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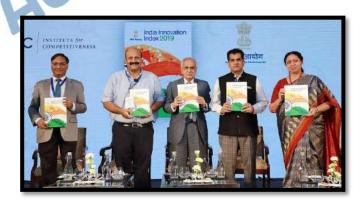
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#### **NATIONAL NEWS**

- Karnataka has topped the **first-ever innovation ranking of states**, followed by Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra. The **report** was **released** by Niti Aayog Vice Chairman **Rajiv Kumar** and Chief Executive Officer **Amitabh Kant**.
  - Related Keys
    - Karnataka formed on 1 November 1956
    - Karnataka was originally known as the State of Mysore, it was renamed Karnataka in 1973.

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- Indian Air Force (IAF) kick started its bilateral joint exercise with Royal Air Force
  Oman (RAFO), named 'EX EASTERN BRIDGE-V' at Air Force Base Masirah.
  The IAF contingent comprises of Mig 29 UPG (upgrade) combat aircraft along with C-17 Globemaster transport aircraft.
  - o Last time, the bilateral exercise was held in 2017 at Jamnagar.
- The Andhra Pradesh Government has launched a scheme called 'YSR Navodayam'. The scheme aims to bail out micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in the State and provide them financial relief by restructuring their bank loans before March 31, 2020.
  - o Under the scheme, about 80,0000 MSMEs in the State would be benefited as their bank loans, that are subject to a ceiling of **Rs 25 crores**, would be restructured.

#### **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

- The Hurun Research Institute has released the inaugural Hurun Global Unicorn List 2019. This is the first year of the list and follows from the sixth quarterly Hurun China Unicorn Index.
  - China ranked at the top spot by 206 companies followed by the US with 203.

#### o Related Keys

- It is a ranking of the world's billion-dollar tech 'start-ups' founded in the 2000s.
- Company's current valuation More than US\$1 billion.

#### **BANKING NEWS**

- The SBI Card launched 'SBI Card Pay', a payment feature based on Host Card Emulation (HCE) technology for faster, convenient and more secure card payments using mobile phon es.
  - o "SBI Card Pay is aimed at redefining the payments experience for our customers. Using cutting-edge technologies such as HCE.
  - Related Keys
    - SBI Headquarters Mumbai, Maharashtra.
    - SBI Founded on 2 June 1806.

### SCIENCE AND TECH UPDATES

- An IIT Kharagpur graduate Debayan Saha, invented a device called "PM 2.5" which he claimed when fitted near the silencer pipe in vehicles will curb air pollution. One car fitted with the device can neutralise the pollution emitted from 10 cars in its vicinity.
  - o "The technology developed by us uses a combination of electric energy and wave energy to influence the pollutants like PM 2.5 such that they act like magnet attracting other particulate pollutants from the ambient atmosphere to get attached to it.
  - Related Keys
    - IIT Kharagpur Established on 1951
    - IIT Kharagpur Chairman Sanjiv Goenka

#### WORDS OF THE DAY

1) **Itinerant** - travelling from place to place. Similar words - peripatetic, wandering.

 Antonyms - sedentary, settled

2) levity - a manner lacking seriousness.

Similar Words - carefreeness, light-heartedness.

Antonyms - seriousness, gravity.

