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West Bengal News

<p>Upgraded Malda Town Station to showcase culture &amp; tourism of dist</p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The transformation of Malda Town Station into an Amrit Bharat Station is a vibrant tapestry woven with the district's rich cultural heritage and captivating tourism potential.</li> <li>This project aims to provide passengers with a unique and immersive experience, enticing them to delve deeper into Malda's captivating offerings.</li> </ul> <p><b>About:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interactive kiosks provide comprehensive information on tourist destinations, historical sites, cultural events, and transportation options, empowering informed exploration</li> <li>Murals, artworks, and digital displays prominently showcase iconic landmarks like the Barasona Masjid, Feroze Minar, and Dakhil Darwaza, transporting visitors to a journey through time.</li> </ul>
<p>'Bengal among top 3 states where women have bank accounts'</p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>West Bengal is among the top 3 states in India where women have bank accounts, with 77% of women holding accounts.</li> <li>This figure is just behind Tamil Nadu's 92% and tied with Bihar.</li> <li>This achievement is attributed to various initiatives focused on financial inclusion and women's empowerment, including government schemes and awareness campaigns.</li> </ul>
<p>Alipore Zoo adjudged one of the top 3 tourist attractions in the city</p>  <p>ZOOLOGICAL GARDEN, ALIPORE. ESTD : 1875</p>	<p><b>Context:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alipore Zoological Garden, also known as Alipore Zoo, has been recognized as one of the top 3 tourist attractions in its city.</li> <li>This recognition comes from ThreeBestRated, a platform that ranks businesses based on various factors like customer satisfaction, reviews, history, and overall excellence.</li> </ul> <p><b>Reasons for the Accolade:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consistent High-Quality Service</li> <li>Safe and Enjoyable Environment</li> </ul>



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## Daily Current Affairs Encyclopedia

**WB govt will pay NREGA beneficiaries from March 1**

**Context:**

- **WB CM announced that Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA) beneficiaries in the state will receive their payments from March 1, 2024.**
- **This move aims to address the financial concerns of rural communities and provide timely support during the lean season.**
- **The announcement comes amidst reports of delays in MGNREGA payments in some parts of the country.**
- **It is expected to benefit millions of rural households in West Bengal who rely on MGNREGA wages for their livelihoods.**

**Infosys is likely to launch ops from the New Town campus next month**

**Context:**

- **Infosys is set to commence operations from its new campus in Kolkata in March.**
- **The 50-acre campus is expected to employ around 3,100 people.**
- **The project faced delays due to various hurdles, including disagreements over land use and the pandemic.**

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