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1. When is World Nature Conservation Day celebrated?

- A - 5 June
B - 22 April
C - 28 July
D - 16 September

World Nature Conservation Day 2024 will be celebrated on Sunday, 28 July. This year's theme is "Connecting people and plants, exploring digital innovation in wildlife conservation", highlighting the convergence of technology and nature conservation. The day emphasizes the need to conserve natural resources and protect ecosystems. Nature, which provides oxygen, water and food necessary for life, is facing losses due to human activities.



2. Who became the youngest and most intense female para swimmer to cross the English Channel?

- A - Aditi Verma
B - Jiya Rai
C - Neha Singh
D - Anjali Sharma

India's 16-year-old para swimmer Jiya Rai has set a new record in crossing the English Channel. She set a record of becoming the youngest and fastest female para swimmer by crossing the 34-km distance from Abbots Cliff in England to Pointe de la Courte-Dune in France in 17 hours and 25 minutes. This achievement has been recorded in the Asia Book of Records and India Book of Records.



3. Who won the V. Venkaiah Epigraphy Prize for 2024?

- A - S. Ramachandran
B - K. Subramanian
C - V. Vedachalam
D - R. Srinivasan

Eminent Tamil epigraphist and historian V. Vedachalam has been awarded the V. Venkayya Epigraphy Award for 2024. Vedachalam has written over 25 books on subjects such as epigraphy, numismatics, temple art, religion and society. He is proud to receive the award, which is given in memory of V. Venkayya, the first Chief Epigraphist of the Government of India. The award is given for outstanding contribution to epigraphy in any Indian language.



4. Which medal did Manu Bhaker and Sarabjot Singh win in the mixed 10m air pistol shooting at Paris Olympics 2024?

- A - Gold
B - Bronze
C - Silver
D - None of these

Manu Bhaker has created a new history by winning the bronze medal in the women's 10m air pistol event at the Paris 2024 Olympics. This is India's first medal at the Paris Olympics and the first Olympic medal in shooting since London 2012. Bhaker finished third in the qualification round with a score of 580 and performed brilliantly in the final to win the bronze medal.



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5. Which branch of the Indian Armed Forces has launched 'Suvidha Software Version 1.0' to enhance training protocols and ensure consistency across its platforms?

A - Indian Coast Guard

B - Indian Army

C - Indian Navy

D - Indian Air Force

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) inaugurated 'Suvidha Software Version 1.0' during its first Annual Operational Maritime Training Conference at Visakhapatnam on July 30, 2024. The software is a state-of-the-art tool aimed at improving training protocols and ensuring uniformity across all operational platforms of the Indian Coast Guard.



6. Which state assembly adopted a resolution against delimitation, 'one nation, one election' move and NEET?

A - Maharashtra

B - Tamil Nadu

C - Kerala

D - Karnataka

The Karnataka assembly on Thursday took a significant decision and passed a resolution against delimitation of Lok Sabha and Assembly constituencies based on the upcoming census, the "one nation, one election" motion and the National Entrance Examination (NEET). The assembly has demanded the central government not to delimit constituencies based on the 2026 census or any subsequent census.



7. What position did India stand at in the 54th International Physics Olympiad 2024?

A - 4

B - 1

C - 2

D - 3

The Indian delegation achieved great success in the 54th International Physics Olympiad (IPhO) held in Isfahan, Iran from 21-29 July 2024. India participated with 5 participants and won 2 gold and 3 silver medals. The gold medals went to Rhythm Kedia (Raipur) and Ved Lahoti (Indore), while the silver medals were won by Akash Raj Sahay (Nagpur), Bhavya Tiwari (Noida) and Jaiveer Singh (Kota).



8. World Lung Cancer Day 2024 will be observed on which day?

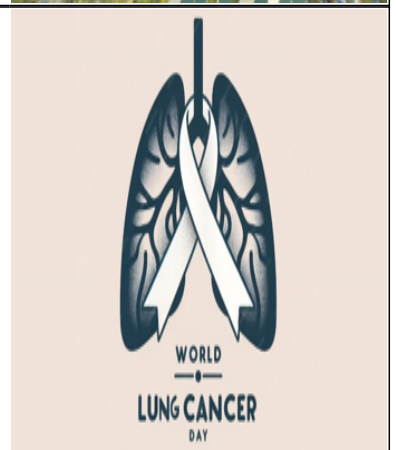
A - 1 August

B - 2 August

C - 3 August

D - 4 August

World Lung Cancer Day, observed every year on 1 August, aims to prevent and raise awareness about lung cancer. The theme for 2024 is "Bridge the care gap: Everyone has the right to access cancer care", which promotes equality of cancer care. Lung cancer was rare in the 1800s, but by the end of the 20th century it became a leading cause of cancer deaths among men in the world.



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9. Who will become the next President of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC) after Jay Shah?

- A - Imran Khan
B - Mohsin Naqvi
C - Wasim Akram
D - Ramiz Raja

Outgoing Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) President Mohsin Naqvi is set to become the next President of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC), which will be under the ACC's 'rotation' policy. Naqvi's chairmanship was discussed in the ACC meeting to be held later this year and his candidature was viewed positively. If all goes well, Naqvi will be the President of the ACC for the next two years.



10. Who has been appointed as the next CMD of Eastern Coalfields Limited?

- A - Sanjay Kumar
B - Anil Kumar
C - Rajesh Singh
D - Satish Jha

Satish Jha has been recommended for the post of CMD of Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL), a subsidiary of Coal India. On July 30, the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) announced the decision after 10 officers attended the interview. Satish Jha, who is currently Director (Technical, Project and Planning) at CMPD, has been selected for the post.



11. Who has taken over as the Managing Director of National Housing Bank?

- A - Rajesh Gupta
B - Vinod Mehta
C - Sanjay Shukla
D - Prashant Gupta

The National Housing Bank (NHB) has appointed Sanjay Shukla as the Managing Director (MD) with effect from July 30, 2024. Shukla, an experienced chartered accountant, has over three decades of experience and started his career at LIC Housing Finance Limited. Before joining NHB, he was the founding MD and CEO of Centrum Housing Finance Limited.



12. Who has been appointed as the new chairman of UPSC?

- A - Preeti Sudan
B - Jayanti Patnaik
C - Mamta Sharma
D - Vibha Advani

1983 batch IAS officer Preeti Sudan has been appointed as the new UPSC chairperson and will take over from August 1. The appointment comes after the resignation of former chairperson Manoj Soni. Preeti Sudan has been a member of the UPSC since 2022 and retired in July 2020 as Union Health Secretary.



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13. Name the Indian tennis player who has announced his retirement from Indian tennis after Paris 2024 Olympics?

- A - Mahesh Bhupathi
B - Rohan Bopanna
C - Somdev Devvarman
D - Rutuja Bhosale

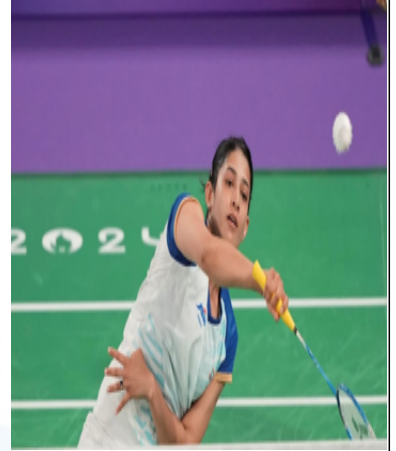
India's leading tennis player Rohan Bopanna has announced his retirement from international competitions after his exit from the Paris 2024 Olympics. Bopanna, who has made significant contributions to Indian tennis for over two decades, had his Olympic journey end in the first round of the men's doubles where his pair lost.



14. Ashwini Ponnappa has announced her retirement from which sport after the Paris 2024 Olympics?

- A - Tennis
B - Badminton
C - Hockey
D - Archery

Indian badminton ace Ashwini Ponnappa got emotional after her performance at the Paris 2024 Olympics, saying that this was her last Olympics. Ashwini and her partner Tanisha Crasto suffered their third consecutive defeat in the women's doubles event and lost all their matches in Group C. They lost 15-21, 10-21 to Australia's Setiana Mapasa and Angela Yu.



15. Which tiger reserve has installed a wind turbine for power generation?

- A - Sundarbans Tiger Reserve
B - Periyar Tiger Reserve
C - Jim Corbett Tiger Reserve
D - Bandipur Tiger Reserve

The Periyar Tiger Reserve (PTR) located in Thekkady has installed a wind turbine for its surveillance and communication systems. The initiative marks a significant step forward in the field of technology and conservation. Earlier, the PTR East Division relied on solar power, but fog and heavy rainfall affected the effectiveness of solar panels.



16. Which startup has become a unicorn with fresh funding of \$120 million from WestBridge Capital?

- A - Ola
B - Uber
C - Namma Yatri
D - Rapido

Swiggy-backed bike taxi startup Rapido has attained unicorn status by raising \$120 million Series E funding led by WestBridge Capital. In this funding round, WestBridge has invested capital through Setu AIF Trust, Konark Trust, and MMPL Trust. The valuation of the company is around Rs 8,517 crore (about \$1 billion).



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17. Who inaugurated the 'State Museum Conference on Yugin Bharat Museum' at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi?

- A - Narendra Modi
B - Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
C - Rajnath Singh
D - Amit Shah

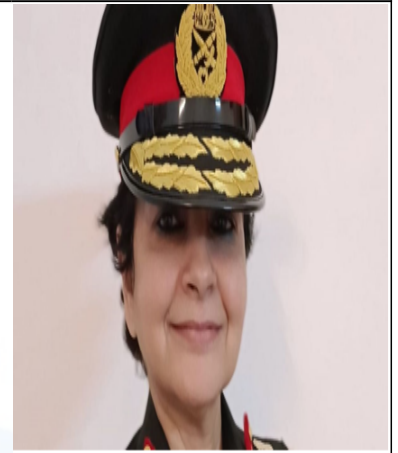
Union Minister of Culture and Tourism Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat inaugurated the 'State Museum Conference on Yugin Bharat Museum' held in New Delhi from 1st to 3rd August, 2024. The three-day conference was organized with the aim of realizing the vision of Prime Minister Narendra Modi of 'Yug Yugin Bharat Museum'.



18. Who has been appointed as the first woman Director General Medical Services (Army)?

- A - Lt Gen Kanchan Chaudhary Bhattacharya
B - Lt Gen Padma Naidu
C - Lt Gen Sadhana Saxena Nair
D - Lt Gen Rashmi Shukla

Lt Gen Sadhana Saxena Nair will take over as Director General of Medical Services (Army) from 1 August 2024. She will be the first woman to hold this post. Prior to this, she also held the post of Director General Hospital Services (Armed Forces) after promotion to the rank of Air Marshal, where she was the first woman to hold the post.



19. Swapnil Kusale wins third bronze medal for India in shooting. Swapnil Kusale won India's first Olympic bronze medal in which event?

- A - 50m Rifle 3 Position
B - 10m Air Pistol
C - Mixed Team 10m Air Pistol
D - 50m Rifle Prone

Swapnil Kusale has set a significant milestone in Indian sports history by winning the bronze medal in the men's 50m rifle 3 position event at the Paris Olympics 2024. This is a significant achievement for Indian shooting, reflecting the country's growing stature in the sport. This success of Kusale is a testimony to his hard work and talent and will inspire young athletes.



20. Who has been appointed as Additional Secretary, Ministry of Steel after the retirement of Nagendra Nath Sinha?

- A - Ajit Mohanty
B - Rao Ahuja
C - Chandra Lal Das
D - Sanjay Sinha

After the retirement of Nagendra Nath Sinha, Chandra Lal Das has been given the additional charge of Secretary, Ministry of Steel. Chandra Lal Das, who is currently the Secretary, Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, has been appointed to take over as Additional Secretary in the Ministry of Steel with this new responsibility.



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21. What is the name of the app launched by Zomato to capture its 'going-out' market?

- A - District
- B - Zomato Live
- C - Zomato Go
- D - Blinkit Neo

Food aggregator company Zomato has announced its new app "District", which brings together services such as dining, movies, sports tickets, live shows, shopping and staycations. Zomato CEO Deepinder Goyal said that this new venture represents huge growth potential for Zomato. He said that Zomato and Blinkit meet the needs of existing customers at home, but there is significant opportunity in the market of going-out activities.



22. Which ministry launched version 4.0 of the Price Monitoring System (PMS) mobile app?

- A - Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- B - Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
- C - Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution
- D - Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Union Minister for Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and New and Renewable Energy Shri Prahlad Venkatesh Joshi launched version 4.0 of the Price Monitoring System (PMS) mobile app on August 1, 2024.



23. When is World Wide Web Day celebrated?

- A - 31 July
- B - 1 August
- C - 15 August
- D - 25 December

World Wide Web (WWW) Day is celebrated every year on August 1, highlighting the important role of the web. The World Wide Web is a vast network consisting of web pages connected through hyperlinks. It is accessed by entering URLs in the browser's search box and through the Hyper Text Transfer Protocol (HTTP). The World Wide Web was introduced by British computer scientist Tim Berners-Lee in 1989 while he was working at CERN.



24. Which bank has launched RuPay credit card with UPI and NCMC functionalities?

- A - RBL Bank
- B - HDFC Bank
- C - ICICI Bank
- D - Axis Bank

RBL Bank has announced the integration of Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and National Common Mobility Card (NCMC) services in its new RuPay credit card. Through this integration, users can make seamless and secure UPI payments with a single card and avail the travel facility of NCMC.



