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FRUITS portal

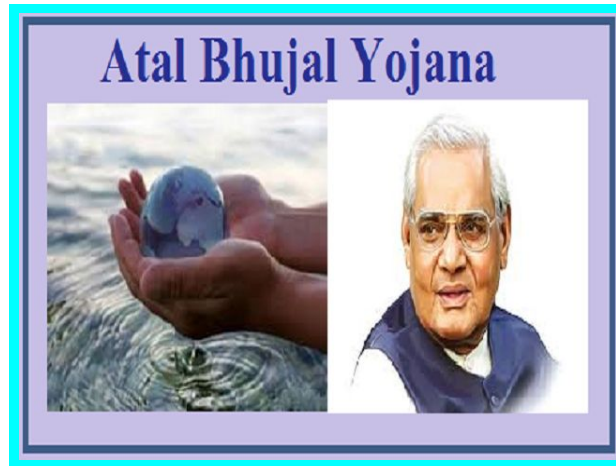
Context:

- “FRUITS”(Farmer Registration and Unified Beneficiary Information System) Portal, is a project of e-Governance, **Government of Karnataka.**
- The FRUITS Portal is integrated to the BHOO MI Package of the Karnataka State for fetching and validating the land details.

How it perform its work:

- One important facility of this Portal is online creation of charge by which the visit of farmers to the Sub-Registrar Office is avoided.
- The latest initiative from the Government of Karnataka to bring all the farmers in the State in this Portal,
- All the farmers will be registered and given a FID Number.
- Using this number, the Financial Institutions and Lending Institutions can access the land details of the farmers as well as their borrowings and take a quick decision on lending to the farmers depending on their requirements with land and other details to a single Portal.
- Once the same is found successful, all other Financial Institutions will be brought on to the Portal so that at one place, all the data pertaining to the loans of the farmers will be available

Cabinet approves Atal Bhujal Yojna



Context :

The Union Cabinet approved the Atal Bhujal Yojana, a Rs 6,000 crore scheme for sustainable management of ground water resources. The scheme will cover 8,350 villages of Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh.

Atal Bhujal Yojna:

The scheme, also known as 'Atal Jal', will promote panchayat -led ground water management and behavioural change with primary focus on demand-side management. The scheme is aimed at contributing towards the goal of doubling farmers' incomes, promoting participatory groundwater management, improving water use efficiency on a mass scale, improving cropping pattern and promoting efficient and equitable use of groundwater resources and behavioural change at the community level.

It has two component:

- One is institutional strengthening and capacity building for sustainable groundwater management in the states including improving monitoring networks, capacity building, strengthening of water user associations.

- The second component is incentivising the states for achievements in improved groundwater management practices namely data dissemination, preparation of water security plans, implementation of management interventions through convergence of ongoing schemes, adopting demand side management practice etc

NTPC wins prestigious CII-ITC Sustainability Awards 2020

Context:

- Recently, NTPC Ltd has been conferred “Excellence” in the prestigious CII-ITC Sustainability Awards 2020 in Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Domain.



About the Award:

- 15th CII-ITC Sustainability Awards 2020 was held through the virtual platform.
- This is the highest award conferred by CII-ITC in CSR domain.

NTPC’s Achievement:

- NTPC is the only PSU to receive the award in the Corporate Excellence category.
- NTPC has been honoured in the Corporate Excellence Category, Commendation for Significant Achievement.
- NTPC wins the prestigious CII-ITC Sustainability Awards in Corporate Excellence category second time in a row i.e. in the year 2019 and 2020.

About NTPC Ltd:

- National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) Limited is an Indian Public Sector Undertaking, engaged in the business of generation of electricity and allied activities. It is a company incorporated under the Companies Act 1956 and is promoted by the Government of India.

Successful Maiden Launch of MRSAM

Context:

- Recently, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) achieved a major milestone with the maiden launch of Medium Range Surface to Air Missile (MRSAM), Army Version from Integrated Test Range, Chandipur, off the Coast of Odisha around 1600 hrs.
- The missile completely destroyed a high speed unmanned aerial target which was mimicking an aircraft with a direct hit.



About MRSAM:

- Army version of MRSAM is a surface to Air Missile developed jointly by DRDO, India and IAI, Israel for use by the Indian Army.
- The MRSAM Army weapon system comprises Command post, Multi-Function Radar and Mobile Launcher system.

- The complete Fire Unit has been used during the launch in the deliverable configuration.
- Number of range instruments such as Radar, Telemetry and Electro-Optical Tracking System were deployed and captured the complete mission data, validating the weapon system performance including the destruction of the target.
- With this development, India has attained a high level of capability in the indigenous design and development of advanced weapon systems.

Legion of Merit

Context:

Recently, the USA has awarded the 'Legion of Merit' to the Prime Ministers of India, Australia and Japan.

About the Award:

- One of the USA's highest military decorations, the award was instituted in 1942 by former President Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- It is awarded to members of the US armed forces and also members of foreign (i.e. non-USA) armed forces and sometimes heads of state or government.
- The award is presented to foreign recipients in four categories: Chief Commander, Commander, Officer and Legionnaire.
- There have been two Indian recipients of the honour in the past: Field Marshal K M Cariappa in 1950, and Gen S M Srinagesh in 1955.



Current Receivers:

- Indian PM has been given this award for his role in “advancing the India-US relationship”.
- The award recognises the efforts of the people of India and the USA to improve bilateral ties, reflected in the bipartisan consensus in both countries about the Indo-US Strategic Partnership.
- Australian PM was presented the award for “addressing global challenges and promoting collective security”.
- Japanese PM for his “leadership and vision for a free and open Indo-Pacific”.