

## 29 February 2020: PIB Summary & Analysis

### 1. Samajik Adhikarta Shivir

#### Context:

PM distributes Aids & Assistive Devices to Divyangjan and Senior Citizens at a mega distribution camp (Samajik Adhikarta Shivir) in Prayagraj.

#### Details:

- In one of the biggest such camps, the PM distributed Assistive Aids and Devices to nearly 27,000 Senior Citizens & Divyangjan (physically handicapped).
- The mega distribution was organised for empowering the Senior Citizens under the Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana-RVY and under ADIP Schemes of the Government of India.

For more on this, check [PIB dated Feb 27, 2020](#).

### 2. Former Prime Minister of India Morarji Desai

#### Context:

PM pays tributes to the former Prime Minister of India Shri Morarji Desai on his birth anniversary.

To know more about Morarji Desai, check ['This Day in History' dated 29th February](#).

### 3. National Sports Development Fund

#### Context:

Under CSR initiative, Security Printing & Minting Corporation of India (SPMCIL) contributes Rs 1 crore towards the National Sports Development Fund.

#### About the National Sports Development Fund (NSDF):

- The Fund was established in 1988 to impart momentum and flexibility to assisting the cause of sports in India.
- The Fund helps sportspersons excel by providing them opportunities to train under coaches of international repute with technical, scientific and psychological support and giving them exposure to international competitions.
- It also provides financial assistance for the development of infrastructure and other activities for the promotion of sports.

#### NSDF Council:

- The Fund is managed by a Council constituted by the Central Government.

- The Union Minister in charge of Youth Affairs and Sports is the Chairperson of the Council.
- Members of the Council include senior Officers of the Department of Sports, Chairman & Managing Directors of Private and Public Sector Companies/Corporations, representatives of Sports Promotion Boards, etc.

**NSDF Objectives:**

- To administer the Fund for prescribed purposes.
- To impart special training and coaching in relevant sports disciplines to sportspersons, coaches and sports specialists.
- To construct and maintain infrastructure for promotion of sports and games.
- To supply sports equipment to organizations and individuals for promotion of sports and games.
- To identify problems and take up research and development studies for providing support to excellence in sports.
- To promote international cooperation, in particular, exchanges which may promote the development of sports.
- To provide low-interest or interest-free loans for projects and activities related to any of the aforesaid objects.