

KSG:NEWSPAPER CRUX

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NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHTS

- Days after Bhutan sent China a demarche protesting against Chinese claims to the Sakteng wildlife sanctuary in eastern Bhutan, Beijing has doubled down, including Bhutan's "eastern sectors" to the boundary dispute between the two countries for the first time.
- Relief measures being implemented in the wake of the COVID19 pandemic have paved the way for States and Union Territories in the country to draw more than double the quantity of rice for distribution during April to June this year, compared to the corresponding period last year.
- "Overdraft: Saving the Indian Saver", written by Former RBI Governor Urjit Patel, set for release.
- School shut, no mid-day meal, children in Bihar village back to work selling scrap.
- Revenue down by 58%, Railways enforcing cost-cutting measures.
- Locust menace: Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) asks India to be on high alert for next 4 weeks.
- At India's groundnut-cotton (Gondal, Gujrat) bowl, Excitement over centre's Agricultural produce market committee (APMC) reforms-APMC procurement price is now higher than MSP.
- UK factory faces modern slavery (Swaetshop like condition and below minimum wage payments) probe, Workers in clothing factory in Leicester include many from India.
- As traditional space heating mechanisms threaten natural resources and health of residents, sustainable space heating systems can bring down CO2 emissions by 30% in the IHR (Indian Himalayan region) by 2030, As per a report by WWF India and TERI.

KHALISTAN MOVEMENT

Key facts

1. Centre designated 9 persons associated with **khalistan movement** as terrorist under Unlawful activities prevention Act (UAPA).
2. **Recently Amended UAPA**, Individuals can be designated as terrorists.
3. Khalistan movement is a separatist movement seeking to create a homelands for Sikhs by establishing sovereign state, called Khalistan in Punjab.

INDIA-BANGLADESH AGREEMENT FOR JOINT VENTURE COMPANY (JVC)

Key facts

1. JVC was signed between subsidiary of Indian Oil Corporation and LPG company of Bangladesh.
2. It will help **reduce the cost of import of LPG for Bangladesh.**

PLUG & PLAY INFRASTRUCTURE

Key facts

1. Fast-tracking investment proposals in Maharashtra.
2. Making available **ready facilities like building, power-water-sewage connectivity, road connectivity.**
3. **Union Budget of 2015** proposed plug and play infrastructure model for the first time in India.

GYANDROMORPHS

Key facts

1. Gyandromorphs is recently documented in a **dragonfly in Kerala.**
2. Animals that **have both male and female tissues.**
3. Appearing to divide down the middle into male and female sides with patches characteristic of both the sexes.
4. Gyandromorphs occur in insects, crustaceans and other arthropods as well as in Birds but they are very rare.

WHAT IS ANTHROPAUSE?

Key facts

1. Term coined by UK researchers-It refer to **coronavirus-induced lockdown period and its impact on other species.**
2. Valuable insight into the relationship between human-wildlife interactions.

NANOZYMES

Key facts

1. Scientists from Indian institute of Science, Bengaluru have developed nanozymes-**Nanomaterials carrying enzyme** like characteristics, believed to act in battle against antibiotic resistance.