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NATIONAL NEWS

- The **Government Think Tank Niti Aayog** draws up list of **medical devices** that have **high export potential**. It has come up with 10 devices to provide priority subsidies. It includes **surgical blades, orthopaedic implants, catheters, syringes and needles, X-ray machines, blood bags, MRI machines and CT scan**.
 - **Related Keys**
 - In December 2018, NITI Aayog announced that all medical devices will be brought under one regulatory regime.
 - Currently, the medical devices are governed under the Central Drugs Standard Control organization (CDSCO).
- The **second phase of Intensified Mission Indradhanush 2.0** rolled out at block level in **35 districts** of Uttar Pradesh. The aim of the program launched by central government in 2017 is to achieve **90 percent** vaccination coverage in children of less than 2 years in state.
 - AIR correspondent reports that under the program the immunization activity will be in four rounds over seven working days excluding the Regular immunisation days, Sundays and holidays.
 - **Related Keys**
 - Mission Indradhanush Launch year: 2014
 - The scheme seeks to drive towards 90% full immunization coverage of India and sustain the same by year 2020.
- **Uttar Pradesh** is all set to become the **first state** in the country to start the **exercise of shortlisting** migrants from **Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan, eligible for citizenship** under the new **Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA)**.

- The exercise will also identify those who are living illegally in the state.
- **Related Keys**
 - Uttar Pradesh Capital: Lucknow
 - Uttar Pradesh Chief minister: Yogi Adityanath

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- The **UAE Cabinet** has **approved** the **issuance of a five-year multi-entry tourist visa for all nationalities visiting the country**. The decision was made during the Cabinet's first meeting of 2020. The move comes in a bid to support the UAE's tourism economy, and affirm the country's position as a global tourist destination.
 - Ruler of Dubai Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid said the country receives **21 million tourists** annually and their aim is to establish the country as a major global tourist destination.
 - **Related Keys**
 - UAE Capital: Abu Dhabi
 - UAE Currency: United Arab Emirates dirham

SPORTS

- The **first edition of Khelo India University Games** is **scheduled** to be held at the **KIIT University in Bhubaneswar from February 22nd to March 1st**. The launching ceremony of the event was held at Bhubaneswar yesterday.
 - Union Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju and Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik unveiled the logo and jersey of Khelo India University Games.

WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Fallacy** - a mistaken belief, especially one based on unsound arguments.
 - Similar Words - misconception , misbelieve
 - Antonyms - truth, verity, fact.

- **Feign** - pretend to be affected
 - Similar Words - simulate , fake
 - Antonyms - sincere


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