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### **NATIONAL**

- Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank on Tuesday said the new National Education Policy will transform India and once again make it a 'Vishwa Guru'.
- Delhi Deputy CM Manish Sisodia announced that the city government is preparing to open a New Delhi Law University.
- Delhi Deputy CM Manish Sisodia, while presenting the Budget in the Assembly on Tuesday said the government has provided ex-gratia payment of ₹40 crore to 43,945 construction workers affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, till February this year.
- Haryana government will start the construction work of Mandola-Narnaul State Highway in Mahendragarh district soon, Haryana Deputy CM Dushyant Chautala said.
- Chief of Jammu and Kashmir-based terrorist outfit Al-Badr, Ganie Khwaja, was killed in an ongoing encounter in Sopore of Jammu and Kashmir's Baramulla district.
- 173 people who were detained during the abrogation of Article 370 in August 2019 in Jammu and Kashmir, continue to be under custody, the Lok Sabha was informed.
- On International Women's Day on March 8, two couples living separately on the two sides of the Indo-Pakistan border were reunited, when the two Pakistani brides arrived at their in-laws' home in Rajasthan's Barmer two years after wedding.
- An 18-year-old man was found hanging from an ad hoarding at a height of 150 feet in Mumbai's Jogeshwari (West).
- Three men, including the vice-chairman of a ULFA faction, have been arrested for an alleged conspiracy to murder senior Assam minister Himanta Biswa Sarma, police said.
- Maharashtra on Tuesday reported nearly 10,000 new cases of COVID-19. The state reported 9,927 new cases, taking the total number of cases in Maharashtra to 22,38,398, while the death toll reached 52,556 with 56 more fatalities in the last 24 hours.
- Karnataka unit of the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) conducted searches and raids against nine government officers across 11 districts of the state starting.
- The Election Commission of India on Tuesday ordered the removal of the West Bengal Director General of Police (DGP) Virendra ahead of Assembly polls in the state.
- Nagaland reported zero new COVID-19 cases for the second consecutive day on Tuesday, state Health Minister S Pangnyu Phom said.
- Ranjim Prabal Das, one of the six students with 100 percentile score in JEE (Main) 2021, said he draws inspiration from Tesla CEO Elon Musk.

- The implementation of the second phase of new SMS regulations by telecom companies on Monday caused disruption of crucial SMS services like Aadhaar authentication and OTPs from banks and e-commerce companies.

### **INTERNATIONAL**

- Elon Musk-led Tesla surged nearly 20% to end at \$673.58 on Tuesday, recording its strongest daily rise since February 2020.
- American cloud-based software company Salesforce's Co-founder and CEO Marc Benioff shared a before and after pictures of the company's office as Salesforce turned 22 .
- Singapore's Straits Times Index has surged 9.3% to overtake all other major Asian benchmark indices so far this year.
- Swiss commodities trader Mercuria Energy Group, which struck a deal to buy copper worth ₹262 crore (\$36 million) from Turkish supplier Bietsan, received containers full of painted rocks.
- MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell, who was banned from Twitter for spreading election-related conspiracy theories, said he plans to launch his own social media site. "
- The potential risk in the brand value of the top 100 brands due to a data breach could amount to \$223 billion, a study by Infosys and Interbrand reported.
- UK TV host Piers Morgan has quit breakfast show 'Good Morning Britain' after it was announced that the show was being investigated amid over 41,000 complaints regarding his comments about Meghan Markle.
- Thai Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-o-cha sprayed hand sanitiser on journalists during his press conference when they asked him about his jailed ministers and potential candidates for the vacant cabinet posts.
- Nearly one in three women worldwide is subjected to physical or sexual violence during her lifetime, the WHO said .
- A picture of a nun kneeling in front of police to protect protesters in Myanmar has gone viral on social media.
- A 13-year-old French schoolgirl has admitted to spreading false claims about a teacher before he was beheaded last year for showing students cartoons of the Prophet Muhammad.
- After Prince Harry and Meghan Markle's interview with Oprah Winfrey, Buckingham Palace has issued a statement
- Under the 'Vaccine Maitri' initiative, Afghanistan on Monday received 468,000 doses of the COVID-19 vaccine from India.
- Russia's single-day COVID-19 increase fell to the lowest level since October 2, as less than 10,000 cases were reported in the past 24 hours. The country's COVID-19 response center said .