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• Another day another jump Karnataka recorded 40,499 new cases in the last 24 hours, the Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai stated that the state is expecting a peak in February, Bengaluru recorded 24,135 fresh cases along with 5 deaths in the last 24 hours and the positivity rate is at 18.80%. All of this brings the total number of active cases in the state to 2,67,650 cases, Tumkur recorded the second-highest numbers with 1,804 new cases, Hassan 1,785, Mysore 1,341, and Mandya 1,340. The Chief Minister stated that a meeting will be held soon with experts as according to the experts and the trend that they have studies the state should see a peak in February and strategies to avoid that situation have to be prepared, the Chief Minister also added that decisions on relaxing restrictions in some areas will also be discussed in this meeting.







• In a tweet by Elon Musk about facing difficulties with Indian officials to set up a facility in the country many officials of various states offered Tesla CEO to set up a facility in their state, Karnataka Industries Minister Murugesh Nirani requested Elon Musk to set up a car-manufacturing plant in Karnataka, the Minister tweeted an open invitation to start operations in Karnataka and stated "With over 400 R&D centres, 45+ EV start-ups and an EV cluster near Bengaluru, Karnataka has emerged as the EV hub of India". The previous Karnataka Chief Minister BS Yediyurappa in February 2021 stated that Karnataka will lead India's journey towards green mobility and also added that electric vehicle manufacturer Tesla will soon start its operations in India with an R&D unit in Bengaluru.







• Professor Dipanjan Mukherjee from Inter University Centre for Astronomy and professor Sowgat Muzahid from Inter University Centre for Astrophysics have been shortlisted in the Indo-Italian Executive Programme of Scientific and Technological Cooperation. Professor Mukherjee will work on simulating outflows from supermassive blackholes and Professor Muzahid will study the role of gaseous halos in galaxy evolution. Dr. Rahee Walambe of Symbiosis Institute of Technology will also collaborate to work on multimodal explainability for object detection and image processing in drone imagery. The Indo-Italian collab will be funded by DST and the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Directorate-General for Cultural and Economic Promotion and Innovation. Total 13 Indian researchers will collaborate in the form of exchange programmes for various scientific research planned under the Information and Communication Technologies, Astrophysics, and Space Science and Water Management.









• In order to boost the renewable energy financing, the Cabinet approved Rs. 1,500 crores infusion in IREDA, according to the Union Minister Anurag Thakur this will enable the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency to lend Rs. 12,000 crores to the renewable energy sector. The Union Minister added that the decision was taken in the wake of RBO's lending norms and also added that the cabinet took this decision to help IREDA to create renewable energy capacity of 3,500 to 4,000 MW, with this fresh infusion the IREDA's net worth will also be enhanced and all of this will help it in additional renewable energy financing.







• A contract has been signed between the Mauritius government and HAL to export one Advanced Light Helicopter for the Mauritius police force, the contract is in line with the vision of the Indian government to boost defence exports to foreign countries. The General Manager of the Helicopter Division–HAL B K Tripathy signed the contract with the Secretary of Home Affairs O K Dabidin, the Government of the Republic of Mauritius at the HAL's transport aircraft division in Uttar Pradesh. This will make the third aircraft that the Mauritius government has in its police fleet, the earlier two are ALH and Do-228 aircraft both built by HAL.





Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. Who is Karnataka's Industries Minister?
Ans.

A. Murugesh Nirani (ANS)

B. BS Yediyurappa

C. Basavaraj Bommai

D. B K Tripathy

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Q2. What are the roles of the professors that are selected for Indo-Italian collaborative research?

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