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### NATIONAL NEWS

- **Niti Aayog** has proposed **15-point action plan** for combating **air pollution** in **ten most** polluted cities in the country, including **Delhi, Kanpur and Varanasi**.
  - The draft action plan titled '**Breathe India**' includes encouraging electric vehicles, phasing out **private diesel vehicle** and **development of crop residue utilisation policy**.
- **INS Tarangini** arrived at her seventh port, **Sunderland in the UK**, during her **Lokayan-18 voyage** and also to participate in the prestigious '**tall ship races - 2018**'.
  - The ship is part of the **first Training Squadron based at Kochi**, under the **Southern Naval Command of the Indian Navy**.
- **Madhya Pradesh** Chief Minister **Shivraj Singh Chauhan** inaugurated state-run power giant **National Thermal Power Corporation Limited (NTPC) 250 MW Solar Power Plant in Mandsaur**.
- The Ministry of Mines organized the **4th National Conclave on Mines & Minerals at Indore, Madhya Pradesh**. Chief Minister of **Madhya Pradesh Shivraj Singh Chauhan** was the chief guest of the conclave.
- The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (**FSSAI**) has launched national campaign '**The Eat Right Movement**'.
  - It aims to **improve public health and combat lifestyle diseases**. **FSSAI**

- also launched Eat Right tool kit and Safe and Nutritious Food at Workplace campaign.
- **NOTE: FSSAI**
    - Headquarters: **New Delhi**
    - Chairman: **Ashish Bahuguna**

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **New Zealand** scientists have performed the **first-ever 3-D, colour X-ray on a human**. The device is based on the traditional X-ray but incorporates particle-tracking technology developed for **CERN's Large Hadron Collider**.
- The **UN Security Council** adopted a resolution **2427**, aimed at a **framework for mainstreaming protection, rights, well-being and empowerment of children throughout the conflict cycle**.
  - The council was chaired by **Swedish Prime Minister Stefan Lofven**.
  - The Portuguese parliament has approved a law that will allow citizens to change their gender and name from the **age of 16** without a medical report showing **"identity disruption"**.
- The **United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres** constituted a **High-Level Panel on Digital Cooperation**. The panel will be co-chaired by **Melinda Gates, Co-Chairman of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and Jack Ma, Executive Chairman of Alibaba Group**.

## BANKING AND ECONOMY

- **Essar Vizag Terminal Ltd (EVTL)** has commissioned its **iron ore handling complex in Visakhapatnam**, deemed to be **India's largest, built with an investment of Rs 830 crore**.
  - The facility will support both export and coastal traffic, furthering **the vision of the Sagarmala initiative**.