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## Banking & Finance

### **1. ICICI Bank partners with NPCI to launch RuPay credit cards called "ICICI Bank Coral RuPay Credit Card"**

ICICI Bank announced its partnership with National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to launch a range of credit cards on RuPay, the indigenous payments network. To begin with, the ICICI Bank RuPay Credit Card is available in the Coral variant of the Bank's Gemstone series, which will be followed by Rubyx and Sapphire variants soon.

### **2. RBI issues guidelines for digital lending, effective immediately**

According to the guidelines, all loan disbursements/repayments are to be executed only between the bank accounts of the borrower and the regulated entity (RE). REs need to ensure that the disbursement is not made to a third-party account, including the accounts of loan service providers (LSPs) and their digital lending apps (DLAs).

### **3. GST wing of CBIC conducts tax inspections against insurance companies**

The Goods and Services Tax wing of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has carried out tax searches and inspections against several insurance companies. The list of companies the tax sleuths have visited includes several of the major life and non-life insurers.

### **4. SBI sells largest AT-1 tranche at lowest rate for any bank so far this year**

India's largest lender State Bank of India issued additional tier-1 (AT1) bonds worth a total of Rs 6,872 crore at a cut-off of 7.75 per cent, the lowest rate set for such debt issuances by any bank so far in the current financial year. The bank had notified an amount of Rs 7,000 crore to be raised through a single tranche of AT1 bonds in order to augment capital.

### **5. Bank of India becomes first Public Sector Bank to go live on new Direct Tax Collection System Tin 2.0**

Bank of India has become the first public sector bank to go live on Income Tax Department's new Direct Tax Collection System Tin 2.0. With this technological integration of BOI on TIN 2.0 platform, taxpayers will now get a single platform for their tax payment as well as e-filing of tax returns. Tax Information Network, TIN 2.0 is the official portal of Income tax.

### **6. WAAREE partners with SBI for financing Consumers & Channel Partners**

WAAREE, India's largest Solar Panel manufacturer, has entered into an Agreement with SBI for availing unsecured financing for solar projects through Surya Shakti Solar Finance Scheme and providing working capital for Channel Partners under EDFs (Electronic dealer finance scheme).

### **7. IRDAI allots insurance broking license to Lord's Mark Insurance**

Lord's Mark Insurance Broking Private Limited, Lord's Mark Industries' insurance branch, has been granted a direct insurance broking license by the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) to market life and general insurance products.

### **8. Axis Bank, Square Yards launch Open Doors for hassle-free home buying**

Axis Bank and Square Yards have announced the launch of 'Open Doors', a co-branded Home Buyer Ecosystem. This platform will ensure that the complete journey from searching to buying one's dream home becomes a hassle-free, efficient, and delightful experience for customers.

Tanuj Shori, Founder and CEO, Square Yards.

### **9. PhonePe tokenises 1.4 cr debit, credit cards in line with RBI mandate**

The largest fintech platform in India, PhonePe, said that 14 million debit and credit cards have been tokenized on the platform which is in line with the mandatory card tokenization of the RBI which is a move to reduce the risk of fraud and safeguard customers card details. The deadline for tokenizing debit & credit cards has been extended by the RBI till September 30, 2022

### **10. FinMin to allow RRBs to raise funds via IPO, rights issue**

The Finance Ministry has issued draft guidelines for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) to raise resources from capital market, paving the way for raising funds via rights issue, private placement with select investors such as large banks and insurance companies, and initial public offerings (IPO). Currently, there are 43 RRBs sponsored by 12 Scheduled Commercial Banks with 21,892 branches

### **11. Yes Bank partners with NLDL to develop use-cases on ULIP**

Yes Bank announced that it has partnered with NICDC Logistics Data Services Limited (NLDL) in order to develop use-cases to support corporate users in augmenting their supply chain on the Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP) under government's new logistics policy.

The government will integrate around 17 digital systems from the seven ministries on ULIP. Prashant Kumar, Managing Director and CEO, YES Bank.

### 12. PFC successfully resolves CIRP of India's largest stressed transmission asset

Power Finance Corporation Ltd. has successfully resolved the country's largest stressed asset in the power transmission sector of Southeast U. P. Power Transmission Company Limited. This is a landmark resolution through the Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) under the IBC (2016), which has resulted in lenders recovering in excess of 100% of the principal amount.

### 13. HDFC Bank launches 'Aao Bus Karein' campaign to promote greener commuting habits

Through this campaign, HDFC Bank will run 4 Electric Vehicle AC buses across Mumbai to encourage commuters to leave their cars at home in favour of public transport. The E-buses will run on specific routes to connect commuters to key corporate parks and will ply day-long to ensure ease of mobility and convenience for commuters.

HDFC Bank announced a tie-up with Mumbai's BEST Bus Service to launch this initiative.

### 14. RBI directs Mahindra Finance to stop outsourcing its recovery activity through agents

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) barred Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services from carrying out recovery or repossession activity through third-party until further notice. However, the company is allowed to carry out the activity through its own employees. RBI's ban comes after certain material supervisory concerns observed in the company. Mahindra Group's CEO and MD Anish Shah.

### 15. Gujarat gets over Rs 2.8K-crore loan from World Bank for health care

The World Bank has approved a USD 350 million (over Rs 2,832 crore) loan to Gujarat for spending towards public healthcare services, focussed specially on adolescent girls and disease surveillance. The loan will be utilised through the state government's Systems Reform Endeavours For Transformed Health Achievement In Gujarat (SRESTHA-G) Programme.

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## Economy

### 1. India's GDP in first quarter of current fiscal grows at 13.5 percent, fastest in a year

According to the provisional estimates by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) of the country for the April-June quarter of the current financial year grew at 13.5 per cent.

Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing sector rose 4.5%. The manufacturing sector grew 4.8% and the Construction sector appreciated by 16.8%.

### 2. August GST revenue collection up 28% YoY at Rs 1.44 lakh cr

The gross GST revenue collected in the month of August 2022 stood at Rs 1,43,612 crore, up 28% on a year-on-year basis, the Finance Ministry said in a statement. With this, the monthly GST revenues have exceeded Rs 1.4 lakh crore for six months in a row. In July, the GST collection was Rs 1.49 lakh crore, the second-highest level since its introduction in July 2017.

### 3. India becomes fifth largest Economy of world with IMF's growth forecast of more than 7% this year

India has surpassed the United Kingdom to become the world's 5th biggest economy. In a tweet, Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said, the International Monetary Fund's own forecasts show India overtaking the UK in terms on an annual basis this year. This has put India, the Asian powerhouse, just behind the US, China, Japan and Germany.

### 4. Finance ministry to assess PSB performance and credit disbursement

According to data from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), the asset quality of the banking system has improved, with the gross non-performing asset (NPA) ratio falling from 7.4 per cent in March 2021 to a six-year low of 5.9 per cent in March 2022. Additionally, the net bad loan ratio decreased from 2.4 per cent in March 2021 to 1.7 per cent in March 2022.

### 5. Fitch cuts India's GDP growth forecast to 7% for FY23

Global ratings agency Fitch cut India's gross domestic product (GDP) growth forecast for 2022-23 to 7% from the earlier 7.8% due to the impact of the global economic slowdown, elevated inflation and tighter monetary policy. Growth is expected to slow to 6.7% in 2023-24 from the previous estimate of 7.4%, the agency said in its latest report.

### 6. CBDT issues Revised Guidelines for compounding of offences under the Income-tax Act, 1961

Specific upper limits have been introduced for the compounding fee covering defaults across several provisions of the Act. Additional compounding charges in the nature of penal interest @ 2% per month up to 3 months and 3% per month beyond 3 months have been reduced to 1% and 2% respectively.

### 7. S&P retains FY23 growth forecast at 7.3%; OECD at 6.9%

S&P Global Ratings retained India's economic growth projection at 7.3% in the current fiscal with downside risks and said inflation is likely to remain above the Reserve Bank of India's upper tolerance threshold of 6% till the end of 2022.

The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) too stuck to its projection of 6.9% growth in India's GDP for FY23. OECD, Headquarters: Paris, France. ; S&P Global Ratings HQs: New York, United States.

### 8. Govt commits Rs. 7,385 crore under Fund of Funds for Startup India Investment for 88 Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs)

Fund of Funds for Startups, launched under Startup India initiative in 2016 by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has committed Rs. 7,385 crore to 88 Alternative Investment Funds as of 24th September 2022. These AIFs in turn have invested Rs. 11,206 crore in 720 startups. FFS has been playing a monumental role in mobilizing domestic capital in Indian startup ecosystem. FFS was announced with a corpus of Rs. 10,000 crore.

### 9. Cabinet approves 4% DA hike for Central Govt employees

Union Cabinet approved 4% additional instalment of Dearness Allowance and Dearness Relief to Central Government employees and pensioners with effect from July 1, 2022.

The move will benefit about 41.85 lakh Central Government employees and 69.76 lakh pensioners.

The combined impact on the exchequer on account of both DA & DR would be Rs 12,852.5 crore per annum.

## National

### **1. INS Vikrant, India's First Home-Built Aircraft Carrier, Commissioned**

INS Vikrant, India's first home-built aircraft carrier, was formally commissioned after completing almost a year of sea trials. The 45,000-tonne warship has been built at a cost of ' 20,000 crore. PM Modi also unveiled the new Naval Ensign. The Navy had earlier said the new insignia will be befitting the rich Indian maritime heritage.

### **2. Reliance Industries to build world's largest carbon fibre plants.**

Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani, in the 45th AGM on Monday, announced to build India's first and one of the world's largest Carbon Fibre plants at Hazira, Gujarat. The plants will have a capacity of 20,000 MTPA based on Acrylonitrile feedstock. Overall, in the Oil to Chemical segment (O2C), Ambani announced an investment of '75,000 crore

### **3. IILM University's Law School is India's 1st NEP 2020 compliant Law School**

IILM University takes immense pride in elevating the Legal Education System of India with the launch of the first National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) Compliant Law School in the country. IILM University, with the approval of the government of Uttar Pradesh and the recognition of the Bar Council of India (BCI), announces this big breakthrough. National Education Policy 2020 has been announced on 29.07.2020.

### **4. UIDAI tops in Grievance Redressal Index during August 2022**

Unique Identification Authority of India has topped amongst all Ministries/Departments for resolving Public Grievances in the ranking report published by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances for the month of August 2022. UIDAI has been a top performer in resolution of cases received through Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System

### **5. CCRAS 'SPARK' Program to Support Innovative Research in Ayurveda**

The Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), has taken a unique initiative to support the research efforts of bright young minds of the Country by developing the Studentship Program for Ayurveda Research Ken (SPARK) for Ayurveda (BAMS) students studying in recognised Ayurveda colleges. Prof. Rabinarayan Acharya - Director General, CCRAS

### **6. New Delhi's historic Rajpath & Central Vista lawns to be renamed 'Kartavya Path'**

The government has decided to rename the historic Rajpath and Central Vista lawns in the national capital as 'Kartavya Path'. Rajpath was known as Kingsway during British Rule. Earlier, the name of the road on which PM's residence is located was changed from Race Course Road to Lok Kalyan Marg.

### **7. Seat belts mandatory for all passengers in car, violators to be fined: Gadkari announces new rule after Mistry's death**

Union minister Nitin Gadkari said that from now on wearing seat belts would be mandatory for all passengers in a car, including those on rear seats, and flouting the rule will attract penalty. The announcement was made only two days after former Tata Sons chairman Cyrus Mistry died in a car accident near Mumbai

### **8. NITI Aayog, WRI launches e-FAST - India's first national electric freight platform**

NITI Aayog, in collaboration with World Resources Institute (WRI), India, launched the country's first national electric freight platform ' e-FAST India (Electric Freight Accelerator for Sustainable Transport ' India). The platform also aims to raise awareness on freight electrification bolstered by on-ground demonstration pilots and evidence-based research.

### **9. Election Commission Declares 253 RUPPs As Inactive, Bars Them From Availing Benefits Of The Symbol Order, 1968**

The Election Commission of India led by Chief Election Commissioner, Shri Rajiv Kumar and Election Commissioner Shri Anup Chandra Pandey further delisted 86 non-existent RUPPs and declared an additional 253 as 'Inactive RUPPs'. This action against 339 non-compliant RUPPs takes the tally to 537 defaulting RUPPs since May 25, 2022.

### **10. Munoth Industries to commission India's 1st lithium-ion cell factory in Andhra Pradesh**

Chennai-based Munoth Industries Ltd (MIL), promoted by Munoth group, is set to commission what it calls India's first full-fledged lithium-ion cell manufacturing unit at Electronic Manufacturing Cluster 2 [EMC 2], located at Tirupati in Andhra Pradesh. Presently, India is completely importing lithium-ion cells from China, South Korea, Vietnam, and Hong Kong.

### 11. USAID and UNICEF launches Doordarshan and YouTube series titled 'Door Se Namaste' in New Delhi

The US Agency for International Development and UNICEF today launched the Doordarshan and YouTube series titled Door Se Namaste at function held in New Delhi. Door Se Namaste is a new television series which promotes healthy behaviours in a post-pandemic world.

Prasar Bharti CEO - Mayank Agrawal

### 12. Scheme for Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment for 2022-23

The Government of India has launched a Scheme Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment for 2022-23. Under this Scheme, financial assistance is provided to the States Governments in the form of 50-year interest free loan for capital investment projects.

### 13. Amazon setting up its first solar project in India

Amazon announced the setting up of its first solar farm in India. The e-commerce major will be setting up three solar power projects with a capacity of 420 megawatt (MW) in Rajasthan. These would include a 210 MW project to be developed by ReNew Power, a 100 MW project to be developed by Amp Energy India, and a 110 MW project to be developed by Brookfield Renewable Partners

### 14. Op 'Megha Chakra': CBI conducts searches in 21 states/UT against child abuse material

The Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) carried out searches in 21 states/Union Territory in relation to the circulation and sharing of Child Sexual Abuse Material (CSAM).

CBI launched the operation - code-named 'Megha Chakra' - following inputs from Interpol headquarters, Crime against Children unit in Singapore. Subodh Kumar Jaiswal current CBI director.

### 15. Uttar Pradesh tops GeM chart with GMV of more than Rs 24,000 crore

The Uttar Pradesh government has emerged as the top buyer on the Government e-Marketplace portal with a gross merchandise value (GMV) of more than Rs 24,000 crore. The central government's GeM portal, launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in August 2016, is an end-to-end e-marketplace, where commonly used goods and services are procured by the government agencies.

### 16. Mongolia: President Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh gifts horse 'Tejas' to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh

Rajnath Singh, the first Indian Defence Minister to visit Mongolia, was gifted a majestic horse 'Tejas' by President Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh.



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## International

### 1. Norwegian central bank uses Ethereum to build national digital currency

Norway's Norges Bank has hit a major milestone in digital currency efforts, releasing the open source code for the country's central bank digital currency (CBDC) sandbox.

Available on GitHub, the sandbox is designed to offer an interface for interacting with the test network, enabling functions like minting, burning, and transferring ERC-20 tokens. The current version of the open source code does not support the Ethereum wallet Metamask

### 2. ADB to Devote \$14 Billion to Help Ease Food Crisis in Asia-Pacific

The Asian Development Bank said it will devote at least \$14 billion through 2025 to help ease a worsening food crisis in the Asia-Pacific. The development lender said it plans a comprehensive program of support to help the 1.1 billion people in the region who lack healthy diets due to poverty and soaring food prices. ADB Headquarters- Manila, Philippines.



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## Sports

### **1. FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022: VAR To Make Debut In Age-Group Showpiece In India**

The upcoming FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup in India will see the Video Assistant Referee (VAR) technology making its debut in the age-group showpiece.

The U-17 Women's World Cup in India will be the third FIFA women's tournament to utilise VAR following the U-20 Women's World Cup Costa Rica 2022 and the FIFA Women's World Cup France 2019.

### **2. Home Minister Shri Amit Shah launched 36th National Games Anthem and mascot in Ahmedabad**

The curtain raiser event of 36th National Games was held at the EKA Arena TransStadia in Ahmedabad. The 36th National Games, whose theme is Celebrating Unity Through Sports, are being held after a gap of seven years and will take place from September 29 to October 12. The Games were last held in Kerala in 2015.

### **3. Aaron Finch: Australia white-ball captain to retire from one-day internationals**

Australia white-ball captain Aaron Finch will retire from one-day international (ODI) cricket after Sunday's match against New Zealand.

Finch has led Australia's ODI and Twenty20 teams since 2018.

The 35-year-old opening batter has played 145 ODIs and scored 5,401 runs at an average of 39.13.

He led Australia to their first T20 World Cup title in 2021.

### **4. In Football, India beat Nepal 4-0 to clinch SAFF U-17 Championship Title in Colombo**

In football, India clinched the SAFF under-17 Championship title, defeating Nepal 4-0 in the final in Colombo. India captain Vanlalpeka Guite was named the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament, while goalkeeper Sahil won the Best Goalkeeper awards.

### **5. Vinesh Phogat wins bronze in World Wrestling Championships in Serbia**

Vinesh Phogat has become the first Indian woman wrestler to win two medals at the World Championships after clinching a bronze in 53 kilogram category in Belgrade, Serbia. The Commonwealth Games 2022 gold medalist defeated reigning European champion Emma Malmgren of Sweden. This is her second bronze medal at the Championships after the 2019 event.

### **6. Fruhvirtova defeats Linette in 2022 WTA Chennai Open final**

Czech teenager Linda Fruhvirtova fought back to beat No.3 seed, Magda Linette of Poland 4-6, 6-3, 6-4 and win the Chennai Open WTA 250 title. This was her 17-year-old's first Tour title. In the doubles, the top-seed Canadian-Brazilian pair of Gabriela Dabrowski and Luisa Stefani hammered Anna Blinkova (Russia) and Natela Dzalamidze (Georgia) 6-1, 6-2 to claim the title.

### **7. India to host maiden MotoGP race in 2023; to be labelled as 'Grand Prix of Bharat'**

MotoGP commercial rights owner Dorna and Noida-based race promoters Fairstreet Sports signed a MoU to host the premier two-wheel racing event in India for the next seven years.

The Buddh International Circuit, which will be hosting the MotoGP race, was once home to the Formula 1 Indian Grand Prix, held for three consecutive years from 2011 till 2013.

## Agreements & MoUs

### 1. 14th India-UAE Joint Commission Meeting

The 14th India-UAE Joint Commission Meeting (JCM) was co-chaired by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar and Foreign Minister of UAE H.H. Sheikh Abdulla bin Zayed Al Nahyan in Abu Dhabi on 01 September 2022.

### 2. AICTE ties up with Adobe to advance digital literacy in India

The All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has signed a partnership agreement with Adobe to accelerate digital creativity skills across the country. Under the agreement, Adobe will offer courses and expertise for upskilling educators, and integrate digital creativity into the curriculum, to prepare students with the essential creative and digital literacy skills.

### 3. Koo partners with India Post Payments Bank to drive financial inclusion in remote cities

Koo said the memorandum of understanding aims to bring together the synergies of both Koo and IPPB to drive 'financial inclusion' and 'literacy' amongst the users in tier 2, tier 3, & remote cities and hinterlands. It will help in reaching out to a 'large' customer base and communicate via Koo's language communities across the country using Multi-Lingual Koo (MLK) features. J Venkatramu, managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO), IPPB.

### 4. Google Cloud, Nasscom to skill students for entry-level Cloud jobs

Google Cloud announced it has launched the first cohort of the its computing foundations with Kubernetes course in collaboration with FutureSkills Prime, an IT Ministry and Nasscom digital skilling initiative. The beginner-level course aims to provide participants an opportunity to experience cloud computing, cloud basics, big data and machine learning (ML).

### 5. Skill India partners with Samsung to upskill youth in future technologies

The Electronics Sector Skill Council of India (ESSCI) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Samsung India, for a skilling initiative that aims to empower the youth with industry relevant skills in emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things, Big Data and Coding & Programming, in a bid to enhance their employability. Rajeev Chandrasekhar-Minister of State, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

### 6. Air India Signs Agreement With Willis Lease For Aircraft Engines

Air India has signed a definitive sale and lease back agreement with Nasdaq-listed Willis Lease Finance Corporation for 34 CFM56-5B engines installed on its Airbus A320 family fleet.

Under the sale side of the transaction, Willis Lease will purchase 34 engines from Air India, powering 13 Airbus A321 aircraft and four Airbus A320 aircraft. The Nasdaq Stock Market is an American stock exchange based in New York City.

### 7. Samsung India, Axis Bank Launch Co-branded Credit Card powered by Visa;

Consumers can choose between two variants ' Visa Signature and Visa Infinite. On the Signature variant, cardholders can avail up to INR 10000 cashback annually, with a monthly cashback limit of INR 2500. On the Infinite variant, cardholders can avail up to INR 20000 cashback annually, with a monthly cashback limit of INR 5000. Amitabh Chaudhry, MD and CEO, Axis Bank.

