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TOP NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

BY ASWIN RAGHAV

UK - After the vaccine developed by Pfizer and BioNTech was approved to be used in the UK last week, it is expected that the first shots will be administered this Tuesday. 800,000 doses have been secured by the country, making it one of the first countries to begin [mass vaccination](#). (NPR)

Russia - The Russian-made Sputnik V Coronavirus vaccine is being distributed to clinics across the country as Russia begins its first mass immunization. It is said that the vaccine will be prioritized first for doctors and other medical workers, teachers, and social workers. The final trials for the [Sputnik V vaccine](#) are yet to be completed, which has prompted various scientists to raise concerns regarding its safety. (Guardian)

DR Congo - The Democratic Republic of Congo is facing the world's biggest food crisis as almost 22 million people are facing "crisis-level or worse" [food insecurity](#), according to the United Nations. (Telegraph)

Somalia - After pulling out U.S. troops from Afghanistan and Iraq, President Trump orders most others left in Somalia to leave as well by early 2021. At this moment, there are about 700 troops in the nation where they have been fighting against the [extremist group al-Shabab](#), an affiliate of al-Qaida. (AP)

Argentina - About 12,000 of Argentina's wealthiest people will have to pay a new tax - dubbed the "[millionaire's tax](#)" - which will pay for medical supplies and relief measures amidst the Coronavirus pandemic. Lawyers say that only 0.8% of the taxpayers will be affected by this new law. (BBC)

India - Tens of thousands of Indian farmers have gathered to protest against the [new farm bills](#) passed by the Government. The protestors believe that this bill will make it easier for corporates to have the upper hand. Whereas, the Government says that this will bring more flexibility and space to grow for the farmers. (Reuters)

Bangladesh - Hundreds of [Rohingya refugees](#) in Bangladesh have been moved against their will to a remote island surrounded by the Bay of Bengal. Facilities in the uninhabited and low-lying island are expected to accommodate up to 100,000 refugees (CNN)

Denmark - Denmark becomes the first major oil-producing country in the world to plan the [phasing out of all extraction](#) by the year 2050. (The Washington Post)

["World's biggest iceberg captured by RAF cameras."](#) (BBC)

["Take a look at one of the most complete dinosaur skeletons."](#) (CNN)

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Farmers protesting against newly passed farm bills in India. (via AP Photo/Altaf Qadri)

IYOPS EXTRA - BLOG LAUNCH

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We launched our Official Blog in November. Since then, we have had articles from our National Directors of Brazil and Egypt on topics like Corruption and Poverty, respectively.

You might have noticed a part of the article being displayed in our newsletter in the past two editions. Going further, we will be doing the same by posting a part of the blog article in our newsletter and then uploading them to our website a week later.



 Osama Sayed 
5 days ago • 3 min



Poverty and How To Tackle It

Poverty is the lack of basic means that provide a person with a decent life: including food, water, clothing, and adequate housing.



 Eduardo Augusto Mansano Menso 
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Corruption and the Fight Against It

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