

# 11 July 2020: PIB Summary & Analysis

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### 1. India's Tiger Census

#### Context:

India's Tiger Census sets a New Guinness Record for being the world's largest camera trap wildlife survey.

#### Details:

- The fourth cycle of the **All India Tiger Estimation 2018**, results of which were declared on Global Tiger Day last year has entered the Guinness World Record for being the world's largest camera trap wildlife survey.
- The fourth iteration of the survey – conducted in 2018-19 – was the most comprehensive to date, in terms of both resource and data amassed.
  - Camera traps (outdoor photographic devices fitted with motion sensors that start recording when an animal passes by) were placed in 26,838 locations across 141 different sites and surveyed an effective area of 121,337 square kilometres (46,848 square miles).
  - In total, the camera traps captured 34,858,623 photographs of wildlife (76,651 of which were tigers and 51,777 were leopards; the remainder were other native fauna).
  - From these photographs, **2,461 individual tigers** (excluding cubs) were identified using stripe-pattern-recognition software.

#### About the All India Tiger Estimation:

- The All India Tiger Estimation done quadrennially is steered by the National Tiger Conservation Authority with technical backstopping from the Wildlife Institute of India and implemented by State Forest Departments and partners.
- The latest results of 2018 has shown that India now has an estimated 2967 tigers out of which 2461 individual tigers have been photo captured, a whopping 83 % of the tiger population.

**Also read:** [Tiger conservation in India.](#)

## 2. World Population Day

### Context:

Union Health Minister chaired a virtual meeting on the occasion of World Population Day.

### About the World Population Day:

- The World Population Day is celebrated every year on 11<sup>th</sup>
  - The event seeks to raise awareness about global population issues.
  - The observance was initiated by the [United Nations Population Fund](#).
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## 3. Atal Innovation Mission

### Context:

NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission launches ATL App Development Module for school students nationwide.

### Details:

- The **ATL App Development modules** have been launched in collaboration with Indian homegrown startup Plezmo with an aim to hone the skills of school students and transforming them from App users to App makers in the times to come under AIM's flagship [Atal Tinkering Labs](#)
  - Till date, more than 5100 ATLs are established in more than 660 districts across the country by the Atal Innovation Mission with more than 2 million students having access to the Tinkering Labs.
- The ATL App Development module is an online course and is completely free.
- Through 6 project-based learning modules and online mentoring sessions, young innovators can learn to build mobile Apps in various Indian languages and showcase their talent.
- Additionally, to build capacities and acumen for App Development within school teachers, periodic Teacher Training sessions will be conducted on the AIM App Development course.

To learn more about the Atal Innovation Mission and the Atal New India Challenge, click [here](#).

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