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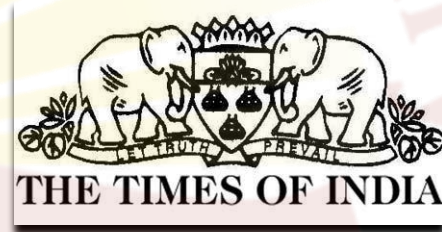
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• 1st of its kind 'Automatic Water Supply System' launched in India by Mr. Rajnath Singh, the Geographic Information System based automatic water supply system for citizens of cantonment boards under e-Chhawani project was launched by Union Minister Rajnath Singh on December 16, developed by Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and GeoInformatics the module is an easy and fast application with 100% automatic process, the integration of the system with e-Chhawani portal is done by Bharat Electronics Limited.

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- On an official visit to India from December 18 to December 20 the Foreign Minister of Tajikistan Sirojiddin Muhridin met with External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar to attend the 3rd meeting of India-Central Asia Dialogue, the two parties signed agreements on diplomatic training and program of cooperation, views on bilateral cooperation in energy, trade, etc. were exchanged between both the parties.

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- A partnership between UdeMy Business and NPCI has been done to encourage innovative learning and skill development for employees of NPCI, the partnership is done for 3 years and will offer courses on skills such as tech, domain, leadership skills to all employees of NPCI. The NPCI is calling it the 'Talent Development for All' and will provide capacity-building programs in AI, Machine Learning, Blockchain, Robotic Process Automation, etc.

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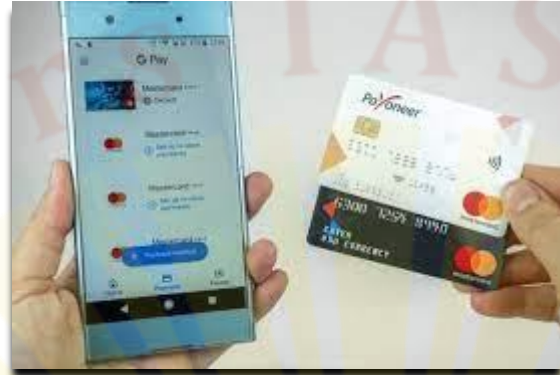
- Memorandum of Understanding signed by KGB and Care Health Insurance to offer health insurance products, on December 20 the KGB signed the MoU with Care Health to market health insurance products to 22 districts of Karnataka, the partnership allows the bank to focus on its rural customers by covering maximum people, including farmers, artisans, etc. The KGB is working on a product that is tailor-made for farmers and Kisan Credit Cardholders to help face the challenges arising out of illness, hospitalization, through its products at affordable rates. The Chairman of KGB Mr. Shreenath Joshi and Enterprise Head of Care Medical Mr. Atul Sabharwal signed the MoU in Ballari.

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• In an attempt to make transactions made by Mastercard credit and debit card safe the Mastercard and Google announced a tokenization method on December 21, the tokenization will enable google pay users to safely make transactions using their Mastercard credit cards and debit cards, users can simply scan and make payment across all Bharat QR enables merchants, tap-to-pay functionality is also available and users can make in-app transactions through their MasterCard credit and debit cards. Registration on Google Pay is easy, users can register themselves with an OTP and enter their card details in the fields after which another OTP will be sent to the users' mobile number after which the card will be successfully added.

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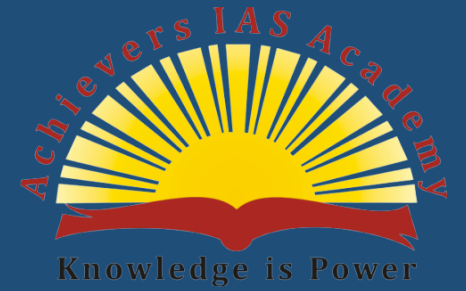
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- Bank of Baroda on December 20 achieves the top position in digital payments for the financial year 202-2021, the bank has been conferred with 5 DigiDhan awards in various categories, and Mr. Akhil Handa the chief digital officer at Bank of Baroda received the award which was presented by the Union Minister Mr. Ashwini Vaishnav.

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- **'T-Seti' Odisha's longest bridge over Mahanadi river inaugurated by CM Naveen Patnaik, the CM inaugurated the longest bridge built over Mahanadi river at Cuttack, Odisha and it is estimated that the bridge will benefit more than 5 lakh people and will contribute to the development of tourism in Odisha nad will help both agriculture and commerce in Odisha, the foundation for the bridge was laid on February 28 2014 and the total cost of the bridge is estimated to be around Rs. 111 crores, the 3.4km long bridge connects Gopinath in Badamba, Baideswar to Singhanath Pitha in Cuttack and will cut the distance between Badamba and Banki by almost 45 kilometers.**

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. Who is the Chief of Army Staff?

Ans. A. Manoj Mukund Naravane (ANS)

B. Jai Singh Nain

C. S Jaishankar

D. Dilip Asbe

Q2. What is PANEX-2021?

Ans. PANEX-21 is the 3rd edition of multi-national-multi-agency exercise organized at Pune to develop capabilities in Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief operations among BIMSTEC nations. The BIMSTEC is an international organization of seven South Asian and Southeast Asian nations that comprises Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Myanmar, and Thailand. The Chief of Army Staff Gen Manoj Mukund Naravane addressed the exercise over video conferencing and the Army Commander Lt Gen Jai Singh Nain inaugurated the exercise.

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Q3. Why did Mastercard partner up with Google?

Ans. In an attempt to make transactions made by Mastercard credit and debit card safe the Mastercard and Google partnered up and announced a tokenization method on December 21, the tokenization will enable google pay users to safely make transactions using their Mastercard credit cards and debit cards, users can simply scan and make payment across all Bharat QR enables merchants, tap-to-pay functionality is also available and users can make in-app transactions through their MasterCard credit and debit cards. Registration on Google Pay is easy, users can register themselves with an OTP and enter their card details in the fields after which another OTP will be sent to the users' mobile number after which the card will be successfully added.

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