### 8. Debt marketplace Yubi partners with SBI to enable co-lending to priority sectors

Corporate debt solution company Yubi announced a partnership with the country's largest bank State Bank of India (SBI) for the latter to integrate with its co-lending marketplace Yubi Co.Lend for credit to the priority sectors including small businesses.

Co-lending as a model is expected to help address the challenge of lack of credit access faced by a number of MSMEs. Gaurav Kumar, Founder and CEO, Yubi.

## Schemes

### **1. WCD celebrating the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 across the nation from Sep 1 to 30th September**

The Ministry of Women and Child Development is celebrating the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 from 1st to 30th September 2022.

This year, the objective is to trigger Poshan Maah through Gram Panchayats as Poshan Panchayats with key focus on 'Mahila aur Swasthya' and 'Bacha aur Shiksha'.

In the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah the aim is to convert Jan Andolan into Jan Bhagidari.

### **2. 30th Batch of CISOs, Deep Dive Training Programme organised under Cyber Surakshit Bharat Initiative**

Operating on the principles of awareness, education and enablement, the National e-Governance Division (NeGD), under its Capacity Building scheme, organised the 30th CISO Deep-Dive training programme from August 22-26, 2022. Held at the Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA), New Delhi

### **3. Cabinet approves Rs 27k-cr scheme for setting up over 14k PM-SHRI schools**

Union ministry approved a Rs 27,360-crore scheme for the development of over 14,000 schools across the country as PM Schools for Rising India (PM-SHRI), which is expected to benefit 187 lakh students. Under the scheme, over 14,000 schools, including Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas as well as schools run by state governments and local bodies, will be strengthened

### **4. WEST : I-STEM's new initiative to bridge the gender skill-gap**

Women in Engineering, Science, and Technology (WEST): A new I-STEM initiative Launched

On September 5, 2022, a new I-STEM (Indian Science Technology and Engineering facilities Map) initiative called 'Women in Engineering, Science, and Technology (WEST)' was launched by Dr. Parvinder Maini, Scientific Secretary, Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA) to GOI.

### **5. PM Matsya Sampada Yojana completes Two years; to generate 68 lakh employments by the end of 2024-25**

Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) completed its Second anniversary. The scheme envisages the generation of 68 lakh employment by the end of 2024-25. The Fisheries sector has shown an impressive growth of 14.3 per cent from 2019-20 to 2021-22.

### **6. Four lakh 37 thousand Poshan Vatikas set up by Anganwadi Centres across country under Poshan Maah 2022**

The government has said that four lakh 37 thousand Anganwadi Centres have set up Poshan Vatikas. The Women and Child Development Ministry said, Poshan Vatikas or Nutri-gardens are being set up across the country to provide easy and affordable access to fruits, vegetables, medicinal plants, and herbs.

### **7. Govt announces extension of PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana for next 3 months**

The Central government announced an extension of the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana for another three months until December 2022. Under this scheme, 5 kg ration per person is given to beneficiaries. This is in addition to the ration given under the public distribution system. Financial implication for the Central government has been about Rs.3.45 Lakh Crore.

## Appointments & Resignations

### 1. ONGC gets Rajesh Kumar Srivastava as third interim chairman in a row

Rajesh Kumar Srivastava, who is the senior-most director on the ONGC board, has been given additional charge of chairman and managing director after current acting head Alka Mittal superannuated.

### 2. Yamuna Kumar Chaubey gets charge of NHPC chairman and managing director

State-owned hydro power giant NHPC said that its Director (Technical) Yamuna Kumar Chaubey has been given the charge of Chairman and Managing Director for three months beginning September 1. Abhay Kumar Singh ceased to be the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the company with effect from August 31, 2022, upon attaining the age of superannuation

### 3. Starbucks picks Laxman Narasimhan as next CEO with \$1.3-million annual package

Global coffee giant Starbucks has named Indian-origin Laxman Narasimhan as its next chief executive officer, replacing Howard Schultz, who will continue as the company's interim chief until April 2023. Mr Narasimhan joined Reckitt in September 2019 and was the first external candidate to take the helm at Reckitt since it was formed in 1999. Tata Starbucks Private Limited CEO: Avani Davda.

### 4. SC Judge DY Chandrachud nominated as Executive Chairman of National Legal Services Authority

Senior Judge of Supreme Court of India Dr. Justice DY Chandrachud has been nominated as the Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority. Senior Judge of Supreme Court of India Dr. Justice DY Chandrachud has been nominated as the Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority.

### 5. Ravi Capoor relieved of duties as Sansad TV CEO; Utpal Singh to take charge

Rajya Sabha Chairman VP Jagdeep Dhankhar and Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla jointly decided that Utpal Kumar Singh, currently holding the post of Secretary General Lok Sabha, will additionally discharge the functions of CEO Sansad TV.

Sansad TV was launched in September 2021 after merging the Lok Sabha TV and Rajya Sabha TV channels.

### 6. Binesh Kumar Tyagi takes over as CMD Shipping Corporation of India

Shipping Corporation of India on Monday said Binesh Kumar Tyagi has taken over as its Chairman and Managing Director (CMD). Tyagi was heading the Liner and Passenger Services Division as Director (L&PS) since January 7, 2021 in the company, the PSU said in a regulatory filing. Under Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, SCI is the largest shipping company in India.

### 7. Mahesh V Iyer takes over as Mahanagar Gas Ltd Chairman

Mahesh Vishwanathan Iyer has been named the new chairman of Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL), a state-run city gas provider.

Iyer is the chairperson of Konkan LNG Limited and Central U.P. Gas Limited in addition to holding a directorship in ONGC Tripura Power Company Limited.

MGL is an enterprise of GAIL Limited and Government of Maharashtra.

MGL was incorporated on 8th May 1995.

### 8. Amit Kumar appointed as next Ambassador of India to Republic of Korea

Amit Kumar has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of Korea, the Ministry of External Affairs informed.

He is presently the Consul General of India in Chicago.

### 9. Jubilant FoodWorks names Sameer Khetarpal as CEO and managing director

Jubilant FoodWorks Limited which operates fast-food chains, Domino's Pizza and Dunkin' Donuts has announced the appointment of Sameer Khetarpal as its new CEO and managing director. Khetarpal has succeeded Pratik Pota.

JFL has a network of 1567 Domino's restaurants across 337 cities in India.

### 10. Sanjay Verma appointed next high commissioner to Canada

Senior diplomat Sanjay Kumar Verma has been appointed as India's next high commissioner to Canada. In a statement, the Ministry of External Affairs said Verma is a 1988 batch officer of the Indian Foreign Service and is currently the ambassador of India to Japan. Sanjay Verma is succeeding Anshuman Gaur.

### 11. Pankaj Gupta appointed as Chairman & Managing Director (Additional Charge) of HMT Limited

Shri. Pankaj Gupta has been entrusted with the additional charge of the post of Chairman & Managing Director, HMT Limited.

HMT was conceived by the Government of India in 1949, and was incorporated in 1953, with the objective of producing a limited range of machine tools, required for building an industrial edifice for the country.

## **12. Sanjay Khanna appointed CEO of American Express India**

American Express Banking Corp (AEBC) has announced the the appointment of Sanjay Khanna as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Country Manager of AEBC Corp India. Khanna heads the country executive team and is responsible for driving growth across the organisation's consumer and commercial businesses.

## **13. Prakash Chand appointed as Indian Ambassador to Eritrea**

Prakash Chand was appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the State of Eritrea.

Chand is Consul General, Consulate General of India, in Indonesia.

Shri Sibi George, presently Ambassador of India to the State of Kuwait, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Japan.

## **14. Vedanta picks Gujarat for \$20 bn India semiconductor project with Taiwan's Foxconn**

The project will include display and semiconductor facilities near the largest city of Ahmedabad in the western state.

While lobbying for incentives, Vedanta had sought 1,000 acres (405 hectares) of land free of cost on a 99-year lease, and water and power at concessionary and fixed prices for 20 years.

## **15. BharatPe appoints former RBI deputy governor BP Kanungo and Zomato chairman Kaushik Dutta to board**

Fintech payments platform, BharatPe has roped in former RBI deputy governor B P Kanungo and TARI co-founder Kaushik Dutta as independent directors.

Kanungo recently worked as the deputy governor of RBI from 2017-2021. He joined the central bank in 1982.

BharatPe CEO: Suhail Sameer.

## **16. Govt appoints Thomas M Devasia as member of Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India**

The government has appointed Thomas M Devasia - a senior executive from the private sector - as member (non-life) in the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI). Thomas M Devasia is currently technical expert at Marsh Insurance Brokers India working in Kochi, Kerala.

## **17. Angola's Joao Lourenco takes oath of office for second term as president**

The National Electoral Commission announced Joao Lourenco as the President of Angola. Lourenco, 68, was sworn in alongside Esperanca da Costa, the nation's first female vice president, at Praca de Republica square in the capital, Luanda. President Joao Lourenco is a member of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA). Currency: Angolan kwanza Capital: Luanda

## **18. RBI approves appointment of R Gandhi as non-executive chairman of Yes Bank**

The Reserve Bank has approved the appointment of its former deputy governor Rama Subramaniam Gandhi as non-executive part time chairman of Yes Bank for 3 years.

He also had a three-year secondment to the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) and also held the charge of Director of the Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT), Hyderabad.

## **19. Britannia Industries elevates Varun Berry as Executive VC & MD, appoints Rajneet Kohli as CEO**

Britannia Industries, maker of the popular Good Day and Tiger biscuits, has appointed Rajneet Kohli as its Executive Director & Chief Executive Officer. The company also announced that it has elevated Varun Berry to Executive Vice-Chairman and Managing Director.

Kohli will takeover as the position w.e.f 26th September, 2022 and will report to Varun Berry.

## **20. Former India hockey captain Dilip Tirkey unanimously elected as president**

Dilip Tirkey, a former India hockey captain and member of the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 Asian Games, was unanimously elected as Hockey India (HI) president today. First time in history, a former sportsperson and an Olympian has gone on to head the national body. He represented India at the Olympic Games in Atlanta in 1996, Sydney in 2000, and Athens in 2004.

## **21. NPCI re-appoints Dilip Asbe as MD and CEO for five years**

The shareholders of the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) approved the re-appointment of Dilip Asbe as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer for a period of five years, the organisation. He took over as CEO from former Reserve Bank of India (RBI) executive Abhaya Prasad Hota in 2018.

## **22. Sanjai Kumar appointed as new Chairman & MD of Railtel**

Sanjai Kumar has taken charge as the Chairman & Managing Director of RailTel Corporation of India Limited, a PSU which provided broadband, VPN and other communication services for Indian Railways. RailTel is a "Mini Ratna (Category-I)" Central Public Sector Enterprise incorporated on September 26, 2000.

### 23. WhatsApp Pay India head Manesh Mahatme quits

Manesh Mahatme, director and head of WhatsApp Pay in India, quit the company earlier this month after almost an 18-month stint with the Meta-owned messaging app.

WhatsApp Pay's share of the total number of UPI transactions remains abysmal. It had a share of less than 1% of the overall UPI market in August, with only 6.72 million transactions.

### 24. Google's India policy head Archana Gulati resigns

Google's head of public policy for India has resigned just five months after taking the job, at a potentially critical time for the U.S. tech giant as it awaits the outcome of at least two antitrust cases in the country. She was a long-time Indian government employee, having worked until March 2021 as a joint secretary for digital communications at NITI Aayog.

### 25. Italy gets its first female PM as Giorgia Meloni claims victory

Giorgia Meloni, leader of the Brothers of Italy party won the Italian election, defeating Mario Draghi by a huge margin. By doing so, Giorgia has become Italy's first female prime minister, and that too, of a right-wing government. According to media reports, the alliance claimed over 43% votes, which would translate to 114 seats in the Senate.

### 26. Vinayak Godse to take over as new CEO of Data Security Council of India on Oct 1

Premier industry body Data Security Council of India (DSCI), setup by NASSCOM, promoted its senior vice president Vinayak Godse and appointed him as the new CEO on September 7. Godse will be taking over from Rama Vedashree who led DSCI for more than 6 years.

The decision was taken by a selection committee of the DSCI Board chaired by former DSCI chairman Dr N Balakrishnan.

### 27. Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman appointed prime minister

Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman has replaced his father King Salman as prime minister.

The decree promoted Prince Mohammed's brother Prince Khalid from deputy defence minister to defence minister.

Prince Mohammed has previously served as deputy prime minister.



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## Awards

### 1. Shri Hardeep S. Puri presents Smart Solutions Challenge & Inclusive Cities Awards 2022

Union Minister Shri Hardeep Singh Puri presented Smart Solutions Challenge & Inclusive Cities Awards 2022. These awards are an initiative of the National Institute of Urban Affairs and the United Nations in India to address city-level accessibility and inclusion challenges faced by persons with disability women and girls, and the elderly.

### 2. Indian Army Chief Manoj Pande conferred honorary rank of Nepal Army General

Indian Army Chief General Manoj Pande was conferred with the honorary rank of General of Nepal Army by President of Nepal Bidhya Devi Bhandari in a ceremony at her residence Sheetal Niwas. Indian Army Chief's visit aims to provide an opportunity to enhance existing bilateral defence ties and strengthen cooperation in areas of mutual interest between the two countries.

### 3. Lok Nayak Foundation Sahitya Puraskar awarded to Tanikella Bharani

Telugu author and actor, Tanikella Bharani was introduced with the annual Sahitya Puraskar of the Loknayak Basis (18th Loknayak Basis Award) at an award ceremony held at Kalabharathi Auditorium, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.

### 4. Singapore awards Distinguished Service Medal to former Indian Navy Chief Sunil Lamba

Singapore has conferred the prestigious Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera), or the Meritorious Service Medal (Military), on Admiral Sunil Lanba (Retd), the former Chief of Naval Staff, Indian Navy. The award is a recognition of strong bilateral defence ties between India and Singapore.

### 5. Emmy Awards 2022: Zendaya Bags The Best Actress Honour, Squid Game's Lee Jung-Jae Takes Home The Best Actor Trophy

The Television Academy announced the winners for the 74th Primetime Emmy Awards.

The White Lotus took the most awards for this year's Emmys with 10 total between Monday's telecast and the series' Creative Arts wins, Euphoria and Squid Game tied for the second-highest number of awards with six each.

HBO's Succession had led the nominations with 25. Emmy Awards, or Emmys, are an extensive range of awards for American television industry.

### 6. 'Vigyan Pragati' receives 'Rajbhasha Kirti Award'

CSIR's popular science magazine 'Vigyan Pragati' has received the National Rajbhasha Kirti Award (First position). The magazine is popular among children, teachers, researchers, and the public across India as well as the world. Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR) started publishing this magazine in 1952.

### 7. Federal Bank ranked 63rd in Best Workplaces in Asia 2022 by Great Place to Work

Federal Bank was ranked 63rd on the Best Workplaces in Asia 2022 and becomes the only bank in India to be listed by Great Place to Work, the global authority on workplace culture. The list is based on over one million survey responses across Asia and West Asia, representing the experience of over 4.7 million employees in the region.

### 8. Industrialist Swati Piramal Awarded Top French Honour

Swati Piramal, Vice Chairperson, Piramal Group has been conferred the Chevalier de la Lgion d'Honneur (Knight of the Legion of Honour). The highest French civilian award comes in recognition of Piramal's outstanding achievements and contribution in the fields of business and industry, science, medicine, art and culture, both nationally and internationally. She was earlier honoured with Padma Shri by the government of India in 2012.

### 9. Gates Foundation Honours Four Leaders With 2022 Goalkeepers Global Awards

India's Radhika Batra, Zahra Joya of Afghanistan, Vanessa Nakate of Uganda and EU chief Ursula von der Leyen have been honoured by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for their extraordinary work towards achieving the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

### 10. Author-poet Meena Kandasamy wins the German PEN award

Indian activist-author-poet Meena Kandasamy has been announced as the recipient of the Hermann Kesten Award 2022, which is given by the PEN Centre in Darmstadt, Germany. The award is given to Kandasamy in honour and recognition of her support for the rights of victimized writers.

### 11. President Draupadi Murmu confers NSS Awards 2020-21 at Rashtrapati Bhawan

President Droupadi Murmu conferred the National Service Scheme NSS Awards for the year 2020-21 today, September 24 at Rashtrapati Bhavan. A total of forty-two Awards were given. Two Universities, ten NSS Units, their Programme Officers, and 30 NSS Volunteers received the awards. NSS is a Centrally Sector Scheme that was launched in the year 1969 Motto of NSS is 'NOT ME, BUT YOU ' '.

### 12. Kerala wins award for being one of the best performing States for AB-PMJAY

Union Health Minister awarded the Ayushman Utkrishtata Puraskaar (Ayushman Excellence Awards) 2022 to felicitate the Top Performing State/UT (Andhra Pradesh), Top Performing District (Parvathipuram Manyam, Andhra Pradesh), Top Performing Government Facility (District Hospital Dharwad, Karnataka).

### 13. RINL bags prestigious National Energy Leader Award for the fourth time consecutively

RINL has been awarded National Energy Leader Award for the fourth time consecutively and the Excellent Energy Efficient Unit Award for the sixth time in a row from 2017 onwards from the Confederation of Indian Industry Godrej Green Business Centre. It is a rare achievement in any Integrated Steel Plant and PSU to win National Energy Leader Award Continuously for four years. Sri. Atul Bhatt: CMD, RINL.

### 14. Indian-origin minister Suella Braverman wins first Queen Elizabeth II award

Britain's Indian-origin Home Secretary Suella Braverman has been named winner of the first-ever Queen Elizabeth II Woman of the Year award at a ceremony in London. The 42-year-old barrister, who was appointed to the Cabinet earlier this month by British Prime Minister Liz Truss.

### 15. Women's rights activist Srishti Bakshi wins 'Changemaker' award at UN SDG Action Awards

A women's rights activist from India, who traveled 3,800km through the length of the country in less than a year to raise awareness on gender-based violence and inequality, has won a prestigious honour at the UN SDG Action Awards.

The winners were announced at a ceremony in Bonn, Germany, at the conclusion of the Global Week to #Act4SDGs.

### 16. Uttarakhand awarded for adventure tourism & all round development of tourism

On the occasion of World Tourism Day, Uttarakhand received the first prize in two categories, for the best adventure tourism destination and all-around development of tourism from the Ministry of Tourism. The State's Tourism and Culture minister Satpal Maharaj received the awards from Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar during the presentation of National Tourism Awards 2018-19



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## Ranks & Reports

### 1. Deaths by suicide at their highest rate in 2021: NCRB report 2021

Last year, 1.64 lakh persons died by suicide, an increase of 7.2% from 2020 when 1.53 lakh persons had killed themselves.

In 2021, the rate of suicide ' the number of death due to suicides per one lakh population ' stood at 12. These findings are from Accidental Deaths & Suicides in India (ADSI) and Crime in India (CII) reports for 2021.

Maharashtra has reported the highest number of deaths by suicide (22,207).

### 2. Cybercrime against women up 28% since 2019, Karnataka's share highest: NCRB

The number of cybercrime incidents in 2021 has gone up by 18.4% since 2019, but the number of such cases against women has risen at a significantly steeper 28%, data released by the National Crime Records Bureau showed.

Karnataka had the highest share with 2,243 cases in 2021, followed by Maharashtra with 1,697, and Uttar Pradesh with 958 cases.

### 3. Crime against kids- a third still under POCSO: NCRB data

The latest report released by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) shows that 1,49,404 cases of crime against children were registered in 2021 of which 53,874 ' 36.05 per cent ' were under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO).

The largest number of cases registered under POCSO in 2021 was in UP (7,129) followed by Maharashtra (6,200).

### 4. LIC out of top 10 most valued firms, replaced by Bajaj Finance, Adani Transmission

LIC lost its spot on the list of India's 10 most valued companies by market capitalisation to Bajaj Finance and Adani Transmission.

LIC now ranks eleventh. The top 10 most valued firms of India now are Reliance Industries, Tata Consultancy Services, HDFC Bank, Infosys, Hindustan Unilever, ICICI Bank, State Bank of India, HDFC, Bajaj Finance, and Adani Transmission.

Bajaj Finance and Adani Transmission both have a market cap of Rs 4.4 trillion each.

### 5. UPI clocks 657 crore transactions in August, totalling Rs 10.73 lakh crore

The value of UPI-based digital payments in August 2022 crossed Rs 10.73 lakh crore, which is marginally higher than Rs 10.63 lakh crore clocked in July month of the same year, according to the latest data from the National Payments Corporation of India (NCPI).

