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23rd February 2019 Current Affairs

1. **Justice Uma Nath Singh takes oath as First Lokayukta of Nagaland**

The first Lok Ayukta of Nagaland, Justice Uma Nath Singh, took the oath of office. Nagaland Governor PB Acharya administered the oath to him at a function held at Raj Bhavan. Justice Uma Nath Singh was a former Chief Justice of Meghalaya High Court. He will hold the office for a term of five years or till he attains the age of 70 years whichever is earlier.

2. **India to stop its share of water flowing into Pakistan**

The Minister of Water Resources, River Development & Ganga Rejuvenation, Nitin Gadkari has said that India would fully utilize its share of unused water from rivers Ravi, Beas, and Sutlej that has been flowing into Pakistan. The comment was made by the Minister in the backdrop of the Pulwama Terror attack which took the life of 40 CRPF soldiers.

3. **President Bashir Declares Year-Long State of Emergency in Sudan**

Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir has declared a year-long state of emergency, dissolving his cabinet and local governments throughout the country. Omar al-Bashir in a televised address called on Sudan's parliament to postpone constitutional amendments that would allow him to run for another term in a presidential election in 2020.

4. **PM Modi on a two-day visit to Seoul**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi went to Seoul on a two-day visit to South Korea. Mr. Modi will hold bilateral talks with South Korean President Moon Jae-in and receive the Seoul Peace Prize. He will receive the prize in recognition of his dedication to international cooperation, global growth, and human development. He addressed the India-Korea Business Symposium and also launched India-Korea Startup Hub in Seoul.

5. **CBDT Set up Panel to help bring down Tax Litigation**

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) formed a 4-member committee, headed by income tax commissioner Sanjeev Sharma, to look into the matter of taxation related pain points and submit its final report and recommendations by mid-March. It will tackle the issue by addressing some current pain points and recommending some steps borrowed from international best practices.

6. **Divya Karnad becomes First Indian Woman to receive Future for Nature Award**

33-year-old Ashoka University teacher and Wipro Sustainable Fellow; Divya Karnad became the First Indian Woman to be honored with the 'Future for Nature Award' for her work on marine conservation. She is the second Indian to receive this award after Dr. Charudutt Mishra.

7. **Kareena Kapoor Khan appointed an ambassador of Swasth Immunized India campaign**

Actress Kareena Kapoor Khan has been appointed as an ambassador of Swasth Immunized India campaign. The Swasth Immunized India campaign has been launched by Serum Institute of India (SII) and Network 18. The Swasth Immunized India campaign

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aims to build a robust campaign aimed at spreading awareness on the importance and benefits of immunization among the masses.

8. **International Conference ENCO-2019 held in New Delhi**

The International Conference and Exhibition on Energy and Environment – Challenges and Opportunities (ENCO-2019) held in New Delhi. The conference was inaugurated by the President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind.

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