

KSG:NEWSPAPER CRUX

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NEWSPAPER HIGHLIGHT

- The sustainable health of complex systems — which human beings and societies are — is being lost sight of. The COVID19 crisis will not end capitalism. But capitalism must mutate to survive. Companies must rethink the purpose for their existence. It is imperative now that more human and less money values are adopted.
- The Reserve Bank of India's decision to transfer ₹99,122 crore of surplus to the Centre comes as a windfall to the government, at a moment when the ferocious second wave of the COVID19 pandemic has likely upended most projections for the economy including revenue assumptions.
- A civil society group in Manipur has asked Prime Minister Narendra Modi to provide specialised humanitarian agencies, including the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, unhindered access to Myanmar nationals who fled military repression in their country and crossed over to India.
- India's top COVID19 adviser Dr. V.K. Paul has said the States had coerced the Centre into expanding the availability of vaccines, despite being aware of being inadequately prepared.
- The Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council failed to agree on immediate tax breaks for critical pandemic relief supplies, including COVID19 vaccines, and constituted a Group of Ministers to recommend individual items' tax rates by June 8.
- The Supreme Court said precious time was being lost as children orphaned, abandoned and traumatised by the COVID-19 pandemic were starving on the streets of "this large country".
- T.M. Kalliannan Gounder, the last surviving member of the Indian Constituent Assembly, died at the age of 101 at Thiruchengode in western Tamil Nadu.

THE CLIMATE BREAKTHROUGH SUMMIT

1. World leaders convened at the Climate Breakthroughs Summit to demonstrate progress in critical sectors of the global economy, including steel, shipping, green hydrogen and nature.
2. This is a collaboration between the World Economic Forum, Mission Possible Partnership, the United Nations Climate Champions, and the United Kingdom (COP 26 Presidency).
3. It aims to demonstrate the need for systemic change to accelerate the global transition to a zero-carbon economy.
4. One of its **key campaigns is the 'Race to Zero' campaign that mobilises support of 708 cities, 24 regions, 2,360 businesses, 163 investors, and 624 higher education institutions to move towards zero-carbon recovery for a sustainable future.**

ACCR PORTAL & AYUSH SANJIVANI APP

1. The Ministry of Ayush launched its Ayush Clinical Case Repository (ACCR) portal and the third version of Ayush Sanjivani App in a virtual event.
2. It is conceptualized and developed by the Ministry of Ayush as a platform to support both Ayush practitioners and the public. Cases whose details are posted here will be screened by experts, and will be uploaded for all to read/view subject to their review.
3. Aim: **To portray the strengths of Ayush systems for treatment of various disease conditions.**
4. It welcomes Ayush practitioners from all over the world to enrol and share information about successfully treated cases for the benefit of all.

BLACKBUCK POPULATION INCREASED IN ODISHA

1. A census carried out by the Odisha State Forest Department revealed that Odisha's blackbuck population has doubled in the last six years.
2. Blackbucks are **confined to Balukhand-Konark coastal plain / wildlife sanctuary in Puri District; Balipadar-Bhetnoi and adjacent areas in Ganjam District.**
3. As per the latest census, the antelopes numbered 7,358, compared to 2,194 in 2011. Improvement of habitats, protection given by the local people and forest staff were some of the reasons for the increase of the population.
4. Other Antelopes Found in India: Barasingha/Swamp Deer, Chital/Spotted Deer, Sambar Deer, Sangai/Brow-Antlered Deer, Himalayan Serow, Barking Deer/Indian Muntjac, Nilgiri Tahr/Nilgiri Ibex.

PLACES IN NEWS

1. **BELARUS**-Belarus(Capital-Minsk) lies in Eastern Europe, erstwhile part of USSR, is part of Slavic republics(along with Russia and Ukraine).It is part of Eurasian Economic Union(EEU), a 5 member economic union established in 2015.
2. India-Belarus share a strong relationship with Market Economy Status to Belarus by India. It supports India at UNSC and NSG and India supports its entry to NAM.
3. **MALI**-Recently,Mali suffered a coup when its transitional President were arrested by military. Mali is a Western African National(Capital-Bamako), mostly lying in the Saharan and Sahelian regions. It is drained by Niger River, third largest river of Africa after Nile and Congo.
4. **TIGRAY(ETHIOPIA)**-With increased atrocities from Ethiopia in Tigray region, USA has imposed restrictions on economic and security assistance to Ethiopia. Tigray lies on the Ethiopian border with Eritrea and suffers from violence for long.