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05 September 2018**Daily News Pedia****Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction Railway station.**

(GS Prelims and Mains 2 – Governance)

The iconic Mughalsarai Railway Junction of Uttar Pradesh was on August 5, 2018 renamed as **Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction Railway station**.

Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP) National President Amit Shah inaugurated the renamed station.

The Mughalsarai station got a new name after Uttar Pradesh Governor Ram Naik gave his assent to the proposal in June 2018 following the in-principle approval by the Union Government in 2017 to the state government's proposal.

Note: RSS ideologue Deen Dayal Upadhyaya was found dead in mysterious circumstances near the Mughalsarai station in February 1968. Mughalsarai is also the birthplace of former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri.

Source: The Hindu

Kazind 2018

(GS Prelims and Mains 2 – International Relations)

Kazind is an **Indo-Kazakhstan Joint Army Exercise**.

The third edition of this exercise will be conducted in **Otar region, Kazakhstan**. 2nd Edition (2017) was organised in India. Its aim is to build and promote bilateral Army relations and exchange skills and experiences.

Prabal Dostyk is another joint military exercise between India and Kazakhstan.

Source: The Hindu.

IOWave18

(GS Prelims and Mains 2 – International Relations)

India, along with 23 other Indian Ocean nations, is participating in a major tsunami mock exercise – IOWave18 – being organised by **the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO**. It will involve the evacuation of over 1.25 lakh people from the coastal communities of Odisha, Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Puducherry, Maharashtra, West Bengal, Gujarat and Goa.

NDRF battalions, Indian Navy, Indian Coast Guards, Army, and critical installations like nuclear power plants, port and harbours are also participating in the exercise,

The aim of the exercise is to increase tsunami preparedness, evaluate response capabilities in each state and improve coordination throughout the region.

IOC has coordinated setting up of Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System (IOTWMS).

Source: The Hindu.

Japan's – mini 'space elevator'

(GS Prelims and Mains 3 – Science and Technology)

A Japanese team has developed a space elevator and will conduct a first trial this month, blasting off a miniature version on satellites to test the technology.

The test equipment, produced by researchers at Shizuoka University will hitch a ride on an H-2B rocket being launched by Japan's space agency.

The test involves a miniature elevator stand-in a box just 6 cm long, 3 cm wide, and 3 cm high.

If all goes well, it will provide proof of concept by moving along a 10-metre cable suspended in space between two mini satellites that will keep it taut.

The mini-elevator will travel along the cable from a container in one of the satellites.

Source: The Hindu.

South Asian Women Development Forum (SAWDF)

(GS Prelims and Mains 2 – International Relations)

International Women Entrepreneurs Summit 2018 was held in Kathmandu, capital of Nepal from September 3 to 5, 2018. The summit was inaugurated by Vice President of Nepal Nanda Bahadur Pun. The theme of 3-day summit was **“Equality begins with Economic Empowerment”**. It was organised by the South Asian Women Development Forum

SAWDF is an autonomous, non-profit organization based in Kathmandu, Nepal.

It was granted the status of SAARC Recognized Body by 36th Session of SAARC Council Ministers at 18th SAARC Summit held in Kathmandu in 2014. It is first SAARC Recognized Body organisation working on women entrepreneur's issues.

It represents national women entrepreneurs' associations or organizations, institutions working towards economic issues of women entrepreneurs in SAARC Region. Its membership is based on organizations with extensive work around women's entrepreneurship.

Source: The Hindu.

EDITORIAL

To Read

No construction sans solid waste management policy

SC imposes costs on errant States, UT

The Supreme Court said it was “pathetic” that some States and Union Territories had not bothered to frame a solid waste management policy. The court ordered that further construction activities be stopped in some States and Union Territories that remained unmindful of the interests of their people to live in a clean environment. “In case the States have the interest of the people in mind and cleanliness and sanitation, they should frame a Policy in terms of the Solid Waste Management Rules so that the States remain clean. The attitude of the States/Union Territories in not yet framing a Policy even after two years is pathetic, to say the least. Further constructions in the States/Union Territories are stayed until the policy is framed,” the Supreme Court observed in its order on August 31.

The court scheduled the case for further hearing on October 9. It is hearing the case suo motu since the death of a seven-year-old boy due to dengue in Delhi in 2015.

Justice Lokur had condemned the attitude of the authorities at one point, saying “if they want the people to live in dirt, filth and garbage, what can be done then.”

During the earlier hearing on July 10, some States did not attend court.

Hence, the Bench imposed ₹1 lakh each on the defaulting States and UTs whose lawyers were present in court. These included Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Karnataka, Kerala, Meghalaya, Punjab, West Bengal, Lakshadweep and Puducherry. For the remaining States/Union Territories, who were either not present or not represented by lawyers, the burden of costs went up to ₹2 lakh.

“The tragedy is that more than two-third of the States / Union Territories in the country have neither bothered to comply with the orders passed by the Court nor bothered to comply with the directions given by the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India,” the Supreme Court had observed then, calling it a “shocking state of affairs”.

Source: The Hindu.

MAINS QUESTION

Q: Discuss what are all current Issues and Challenges in India's waste Management system?

PRELIMS QUESTIONS

1. Choose the right statement given below

- a. Exercise Kazind is an Indo-Kazakhstan Joint Aerial Exercise.
- b. Exercise Prabal Dostyk is an Indo-Kazakhstan Joint Naval Exercise.
- c. Both a and b.
- d. Neither a and b.

Answer: D

Explanation:

The third edition of Kazind exercise will be conducted in Otar region, Kazakhstan. 2nd Edition (2017) was organised in India. Its aim is to build and promote bilateral Army relations and exchange skills and experiences.

Prabal Dostyk is another joint military exercise between India and Kazakhstan.

2. Select the not correct statement to South Asia Women Development Forum

- a. It is an autonomous, non profit organization based in Kathmandu, Nepal.
- b. International Women Entrepreneurs Summit 2018 was conducted by it.
- c. Both a and b.
- d. None of the above.

Answer: D

Explanation:

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3. Mini Space Elevator developed by

- a. Japan
- b. USA.
- c. Germany.
- d. Russia.

Answer: A

Explanation: A Japanese team has developed a space elevator and will conduct a first trial this month, blasting off a miniature version on satellites to test the technology.

The test equipment, produced by researchers at Shizuoka University will hitch a ride on an H-2B rocket being launched by Japan's space agency.

4. *Recent renamed Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Junction Railway station present in which state.*
- Goa.
 - Madhya Pradesh.
 - Uttar Pradesh.
 - Bihar.

Answer: C

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5. *Which of the following is/are true about Andaman and Nicobar islands?*

- It has equatorial vegetation.
- It is of volcanic origin and devoid of Coral deposits
- It receives only monsoonal rainfall

Select the correct answer from the following codes

- Only 1
- Only 1 and 2
- Only 2 and 3
- 1,2 and 3

Answer: A

Explanation:

The coastal line of Andaman and Nicobar Island has some coral deposits, and beautiful beaches. These islands receive convectional rainfall and have an equatorial type of vegetation.