

Important Gujarat News: July 2

July 2, 2023

1. July 1, 2023: **Floods in Junagarh: 'Ojat'** overflowed on both the banks of the **river**, leading to water of up to 3 feet in villages. The roads, connecting the villages, have been converted to water-ways. In Saurashtra, the districts of Jamnagar, Junagarh, Rajkot and Somnath have faced the heavy floods. **Visavadar Taluka** of Junagarh got 398 mm of rains during the last 24 hours.



Personnel of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF) were deployed in Kutch, Jamnagar, Junagadh and Navsari, which were the worst affected districts. In Kutch, **Gandhidham Railway Station** was submerged in water.

Bhupendrabhai Patel, the Chief Minister of Gujarat, held an emergency meeting with officers of the **State Emergency Operation Centre (SEOC)**. He was also briefed by the Collectors of different districts about the situation in their respective areas.

In Ahmedabad, traffic on four underpasses of Akhbar Nagar, Mithhakhali, Parimal and Makarba was stopped for some time. The service roads on both sides of the SG Highway have been inundated.

According to the **India Meteorological Department (IMD)**, the situation would start becoming normal from the afternoon of Sunday, 2nd July, 2023. However, according to IMD, light to moderate rainfall is expected in several parts of the State.

2. June 30, 2023: **Record number of non-engineers join IIM-A's PGP:** In the 60th batch admitted to this year's Post Graduate Program (PGP), as many as 42% are non-engineers.



PGP is a two-years full-time master's programme, designed to equip students to take on leadership roles in an increasingly complex and dynamic global scenario. IIMA has also admitted 47 students to its 24th Class of Food and Agri Business Management program.

Professor Abhiman Das, Chairperson, PGP, IIMA, said, "IIMA is endowed with over 110 world renowned faculty, and almost all of them live on the campus. As your teachers, our priority is to ensure that your learning is rigorous, comprehensive and continuous.

Professor Vineet Virmani, Chairperson, PGP-FABM, IIMA, said, "The PGP FABM is one of the oldest long duration management programmes of the institute, and

was specifically designed to cater to the needs of India's agriculture and allied sectors.”

Delivering the inaugural address, **Professor Bharat Bhasker, Director, IIMA** urged the students to uphold high standards of ethics and understand the importance of being principled as honesty and integrity are going to be critical when you will be leading organisations or even economies of the world in the future.

- 3. July 3, 2023: National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC), Lothal: Sarbanand Sonowale**, the Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways reviewed the NMHC Project at Lothal. The **Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandviya** and **Chief Minister Shri Bhupendrabhai Patel** were also present. The Rs 4,500 crore -NMHC will showcase and do research on the maritime History of India.

The State Government has allocated 375 acres of land for NMHC and 25 acres for staff quarters. Gujarat Govt is also building a 4-lane highway to connect the project to the State’s Highways. Waters from Narmada and electric transmission lines are also being laid up to the project site.

- 4. July 3, 2023: River Cruise on Sabarmati riverfront:** Union Home Minister **Shri Amit Shah** inaugurated the river cruise virtually.

The river cruise restaurant is a joint venture between a private travel agency, the Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation (AMC), and the Sabarmati Riverfront Development Corporation.



The Cruise Restaurant can accommodate from 125-150 persons. The cruise will be of one and a half hour duration.