



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