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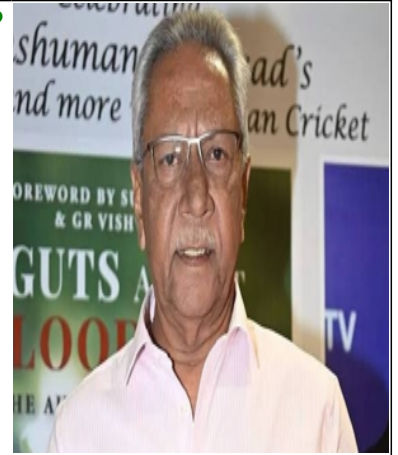
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25. Which Indian cricketer died at the age of 71 after a long battle with cancer?

- A - Anshuman Gaekwad
- B - Kapil Dev
- C - Sunil Gavaskar
- D - Mohinder Amarnath

Former Indian cricketer and coach of the Indian men's cricket team Anshuman Gaekwad died on 31 July 2024. He was 71 years old and was suffering from blood cancer. Gaekwad played 40 Tests and 15 ODIs for India from 1975 to 1987. He scored 1985 runs in Tests and 269 runs in ODIs. He also played 205 first-class matches in a career spanning 22 years. Gaekwad also served as the coach of Team India in 1997-99 and 2000 and was also a national selector.



26. Which famous personality was conferred with an honorary doctorate by IIT-Kharagpur?

- A - Satya Nadella
- B - Sundar Pichai
- C - Duvvuri Subbarao
- D - Arvind Kejriwal

Google CEO Sundar Pichai was recently conferred with an honorary doctorate degree by IIT Kharagpur. Pichai received an engineering degree from IIT Kharagpur and later went to the US and worked at Google, where he held the top position. He thanked IIT Kharagpur for the honor on Instagram and said that this honorary degree fulfills the wish of his parents. His wife Anjali Pichai was also honored with the Distinguished Alumni Award by IIT Kharagpur.



27. Which country chaired the G-20 talks that resulted in an agreement to effectively tax the super-rich?

- A - India
- B - United States
- C - Brazil
- D - Germany

Brazilian Finance Minister Fernando Haddad said at the G-20 meeting in Sao Paulo that countries should introduce a global tax on the super-rich to curb rampant tax evasion. Haddad supported Brazil's call for a global declaration on international taxation, which is expected to be completed by July, but acknowledged the process would not be easy. Brazil, which is chairing the G-20, has put the problems of developing countries on its agenda.



28. What is the name of the proposed think-tank based on Niti Aayog that has been announced by Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel?

- A - motion
- B - Development
- C - Guzcon
- D - GRIT

Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel stressed the need to set up Gujarat Rajya Transformation Institute (GRIT) at the 9th meeting of the Governing Council of Niti Aayog. He said that Gujarat will play an important role in the goal of developed India by 2047. CM Patel informed that at the Vibrant Summit in January, Gujarat has taken important steps towards self-reliance in the semiconductor sector.



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29. Which state assembly passed a bill to impose cess on mined minerals?

- A - Maharashtra
- B - Jharkhand
- C - Odisha
- D - Chhattisgarh

The Jharkhand assembly passed the 'Jharkhand Mineral Bearing Land Cess Bill 2024', which recognises the state's power to levy tax on mineral rights as per the Supreme Court's July 25 verdict. The bill, introduced by mining minister Mithilesh Thakur, proposes a tax of Rs 100 per metric tonne for coal and iron ore, Rs 70 for bauxite, and Rs 50 for manganese ore.



30. Which state launched the 'Goem Vinamuly Vij Yevajan' campaign to promote solar power adoption?

- A - Kerala
- B - Maharashtra
- C - Goa
- D - Karnataka

Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant has launched the 'Goem Vinamuly Vij Yevajan' scheme, which promotes the installation of solar rooftops in conjunction with the Prime Minister's Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme. The scheme aims to enable residential households to generate their own electricity through solar energy, thereby reducing dependence on conventional power sources.



31. When is National Watermelon Day celebrated?

- A - January 1
- B - August 3
- C - July 15
- D - December 25

National Watermelon Day, celebrated every year on August 3 in the United States, is to recognize the refreshing and health benefits of watermelon. The day highlights the sweet, hydrating nature of watermelon, which is the ideal fruit in summer. Watermelon contains nutrients like vitamins A, C, B6 and lycopene and is 92% water, making it low-calorie and hydrating.



32. Which city has been named a 'World Crafts City' by the World Crafts Council, making it the fourth city in India to receive this honour?

- A - Jaipur
- B - Mumbai
- C - Varanasi
- D - Srinagar

Srinagar has been named the fourth Indian city to be recognised as a 'World Crafts City'. The recognition is given by the World Crafts Council (WCC) and is part of the UNESCO Creative City Network (UCCN) for crafts and folk arts. Srinagar has a craft tradition dating back 4,000 years, especially famous for shawls, carpets and paper mache.



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33. Who inaugurated the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE)?

A - Union Agriculture Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan B - German economist Martin Kaim

C - Prime Minister Narendra Modi D - President Draupadi Murmu

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 32nd International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE) at the National Agricultural Science Centre (NASC) in New Delhi on 03 August 2024.



34. Where will the new X-band Doppler weather radar be installed by December 2025?

A - Shimla B - Lahaul-Spiti
C - Manali D - Dharamshala

X-band Doppler weather radar will be installed in Lahaul-Spiti, Himachal Pradesh by December 2025. Rs 13.87 crore has been spent on this. Currently three Doppler radars are working in Shimla, Mandi, and Chamba. The new radar will provide accurate weather and disaster information, improving forecasting of natural disasters and helping in protecting lives and property.



35. Who is India's youngest Olympic boxing referee at Paris Olympics 2024?

A - Shubhankar Sharma B - Kabilan Sai Ashok
C - Vishnu Saravanan D - Gaganjeet Bhullar

Indian Army Lieutenant Colonel Kabilan Sai Ashok has become the youngest Olympic referee for boxing at Paris Olympics 2024. His achievement reflects his dedication and professionalism. Currently serving as Joint Secretary in the Services Sports Control Board of the Indian Army, Ashok ensures fairness and integrity of the games.



36. Group Captain _____ and Prashant Balakrishnan Nair have been selected as the prime and backup mission pilots for the Axiom-4 mission to the International Space Station (ISS).

A - Abhishek Nair B - Shubhanshu Shukla
C - Arjun Rastogi D - Jagat Singh

Indian Air Force Wing Commander Shubhanshu Shukla has been selected as the prime astronaut of the India-US mission to the International Space Station (ISS). The announcement was made by ISRO, and the mission was planned during Prime Minister Modi's visit to the US. ISRO and NASA have signed a space flight agreement with Axiom Space Inc



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37. Who has taken over as the Director of ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI) recently?

- A - Dr. Rajeev Kumar
B - Dr. Grinson George
C - Dr. Aditi Sharma
D - Dr. Vikram Singh

Dr. Grinson George has taken over as the Director of ICAR-Central Marine Fisheries Research Institute (CMFRI). Prior to this, he headed the Marine Biodiversity and Environmental Management Division at CMFRI and served as Senior Programme Specialist at SAARC in Dhaka. Dr. George has over 20 years of experience in areas such as fisheries resource management, marine biodiversity, and climate change. He has led several important research projects at the



38. Who is the lead singer of the band Aerosmith, which has recently announced early retirement from touring?

- A - Joe Perry
B - Steven Tyler
C - Brad Whitford
D - Tom Hamilton

The famous band Aerosmith has announced the retirement of Steven Tyler from their "Peace Out" farewell tour due to a larynx injury. Tyler, 76, had refused to sing on doctor's instructions due to his voice injury during a performance in New York. The Peace Out Tour, which began in September 2023, received positive reviews, but the tour ended abruptly due to Tyler's injury.



39. What is the name of the web portal launched by NIT-Calicut for data management?

- A - Nivartan
B - Nivahika
C - Navika
D - Niharika

National Institute of Technology, Calicut (NITC) has launched its new web portal 'Nivahika', which will bring a significant improvement in data management. The portal was inaugurated by NITC Director Prof. Prasad Krishna at the Senate Hall. Nivahika aims to make ministry reporting, national rankings and data management accurate and stable. The portal can set a benchmark not only for NITC but also for other NITs in future.



40. Eminent Indian classical dancer Yamini Krishnamurthy passed away recently at the age of 83. In which year did she receive the Padma Vibhushan?

- A - 1968
B - 1977
C - 2016
D - 2001

Renowned Bharatanatyam and Kuchipudi dancer Yamini Krishnamurthy passed away on 3 August 2024 at the age of 84. She was suffering from old age-related ailments. Yamini Krishnamurthy was born in 1940 in Madanapalle, Andhra Pradesh and raised in Chidambaram, Tamil Nadu. She began her dance career in Madras in 1957 and soon gained fame in Kuchipudi.



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41. Who has been appointed as the league ambassador for the SA20 League?

- A - Virat Kohli
B - M.S. Dhoni
C - Dinesh Karthik
D - Rohit Sharma

South Africa's premier T20 league, Betway SA20 has appointed former Indian cricketer Dinesh Karthik as the league's ambassador. Karthik, who has 16 years of experience in the IPL, is excited about the appointment and has praised the league's previous seasons. He has earned recognition for his finisher role in T20 cricket and will now help strengthen the league's global fan base and increase brand awareness in key markets.



42. Who won the gold medal in the men's 100m race at the 2024 Paris Olympics?

- A - Justin Gatlin
B - Usain Bolt
C - Kishan Thompson
D - Noah Lyles

On August 4, at the Paris Olympics, Noah Lyles of the United States won the gold medal in the men's 100m final and became the world's fastest sprinter. He crossed the finish line in 9.79 seconds and beat Kishan Thompson of Jamaica by just 0.005 seconds. Fred Kerley won the bronze medal, and Jacobs Lamont Marseille of Italy finished fifth.



43. Who will lead India at the closing ceremony of Paris Olympics 2024?

- A - Sarabjot Singh
B - Abhinav Bindra
C - Manu Bhaker
D - Neeraj Chopra

On August 4, Olympic gold medallist Abhinav Bindra expressed his feelings after carrying the Olympic torch in the Paris 2024 torch relay, calling it an honour beyond words. The Indian contingent will be led by badminton star PV Sindhu and table tennis legend Sharath Kamal. A 29-member athletics team and a 21-member shooting contingent led by Neeraj Chopra will also leave for Paris 2024.



44. Which country will host the third Voices of the Global South summit on August 17, 2024?

- A - Brazil
B - South Africa
C - India
D - Indonesia

India will host the second edition of the 'Voices of the Global South' summit on Friday, which will focus on global challenges and ensuring a more inclusive world order. According to the Ministry of External Affairs, the conference will be held in 10 sessions in digital format, discussing key areas such as trade, energy, and climate finance.



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45. Classical dancer Yamini Krishnamurthy passed away at the age of 83. Yamini Krishnamurthy was known for her proficiency in which classical dance form?

A - Kathak, Manipuri and Bharatanatyam

C - Bharatanatyam, Kuchipudi and Odissi

B - Mohiniyattam, Kathakali and Kuchipudi

D - Odissi, Sattriya and Kathak

Yamini Krishnamurthy, a leading Bharatanatyam and Kuchipudi dancer, died on August 3 at Apollo Hospital in New Delhi. She was in physical distress at the age of 83 due to age-related problems.



46. What is the name of the handloom exhibition organised to mark the 10th National Handloom Day?

A - Nostalgia

C - Handloom Hues

B - Virasat

D - Weave Celebration

The Ministry of Textiles has organised a fortnight-long exhibition titled "Virasat" on the occasion of the 10th National Handloom Day, which began on Saturday at the Hathkargha Haat at Janpath. The exhibition is operated by National Handloom Development Corporation Limited (NHDC) and will be open from 11 am to 8 pm. The exhibition will showcase and sell handloom products brought from different regions of India.



47. Which statutory body of the Government of India has launched the Digital Shakti Kendra to tackle cyber crimes against women?

A - National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)

C - National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)

B - National Commission for Women (NCW)

D - Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)

The National Commission for Women (NCW) launched the fourth phase of the "Digital Shakti" campaign on November 15. The campaign was launched in June 2018 to empower women digitally and make them aware against illegal activities online.



48. Who is the Swedish athlete who broke Olympic and world records in the men's pole vault final at the Paris Olympics?

A - Sam Kendricks

C - Emmanuel Karalis

B - Thiago Braz

D - Armand Duplantis

Armand 'Mondo' Duplantis of Sweden won his second Olympic gold medal with a brilliant performance in the final of the men's pole vault event at the Stade de France. He set a new world record with a height of 6.25 meters. Duplantis broke the Olympic record by jumping 6.10 meters in the first attempt and later also broke his own world record of 6.24 meters.



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49. Recently, which country has been elected Vice-Chairman of the Supply Chain Council?

- A - India
B - Bhutan
C - France
D - Bangladesh

India has been elected Vice-Chairman of the Supply Chain Council under the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF). This appointment reflects India's important role in supply chain resilience. Three major bodies have been established under IPEF: Supply Chain Council (Chairman- US, Vice-India), Crisis Response Network (Chairman- Korea, Vice-Japan), and Labor Rights Advisory Board (Chairman- US, Vice-Fiji).



50. In which state of India is the first phase of the multinational air exercise 'Taranga Shakti 2024' being held?

- A - Maharashtra
B - Tamil Nadu
C - Rajasthan
D - Gujarat

The Indian Air Force is going to conduct its first international air exercise, Tarang Shakti-2024, this August. The exercise will take place in two phases: the first phase in South India in the first two weeks of August, and the second phase in the western region from late August to mid-September.



