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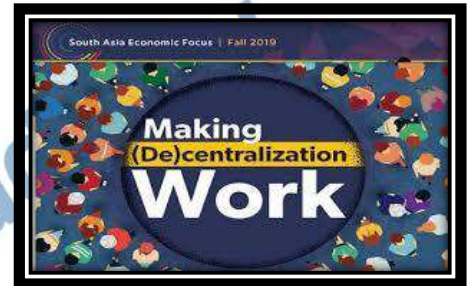
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## NATIONAL NEWS

- On **October 14, 2019**, On the event of **World Standards Day, Consumer Affairs Minister Mr Ram Vilas Paswan** notified that the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) will rank state capitals and 100 smart cities in the coming 3 months for quality tap water.
  - Quality of tap water at district level will also be tested in the next 6 months.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- On October 13, 2019, World Bank (WB) in its report, “**South Asia Economic Focus, Fall 2019 : Making (De)centralization Work**”, has lowered India’s growth forecast to 6% for 2019 for the second consecutive year ,after a wide decline in the initial quarters.
  - As per the report , Bangladesh has become the second-fastest growing economy in South Asia after Bhutan. Bangladesh’s growth rate is expected to increase from 7.9 % to 8.1 % in 2019
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - Bangladesh Capital: Dhaka
    - Bangladesh Currency: Bangladeshi taka
    - Bangladesh Prime minister: Sheikh Hasina
- On **October 13, 2019, Prahlad Singh Patel** , the Union Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (Independent charge) has participated in BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa) **Culture Ministers’ meeting 2019** held in Curitiba, Brazil.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - BRICS as an idea was coined in Foreign Ministerial meeting of Brazil, Russia, China and India in Newyork, United States (US) in September, 2006.

- BRIC officially came into existence in 2009 in Yekaterinburg, Russia. South Africa became its member in 2010.

## BANKING NEWS

- On October 14, 2019, Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India (ICICI Bank) launched a new Fixed deposit (FD) scheme called “**FD health**” which provides investors a complimentary critical illness cover on **33 critical illnesses** for the customers who are in the **age bracket of 18-50 years**.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - ICICI Bank Headquarters: Mumbai
    - MD & CEO: Sandeep Bakhshi

## AWARDS

- According to the **Edelgive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2019** which was released on October 14, 2019 by Hurun India, (Hindustan Computer Limited) **HCL Technologies Chairman Shiv Nadar** emerged as India’s most generous philanthropists who contributed Rs 826 crore during the financial year 2018-19 (FY19).

## SCIENCE AND TECH UPDATES

- On October 14, 2019, **Indian Institutes of Technology (IIT)**, Madras has signed a 5-year joint-research agreement with **ExxonMobil Research and Engineering Company (EMRE)**, the research and engineering arm of ExxonMobil Corporation for research in biofuels, data analytics, gas conversion and transport, and finding low-emission solutions.
  - This agreement is in line with the central Government’s new ‘biofuel policy’, which targets to convert the country’s biofuel industry into a 15.6\$ billion economy

## SPORTS

- As per the **latest ICC** (International Cricket Council ) **men's test rankings 2019**, Indian captain **Virat Kohli (936 points)** has reached very close to the top Australian batsman **Steve Smith (937 points)** & took 2nd position in the batting list.
  - In bowlers ranking, Ravichandran Ashwin has also gained three places. He is now in seventh place, while Bumrah is still in third place.
  - **RELATED KEYS:**
    - ICC Formation: 15 June 1909
    - ICC Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE)
    - ICC Chairman: Shashank Manohar
    - ICC CEO : Manu Sawhney

### WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Knave** - the dishonest person.  
Similar words - rogue , reprobate.  
Antonyms - innocent , honest
- **junction** - a particular point in events or time.  
Similar words - moment , phase  
Antonyms - calm, definiteness