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❖ **World Food Safety Day - 7 June**

- World Food Safety Day is observed annually on 7 June to highlight the importance of maintaining food standards and protecting consumers from foodborne illnesses.
- The theme of World Food Safety Day 2023 is "Food Standards Save Lives".
- The theme emphasises the important role of food safety standards in ensuring the well-being of individuals.
- World Food Safety Day encourages cooperation among nations and raises awareness of the importance of food safety standards in protecting public health.
- The Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) proposed the observance of World Food Safety Day in 2016.
- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- Headquarters - Rome, Italy ; Establishment - 16 October 1945

❖ **Five new countries elected as non-permanent members of the UN Security Council**

- Algeria, Guyana, the Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia were elected non-permanent members of the UN Security Council for a two-year term.
- The newly elected members will take up their new responsibilities on January 1, 2024 and serve till December 31, 2025.
- Slovenia defeated Belarus by a vote of 153 to 38, while Algeria, Guyana, Sierra Leone and the Republic of Korea were elected unopposed.

➤ These new members will replace Albania, Brazil, Gabon, Ghana and the United Arab Emirates at present when their two-year term ends on 31 December 2023.

❖ **UP Govt. launches 'Elder Line' service to give shelter to elderly homeless**

➤ The 'Elder Line' 14567 service was recently launched by the Uttar Pradesh Social Welfare Department.

➤ The initiative is the brainchild of Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Social Welfare Aseem Arun, who earlier headed the emergency helpline 112.

➤ The objective of the helpline is to rescue destitute old persons and provide them shelter in old age homes.

➤ 'Elder Line' 14567 service has been activated, actively responding to distress related to older persons.

➤ Uttar Pradesh currently has 75 old age homes, one in each district.

➤ These homes accommodate both male and female residents, providing them with necessary amenities and care.

❖ **India Sri Lanka Defense Seminar cum Exhibition to be held at Taj Samudra in Colombo**

➤ India Sri Lanka Defence seminar cum exhibition to be held at Taj Samudra in Colombo.

➤ The seminar seeks to identify potential areas of cooperation for economic revival and capacity building of the Sri Lankan Armed Forces.

➤ It aims to strengthen the partnership between India and Sri Lanka in defence-related matters.

➤ The event will feature a comprehensive exhibition that showcases the capabilities of both countries in defence equipment manufacturing.

➤ The exhibition will be open to the public, offering them an immersive experience of various defence equipment on display.

➤ The exhibition promotes exchange of ideas and promotes dialogue and encourages meaningful partnerships in the defense sector.

❖ **Shot putter Siddharth Choudhary wins gold at Asian U20 Athletics C'ship**

➤ India's Siddharth Choudhary has clinched the gold medal in the men's shot put with a personal best throw of 19.52 metres at the Under 20 Asian Athletics Championships in Yecheon, South Korea.

➤ Three other players Sharuk Khan (3000-metre steeplechase), Shivam Lohakare (Javelin), and Susmita (Long Jump) have also clinched the silver medals in their respective events.

➤ While Shakeel (800 metres) and the mixed relay team won the bronze medal.

❖ **Madhya Pradesh Govt. to launch 'CM Learn and Earn' scheme**

➤ MP government has launched Chief Minister's Learn and Earn scheme to teach employable skills to the youth.

➤ The youth will also be given an allowance of Rs 8,000 to 10,000

➤ 703 work areas have been identified for training. At least one lakh youth would be trained.

➤ The registration of establishments providing training to youth will start on June 7

➤ The registration of youth willing to learn work will start on 15th June. The youth will start working from 1st August.

❖ **World Bank cuts India growth forecast but lifts global outlook**

➤ According to the Global Economic Prospects report, released by the World Bank, India's growth outlook has been lowered to 6.3% in FY2023/24, a 0.3% point downward revision from January 2023.

➤ The bank has also raised the 2023 global growth forecast, highlighting that the U.S. and other major economies have proven more resilient than forecast.

➤ The global Real GDP would climb 2.1% in 2023, up from a 1.7% forecast issued in January 2023 but below 3.1% (2022 growth rate).