51. President Draupadi Murmu received the highest honor of which country in August 2024?

- A - Australia
B - Philippines
C - Fiji
D - New Zealand

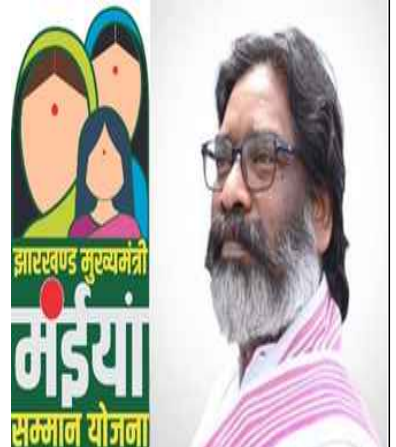
President Draupadi Murmu was awarded Fiji's highest civilian honor 'Companion of the Order'. This honor was given to President Murmu by Fiji President Ratu William Mwalili Katonivere. President Murmu on this occasion praised the deep friendship between India and Fiji and said that India is ready to build a strong and prosperous nation by partnering with Fiji.



52. What is the main focus of Jharkhand Mukhyamantri Maiya Samman Yojana?

- A - Education for girl child
B - Employment generation
C - Health and nutrition for women
D - Women empowerment in MSME sector

The Hemant Soren government of Jharkhand has launched the Mukhyamantri Maiya Samman Yojana to provide financial assistance to women, which will be formally launched on August 16, 2024. The scheme has been launched to empower women in view of the expiry of the term of Jharkhand Assembly and the upcoming elections.



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53. What is the name of the new e-platform being set up to connect Indian exporters, MSMEs and other stakeholders?

- A - Export India Network
- B - Trade Connect ePlatform
- C - Global Trade Centre
- D - India Trade Portal

Union Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal has announced the launch of a new e-platform, Trade Connect, to increase the participation of MSMEs and startups in exports. The platform will provide international trade opportunities and information to small traders and will be operational in three to four months.



54. Where is the coal to synthetic natural gas (SNG) plant planned to be set up in West Bengal?

- A - Durgapur
- B - Raniganj
- C - Asansol
- D - Kolkata

The Ministry of Coal and the Ministry of Power and Natural Gas signed a landmark agreement on August 5, to set up a joint venture between Coal India Limited (CIL) and GAIL (India) Limited (GAIL). Under the agreement, a synthetic natural gas (SNG) plant will be set up using advanced surface coal gasification (SCG) technology in Raniganj area of West Bengal.



55. Who has been re-elected as President by the Film Academy?

- A - Janet Yang
- B - Steven Spielberg
- C - Christopher Nolan
- D - Kathryn Bigelow

Filmmaker Janet Yang has been re-elected for the third time as President of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Along with her, new board officers have been appointed:



56. Daljit Singh Chaudhary has held which post?

- A - Union Home Secretary
- B - BSF Director General
- C - Army Chief
- D - Director General of Police

1990 batch UP cadre IPS officer Daljit Singh Chaudhary assumed charge as Director General of Border Security Force (BSF). The appointment comes a day after former DG Nitin Agarwal was prematurely repatriated to his native Kerala cadre. Chaudhary is currently the Director General of Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB). The central government has similarly appointed 1990 batch IPS officer Yogesh Khurania as DGP in his native Odisha cadre.



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57. Which institute recently achieved its first in-house cadaver organ retrieval?

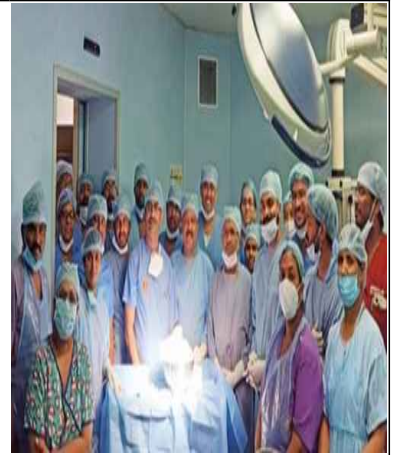
A - All India Institute of Medical Sciences Delhi

B - Apollo Hospital Chennai

C - ESIC Super Speciality Hospital Sanathnagar

D - Fortis Hospital Mumbai

ESIC Super Speciality Hospital, Sanathnagar, Hyderabad has achieved a significant milestone in medical science and organ transplantation. On 6 August 2024, the hospital gave life to three other patients by retrieving organs from a deceased patient.



58. India's first GI-tagged fig juice has been exported to which country?

A - Germany

B - Poland

C - France

D - Italy

Purandar Highlands Farmers Producer Company Limited has achieved a significant milestone by exporting Indian fig juice to Poland, making it India's first GI-tagged fig juice exporter. In February 2023, the company successfully exported the first commercial consignment of Purandar figs to Hong Kong. Purandar figs are famous for their distinctive taste, size, and nutritional value and have a Geographical Indication (GI) tag.



59. Who has been approved as the new SBI Chairman?

A - Rajnish Kumar

B - Challa Srinivasulu Setty

C - Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh

D - Arundhati Bhattacharya

On August 6, 2024, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approved the appointment of Challa Srinivasulu Setty as the new Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI). Setty, who is currently the Senior Managing Director of SBI, will replace Dinesh Kumar Khara, who will retire on August 28, 2024.



60. Who has been appointed as the Director General of Assam Rifles?

A - Lieutenant General (Retired) P.C. Nair

B - Lieutenant General Rajeev Chopra

C - Lieutenant General Vikas Lakhera

D - Lieutenant General Manoj Mukund Naravane

Lt Gen Vikas Lakhera has become the new Director General of Assam Rifles of the Indian Army and took charge in Shillong. He is the second Uttarakhandi to command the Assam Rifles after former Lt Gen TPS Rawat. Lakhera, who hails from Jakhand village in Tehri Garhwal, studied at DAV PG College and Indian Military Academy and was commissioned in the 4th Sikh Light Infantry Regiment in 1990.



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61. Under which ministry has Gati Shakti University launched executive training in aviation safety management?

A - Ministry of Civil Aviation

B - Ministry of Education

C - Ministry of Railways

D - Ministry of Defence

Gati Shakti University (GSU) launched its first executive training program for the aviation sector at the Asian Institute for Transport Development (AITD) in Dwarka, New Delhi. The three-day program is running from 5th to 7th August and focuses on "Safety Management Systems", which has been organized in collaboration with Airbus.



62. Which country did India defeat to win the title in the CAVA Women's Volleyball Nations League?

A - Nepal

B - Iran

C - Sri Lanka

D - Bangladesh

Nepal registered a historic win over India in the CAVA Women's Volleyball Nations League. Nepal won the match by 3-2 sets in the match played at the Rakhep Covered Hall in Tripureshwor. This is Nepal's first win over India. Nepal won the first set 25-18 but lost the second set 12-25. In the third set, Nepal won 25-17 while lost the fourth set 18-25. In the final set, Nepal won the match by winning 15-13.



63. Which Indian wrestler announced retirement after being disqualified at Paris Olympics?

A - Nisha Dahiya

B - Babita Kumari

C - Vinesh Phogat

D - Sakshi Malik

Vinesh Phogat announced her retirement from wrestling on 8 August 2024. She was disqualified for the 50 kg wrestling event at the Paris Olympics 2024 as her weight was found to be 100 grams more than the prescribed standards. After announcing her retirement, Vinesh wrote that she has given up on wrestling and is now disheartened. Earlier, she had appealed against her disqualification, demanding a joint silver medal.



64. Which state has become the first state to procure all crops at Minimum Support Price (MSP)?

A - Punjab

B - Haryana

C - Uttar Pradesh

D - Rajasthan

Former Haryana Home Minister Anil Vij announced that Haryana is the first state in the country where all crops will be procured at Minimum Support Price (MSP). He called it a big step in the interest of farmers and praised the farmer-friendly policies of the present government.



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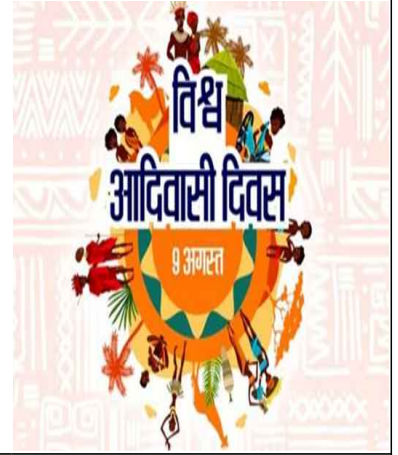
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65. On which day is World Tribal Day celebrated?

- A - 15 August
B - 12 July
C - 9 August
D - 5 June

World Tribal Day is celebrated every year on 9 August, with the aim of appreciating the culture, civilization, and contribution of tribal people to society and the environment. The theme for 2024 is 'Protecting the Rights of Tribal People in Voluntary Isolation and Initial Contact', which emphasizes the protection of their rights and lifestyle. Tribal people live in about 70 countries, and in India they number around 10 crore.



66. Which team received the Science Team Award for its contribution to India's space program?

- A - Team Mangalyaan
B - Team Gaganyaan
C - Team Chandrayaan-3
D - Team Chandrayaan-2

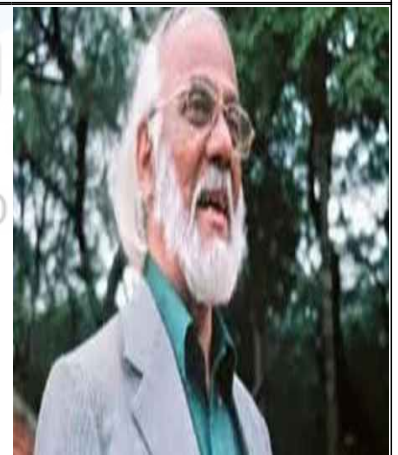
India's Chandrayaan-3 mission achieved a historic feat by successfully landing on the lunar south pole on August 23, making India the first country to reach this region of the moon. The success of this mission has brought global recognition to the scientific capability of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).



67. Which award was given to Dr. Govindarajan Padmanabhan in August 2024?

- A - Vigyan Shri Award
B - Vigyan Yuva Award
C - Vigyan Ratna Award
D - Vigyan Team Award

The Central Government on Wednesday announced the 'National Science Awards' to recognize excellence in science and technology. Under this new award system, renowned biochemist Govindarajan Padmanabhan will be awarded the first 'Vigyan Ratna Award', for his remarkable contribution to biochemistry.



68. Who was awarded the 'Hem Bahadur Malla Samman' for the year 2079 BS?

- A - Dr. Arjun Karki
B - Dr. Bhesh Bahadur Thapa
C - Dr. Shankar Sharma
D - Dr. Baburam Bhattarai

Senior diplomat and administrationist, former minister Dr. Bhesh Bahadur Thapa was awarded the Hem Bahadur Malla Samman at a ceremony held recently in Nepal. President Ram Chandra Paudel presented this award to Dr. Thapa at this award ceremony held at Radisson Hotel in Kathmandu. He was given a certificate and an amount of two lakh rupees as a reward.



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69. In which state 'Upasthiti (Attendance) Portal' was launched to ensure daily attendance of health workers?

A - Uttar Pradesh

B - Jharkhand

C - Bihar

D - Chhattisgarh

Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren has launched a new attendance portal for health workers, which will provide real-time location information and make cross verification of biometric attendance easier. This portal will make it easier to make attendance despite network problems in remote areas and will store information like attendance, leave, PF of health department personnel.



70. Which country did India defeat to win the bronze medal in men's hockey at the Paris 2024 Olympics?

A - Spain

B - Germany

C - Argentina

D - Belgium

India performed brilliantly in the bronze medal match against Spain at the Paris Olympics. India won 2-1 thanks to two goals from Harmanpreet Singh and won the bronze medal for the second consecutive Olympics. During the match, Spain first took the lead through a penalty stroke by Marc Miralles, making the score 1-0. India came back after half time and Harmanpreet converted two penalty corners to give India a 1-1 draw and then a 2-1 lead.



71. Who has recently taken over as Director General Hospital Services (Armed Forces)?

A - Vice Admiral Sanjay Jaiswal

B - Vice Admiral Ajay Bhalla

C - Vice Admiral Anupam Kapoor

D - Vice Admiral Rajesh Kumar

Surgeon Vice Admiral Anupam Kapoor assumed charge as Director General Hospital Services (Armed Forces) in the office of Armed Forces Medical Services. The date of his commission into the Indian Navy is June 27, 1987, and he represents a long and honourable career.



72. When was Nagasaki Day 2024 observed?

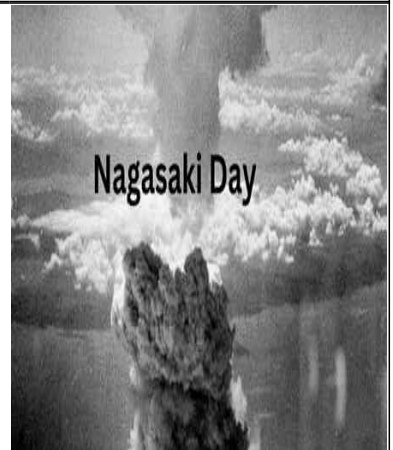
A - 6 August

B - 9 August

C - 15 August

D - 1 September

9 August is celebrated as Nagasaki Day, which commemorates the atomic bomb attack on Nagasaki, Japan in 1945. The day highlights the horrors of nuclear war and the importance of global peace and disarmament. The bombing completely devastated Nagasaki and claimed millions of lives.



