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Headed by the former Finance Secretary the Union Govnermened formed a 5 member central vista oversight committee on November 25, the committee is set to Fastrack the projects and ensure that the projects are being executed under the central vista redevelopment plan. The 5 member committee includes Deputy CAG P K Tiwari, former director of L&T Shailendra Roy, IIT Delhi Professor Mausam, and others, the committee will ensure stakeholders' coordination and will provide impetus to various agencies.







The 1st program that has been launched to encourage women researchers to participate in joint research and development projects, the Indo-German Science and Technology Centre launched its first of kind program called the WISER program, the program launched in the presence of Dr. Tessy Thoman is the first of its kind and enables gender equality in science and technology while also offering 20 scholarship awards per year. IGSTC supports a maximum of 39 Lakh to awardees from the Indian side and EUR 48000 from Germany's side.







M. Venkaiah Naidu the Vice President addressed the retreat session and led the Indian delegation of the two days 13th Asia-Europe meeting summit, the summit was held on November 25 and November 26 in virtual format, the Vice president made interventions in Plenary sessions and mentioned India's contribution in the fight against COVID-19, the summit was hosted by Cambodia and the ASEM agenda for 2021 prioritizes issues related to strengthening multilateralism, post-pandemic socio-economic recovery, etc.







The new COVID-19 strain 'Omicron' is a variant of great concern says WHO, the new fast-spreading coronavirus variant B.1.1.529 detected in South Africa was first reported on 24 November, the variant has also been detected in Belgium, Israel, Botswana, Denmark, and Hong Kong.





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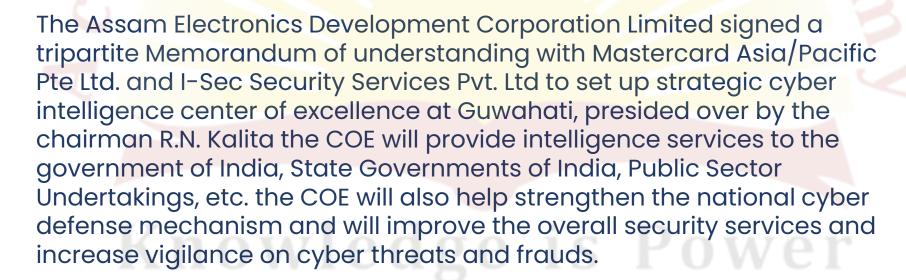


Set up by RBI to review extant ownership and corporate structure for Indian private sector banks the Internal Working group suggested RBI 33 recommendations out of which the RBI has accepted 21, the RBI set up a 5 member IWG which was headed by the Central Board Director of RBI Mr. Prasanna Kumar Mohanty, the IWG's suggestion to increase the cap on promoters' paid-up voting equity share capital of the bank to 26% has been accepted by the RBI, the RBI discarded the recommendation of allowing payments bank that intends to convert into SFBs to a track record of 3 years of experience as PB.















India's 1st medicine delivery drone launched in Meghalaya, the e-VTOL drone AquilaX2 will deliver medicines to remote primary health centers and was launched in the West Khasi Hills district. Being a unique project the drone will help transform the healthcare supply chain to a hard-to-reach population, the drone is capable of covering 25 kilometers in less than 25 minutes.













Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. Who is the Central Board Director of RBI?

A. Arun Kumar Singh

B. Pravat Kumar Mandal

C. Prasanna Kumar Mohanty (ANS)

D. Satya Pal Malik

Q2. What is the WISER program?

Ans. a first-of-its-kind program that enables gender equality in science and technology while also offering 20 scholarship awards per year. The 1st program that has been launched to encourage women researchers to participate in joint research and development projects, the Indo-German Science and Technology Centre launched its first-of-kind program called the WISER program.







Ans. The Assam Electronics Development Corporation Limited signed a tripartite Memorandum of understanding with Mastercard Asia/Pacific Pte Ltd. and I-Sec Security Services Pvt. Ltd to set up a strategic cyber intelligence center of excellence at Guwahati, the COE will provide intelligence services to the government of India, State Governments of India, Public Sector Undertakings, etc. the COE will also help strengthen the national cyber defense mechanism and will improve the overall security services and increase vigilance on cyber threats and frauds.





