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Polity & Governance

Poshan Tracker app

Recently, over 10.12 crore beneficiaries registered on Poshan tracker app.

• **Umbrella scheme** – Poshan Bhi Padhai Bhi (PBPB) Programme.
• **Nodal Ministry** – Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD).
• **Aim** – To enhance *Anganwadi Worker's (AWWs) capacity* to deliver optimal early childhood care and education services to all children.
• To empower Anganwadi Workers and provide them with *continuous digital support and coaching*.

Major Minerals

Recently, mining leases for the major minerals issued in the 5th and 6th Schedule areas.

• Major minerals include iron ore, coal, bauxite, gold, and now, Barytes, Feldspar, Mica, and Quartz
• **Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) (MMDR) Act, 1957** – It empowers the *State Governments to grant mineral concessions* for the minerals located within their respective jurisdiction.
• **Responsibility of State Government**:
  - To collect the revenue generation.
  - Rehabilitation of displaced people.
• **Madhya Pradesh** – It has been *granted above 7 leases* after obtaining all requisite permissions.
• Gujarat, Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh states were *not granted mining lease* in the past 5 years.

Mining Surveillance System (MSS)

Recently, the government has begun to use geo-spatial technologies such as Mining Surveillance System (MSS), Geographic Information System (GIS) and Satellite imagery to prevent illegal mining.

• **Launched in** – *2016*.
• **Developed by**:
  - Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM).
  - Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).
  - Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG).
• **Aim** – To develop a system for detection of incidence of *illegal mining* by use of space technology.
• To *survey an area up to 500m* outside the lease boundary to check incidences of illegal mining.
• Since, the inception of MSS in 2016-17, the project was implemented in major *mineral rich states including in Odisha*.

DoT Action to Curb Spam/Fraud Call

Recently, the Department of Technology (DoT) has disconnected nearly 1.75 lakh unauthorized numbers.

• **Spam calls** – DoT identified that large number of spam calls are being originated from telecom identifiers like numbers starting from 0731, 079,080 etc.

• **DoT Actions** – It urges *enterprises to comply with telecom regulations* to avoid strict penalties.

• It encourages *citizens to continue reporting spam calls* through the Chakshu module of Sanchar Saathi app.

• It remains dedicated to *strict monitoring and prompt action* against Unsolicited Commercial Communication (UCC) (spam/fraud call) violators to protect consumer interests.

Smugglers and Foreign Exchange Manipulators (Forfeiture of Property) Act (SAFEMA), 1976

Recently, a special court in Mumbai finally handed over 14 properties belonging to Tiger Memon to the central government of India. Tiger Memon *is the key accused in the 1993 Bombay Blasts.*

• **Objectives of the Act** – To fight smuggling and illegal money activities.

• It allows the government to take away properties that were bought with illegal money.

• **Ambit of an act** – It applies not just to the accused person but also to their family members and associates.

Pension Adalats

The government aspires to organize additional Pension Adalats recently.

• **About** – It is a long standing *redressal of pension grievances* pertaining to Central Government Pensioners.

• **Objective** – To provide *on-the-spot resolution of unresolved and chronic grievances* in Centralized Pension Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPENGRAMS).

• **Unresolved cases –** These cases are revisited and their status is considered before holding the next Pension Adalat.

Multi Modal Logistics Parks (MMLPs)

Out of 32 approved MMLPs 5 MMLPs at Jogighopa, Chennai, Bengaluru, Nagpur and Indore are under development and expected to be operational in FY 2025-27.

• **About** – It is a transportation hub that offers *multiple modes of transportation and logistics services in one location*.

• **Developed by** – Both public and private entities.

• It is a facility that integrates various transportation modes such as rail, road, sea, and air, as well as warehousing, storage, distribution, and value-added services.

Security

Bollard Pull (BP) Tug Ojas

Recently, the 5th 25T Bollard Pull (BP) Tug Ojas was launched.

• **Tugs** – It is designed indigenously and built in accordance with relevant *Naval Rules and Regulation of Indian Register of Shipping (IRS)*.

• **Objective** – To provide assistance to *Naval ships and submarines* during berthing, un-berthing and manoeuvring in confined waters.

• To provide afloat firefighting support to ships and it have the capability to conduct limited *search and rescue operations.*

INS Tarkash

Recently, INS Tarkash has successfully intercepted and seized over 2500 kg of narcotics.

• **About** – It is a *frontline frigate of the Indian Navy* operating under the Western Naval Command.
• **Part of** – Combined Maritime Forces (CMF), for Maritime Security Operations.
• **Deployed in** – Western Indian Ocean.
• It is participating in the multi-national forces joint focus operation, *Anzac Tiger*.

Miscellaneous

Tarang

Recently, the Tarang facilities was discussed in the Parliament.

• **About** – It is a *64-bit High Performance Computing (HPC) system*, capable of supporting multi-tasking, multi-programming, multi-user and time-sharing environment.
• It avoids single point of failure, to meet the operational requirements.
• **HPC technical support** – It is supported by transformers, diesel generators, UPS, batteries, multiple utility paths, lighting system, adequate number of earthing pits and cables.

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