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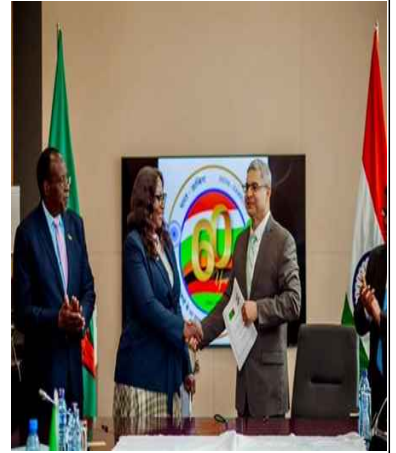
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73. The 4th Foreign Office Consultations between India and Zambia were held in which city?

- A - New Delhi
- B - Nairobi
- C - Lusaka
- D - Addis Ababa

India and Zambia held the 4th Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) in Lusaka, where various areas of cooperation between the two countries were discussed. The Indian side was led by Additional Secretary Puneet R. Kundal, while the Zambian side was led by Permanent Secretary Atambuyu Anemela Gundersen. The meeting considered cooperation in areas such as defence, health, agriculture, mines and mineral resources, and small and medium enterprises.



74. Which organisation launched 'HaathiApp' to reduce human-elephant conflict in Assam?

- A - WWF
- B - Wildlife Trust of India
- C - Greenpeace
- D - Aaranyak

Assam-based biodiversity organisation Aaranyak has developed a mobile application 'HaathiApp' to reduce human-elephant conflict, which will be launched on August 10. The application has been developed in collaboration with SBI Foundation and aims to give early warning of the presence of wild elephants close to human settlements.



75. Which two organisations partnered to launch UPI-centric payment platform 'UPISetu'?

- A - Paytm and Setu
- B - Setu and Axis Bank
- C - Google Pay and ICICI Bank
- D - Pine Labs and Setu

Axis Bank has partnered with Setu to launch 'UPISetu', a UPI-focused payments platform for developers and businesses. The platform will support various UPI products such as QR code, EMI, UPI AutoPay and third-party validation services. Pine Labs says that UPI will become the dominant payment gateway in the future, and hence it is introducing new products and services to empower India's digital payments infrastructure.



76. Who has been appointed as a member of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) to bring in judicial expertise?

- A - Arvind Subramanian
- B - Shekhar Subramanian
- C - Harish Dudani
- D - Ajit Ganguly

The Ministry of Power has announced the appointment of Harish Dudani as a member of the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC). Dudani will be sworn in by the Power Minister on August 6, 2024. Dudani held the positions of Chief Justice and Family Court in the Delhi High Court, and has also served as District Judge, Additional Sessions Judge, and Special Judge (CBI).



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77. Who has been appointed as the new CEO of Boeing amid mounting losses?

- A - Robert Ortberg
B - Dave Calhoun
C - Dennis Muilenburg
D - James McNerney

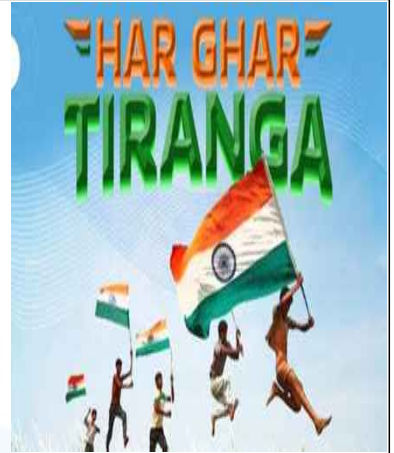
Boeing has announced the appointment of former Rockwell Collins CEO Robert "Kelly" Ortberg as its new CEO from August 8. Ortberg will replace Dave Calhoun, who is retiring. Ortberg, who served as CEO of Rockwell Collins from 2013 to 2021, said he is committed to continuing Boeing's rich tradition and will prioritise safety and quality.



78. Which campaign was launched by the Government of India to promote the spirit of patriotism ahead of Independence Day?

- A - Digital India Campaign
B - Har Ghar Tiranga
C - Swachh Bharat Mission
D - Make in India

The third edition of the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign will be run from August 9 to August 15, which aims to encourage citizens to hoist the national flag on their homes. This initiative is important towards promoting patriotism and national pride among citizens. Union Culture and Tourism Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat announced the dates of the campaign and emphasized its importance.



79. When is World Lion Day celebrated?

- A - 1 January
B - 5 June
C - 10 August
D - 15 September

World Lion Day is celebrated every year on 10 August with the aim of conservation and raising awareness about lions. Its main objective is to highlight the declining population of lions and their important contribution to the ecosystem. Lions are not only apex predators but also play an important role in maintaining ecological balance.



80. Which institute signed MoU with Amity University to enhance Ayurveda research and education?

- A - National Institute of Ayurveda
B - Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences
C - Indian Council of Ayurveda
D - All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)

All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) and Amity University have signed an important MoU on 09 August. The agreement aims to promote various aspects related to education, research and technology. It will specifically focus on promoting an education program, publications, and capacity building projects.



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81. Name the newly created third largest tiger reserve of India.

A - Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve
B - Nagarjunasagar Srisaillam Tiger Reserve

C - Manas Tiger Reserve
D - Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve

Chhattisgarh has recently announced Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve, the third largest tiger reserve in the country. This new reserve has been created by combining the existing national park and wildlife sanctuary and is spread over 2,829 square kilometers. It is the fourth tiger reserve of Chhattisgarh.



82. Who was the chief guest at the NFCSF Sugar Industry Seminar and National Efficiency Awards 2022-23 ceremony in New Delhi?

A - Narendra Modi

B - Nitin Gadkari

C - Amit Shah

D - Rajnath Singh

Union Home Minister Amit Shah attended the NFCSF 'Sugar Industry Seminar and National Efficiency Awards 2022-23' ceremony in New Delhi as the chief guest. He presented awards to cooperative sugar mills and underlined the importance of the cooperative movement. Shah informed that after the formation of the Ministry of Cooperation under the leadership of Prime Minister Modi, there have been significant reforms in the sector.



83. What is the theme of India's 78th Independence Day in 2024?

A - Aatmanirbhar Bharat

B - Digital India

C - Developed India

D - Navbharat

India will celebrate its 78th Independence Day on 15 August 2024 this year. India gained independence from British rule on 15 August 1947, and this day is celebrated as Independence Day every year. This year's Independence Day theme is "Vikasit Bharat". On Independence Day, the tricolor is hoisted across the country and the national anthem is sung.



84. Indian Air Force successfully completed Defence Exercise 'Udaar Shakti 2024' in which country?

A - Malaysia

B - Indonesia

C - Singapore

D - Thailand

The Indian Air Force (IAF) contingent on Saturday returned from Malaysia, where it participated in Exercise "Udaar Shakti 2024" from 05-09 August 2024. This joint air exercise was conducted in Kuantan, Malaysia in collaboration with the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF). The IAF participated in the exercise with Su-30MKI fighter jets and engaged in aerial combat missions with the Su-30MKM jets of the RMAF.



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85. Who has been appointed as the Cabinet Secretary of India for a two-year term starting August 30, 2024?

A - Rajiv Gauba

B - Amitabh Kant

C - T.V. Somanathan

D - Pradeep Kumar Sinha

Senior IAS officer T V Somanathan has been appointed as the Cabinet Secretary. He will replace Rajiv Gauba, whose five-year term ends this month. Somanathan, a 1987 batch officer of Tamil Nadu cadre and currently the Union Finance Secretary, has been appointed as the Cabinet Secretary for two years starting August 30, 2024. Before becoming the Cabinet Secretary, Somanathan was appointed as OSD (Officer on Special Duty).



86. Who was conferred with the prestigious Olympic Order for his 'distinguished contribution' to the Olympic movement?

A - Abhinav Bindra

B - Vinesh Phogat

C - Neeraj Chopra

D - P.V. Sindhu

Indian shooter Abhinav Bindra was conferred with the prestigious Olympic Order for his 'distinguished contribution' to the Olympic movement. Bindra won India an Olympic individual gold medal by winning the gold medal in the 10m air rifle event at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games. Bindra received the honour at the 142nd session of the IOC on Saturday. He said the Olympic rings gave meaning to his life and it was a privilege to fulfil his Olympic dreams.



87. Who was conferred with the 'Distinguished Fellow' award at the 2024 Directors Conclave and 34th IOD Annual Day?

A - Arjun Ram Meghwal

B - Rajiv Kumar

C - Sandeep Joshi

D - Vivek Kumar Dewangan

Vivek Kumar Dewangan, IAS and CMD, REC Limited, received the 'Distinguished Fellow' award at the 2024 Directors Conclave and 34th IOD Annual Day. The award was conferred in recognition of his exemplary leadership and contribution to the energy sector. Union Law Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal gave him the award.



88. Who has been appointed as the 25th Chief Justice of Bangladesh?

A - Obaidul Hasan

B - Muhammad Yunus

C - Syed Refat Ahmed

D - Shahabuddin

Syed Refat Ahmed has been sworn in as the 25th Chief Justice of Bangladesh by President Mohammad Shahabuddin at the Durbar Hall of Bangabhaban. His appointment was made on Saturday, and the Law Ministry issued a notification for the same. Syed Refat Ahmed was born on 28 December 1958.



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89. Which Indian public sector bank has launched 'Ant Drishti Braille Debit Card' for visually impaired customers?

- A - State Bank of India
B - Canara Bank
C - Bank of Baroda
D - Punjab National Bank

Punjab National Bank (PNB) has launched a specially designed PNB 'Ant Drishti' Braille Debit Card for visually impaired customers. The card is available on the RuPay network as a contactless National Common Mobility Card (NCMC). The bank has introduced this new Braille Debit Card to reflect its commitment towards inclusivity and financial access.



90. Which Indian actor was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 77th Locarno Film Festival in 2024?

- A - Amitabh Bachchan
B - Shah Rukh Khan
C - Aamir Khan
D - Salman Khan

Shah Rukh Khan added another notable achievement to his name by winning the Lifetime Achievement Award, "Pardo alla Carriera," at the 77th edition of the Locarno Film Festival on August 10. He became the first Indian to receive this honour, further cementing his status as "King Khan." Shah Rukh won the hearts of the audience with his charming style and dapper look in a black blazer.



91. Who was honoured as the youngest Disney Legend at the D23 Expo in 2024?

- A - Selena Gomez
B - Miley Cyrus
C - Demi Lovato
D - Zendaya

Miley Cyrus was honoured as a Disney Legend at the D23 Expo held in Anaheim. The award is given to individuals who have made a significant impact on Disney's legacy. It marks a significant milestone in Cyrus' career, which began with her role as Hannah Montana. At the ceremony, Lainey Wilson performed the hit song "The Best of Both Worlds" from 'Hannah Montana' and praised Cyrus' bravery and authenticity.



92. Which space agency's JUICE mission is set to carry out the first lunar-Earth flyby as part of its journey?

- A - NASA
B - Roscosmos
C - ESA
D - CNSA

The European Space Agency's (ESA) JUICE (JUperICy moons Explorer) spacecraft will make its first pass near the Earth and the Moon, which is crucial in its journey to Jupiter. During this flyby, JUICE's path will be bent using Earth's gravity, helping it reach Jupiter. This 'braking' maneuver will help adjust JUICE's trajectory precisely and keep it on the right speed and direction.



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93. Which institute ranked first in the overall category of National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2024?

- A - IIT Madras
B - IISc Bangalore
C - JNU
D - AIIMS Delhi

The results of the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) for 2024, which evaluates higher education institutions, have been released. In this year's ranking, Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) has topped the overall ranking for the third consecutive year, reflecting its academic excellence and innovation.



94. Who is the author of the book "75 Great Revolutionaries of India", which was released in the presence of Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh Narayan Singh?

- A - Suresh Sharma
B - Bhim Singh
C - Rajiv Kumar
D - Sudhanshu Trivedi

Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh Narayan Singh on August 11 released MP Bhim Singh's new book '75 Great Revolutionaries of India'. The book aims to highlight the contributions of lesser-known freedom fighters and inspire Indian society. Singh praised the research and dedication of the book, which describes in detail the sacrifices of unsung revolutionaries.



95. Who was sworn in as the President of Rwanda for the fourth time by securing over 99% votes in the recently held election?

- A - Julius Maada Bio
B - Paul Kagame
C - Yoweri Museveni
D - Uhuru Kenyatta

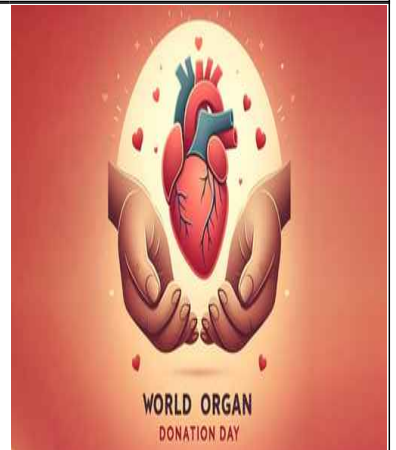
President Paul Kagame has won a landslide victory in Rwanda's 2024 presidential election with 99.15% of the votes, marking the start of his fourth term. The opposition candidates in the election, Frank Habineza of the Democratic Green Party and independent candidate Philippe Mpaimana, received 0.53% and 0.32% of the vote respectively. About 65% of the population participated in this election, mostly young people.



96. When is World Organ Donation Day celebrated?

- A - 1 January
B - 14 June
C - 10 October
D - 13 August

World Organ Donation Day is celebrated every year on 13 August. The main objective of this day is to highlight the importance of organ donation and educate people about the process of organ donation. This day is dedicated to eliminating misconceptions and myths related to organ donation. The history of World Organ Donation Day begins in 1954, when Ronald Lee Herrick donated one of his kidneys to his twin brother for the first time.



