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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ National AIDS Control Organisation forms Largest Human Red Ribbon Chain in Kalinga Stadium of Bhubaneswar, Odisha to create awareness on AIDS.
- ❖ The International Cricket Council's (ICC) 92.2 million followers across Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, TikTok and YouTube makes it the most followed international sports federation on social media.
- ❖ Hindustani vocalist Padma Vibhushan Dr. Prabha Atre was conferred with the Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia Lifetime Achievement Award.
- ❖ Tata Trusts has appointed Siddharth Sharma as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Trusts and Aparna Uppaluri as the Chief Operating Officer (COO).
- ❖ Petroleum Sports Promotion Board (PSPB's) Laxman Rawat emerged winner at the NSCI All India Snooker Open, by defeating fellow PSPB challenger Aditya Mehta.
- ❖ The eighth India International Science Festival is to be held in Bhopal under the Theme 'Marching Towards AMRIT KAAL with Science and Technology'.

NATIONAL

U-WIN portal



- ❖ After the success of the Co-WIN platform, the government has now replicated it to set up an electronic registry for routine vaccinations Named U-WIN.
- ❖ This programme digitises India's Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP).

- ❖ It has been launched in a pilot mode in two districts of each state and Union Territory.
- ❖ The U-WIN is going to be the single source of information for immunisation services, updating vaccination status, delivery outcome, planning of RI sessions and reports like antigen-wise coverage, etc.

Expanding organic farming in 2020

- ❖ India has emerged as one of the top three countries in the world where the area under organic agriculture expanded the maximum in 2020.
- ❖ A total of 3 million hectares (mh) were added to organic farming worldwide in 2020.
- ❖ Argentina topped in the list.
- ❖ It followed by Uruguay and India.
- ❖ Australia has the biggest amount of organic farming in the world at 35.7 mh, whereas India has 2.8 mh.
- ❖ Out of total 34 lakh organic producers in the world, 16 lakh farmers in India are into certified organic farming.



Exercise Pralay

- ❖ The Indian Airforce is to conduct a massive military exercise near the Line of Actual Control.
- ❖ The Government of India conducts such military exercises on the border to control the infiltrations.

- ❖ Infiltrations are common in the Line of Control, India - Pakistan border, and Line of Actual Control, India - China border.
- ❖ It will see the participation of India's leading fighter jets such as the Rafale and Su-30.
- ❖ India recently deployed S – 400 missiles in the region.
- ❖ Indian Air Force has moved its drone squadron to the Siliguri corridor to participate in the exercise.

Merger of CGHS with Ayushman Bharat



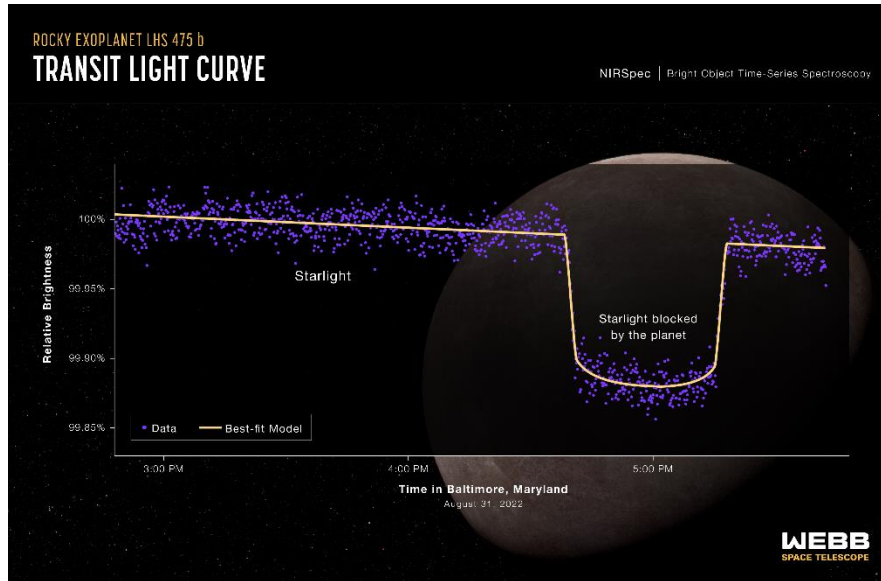
- ❖ Ayushman Bharat and Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS), are two separate health insurance schemes run by the government.
- ❖ Central government plans to merge all existing state and central government-run health insurance schemes under the Ayushman Bharat umbrella.
- ❖ Ayushman Bharat was launched in September 2018.
- ❖ The scheme provides an annual health cover of Rs 5 lakh per family to more than 10.74 crore poor families — about 50 crore people.
- ❖ It covers secondary and tertiary care hospitalisation.
- ❖ Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) is providing comprehensive medical care to the Central Government employees and pensioners enrolled under the scheme.

