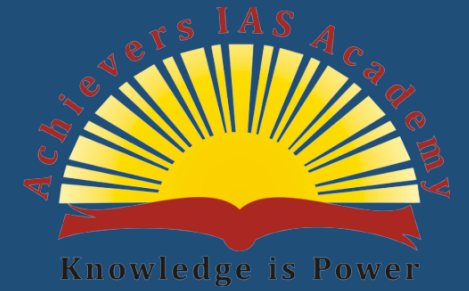


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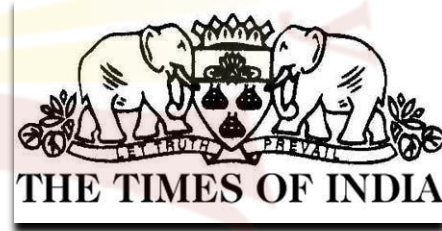
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• Reports show that around 61% of coal-based power plants will not meet their emissions standards by December 2022, according to the report the power plants that have to meet their targets by the end of 2022 are those that are located within a 10km radius from the National Capital Region with million-plus population, there are a total of 79 plants that are called category A that are in the 10km radius and will fail to meet their emissions standards. Plants that are located within a 10km radius of critically polluted areas or non-attainment cities fall under category B whereas the rest of the plants fall in category C, according to a report by the Centre of Science and Environment out of 79 plants 48 plants in category A will miss their emission standards deadline.

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4 major highway projects were closed by NHAI in Tamilnadu, the NHAI decided to foreclose the projects due to the contractors not being able to procure soil for earthwork and long waiting time to acquire statutory clearances, the decision was also taken to de-scope works in another half a dozen projects. The Road Transport Ministry wrote to the State Chief about the issues that are being faced to carry out ongoing projects and also stated that there is no support to complete the ongoing projects. The foreclosed projects include two 4-laning stretches from Tamil Nadu-Kerala border to Kanyakumari and two projects of 6-laning from Sriperumbudur to Walajapet.

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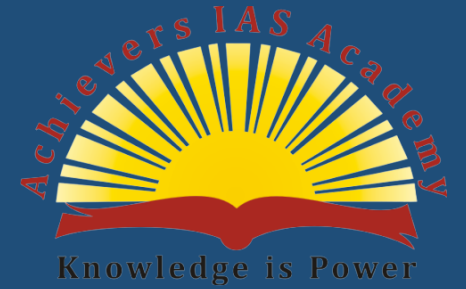
• Mr. Volodymyr the president of Ukraine held a meeting this Friday with the United States senators and members of congress to discuss tensions with Russia that stoke fear of a possible invasion, the president discussed about the current tense situation at the Ukrainian border where Russian troop build-up is suspected and also discussed the country's war-torn situation, a statement from the president's office states that the importance of getting the United States involved in the process of a peaceful settlement is great and that the country needs U.S.'s support more than ever.

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• The President of Russia Mr. Vladimir Putin stated that Washington's willingness to discuss Russia's security proposal was positive, last week Russia presented U.S. and NATO with draft proposals summarising its demands in return or de-escalation of tensions over Ukraine, the documents states that NATO must not admit new members into the military alliance and also that there must not be any eastward NATO expansion. The president stated that US partners are ready to begin discussion at the very start of next year in Geneva, although Russia's far-reaching demands were dismissed by several members of the US-led alliance.

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• Trade negotiation between India and UAE completed, the bilateral trade agreement discussions were completed and an announcement is to be made during the Prime minister's next visit to the west asian country in the first week of 2022. The trade pact is expected to include key provisions for easier movement of Indian professionals and workers to Emirates, companies are expected to get more leeway in hiring workers from India with some eligibility test requirements also expected to be eased. There will also be a message to signal thee easier investment norms since the UAE entities are expected to pump money into creating critical infrastructure in India.

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- Oil India Ltd. initiates the process of setting up a 100kw green hydrogen plant in Assam, the proposed plant will be significant as it will deploy AEM technology for the first time in the country, the Electrolysers based on AEM tech provide a compact and affordable solution for high-quality hydrogen running for backups, etc. the electrolyzers are compact and can easily be stacked up for higher capacity needed for running pumping stations.

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Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. Who is the chairman of NHAI?

Ans.

A. Alka Upadhyaya (ANS)

B. Asheesh Sharma

C. R.K. Pandey

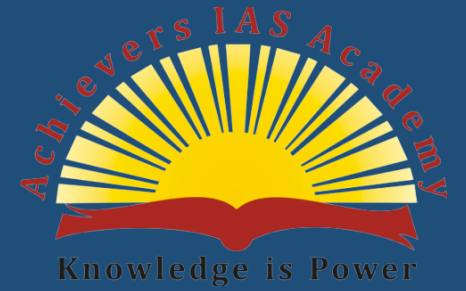
D. Pankaj Kumar Goswami

Q2. What are category A, B, and C power plants?

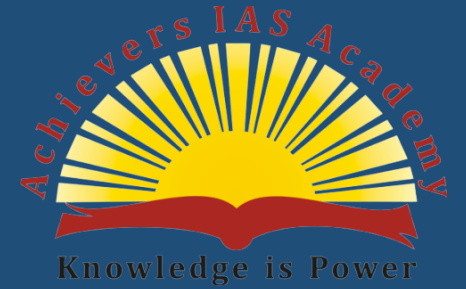
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