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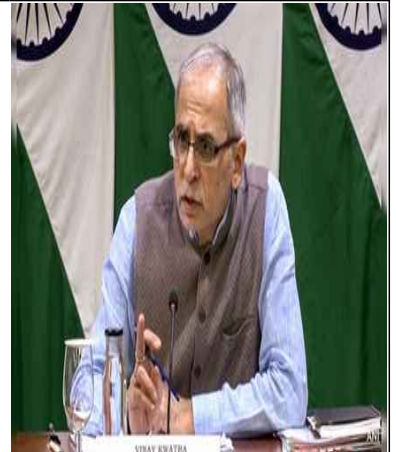
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97. Who has recently taken charge as India's new ambassador to the United States?

- A - Taranjit Singh Sandhu
C - Harsh Vardhan Shringla
B - Vinay Mohan Kwatra
D - Alok Srivastava

Vinay Mohan Kwatra took charge as India's ambassador to the US in Washington. Kwatra, who retired as India's foreign secretary on July 14 and has previously served as commerce minister and India's ambassador to France and Nepal, took charge as India's ambassador to the US. He wrote on X that it is an honor for him and his team will continue to work to strengthen the India-US partnership.



98. Who has recently taken charge as Managing Director in charge of Risk Compliance and Stressed Asset Resolution Group (SARG) in State Bank of India (SBI)?

- A - Gajendra Singh Rana
C - Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh
B - Alok Chaudhary
D - CS Setty

Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh has taken charge as the Managing Director (MD) of Risk Compliance and Stressed Asset Resolution Group (SARG) departments of State Bank of India (SBI). His appointment has been approved by the government and the promotion has also been authorised by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).



99. Who has been announced as the ICC Players of the Month for July 2024?

- A - Virat Kohli (Men) and Smriti Mandhana (Women)
C - Babar Azam (Men) and Ellyse Perry (Women)
B - Gus Atkinson (Men) and Chamari Atapattu (Women)
D - Ben Stokes (Men) and Sophie Ecclestone (Women)

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced the Player of the Month awards for July. England fast bowler Gus Atkinson was named the ICC Men's Player of the Month for his outstanding performance in the Test series against the West Indies.



100. Tom Daley has recently retired from diving after the 2024 Paris Olympics. He is from which country?

- A - United States
C - Great Britain
B - Australia
D - Canada

Britain's leading diver Tom Daley has declared the Paris Olympics as the last games of his career. Daley, 30, has won five medals in five games and won a silver medal in the synchronized 10m platform event in Paris. He made his Olympic debut in Beijing in 2008 and performed brilliantly at London 2012, Rio 2016, and Tokyo 2020, notably winning a gold medal in Tokyo.



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101. The “Excellent” 3-star rating is awarded by the Capacity Building Commission (CBC) to institutions for promoting and facilitating which sector?

- A - Sustainable Agriculture B - Information Technology
C - Green Energy D - MSME

The National Institute for MSME (NI-MSME), under the Ministry of MSME, Government of India has received an ‘Excellent’ grading with 3 star rating on successfully completing the National Standards for Civil Services Training Institutions (NSCSTI) process for excellence in development of micro, small and medium enterprises.



102. In which state of India will the first Global Overseas Women's Kabaddi League (GPKL) be launched in September 2024?

- A - Punjab B - Maharashtra
C - Haryana D - Uttar Pradesh

The first Global Women's Kabaddi League, which is starting in Haryana next month, will try to promote international kabaddi with the participation of women players from over 15 countries. The league aims to get kabaddi recognized globally and move towards its inclusion in the Olympic Games.



103. When is Independence Day celebrated?

- A - 26 January B - 15 August
C - 2 October D - 14 November

With the advent of Independence Day 2024, students across India are being encouraged to write essays on the significance of this day. India gained independence from British rule on 15 August 1947, a day remembered for the inspiration and struggle of leaders such as Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, and Subhash Chandra Bose. The day is an opportunity to honor the sacrifices of freedom fighters and understand civic responsibilities.



104. The National Health Authority (NHA) recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with _____ to advance digital health education.

- A - All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) B - Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)
C - Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) D - Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (MUHS)

The National Health Authority (NHA) and Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (MUHS) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in the presence of Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda in New Delhi.



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105. Wing Commander Vernon Desmond Keane was awarded which award for his exceptional valour and courage?

- A - Param Vir Chakra
B - Ashoka Chakra
C - Kirti Chakra
D - Shaurya Chakra

Wing Commander Vernon Desmond Keane was awarded the 'Shaurya Chakra' for displaying exceptional courage and valour during a flight with a Jaguar fighter aircraft. During the flight on 24 July 2023, he received a warning of oil system failure, necessitating the shutdown of both engines. Despite there being no standard procedure for such a situation, he decided to shut down one engine and head towards the nearest runway.



106. Under which policy 'Amrit Gyan Kosh' and 'Faculty Development' portals were launched by Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh?

- A - Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Srijan Karyakram
B - Mission Karmayogi
C - Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Protsahan Yojana
D - MGNREGA

Union Minister of State Dr Jitendra Singh termed "Mission Karmayogi" as the future of India's civil services and said that it aims to shape India's century by 2047. He said that it is necessary to change the administrative structure from "governance" to "role" so that civil services can become fit for the future.



107. Shri Sandeep Poundrik has recently assumed charge as Secretary in which Ministry?

- A - Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas
B - Ministry of Home Affairs
C - Ministry of Steel
D - Ministry of Industry

Shri Sandeep Poundrik has assumed charge as Secretary, Ministry of Steel and will be based in Udyog Bhawan in his new role. Poundrik, who is a 1993 batch IAS officer of Bihar cadre, has previous roles as Additional Chief Secretary in the Department of Industry, Government of Bihar, Advisor in the Ministry of Home Affairs and Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Petroleum.



108. Name the pharmaceutical company that has developed India's first indigenous dengue vaccine, Dengial?

- A - Cipla
B - Dr. Reddy's Laboratories
C - Panacea Biotec
D - Sun Pharma

India's Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP) is the world's largest public health programme, aiming to provide free vaccination to 30.4 million pregnant women and 26.7 million newborns annually. Under this programme, Panacea Biotec Ltd is the leading manufacturer of paediatric vaccines in India, which has played a key role in polio eradication and is one of the world's largest suppliers.



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109. Which bank has launched the ultra-premium 'Primus' credit card for high-net-worth individuals?

A - HDFC Bank

B - Axis Bank

C - ICICI Bank

D - State Bank of India

Axis Bank and Visa have launched a new ultra-premium credit card called 'Primus', exclusively for high-net-worth individuals. It is an invite-based card with a joining fee of Rs 5 lakh and an annual fee of Rs 3 lakh. It includes benefits of ITC gift vouchers, EDGE miles, and 1 EDGE mile on spends. Cardholders can also avail zero forex markup, unlimited lounge access, free green fees, access to private jets, and free stays at global luxury hotels.



110. Which Indian player has recently been appointed as the head coach of the junior men's hockey team?

A - Sardar Singh

B - Rupinder Pal Singh

C - P.R. Sreejesh

D - Manpreet Singh

Hockey India has appointed retired goalkeeper PR Sreejesh as the new head coach of the Indian junior men's hockey team. The announcement was made on August 8, 2024, after India won the bronze medal at the Paris Olympics by defeating Spain 2-1. The move has been taken in view of Sreejesh's commitment to coaching. He had already announced his retirement and expressed his desire to bring his experience into coaching.



111. With the announcement made by BCCI secretary Jay Shah, who has been appointed as the new bowling coach of India, before which he has coached Pakistan?

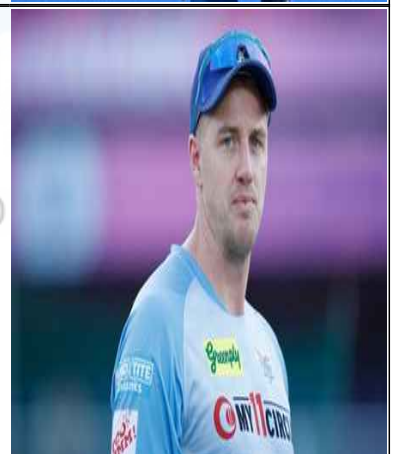
A - Allan Donald

B - Dale Steyn

C - Lance Klusener

D - Morne Morkel

Former South African fast bowler Morne Morkel has been appointed as the new bowling coach of the Indian cricket team. The BCCI has confirmed the appointment of Morkel to the post, which will be effective from September 1. Morkel has been selected on the recommendation of head coach Gautam Gambhir, who recently replaced Rahul Dravid as the head coach of the Indian team.



112. After approval by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet, who has been appointed as the Director of Enforcement Directorate (ED) for a term of two years?

A - Rajesh Kumar

B - Rahul Naveen

C - Anil Sharma

D - Vijay Singh

The central investigation agency Enforcement Directorate (ED) has got a new director. The central government has appointed 1993 batch Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officer Rahul Naveen as the new director of ED. He was already working as the acting chief and now he has been made the director of ED on a permanent basis for a term of two years.



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113. R.N. Agarwal, who passed away recently, is known by which other name?

- A - Father of Indian nuclear program B - Father of Agni missiles
C - Father of Indian space program D - Father of PSLV program

Scientist RN Agarwal, who made significant contributions to India's defense capabilities, died on the night of August 15 at the age of 83. He played an important role in making the Agni missile project a success, in which he solved many technical problems from the design of the missile to its testing.



114. Which of the following Central Armed Police Forces received the highest number of Police Medals for Gallantry on Independence Day?

- A - Border Security Force (BSF) B - Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)
C - Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) D - National Security Guard (NSG)

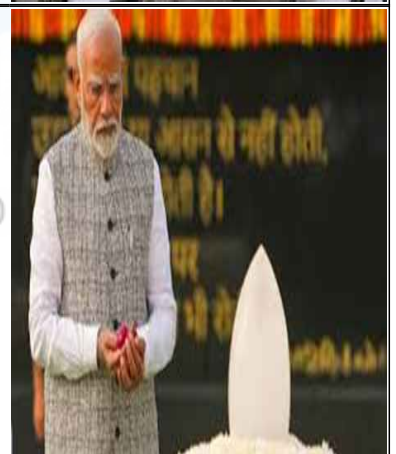
The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) has received 52 Police Medals for Gallantry on the occasion of 78th Independence Day. The awardees were announced by the Home Ministry on Wednesday.



115. On which day did the nation pay tribute to former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee on his death anniversary?

- A - 14 August B - 16 August
C - 15 August D - 17 August

On the sixth death anniversary of former Prime Minister and Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee, tributes were paid today at his samadhi sthal 'Sadhaiv Atal'. On this occasion, President Draupadi Murmu first paid tribute. After this, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar also paid tribute to the former PM.



116. Recently, IPS Nalin Prabhat was appointed as the new Director General of Police (DGP) of which state, which will be effective from October 1?

- A - Punjab B - Jammu and Kashmir
C - Uttar Pradesh D - Himachal Pradesh

The appointment of 1992 batch Andhra Pradesh cadre IPS officer Nalin Prabhat as the new police chief of Jammu and Kashmir has been announced. He will be currently posted as Special Director General (SDG) and will take over as DGP of Jammu and Kashmir from October 1. Nalin Prabhat has been approved inter-state deputation to AGMUT cadre for three years.



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117. Who will be awarded the Donostia Prize at this year's San Sebastian Film Festival?

A - Tilda Swinton

B - Pedro Almodovar

C - Penélope Cruz

D - Antonio Banderas

Spanish director Pedro Almodovar will be awarded the Donostia Prize for his "exceptional contribution to cinema" at this year's San Sebastian Film Festival. Almodovar's second film, *Pepi, Luci, Bom*, premiered in San Sebastian in 1980, further cementing his deep bond with the city. He also made his first collaboration with Antonio Banderas and Angel Luis Fernández with *Labyrinth of Passions* (1982), which established him as a significant talent.



118. Who won the Best Actor award for the film 'Kantara' at the 70th National Film Awards?

A - Rishab Shetty

B - Vijay Kiragandur

C - Aniruddha Bhattacharya

D - Kishore Kumar

The winners of the 70th National Film Awards were announced on Friday. The Best Hindi Film award this year went to Manoj Bajpayee's *Gulmohar*, which also received a Special Mention. Among other language films, Tamil film *Ponniyin Selvan Part 1* and Kannada film *Kadhikan* also won awards. The Best Actor award went to Rishab Shetty for his blockbuster film *Kantara*. Mammootty and Rishab Shetty were in competition in this category.



119. Which country has received a consignment of about 1,400 kg of anti-cancer drugs from India for humanitarian assistance?

A - Syria

B - Lebanon

C - Iraq

D - Jordan

India has sent humanitarian assistance to Syria, which includes about 1400 kg of anti-cancer drugs. Ministry of External Affairs spokesperson Randhir Jaiswal informed about this assistance and said that these medicines will help the Syrian government and people to fight the disease. India and Syria have historical and cordial relations, and the Indian Embassy in Syria continued its services even during the conflict.



120. Which new feature was introduced in version 2.0 of the 'Floodwatch India' app launched by the Ministry of Jal Shakti?

A - Adding financial assistance tools to flood areas

B - Expanding coverage to 592 monitoring stations

C - Integration of historical flood data of last 50 years

D - Support for 10 additional regional languages

Union Jal Shakti Minister C.R. Patil launched version 2.0 of the 'Floodwatch India' mobile application developed by the Central Water Commission (CWC) in New Delhi. The application provides flood situation information and forecast, and was released as the first version on August 17, 2023.



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121. Where was the 17th International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) held?

- A - Tokyo, Japan
- B - Beijing China
- C - Seoul, South Korea
- D - New Delhi, India

The Indian student team performed brilliantly at the 17th International Earth Science Olympiad (IESO) held in Beijing, China from August 08-16, 2024. The four-member team comprised students from Gujarat, Kerala, Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan. They won three gold, two silver and one bronze medals in three competition categories.



