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Maharashtra State Specific News

Gondwana University approves tribal study center

In News:

The state government gave administrative approval to the proposal to start a tribal study center at Gondwana University in Gadchiroli.

Key Points:

- A provision of 3 crores has also been made for tribal study center in the university
- The tribal study center will focus on-
 1. To understand the Constitution (5th, 6th Schedule) relevant tribal laws regarding land.
 2. forest laws for tribals
 3. tribal development plan and budget allocation.
 4. international and domestic laws and international opportunities.
 5. traditional governance and customary rights
 6. development of tribal law enforcement reports in the field.

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Pink bollworm crisis on cotton



In News:

Cotton Farmers of Yavatmal district in Maharashtra are worried as the pink bollworm has started affecting the cotton crop

Key Points:

- Seven years ago, the cotton crop was destroyed by the pink bollworm in the district.
- The Agriculture Department took measures and follow-up to prevent the occurrence of bollworms continuously for two-three years.
- This year the same bollworm has again affected the crop.

About Pink Bollworm:

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- The pink bollworm (*Pectinophora gossypiella*) is a major pest of cotton worldwide.
- It is a small, moth-like insect that lays its eggs on cotton balls.
- The larvae, or caterpillars, hatch from the eggs and burrow into the balls to feed on the seeds.
- This reduces both the yield and quality of the cotton crop.
- The pink bollworm is difficult to control as it can develop resistance to insecticides.
- Integrated pest management (IPM) is the most effective approach to controlling the pink bollworm.

Did you know?

IPM is a combination of cultural practices, biological controls, and insecticides to reduce pest populations and minimize damage to the crop.



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Person in News: R. Madhavan



In News:

The National Film and Television Institute (FTII) in Pune, India, has appointed actor R. Madhavan as its new chairman for a period of three years, starting from October 1, 2023.

Did you Know?

- He recently won the **National Award for the film 'Rocketry'** based on the life of scientist Nambi Narayan.

About National Film and Television Institute(FTII)

- FTII was **set up by the Government of India in 1960**
- It works under the **Ministry of Information and Broadcasting of the Government of India.**
- It is aided by the Central Government of India.

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Key facts

- The Maharashtra Airport Development Company Limited (MADC) has been appointed as **nodal agency for construction of helipads and provide air ambulance facilities** wherever necessary in the state.
- The decision was taken at the 85th meeting of the Board of Directors of the company.
- **It would enable the use of air ambulances in case of emergency.**



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Special 'Cycle Safari' for Tourists

In News:

A special bicycle safari has been started for tourists in **Pench Tiger Reserve** on the occasion of **wildlife week**.

Key Points:

- Tourists can also enjoy cycle safari along with gypsy safari.
- Interestingly, during this cycle safari, tourists will also be accompanied by a tourist guide on a bicycle.
- A 48 km long **Cycle Safari** has been started **between Koltimara and Kuvarabhivasen**.

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