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#### NATIONAL NEWS

- The Union Minister for Petroleum & Natural Gas and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship **Shri Dharmendra Pradhan**, laid the foundation stone of National Skill Training Institute (**NSTI**) for Women at Mohali, **Punjab**.
  - He also launched a first of its kind unique Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Kendra (PMKK) for differently abled persons in Mohali.
  - He also launched India's first in-phone guide and mobile application "Go whats That" in Chandigarh.
- The Union Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES) launched a mobile application named Mumbai Weather Live that will provide information on extreme weather events in Mumbai.
- The high-level panel on data protection framework headed by Justice B N Srikrishna submitted its report to the government.
  - The panel has recommended 2 changes to the Aadhaar Act. It has said that, amendments are required to ensure the autonomy of the UIDAI. The panel regarding data protection has suggested amending the Right to Information Act to restrict non-disclosure of information to cases where harm to an individual is more than the importance of transparency and accountability in the functioning of public authorities.
- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Radha Mohan Singh launched the Meghalaya Milk Mission in Shillong. The mission will facilitate in achieving the Centre's goal of doubling farmer's income by 2022 through the promotion of milk business in the state.

- The Indian Railways launched 'Mission Satyanishtha' and a programme on Ethics in Public Governance, in a first-of-its-kind event, at a day-long function held at National Rail Museum, New Delhi. The Union Minister of Railways, Piyush Goyal administered the oath to the officers and supervisors at the programme.
- The two-day Unified Commanders' Conference (UCC) for the year 2018 started at New Delhi. The Annual Conference provides a platform for discussions at the Apex Level on all 'Joint Issues' amongst the three Services & Ministry of Defence and enables stock-taking of the previous year and planning the way ahead for the next year.

## **ECONOMY**

- Defence Ministry Nirmala Sitharaman handed over two types of indigenously built high-power multi-fuel engines to the Vice Chief of Army Staff Devaraj Anbu.
  - The first engine is of 1000 HP named V92S2 engine and it powers T-90 Bhisma Tank.
  - The second engine is V-46-6 engine and it powers the T-72 Ajeya
    Tank and its variants.
  - o The engines were manufactured by the **Engine Factory**, **Avadi**, a unit of **Ordnance Factory Board**, Department of Defence Production.

## **AWARDS**

- Mohun Bagan 'Ratna', the highest honour of Mohun Bagan club was awarded to former India international Pradip Chowdhury at its foundation day programme.
- Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) was awarded the INFRA Icon Award in the 'Global Energy' category at the mid-day INFRA Icons Awards 2018, in Mumbai
  - o About Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (**ONGC**):
  - o Chairman & Managing Director Shashi Shanker
  - Registered Office New Delhi

### **SPORTS**

- Ace Indian shuttler Sourabh Verma lifted the Russian Open Badminton trophy at **Vladivostok.** In the title clash, Sourabh came back from a game behind to beat Japan's Koki Watanabe, 18-21, 21-12, 21-17, and win his **first title** of the season.
- In Wrestling, **Bajrang Punia** won his second consecutive international gold while Sandeep Tomar had to be content with a silver medal at the Yasar Dogu International in Istanbul, Turkey.
  - o In the women's competition, **Pinki** was the **lone gold medallist in the** 55kg category with her 6-3 win over Ukraine's Olga Shnaider in the final. cadem

## **IMPORTANT DAYS**

- International Tiger Day: 29 July
  - International Tiger Day is being celebrated every year on 29 July to raise awareness about tiger conservation. In Madhya Pradesh, State Tiger Foundation Society of Forest Department has organized wall painting competition in 6 cities to raise awareness and support for tiger conservation.