122. Which two entities signed MoU to promote MSME exports?

- A - EEPC India and ISSDA
- B - EEPC India and CII
- C - ISSDA and FICCI
- D - NASSCOM and ASSOCHAM

The Engineering Export Promotion Council of India (EEPC India) and Indian Stainless Steel Development Association (ISSDA) have signed a MoU to promote exports of MSME members. Under the agreement, both the organizations will identify potential export products and organize trade exhibitions, buyer-seller meets, and economic summits.



123. Who has been appointed as the MD and CEO of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank?

- A - Krishnan Sankarasubramanian
- B - Abir Banerjee
- C - Anuj Kumar Jain
- D - Sali Sukumaran Nair

Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB) has appointed Shri Sali S Nair as the new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD and CEO) for 3 years. On his appointment, Mr. Sali said that he looks forward to driving forward the strategic priorities while building on the strong foundation of the bank. Mr. Sali has extensive experience of over 35 years in the banking and financial services industry.



124. Where is the newly-built Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) located?

- A - Mumbai
- B - Kochi
- C - Chennai
- D - Visakhapatnam

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh on August 18 inaugurated the Indian Coast Guard's new Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC), Regional Marine Pollution Response Centre (RMPRC) in Chennai, and Coast Guard Air Enclave in Puducherry. These centres will play a vital role in maritime security and emergencies. The MRCC will enhance coordination for sailors and fishermen, while the RMPRC will monitor marine pollution.



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125. Who inaugurated the 'Pratham Policy Makers Forum'?

A - Rajnath Singh

B - J.P. Nadda

C - Amit Shah

D - Nitin Gadkari

Union Health Minister J.P. Nadda on August 18 inaugurated the 'Pratham Policy Makers Forum', which will run till August 22. The forum aims to strengthen India's global pharmaceutical position and includes an international delegation of drug regulators and policy makers from 15 countries.



126. Who recently took over as the Director General of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)?

A - Ashok Kumar Singh

B - Sanjay Kumar

C - Rajiv Kumar

D - Anil Kumar Gupta

Shri Ashok Kumar Singh, IAS assumed charge as Director General, Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) in New Delhi on August 19. Shri Singh is a 1999 batch Kerala cadre IAS officer. Earlier, he has served as Principal Secretary, Water Resources Department, Government of Kerala and has extensive experience in managing district and state level organisations.



127. What is the name of the digital geospatial platform unveiled by Union Agriculture Ministry?

A - Krishi-Insights Platform

B - Krishi-Fund

C - Krishi-Decision Support System

D - Krishi-Crop-Monitoring Centre

The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare organized a conference to showcase the important role of space technology in India's agriculture sector. The conference, held on August 19, saw the launch of the Krishi-Decision Support System (Krishi-DSS), an innovative geospatial platform.



128. India has initiated anti-dumping investigation on which country in August 2024?

A - China

B - Vietnam

C - South Korea

D - Japan

India has initiated anti-dumping investigation on imports of hot rolled flat products from Vietnam, aimed at protecting the domestic steel industry from the negative impact of cheap imports. The investigation began on August 14, 2024 and will be in scope from January 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024. It covers products with thickness up to 25 mm and width up to 2100 mm. The Indian Steel Association has sought retrospective imposition of anti-dumping duty



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129. The ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024 to be held in Bangladesh will now be held in which country?

- A - South Africa
- B - India
- C - Australia
- D - United Arab Emirates

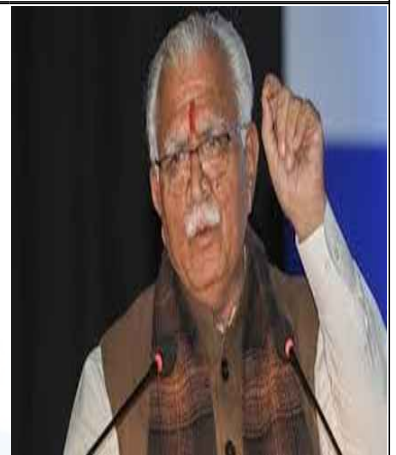
The International Cricket Council (ICC) has confirmed that the 2024 Women's T20 World Cup will be held in the United Arab Emirates (UAE). The tournament will be held in Dubai and Sharjah from October 3 to 20. Earlier the event was to be held in Bangladesh, but it has been moved to the UAE due to political unrest there.



130. Who launched online platforms like PROMPT, DRIPS and JAL VIDYUT DPR to increase efficiency and transparency in the power sector?

- A - Rajnath Singh
- B - Manohar Lal Khattar
- C - Piyush Goyal
- D - Nitin Gadkari

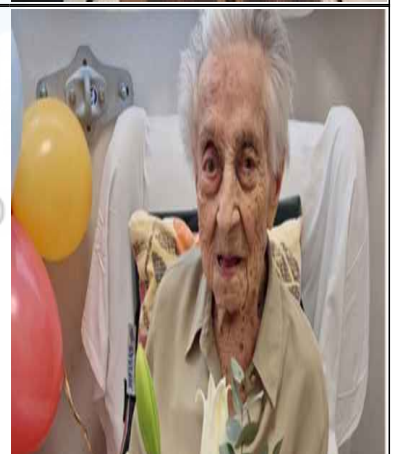
Union Power Minister, Shri Manohar Lal launched the PROMPT portal for online monitoring of thermal power projects on 20 August. The portal aims to ensure timely completion of projects to meet the growing demand for electricity. The portal ensures real-time tracking, transparency, and accountability, leading to efficiency and cost reduction in project execution.



131. Recently, the person recognized as the world's oldest person according to Guinness World Records passed away, aged 117 years and 168 days. What was her name?

- A - Maria Branyas Morera
- B - Jeanne Calment
- C - Ken Tanaka
- D - Gertrude Weaver

The world's oldest person, Maria Branyas, died at the age of 117 in a nursing home in Spain. Her official X account confirmed that she died peacefully and without pain in her sleep. Guinness World Records also confirmed that she died at the age of 117 years and 168 days. Maria was born in San Francisco, California in 1907 and she later returned to Spain with her family.



132. Who has been appointed as India's chief contingent for the Paris 2024 Paralympic contingent, leading the country's largest ever team of 84 para-athletes across 12 sports?

- A - Deepa Malik
- B - Rattan Singh
- C - Satya Prakash Sangwan
- D - Praveen Kumar

The Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) has appointed Satya Prakash Sangwan as the Chef de Mission (CMD) of the Indian contingent for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Sangwan, who is also the Vice President of the PCI, has been associated with the Paralympic movement for the past decade.



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133. Which rare astronomical event known as 'Sturgeon Moon' will occur on August 19, 2024?

- A - Solar eclipse
- B - Total lunar eclipse
- C - Meteor shower
- D - Super Blue Moon

A rare astronomical event will be seen in the sky on August 19, when a combination of Supermoon and Blue Moon will be seen. Supermoon occurs when the Moon is at the perigee point closest to Earth in its orbit, making the Moon appear larger and brighter than usual. Blue Moon means the occurrence of a second full moon in the same month.



134. In which district did the Maharashtra government recently launch the first 'Solar Village'?

- A - Wardha
- B - Satara
- C - Amravati
- D - Konkan

Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde inaugurated the state's first 'Solar Village' at Manyachiwadi in Satara district. The initiative aims to promote renewable energy and reduce dependence on conventional power sources. The 'PM Surya Ghar: Free Electricity Scheme' has helped reduce electricity bills, while 90-95% subsidy is being given for solar pump sets under the 'Mukhyamantri Solar Krishi Pump Yojana'.



135. Where was the 'Pratham Policy Makers Forum' inaugurated recently?

- A - Hyderabad
- B - New Delhi
- C - Chennai
- D - Bengaluru

Union Minister JP Nadda inaugurated the 'First Policy Makers Forum' in New Delhi. Policy makers and drug regulators from 15 countries attended the event. The forum was organized by the Indian Pharmacopoeia Commission in collaboration with the Ministries of Health and Family Welfare and External Affairs.



136. Which state government has recently launched the 'Mukhyamantri Bal Poshan Aahar Yojana'?

- A - Rajasthan
- B - Uttar Pradesh
- C - Himachal Pradesh
- D - Gujarat

Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has launched the 'Mukhyamantri Bal Poshan Aahar Yojana', which aims to provide nutritious food to government school children. Under the scheme, students from nursery to class eight will be given boiled eggs or fruits once a week, and fresh fruits will be provided locally. The scheme will complement the existing mid-day meal scheme, which covers 15,181 schools and 5,34,293 students.



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137. Which airport has won the Best Airport award at the India Travel Awards for three consecutive years?

- A - Rajiv Gandhi International Airport B - Indira Gandhi International Airport
C - Chennai International Airport D - Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport

The Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (RGIA) in Hyderabad has been recognised as the "Best Airport" for the third consecutive year at the India Travel Awards. The honour reflects the airport's commitment to providing the best passenger experience.



138. Greg Barclay will step down as ICC President in November 2024. He is from which country?

- A - Australia B - England
C - New Zealand D - South Africa

Greg Barclay has announced that he will resign as the chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC) from 1 December 2024. Barclay, who was appointed as ICC chairman in November 2020 and re-elected in 2022, will be remembered for his tenure as a significant contribution to the development and governance of international cricket. With Barclay's resignation, the process of appointing a new chairman has begun.



139. Which player created a new world record for most runs in an over in T20 International on August 20, 2024?

- A - Darius Visser B - Virat Kohli
C - Chris Gayle D - Alex Richardson

A new world record for most runs in an over has been created in T20 International cricket. This record was created in the T20 World Cup Qualifier match between Samoa and Vanuatu, where Samoa batsman Darius Visser hit 6 sixes in 6 balls in an over of Vanuatu bowler Nalin Nipiko. This over also included 3 no balls, making a total of 39 runs.



140. Which village has been inaugurated as the first 'Solar Village' in Maharashtra?

- A - Dongargaon B - Ghodasarwadi
C - Manyachiwadi D - Dongarwadi

Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde inaugurated the state's first 'Solar Village' at Manyachiwadi in Satara district. The initiative aims to promote renewable energy and reduce dependence on conventional power sources. The 'PM Surya Ghar: Free Electricity Scheme' has helped reduce electricity bills, while 90-95% subsidy is being given for solar pump sets under the 'Mukhyamantri Solar Krishi Pump Yojana'.



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141. Who has been appointed as the interim chairman of the Airports Authority of India (AAI)?

A - Manish Bhaskar

B - Abhay Muduli

C - M Suresh

D - Abhijeet Parida

M Suresh has been appointed as the interim chairman of the Airports Authority of India (AAI), marking a significant leadership change in the organisation. The appointment comes after the removal of Sanjiv Kumar from the post of AAI chairman, which was formalised through an official government order.



142. Who is set to become the youngest president in the history of the International Cricket Council (ICC)?

A - Greg Barclay

B - Jay Shah

C - N Srinivasan

D - Sourav Ganguly

BCCI secretary Jay Shah is set to become the new ICC chairman, replacing Greg Barclay. Barclay will resign from his post on November 30, 2024, and the new chairman will take over from December 1, 2024. 35-year-old Jay Shah is the frontrunner to become the youngest ICC chairman, and can file nominations for the post by August 27, 2024.



143. Who has taken over as Union Home Secretary in August 2024?

A - Ajay Kumar Bhalla

B - Ram Manohar Shukla

C - Vivek Dalui

D - Govind Mohan

IAS officer Govind Mohan will take charge as Union Home Secretary from August 22, replacing Ajay Kumar Bhalla, whose term is ending. Mohan, who is currently the secretary in the Ministry of Culture and a 1989 batch Sikkim cadre officer, was appointed Home Secretary by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet on August 21.



144. According to the Brand Finance Food & Drink 2024 report, which is the world's strongest food and dairy brand?

A - Nestle

B - Amul

C - Lay's

D - Valio

Amul has been declared the world's strongest food brand in Brand Finance's Global Food & Drinks Report 2024. Amul achieved this position with a Brand Strength Index (BSI) score of 91 and a valuation of \$3.3 billion, which includes a brand value increase of 11% since 2023. Amul's achievement has been possible due to its strong hold and consumer trust in India's dairy market.



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145. Who was awarded the National Science Award in the "Vigyan Ratna" category in 2024?

- A - Dr. Anandharamakrishnan C. B - Professor Umesh Varshney
C - Professor Govindarajan Padmanabhan D - Professor Syed Wajih Ahmad Naqvi

Former Director of the Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru and eminent biochemist Govindarajan Padmanabhan has been named as the first recipient of India's highest science award - Vigyan Ratna. The award is one of the 33 National Science Awards that will be given in 2024. Apart from Vigyan Ratna, 13 Vigyan Shri and 18 Vigyan Yuva Awards have also been announced.



146. What is the name of the nationwide quiz launched by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for graduate students?

- A - RBI Knowledge Challenge B - RBI90Quiz
C - RBI Annual Quiz D - RBI Financial Awareness Quiz

RBI has announced the "RBI 90 Quiz" competition on its 90th anniversary, with prizes up to Rs 10 lakh for graduate students. The quiz will be multi-level—at state, regional, and national levels. It aims to make students aware about the RBI and the financial ecosystem. The first place will get Rs 10 lakh, second place will get Rs 8 lakh, and third place will get Rs 6 lakh.



