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Important Day

Death Anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee

- On August 16, 2020 India commemorated death anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
- The Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi paid respect to the former Prime Minister.
- Vajpayee served as the Indian Prime Minister for three terms.

National



Atal Tunnel

- The Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur has announced that the Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi will inaugurate "Atal Tunnel" by the end of September 2020.
- The tunnel is being built under Rohtang pass in the Pir Panjal on the Leh-Manali highway. It is located at 3,100 metres above the sea level. The length of the tunnel is 8.8 kilometres.
- The route is important as it feeds military supplied to the military sub sector that are located in Siachen Glacier and Aksai Chin.

India ranks first in Organic farming

- The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers announced that India ranks first in Organic Farming.
- India also ranks ninth in terms of areas under Organic Farming.
- Sikkim was the first state on the world to become completely organic.
- The other states that have similar targets include Uttarakhand, and Tripura.

International



BRICS Anti-Drug working Group

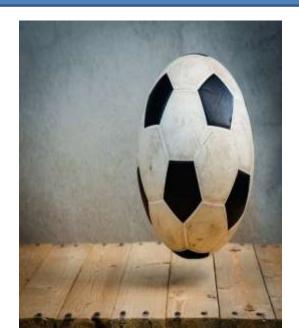
- The fourth Session of Anti-Drug working Group of BRICS was held virtually.
- All the member countries of the BRICS group such as India, Brazil, Russia, China and South Africa Participated in the session.
- The meeting focused on misuse of technologies for drug trafficking.
- During the meeting India stressed on common point that emerged during discussion including need for real time information sharing.
- The drug trafficking and usage in India is high. India is taking immense measures to control drug usages individually and also along with international groupings.

Taiwan Purchases F-16 jets from U.S

- Taiwan recently signed an agreement to buy 66 of the latest F-16 jets from the U.S.
- This is the first purchases of Taiwan from the US since 1992. This is expected to escalates the tension between US and China

Sports







Retirement

The most known and famous India Cricket Players Mahendra Singh Dhoni and Suresh Raina announced retirement from international cricket.

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