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NATIONAL NEWS

- A prototype of the naval version of the **light combat aircraft** (LCA) successfully completed the test trial. It **landed** and took off from **India's aircraft carrier INS Vikramaditya on 11 January 2020**.
 - The test was a significant step towards India developing its own deck-based fighters. This will now pave the way to develop and manufacture the Twin Engine Deck Based Fighter for the Indian Navy.
 - **Related Keys:**
 - Indian Navy Founder: 5th September 1612
 - motto of the Indian Navy is- 'Shano Varuna'
- Centre appointed 2 joint secretaries, 13 deputy secretaries, and 25 under secretary-rank officials to the newly-created department of military affairs.
 - **The department is to be headed by Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) General Bipin Rawat**. The appointments are in line with the government's vision of ensuring tri-services synergy.
 - **Related Keys:**
 - Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) is the professional service chief, head of the Indian Armed Forces and the senior-most uniformed military adviser to the Government of India.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- On January 13, 2020, the World Future Energy Summit is to begin at Abu Dhabi. It is to be held for four days.
 - The Summit will have **33,500 participants** from **170 countries**. It will also include **800 special exhibits**. Theme: **Rethinking Global Consumption, Production and**

Investment.

- **Related Keys:**
 - World Future Energy Summit is an annual event being conducted at Abu Dhabi since 2011.
 - The Climate Innovation Exchange (CLIX)was launched in World Future Energy Summit, 2018.

SPORTS

- The **BCCI Annual Awards** function, **grabbing the prestigious Polly Umrigar award** apart from annexing the **Dilip Sardesai** honour for his exploits in **international cricket in the 2018-19 season.**
 - Polly Umrigar award is presented to the best male International cricketer and it carries a citation, trophy and cheque for Rs. 15 lakh.
 - Dilip Sardesai award is conferred on both the highest wicket-taker and highest run-getter in Test cricket. Bumrah took 34 wickets in six matches with three five-wicket hauls.
 - **Related Keys:**
 - formed in December 1928
 - CEO: Rahul Johri
 - Headquarters :Wankhede Stadium

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **National Youth Day or Yuva Diwas is observed on 12 January** across India. The day is celebrated every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda. It aims to create awareness and to provide knowledge to the youth about the rights in India.
 - The main aim of the celebration of the Youth day is to propagate the philosophy and the ideals of Swami Vivekananda for which he lived and worked.

WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Crux** – the decisive or most important point at issue.
 - Similar Words – essence, central idea/point
 - Antonym – trivia

- **Pre-emptive** – serving or intended to pre-empt or forestall something, especially to prevent attack by disabling the enemy.
 - Similar Words – preventative, anticipatory
 - Antonym – shortsighted, unaware, unplanned


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