147. Ronak Dahiya won bronze medal at U-17 World Wrestling Championship. The championship was held in which country?

- A - Turkey B - India
C - United States D - Jordan

Rounak Dahiya opened India's account by winning a bronze medal in the Greco-Roman 110kg category at the ongoing Under-17 World Wrestling Championship in Amman, Jordan. Ronak defeated Turkiye's Emurullah Capcan 6-1 in the bronze medal match. In the first semi-final, Ronak did not make it to the final after losing 0-2 to Hungary's Zoltan Szako.



148. Which actor won the Best Asian Actor award and which film won the Best Asian Film award at the Septimius Awards 2024 held in the Netherlands?

- A - Actor: Irrfan Khan; Film: "Dangal" B - Actor: Nawazuddin Siddiqui; Film: "Gully Boy"
C - Actor: Mohammed Zeeshan Ayyub; Film: "Maidaan" D - Actor: Rajkummar Rao; Film: "Newton"

Actor Mohammed Zeeshan Ayyub and Ajay Devgn's film "Maidaan" won major awards at the Septimius Awards 2024 held in the Netherlands.



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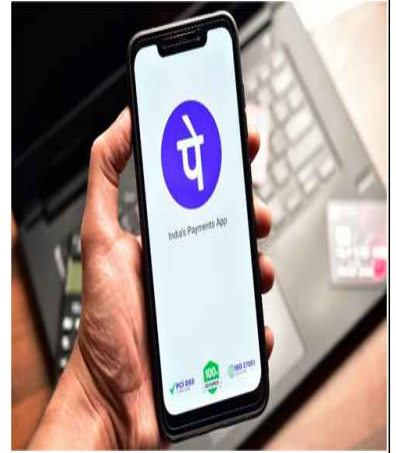
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149. Which company has launched the 'Credit Line on UPI' feature, which allows users to link their bank credit lines to UPI to make seamless payments?

- A - PhonePe
B - Google Pay
C - Paytm
D - Amazon Pay

PhonePe on August 22 launched a new Credit Line feature on the UPI platform that allows consumers to add pre-approved credit lines via UPI. The feature is in line with RBI's recent decision to allow UPI services to include pre-approved credit lines. PhonePe's initiative marks a new direction in the Indian digital payments space, simplifying the way consumers access and use credit.



150. Who has been appointed as the next president of NASSCOM, succeeding Debjani Ghosh?

- A - Rajesh Gupta
B - Rajesh Nambiar
C - Sunil Mehta
D - Arvind Krishna

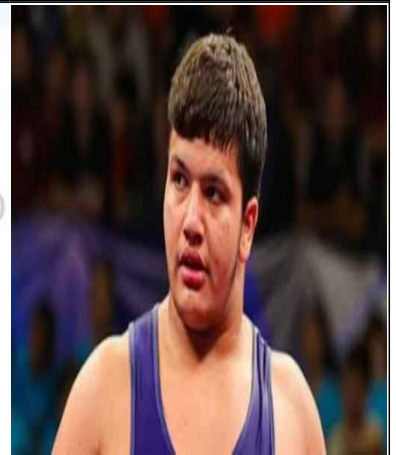
IT industry body National Association of Software Services Companies (NASSCOM) has appointed Rajesh Nambiar as its chairman-designate. Nambiar, who has resigned as chairman and managing director of Cognizant India, will replace Debjani Ghosh, who completes her term in November 2024. Rajesh Nambiar is an experienced industry leader who has led global teams at companies such as TCS, IBM, Ciena and Cognizant.



151. Ronak Dahiya won a bronze medal in the Greco-Roman category at the ongoing Under-17 World Wrestling Championships in Amman, Jordan.

- A - 75kg
B - 110kg
C - 85kg
D - 100kg

India's Ronak Dahiya won a bronze medal in the 110kg Greco-Roman style of wrestling at the Under-17 World Wrestling Championships. This is India's first medal at the championship. Ronak defeated Turkey's Emrullah Capcan 6-1 in the bronze medal playoff. Ronak lost in the semi-finals, where he lost 0-2 to Hungary's Zoltan Czako and failed to make it to the final.



152. Where is SIDBI (Small Industries Development Bank of India) headquartered?

- A - Patna
B - Lucknow
C - Mumbai
D - New Delhi

Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) is a premier development financial institution, established on 2 April 1990 under the Small Industries Development Bank of India Act, 1989. It is headquartered in Lucknow and operates throughout the country.



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153. When will National Space Day 2024 be celebrated?

A - 23 January

B - 15 August

C - 23 August

D - 10 October

The success of Chandrayaan-3 mission on 23 August 2023 made India the first country to land on the south pole of the Moon and the fourth country to land on the Moon. 23 August was declared as National Space Day to commemorate this historic achievement. The theme for 2024 is "Touching lives while touching the Moon: India's space saga", which reflects the deep impact of space exploration on society and technology.



154. Aditya Birla Finance has partnered with which bank to launch co-branded credit card?

A - Airtel Payments Bank

B - HDFC Bank

C - AU Small Finance Bank

D - ICICI Bank

Aditya Birla Finance Limited (ABFL) and AU Small Finance Bank Limited have jointly launched Aditya Birla Finance AU Credit Cards, available on Visa and RuPay payment networks. These co-branded credit cards come in four different variants, each with a comprehensive rewards program. ABC AU Flex is an affordable option for India, while ABC AU Next is designed keeping millennials in mind with exclusive features.



155. Who is the author of the book "Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity"?

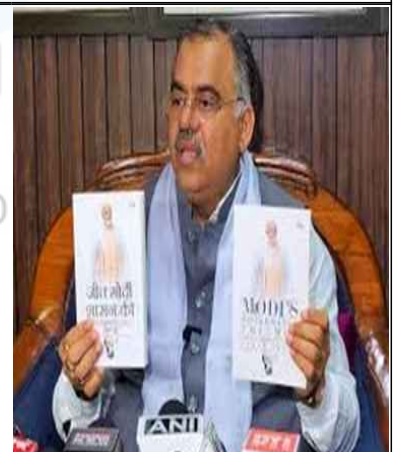
A - Bina Agarwal

B - Syed Ahmad

C - Tarun Chugh

D - Arjun Appadurai

BJP General Secretary Tarun Chugh's book "Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity" was released in New Delhi in presence of prominent political figures like Home Minister Amit Shah and Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy. The book presents an in-depth analysis of the visionary initiatives and reforms of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's administration, highlighting the government's commitment to the Antyodaya mission.



156. Who has recently taken over as the Secretary of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA)?

A - Manoj Goel

B - Rajesh Kumar

C - Anita Sharma

D - Deepti Gaur Mukherjee

Deepti Gaur Mukherjee, a 1993 batch IAS officer of Madhya Pradesh cadre, has taken over as the Secretary of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), replacing Manoj Goel. Mukherjee, who was previously the CEO of the National Health Authority, has the responsibility to focus on several important reforms in the MCA. These include drafting the Digital Competition Bill, the introduction of IBC 2.0 and increasing the capacity of NCLT.



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157. Who has become the first woman to win the National Car Racing Championship in India?

- A - Diana Pundole
B - Shubhangini Swaroop
C - Suman Sinha
D - Anita Ahuja

28-year-old Diana Pundole from Pune created history by winning the 2024 Indian National Car Racing Championship in the MRF Saloons category. She has become the first Indian woman to win this title. Diana, who won the championship on her birthday weekend, 18 August 2024, has faced many challenges, including balancing between doubts towards women and family responsibilities.



158. Who has been appointed as the assistant coach of the Afghanistan cricket team?

- A - R. Sridhar
B - Jonathan Trott
C - Gary Kirsten
D - Rahul Dravid

The Afghanistan Cricket Board (ACB) has appointed former India fielding coach R. Sridhar as the assistant coach of the senior men's cricket team. The 54-year-old Sridhar will join the team for the one-off Test against New Zealand and three ODIs against South Africa in 2023. A long-term contract may be considered later. Sridhar has significant coaching experience and has served as India's fielding coach until the 2021 T20 World Cup.



159. In which tournament, Neeraj Chopra finished second with a season's best throw of 89.49 meters?

- A - Paris Olympics
B - Madrid World Championship
C - Budapest World Championship
D - Lausanne Diamond League

India's star javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra finished second in the Lausanne Diamond League 2024 with a throw of 89.49 meters. He performed his best this season, although he could not cross the 90 meter barrier. His throw was better than the 89.45 meter throw done in Paris Olympics 2024. In first place was Peter Anderson of Grenada, who threw 90.61 meters, while Julian Weber of Germany finished third with a throw of 87.08 meters.



160. Name the National Award-winning Bengali filmmaker whose demise was widely condoled.

- A - Ritwik Ghatak
B - Mrinal Sen
C - Utpalendu Chakraborty
D - Jeet Ganguly

National Award-winning Bengali director Utpalendu Chakraborty died at the age of 76. He breathed his last on 20 August 2024 after suffering a heart attack at his Regent Park residence. Chakraborty is known for his artistic films, especially 'Chok', which won the National Awards for Best Feature Film and Best Direction in 1983. He also received the Indira Gandhi Award for Best Debut Film of a Director in 1981.



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161. What is the name of India's first reusable hybrid rocket launched by Space Zone India?

- A - RHUMI-II
- C - RHUMI-1

- B - RHUMI-X
- D - RHUMI-A

India today successfully launched its first reusable hybrid rocket RHUMI-1. The rocket has been developed by Tamil Nadu-based start-up Space Zone India and was launched from TTDC Grounds at Thiruvudandhai, ECR, Chennai. The RHUMI-1 rocket will carry three cube satellites and 50 PICO satellites on a suborbital trajectory.



162. Which Indian batsman has recently retired from all formats of cricket, becoming one of the eight batsmen to score more than 5000 runs at a strike rate of over 90 and an average of over 40 in ODIs?

- A - Shikhar Dhawan
- C - Rohit Sharma

- B - Virat Kohli
- D - Sachin Tendulkar

Shikhar Dhawan has announced his retirement from international and domestic cricket at the age of 38. Dhawan played 34 Tests, 167 ODIs, and 68 T20Is for India from 2010 to 2022. He informed about his decision through a video on social media, in which he expressed gratitude for calling time on his cricket career.

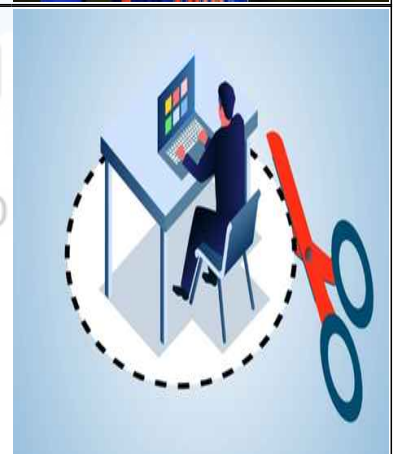


163. Which non-European country has recently implemented the "right to disconnect" law?

- A - Canada
- C - Japan

- B - Australia
- D - United States

Australia is implementing a new "right to disconnect" law this month, which will allow employees to be free from emails, messages or calls outside their working hours. The law, approved on 12 February 2024, will provide relief from the "always on" workplace culture. Under this, companies cannot penalize employees for not responding to communications outside working hours.

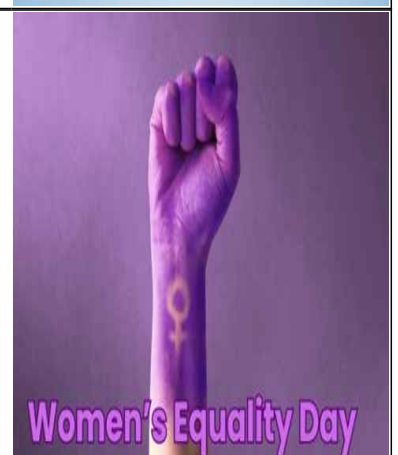


164. When is Women's Equality Day celebrated?

- A - 15 August
- C - 26 August

- B - 8 March
- D - 2 October

Women's Equality Day is celebrated on 26 August, which marks the struggle for women's rights and equal opportunities. The theme for 2024 is "Embrace Equity", which underlines the importance of gender equality. The day honors activists who fought for equality and acknowledges the need for gender equality in all areas of society. Women's Equality Day originated from the Nineteenth Amendment to the US Constitution, which granted women the right to vote.



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165. Who has been appointed as the Chef de Mission of India for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Contingent?

- A - Deepa Malik
B - Rattan Singh
C - Satya Prakash Sangwan
D - Praveen Kumar

The Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) has appointed Satya Prakash Sangwan as the Chef de Mission of the Indian Contingent for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games. Sangwan, who is also the Vice President of the PCI, brings with him over a decade of experience in the Paralympic movement. As Chef de Mission, he will lead the Indian contingent of 84 para-athletes competing in 12 sporting disciplines, India's largest ever contingent.



166. Who has recently been appointed as the Additional Director General (ADG) of the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)?

- A - Rajesh Kumar
B - Manoj Sharma
C - Arun Patel
D - Sanjeev Raina

ITBP (Indo Tibet Border Police) officer Sanjeev Raina has been appointed Additional Director General (ADG) for the India-China LAC (Line of Actual Control) security force. According to reports, he is the second non-IPS officer to be appointed to this post. Sanjeev Raina joined the ITBP in November 1987 as Assistant Commandant, and after his training in Mussoorie, he got his first posting in Ladakh.



167. Which bank has launched 'Avani' savings account for women, which offers benefits such as free airport lounge access, personal insurance cover and waiver on gold loan processing fees?

- A - HDFC Bank
B - Bandhan Bank
C - ICICI Bank
D - Axis Bank

Bandhan Bank launched a special savings account "Avani" for women and a customer loyalty program "Bandhan Bank Delights" on its 9th Foundation Day on 22 August 2023. The "Avani" account targets relatively affluent women and requires a minimum average quarterly balance of Rs 25,000.



