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NATIONAL NEWS

- **NITI Aayog today advocated for a healthcare system for the middle class which is still not covered under any public health care system.**
 - The healthcare system would exclude those covered under the newly-launched Ayushman Bharat scheme that mainly caters to the bottom 40 per cent population of the country.
 - **Related News**
 - NITI Aayog Formed - 1 January 2015.
 - NITI Aayog Headquarters - Delhi.
- **Union Government on Monday announced Bharatiya Poshan Krishi Kosh** which is a repository of diverse crops across 128 agro-climatic zones for better nutritional outcomes.
 - The Kosh aims at reducing malnutrition through a multi-sectoral results-based framework, including agriculture, among women and children across the country.
- **State-run Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOC) launched a special winter-grade diesel** that remains unfrozen up to minus 33 degree Celsius.
 - The fuel would help provide year-round access to snow-capped border regions and is part of India's efforts to speed up strategic road connectivity.
 - **Related News**
 - Indian Oil Corporation Ltd Founded - 30 June 1959.
 - Indian Oil Corporation Ltd Headquarters - New Delhi.
- The earnings from **internet ticketing services of IRCTC** (Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation) **increased by 80.8% between the period April, 2019 and September, 2019.**
 - The earnings in the four-month period is Rs 199.3 crores.
 - **Related News**
 - The IRCTC is one of the Miniratna companies of India. It is a subsidiary of the Indian Railways.
 - A Miniratna status is provided to the Public Sector Undertakings that satisfy the criteria.
- **India was ranked 59th among 63 countries in the 2019 IMD World Talent Ranking released by International Institute for Management Development.**

This year, India slipped by 6 places as compared to 53rd rank in 2018 edition of

this global annual list.

- India's poor performance was on account of low quality of life and expenditure on education.
- **Related News**
 - International Institute for Management Development (IMD) Established - 1990.
 - International Institute for Management Development (IMD) President - Jean-Francois Manzoni.

SCIENCE AND TECH UPDATES

- The DRDO Chief, Mr G Sateesh Reddy recently announced that DRDO (Defence Research Development Organization) is to increase the range of ASTRA air-to-air missiles. India is one of the few countries to own a successful BMD-Ballistic Missile Defence programme.

About Astra

- **Astra (Sanskrit word for weapon) is an all-weather air-to-air missile developed completely by DRDO.**
- ASTRA is currently capable of engaging targets upto a distance of 110 km.
- It is integrated with Sukhoi Su-30 MKI aircrafts .

WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Queasy** – nauseous, feeling sick.
 - Similar Words - bilious , Uneasy .
 - Antonyms - well, wholesome, untroubled.
- **quorum** - the minimum number of members of an assembly or society.
 - Similar Words - Required number, attendance, plenum.
 - Antonyms - disassembly .