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1)The state of Jammu and Kashmir is all set to see a governor's rule following the sudden break in ties between BJP and PDP and subsequent resignation of chief minister Mehbooba Mufti.

The imposition of governor's rule in J&K is slightly different than that in other states. ***In other states, the president's rule is imposed under the Article 356 of Constitution of India. In J&K, governor's rule is mentioned under Article 370 section 92*** – 'Provisions in case of failure of constitutional machinery in the State.'

What is President's Rule in the Indian context?

The imposition of Article 356 of the Constitution on a State following the failure of constitutional machinery is called President's Rule in India. Once the President's Rule has been imposed on a state, the elected state government will be temporarily dissolved, and the Governor, who is appointed by the government at the Centre, will replace the Chief Minister as the chief executive of the State.

2)**National targets for off-shore wind power**:To give confidence to wind industry, Government has declared national targets for off-shore wind power.

Why off- shore wind farming is beneficial?

The offshore wind farming is attractive because of several reasons such as stronger winds for efficient generation of power; no impact on real estate value of land as in case of onshore wind farming; its ability to fulfil the demand of the heavily populated coastal regions and no significant environment costs.

3)**National Digital Library of India (NDLI)** is a project of the Ministry of Human Resource Development under the aegis of National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology

(NMEICT). It is developed by IIT Kharagpur.

Objective: The objective of NDLE is to make digital educational resources available to all citizens of the country to empower, inspire and encourage learning.

4) **Centre for United Nations Peacekeeping (CUNPK)**: The Centre for United Nations Peacekeeping (CUNPK), India and the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect have jointly started the pilot "Training of Trainers (ToT) Course on Civilian Protection and the Responsibility to Protect (R2P)" in Delhi.

5) Republic of ***Tajikistan and United Nations are jointly organizing a high-level Conference on "International Decade for Action: Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028"***. The Conference will discuss key water related issues of sustainable development goals adopted by UN member countries.

6) Public sector firm Broadcast Engineering Consultants India Ltd., which is supposed to be handling the Social media communication hub project, has extended the last date for tenders. This is the fourth time the date has been extended.

What is Social media communication hub?

- The hub proposes to monitor social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and even email) handles at the very local level in multiple languages to carry out "sentiment analysis", track down the influence-making social media users and to categorise the conversations on social media into positive, negative and neutral sections.
- It also aimed to track real time the way social media receives news on government's schemes and announcements and also political

events.

7) **World's tallest girder railway bridge:**

SAIL is supplying Steel for World's Tallest Girder Rail Bridge.

- World's tallest girder railway bridge is being built in the North East as part of the upcoming 111-kilometres long Jiribam-Tupul-Imphal railway line.
- Bridge No.164 is being built across the valley of river Ijai near Noney and has been designed to take a maximum train speed of 120 kmph.

8) **Chrysilla volupes:**

It is a spider belonging to the family of jumping spiders (Salticidae).

Why in news? Scientists recently rediscovered this species, which was believed have become extinct, from Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary (WWS) located in the Western Ghats region of Kerala. It was previously discovered in Periyek Lake in Gujarat in 1868. But subsequently it had vanished.