168. To promote interest in philately among students of classes VI to IX, which organisation has launched a philatelic scholarship scheme under the Deendayal SPARSH scheme?

- A - Ministry of Education
B - Indian Postal Department
C - National Philatelic Museum
D - Indian Council of Historical Research

The Department of Posts under the Union Ministry of Communications has launched the Deen Dayal SPARSH scheme, aimed at promoting the hobby of philately among students. The scheme was announced by Ahmedabad Postmaster General Krishna Kumar Yadav.



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169. Former Prime Minister Salim al-Hoss served in which country and passed away recently?

- A - Jordan
- B - Lebanon
- C - Syria
- D - Egypt

Lebanon's former Prime Minister Salim al-Hoss died after a long illness at the age of 94. Current Prime Minister Najib Mikati declared three days of official mourning in his honour, describing him as the "conscience" and "soul" of Lebanon. Salim al-Hoss served as prime minister five times between 1976 and 2000 and held ministerial positions in three governments.



170. Where was the 2024 Asian Surfing Championship, where India won a silver medal, held?

- A - Thulusdhoo, Maldives
- B - Bali, Indonesia
- C - Phuket, Thailand
- D - Colombo, Sri Lanka

India won the silver medal in the team event Maruhaba Cup at the Asian Surfing Championships 2024 in Thulusdhoo, Maldives. In the final, Japan won the gold medal by a big margin from India, India finished second with a score of 24.13. Chinese Taipei and China finished third and fourth respectively.



171. Which country recently unveiled new "suicide drones" amid rising military tensions?

- A - China
- B - North Korea
- C - Iran
- D - Russia

North Korean leader Kim Jong Un unveiled a new type of "suicide drone" on August 24, 2024. Kim personally monitored the performance test of these drones. These drones are designed to carry explosives and attack enemy targets like guided missiles. During the test, all the drones accurately identified and destroyed their targets.



172. Who won the U-15 gold at the Badminton Asia Championships?

- A - Tanvi Patri
- B - Saina Nehwal
- C - P.V. Sindhu
- D - Ashmita Chaliha

Tanvi Patri, a 14-year-old badminton player from Odisha, created a new record by winning the women's singles title at the 2024 Asian Under-15 Junior Badminton Championships. In this championship held from 20-25 August in Chengdu, China, she defeated Nguyen Thi Thu Huyen of Vietnam 22-20, 21-11 in the final.



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173. Which country has recently appointed three new Deputy Prime Ministers - Nguyen Hoa Binh, Ho Duc Phoc and Bui Than Son?

- A - Thailand
- B - Singapore
- C - Vietnam
- D - Philippines

Vietnam's top legislature approved several important appointments on Monday. The three new Deputy Prime Ministers include Supreme People's Court Chief Justice Nguyen Hoa Binh, Finance Minister Ho Duc Phoc and Foreign Minister Bui Than Son. Among the new ministers, Do Duc Duy was appointed Minister of Natural Resources and Environment, and Nguyen Hai Ninh was made Minister of Justice.



174. Who is going to become the first Indian space tourist by joining Blue Origin's NS-25 mission?

- A - Gopichand Thotakura
- B - Santosh George Kulangara
- C - Abhishek Prakash Singh
- D - Krishna Kumar Sukhen

India's first civilian space tourist Gopichand Thotakura was given a warm welcome in Delhi on August 26, 2024. Thotakura created history by participating in Blue Origin's New Shepard-25 (NS-25) mission and became the second Indian civilian to travel to space after Rakesh Sharma. During this mission, Thotakura and other crew members took a brief space trip to an altitude of 105 km.



175. Which is the first state to approve the Central Government's Unified Pension Scheme (UPS)?

- A - Gujarat
- B - Maharashtra
- C - Tamil Nadu
- D - Karnataka

The Maharashtra government has decided to implement the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) for state employees, which was approved on Sunday. Under this scheme, government employees will be able to get 50% of the average basic salary of the last 12 months before retirement as pension. For this, the minimum service period is required to be 25 years.



176. Which PSU has recently won two CSR Times Awards for excellence in healthcare and skill development?

- A - Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)
- B - Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
- C - Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL)
- D - Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited (GRSE)

Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Limited was awarded the "Sustainable Governance Champion Award" at the Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit and Awards 2024. The award recognizes GRSE's commitment to sustainable practices and governance excellence.



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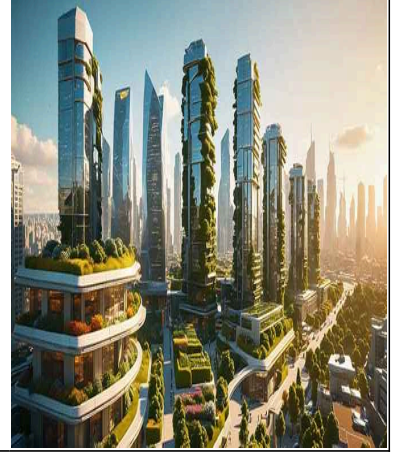
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177. What is India's rank in JLL's Global Real Estate Transparency Index 2024?

- A - 25th
B - 40th
C - 31st
D - 50th

Global property consultant JLL has included India in the transparent zone for the first time in its 2024 Global Real Estate Transparency Index. According to this index, India has entered the transparent zone for the first time with an overall score of 2.44 and is ranked 31st in the list of 89 countries.



178. Who has been appointed as the captain of the Indian women's cricket team for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup 2024?

- A - Smriti Mandhana
B - Harmanpreet Kaur
C - Jemimah Rodrigues
D - Deepti Sharma

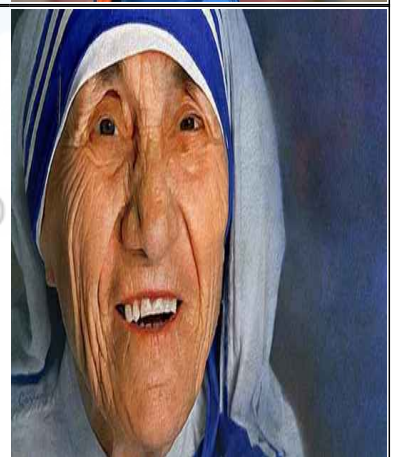
The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has announced a 15-member squad under the captaincy of Harmanpreet Kaur for the ICC Women's T20 World Cup to be held in the United Arab Emirates from October 3 to 20. Harmanpreet Kaur will be the captain and Smriti Mandhana will be the vice-captain. The team includes leading batsmen of Indian cricket, such as Shefali Verma, Jemimah Rodrigues, Dayalan Hemalatha and Sajna Sajeevan.



179. Where was the 24th International Mother Teresa Awards ceremony held?

- A - London
B - New York
C - Dubai
D - Paris

The 24th International Mother Teresa Awards ceremony was held on August 26, 2024 at Millennium Plaza, Dubai, on the occasion of the 114th birth anniversary of Mother Teresa. The event honoured exceptional individuals in various fields.



180. Recently in which country Amazon has launched its AI-powered shopping assistant chatbot named Rufus, which is designed to provide product recommendations, advice and updates to customers?

- A - United States
B - India
C - United Kingdom
D - Australia

Amazon has launched a new AI shopping assistant named "Rufus" for its e-commerce platform in India. This is a significant step towards improving the shopping experience of customers using advanced AI technology.



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181. Who has been appointed as Apple's new finance chief, ahead of the company's product launch, and what were his previous senior leadership roles?

A - Tim Cook

B - Kevan Parekh

C - Luca Maestri

D - Peter Oppenheimer

Apple has appointed Kevan Parekh as the new chief financial officer from January 1, 2025, replacing Luca Maestri. Parekh, who has been with Apple for the past decade and was most recently vice president of financial planning and analysis, will now join the company's executive committee.



182. In response to growing sexual harassment allegations in the Malayalam cinema industry, who has recently resigned from the post of AMMA (Association of Malayalam Movie Artists) president?

A - Mammooty

B - Mohanlal

C - Dileep

D - Suresh Gopi

After the Hema Committee report, there have been several major revelations regarding issues of sexual harassment and exploitation in the Malayalam film industry. The report exposed issues such as casting couch practices, harassment and pay disparity, resulting in the resignation of several prominent personalities including superstar Mohanlal.



183. With an aim to promote digital innovation, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has recently launched its fifth TCS Pace Studio in which country?

A - India

B - Singapore

C - Philippines

D - Australia

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has launched its new TCS Pace Studio in Manila, Philippines. The studio focuses on promoting digital innovation in the Asia Pacific region and developing tailored solutions for clients. The studio is the fifth part of the TCS Pace network globally, joining four other studios already present in Riyadh, Sydney, Letterkenny, and Stockholm.



184. Who was recently appointed as the President of NASSCOM?

A - N. Chandrasekaran

B - Rajesh Gopinathan

C - Arvind Krishna

D - Sindhu Gangadharan

NASSCOM has appointed Sindhu Gangadharan, MD of SAP Labs India, as its new President, who will replace Rajesh Nambiar. Gangadharan, who is the first woman head of SAP Labs India, will focus on helping India's technology sector leverage new emerging technologies, such as AI, and strengthen the country's engineering R&D capabilities



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185. Which Indian Small Finance Bank recently won four awards at the 2nd ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards?

- A - Jana Small Finance Bank B - Equitas Small Finance Bank
C - Ujjivan Small Finance Bank D - AU Small Finance Bank

Bengaluru-based Jana Small Finance Bank (SFB) Ltd bagged four major awards at the 2nd ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards 2024 held in New Delhi on 22-23 August 2024. The bank received the Best Small Finance Bank (India) award as well as was honoured for excellence in profitability, asset quality and risk management.



186. Who has been appointed as the Director General (DG) of the National Security Guard (NSG)?

- A - Nalin Prabhat B - B. Srinivasan
C - Rajesh Kumar D - Sandeep Singh

Senior IPS officer B. Srinivasan has been appointed as the new Director General of the National Security Guard (NSG). He is a 1992 batch IPS officer of Bihar cadre and is currently the Director of Bihar Police Academy, Rajgir. His appointment has been approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet. B. Srinivasan's tenure will last till his retirement date, 31 August 2027.



187. Who was the winner of the 61st National Chess Championship (August 2024)?

- A - Surya Shekhar Ganguly B - Nilesh Saha
C - Karthik Venkataraman D - Mitrabha Guha

Grand Master Karthik Venkataraman of Andhra Pradesh won the title after a thrilling final round of India's 61st National Senior Chess Championship. Grand Master Surya Shekhar Ganguly, a six-time national champion, was half a point ahead with 8.5 points in the final round and was assured of his seventh title had he defeated Himal Gusain of Railways in the final round.



188. Vice Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar has recently taken over as Director General of Project Seabird. Project Seabird is related to?

- A - Construction of naval bases and infrastructure B - Development of new naval warships
C - Enhancing naval aviation capabilities D - Improving naval training programmes

Vice Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar took over as Director General of Project Seabird from Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti on 28 August 2024. With this appointment, he has been entrusted with monitoring the major defence infrastructure project underway at Karwar Naval Base.



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189. Which Tamil Nadu-based space startup launched its first reusable hybrid rocket, Mission RHUMI-2024?

- A - Agnikul Cosmos
B - Space Zone India
C - Skyroot Aerospace
D - Lakshmi Aerospace

Tamil Nadu-based startup Space Zone India successfully launched its first reusable hybrid rocket, Mission RHUMI-2024, on 28 August 2024. The rocket was launched from Thiruvaidanthai in Chennai and features a common fuel-based hybrid motor and an electrically powered parachute deployer. It aims to conduct research on global warming and climate change.



190. Jay Shah, the current honorary secretary of BCCI, has been elected unopposed as the independent chairman of ICC and will assume his office on 1 December 2024. Who is the current President of ICC?

- A - Greg Barclay
B - Jay Shah
C - Shashank Manohar
D - N. Srinivasan

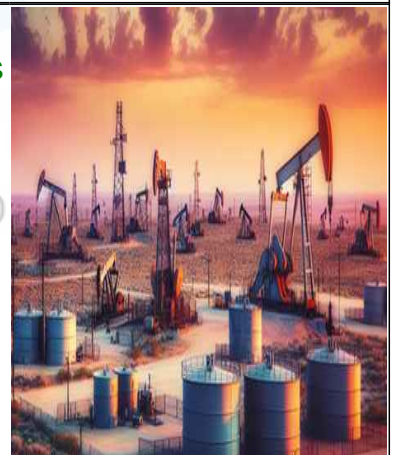
Jay Shah has been elected unopposed as the next independent chairman of the International Cricket Council (ICC). Shah, who has been the honorary secretary of BCCI since October 2019 and President of Asian Cricket Council since January 2021, will assume his office on 1 December 2024.



191. Which two companies signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the supply of hydraulic and lubricant oils and greases for a period of 5 years from 2024 to 2029?

- A - RINL and BPCL
B - RINL and HPCL
C - RINL and NTPC
D - RINL and IOCL

Visakhapatnam Steel Plant (RINL) and Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for supply of hydraulic and lubricant oils and greases from 2024 to 2029. The agreement strengthens the long-term partnership between the two organizations and is a significant example of collaboration between industries.



192. After the retirement of Jaya Verma Sinha, who has been appointed as the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Railway Board?

- A - Arun Kumar
B - Ramesh Singh
C - Manoj Verma
D - Satish Kumar

In a significant change in the history of Indian Railways, Satish Kumar has been appointed as the new Chairman and CEO of the Railway Board. He is a 1992 batch IPS officer of Bihar cadre and will take over from September 1, 2024. Satish Kumar will be the first Chairman and CEO of the Railway Board to come from Scheduled Caste.



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