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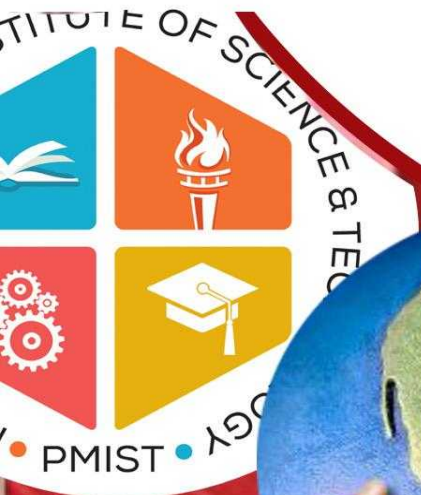
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## NATIONAL NEWS

- India has been unanimously chosen as co-chair of the Consultative Group (CG) of Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR) for the fiscal year 2020.
  - The decision was taken during the meeting of GFDRR held in Geneva, Switzerland
- Soon after it successfully carried out an anti-satellite test, India is setting up its military space agency headquartered at Bengaluru with the ace **fighter pilot Air Vice Marshal SP Dharkar as its likely head.**
  - The tri-services Space agency is likely to command all the space assets of the three services including the A-SAT capability, which can be used to destroy enemy space-based satellites and other assets.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- The **Mint Globetrotter Index** was prepared by **Mint's data partner Howindialives.com** which is a **database and search engine** for public data that took into account **25 essential spends in total**, ranging from multifarious categories, namely, **accommodation, shopping, leisure, market and food** and came up with an **index** which would help general public to travel well-informed.

## SPORTS

- The **Squash Rackets Federation of India (SRFI)** entered into a tie-up with HCL. The objective of this tie-up is to improve Indian Squash. There will be multiple tournaments organised under the '**HCL Squash Podium Programme**' in which both the senior and junior level.

## APPOINTMENTS

- Cyril Ramaphosa's party, **African National Congress (ANC)** won South African elections with majority and secured 57.51 percent votes and **Cyril Ramaphosa**

elected as South African President.

- Last year in February 2018, Cyril Ramaphosa elected as South African President after President Jacob Zuma resigned from the post due to charges of corruption.

## AWARD

- As a part of Europe Day celebrations, the **Council of European Chambers of Commerce(CEUCC)** in India and **European Union(EU) delegation** will felicitate Indian actor **Anil Kapoor** for promoting Children's Rights and his effort to protect the rights of girls in collaboration with Plan India and the European Union.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- Globally, **May 16** is celebrated as International Day of Light. This the **2nd edition** of the International Day of Light.
  - **UNESCO** (The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization) officially observes the International Day of Light so as to continuously appreciate light and for the exemplary role it plays in **science, culture and art, education, sustainable development, medicine, communications, and energy.**