The number of Aadhaar-based 'AePS' transactions declined to 10.56 crore in August from 11 crores in July. The term AePS stands for Aadhaar Enabled Payments Systems.

### 6. Half of health care facilities globally lack basic hygiene services ' WHO, UNICEF

Half of health care facilities worldwide lack basic hygiene services with water & soap or alcohol-based hand rub where patients receive care and at toilets in these facilities, according to the latest Joint Monitoring Programme (JMP) report by WHO & UNICEF.

In the Least Developed Countries, only 53% of health care facilities have access on-premises to a protected water sources

### 7. Andhra Pradesh, Odisha Attract Maximum Industrial Investment In 2022

According to the Department for Promotion of Industries and Internal Trade (DPIIT) report, both states account for 45 per cent of the entire investment inflow in the country in 2022. Also, India's actual industrial investment for the first seven months stood at Rs 1,71,285 crore of which Andhra Pradesh topped the list with Rs 40,361 crore followed by Odisha with Rs 36,828

### 8. Modern slavery on the rise as crises fuel poverty: UN report

'The Global Estimates Of Modern Slavery', a report published by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), International Organisation for Migration (IOM) and international human rights group Walk Free, said 50 million people were living in modern slavery in 2021. Guy Ryder- ILO Director general Antonio Vitorino- IOM Director-General

### 9. Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park in Darjeeling recognised as best zoo in India

The Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park in West Bengal's Darjeeling has been adjudged the best zoo in the country, while Kolkata's Alipore Zoological Garden has secured the fourth position. Central Zoo Authority released the ranking list. rignar Anna Zoological Park in Chennai has secured the second position, Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Garden in Karnataka came third

The Red Panda is one of the top attractions of PNHZP

### 10. Annual report on Environment Sustainability 2020-21

Railways Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw releases Annual report on Environment Sustainability 2020-21. The annual report on Environment Sustainability 2020-21 is a comprehensive document highlighting the steps taken by Railways to promote green and clean energy. This report brings out Railways' effort towards net zero emission.

### 11. India Ranks Fourth On Global Crypto Adoption Index, Traders Switch To Overseas Exchanges

As India's crypto markets fell from second to fourth spot in the 2022 Global Crypto Adoption Index, crypto analysis firm Chainalysis said in a report. The index tracks countries adopting cryptocurrencies or investing in the digital assets. The study finds that India's crypto adoption at the grassroots level was higher than the US, ranked fifth on the index.

### 12. CRED, upGrad & Groww Take First 3 Spots in LinkedIn's List Of Top 25 Indian Startups

Fintech firms CRED and Groww, and edtech firm upGrad topped LinkedIn's list of top 25 Indian startups in India, the professional networking site said.

Zepto placed fourth, while car buying website Spinny placed seventh, closely followed by Ditto Insurance and health-focused startups Ultrahuman and Living Food. CEOs-CRED,upGrad,Groww: Kunal Shah,Srikanth Iyengar,Lalit Keshre



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## Important Days

### 1. National Teachers' Day : September 5

Every year, India celebrates Teachers' Day on September 5. This is done in honour of the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was the first Vice President of independent India. Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, also served as the President of India from 1962 to 1967 is was a renowned scholar, philosopher and recipient of the Bharat Ratna. October 5 is observed as World Teachers' Day.

### 2. International Day of Charity | 5 September

The International Day of Charity is observed on September 5, by the United Nations from 2012. The date of 5 September was chosen in order to commemorate the anniversary of the passing away of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 "for work undertaken in the struggle to overcome poverty and distress, which also constitute a threat to peace."

### 3. International Day of Clean Air for blue skies | 7 September

The third International Day of Clean Air for blue skies will be held on 7 September 2022, under the theme of 'The Air We Share'. It focuses on the transboundary nature of air pollution highlighting the need for collective accountability and collective action. On November 26, 2019, the Second Committee of the 74th session of the United Nations adopted the resolution.

### 4. International Literacy Day celebrated on September 8

Since 1967, International Literacy Day (ILD) celebrations have taken place annually around the world to remind the public of the importance of literacy as a matter of dignity and human rights, and to advance the literacy agenda towards a more literate and sustainable society.

### 5. International Day to Protect Education from Attack | 9 September

The International Day to Protect Education from Attack is marked to make people aware of how the protracted nature of conflicts today affects generation of children. The day was established by a unanimous decision of the UN General Assembly in 2020 calling on UNESCO and UNICEF to raise awareness of the plight of millions of children living in countries affected by conflict.

### 6. World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD), celebrated annually on 10 September

World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD), celebrated annually on 10 September, is organized by the International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and endorsed by the World Health Organization (WHO). The event represents a global commitment to focus attention on suicide prevention. The theme of WSPD 2022, is "Creating hope through action,".

### 7. United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation | 12 September

The United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation is observed annually on September 12 to highlight the importance of cooperation among people and countries in the global South. The day also aims at spreading awareness on the social, economic, and political developments made in the Southern region.

### 8. International Day of Democracy | 15 September

International Day of Democracy is celebrated every year on 15 September under a specific theme. The day is observed globally to mark the importance of democracy and create awareness among people about democratic rights. According to Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the right to freedom of expression is a fundamental human right.

### 9. World Lymphoma Awareness Day | 15 September

World Lymphoma Awareness Day is an annual event organised every year on 15th Sept to create awareness about the cancer of lymphatic system & educate people about the functionality of lymphatic systems, which consists of lymph nodes, spleen, thymus gland & bone marrow. Lymphoma is a common blood cancer that happens due to malfunctioning of white blood cells called lymphocyte

### 10. International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer | 16 September

September 16th marks the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer. In December 1994, the United Nations General Assembly designated September 16 International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, commemorating the date of the signing of the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, in 1987. 2022 theme by UNEP- 'Global Cooperation Protecting Life on Earth'

### 11. International NFT Day | September 20

With the rising popularity of non-fungible tokens (NFTs), September 20 is now getting observed as the international NFT day by the crypto community.

International NFT day celebrates the creation and use of NFTs. The term was coined by Dapper Labs Chief Technology Officer Dete Shirley in the form of the ERC-721 standard on the same day in 2017, marking its existence.

## **12. International Day of Sign Languages | 23 September**

International Day of Sign Languages is celebrated on 23 September every year with a new theme every year. Sign language is a common language that is quite different from spoken languages. It was on 19 December 2017 when United Nations General Assembly declared 23 September as the International Day of Sign Languages.

## **13. World Pharmacists Day on 25 September 2022**

"Pharmacy united in action for a healthier world" is the theme of World Pharmacists Day on 25 September 2022.

The World Pharmacists Day campaign is led by International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) every year and provides an opportunity to promote the pharmacy profession.

## **14. Antyodaya Divas | 25 September**

Every year, Antyodaya Diwas is celebrated in India on September 25 to mark the birth anniversary of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya. In 2014, Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated the day in honour of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya. In 2014, the Ministry of Rural Development relaunched its existing skill development programme called the Aajeevika Skills as the NRLM. It was later renamed Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana- NRLM in November 2015.

## **15. World Lung Day 2022 | 25 September**

Every year, World Lung Day is celebrated on September 25 to advocate lung health and spread awareness. Lung disease is any problem that arises in the lungs and prevents it from working properly. Lung disease is divided into three main types - airway diseases, lung tissue diseases and lung circulation diseases.

World Lung Day 2022 theme: Lung Health for All

## **16. International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons | 26 September**

To raise public awareness about nuclear weapons, the UNGA, in 2009, declared August 29 as the International Day against Nuclear Tests. Then, in December 2013, the UNGA declared September 26 as the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons to mark the high-level UNGA meeting on nuclear disarmament on September 26 that year.

## **17. World Environmental Health Day | 26 September**

The International Federation of Environmental Health founded the World Environmental Health Day at a meeting in Indonesia on 26 September, 2011. IFEH came into existence in 1986, and its headquarters is in London. It has 44 member states, and it was formed with an intention to raise awareness about the environment's health. Theme-'Strengthening Environmental Health Systems for the implementation of the SDG's"

## **18. World Tourism Day | 27 September**

The World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) started the World Tourism Day in 1979. The celebrations for the same officially began in 1980. It is celebrated on 27 September every year because the date marks the anniversary of the adoption of the Statutes of UNWTO. The official celebration of the 42nd year event in 2022 is scheduled to be held in Bali, Indonesia. The theme for 2022 is 'Rethinking Tourism'

## **19. International Day for Universal Access to Information | 28 September**

The UNESCO, on 17 November 2015, declared that International Day for Universal Access to Information will be observed on September 28, every year. Several organizations and governmental bodies adhered to the declaration by UNESCO. Further, the UN General Assembly also decided to declare September 28 as the International Day for Universal Access of Information (IDUAI).

## **20. World Rabies Day 2022 | 28 September**

World Rabies Day is marked annually to raise awareness about rabies and its prevention. In addition to this, the day also highlights the process of defeating this lethal disease to eradicate it completely. It was French chemist and microbiologist, Louis Pasteur, who developed the first-ever vaccination for treating rabies. The first World Rabies Day campaign took place 2007. This year's World Rabies Day theme is: 'One Health, Zero Death'

## **21. International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste Reduction | 29 September**

On December 19 2019, the UN General Assembly designated September 29 as the International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste. The UNGA recognised that the observance of the International Day would contribute significantly in raising awareness about reducing food loss and waste. The Food and Nutrition Organization of the UN and the UNEP collaborate to observe the day. Theme-'Stop Food Loss and Waste! For People and Planet'

## **22. World Maritime Day 2022 | 29 September**

World Maritime Day is observed every year on the last Thursday of every September. It was in 1948 that the International Maritime Organization (IMO) was founded to look after the business and operations in the

shipping sector. The first World Maritime Day was celebrated on 17 March 1978 to celebrate the establishment of the IMO Convention. The theme for world maritime day 2022 is 'New technologies for greener shipping'.

### 23. International Translation Day | 30 September

The International Translation day came into being after the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution on May 24, 2017. The resolution was signed by eleven countries after recognising the importance of the role of language professionals and September 30 was chosen to pay tribute to them as it also coincides with the feast of the Bible translator, St. Jerome. The theme for International Translation day 2022 is "A World without Barriers."

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## Summit & Conferences

### 1. CERT-In conducts exercise Cyber Security Exercise 'Synergy'

Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) under the Ministry of Electronics and IT, in collaboration with the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore successfully designed and conducted the Cyber Security Exercise 'Synergy' for 13 Countries.

It was a part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group. The theme of the exercise was 'Building Network Resiliency to counter Ransomware Attacks'

### 2. Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister lead official delegation to attend Gastech Milan-2022

Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri will lead an delegation to Milan, Italy to attend the Gastech Milan-2022. Gastech, the World's largest gathering focussed on LNG as an abated bridge fuel will bring together leading Ministers and CEOs to discuss the evolving energy landscape, assess post-pandemic economic recovery and navigate a route energy transition.

### 3. Cyber Crime Investigation and Intelligence Summit-2022 being organised by Madhya Pradesh

Madhya Pradesh Police through State Cyber Police and Parimal Labs in partnership with Softclicks Foundation, Cleartel Technology and UNICEF organized India's largest Knowledge Sharing, Thought Leadership, Cyber Crime Investigation and Intelligence Summit (CIIS 2022) September 12 to 22, 2022. The event is being organized in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

### 4. PM Modi addresses National Conference of Environment Ministers says, New India emerging fast as leader in sustainable solutions

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the National Conference of Environment Ministers of all states in Gujarat. He said, from International Solar Alliance to LiFE movement, India is leading the charge. Mr. Modi said, New India is progressing with a new approach and new thinking.



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## Science & Technology

### 1. India's first vaccine against cervical cancer, Cervavac, launched by Jitendra Singh

In a first, India to get its first vaccine against cervical cancer on September 1.

The cervical cancer vaccine, Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus vaccine (qHPV), is developed by the Serum Institute of India (SII) and the Department of Biotechnology (DBT).

It will be launched by the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology Jitendra Singh

According to WHO, 41, 91,000 women have died due to cervical cancer in India since 2019.

### 2. Indian Railways set up 'Meghdoot' machines at Mumbai stations

Indian Railways have set up 'Meghdoot' machines at Dadar, Thane and other stations of Mumbai Division. Maithri Aquatech's MEGHDOOT ' AWG (Atmospheric Water Generator) uses innovative technology to convert water vapour in the air into fresh and clean drinking water.

Meghdoot machines are research-driven and it does not need source water.

### 3. NASA captures 1st direct image of exoplanet outside our solar system

For the first time, astronomers have used NASA's James Webb Space Telescope to take a direct image of a planet outside our solar system. The exoplanet called 'HIP 65426 b' is a gas giant, meaning it has no rocky surface and could not be habitable. The exoplanet is about 6 to 12 times the mass of Jupiter, and these observations could help narrow that down even further.

### 4. India's first-ever "Night Sky Sanctuary" to be set up in Ladakh

In a unique and first-of-its-kind initiative, the Department of Science & Technology (DST), Govt of India, has undertaken to set up India's first-ever "Night Sky Sanctuary" in Ladakh as a part of Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary. It will boost Astro tourism in India and will be one of the world's highest-located sites for optical, infra-red, and gamma-ray telescopes.

### 5. Kinetic to launch Luna in electric avatar, expands capacity with new plant

Luna, the country's first eponymous brand that gave wings to urban India in the 1970s, is making a comeback in an electric avatar. Luna joins the other popular two-wheeler brands of the licence era-the Chetak and the Lambretta -which are making a return in the modern electric version, even as they retain part of their retro design.

### 6. Govt launches diabetes drug Sitagliptin, its combinations at Rs 60 per pack

The government launched diabetes drug Sitagliptin and its combinations at rates as low as Rs 60 per pack of ten, which will be sold at generic pharmacy stores, Janaushadhi Kendras. The Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India (PMBI) has included new variants of Sitagliptin and its combination across its Jan Aushdhi Kendras PMBI Chief Executive Officer - Ravi Dadhich

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## Defence

### 1. Indian Navy to get a new ensign; 4th change since 1950

The Indian Navy will get a new ensign ' the flag that is hoisted atop all Naval warships, ground stations and naval air bases.

It would be unveiled by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on September 2 when the first indigenous aircraft carrier Vikrant is commissioned at the Cochin Shipyard Limited Kochi, Kerala.

The one adopted in 2014 is the current ensign of the Navy.

### 2. Indian Army Contingent Participates in Exercise Vostok- 2022 at Sergeyevsky, East Military District Russia

An Indian Army contingent of troops from 7/8 Gorkha Rifles is in Russia to participate in the multilateral strategic and command Exercise Vostok ' 2022. for the next seven days (Sept 1-7, 2022) at the training grounds of the Eastern Military District of Russia they will be undertaking joint manoeuvres.

### 3. PM Modi unveils new Naval Ensign 'Nishaan' at Cochin Shipyard in Kochi

PM Narendra Modi unveiled the new Naval Ensign 'Nishaan' at Cochin Shipyard Limited in Kochi, doing away with the colonial past and befitting the rich Indian maritime heritage. Naval Ensigns are flags that naval ships or formations bear to denote nationality. The current Indian Naval Ensign consists of a St. George's Cross -- a red cross with white background.

### 4. DRDO & Indian Army successfully conduct six flight-tests of Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile system off Odisha coast

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and Indian Army have successfully completed six flight-tests of Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile (QRSAM) system from Integrated Test Range (ITR) Chandipur off the Odisha coast. The flight tests were conducted as part of evaluation trials by the Indian Army.

### 5. Indian Navy's Nilgiri-class stealth frigate Taragiri to be launched

Indian Navy's indigenously designed Nilgiri-class stealth guided missile frigate Taragiri will launched today in Mumbai. The frigate Taragiri has been built by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL) for the Indian Navy. Taragiri, a 149-metre-long and 17.8-metre-wide ship is propelled by a combination of two gas turbines and two main diesel engines.

### 6. INS Satpura & P8I Maritime Patrol Aircraft to Participate in Multinational Naval Ex Kakadu hosted by Royal Australian Navy

INS Satpura and P8I Maritime Patrol Aircraft arrive in Darwin in Australia to Participate in Multinational Naval Ex Kakadu hosted by the Royal Australian Navy. The two-week-long Exercise, both in harbour and sea, involves ships and maritime aircraft from 14 Navies. The ship's crew will engage in operational planning interactions and sports activities with participating Navies

### 7. Early Intervention Centre "Prayas" inaugurated at Army Hospital (R&R)

To alleviate the suffering and instil confidence in parents in dealing with differently abled children a model "Early Intervention Centre- Prayas" has been established at Army Hospital (Research & Referral). The "Early Intervention Centre" is a comprehensive state-of-the-art facility which is dedicated to the children with special needs. The Centre was inaugurated by Archana Pande, President, Army Wives Welfare Association.

### 8. Indian war vessel INS Tarkash takes part in Joint Maritime Exercise with Nigerian Navy

Indian Navy warship INS Tarkash which is currently mission deployed in the Gulf of Guinea (GoG), took part in a Joint Maritime Exercise with Nigerian Navy Patrol Ships, according to a statement by Indian Navy. The exercise marked India and Nigeria's first joint operational deployment in support of anti-piracy operations in the GoG.

### 9. Indian Navy decommissions INS Ajay after 32 years of glorious service

The ceremony was conducted at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai in the traditional manner, wherein the national flag, naval ensign and the decommissioning pennant of the ship were lowered for the last time at sunset, signifying the end of the ship's commissioned service

INS Ajay was commissioned on January 24, 1990 at Poti, Georgia in the erstwhile USSR.

### 10. Indian, US Coast Guards hold joint drill 'Abhyas'

Coast Guards from India and America conducted joint exercise Abhyas off the coast of the southern Indian city of Chennai. Joint exercise 'Abhyas-01/22' marked the culmination of the four-day goodwill visit of the US Coast Guard ship Midgett to Chennai. The focus of the exercise was to familiarise the personnel of Coast Guards of both the nations with each other's capabilities



## 11. INS Sunayna enters Port Victoria Seychelles to participate in annual training exercise Operation Southern Readiness

The INS Sunayna entered Port Victoria Seychelles to participate in the annual training exercise Operation Southern Readiness of Combined Maritime Forces. This marks the maiden participation of an Indian Navy ship in Combined Maritime Forces exercise. The joint training exercise is being attended by representative from India, the US, Italy, Australia, Canada, and New Zealand It also has ship participation from the UK and Spain.



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## Books & Authors

### 1. The book 'Divorce and Democracy: A History of Personal Law in Post-Independence India' launched

The book 'Divorce and Democracy: A History of Personal Law in Post-Independence India' talks about family law, religion, and gender politics in India.

Written by Saumya Saxena, British Academy Fellow at the faculty of History, University of Cambridge, the book talks about the Indian state's difficult dialogue with divorce, which reconciles largely through religion.

### 2. Navtej Sarna's Crimson Spring, that centres around the Jallianwalla Bagh massacre, is a masterclass in writing

Navtej Sarna's latest book, Crimson Spring, longlisted for the JCB Prize for Literature, starts with the Jallianwalla Bagh massacre that took place on April 13, 1919, and goes back and forth in time to bring that era and the aftermath of the event alive.

### 3. Book titled 'Forging Mettle : Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story' by Pavan C. Lall

Pavan C. Lall has authored the book 'Forging Mettle : Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story'. Forging Mettle: Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story by Pavan C. Lall is a unique story of how a business built with ethics, social and environmental concern at the core of its values can indeed be profitable and sustainable. Pavan C. Lall is a Mumbai-based author and journalist

### 4. Former President Ram Nath Kovind releases book titled 'Ambedkar and Modi: Reformer's Ideas Performer's Implementation'

Former President Ram Nath Kovind released a book titled Ambedkar and Modi: Reformer's Ideas Performer's Implementation in New Delhi today. The book illustrates life, works and achievements of Dr. B.R Ambedkar. It presents a convergence between the ideals of Dr. Ambedkar and New India's development journey.

### 5. Vice President releases book "Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay- Jeevan Darshan Aur Samsamyikta"

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar released a book titled "Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay - Jeevan Darshan Aur Samsamyikta" in a programme in New Delhi. He also highlighted the relevance of Pandit Deendayal's thoughts in contemporary times.



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## Miscellaneous

### 1. 'Nua Khai' festival celebrated in Odisha

In this festival, celebrated particularly in western odisha, the new rice of the season is offered to the deities even before the crop is harvested. People take the 'new rice' so offered to the goddess as 'Prasad', thereby symbolising their gratitude to the divine for blessing them with 'Anna' or food. The festival is being celebrated on 1 September, 2022.

