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News Update

[Shri Venkaiyah Naidu, Vice President calls for new ways of living with learning from corona lessons](#)

Shri Naidu, Vice President of India and Chairman of Rajya Sabha underlined the need to adopt new ways of living in corona times and suggested a twelve-point framework to deal with the virus, based on lessons so far taught by the corona pandemic. He stressed on the need for new attitudes towards life and humanity amidst presence of COVID-19 as it was now clear that the virus would stay for a longer period than earlier envisaged.

[Dr Harsh Vardhan participates in 73rd World Health Assembly through VC; highlights the timely, graded and pro-active measures taken by India towards COVID-19 management](#)

Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health & Family Welfare participated in the 73rd World Health Assembly (WHA) through Video Conference, on invitation of Director General, World Health Organization (WHO). Dr. Harsh Vardhan expressed condolences at the loss of lives across the world due to COVID-19 and expressed gratitude for the efforts of those who are in the frontline of the battle against the pandemic. The minister shared steps that were taken by India and how the COVID-19 challenge was undertaken with highest level of political commitment. Pre-emptive, pro-active and graded response, leaving no stones unturned to contain the deadly virus from spreading is how India continues to fight against COVID-19 through strengthened health infrastructure, capacity building of over two million frontline human resources, risk communication and community involvement.

[Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' appreciates the moves undertaken by Government of India to ensure reach of quality education to farthest corners of the country](#)

Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' Union Minister for the Ministry of Human Resource Development spoke in appreciation of initiatives taken and announcements made by the Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman to boost



education sector. The HRD Minister observed that the “one nation-one digital platform” and “one class-one channel” will ensure that quality education material will reach the students present in farthest areas of the country. Such initiatives will boost the access and equity in education and improve the gross enrolment ratio in the times to come. He announced that due consideration will be given for the ‘Divyang’ children and these measures will further usher in a new paradigm in the creation of a more literate India.

Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' Union announces dates of remaining CBSE examinations for Class X and XII during COVID-19 pandemic

Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' Union Minister, Ministry of Human Resource Development announced the dates of remaining examinations of CBSE Class X and XII. The Minister confirmed that the examinations of Class X will be conducted for the students of North East Delhi only, while the exams of class XII will be held for students across the country including North-east Delhi. All examinations will be between 10:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Dr Jitendra Singh lauds the Army medical COVID-19 related assistance for Northeast and Jammu & Kashmir

Dr Jitendra Singh Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), has lauded the Army’s COVID-19 related medical assistance for Northeast and Jammu & Kashmir. The minister recognized the pro-active response of the Army to step in at the early stage of pandemic and supplement the diagnostic and treatment facilities in the initial phase of preparedness. The Minister appreciated the support and contribution extended in reducing the disease burden in quarantine camps and provisions made for isolation facilities set up by the Armed Forces. Dr. Jitendra Singh appreciated the medical services and enhancement in number of hospitals by the Army of the region.

German, Japanese cars wrest lead on pent-up demand

Chinese carmakers lost market share to German and Japanese rivals in April amid the sales recovery from the pandemic, largely due to pent-up demand. The situation is expected to reverse as the economy improves further.

France, Germany announce unprecedented 500 billion euro European Union’s recovery fund

France and Germany jointly proposed that the European Commission borrow money on capital markets in the European Union’s (EU) name and create a 500-billion-euro (546 billion US dollars) recovery fund to help the European economies and regions to overcome the COVID pandemic.



President of China Xi Jinping announces China will share vaccine with the World, specially the developing countries

President Xi Jinping of China announced that it will provide \$2 billion over two years to help with COVID-19 response and with economic and social development in affected countries, especially developing countries. China has provided tremendous amount of medical and technological support to African countries. Mr Xi Jinping further said that China will contribute to ensure affordability and accessibility of vaccines in developing nations.

Ministry of Commerce in China will help companies tap markets and facilitate investors

Ministry of Commerce in China will take major steps to stabilize and bolster foreign trade and investment amid the rising uncertainties and disruptions surrounding the world economy and trade from the COVID-19 outbreak.

China confirms over 80 per cent tariff on Australian barley exports

China's Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) said that on its investigations, it had proven that the dumping of cheap Australian barley had hurt its domestic market. Relationship between Australia and China is at a low after China banned beef exports from four meat processing plants in Australia.

Central Advisories and Notifications

Ministry of Health and Family welfare has issued guidelines on preventive measures to contain spread of COVID-19 in workplace setting

As per the guidelines the basic preventive measures include simple public health measures are to be followed to reduce the risk of infection with COVID-19. These measures need to be observed by all (employees and visitors) at all times which includes social distancing, washing hands and self monitoring of health. Any staff reportedly suffering from flu-like illness should not attend office and seek medical advice from local health authorities. Detailed guidelines on the disinfection procedures in offices have already been issued by the Ministry of Health and Family welfare (MOHFW).

Ministry of Home Affairs notifies States on extension of Lockdown up to May 31, 2020; States to decide various Zones and Activities to be allowed in these Zones; Certain activities to remain prohibited throughout the Country

Ministry of Home Affairs notified that Lockdown measures have helped considerably in containing the spread of COVID-19 and is now further extended till May 31, 2020. Under the new guidelines, States and Union Territories will delineate Red, Green and Orange zones based on parameters



shared by the Ministry of Health, Government of India. Within the containment zones, only essential activities shall be allowed. A limited number of activities will continue to remain prohibited throughout the country while night curfew shall continue to remain in force on the movement of individuals, for all non-essential activities with pre-fixed timing. , States and Union Territories (UT) cannot dilute them and are free to prohibit certain other activities or impose restrictions, as deemed necessary on the basis of ground level analysis of these situations

State Advisories and Notifications

Delhi Disaster Management Authority has released an order with regard to extension of lockdown till 31 May 2020

As per the order, the District Magistrate and District Deputy Commissioner of Police shall ensure the strict enforcement of instructions. The following activities shall continue to remain prohibited amidst the lockdown like metro rail services, educational institutions, cinema halls ,shopping complexes and all religious congregations .Some activities which are permitted are restaurants for take away and home delivery option, autorickshaws, taxies and e-rickshaws that can operate with 1 or 2 passengers. All markets and market complexes shall remain open on odd even basis and all private and government offices can operate with full strength.

Government of West Bengal has issued an order to further classify red and orange zone

As per the order the red and orange zone will be further classified into three zones- affected area, buffer area and clean area with polling station in each area. The restriction in affected areas are no socio-economic activities, essentials to be home delivered and regular sanitization.

Government of Uttar Pradesh has issued an order regarding extension of lockdown till 31 May 2019

As per the order, certain activities shall continue to remain prohibited amidst the lockdown like metro rail services, educational institutions, cinema halls, shopping complexes and all religious congregations. Social Distancing and proper hygiene to be maintained in workplaces.



Gujarat collector and District Magistrate office has issued an order to extend the term of passes till 31 May 2020

As per the order the term of passes will be extended till 31 May 2020 .These passes were issued to vendors who were dealing with essentials commodities.

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