

Reports In News

<p>UNESCO releases 2024 gender report of the Global Education Monitoring Report, titled "Technology on her Terms"</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The report examines the impact of technology on girls' education and the role of education in shaping future technological development. • It highlights how ICT can help overcome barriers to education access, but also emphasizes the digital gender gap, negative effects of social media, and underrepresentation of women in STEM fields. • UNESCO, established in 1945 with headquarters in Paris, France, is a specialized agency of the United Nations. • It operates under the United Nations Economic and Social Council and aims to build peace through international cooperation in Education, Sciences, and Culture. India has been a member of UNESCO since its inception
<p>WHO-led study on Global Immunization</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global immunization efforts have been instrumental in saving over 154 million lives in the last five decades, according to a study led by the World Health Organization (WHO). • The study primarily analyzed the impact of the WHO's Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI), which was launched in 1974 with the objective of providing life-saving vaccines to children worldwide. Among the vaccines administered, measles vaccination stood out for its significant role in reducing infant mortality rates. • Additionally, the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI), established in 2000, has played a crucial role in expanding vaccine coverage globally. Notably, India emerged as the first implementing country to contribute to GAVI's efforts, starting in 2014. • The WHO, founded in 1948 and headquartered in Geneva, Switzerland, is a specialized agency of the United Nations (UN) dedicated to promoting global public health. With six regional offices and 150 field offices worldwide, the WHO sets health standards, provides technical assistance, and collects vital health data to support its initiatives.

Ayushman Bharat Diwas

➤ **Ayushman Bharat Diwas**, also known as **Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) Divas**, is celebrated annually on April 30th.

- This initiative aims to raise awareness about the scheme and its benefits. Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2018

➤ **About scheme:**

- **Launched on** 23rd September 2018 in Ranchi, Jharkhand
- **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW)**
- Centrally Sponsored Scheme
- Inclusion based on the deprivation and occupational criteria of **Socio-Economic Caste Census 2011 (SECC 2011) for rural and urban areas respectively.**

Largest health assurance scheme in the world covering over **12 crores poor and vulnerable families** (approximately 55 crore beneficiaries) that form the bottom 40% of the Indian population.

Key Features:

- Cover of **Rs. 5 lakhs per family per year** for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization across public and private empanelled hospitals in India.
- Provides **cashless access** to health care services for the beneficiary at the point of service, that is, the hospital.
- Covers up to **3 days of pre-hospitalization** and **15 days post-hospitalization** expenses.

Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) notified alert indicators on anti-money laundering

- **Alert indicators issued for capital markets**, insurance companies, online payment gateways, and crypto service providers to tackle emerging risks related to money laundering and terrorism financing.
 - Issued under the **Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002**, these indicators aim to combat various forms of financial crime.
- **Money laundering** defined broadly to include processes related to the proceeds of crime, such as concealment, possession, acquisition, or use of illicit funds.
- **Key Highlights Of Indicator**
 - Mandates for stock exchanges to scrutinize suspicious cases of client fund mis-utilization by stockbrokers and analyze "**serious anomalies**" through the lens of money laundering and terrorism financing.
 - Alert indicators for **virtual digital asset (VDA) or cryptocurrency service** providers include directives to register with the **Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU)** and implement enhanced due diligence, including compliance with the travel rule.
 - The travel rule, extended to **crypto companies in 2019 by FATF**, requires businesses to collect and share personal data of transaction participants.
 - **Credit rating agencies (CRAs)** required to adhere to new guidelines ensuring timely reporting of suspicious transactions to FIU to identify potential corporate frauds.
- **About FIU-IND**
 - **Establishment:** FIU-IND was established in 2004.
 - **Reporting Structure:** It operates as an independent body directly reporting to the **Economic Intelligence Council (EIC)** led by the **Finance Minister**.
 - **Functions:** FIU-IND serves as the central national agency responsible for receiving, processing, analyzing, and disseminating information related to suspicious financial transactions.
 - **Other Measures:**
 - **Specialized Agencies:** India employs specialized agencies like the Enforcement Directorate (ED), Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), etc., to combat money laundering and terror financing.
 - **International Cooperation:** India is a member of international bodies such as the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and the Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism, enhancing its collaboration in global efforts against these crimes.

ISHAN Initiative.

- The **Airports Authority of India (AAI)** has commenced work on the **ISHAN (Indian Single Sky Harmonized Air Traffic Management) Initiative**.
- **Objective:** to consolidate India's Flight Information Regions (FIRs) into a unified system under the oversight of Nagpur.
- **Current Scenario:** Presently, Indian airspace is divided into four FIRs, namely Mumbai, Kolkata, Delhi, and Chennai, along with a sub-FIR in Guwahati, each managed independently.
- **Proposed Changes:** The initiative seeks to amalgamate these FIRs under a single authority based in Nagpur, with the goal of enhancing efficiency, safety, and seamlessness in air traffic operations.