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# “One Sun, One World, One Grid” Initiative

- The Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi has announced the “One Sun, One World, One Grid” (OSOWOG) plan.
- This will be a trans-national electricity grid for supplying solar power across the globe.
- The draft plan is prepared by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), the OSOWOG will connect 140 countries through a common grid that will be used to transfer solar power.
- The vision behind the OSOWOG mantra is “the sun never sets”

# Fit India Youth Clubs

- The Union Minister of Youth and Sports Kiren Rijju has launched “Fit India Youth Clubs”, nation wide initiative.
- It has been launched to promote fitness among the every citizen.
- This program will utilize the power of youth to create mass awareness the relevance of fitness, across the nation.

# Spanish mountaineer names peak after uttrakhand IAS Officer

- Juan Antonio, a Spanish mountaineer, who climbed a virgin peak in Spain has decided to name the peak and its route after Ashish Chauhan, a former District Magistrate of Uttarkashi and Present additional Secretary (civil aviation) in the state government.

# ISRO names a crater on Moon after Vikram Sarabhai

- Recently **Chandrayan 2** has captured **an image of crater on Moon**. It released by ISRO on 12 August.
- ISRO decides to name that crater after a famous Indian astrophysicist **Vikram Sarabhai**.
- Vikram Sarabhai is regarded **as the Father of Indian Space Program**.

# Karnataka will build Industrial Corridor between Bidar and Mysuru

- The Karnataka Deputy Chief Minister C N Ashwanthnarayan announced that the State Government is to build an industrial corridor between Mysuru and Bidar.
- This is being done to augment the development of commerce and industry in the state.



# World Tallest Pier Bridge

- The Indian Railways is constructing world's tallest pier bridge in the state of Manipur.
- The bridge is 141 metres high. It is a part of the 111 km long Jiribam-Tupui-Imphal railway line project.
- The bridge has surpassed the record of 139 metres tall Mala-Rjeka bridge in Montenegro, Europe.

# Mauritius Oil Spill

- India sent 30 tonnes of technical equipment and material to Mauritius .
- Mauritius is fighting to contain an oil spill that occurred in its pristine south-east coast.
- Moreover India has deployed a 10-member Indian Coast Guard under Mission SAGAR to tackle the situation of oil spill of Mauritius.

# First National Brand Ambassador of Aligarh Municipal Corporation

- Indian Idol Season11 finalist and Oscar nominated playback singer **Shahzan Mujeeb** became **First ever National Brand Ambassador of Aligarh Municipal corporation** for **Swachh Bharat Abhiyan Campaign** at **National and International level.**

# Space Bricks

- A team of researchers of Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru, Karnataka and Indian space Research Organisation (ISRO) developed a sustainable-process for making brick-line structures named “Space Bricks’ on the surface of the moon.
- The process uses the lunar soil, bacteria and guar beans to make the space brick.

# International



# New Coronavirus strain with 10-times the infection rate detected in Malaysia

- Malaysia has detected a strain a new Coronavirus which is ten times more infectious.
- The mutation called DG14G was earlier seen in other parts of the world.
- Dr. Anthony Fauci top immunologist has informed that the new mutation may also speed up the spread of COVID 19.

# UK launches 3 million pounds Innovation Challenges Fund in India

- The United Kingdom launched 3 million pounds of innovation challenge Fund in India.
- The funds were launched to support Indian scientists in industries and academia to tackle COVID-19 and the climate change.

# Obituary





# Chetan Chauhan

- Former Indian Cricketer and Uttar Pradesh minister **Chetan Chauhan** passed away.
- He was honoured with the **Arjuna Award** in **1981**.

# Sports



# Spanish Grand Prix

- Lewis Hamilton ( Mercedes ) from Great Britain has won the Formula 1 Spanish Grand Prix 2020 held at Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya, Spain.
- Max Verstappen (Red Bull) from Netherland finished in second position and Valtteri Bottas (Mercedes) from Finland finished in third position.

# Local



TRIPURA

# 22 new Programmes

- On the occasion of 74<sup>th</sup> Independence Day the Chief Minister of Tripura Biplab Kumar Deb announced 22 new Programmes.
- The major announcement among them are -
  - ❖ A medical college will be set up at Ambassa.
  - ❖ State Government will provide different social pension to additional 30,000 people.
  - ❖ Financial assistance will be provided to 50,000 Bangadaars through 10,000 joint Liability Group under Mukhyamantri Bangadaar Bumiheen Krishak Sahayata.
  - ❖ 1 lakh small traders will be identified under Mukhyamantri Swanirbhar Yojana.
  - ❖ State Government will introduce “Right to Service Act” for timely delivery of service.

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