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## NATIONAL NEWS

- Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare **Dr. Harsh Vardhan** inaugurated the new **Central Government Health Scheme (CGHS) Wellness** Centre at Vikaspuri, New Delhi.
  - CGHS service serves 12.09 lakh primary cardholders and 35.72 lakh beneficiaries.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - **CGHS services**
      - CGHS services have been planned to be extended to 100 cities.
      - Currently, the scheme is operational across **72 Cities** through **329 Allopathic Wellness Centres** and **86 AYUSH Centres**.
- The **11th Regional Quality Conclave (RQC)** was held on 20th December 2019 at, Rudrapur, District Udham Singh Nagar, Uttarakhand.
  - The Conclave will be inaugurated by Madan Kaushik, Minister of Urban Development Government of Uttarakhand.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - The RQC is organized by the **Quality Council of India (QCI)** along with PHDCCI.
    - The theme of the Rudrapur RQC is "**Advance Manufacturing with Quality, Innovation & Technology Interventions.**"

## BANKING & FINANCE

- **Edelweiss Asset Management Company** has issued the first **Bharat Bond ETF**, the corporate bond exchange-traded fund in the country.

- The bond issue will close on 20 December 2019.
- **RELATED KEYS**
  - **Bharat Bond ETF**
    - The investors can subscribe to the **exchange-traded fund (ETF)** with a minimum unit size of Rs.1,000.
    - Through the ETF, Edelweiss Mutual Fund proposed to raise an initial amount of Rs.3,000 crore.
- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** and the Government of India signed a **\$250 million loan to Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL)**.
  - The agreement aims to expand energy efficiency investments in India.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - The agreement is expected to benefit residential, agricultural, and institutional consumers.
    - The **Clean Technology Fund (CTF)** will provide \$46 million in financing. It will be administered by ADB.
- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has instructed banks to make all online payments done through **National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT)** and Real-time gross settlement (RTGS) **free of cost for savings account holders**.
  - It will come to effect from 1 January 2020.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - Governor: Shaktikanta Das
    - Bank rate: 5.40%
    - Headquarters: Mumbai
    - Founder: British Raj

## **SCIENCE & TECH UPDATES**

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- The **World Health Organization (WHO)** has now approved a **biosimilar medicine** that is derived from living sources instead of the chemicals.
  - The aim is to make breast cancer treatment affordable to women globally.
  - **RELATED KEYS**
    - WHO
      - Founded: 7 April 1948
      - Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland
      - Subsidiary: Pan American Health Organization

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **International Human Solidarity Day** is observed on 20 December.
  - The day celebrates **unity in diversity**.
  - **Aim:** The Day aims to raise public awareness of the importance of solidarity. It encourages debate on the ways to promote solidarity for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) including poverty eradication.

## WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Intruders** - a person who intrudes, especially into a building with criminal intent.
  - Synonym - trespasser, invader
  - Antonym – ally.
  
- **Orientalist** - a person who studies the languages and cultures of Asia
  - Synonym - orient scholar
  - Antonym - one who studies about Western culture.

  
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