### 2. Canadian city Markham names street after AR Rahman, composer says he is 'grateful'

After Markham, a city in Canada, honoured AR Rahman by naming a street in his honour, the celebrated music composer said he now feels more responsible to keep working hard and inspiring people.

Rahman, who completed three decades in the Indian film industry earlier this month, penned a note of gratitude for the authorities of Markham in Ontario, Canada on Twitter.

### 3. Indian FMCG company Pintola ropes in Sunil Chhetri as brand ambassador

Homegrown superfood brand Pintola has signed Sunil Chhetri, the captain of the Indian Football team, as the face of its nut butter brand in a multi-year. This is going to be Chhetri's first ever collaboration with a FMCG brand in the country. Launched in 2012, Pintola has become one of the leading nut butters' brand in the country, offering a wide array of nut butter range.

### 4. President Droupadi Murmu nominates Gulam Ali Gurjar Muslim from J&K to Rajya Sabha

President Droupadi Murmu has nominated Gulam Ali, a Gurjar Muslim from Jammu and Kashmir, to Rajya Sabha. Mr Ali has been nominated to the Upper House on the recommendation of the Central government. This is perhaps for the first time a Gurjar Muslim from the region has been sent to the Rajya Sabha as a nominated member.

### 5. PM Modi to launch Cheetah re-introduction project on September 17

Narendra Modi will launch the Cheetah re-introduction project on the 17th September. Disclosing this at the inaugural meeting of the national conference for the Zoo Directors being held in Odisha capital Bhubaneswar, the Union Minister for the environment, forest and climate change Bhupender Yadav said that Cheetah will be brought from Namibia for the purpose.

### 6. KRITAGYA 3.0: A National level Hackathon on crop improvement.

Indian Council of Agricultural Research with its National Agricultural Higher Education Project and Crop Science Division is organizing Hackathon 3.0 'KRITAGYA' on promoting 'speed breeding for crop improvement'. This will provide an opportunity for Students and others to showcase innovative approaches and technology solutions to promote innovation for crop improvement.



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## Obituary

### 1. Mikhail Gorbachev, reformer who changed Russia and the world, dies at 91

Mikhail Gorbachev, the former Soviet leader who brought the Cold War to a peaceful end, has died aged 91.

Mr Gorbachev took power in 1985 and introduced reforms, as well as opening up the Soviet Union to the world.

But he was unable to prevent the slow collapse of the union.

He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1990.

### 2. Karnataka minister Umesh Katti passes away

Karnataka Minister of Forests Umesh Katti passed away after he suffered a heart attack. Umesh Katti was handling two portfolios in the Basavaraj Bommai government: Forest and Food and Civil Supply. Umesh Katti, was an eight-time MLA from Hukkeri assembly constituency.

### 3. Legendary artist Ram Chandra Manjhi passes away

In Bihar, the doyen of Bhojpuri folk theatre art 'Launda Naach' and legendary artist Ram Chandra Manjhi passed away. 97-year old Manjhi breathed his last in a hospital in Patna.

He was born in a family of weaker section of society in a riverine village Tujarpur in the Nagra block of Saran district in Bihar.

### 4. KN Singh, the Chief Justice of India with the shortest tenure, passes away

Former Chief Justice of India Kamal Narain Singh passed away.

Justice Narain had a tenure of only 17 days as the CJI, making him the chief justice with the shortest tenure. He was the 22nd Chief Justice of India, with a term from November 25, 1991 to December 12, 1991.

### 5. Comedian Raju Srivastava Passes Away At The Age Of 58

Popular comedian Raju Srivastava, who had been admitted to the All India Institute of Medical Sciences in the Capital, about six weeks ago, passed away.



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## Person in news

### 1. Gautam Adani becomes world's third-richest person, first Asian to do so

Gautam Adani became the first Asian to reach the top 3 richest list on Bloomberg Billionaire's Index. At a total wealth of \$137 billion, Adani surpassed Louis Vuitton chief Bernard Arnault to become the third richest person in world.

Elon Musk retained the top spot with his net-worth touching \$251.4 billion, followed by Jeff Bezos (\$153.4 Billion).

### 2. Bangladesh Cricketer Mushfiqur Rahim Announces Retirement From T20Is

Bangladesh wicketkeeper Mushfiqur Rahim announced his retirement from T20 internationals.

Mushfiqur has represented Bangladesh in 102 T20Is, amassing 1500 runs at an average of 19.23.

### 3. Suresh Raina announces retirement from all forms of Cricket

Former India cricketer Suresh Raina has announced his retirement from all forms of Cricket.

Earlier in 2020, Raina had announced his retirement from international cricket. His announcement had come in less than an hour after MS Dhoni had announced retirement his on 15 August.

As an India player, Raina played 18 Tests, 226 ODIs and 78 T20s.

### 4. Economist Bibek Debroy appointed Chancellor of Pune's Deccan College

Economist and author Bibek Debroy has been appointed as the Chancellor of Pune's Deccan College Post Graduate and Research Institute.

Debroy, who is presently the chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (EAC-PM), will succeed well-known archaeologist AP Jamkhedkar. Deccan College Post Graduate and Research Institute is the third oldest in the country.

### 5. Robin Uthappa announces retirement from all forms of Indian cricket

Indian batter Robin Uthappa announced his retirement from all formats of the game. The Karnataka-born batter made his international debut against England at the Nehru Stadium in 2006. After playing over 50-plus international games and 205 matches in the Indian Premier League (IPL), The star batter also last played for the Chennai Super Kings (CSK) in IPL 2022.

### 6. Zerodha's Nikhil Kamath tops 'Hurun India 40 & under self-made rich list 2022'

Nikhil Kamath, the cofounder of Zerodha, topped the 'IIFL Wealth Hurun India 40 & Under Self-Made Rich List 2022' with a net worth of Rs 17,500 crore. Bhavish Aggarwal, the founder of Ola, came in second place (Rs 11,700 crore), and Divyank Turakhia of Media.net in third place (Rs 11,200 crore).



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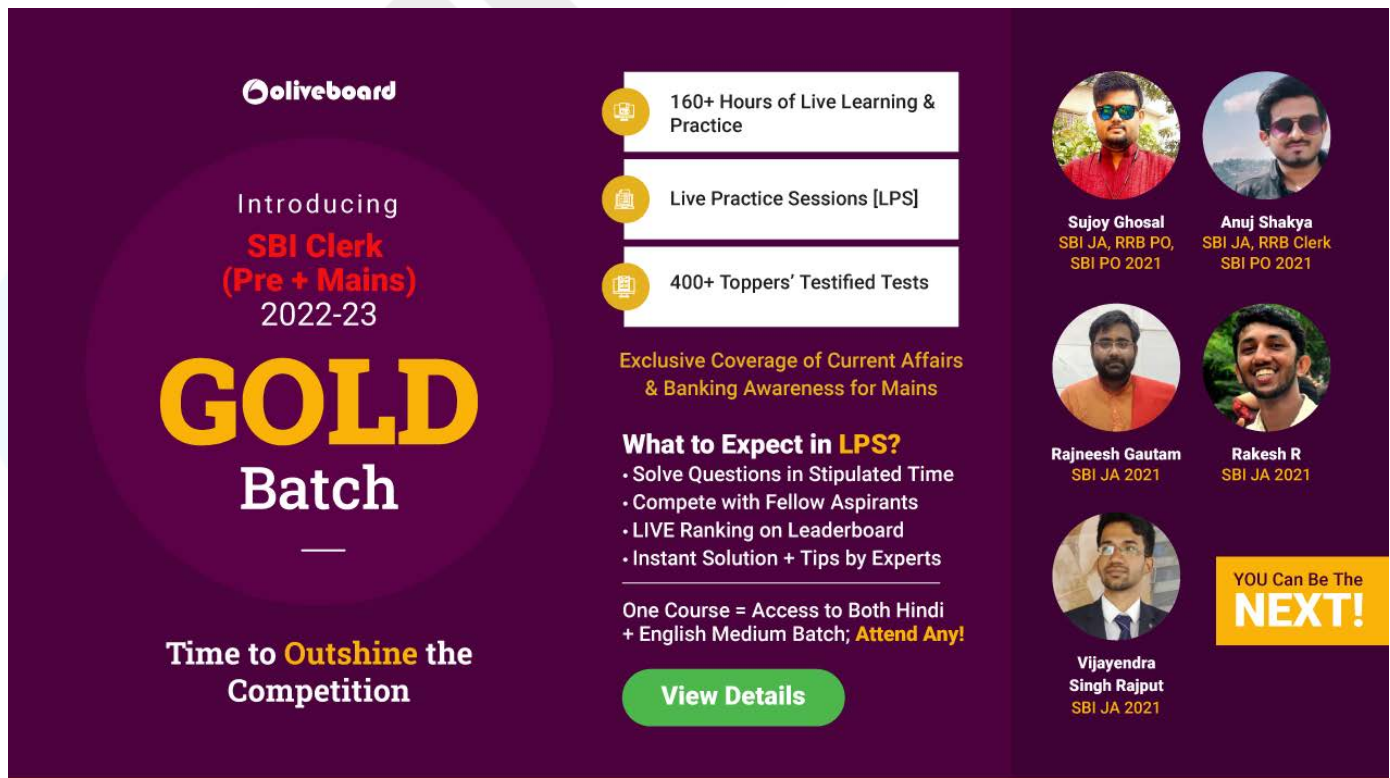
### 1. Reliance General Insurance partners with Paytm to offer customisable health cover

Reliance General Insurance has partnered with Paytm to offer Reliance Health Gain Policy, a customisable health insurance product, through the Paytm application. Reliance Health Gain Policy offers bouquet of 38 features and benefits, and gives customers the freedom to customise and personalise the policy as per their needs. The policy offers three plans' Plus, Power and Prime

### 2. Piramal Financial, Zurich Insurance to form partnership for Reliance General Insurance Company

Piramal Financial and Zurich Insurance, who have submitted separate bids for the general insurance business of Reliance Capital, have decided to form an equal partnership to bid for the Reliance General Insurance.

According to sources, both Piramal and Zurich will hold 50 per cent each in the proposed joint venture company. Jairam Sridharan is the MD of Piramal Capital & Housing Finance



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## India & World

### 1. IndiGo joins WEF's sustainable initiative

The country's largest carrier IndiGo has joined a sustainable initiative spearheaded by the World Economic Forum (WEF). The airline has become a signatory to the Clear Skies for Tomorrow, India Coalition campaign.

It will help in achieving a significant scale for SAF (Sustainable Aviation Fuel). Clean Skies for Tomorrow was launched in January 2019.

### 2. Over 99% population breathes air exceeding WHO's PM2.5 guidelines: Report

Over 99% of India's population is breathing air that exceeds the World Health Organisation's health-based guidelines wrt PM2.5, a report by Greenpeace India.

According to the key findings in the report titled "Different Air Under One Sky", the greatest proportion of people living in India are exposed to PM2.5 concentrations more than five times the WHO guidelines

### 3. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh to embark on five-day visit to Mongolia, Japan

Giving push to strategic partnership with East Asian countries, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will pay an official visit to Mongolia from 05-07 September, 2022.

The upcoming visit by Raksha Mantri is the first ever visit by an Indian Defence Minister to Mongolia and will further consolidate the defence cooperation and strategic partnership between the two countries.

### 4. US issues highest number of student visas to Indians in 2022

The United States has issued a record of 82,000 student visas to Indians in 2022, the US Embassy in India said. As per the embassy, Indian students comprise nearly 20 percent of all international students studying in the United States. Apart from US, Indians has also received the largest share of UK study, work and visit visa in the UK. Nearly 118,000 Indian students.

### 5. India launches joint whitepaper on 'Urban Wastewater Scenario in India' with Denmark at World Water Congress and Exhibition 2022

India has launched a joint whitepaper on 'Urban Wastewater Scenario in India' with Denmark at World Water Congress and Exhibition 2022 in Copenhagen. Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat attended the event. The whitepaper aims at holistically capturing the current status of wastewater treatment in India and potential pathways for future treatment structures, etc.,

### 6. India, Singapore hold ministerial meeting; discuss fintech, regulatory cooperation

The Indian side was represented by finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman, external affairs minister S Jaishankar, and commerce and industry minister Piyush Goyal, while the Singapore delegation was led by its Deputy Prime Minister and finance minister Lawrence Wong.

### 7. India emerges as Sri Lanka's largest bilateral lender overtaking China

India has emerged as the largest bilateral lender for Sri Lanka, overtaking China. India has provided a total of 968 million US dollars in loans to the island nation in four months of 2022. In the past five years from 2017-2021, China has been the largest bilateral lender to Sri Lanka.

India's Permanent Representative to the UN, Ruchira Kamboj.

### 8. India defends its decision to ban rice, wheat exports at WTO

In May 2022, India restricted export of wheat to enhance domestic availability. This month, it also banned export of broken rice and imposed a 20 per cent export duty on non-Basmati rice except for parboiled rice to boost domestic supplies amid a fall in area under paddy crop in the current kharif season.

### 9. India calls for BRICS to work towards affordable scientific solutions for common challenges

Addressing the 10th BRICS meet of science and technology ministers, Sh. Jitendra Singh said there were several areas where the people in the BRICS nations directly benefited from 'our mutual cooperation such as establishment of a vaccine R&D centre, BRICS Network University, establishment of shared satellite constellation , and mutual recognition of pharma products'. Sh. Jitendra Singh: Union Science and Technology Minister.

## Apps & Portals

### 1. HM Amit Shah to launch 'CAPF eAwas' web-portal in New Delhi

Home Minister Amit Shah will launch the Central Armed Police Forces' eAwas web-portal in New Delhi. Ministry of Home Affairs said, increasing the Housing Satisfaction Ratio for CAPFs personnel is one of the priority areas of the Government. The web-portal will enable online registration and allotment of residential quarters to eligible personnel of CAPFs and Assam Rifles.

### 2. Online portal 'E-Baal Nidan' for redressal of grievances against violation of child rights revamped

The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, NCPCR has revamped online portal E-Baal Nidan for timebound redressal of grievances against violation of child rights. The new features include bifurcation of complaints based on the nature of the complaint into their subject matters like Juvenile Justice, POCSO, Labour and Education.

### 3. Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh launches "Swachhata" Portal for the Special Campaign 2.0

Minister launched exclusive "Swachhata" Portal for the Special Campaign 2.0, scheduled to begin on October 2. Developed by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) in the Union Ministry of Personnel, the Portal is dedicated to Swachhata and reducing pendency of work in Government offices.

### 4. Rural Development Ministry launches JALDOOT App in New Delhi

Rural Development Ministry has developed JALDOOT App to capture the water level of selected wells in a village across the country. The Jaldoot app will enable Gram Rojgar Sahayak to measure the water level of selected wells twice a year (pre-monsoon and post-monsoon). In every village, adequate number of measurement locations (2-3) shall need to be selected.



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## Acquisitions & Mergers

### 1. Competition Commission of India's recent approvals

CCI approved the merger of Aditya Marketing and Manufacturing Private Ltd into Umang Commercial Company Private Ltd.

CCI approved acquisition of 35.43% shares in Olam Agri Holdings Pte. Ltd. by Saudi based SALIC International Investment Company.

CCI approved the acquisition of app.7.49% shareholding in Aditya Birla Fashion and Retail Ltd by Caladium Investment Pte.Ltd.

### 2. Adobe to acquire design platform Figma for \$20 billion

Adobe announced will acquire design software firm Figma in a deal worth about \$20 billion in cash and stock.

Figma, founded in 2012, creates cloud-based design software that allows teams to collaborate in real time. It competes head-to-head with Adobe's XD program

The company was valued at \$10 billion in its last funding round in 2021.

### 3. Google Completes Mandiant Acquisition To 'Reinvent Security'

Google has announced that its proposed \$5.4 billion bid to buy cybersecurity firm Mandiant is now complete.

Moving forward, Mandiant will operate under the auspices of Google Cloud, though the Mandiant brand will live on.

Google Cloud and Mandiant will help organizations reinvent security to meet the requirements of our rapidly changing world. Google Cloud CEO Thomas Kurian.

### 4. SBI acquires 100 pc stake in SBI Global Factors

State Bank of India (SBI) said SBI Global Factors Ltd has become its 100 per cent subsidiary as the country's biggest lender has acquired about 14 per cent stake from other shareholders. SBI has acquired 13.82 per cent equity of existing shareholders. SBIGFL is a non-banking financial company. It provides domestic and export factoring services.

### 5. CCI Approves Jio Cinema OTT Merger With Viacom18 Media

The approval of the The Competition Commission of India (CCI) is required for deals that entail acquisition of shares, assets, control or voting rights if the involved parties have assets in excess of INR 2,000 Cr in India or a turnover in excess of INR 6,000 Cr. This is strictly to ensure the prevention of unfair trade practices in the business.

### 6. Mahindra Logistics acquires B2B express business of Rivigo

Mahindra Logistics announced the acquisition of the B2B express business of Gurugram-based logistics firm Rivigo Services, which will help the company accelerate its capabilities in this space. Mahindra Logistics Ltd (MLL) will acquire the express business through a business transfer agreement (BTA), including the customers, team and assets of Rivigo's B2B express business.

## Agri-Business

### 1. India's APEDA exports first consignment of plant-based meat products from Gujarat to US

India has exported the first consignment of plant-based meat products from Nadiad in the Kheda district of Gujarat to California in the United States. In a move to boost exports of unique agricultural processed food products, the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Authority facilitated the export of the first consignment under the Vegan Food category.

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## PSUs

### 1. NHPC ties up with PTC India for sale of power from upcoming Nepal projects

State-run NHPC has signed an MoU with power trading major PTC India Ltd for sale of power from upcoming the West Seti and Seti River-6 hydro power projects in Nepal.

PTC shall purchase the contracted capacity from NHPC from date of commercial operation of the projects for onward sale to the state utilities, discoms and bulk customers in india and neighboring countries.

### 2. REC accorded with 'Maharatna' company status

REC has been accorded with the status of a 'Maharatna' Central Public Sector Enterprise, thus giving REC greater operational and financial autonomy. An order to this effect was issued yesterday by the Department of Public Enterprises, under the Ministry of Finance. Incorporated in 1969, REC is an NBFC focusing on Power Sector Financing and Development across India. Vivek Kumar Dewangan- CMD, REC



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## States/UTs

### Andhra Pradesh

#### 1. Andhra Pradesh Maritime Board (APMB) working to bring in first ship to Ramayapatnam port by early 2024

Presently, the Ramayapatnam Port Development Corporation Limited (RPDCL) is a joint venture of Navayuga Engineering Company Limited (NECL) and Aurobindo Realty & Infrastructure Pvt. Ltd (AR & IPL). With regard to designs, the services of the world-renowned Netherlands-based engineering consulting firm Royal Haskoning DHV and IIT-Madras are being availed. APMB CEO S. Shan Mohan.

### Bihar

#### 1. Gayaji Dam: Bihar CM inaugurates India's longest rubber dam on Falgu river

Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar inaugurated India's longest rubber dam on Falgu river in Gaya, where lakhs of pilgrims from across the country and abroad arrive every year during the Pitripaksha Mela to pay homage to their ancestors, and a steel foot over bridge for the convenience of the visitors. The foundation stone of this scheme was laid on 23 September 2020.

### Gujarat

#### 1. Gujarat Govt announces first-ever Cinematic Tourism Policy in Ahmedabad

Gujarat government announced the first-ever Cinematic Tourism Policy in Ahmedabad. The policy will be effective for five years from 2022 to 2027. This scheme aims to promote cinematic tourism through the development of film infrastructure and the creation of attractive opportunities for cinema in Gujarat. It will also boost tourism activities in the State. Gujarat Chief Minister - Bhupendra Patel Gujarat Governor- Acharya Devvrat

#### 2. PM Modi lays foundation stone of world's first CNG terminal in Gujarat

Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of the world's first CNG terminal at Bhavnagar. The Foresight Group had signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB) for the development of the CNG Terminal in Gujarat during the Vibrant Gujarat Global Business Summit 2019.

### Karnataka

#### 1. Karnataka govt launches Global Startup Challenge 'VentuRISE'

The Karnataka government on Thursday launched the Global Startup Challenge 'VentuRISE' to recognise, reward, and support growth stage startups in manufacturing and sustainability-related sectors. "VentuRISE" is a part of the flagship event Global Investors Meet - "Invest Karnataka 2022" from November 2 to 4 at the Bangalore Palace. CM of Karnataka-S. R. Bommai Governor of Karnataka- Thawar Chand Gehlot

### Kerala

#### 1. PM Modi lays foundation stone of Kochi Metro Phase- II, inaugurates various projects in Railway sector in Kerala

Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for Phase-II stretch of the Kochi Metro rail project and the redevelopment of three railway stations in Kerala -- Ernakulam Junction, Ernakulam Town and Kollam.