❖ **Wipro and Microsoft launch innovation experience for financial services**

- Wipro Limited has collaborated with Microsoft to launch the Wipro Industry Innovation Experience for Financial Services.
- It will feature a new suite of banking and financial services solutions built on Microsoft Cloud.
- Aim: To help financial services clients accelerate growth and deepen client relationships.
- It would bring together Microsoft Cloud capabilities with Wipro FullStride Cloud, as well as leverage Wipro's and Capco's deep domain expertise in financial services.

❖ **Mission on Advanced and High-Impact Research (MAHIR) to be launched**

- The Ministry of Power and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy joined hands to launch a National Mission titled "Mission on Advanced and High-Impact Research (MAHIR)".
- Aim: To quickly identify emerging technologies in the power sector and develop them indigenously, at scale, for deployment within and outside India
- Funded by: Ministry of Power, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, and CPSEs under the two Ministries
- Tenure: Five years, 2023-24 to 2027-28

❖ **India's internet economy set to hit \$1 trillion in 7 years: Report**

- According to a report titled 'The e-Conomy of a Billion Connected Indians' published by Google, Temasek and Bain & Company, India's internet economy is expected to grow six fold to \$1 trillion by 2030 from \$175 billion in 2022.
- The contribution of the Internet economy to India's technology sector would expand, from 48% to 62% in 2030.

➤ The report emphasizes that the growth will be spearheaded by the B2C e-commerce segment, followed by B2B, and SaaS providers.

❖ **Ramanathapuram DFO Jagdish S Bakan bagged Unesco award 2023**

➤ District Forest Officer (DFO) of Ramanathapuram district, Jagdish Bakan has won the 2023 Michel Batisse Award for Biosphere Reserve Management from UNESCO.

➤ The 2017 batch officer of the IFS is currently the director of the Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve.

➤ The USD 12,000 award is given in memory of Dr. Michel Batisse for outstanding achievement in the management of biosphere reserves.

➤ He will receive the award from Unesco in Paris on June 14, 2023.

❖ **Uttar Pradesh govt launches Nand Baba Milk Mission scheme**

➤ Uttar Pradesh has launched the Nand Baba Milk Mission scheme at a cost of Rs 1,000 crore.

➤ Aim: To provide milk producers the facility of selling their milk at a reasonable price in villages through dairy cooperative societies

➤ Under this mission, it is proposed to form a Dairy farmer producer organization (Dairy FPO) in order to facilitate the sale of milk in producers' villages itself.

➤ UP is a leading state in the field of milk development and milk production.

❖ **Kotak Bank launches Reserve**

➤ Kotak Private Banking (division of Kotak Mahindra Bank) has unveiled a Savings Programme named 'Kotak Réserve', curated exclusively for Ultra High Net Worth Individuals (UHNIs) and High Net Worth Individuals (HNIs).

➤ This by-invite program extends beyond banking services, offering a range of exclusive amenities to provide clients with an unparalleled luxury banking experience.

➤ Aim: To deliver a premium banking experience by offering exclusive lifestyle benefits

❖ **Yes Securities announced Partnership with Watch Your Health**

- Yes Securities has partnered with Watch Your Health to provide investment solutions to healthcare professionals through the 'Wellth- Where Investments and Health Unite' program.
- Aim: To help the healthcare community start their investment journey for successful wealth creation and achieving long-term financial goals
- It will also provide free-of-cost demat and trading accounts, monthly stock research recommendations, and tailor-made product offerings based on needs.

❖ **HDFC Bank introduces Millennia Credit Card**

- HDFC Bank has introduced a new credit card 'Millennia', that comes with contactless technology allowing customers to 'tap and pay' via POS machine.
- It offers cashback and reward points on Amazon, Flipkart, and other e-commerce platforms.
- It also offers 1% cash back on offline purchases, smart EMI, and lounge access for free.
- It is applicable to both self-employed and salaried persons.
- People earning a maximum of ₹35,000 gross salary can apply for the card.