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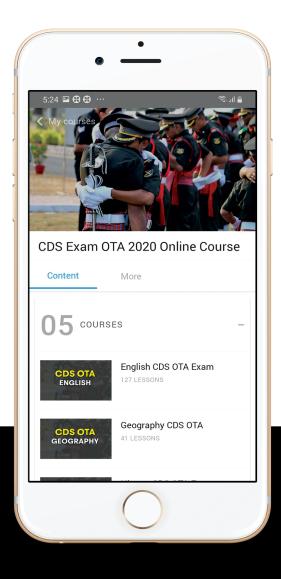
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# DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS 27<sup>th</sup>- 28<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2021

# World Drug Report 2021, Released

- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), Said that the lockdown restrictions during Covid-19 have accelerated drug trafficking using the Internet.
- It Highlighted that Between 2010-2019, the number of people using drugs increased by 22%, owing in part to an increase in the global population.
- Access to drugs has also become simpler than ever with online sales, and major drug markets on the dark web are now worth some \$315 million annually.

# **FATF Retains Pakistan on Its Grey List**

- The FATF had issued the 27-point action plan after placing Pakistan on the 'Grey List' in June 2018. The action plan pertains to curbing money laundering and terror financing.
- FATF is an inter-governmental body established in 1989 during the G7 Summit in Paris. The FATF assesses the strength of a country's anti-money laundering and anti-terror financing frameworks.
- The FATF currently has 39 members including two regional organizations the European Commission and Gulf Cooperation Council. India is a member of the FATF.

# Push For Agriculture Through Agristack

- Ministry of Agriculture has signed a MOU with Microsoft to run a pilot programme for 100 villages in 6 states.
- Agristack will create a unified platform for farmers to provide them end to end services across the agriculture food value chain.
- Under the programme, each farmer will have a unique digital identification (farmers' ID) that contains personal details, information about the land they farm, as well as production and financial details.

## LiDAR Based Survey of Forest Areas

- MoEFCC released the Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) of LiDAR (Light Detection and Ranging) based survey of forest areas in ten states. (Assam, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Nagaland, and Tripura)
- LiDAR: Light Detection and Ranging, is a remote sensing method that uses light in the form of a pulsed laser to measure ranges & variable distances.
- LiDAR technology has been found to have 90% accuracy.

### Exotic dragon fruit Exported to Dubai

- In a major boost to export of exotic fruit, a consignment of fiber and mineral rich 'Dragon Fruit', also referred as Kamalam, has been exported to Dubai with help of APEDA.
- At Present, dragon fruit is grown mostly in Karnataka, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Odisha, West Bengal, Andhra Pradesh etc.
- Agriculture and processed food production export Development Authority is an apex body that promotes export trade of agricultural products in India.

# Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay Jayanthi Observed

- The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has paid homage to Rishi Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay on his Jayanti.
- Born on 27 June 1838, Naihati, Kolkata.
- He was the composer of VandeMataram, originally in Sanskrit, personifying India as a mother goddess and inspiring activists during the Indian Independence Movement.

## Zen Garden and Kaizen Academy Inaugurated

- PM inaugurates Zen Garden and Kaizen Academy at AMA, Ahmedabad
- What is 'Zen' in Japan is 'Dhyana' in India: PM
- Inner peace along with outer progress and growth is hallmark of the two cultures said PM.
- Kaizen is being used in many departments, institutions, and schemes of the Central Government: PM
- PM elaborates on his vision of creating a Mini-Japan in Gujarat

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- Japanese Zen refers to the Japanese forms of Zen Buddhism, an originally Chinese Mahayana school of Buddhism that strongly emphasizes dhyana, the meditative training of awareness.
- Kaizen translates to 'change for the better' or 'continuous improvement'. Kaizen is a Japanese business philosophy that focuses on gradually improving productivity by involving all employees and by making the work environment more efficient.

# **REVIEW QUESTIONS**

- 1. United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) was Established in \_\_\_\_\_?
- A. 1995
- B. 1996
- C. 1997
- D. 1998 ANSWER: C

2. Which of the Following Country is not Part of Golden Crescent?

- A. Pakistan
- B. Afghanistan
- C. Iran
- D. Iraq

**ANSWER: D** 

- 3. Banganapalle mangoes (also known as Benishan) is a mango variety produced in?
- A. Maharashtra
- B. Tamil Nadu
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Telangana ANSWER: C

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- 4. VandeMataram Was Written by Bankim Chandra Chatterjee in 1870s, in His Bengali Novel\_\_\_\_\_.
- A. Kapalkundala
- B. Durgeshnadini
- C. Anandamath
- D. Devi Chaudurani
  - ANSWER: C
- 5. Anandamath Published in 1882, was Inspired by \_\_\_\_\_\_ Rebellion in the late 18th century.
- A. Santhal
- B. Sannyasi
- C. Khasi
- D. Munda ANSWER: B
- 6. The Split Between Hinayana and Mahayana Buddhism Emerged at \_\_\_\_\_ Council?
- A. First
- B. Second
- C. Third
- D. Fourth
  ANSWER: D
- 7. The Second Buddhist Counsels was Held Under the Patronage of?
- A. Ajatashatru
- B. Ashoka
- C. Kanishka
- D. Kalashoka

ANSWER: C

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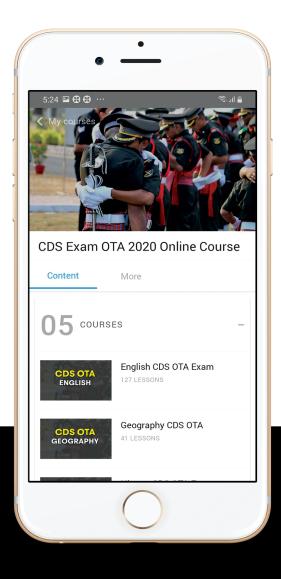
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