The phase-II stretch of the Kochi Metro will be from JLN stadium to Infopark, having a length of 11.2 kilometres and covering 11 stations.

### Manipur

#### 1. Shumang Leela, the traditional form of theatre celebrated in All Manipur Shumang Leela Festival 2021-2022 in Imphal

The 50th All Manipur Shumang Leela Festival 2021-2022 kicked off at Iboyaima Shumang Leela Shanglen at Palace Compound in Imphal. Manipur Governor La Ganesan and Chief Minister N. Biren Singh attended the inaugural function. During the festival, the Governor also distributed medals to the winners of 49th All Manipur Shumang Leela Festival 2020-21.

### Meghalaya

#### 1. Meghalaya CM launches 'Residents Safety & Security' portal

Meghalaya chief minister Conrad K Sangma launched the online portal of the Meghalaya Residents Safety and Security Act (MRSSA) in state capital Shillong. The web-based system is first being rolled out in seven localities of Shillong- Nongrim Hills, Lapalang, Nongmynsong, Nongrah, Pohkseh, Riat Laban and Wahdienglieng.

## **Nagaland**

### **1. Nagaland holds its first ever Naga Mircha Festival at Seihama**

In a first of its kind in Nagaland, Naga Mircha (Naga King Chilli) Festival 2022 was organised at Seiyhama Village under Kohima district. The festival was sponsored by the Department of Horticulture. Naga Mircha was the first product to receive a GI tag from Nagaland. Naga Mircha is popularly known as Raja Mircha or the 'king chili'.

## **Odisha**

### **1. Odisha government launches Rs 270 crore rainwater harvesting scheme to improve groundwater table**

The Odisha State government is set to launch the Community Harnessing and Harvesting rainwater Artificially from Terrace to Aquifer (CHHATA) scheme that aims to reinvigorate groundwater resources and improve water table from next month. The new scheme was approved by the Cabinet last month. It will be implemented for a period of five years. Odisha Chief Minister- Naveen Patnaik Odisha Governor- Ganeshi Lal

## **Rajasthan**

### **1. Rajasthan launches 100-day job scheme for urban areas**

Rajasthan chief minister Ashok Gehlot launched the 'Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Scheme' to provide 100 days of employment in a year to families residing in urban areas. The new scheme was mirrored along the lines of MGNREGA, which was started during the UPA government's tenure for employment in rural areas across the country.

## **Tamil Nadu**

### **1. Pudhumai Penn scheme launched in Tamil Nadu for Girl Children**

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on September 5 launched the Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammaiyar Higher Education Assurance scheme titled 'Pudhumai Penn'. Pudhumai Penn scheme, girl students, who studied from Class V to Class XII in state government schools would be paid a monthly assistance of '1,000 till they complete their graduation or diploma.

### **2. India's first Dugong Conservation Reserve notified in Tamil Nadu**

Tamil Nadu notified the country's first 'Dugong Conservation Reserve' in Palk Bay covering the coastal waters of Thanjavur and Pudukottai districts with an area of 448 square kilometers. Dugongs are the largest herbivorous marine mammals in the world thriving primarily on seagrass beds, a major carbon sink of the oceans. Dugongs are protected under Schedule 1 of the Wild Life (Protection) Act, 1972.

## **Telangana**

### **1. Telangana's state festival Bathukamma off to a colourful start**

Bathukamma, that means 'Mother Goddess come Alive' is celebrated towards the end of monsoon and heralds the abundance that nature has to offer. The festival begins on the day of Mahalaya Amavasya, and is celebrated with much fanfare for nine days. Bathukamma is a vibrant, colourful floral festival celebrated with great gusto by the women in Telegana.

## **Tripura**

### **1. Tripura sets up five bio villages incorporated with renewable energy**

Tripura has been lauded for having the first modified bio-village in the country with the use of eco-friendly technology and assembling livestock, agri and agri-allied, aqua support and maximum use of non-renewable sources of energy. This is one of the five successful bio-village 2.0 conceptualised in Tripura Satyadeo Narain Arya- Governor of Tripura Manik Saha- Chief Minister of Tripura

## **Uttar Pradesh**

### **1. UP: Bhartaul becomes first village in state to have RO water in every household**

As part of the Adarsh Gram Panchayat initiative, Bhartaul village in Bareilly district has become the first village in the state to have RO water in every household.

The village is already established under 'Adarsh Gram Panchayat'. 4 RO plants have been installed to provide clean water to all. More plants will be set up. It will save people from water-borne diseases.

## **Andaman and Nicobar Island**

### **1. Andaman and Nicobar Islands become India's first Swachh Sujal Pradesh**

Union Jal Shakti Minister declared Andaman and Nicobar Islands as India's first Swachh Sujal Pradesh. Speaking at a function in Port Blair, he handed over the certificate to Lieutenant Governor Admiral DK Joshi.

On World Water Day, 22 March 2021, Andaman and Nicobar Islands was declared to have achieved 100% coverage of rural households with tap water connection. Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat.

## Delhi

### 1. Central government fixes maximum number of wards at 250 in MCD

Central government has fixed the maximum number of wards in the Municipal Corporation of Delhi at 250. 42 wards will be reserved for Scheduled Castes. Earlier, the total number of seats in the three MCDs was 272. In May this year, a notification was issued for the unification of three civic bodies of Delhi.

### 2. Delhi Police first force to make collection of forensic evidence mandatory

Delhi Police has become the first police force in the country to make collection of forensic evidence mandatory in crimes punishable by more than six years. Delhi Police Commissioner Sanjay Arora issued a 'standard order' to all police units. The recently released NCRB report showed a 40% increase in crimes against women in Delhi, the highest among all metropolitan cities

## Jammu and Kashmir

### 1. J&K govt declares Maharaja Hari Singh's birthday a public holiday

The Jammu and Kashmir government has decided to declare Maharaja Hari Singh's birth anniversary a public holiday.

The announcement was made by Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha.

Maharaja Hari Singh was instrumental in accession of J&K with the republic of India on 26 October in 1947.

Maharaja Hari Singh was the last Dogra king.

The birth anniversary of the visionary ruler falls on September 23.

## Ladakh

### 1. Lieutenant Governor RK Mathur inaugurates Ladakh Screenwriters Fair in Leh

Ladakh Lieutenant Governor RK Mathur virtually inaugurated a 5-day Ladakh Screenwriters Fair in Leh. Fundamentals of screenwriting, sketching the Character's arc, Writing for Documentary, Episode Writing, OTT and Marketing will be explained during the Fair.



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## Committees

### 1. Sebi rejigs panel on cyber security; expands to 6 members

Sebi has restructured its high-level panel on cyber security that suggests measures to safeguard the capital markets from such attacks. The committee, which has now six members, will be chaired by Navin Kumar Singh, DG at National Critical Information Infrastructure Protection Centre (NCIIPC). Madhabi Puri Buch chairperson of Sebi was first chair of this committee.

### 2. Government sets up Kirit Parikh committee to moderate gas prices

The government has set up a panel to review the formula that dictates the pricing of gas produced by companies like ONGC and Reliance as it looks to moderate the steep increase that producers would have otherwise got. The committee under former planning commission member Kirit S Parikh will suggest a "fair price to the end consumer"

### 3. Govt constitutes expert committee to examine and suggest appropriate measures to address regulatory and other issues

The government has constituted an expert committee to examine & suggest measures to address regulatory and other issues to enable scaling up investments by venture capital and private equity investment. The six-member panel will be headed by former SEBI chairman M Damodaran. The committee will suggest measures to further accelerates investment into start-ups & sunrise sector



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## Most Important CA

### 1. Tata Motors acquires full stake of the JV - Tata Marcopolo Motors

Tata Motors and Brazil's Marcopolo SA came together in 2006 to form a JV to manufacture low-floor air-conditioned and non air-conditioned buses in India. This JV was well known as Tata Motors Marcopolo Ltd. (TMML), in which Tata Motors had a 51 percent holding of the company and Marcopolo SA had 49 percent holding in the JV.

From August 29th 2022 TMML has become a wholly-owned subsidiary of Tata Motors.

### 2. National Nutrition Week 2022: 1st to 7th September

Each year, India celebrates National Nutrition Week (NNW) from September 1 to September 7.

Since 1982, the Indian government has been conducting National Nutrition Week to educate citizens about nutrition and urge them to lead healthy and sustainable lifestyles.

The theme for this year is 'Celebrate a World of Flavors'. NNW first observed in March 1975 by the American Dietetic Association.

### 3. Cabinet approves signing an MoU between India & Govt of Nepal on biodiversity conservation

The Union Cabinet has approved the proposal of the Environment, Forest, and Climate Change Ministry for signing an MoU with the Government of Nepal on biodiversity conservation.

It is aimed at strengthening and enhancing coordination and cooperation in the field of forests, wildlife, environment, biodiversity conservation, and climate change.

### 4. Kartik Aaryan-starrer 'Bhool Bhulaiyaa 2' is getting a comic book adaptation

Publisher Diamond Comics has partnered with the production houses T-Series and Cine1Studios to create this comic book for all young audiences. India's iconic comic book distributor is known for creating famous characters such as Chacha Chaudhary, Motu Patlu, Billoo, and Pinki, among others.

The epic comic book will be based on Aaryan's character in the movie - Rooh Baba.

### 5. Centre gives nod to Tejas Mark-2 development project

Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) approved the project to develop LCA Mark 2 multirole fighter jet, a more capable and powerful version of the indigenous aircraft.

The fighter jet will be developed at a cost of over Rs 6,500 crore, in addition to the Rs 2,500 crore previously sanctioned for it. Aeronautical Development Agency chief :Girish Deodhare.

### 6. Govt gives nod to 3 states to set up bulk drug parks to boost pharma production

The Department of Pharmaceuticals has given 'in-principle' approval to the proposals of the three states -- Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh---under the Scheme for 'Promotion of Bulk Drug Parks', an initiative to support drugs manufacturing in the country.

The scheme, notified in 2020 has a financial outlay of Rs 3,000 crores. The Indian pharmaceutical industry is the third largest in the world by volume.

### 7. Laxman Narasimhan steps down as Reckitt Benckiser CEO; Nicandro Durante to take charge

Reckitt Benckiser Group plc ("Reckitt") announced that its CEO, Laxman Narasimhan will step down as Chief Executive Officer on September 30, 2022.

Laxman will be replaced by Nicandro Durante, current Senior Independent Director, who will step into the role of CEO.

Chris Sinclair: CHAIRMAN OF RECKITT.

### 8. 2022 Ramon Magsaysay Award recipients named

Bernadette J. Madrid, a children's rights advocate from the **Philippines**, Sotheara Chhim, a mental health advocate from **Cambodia**; Gary Benchehib, an anti-plastic pollution warrior from **Indonesia**; and Tadashi Hattori, a sight-saving humanitarian from **Japan**.

Incepted in 1958, the Ramon Magsaysay Award is named after the late Philippine president.

### 9. Rashtriya Poshan Maah begins across India with key focus on 'Mahila aur Swasthya' and 'Bacha aur Shiksha'

Ministry of Women and Child Development will observe 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 across the nation from 1st till 30th Sept. This year, the objective of the Poshan Maah is to trigger Poshan Maah through Gram Panchayats as Poshan Panchayats with key focus on 'Mahila aur Swasthya' and 'Bacha aur Shiksha'. This serves as a platform to bring focus of nutrition and good health

### 10. UGC to launch 'e-Samadhan' portal for resolving grievances of students and staff

The University Grants Commission(UGC) is all set to launch its new centralised portal called 'e-Samadhan' to monitor and resolve all grievances of students and staff members in varsities. The portal will be the one-stop solution for all grievances; and all other existing portals and helplines will be merged with it except for



the anti-ragging helpline. UGC has a wide range of stakeholders which includes 1043 Universities, 42343 Colleges etc

#### **11. Kalyan Chaubey beats Bhaichung Bhutia to become AIFF president**

Kalyan Chaubey defeated Bhaichung Bhutia to become the All India Football Federation (AIFF) president. Chaubey, a former Mohun Bagan and East Bengal goalkeeper won 33-1 against former captain, Bhutia. This is the first time in the history of the Federation that a former player has become its President. N A Haris won the vice president post defeating Manvendra Singh. Shaji Prabhakaran appointed as the new AIFF Secretary General.

#### **12. Digitalisation of Rural Finance in India- Pilot for Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Lending developed by the Reserve Bank Innovation Hub**

The pilot will commence in September 2022 in select districts of Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu with Union Bank of India and Federal Bank, respectively, as partner banks and with active cooperation of the respective State governments.

The proposed digitalisation of the KCC lending process will make it more efficient, reduce costs for borrowers and reduce TAT significantly. Rajesh Bansal: Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of RBIH.

#### **13. Piyush Goyal to attend Indo-Pacific Economic Framework meet in US**

Commerce & Industry Minister Piyush Goyal will attend the first in-person Indo-Pacific Economic Framework (IPEF) Ministerial meeting with his counterparts from 13 other countries, including the US, Japan, Singapore & Australia, in Los Angeles on September 8-9.

He will also attend the India-US Strategic Partnership Forum conference during his US trip, from September 5 to 10.

#### **14. SBI Card launches 'CASHBACK SBI Card' with 5% cashback for customers**

SBI Card announced the launch of 'cashback SBI Card' that enables cardholders to earn 5% cashback on all online spending without any merchant restrictions.

As per a press statement, consumers across India, including those in tier 2 and 3 cities, can apply for 'cashback SBI Card' from the comfort of their homes through the digital application platform 'SBI Card SPRINT'.

Rama Mohan Rao Amara, MD & CEO, SBI Card.

#### **15. CERT-In conducts exercise 'Synergy' for 13 countries in collaboration with CSA Singapore**

Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) under Ministry of Electronics & IT, Government of India, in collaboration with Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA), successfully designed & conducted the cybersecurity exercise 'Synergy' for 13 countries as part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group.

International Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group, led by India.

#### **16. Barack Obama wins Emmy award for his narration in Netflix documentary**

The former President of the United States Barack Obama won Emmy Award for his narration in the Netflix documentary 'Our Great National Parks'. Obama already has two Grammys and is now halfway to an EGOT.

Dwight D Eisenhower was the first US President to win Emmy Award. He was given a special Emmy Award in 1956. Barack Obama is the second President to win the honor.

#### **17. Government of India approves year-long commemoration of the "Hyderabad Liberation Day"**

Ministry of Culture will organize the inaugural programme of the year-long commemoration of the Hyderabad Liberation Day, on 17th September 2022. The Government of India has approved the yearlong commemoration of the "Hyderabad Liberation Day" for the period 17th September, 2022 to 17th September, 2023. Maharashtra and Karnataka officially observe September 17 as the Liberation Day.

#### **18. S Krishnan appointed as the MD & CEO of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank**

The Tuticorin-based Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB) Ltd has announced the appointment of Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam as the Managing Director and CEO with effect from September 4, 2022 for three years, approved by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

The term of the incumbent MD & CEO, K V Rama Moorthy ended on September 3, 2022.

#### **19. Blue Energy Motors opens India's first LNG truck plant**

Blue Energy Motors inaugurated India's first Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) fuelled green truck manufacturing plant at Chakan, Pune. The facility was inaugurated by Nitin Gadkari, Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways.

The company has signed an agreement with FPT Industrial, the global powertrain brand of Iveco Group, Italy to introduce the first LNG trucks. Anirudh Bhuwalka, CEO, Blue Energy Motors.

## **20. Cyrus Mistry, former Tata Group chairman, passes away**

Former Tata Group chairman Cyrus Mistry died in a road accident on September 4.

Mistry was the chairman of Tata Group from 2012 to 2016. He had taken over as chairman in December post-Ratan Tata's retirement.

## **21. S Jaishankar launches Gujarati translation of his book "The India Way: Strategies for an Uncertain World"**

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar launched the Gujarati translation of his book, 'The India Way: Strategies for an Uncertain World' in Gujarat.

Prior to this, he visited the Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics (BISAG-N) in Gandhinagar.

## **22. First Homoeopathy International Health Summit held in Dubai**

The summit aimed to educate and promote a homoeopathic system of medicine, drugs, and practices.

The summit was organised by Burnett Homoeopathy Pvt Limited which deals with homoeopathic dilutions, mother tincture, lower trituration tablets, proprietary medicines such as drops, syrups, skincare, haircare, and various other homoeopathic medicines. CMD of Burnett Homoeopathy Pvt Ltd, Dr Nitish Chandra Dubey.

## **23. POSCO, Greenko Collaborate to Produce Green Hydrogen, Ammonia in India**

South Korean steel-maker POSCO signed MoU with ZeroC, a subsidiary of renewable energy company Greenko to make green hydrogen, and to jointly pursue opportunities in renewables, and other derivatives of green hydrogen.

Green ammonia is used to store energy and in fertilizer manufacturing. India has set a target to produce 5 million tonnes (mt) of green hydrogen by 2030. Anil Kumar Chalamalasetty, CEO and Managing Director at Greenko.

## **24. IIT Madras partners with Inspire Institute of Sports to develop advanced boxing analytics software**

Indian Institute of Technology Madras researchers along with Inspire Institute of Sports (IIS) in Bellary, Karnataka, are developing a cost-effective boxing analytics platform 'Smartboxer' to increase India's boxing medal tally at the 2024 Olympics.

The research involves using IoT-based sensors and video cameras to provide analytics about player performance.

## **25. Industrialisation And Mechanisation Projects Worth Rs 3800 Crores Launched By PM Modi In Mangaluru**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of mechanisation and industrialisation projects worth around Rs 3,800 crores in Mangaluru.

PM Modi inaugurated the project worth over Rs 280 crore for mechanisation of Berth No.14 for handling containers and other cargo, undertaken by the New Mangalore Port Authority.

## **26. India may surpass Germany, Japan by 2029 to become world's 3rd largest economy: SBI report**

The SBI's Economic Research Department predicted that India would surpass Germany in 2027 and most likely Japan by 2029 at the current rate of growth and become the world's 3rd largest economy--a movement of 7 places upwards since 2014 when India was ranked 10th.

For Q1 FY 2022-23, India registered GDP growth at 13.5%.

## **27. Union Minister Amit Shah chaired the 30th Southern Zonal Council meeting in Thiruvananthapuram**

The Union Minister for Home and Cooperation, Amit Shah, chaired the 30th Southern Zonal Council meeting in Thiruvananthapuram. The meeting was attended by the Chief Ministers of Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, the Lieutenant Governors of Puducherry, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, the Administrator of Lakshadweep, Chief Secretaries of Southern Zonal Council States, Union Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan is the Vice Chairman of Southern Zonal Council.

## **28. NGT slaps Rs 3,500 cr penalty on WB govt for huge gap in waste management**

The National Green Tribunal has imposed a penalty of Rs 3,500 crore on the West Bengal government for the huge gap in solid and liquid waste generation and treatment. NGT Chairperson Justice AK Goel said it is the constitutional responsibility of the state and the local bodies to provide a pollution free environment. New Delhi is the Principal seat of Sitting of the Tribunal

## **29. Liz Truss elected UK PM, 3rd woman PM to hold UK reins**

Mary Elizabeth Truss, prominently referred to as Liz Truss was announced as the next prime minister of the United Kingdom, after she defeated rival Rishi Sunak in the Conservative Party leadership race.

Truss, 47, had emerged as a contender for the prime ministerial role after her predecessor Boris Johnson agreed to step down.

### **30. Indian GM Aravindh Chithambaram wins Dubai Open chess tournament**

Grandmaster Aravindh Chithambaram emerged champion in the 22nd Dubai Open chess tournament on Sunday, with 7.5 points as seven Indians finished in the top 10.

This is sixth overall, fifth individual triumph of the year out of the eight tournaments he played. The last tournament he played was over 1.5 months ago which he won at 41st Benasque Open 2022.

### **31. ISRO successfully demonstrates new technology with Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (IAD)**

An IAD developed by VSSC, has been successfully test flown in a Rohini sounding rocket from TERLS,Thumba.

The IAD has systematically reduced the velocity of the payload through aerodynamic drag and followed the predicted trajectory.

The IAD has huge potential in variety of space applications like recovery of spent stages of rocket, for landing payloads on to Mars or Venus. Dr. S. Unnikrishnan Nair: Director, Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), Trivandrum.

### **32. HAL-L&T Consortium Bags Rs 860 Crore Contract for PSLV**

HAL-L&T consortium bagged an Rs 860 crore contract for the end-to-end realisation of five Polar Satellite Launch Vehicles (PSLV) over a period of four years from the NewsSpace India Limited (NSIL).

The contract was exchanged today between HAL and NSIL during the inaugural session of the 7th Bengaluru Space Expo 2022 at the Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC). D Radhakrishnan, CMD, NSIL.

