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## NATIONAL NEWS

- On December 10, 2019, **External Affairs Minister Jaishankar introduced the Anti-Maritime bill in parliament.** The bill was introduced in days after the kidnapping of 18 Indians aboard in Nigeria. It aims at ensuring safety and security of India's maritime trade and the crew members.
  - The bill is framed in accordance with the UNCLOS (United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea).
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - The UNCLOS or the Laws of the sea was framed at the third UN Conference that was held between 1973 and 1982.
    - As of 2016, 167 countries including the European Union have joined UNCLOS.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- In order to secure the CPEC sea route, China and Pakistan have signed a deal to build drones with maximum payload of 480 kg, with top speed of 370 km per hour and can fly up to 20 hours. The drones are called Loong II. These drones are similar to the MQ-9 Reaper drones developed by the US.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - CPEC Established 22 May 2013
    - CPEC (**China Pakistan Economic Corridor**), a major part of **China's BRI project passes through the Pakistan Occupied Kashmir region.**
- **Abu Dhabi has been selected as the world's leading Sports tourism Destination at the 26th edition of the World Travel Awards (WTA) being held in Muscat.** This is the seventh time in a row that Abu Dhabi has been selected for this coveted award.

- **RELATED KEYS**

- Abu Dhabi the second most populous city of the United Arab Emirates.
- The World Travel Awards were founded in 1993.

## **BANKING NEWS**

- Country's largest lender State Bank of India has announced the reduction in its marginal cost of fund based lending rate (MCLR) by 10 basis points across all one-year products. It will be effective from today.
  - **This is the eighth consecutive cut in MCLR by the lender this fiscal.** The new one-year MCLR has been cut to 7.90 per cent from 8 per cent.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - State Bank of India Chairperson: Rajnish Kumar
    - State Bank of India Headquarters: Mumbai

## **IMPORTANT DAYS**

- International Mountain Day is observed on December 11 every year since 2003. The same day is celebrated in US and Japan as well as National Mountain Day. The US began to mark mountain day even before the UN since 1877.
  - **Theme: Mountains matter for youth**

## **WORDS OF THE DAY**

- **Jaded** - bored or lacking enthusiasm, typically after having had too much of something.
  - Similar Words - satiated , exhausted.
  - Antonyms - fresh.

- **Jaunt** - a short excursion or journey made for pleasure
  - Similar Words - outing , excursion
  - Antonyms - Stand in a place .

  
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