KSG:NEWSPAPER CRUX

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NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHTS

- Union Minister for Women and Child Development Smriti Irani addressed the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on the 25th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action to highlight India's achievements in gender equality. She spoke about a shift in India "from a paradigm of women's development to women led development".
- A study conducted across Karnataka indicates that the policy guidelines brought out by the government to mitigate human-leopard conflict and discourage translocation of the animal have had little impact on the ground.
- Tribals in Srikakulam district(Tribal dominated districts) of Andhra Pradesh, will be given 1.28 lakh acres under the Scheduled Tribes and Other Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006.
- The over 30% increase in the price of gold in India has led to a spurt in smuggling in the past one year and enforcement agencies seizing more than 1,600 kg of gold from across the country.
- As work and life adjust to a new normal, people are looking for long term solutions that incorporate hygiene and mindful practices into food habits: Survey.
- Two years after Maldivian President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih rose to power promising to "restore democracy", his government's record on fulfilling the poll time pledge could be better, say activists.
- The National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) has said that once a resolution plan for a debt ridden company is approved by the lenders, the successful bidder cannot be permitted to withdraw its offer.
- Elon Musk, the co-founder and CEO of automaker Telsa Inc, said that the company would be entering the Indian market next year.

COUNCIL OF SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH(CSIR) LAUNCHES TECHNOLOGIES FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT

1.Technologies were launched under a joint initiative of CSIR,Unnat Bharat Abhiyan(UBA),IIT Delhi and Vijnana Bharati(VIBHA).

2.Few Technologies launched are improved beehive for quality and **hygienic** extraction of honey,manufacturing of ginger paste,dehumidified drier for food and agri products etc.

3.These technologies could be deployed in rural areas for development and livelihood generation and achieving sustainable goals.

CAT QUE VIRUS

1.The presence of the Cat Que virus has been largely reported in **Culex mosquitoes in China** and in pigs in Vietnam.

2.The virus is known to cause encephalitis-like symptoms **similar to Japanese encephalitis**, in China.

3.Recently,Indian Council of Medical Research-National Institute of Virology has stated that the Cat-Que virus is **not at all perceived as a major public health threat at the present moment**.

FAST PATROL VESSEL(FPV)ICGS KANAKLATA BARUA

1.It is the fifth and last in a series of FPV built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd.

2.It is named after a teenage freedom fighter who was shot dead in Assam during the Quit India Movement.
3.Other four are ICGS Privadarshini(named after Indira

Gandhi),ICGS Annie Besant,ICGS Kamala Devi(Kamala Devi Chattopadhyay),and ICGS Amrit Kaur.

TREASURY BILLS

1.Treasury bills are issued **when the government needs money for a short period**.These bills are issued only by the central government and interest on them is determined by market forces.

2.Treasury bills are zero coupon securities and pay no interest.Instead,they are issued at a discount and redeemed at the face value at maturity.

3.At Present, treasury bills are issued in three maturities-**91-day, 182-day and 364-day**.

SAFE MOTHERHOOD ASSURANCE(SUMAN) WILL LEAD TO A FULLY RESPONSIVE AND ACCOUNTABLE HEALTH SYSTEM

1.Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare highlighted importance of SUMAN at the **partnership for Maternal,Newborn and Child Health(PMNCH)** Accountability Breakfast event.

2.PMNCH is the world's largest alliance for women's,children's and adolescents' health,bringing together over 1,000 partner organizations across 192 countries.

3.It enables partners to share strategies, align objectives and resources, and agree on interventions. The Vice Chairs of PMNCH's Board are the Government of India and UK.

DEFENCE ACQUISITION PROCEDURE(DAP)-2020

1.DAP 2020 has been **aligned with vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat** and empowering Indian domestic industry through Make in India initiative with the ultimate aim of turning India into a global manufacturing hub.

2.Key Highlights of the Draft-Reservation on Categories for Indian Vendors, Enhancement of Indigenous Content, etc.