### **33. HDFC Bank, Precision selected by RBI for retail payments test phase**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) said two entities 'namely HDFC Bank (in partnership with Swedish firm Crunchfish AB) and Precision Biometric India Private Ltd.' have been selected for the 'test phase' of the 'On Tap' application facility for the theme 'Retail Payments' under regulatory Sandbox.

### **34. PM announces development and upgradation of 14,500 schools across country under PM-SHRI Yojana**

Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, on Monday, announced development and upgrade of 14,500 schools across India under the Pradhan Mantri Schools For Rising India (PM-SHRI) Yojana. The upgrade was announced on the occasion of Teacher's Day. The PM-SHRI schools will have a modern, transformational and holistic method of imparting education.

### **35. CCI clears PayU's \$4.7 billion BillDesk acquisition after a year**

After a year since PayU announced the acquisition of payment gateway provider BillDesk for \$4.7 billion, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) has finally allowed the 100 per cent of equity share capital of Indiaideas.com (BillDesk) by PayU Payments. BillDesk, founded in 2000, is an Indian success story and one of the leading payment businesses in the country.

### **36. IndusInd Bank, ADB partner for Rs560 crore deal to support supply chain financing**

IndusInd Bank has announced a strategic partnership with Asian Development Bank (ADB) to support and promote Supply Chain Finance (SCF) solutions in India. The Bank has entered into a partial guarantee programme with ADB with an initial outlay of USD 70 million (Rs560 crore), exclusively towards promoting Supply Chain Finance solutions in India.

### **37. India's external debt rises by 8.2 pc to over USD 620 bn till Mar 2022**

India's external debt grew by 8.2 per cent to over 620 billion US dollar at the end of March this year. The Union Finance Ministry's Department of economic Affairs has released the 28th edition of the Status Report on India's External Debt 2021-22. According to it, India's external debt was over 573 billion dollar at the end of March, last year.

### **38. Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat top states in implementing Poshan Abhiyaan scheme: NITI Aayog**

Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat have been ranked as the top three states among larger states in terms of the overall implementation of the Centre's flagship Poshan Abhiyaan, according to a Niti Aayog report. Sikkim was the best performer among the small states. The report was titled 'Preserving Progress on Nutrition in India: Poshan Abhiyan in Pandemic Times'

### **39. Seven MoUs signed between India, Bangladesh**

India-Bangladesh delegation level talks led by PM Narendra Modi & PM Sheikh Hasina commenced.

On the agenda are issues related to connectivity, energy, water resources, trade & investment, border management & security, development partnership and regional & multilateral matters.

PM Hasina was welcomed by Darshana Jardosh, Minister of State for Textiles and Railways. The official spokesperson of the Ministry of External Affairs : Arindam Bagchi.

#### **40. NITI Aayog & BMZ hold the inaugural Dialogue on Development Cooperation**

NITI Aayog and the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) held the inaugural NITI-BMZ Dialogue of Development Cooperation via video conferencing to lay down a pathway to strengthen mutual cooperation between the two countries, particularly to reconcile the imperatives of dealing with climate change with the goals of Agenda 2030. NITI Aayog Vice Chairman: Mr Suman Bery.

#### **41. Telangana recommends World Heritage tag for 2 megalithic sites**

After achieving the UNESCO World Heritage tag for the Kakatiya Rudreshwara temple (Ramappa temple), Telangana has proposed two monuments with architectural and astronomical magnificence for coveted recognition this year. Heritage Telangana has listed Niluvurallu in Mudumal village of Narayanpet district and Chaya Someshwaralayam as the sites that deserve due recognition.

#### **42. India's first intranasal COVID vaccine by Bharat Biotech gets DCGI approval**

Bharat Biotech's intranasal COVID-19 vaccine candidate has been approved by the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI), Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said. This is India's first intra-nasal COVID-19 vaccine which will be used for primary immunization against COVID-19 in 18+ age group for restricted use in emergency situation. Krishna Ella, Chairman and Managing Director of Bharat Biotech.

#### **43. IndiGo appoints Pieter Elbers as the new CEO**

Budget Indian carrier IndiGo has announced that Petrus Johannes Theodorus Elbers (Pieter Elbers) has joined as Chief Executive Officer of the company with effect September 6.

He is replacing Ronojoy Dutta, who decided to retire on September 30.

Prior to this, Elbers was associated with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines as the CEO. Bruce Ashby was the first CEO of IndiGo from 2005 to 2008.

#### **44. 61st edition of Subroto Cup International Football Tournament begins after gap of two years**

The 61st edition of the Subroto Cup International Football Tournament began after a gap of two years, at the BR Ambedkar Stadium in Delhi marking the start of the most prestigious football tournament for schools all over the country. The tournament is organised by the Subroto Mukherjee Sports Education Society (SMSES) along with the Indian Air Force.

#### **45. Prime Minister Cabinet Decisions: Posted on 07 Sep 2022**

---Cabinet approves the Memorandum of Understanding signed on mutual recognition of academic qualifications between India and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

---Cabinet approves signing of memorandum of Understanding between India and United Arab Emirates on cooperation in the field of Education.

#### **46. Navigation performance test conducted at newly built Goa airport in Mopa**

The Goa International Airport Limited (GGIAL), a subsidiary of GMR Airports Limited (GAL), completed RNP (Required Navigation Performance) procedure for both approaches of the newly built runway at the upcoming international airport at Mopa in North Goa.

The new airport will be Goa's second airport in addition to the Dabolim airport in South Goa. CEO-GGIAL, RV Sheshan.

#### **47. Railway Ministry Unveils '4,700 crore Plan To Revamp New Delhi Station, To Fund It Internally And Not Via PPP Route**

Indian Railways has unveiled a Rs 4,700 crore plan to redevelop the New Delhi Railway Station.

While the Railways had initially planned to pursue the New Delhi station redevelopment through Public Private Partnership (PPP) by offering real estate development rights on approximately 86 hectares, it has now decided to fund the project through state exchequer.

#### **48. India's First RRTS Corridor To Have App-Based Ticketing System Without Tokens**

Equipped with many commuter-centric features, National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC) would be introducing a first-of-its-kind app-based ticketing system.

This will be introduced on its 82 kilometre long Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS (Regional Rapid Transit System) corridor.

#### **49. Moxie, a NASA experiment, successfully produces oxygen on Mars**

The MIT-led Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment, or MOXIE, has been successfully making oxygen from the Red Planet's carbon-dioxide-rich atmosphere since April 2021, about two months after it touched down on the Martian surface as part of NASA's Perseverance rover and Mars 2020 mission. MOXIE has shown that it can make oxygen at almost any time of the Martian day and year.

### **50. NTPC acquires 600 MW Jhabua power plant via NCLT route for Rs 925 crore**

India's largest integrated power producer NTPC has successfully acquired Jhabua Power Limited (JPL) through Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process initiated by National Company Law Tribunal, Kolkata, (NCLT).

This is the first acquisition of a power asset by NTPC through NCLT route.

JPL has an operational thermal power capacity of 600 MW located in Seoni, Madhya Pradesh.

### **51. NCW organizes Consultation on 'Inclusion Amplified, Transwomen in India: Problems & Prospects'**

The National Commission for Women organized its first-ever Consultation for transwomen; 'Inclusion Amplified, Transwomen in India: Problems & Prospects' to address the misconceptions leading to stigma attached with the individuals of the community and spark a conversation with regard to their acceptance and participation in the society. Ms Rekha Sharma, Chairperson, National Commission for Women.

### **52. Ajit Kumar Saxena selected for CMD post in MOIL Limited**

Public enterprises selection board (PESB) selected Ajit Kumar Saxena for the post of Chairman & Managing Director of 'A' Miniratna Category-I Company, MOIL Limited. Currently, he is serving as Director (Operations) in Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL).

MOIL Limited is the largest producer of manganese ore in India.

### **53. Mr Dinesh Kumar Batra takes charge as CMD, BEL**

Mr Dinesh Kumar Batra, Director (Finance) & CFO, has taken additional charge as Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).

He is a member of the Board of BEL subsidiaries, BEL-Thales Systems Limited (BTSL) and BEL Optronics Devices Limited (BELOP).

### **54. World Physiotherapy (PT) Day 2022 | September 8th**

In 1996, 8 September was designated as World PT Day. This is the date World Physiotherapy was founded in 1951.

The day marks the unity and solidarity of the global physiotherapy community. It is an opportunity to recognize the work that physiotherapists do for their patients and community. In 2022 the day will focus on osteoarthritis.

### **55. Neeraj Chopra wins maiden Diamond League title in Zurich with best throw of 88.44m; first Indian to do so**

Indian javelin star Neeraj Chopra threw a strong 88.44m to become the first Indian to be the Diamond League Champion. He achieved the feat at the annual league's grand final in Zurich.

Chopra defeated Czech Republic's Jakub Vadlejch (86.94m) and Julian Weber (83.73m)

He was also the first Indian to qualify for the Diamond Race when he topped the Lausanne Diamond League 2022.

### **56. Queen Elizabeth II, UK's longest-serving monarch passes away after reigning for 70 years**

Queen Elizabeth II, the UK's longest-serving monarch, has passed away after reigning for 70 years. She was 96. The Queen came to the throne in 1952. Her reign spanned 15 Prime Ministers starting with Winston Churchill and including Ms Truss. The Queen was born Elizabeth Alexandra Mary Windsor, in Mayfair, London, on 21 April 1926.

### **57. India ranks 132nd out of 191 in UNDP's human development index**

India ranked 132nd among 191 countries and territories on the 2021 Human Development Index (HDI), showed a report by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP). In the 2020 report, India had ranked 131st among 189 countries and territories. India's latest HDI value of 0.633 places the country in the medium human development category

### **58. PM addresses inauguration ceremony of 'Kalam no Carnival' Book Fair organised by Navbharat Sahitya Mandir in Ahmedabad**

The Prime Minister added that 'Kalam no Carnival' is a huge convention of books in Hindi, English and Gujarati languages. Shri Modi mentioned that when he was the Chief Minister of Gujarat, the state had also started the 'Vanche Gujarat' campaign, and today, campaigns like the 'Kalam no Carnival' are only taking that resolve of Gujarat forward.

### **59. ESAF Bank launches 'rainbow account' for transgender community**

ESAF Small Finance Bank Ltd launched a 'Rainbow Savings Account' exclusively for the transgender community offering a host of features, including high savings rate and advanced debit card facilities. The Reserve Bank of India in 2015 directed banks to include a separate column 'third gender' in all their forms and applications.

K Paul Thomas- MD of ESAF Bank

## **60. Shri Dharmendra Pradhan participates in the India Ideas Summit organised by US-India Business Council**

Union Minister of Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Shri Dharmendra Pradhan participated in the India Ideas Summit organised by the U.S-India Business Council and the US Chamber of Commerce, International Affairs, South Asia. The theme of the event was "Maximising the Next 75 years of U.S. ' India Prosperity."

## **61. PM inaugurates 'Kartavya Path' and unveils the statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose at India Gate**

The jet-black granite statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, measures a total of 28 ft. and is placed under the Canopy near India Gate.

The grand statue of Netaji, has been carved from a monolithic block of granite weighing 280 MT. After 26,000 man hours of intense artistic endeavor, the granite monolith was chiseled to produce a statue weighing 65 MT.

## **62. Three Indian Cities are now in UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities**

Warangal, Nilambur, and Thrissur have joined UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities. An international policy-oriented network, the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities is a network of inspiration, know-how and best practices. It is coordinated by the UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning (UIL). As per UNESCO, 77 cities from 44 countries across the globe have joined.

## **63. Union Agriculture Minister inaugurates National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi Campaign-2022**

Union Agriculture Minister, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurated the National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi Campaign 2022-23 at NASC, Pusa, New Delhi. Addressing the Conference, he highlighted that as per the 4th Advance Estimates (2021-22), the production of food grains in the country is estimated at 3157 lakh tonnes.

## **64. President Droupadi Murmu to launch Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan**

Hon'ble President Smt. Droupadi Murmu will virtually launch the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan on September 9th to reinvigorate the mission of TB elimination from the country by 2025. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi gave the clarion call to end TB in the country five years ahead of SDG target of 2030 at the Delhi End TB Summit in March 2018.

## **65. NIESBUD, IIE and ISB come together to offer Entrepreneurial programmes to India's youth**

The National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD) and the Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE), signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian School of Business (ISB), to offer world class management education through entrepreneurial programmes targeted towards youth, job seekers and budding entrepreneurs.

## **66. India & UK conducts Counter Ransomware Exercise for 26 Nations**

India's National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) and the UK Government in collaboration with BAE Systems successfully designed & conducted the Cyber Security Exercise for 26 Countries as part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group which is being led by India under the leadership of National Cyber Security Coordinator (NCSC). The theme of the exercise is based on Energy Sector

## **67. World electric vehicle (EV) Day 2022**

World EV Day is marked internationally on September 9 every year in celebration of e-mobility, and a day to shift the transition to sustainable transport with consumer, business and policy outcomes. In the Indian context, the day specifically takes on importance, especially with respect to the country's 2070 net zero commitment. Sohinder Gill, Director General, Society of Manufacturers of Electric Vehicles (SMEV).

## **68. Madras High Court Chief Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari appointed SAFEMA Appellate Tribunal chief**

Madras High Court Chief Justice (CJ) Munishwar Nath Bhandari, has been appointed as the chairperson of the Appellate Tribunal under the Smugglers and Foreign Exchange Manipulators Act (SFEMA).

CJ Bhandari has been appointed to the SAFEMA Tribunal for a term of four years.

Justice M Duraiswamy has been appointed as the acting Chief Justice of the Madras High Court. He will be drawing a monthly remuneration of '2,50,000.

## **69. Ogilvy Appoints India-Born Devika Bulchandani As Its Global CEO**

Advertising, marketing and public relations giant Ogilvy has appointed Devika Bulchandani as its Global Chief Executive Officer.

She takes the helm from Andy Main who is stepping down as Global CEO and will serve as a Senior Advisor until the end of the year.

### **70. Volker Turk appointed new UN High Commissioner for Human Rights**

United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres appointed on Thursday Volker Turk of Austria as the next United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, following approval by the General Assembly. Turk will succeed Michelle Bachelet of Chile, who served as High Commissioner from September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2022.

### **71. HDFC Bank, Institute of Economic Growth inks MoU to conduct independent research**

In order to support a Chair to conduct independent research, HDFC Bank and the Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) have signed a MoU. It would be located on the IEG campus in New Delhi and be called as the "HDFC Bank Chair of Banking and Finance." The Bank would provide IEG with a financing assistance of Rs 6.75 crore over a five-year period for this Chair. Atanu Chakraborty, the chairman of HDFC Bank.; Prof. Chetan Ghate, Director of IEG.

### **72. CSC SPV appoints Sanjay Kumar Rakesh as managing director**

Sanjay Kumar Rakesh, Common Service Centre (CSC), a special purpose vehicle (SPV) of the Centre, has been appointed as the Managing Director of the company. The decision to this effect was taken at the 52nd board meeting of CSC held at the Ministry of Electronics and IT.

The appointment comes following the resignation of Dinesh Tyagi from the post..

### **73. Barbora Spotakova, greatest female javelin thrower in history, retires**

Barbora Spotakova, a two-time Olympic champion and world record holder in the javelin, retired at age 41. Spotakova, the gold medalist in 2008 and 2012, is one of two women to win multiple Olympic javelin titles, along with East German Ruth Fuchs in 1972 and 1976. Fuchs later admitted to using steroids during her career.

### **74. PM Modi Virtually Inaugurates 'Centre-State Science Conclave' In Ahmedabad**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Centre-State Science Conclave' in Ahmedabad via video conferencing.

According to Prime Minister's Office (PMO), the first of its kind Conclave will strengthen Centre-State coordination and collaboration mechanisms ' in the spirit of cooperative federalism ' to build a robust science, technology and innovation (STI) ecosystem. The two-day Conclave is being organized at Science City, Ahmedabad.

### **75. National Maritime Heritage Complex To Be Built At Gujarat's Lothal At A Cost Of Rs 3,500 Crore**

The Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways (MoPSW) is planning to build a National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at the site of the Indus Valley civilization in Lothal, Gujarat.

A first of its kind complex in India, this centre will showcase India's rich and diverse maritime heritage. Total cost of the National Maritime Heritage Complex project is '3,500 crore. Union Minister MoPSW and Ayush, Sarbananda Sonowal.

### **76. UDAN 5.0. will aim for air connectivity to 54 new travel destinations**

The Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) plans to connect more than 50 wildlife and tourism destinations in the next stage of the regional connectivity initiative Ude Desh ka Aam Naagrik (UDAN).

The UDAN scheme was started in October 2016 with the objective of providing air connectivity in tier II and tier III cities and to make flying affordable for common citizens.

### **77. King Charles III proclaimed Britain's monarch in historic ceremony**

The throne had passed to the 73-year-old former Prince of Wales following the death of his mother, Queen Elizabeth II, ceremony marked his formal declaration and oath taking at St. James's Palace in London. King Charles was joined by his wife, Queen Consort Camilla, and his son and heir Prince William, the new Prince of Wales.

### **78. India signs MoU with Gulf Cooperation Council to facilitate consultation**

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Saturday signed a Memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Secretary-General of Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Nayef Falah Mubarak Al-Hajraf on the mechanism of consultations between India and the GCC.

The External Affairs Minister is on a two-day visit to Saudi Arabia from 10-12 September 2022.

### **79. Prime Minister Narendra Modi Inaugurates World Dairy Summit 2022 in Greater Noida**

According to union minister for fisheries, animal husbandry and dairying Parshottam Rupala, India is hosting the International Dairy Federation (IDF) global dairy summit after 48 years, where more than 1,500 experts, farmers and processors of dairy products from 50 countries will be participating.

Last time, India hosted the International Dairy Congress in 1974. Scheduled from September 12-15 on the theme of 'dairy for nutrition and livelihood'.

### **80. Carlos Alcaraz defeats Casper Ruud for 2022 US Open title, world No. 1 ranking**

The 19-year-old Spaniard defeated fifth-seeded Norwegian Casper Ruud, 6-4, 2-6, 7-6(1), 6-3, to earn his first major title and, with it, a debut as world No. 1.

The Spaniard is the youngest Grand Slam champion since a 19-year-old Rafael Nadal won Roland Garros in 2005, and the youngest US Open champ since a 19-year-old Sampras in 1990.

### **81. Italian GP: Max Verstappen denies Charles Leclerc in Monza for fifth straight victory**

Verstappen now has a 116-point lead over Charles Leclerc, who finished second after another questionable strategy decision from Ferrari on its home track. With just six races remaining, the Dutch driver could mathematically clinch the title in Singapore next month.

### **82. Army chief General Pande flies IAF's Apache attack helicopter in Ladakh**

Indian Army chief General Manoj Pande flew a sortie in an Indian Air Force (IAF) Apache attack helicopter in Ladakh. He is on a two-day visit to the Union Territory.

The Apache choppers have been deployed in the Ladakh sector since the beginning of the military standoff with China along the Line of Actual Control (LAC) in eastern Ladakh.

### **83. Sri Lanka beat Pakistan to win sixth Asia Cup title**

Coming off a socio-economic crisis and the worst turmoil in its country's history, the Sri Lankan cricket team gifted the island nation joy and the sixth Asia Cup title as they defeated Pakistan by 23 runs in the final in Dubai.

India, with seven titles (six ODI and one T20I), is the most successful team in the tournament.

### **84. Fortune India Rich List 2022: 142 billionaires worth \$832 billion**

The wealth of 142 billionaires based in India is collectively worth \$832 billion (Rs 66.36 trillion), according to a Fortune India's list of 'India's Richest' for 2022. The list is made up by Waterfield Advisors and Fortune. Information regarding investments outside of the listed business: such as stakes in other public companies and in other private entities/ start-ups, etc

### **85. First National Conference on Sustainable Coastal Management in India held in Odisha**

Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bhupender Yadav inaugurated the first National Conference on Sustainable Coastal Management in India in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The Conference was focused on enhancing climate resilience of India's coastal communities and discussion on steps that shall be taken towards coastal management.

### **86. India not part of Indo-Pacific Economic Framework trade pillar**

India has not joined the trade pillar of the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework with the final contours of the agreement not yet finalized and broader consensus elusive on issues like environment, labour and public procurement. IPEF was launched by the US and other partner countries of the Indo-Pacific region on May 23 in Tokyo. The 14 partner countries represent 40% of GDP. All the other 13 Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for prosperity countries have joined

### **87. Bank of Maharashtra mobilises '710 crore via bonds**

State-owned Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) said it has raised '710 crore from bonds to fund business growth. The fund raised via Basel III compliant Additional Tier 1 (AT1) bonds of '710 crore (including green shoe option of '610 crore) is at a coupon rate of 8.74 per cent, the bank said in a statement. The AT1 instrument is perpetual in nature; with call option after 5 years.

