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NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHT

- The challenge before Jammu and Kashmir's leaders, old and new, is to arrive at a compelling blueprint for good governance within a framework of healthy federal relations that will be rooted in a vision for peace, prosperity and real empowerment. The bedrock of such a vision must be the extraordinarily talented and gifted young people of the State, who have, despite the troubles, been able to carve out a niche for themselves across the world.
- Pakistan was retained on the greylist, or the list of countries under "increased monitoring", by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), as the Paris based UN watchdog judged it deficient in prosecuting the top leadership of UN Security Council designated terror groups, including Lashkare-Taiba, Jaishe Mohammad, Al Qaeda and Taliban.
- The first indigenous aircraft carrier (IAC) being built at the Cochin Shipyard will join the naval fleet next year, coinciding with the 75th year of India's Independence, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said.
- Officials of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) have started visiting areas affected by post poll violence in north and south Bengal.
- Agreeing on the need to find an early resolution to the remaining issues along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh, India and China on Friday agreed to hold the 12th round of military commander talks to achieve "complete disengagement" from "all the friction points" along the LAC in the Western Sector.
- A first of its kind pan India study says Mumbai and Pune are among hotspots where high air pollution from the transport and industrial sectors is related to a higher number of COVID19 cases and deaths.

RENEWABLE POWER GENERATION COSTS IN 2020:IRENA

- 1.The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) released the 'Renewable Power Generation Costs in 2020' report.
- 2.Replacing Coal with Renewables: 810 gigawatts (GW) capacity of the world's existing coal-fired plants i.e. 38% of the total global energy capacity now have higher operating costs than new utility-scale photovoltaics and onshore wind energy.
- 3.**Replacing this expensive coal power with renewables will save operators USD 32 billion a year and reduce annual carbon dioxide emissions by around three billion tonnes.**
- 4.Renewables energy in all intent and purposes are the most affordable energy sources. Countries should consider deploying these at scale to achieve the Paris Agreement targets and shield their economies from external shocks from fossil fuel markets.

GUJARAT INTERNATIONAL MARITIME ARBITRATION CENTRE(GIMAC)

- 1.A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the Gujarat Maritime University and International Financial Services Centres Authority in GIFT (Gujarat International Finance Tec-City) City.
- 2.The objective of the MoU is to jointly support the establishment of the Gujarat International Maritime Arbitration Centre (GIMAC).
- 3.This **will be the first centre of its kind in the country that will manage arbitration and mediation proceedings with disputes related to the maritime and shipping sector.**
- 4.The GIMAC will be part of a maritime cluster that the Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB) is setting up in GIFT City at Gadhinar.

GUIDELINES FOR OTHER SERVICE PROVIDERS(OSPs)

- 1.The Department of Telecommunications (DoT) has eased the norms for Other Service Providers (OSPs).OSPs Providers are companies which provide secondary or tertiary services such as telemarketing, telebanking or telemedicine for various companies, banks or hospital chains, respectively.
- 2.Important Features of New Policy: Distinction between Domestic and International OSPs has been removed. A BPO centre with common Telecom resources will now be able to serve customers located worldwide including in India.
- 3.Such service providers will have to self-regulate and maintain a call data record, a usage data record for a certain time period.
- 4.**It will allow employees to opt for freelancing for more than one company while working from home, thereby attracting more workers in the sector.**

PLACES IN NEWS

- 1.**Black Sea**-Russia fired warning shots at British destroyer in Black Sea.
- 2.Black Sea is an inland sea between southeastern Europe and the Anatolian peninsula(Turkey).
- 3.It is connected to the Atlantic Ocean via the Mediterranean and Aegean Seas and various straits.
- 4.Bosporous strait connects it to the sea of Marmara, and strait of the Dardanelles connects it to the Aegean Sea region of the Mediterranean. To the north, it is connected to the Sea of Azov by the Kerch Strait.