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NATIONAL NEWS

- **Union Government has invited bids for the sale of its entire 52.98 per cent stake in the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited.**
 - Expressions of interest for the strategic sale of BPCL were invited by 2nd of May, the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management said in the bid document.
 - **Related Keys**
 - Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited operates two large refineries of the country located in Kochi and Mumbai.
 - Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Headquarters: Mumbai
- On March 8, 2020, TIFAC operating under Ministry of Science and Technology launched Vigyan Jyoti. The **scheme** was **announced to celebrate International Women's Day.**
 - The **Technology Information Forecasting and Assessment Council (TIFAC) launched Vigyan Jyoti** in order to encourage women to take science as their career
 - **Related Keys**
 - TIFAC was formed as a registered body in 1988 under DST (Department of Science and Technology).
- Indian Coast Guard (ICG), an armed force that protects India's maritime interests, has conducted a 2-day 9th edition of national level search and rescue exercise '**SAREX-2020**' based on the **theme 'Harmonization of Maritime and Aeronautical Search and Rescue (HAMSAR)'** in the sea at Vasco, South Goa district from March 5-7, 2020.
 - **Related Keys**
 - Indian Coast Guard (ICG) **Headquarters– New Delhi**
 - Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Director General– Krishnaswamy

AWARDS

- The **21st edition of International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) Awards** has been **postponed** in light of the **coronavirus scare**.
 - One of the most popular award functions in the country IIFA was scheduled to be held from March 27 to 29 at Indore and Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh.
 - **Related Keys**
 - International Indian Film Academy awards were introduced in 2016, around the films released in 2015

SPORTS

- **Asian champion Pooja Rani** in the **75kg category** and **Vikas Krishan** in the **69kg category** became the **first** set of **Indian boxers** to qualify for **Tokyo Olympics 2020**.
 - Both boxers advanced to the semifinals of the continental qualifiers at Amman in Jordan.
 - **Related Keys**
 - Tokyo was selected as the host city during the 125th IOC Session in Buenos Aires, Argentina on 7 September 2013.
 - This will be the second time that Japan and specifically Tokyo has hosted the Summer Olympic Games.

WORDS OF THE DAY

- **Callow** - inexperienced and immature.
 - Similar Words - raw , untrained
 - Antonyms - experienced , sophisticated

- **Covert** - Hidden, secretive, done secretly
 - Similar Words - secret , conceal
 - Antonyms - Overt , visible


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