### **88. Telugu actor Krishnam Raju passes away at 83**

Renowned Telugu actor, former union minister, and former BJP Lok Sabha MP Uppalapati Venkata Krishnam Raju passed away.

Sh. Raju was known as the "Rebel star" for his many rebellious styled, adventurous roles in Telugu cinema, especially in the seventies and eighties.

### **89. Space tech startup Agnikul gets patent for single-piece 3D printed rocket engine**

Chennai-based space tech startup Agnikul said it has been awarded an Indian patent for the design and manufacturing of its single-piece rocket engine Agnilet. Agnilet is a single-piece 3D-printed rocket engine designed and manufactured in India after being test-fired in early 2021.

### **90. Indian Army, air force conduct joint exercise 'Gagan Strike' in Punjab**

Army's Kharga Corps and the Indian Air Force conducted a joint exercise to showcase the might and prowess of the armed forces. Termed 'Gagan Strike', the exercise was conducted over a period of four days in several areas of Punjab, bordering Ambala in Haryana. Operation validated the Apache 64E and Advanced Light Helicopter WSI as potent weapon delivery platforms.

### **91. India and Japan Hold 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue**

The two countries held their 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue in Tokyo, for which both India's External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar and Defense Minister Rajnath Singh traveled to Japan.



The India-Japan engagement has been enhanced both on the bilateral front as well as in minilateral formats such as the Quad in recent years.

#### **92. September 2022: International PCOS Awareness Month**

Polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) is a common hormonal disorder in women that is also the leading cause of female infertility. The month of September is recognized as International PCOS Awareness Month. PCOS is caused by a combination of genetic and environmental factors.

#### **93. Sh. Piyush Goyal launches US Startup SETU- Supporting Entrepreneurs in Transformation programme in Sanfrancisco**

Piyush Goyal launched the US Startup SETU ' Supporting Entrepreneurs in Transformation and Upskilling programme in the Bay Area of San Francisco.

The initiative would connect start-ups in India to US-based investors & start-up ecosystem leaders with mentorship and assistance in various areas including funding, market access & commercialization. The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal.

#### **94. RBI releases 'Alert List' of 34 illegal forex trading platforms, cautions public**

The central bank released a list of 34 entities that are neither authorised to deal in forex under the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), 1999 nor authorised to operate electronic trading platforms for forex transactions.

The central bank's list has a total of 34 entities. Some of the entities listed are Alpari, AnyFX, Ava Trade, Binomo, e Toro, Exness, Expert Option.

#### **95. Alireza Firouzja wins Sinquefield Cup & The Grand Chess Tour**

Alireza Firouzja beat Ian Nepomniachtchi in play-offs to win the ninth edition of the Sinquefield Cup. Firouzja also grabbed an extra \$100,000 for winning this year's Grand Chess Tour.

Wesley So and Maxime Vachier-Lagrave came in second and third place, respectively.

The fifth leg of the Grand Chess Tour, the Sinquefield Cup was held in Saint Louis, Missouri, US. Alireza Firouzja is an Iranian-French chess grandmaster.

#### **97. MeitY Startup Hub to collaborate with Meta to accelerate XR technology startups across India**

Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) Startup Hub in collaboration with Meta will launch a programme to support and accelerate XR technology startups across India. This collaboration is part of the Government's efforts for skilling in emerging and future technologies.

#### **98. Dr. Vinod K. Paul, Member (Health) of NITI Aayog releases findings of the National Health Accounts (NHA) Estimates**

As per National Health Accounts (NHA) estimates for India 2018-19 which was released in September 2022 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, the per capita government spending on healthcare has increased by 74 per cent since 2013-14. The government's share in total Health Expenditure has increased from 28.6 per cent in 2013-14 to 40.6 per cent in 2018-19.

#### **99. IIT Madras Indian academic institute to join IBM's Quantum Network**

Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-Madras) is the first academic institute in the country to join an IBM programme promoting quantum computing development and research.

As a member of the IBM Quantum Network, IIT Madras will get cloud-based access to the American company's advanced quantum computing systems and expertise to explore applications. Sandip Patel - Managing Director, IBM India.

#### **100. Uttar Pradesh tops in country, 8462 lakes developed under Mission Amrit Sarovar**

With the construction of a total of 8462 Amrit Sarovars (lakes), Uttar Pradesh has topped among states in the implementation of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's ambitious mission, which is aimed at conserving water for the future. Madhya Pradesh is ranked second, Jammu and Kashmir third, Rajasthan fourth, and Tamil Nadu fifth in the implementation of Mission Amrit Sarovar.

#### **101. Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) comes out with handbook on safety in electrical installations, simplified version of NBC 2016**

Piyush Goyal, Minister for Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, and Textile, during the fourth Governing Council Meeting of BIS released handbook on the subject "Safety in Electrical Installations ' A way forward to Safety by National Electrical Code of India" and Guide for Using National Building Code of India 2016.

#### **102. HDFC Bank issues India's first Electronic Bank Guarantee**

HDFC Bank, India's largest private sector bank became the first bank in the country to issue an Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG) in partnership with National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL).

e-BG has been developed in consultation with NeSL, CVC-CBI committee, and Indian Banks' Association to simplify the process and eliminate the possibility of fraud and manipulation. Debajyoti Ray Chaudhuri, MD & CEO of NeSL.

### **103. India to host G20 Summit in Sept 2023, hold over 200 meetings during its Presidency**

India will host the G-20 leaders' summit in New Delhi on September 9 and 10 in 2023 under its Presidency. India will assume the Presidency of the G20 for one year from December 1, 2022, to November 30, 2023, and is expected to host over 200 meetings across the country, beginning in December this year. Collectively, the G20 accounts for 85 per cent of global GDP.

### **104. Hindi Diwas 2022, celebrated on September 14**

In 1949, the constituent Assembly of India recognized Hindi as the official language of the country and adopted an Indo-Aryan language written in the Devanagari script as the Hindi language was mostly spoken in most areas in India. To promote the Hindi language in every region of the country, from 1953 on September 14, Hindi Diwas is celebrated every year. World Hindi Day is celebrated on January 10.

### **105. All India Institute of Ayurveda launches 6-week programme for Ayurveda Day**

All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA), under the Ministry of Ayush, launched the Ayurveda Day 2022 programme. AIIA has been chosen as the nodal agency for driving the Ministry of Ayush's mandate for Ayurveda Day this year. The theme for the celebration is 'Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda'.

Director AIIA : Prof. Tanuja Nesari.

Minister of Ayush: Shri Sarabananda Sonawal.

The Ministry of Ayush was formed on the 9th of November 2014.

### **106. Hughes Communications commercial launches India's first High Throughput Satellite (HTS) broadband internet service**

The service will provide high-speed satellite internet across the country, including in remote locations that are unserviceable by terrestrial networks, using the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)'s GSAT-11 and GSAT-29 communication satellites.

The Hughes HTS service is using Ku-band transponders on GSAT-11 and GSAT-19 for the high bandwidth data transfers. Hughes Communications, Headquarters: Germantown, Maryland, United States.

### **107. India observes Engineers Day on September 15 every year.**

It is celebrated every year in honour of Sir Mokshagundam Vishweshwaraya (MV), who is credited as the first Indian civil engineer, statesman and was also the 19th Diwan of Mysore.

Joining India, Sri Lanka and Tanzania also celebrate Engineers Day on September 15, 2022 in honour of Sir MV. Every year.

Engineering Day 2022 is the 55th edition of the day.

### **108. Sikandar Raza, Tahlia McGrath win ICC Player of the Month award for August 2022**

The International Cricket Council (ICC) announced the winners of the ICC Player of the Month awards for August 2022 which sees Zimbabwe's Sikandar Raza and Australia's Tahlia McGrath honoured following their outstanding international performances during August.

### **109. NITI Aayog hosts first Shoonya Forum to commemorate first anniversary of India's zero pollution e-mobility campaign**

NITI Aayog today hosted the first Shoonya Forum to commemorate the first anniversary of India's zero pollution e-mobility campaign in Delhi. On the occasion, more than 25 Shoonya partners announced their commitment and pledged to accelerate India's clean mobility story with Electric Vehicles to improve air quality for Indian citizens. Shoonya initiative promotes zero-pollution delivery vehicles by working with consumers

### **110. TCS becomes India's most valuable brand in 2022, says Kantar BrandZ report**

Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) is India's most-valuable brand in 2022 replacing HDFC Bank, which held the number one spot since 2014, according to Kantar BrandZ report on India's most-valuable brands. India's top-75 brands are worth \$393 billion, Kantar said in its report. Telecom providers ' led by Airtel at number 4 and Jio at number 10

### **111. JIMEX 2022: India, Japan begin joint naval drills in the Bay of Bengal**

The sixth edition of Japan-India Maritime Exercise 2022 (JIMEX 22), hosted by the Indian Navy, began in the Bay of Bengal. The Indian Navy is being represented by three indigenously designed and built warships; Sahyadri, a multi-purpose stealth frigate and Anti-Submarine Warfare Corvettes Kadmat and Kavaratti. This edition marks the 10th anniversary of JIMEX, which began in Japan in 2012.

### **112. Roger Federer to retire from professional tennis after this year's Laver Cup**

Roger Federer on September 15 announced that he is set to retire from professional tennis after next week's Laver Cup.

The Swiss tennis legend (41) has won 20 Grand Slam titles. Following knee injuries, Federer has not competed since Wimbledon in July 2021.

He has won 103 ATP singles titles, the second most of all time after Jimmy Connors.

### **113. IDFC FIRST Bank and WhatsApp enable FASTag recharge through 'payments on WhatsApp'**

This partnership means IDFC FIRST customers will be able to recharge their FASTags right within IDFC FIRST's WhatsApp chatbot and complete the transaction from within the chat thread.

IDFC FIRST Bank customers can get started by just sending 'Hi' to the Bank's official WhatsApp chatbot number at +919555555555.

The Bank has so far issued around 9 million FASTags.

### **114. BVR Subrahmanyam appointed as next CMD, ITPO**

BVR Subrahmanyam has been appointed as the new Chairman & Managing Director of the India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO). The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approved the appointment. Senior IAS Subrahmanyam has been appointed to the post on a contractual basis for two years.

He will be replacing LC Goyal.

### **115. PESB picks Barnali Barua Tokhi for BPRL MD post**

The Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) has picked Barnali Barua Tokhi as the next Managing Director (MD) of Bharat Petro Resources Ltd (BPRL).

A wholly owned subsidiary company of Bharat Petroleum, by the name Bharat PetroResources Limited (BPRL), was incorporated in October 2006.

When appointed, Sh. Tokhi will be the first woman MD of BPRL.

### **116. Prasanna Kumar Motupalli selected as CMD of NLC India Limited**

The Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) has picked Prasanna Kumar Motupalli as the next NLC CMD. Motupalli is currently serving as the Managing Director of Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Limited (GSECL).

NLC India Limited is a government-owned-fossil fuel miner and thermal power generator under the ownership of the Ministry of Coal, Government of India. PESB, Chairperson: MALLIKA SRINIVASAN

### **117. SBI Surpasses \$5Trillion Market Cap, Becomes Third Lender To Reach The Elite Class**

State-owned lender, State Bank of India (SBI) hit the Rs 5 lakh crore market capitalisation after its shares touched a record high of Rs 564.45. With this market capitalisation, SBI stood on the seventh position in the market capitalisation ranking. SBI has become the third lender to cross the market cap of Rs 5 lakh crore. HDFC Bank held first rank followed by ICICI Bank.

### **118. VECV's Vinod Aggarwal appointed as SIAM president**

The Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM) appointed Vinod Aggarwal, Managing Director of Volvo Eicher Commercial Vehicles as its new president for 2022-23.

Aggarwal, who was the Vice President of SIAM succeeds Kenichi Ayukawa, Executive Vice Chairman & Whole Time Director, Maruti Suzuki India.

### **119. IndusInd Bank re-appoints Sumant Kathpalia as MD & CEO for 3 years**

IndusInd Bank has approved the re-appointment of Sumant Kathpalia as managing director and chief executive officer for three years with effect from March 24, 2023.

Kathpalia was appointed as MD & CEO of IndusInd Bank in March 2020.

Prior to joining IndusInd Bank, Kathpalia had stints with Citibank, Bank of America and ABN Amro.

### **120. Pranav Anand becomes India's 76th Chess Grandmaster**

Bengaluru teenager Pranav Anand became India's 76th Grandmaster after he crossed the 2,500 Elo mark in the ongoing World Youth Chess Championship in Mamaia, Romania.

To become a GM, a player has to secure three GM norms and cross the live rating of 2,500 Elo points.

Dibyendu Barua was the second Indian, after Viswanathan Anand to achieve the title of chess grandmaster. Elo rating is named after its creator Arpad Elo, a Hungarian-American physics professor.

### **121. Iran signs formal MoU to join SCO; to become permanent member at 2023 India Summit**

Iran has signed a memorandum of commitments to join the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO), giving boost to India's focus on an inclusive connectivity agenda in the Eurasian region that would function parallel to China's Belt and Road Initiative.

The value of Iran's exports to India increased by 35% in the first seven months of 2022, compared with a year earlier. Ebrahim Raisi : President of Iran.

### **122. Varanasi declared as first-ever SCO Tourism and Cultural Capital for 2022-2023 at Samarkand Summit**

Varanasi has been nominated as the first-ever SCO Tourism and Cultural Capital for the year 2022-2023 at the 22nd Meeting of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) summit at Uzbekistan's Samarkand.

Notably, the regulations for the nomination of the SCO Tourism and Cultural Capital were adopted at the Dushanbe SCO Summit in 2021.

### **123. India's CAD likely to remain within 3% of GDP: RBI bulletin**

India's current account deficit (CAD), a key indicator of balance of payment of a country, is likely to remain within 3 per cent of the GDP in 2022-23 as against 1.2% during the last fiscal, according to an article published in the Reserve Bank's article titled 'State of the Economy'.

India's trade deficit during the first 5 months of 2022-23 widened to USD 124.5 billion.

### **124. World Patient Safety Day on 17th September 2022**

World Patient Safety Day is one of WHO's global public health days. It was established in 2019.

This year the theme of the Patient Safety Day is "Medication without Harm".

For creating, awareness on patient safety issues among field-level functionaries, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has organised a week-long 'Rogi Kalyan Saptah' from the 12th ' 17th September.

### **125. MCA revises threshold for paid up capital of 'small companies'**

The definition of 'small companies' under the Companies Act, 2013 is revised by increasing thresholds for paid up Capital from 'not exceeding Rs. 2 crore' to 'not exceeding Rs. 4 crore' and turnover from 'not exceeding Rs. 20 crore' to 'not exceeding Rs. 40 crore'.

### **126. Govt slashes windfall profit tax**

The government has slashed windfall gains tax, lowering the duties and cess on domestic crude and export of aviation turbine fuel and diesel following a decline in international crude oil price. It has cut the tax on domestically produced crude oil to Rs 10,500 a tonne from Rs 13,300 earlier.

### **127. 22nd SCO Summit at Samarkand**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi along with leaders of SCO nations including Russian President Vladimir Putin, Chinese President Xi Jinping, Pakistan Prime Minister Shehbaz Sarif, and Uzbekistan President Shavkat Mirziyoyev participated in the 22nd SCO Summit at Samarkand in Uzbekistan.

### **128. PM Modi to release Cheetahs in Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh**

The Prime Minister will release eight cheetahs brought from Namibia at the Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh. This is the world's first transcontinental project to restore large wild animals. For cheetah reintroduction in India, out of 10 selected places in the country, Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh has been found most suitable.

### **129. World Youth Chess Championships: GM Pranav Anand wins U16 title, Ilamparthy secures U14 title**

India's latest Grandmaster Pranav Anand won the U-16 open title and A. R. Ilamparthy claimed the U-14 open gold in the World youth chess championship at Mamaia, Romania.

A day after meeting the stipulation to become India's 76th Grandmaster, Pranav Anand justified his top billing by beating Augustin Droin to finish with 9 points from 11 rounds.

### **130. East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting**

Minister of State for Commerce and Industry attended 10th EAS EMM (East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting) in Siem Reap City, Cambodia. The meeting saw representation from all 10 ASEAN countries as well as 8 partner countries viz. Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation and the USA.

### **131. 75th Hyderabad Liberation Day**

September 17 was commemorated by the Union government as 'Hyderabad Liberation Day' and by the government of Telangana as 'National Integration Day'. On September 17, 1948, the Nizam of Hyderabad Mir Osman Ali Khan, the seventh in the line of the Asaf Jahi dynasty, had surrendered in the wake of Operation Polo, the military invasion of Hyderabad by Indian forces.

### **132. PM Modi Unveils National Logistics Policy To Drive Up India's Exports**

As per government's estimates, the logistics costs account for 13-14% of India's GDP, which the Centre targets to cut down to 8%. This will allow companies to reduce costs and make products that can compete in the global market.

The commerce ministry released a draft logistics policy for consultation in 2019.

### **133. September 18, World Bamboo Day**

September 18, World Bamboo Day is observed globally to increase awareness about the group of evergreen, perennial plants that are the largest members of the grass family.

During the 8th World Bamboo Congress in Bangkok, the World Bamboo Organisation was formally recognised on September 18, 2009.

There are over 1,400 species of bamboo around the world.

### **134. Pralay Mondal named as new MD & CEO of CSB Bank**

Kerala-based CSB Bank announced the appointment of Pralay Mondal as new Managing Director and CEO of the bank.

Mondal's appointment is for a period of three years from September 15, 2022 up to September 14, 2025 in line with the approval of RBI.

Mondal held the position of interim Managing Director & CEO of the Bank with effect from April 1, 2022 till date.

### **135. NHRC chief elected as member of Asia Pacific Forum's Governance Committee**

NHRC chairperson justice (retd) Arun Kumar Mishra has been elected as a member of the Governance Committee of the Asia Pacific Forum (APF).

He has also been elected as a member of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI) Bureau at the 27th Annual General Meeting of the APF.

The GANHRI is one of the largest human rights networks worldwide.

### **136. ECI releases BLO e-Patrika to establish direct communication with Booth Level Officers**

The Election Commission of India released a new digital publication 'BLO e-Patrika' at an interactive session held with BLOs spread across the States in India.

The magazine will be available in English, Hindi and regional languages.

The themes of the bimonthly e-Patrika will include subjects like EVM-VVPAT training, IT applications, Special Summary Revision, etc.

### **137. Air India unveils transformation plan: Vihaan.AI**

Vihaan.AI has been developed after extensive feedback from Air India employees on their aspirations and hopes for the airline's growth. Vihaan.AI focuses on five key pillars, exceptional customer experience, robust operations, industry-best talent, industry leadership, and commercial efficiency and profitability.

"Vihaan.AI" in Sanskrit signifies the dawn of a new era. Mr. Campbell Wilson, MD, and CEO, Air India.

### **138. Ex-coach Sjoerd Marijne's book "Will Power" on Indian women's hockey rise set to release**

Former Indian women's hockey coach Sjoerd Marijne is set to turn author with his upcoming book, "Will Power", sharing the inside story of the team's incredible turnaround at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. The book, published by HarperCollins India, will hit the stands on September 21.

Janneke Schopman is the current chief coach of the Indian women's hockey team.

### **139. Bengaluru FC win maiden Durand Cup title, beat Mumbai City FC 3-1 in final**

A goal each from young N. Sivasakthi and seasoned Alan Costa in the first and second half respectively set up the victory for Bengaluru FC, which beat its Indian Super League (ISL) rival Mumbai City FC 2-1 in the final of the 131st Durand Cup to claim its maiden crown in the historic competition.

The final match took place at the Salt Lake Stadium in Kolkata.

### **140. With bronze in Belgrade, Bajrang Punia becomes 1st Indian to win 4 medals at world wrestling championships**

Ace grappler Bajrang Punia became the only Indian to claim four medals at the World Wrestling Championships by clinching a bronze in the current edition, in Belgrade, Serbia.

It is Bajrang's third bronze at the worlds. The celebrated Indian wrestler had earlier won a bronze at in 2013, silver in 2018 and bronze in 2019.

### **141. India among few countries in the world where forest cover is consistently increasing**

The government has said that the coverage of Protected Areas which was 4.90 percent of country's geographical area in 2014 has now increased to 5.03 percent. This includes an increase in Protected Areas in the country from 740 with area of over one lakh 61 thousand square kilometers in 2014 to 981 with an area of over one lakh 71 thousand square kilometers at present.

### **142. MAS and IFSCA to Pursue Cross-border FinTech Innovations**

The Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) and the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) today signed a FinTech Co-operation Agreement (CA) to facilitate regulatory collaboration and partnership in FinTech. MAS and IFSCA will leverage existing regulatory sandboxes in their respective jurisdictions to support experimentation of technology innovations.

