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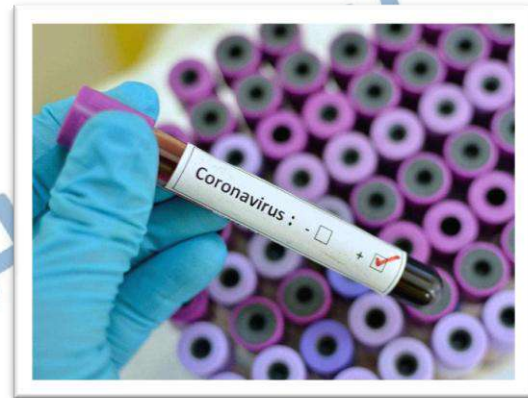
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## NATIONAL NEWS

- On March 5, 2020, the Department of Science and Technology operating under Ministry of Science and Technology organized an **International Conference on Nano-Science and Nano Technology** (ICONSAT) at **Kolkata**. The Conference is to be held between March 5, 2020 and March 7, 2020.
  - **Related Keys**
    - India started its journey of nanotechnology with the launch of “Nano Science and Technology Initiative” (NSTI) in 2001 for a span of 5 years. In 2007, it was renamed as **“Nano Mission”**.
- Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India, **IRDAI** has asked **insurers to expeditiously settle hospitalisation claims** related to **novel coronavirus disease** under **health policies**.
  - In a circular, the Regulator has instructed insurance companies to come out with policies to cover treatment costs for coronavirus infection.
  - **Related Keys**
    - Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India **Founded: 1999**
    - Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India headquarters: Hyderabad.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **Luxembourg** has become the first country with a **free public transport system**, with **all fares for trams, trains and buses** abolished as of February 29 2020. The **one exception is first-class train travel**, which

will **cost £2.60 (€3) per journey.**

- The scheme was originally announced in 2018, with a summer 2019 launch planned, but pushed back to this year.
- **Related Keys**
  - Luxembourg, one of the smallest countries in Europe
  - The goal is to reduce traffic congestion and emissions.

## APPOINTMENTS

- The **Government of India appointed** the **current Revenue Secretary Ajay Bhushan Pandey** as the **new Finance Secretary**. Pandey replaces current Finance Secretary Rajiv Kumar.
  - The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment.




## SPORTS

- **Shafali Verma, the teenage Indian batting sensation**, has **gained** the **top spot in the ICC women's T20 International rankings**, riding on her stellar run at the ongoing World Cup.
  - She has become only the second India batter after Mithali Raj to top the women's T20 International rankings, according to an ICC statement.
  - **Related Keys**
    - The ICC Player Rankings is a widely followed system of rankings for international cricketers based on their recent performances.
    - The rankings include the top 10 WODI and WT20I batsmen, bowlers and all-rounders based on the rating of the each player.

## WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Vicinity** - the area near or surrounding a particular place.
  - Similar Words - neighborhood , locality
  - Antonyms - distance, remoteness.
  
- **Rebuke** - express sharp disapproval or criticism of (someone) because of their behaviour or actions.
  - Similar Words - reproach , scold
  - Antonyms - praise , complimentS

  
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