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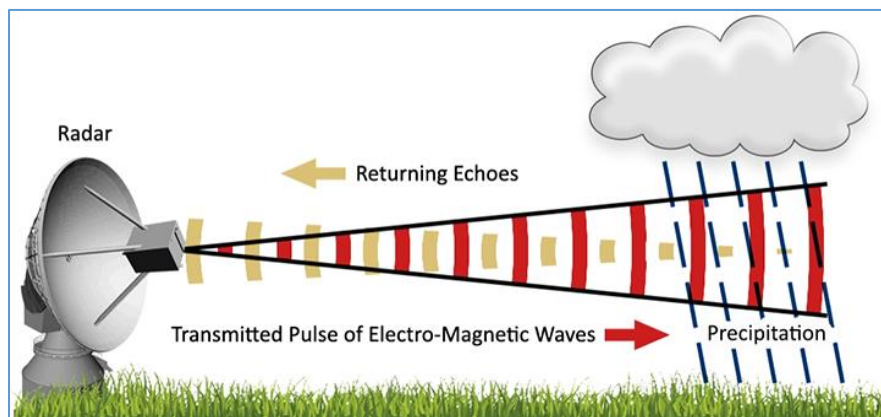
Exoplanet LHS 475 b

- ❖ NASA's the James Webb Space Telescope has discovered its first new exoplanet.

- ❖ Researchers have labelled the planet as LHS 475 b.
- ❖ It is roughly the same size as Earth.
- ❖ It is located just 41 light-years away.
- ❖ The planet orbits very close to a red dwarf star and completes a full orbit in just two days.
- ❖ Exoplanets are planets that orbit other stars and are beyond our solar system.
- ❖ According to NASA, to date, more than 5,000 exoplanets have been discovered.



Doppler weather radar network



- ❖ Four Doppler weather radar systems were inaugurated in Jammu & Kashmir, Uttarakhand, and Himachal Pradesh.
- ❖ The Doppler weather radar network will cover the entire country by 2025 for more accurate forecasts related to extreme weather events.

- ❖ The government plans to establish 660 district agro-meteorological units by 2025.
- ❖ Doppler radars help in observing extent and intensity of rainfall and cloud formations, and monitoring thunderstorms and lightning in real-time.

STATES

Assam's Charaideo Moidams

- ❖ The Centre has decided to nominate the Charaideo Maidams in Assam for the UNESCO World Heritage Centre.
- ❖ If selected, Assam will have three world heritage sites, the other two being Kaziranga National Park and Manas National Park.
- ❖ But there is currently no World Heritage Site in the category of cultural heritage in Northeast India.
- ❖ The Charaideo Maidams, represents the late medieval mound burial tradition of the Tai Ahom community in Assam.
- ❖ Out of 386 Maidams or Moidams explored so far, 90 royal burials at Charaideo are the best preserved.
- ❖ As of now, only 30 of those royal burial mounds are under the protection of the Archaeological Survey of India.



IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day of Education - January 24

- ❖ This day is observed to remind people of the importance of education.

- ❖ On December 3, 2018, the General Assembly of the United Nations voted to declare this day.
- ❖ This resolution was co-authored by Nigeria and the other 58 member nations.
- ❖ "To invest in people, prioritise education" is the theme of the 2023.



Foundation day of Uttar Pradesh - January 24



- ❖ The state of Uttar Pradesh is celebrating its foundation day or Uttar Pradesh Day on January 24.
- ❖ Since 2018, the celebration goes on for a period of three days.
- ❖ The main theme of Uttar Pradesh Day 2023 is 'Investment and Employment'.

- ❖ After Independence, the regions under United Provinces were brought together to form Uttar Pradesh on January 24, 1950.

National Voter awareness Day - January 25

- ❖ The main objective behind the celebration is to encourage, facilitate, and maximise enrolment, especially for new voters.
- ❖ The day has been celebrated since 2011 across the country.
- ❖ This day marks the foundation of the Election Commission of India in 1950.
- ❖ Theme for this year is 'Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure'.