### **143. Shri Parshottam Rupala holds bilateral meeting with New Zealand Minister of Trade and Export and Agriculture**

Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala held a bilateral meeting with New Zealand Minister of Trade and Export and Agriculture, H.E Mr. Damien O'connor.

The two sides discussed the potential bilateral cooperation to strengthen Foot and Mouth Disease capability to advance India's and New Zealand's primary sectors.

#### **144. The three-day National Conference of State Tourism Ministers begins in Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh**

The three-day National Conference of State Tourism Ministers at Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh began with a press conference chaired by Shri G Kishan Reddy.

The National Conference aims to be a platform for sharing of best practices, successful projects, and tourism product opportunities.

Shri G. Kishan Reddy, Union Minister of Tourism, Culture, and DONER.

#### **145. Shri Narendra Singh Tomar inaugurates the 9th Session of Governing Body of ITPGRFA**

International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (ITPGRFA) is a legally binding comprehensive agreement signed during the 31st session of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in Rome in November 2001, which took effect on 29 June 2004, and currently has 149 Contracting Parties including India. Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Shri Narendra Singh Tomar.

#### **146. NCLT approves merger of Exide Life with HDFC Life**

The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) approved the merger of Exide Life Insurance with HDFC Life Insurance.

The Scheme of Amalgamation was approved by the Mumbai bench of NCLT.

The Scheme of Amalgamation is subject to the final approval of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI). Chief Justice (Retd) Ramalingam Sudhakar -President of NCLT.

#### **147. Indian Army activates satellite-based internet service on Siachen Glacier, world's highest battlefield**

Indian Army activated satellite broadband-based internet service on the world's highest battlefield, Siachen Glacier. The feat was achieved by the Indian Army's XIV Corps or Fire and Fury Corps' Siachen Signallers.

The achievement of installing satellite-based internet at an altitude of 10,061 feet on the Siachen Glacier was announced by the Indian Army's XIV corps.

#### **148. Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh & his Egyptian counterpart General Mohamed Zaki hold bilateral talks in Cairo**

Shri Rajnath Singh invited his Egyptian counterpart to the India-Africa Defence Dialogue and IOR Defence Ministers' Conclave, scheduled to be held as part of the 12th DefExpo in Gandhinagar, Gujarat between October 18-22, 2022.

The two Ministers also agreed to identify proposals for expanding cooperation between the defence industries of India and Egypt.

#### **149. MoS Smt. Anupriya Patel attends 10th EAS EMM (East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting)**

Smt. Anupriya Patel, Minister of State for Commerce and Industry attended 10th EAS EMM (East Asia Summit Economic Ministers' Meeting) in Siem Reap City, Cambodia. The meeting saw representation from all 10 ASEAN countries as well as 8 partner countries viz. Australia, China, India, Japan, New Zealand, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation and the USA.

#### **150. World Bank approves \$150 million loan for Punjab to improve state's finances, service delivery**

The new projects will support the state's development goals by strengthening the planning, budgeting and monitoring functions, and leveraging digital technology, besides increasing accountability in the public procurement systems by supporting the state-wide implementation of new legal and policy reforms.

The USD 150 million loans have a maturity of 15 years. Auguste Tano Kouame, the World Bank's Country Director in India.

#### **151. Gujarati film Chhello Show is India's official entry to Oscars 2023**

The Film Federation of India has announced India's official entry to the Oscars 2023. The Gujarati film, Chhello Show, which is titled Last Film Show in English, has been selected as India's official entry to the 95th Academy Awards. It has been selected in the Best International Feature Film category.

The film is directed by Pan Nalin.

#### **152. International Day of Peace | 21 September**

The International Day of Peace was established in 1981 by the United Nations General Assembly.

The UN General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.

The 2022 theme for the International Day of Peace is "End racism. Build peace."

### **153. RBI governor launches three key digital payment initiatives at Global Fintech Fest 2022**

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Shaktikanta Das, in the presence of Nandan Nilekani, Chairman Infosys and Advisor to NPCI; and Biswamohan Mahapatra, Chairman National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), launched three key initiatives during the Global Fintech Fest 2022 --- RuPay Credit Card on UPI, UPI LITE, and Bharat BillPay Cross-Border Bill Payments.

### **154. Mahindra & Mahindra to acquire Swaraj Engines' 17.41% stake from Kirloskar Industries**

Mahindra & Mahindra(M&M) Ltd said it will acquire an additional 17.41 per cent stake in Swaraj Engines Ltd from Kirloskar Industries Ltd (KIL) for Rs 296 crore. The acquisition will result in increasing the company's stake in Swaraj Engines Ltd (SEL) to 52.13 per cent from 34.72 per cent.

SEL would be would become a subsidiary of M&M.

### **155. RBI removes Central Bank of India from PCA framework after more than 5 yrs**

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) removed the Central Bank of India from the Prompt Corrective Action (PCA) complying with parameters like net non-performing assets (net NPAs) and capital ratios.

RBI had placed Central Bank under PCA in June 2017 due to high net NPAs and negative return on assets. Central Bank was the last of the public sector lenders to come out of PCA.

Indian Overseas Bank and UCO Bank were removed from the framework last September.

### **156. World Alzheimer's Day 2022 | September 21**

World Alzheimer's Day is part of the annual World Alzheimer's Month which is observed in September to sensitize, educate, and demystify dementia. The month is being observed by the Alzheimer's Disease International (ADI).

World Alzheimer's Day was first marked on 21 September 1994 at the opening of ADI's annual conference in Edinburgh. This year's theme for World Alzheimer's Month is 'Know Dementia, know Alzheimer's'.

### **157. Maharashtra's Daulatabad Fort to be renamed as 'Devgiri' Fort**

The Maharashtra government will rename the Daulatabad fort located near Aurangabad city to its old name 'Devgiri', state Tourism Minister Mangal Prabhat Lodha has said.

The fort was renamed Daulatabad by Mohammed Tughlaq in the 14th Century who understood its importance as a base for military operations in southern India.

### **158. Indian Navy conducts ENC Yachting Championship at Visakhapatnam**

ENC Yachting Championship was conducted at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh by the Indian Navy Watermanship Training Centre, INS Circars under the aegis of Headquarters Eastern Naval Command (HQENC). Cmde Sumantra Hazarika, Director MWC (V), was the Chief Guest for the Prize Distribution and Closing ceremony.

### **159. Indian Air Force To Retire Wg Cdr Abhinandan Varthaman's MiG-21 Squadron By September End**

Indian Air Force (IAF) is all set to retire its Srinagar-based Mikoyan-Gurevich MiG-21 squadron 'Sword Arms' that Wing Commander (Wg Cdr) Abhinandan Varthaman was a part of when he had knocked down Pakistan-based F-16 combat aircraft a day after the February 2019 Balakot strike.

'Sword Arms' is one of its four remaining squadrons of ageing MiG-21 fighter jets.

### **160. Japan's MUFG Bank injects '3,000 crore in India biz**

Japan's MUFG Bank provided 30 billion rupees (\$380 million) in additional capital to five branches in India on to meet growing demand for loans.

The infusion brings the total capital base of the MUFG branches to 52 billion rupees, excluding surplus capital. Indian regulations limit the amount banks can lend to a single borrower to 20% of their capital funds.

### **161. Govt appoints Ratan Tata, 2 others as trustees of PM CARES Fund**

Veteran industrialist Ratan Tata, former Supreme Court judge KT Thomas, and former deputy Lok Sabha speaker Kariya Munda have been nominated as trustees of the PM CARES Fund.

Prime Minister is the ex-officio Chairman of the PM CARES Fund and the Minister of Defence, Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Finance, Government of India are ex-officio Trustees of the Fund.

### **162. India's Presidency of prestigious AIBD extended for one more year**

India's Presidency of the prestigious Asia-Pacific Institute of Broadcasting Development, AIBD has been extended for one more year. This was unanimously decided by the AIBD member countries at the two-day General Conference held in New Delhi. Currently, Chief Executive Officer of Prasar Bharati & Director General of Doordarshan Mayank Kumar Agrawal is the President of AIBD. Information and Broadcasting Minister : Anurag Singh.

### **163. World Rhino Day 2022 | September 22**

World Rhino Day was announced by World Wildlife Fund (WWF) - South Africa in 2010. The day got international recognition in 2011.

World Rhino Day is observed on September 22 every year to create awareness and educate people about all the five species of rhinoceroses.

Javan and greater one horned rhino have one horn, whereas the white, black and sumatran rhinos have two.

### **164. 30 kN Hybrid Motor Successfully Tested by ISRO at IPRC**

VSSC/ISRO successfully tested a hybrid motor at ISRO Propulsion Complex (IPRC), Mahendragiri, supported by Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre (LPSC/ISRO). The motor used Hydroxyl-terminated polybutadiene (HTPB) as fuel and liquid oxygen (LOX) as the oxidizer. Unlike solid-solid or liquid-liquid combinations, a hybrid motor uses solid fuel and liquid oxidizer.

### **165. Centre appoints retired Gujarat IFoS officer Bharat Lal as Director General NCGG**

Sh. Bharat Lal has been appointed as the Director General, National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG). The National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG) is an autonomous institute under the aegis of the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances, Government of India. Its head office is in New Delhi.

### **166. Dharmendra Pradhan launches SCALE app for skill development in leather sector**

Union Minister for education and skill development Dharmendra Pradhan has launched the Skill Certification Assessment for Leather Employees (SCALE) app which aims to provide a one-stop solution for the skilling, learning, assessment, and employment needs of the leather industry. The app was launched at the Central Leather Research Institute (CSIR), Chennai.

### **167. Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar addresses Leeds-2022 conference**

Mr. Tomar virtually addressed the Leeds-2022 conference organized by the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) in New Delhi. In the session on Food for All-Farm to Fork, the Minister said, the country's agriculture sector has registered a growth of 3.9 percent despite the Covid pandemic.

### **168. ADB Trims India Growth Estimate By 50 Basis Points To 7% For FY23**

The Asian Development Bank (ADB) reduced its forecast for India's gross domestic product growth for the fiscal year 2022'2023 (FY23) to 7% from 7.2%, citing weak global demand and tightening monetary policy to combat inflationary pressures brought on by high prices for oil and other commodities.

Takeo Konishi, the ADB's country director for India.

### **169. Cabinet approves modifications in "Programme for Development of Semiconductors and Display Manufacturing Ecosystem in India"**

Fiscal support of 50% of capital expenditure on a pari-passu basis will be available under the Scheme for Setting up of Compound Semiconductors / Silicon Photonics / Sensors Fab and Semiconductor ATMP /OSAT facilities in India. Additionally, target technologies under the scheme will include Discrete Semiconductor Fabs.

### **170. Vitamin Angels India partners with UNICEF India for Poshan Maah 2022**

Larger scope of the partnership includes the launch of the Poshan Innovation Platform in January 2023 with the aim to combat undernutrition in the country. The platform is to develop continuous sandboxing of ideas, mentoring by experts, & seed funding by the private sector.

A phase-wise approach will be followed to assemble the PIP between September 2022 & December 2026.

### **171. Supreme Court Appoints Former Judge L Nageswara Rao For Amending Indian Olympic Association's (IOC) Constitution**

In a case challenging the order of the Delhi High Court directing handing over of affairs of Indian Olympic Association to a Committee of Administrators (CoA), the Supreme Court, on appointed its former Judge L. Nageswara Rao, to take over the process of amending the sports body's constitution, preparing its electoral rolls; and conducting elections to its executive body. IOC session due to take place in Mumbai in May, 2023 is postponed to Sep-Oct, 2023.

### **172. RBI cancels Laxmi Co-operative Bank licence, depositors can claim up to Rs 5 lakh**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) terminated the licence of Maharashtra based Laxmi Co-operative Bank, citing inadequate capital and earning prospects.

On liquidation, every depositor will be entitled to a deposit insurance claim amount of up to a monetary ceiling of Rs 5 lakh from the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC), RBI said.



### **173. India bags UN award for its initiative to control, prevent hypertension under National Health Mission**

In a significant achievement and recognition to country's efforts against hypertension, India has won a UN award for its initiative to control and prevent hypertension under the government's National Health Mission. The India Hypertension Control Initiative which is a large-scale hypertension intervention under National Health Mission, has been recognized for the award,

### **174. Navy buys 'enhanced range' BrahMos missiles for Rs 1,700 crore**

Providing impetus to 'Aatmanirbharta' (self-reliance) in defence production, the Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a contract with the Indo-Russian joint venture (JV) ' BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited (BAPL) ' for buying the latest version of the BrahMos missile for its newest warships.

### **175. UCO Bank becomes first lender to get RBI's approval for rupee trade**

Public sector lender UCO Bank has received the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI's) approval to open a special vostro account with Gazprombank of Russia for trade settlement in Indian rupees. The Kolkata-based lender is the first bank to receive regulator's approval following the RBI's decision to allow Indian banks to settle trade in Indian currency. Soma Sankara Prasad- UCO Bank MD & CEO

### **176. REITs, InvITs with net worth of Rs 100 cr or higher can issue CPs**

The capital markets regulator SEBI approved the issuance of commercial papers by emerging investment vehicles, Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) and Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvIT). Reserve Bank's directions on Commercial Paper said that InvITs and REITs with a net worth of at least Rs100 crore are eligible to issue commercial paper. CP can be issued in denominations of Rs. 5 lakh or multiples the

### **177. Federal Bank ties up with BBPS for utility bill payment services for NRIs**

Federal Bank has tied up with Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS) to facilitate Utility Bill Payment services for Non-resident Indian Diaspora. This arrangement enables overseas remittance partners (exchange houses and banks) to pay Indian utility bills of over 20,000 billers in more than 20 categories in a cost effective and convenient option

### **178. ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund launches first Auto Index Fund**

ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund has launched the industry's first auto index fund, the ICICI Prudential Nifty Auto Index Fund. The fund will track the Nifty Auto Index which has been designed to reflect the performance of the automobiles sector. The index comprises 15 listed companies and represents auto-related sectors such as auto ancillaries and tyres too. The index is composed using the free float market capitalization method

### **179. Union Minister Jitendra Singh to lead Indian Ministerial delegation to take part in Global Clean Energy Action Forum**

Union minister Jitendra Singh lead an Indian delegation at Global Clean Energy Action Forum this week at Pittsburg in the US. The coveted joint convening of the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM13) and Mission Innovation (MI-7) took place from 21st to 23rd September at Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, United States of America.

### **180. Dr M Srinivas appointed as new AIIMS director**

The Appointment Committee of the Cabinet headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi appointed Dr M Srinivas as the new director of the prestigious All India Institute Of Medical Sciences (AIIMS).

The tenure of the outgoing AIIMS director Dr Randeep Guleria came to an end. Dr Guleria joined as the Director on March 28, 2017.

### **181. Rajiv Behl appointed as new DG of ICMR, will replace Balram Bhargava**

The Central government appointed Dr Rajiv Bahl currently posted in WHO as a Director General of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) cum- Secretary Department of Health Research (DHR) for a period of 3 years.

ICMR, New Delhi, the apex body in India for the formulation, coordination and promotion of biomedical research. ICMR has 27 institutes located in different parts of India.

### **182. UNEP signs MoU with NCC to curb plastic pollution**

The aim is to achieve the universal goal of clean water bodies through 'Puneet Sagar Abhiyan' and 'Tide Turners Plastic Challenge programme'.

The NCC had, on Dec 1, 2021, launched 'Puneet Sagar Abhiyan', a nationwide flagship campaign, initially for 1 month, to clean sea shores of plastic & other waste material, while raising awareness about the importance of cleanliness. DG NCC: Lt Gen Gurbirpal Singh.

### **183. India announces the launch of the 'Innovation Roadmap of the Mission Integrated Biorefineries'**

India has announced the launch of the 'Innovation Roadmap of the Mission Integrated Biorefineries' developed by co-leads and active inputs from Brazil, Canada, EC and the UK. The Mission aims at greater international collaboration and the need for increased financing for Energy Research, Development, and Demonstration during the next five years to kickstart this object

### **184. Indian Railways installs ISRO-developed RTIS system for real-time train tracking**

Real Time Train Information System (RTIS), developed in collaboration with ISRO, is being installed on the locomotives for automatic acquisition of train movement timing at the stations, including that of arrival & departure or run-through. They get automatically plotted on the control chart of those trains in the Control Office Application (COA) system.

### **185. India hosts 10th IBSA meet on sidelines of UNGA for multilateral issues**

India hosted the 10th Ministerial Commission of Foreign Ministers of the IBSA, on the sidelines of the 77th United Nations General Assembly. The IBSA is a trilateral, developmental initiative between India, Brazil and South Africa to promote South-South cooperation and exchange.

### **186. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurates 3rd edition of Lok Manthan programme in Guwahati**

Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurated the third edition of the Lok Manthan programme. Lokmanthan is an august occasion where artists, intellectuals, and academicians are drawn from different parts of the country converge and brainstorm on the questions that haunt the society. The theme of this year's biennale is Lokparampara (Lok traditions)

### **187. SBI Least Efficient Among Asia-Pacific Peers, Says S&P Global Market Intelligence**

SBI's cost-to-income ratio rose 911 basis points year-on-year to 71.06% in the June quarter. The ratio is a measure of profitability; a higher ratio implies higher costs & lower profitability.

In terms of countries, Japanese banks were among the least efficient, as record low rates by Bank of Japan weighed on earnings growth. China's banks, remained the most efficient. Dinesh Kumar Khara is the current chairman of the State Bank of India.

### **188. BPCL signs MoU with Brazilian oil company Petrobras to diversify crude oil sourcing**

The MoU was signed by Arun Kumar Singh, Chairman BPCL and Caio Paes de Andrade, CEO Petrobras, in Brazil.

Through its fully owned subsidiary, Bharat PetroResources Limited, BPCL has a stake in the upstream sector in an ultra-deep water hydrocarbon block in Brazil, owned and operated by M/s Petrobras.

### **189. TerraPay, NPCI International tie-up to enable cross-border transactions via UPI**

UK-headquartered TerraPay has partnered with NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL), the international arm of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to allow Indian customers and merchants with an active Unified Payments Interface (UPI) ID to make and accept cross-border payments.

### **190. Government's flagship programme 'Make in India' completes 8 years**

The Government's flagship programme 'Make in India' completes eight-year on 25th September 2022. Make in India initiative which was launched in 2014 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Make In India has substantial accomplishments across 27 sectors which include strategic sectors of manufacturing and services as well.

### **191. Centre to rank 131 cities based on actions to improve air quality**

The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change will launch the 'Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan' programme under National Clean Air Programme 2019 (NCAP) to rank cities based on their actions to improve air quality. It will rank 131 cities in the country for implementing City Action Plans prepared as part of NCAP for reducing air pollution up to 40 per cent by 2025-26.

### **192. 5 major palm oil importers from Asia form alliance**

The apex edible oil industry associations from five major palm oil importing countries of Asia -- India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh and Nepal -- have come together to form the Asian Palm Oil Alliance (APOA), at the instance of Solidaridad Network, a specialist in sustainable agriculture. APOA was launched during the Globoil Summit at Agra in September 2022. Atul Chaturvedi- First Chairman of the APOA

### **193. India's 1st Avalanche Monitoring Radar installed in north Sikkim**

The Indian Army and the Defence Geoinformatics and Research Establishment (DGRE) have jointly installed the Avalanche Monitoring Radar, first of its kind in India, in north Sikkim. This radar has the capability to detect avalanches within three seconds of their triggering and will assist in saving valuable life of troops and civilians as also vehicles in super high altitude

#### **194. Centre Gives In-Principle Nod To Shimla Urban Ropeway Project**

Department of Economic Affairs (DEA) under the Ministry of Finance has given in-principle approval for an innovative urban transport ropeway project worth Rs 1,546.4 crore for Shimla city. The ropeway network will have a length of 14.9 km, with several boarding and disembarking points. Eco-friendly mode of transportation as the project will be carbon neutral.

#### **195. Rajendra Kumar appointed ESIC Director General**

Senior bureaucrat Rajendra Kumar has been appointed the director general of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation.

He is currently an additional secretary in the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. ESIC, Chairman: Minister of State for Labour & Employment (Independent Charge). Shri Rameswar Teli : Minister of State for Labour & Employment (Independent Charge).

#### **196. Reliance Acquires 20% Stake In Solar Tech Firm Caelux For \$12 million**

Reliance New Energy, a wholly-owned subsidiary of India's biggest firm by market cap, has signed definitive agreements to invest in Caelux Corp., a Pasadena, California-based company engaged in the development of perovskite-based solar technology.

Caelux is an industry leader in R&D of perovskite-based solar technology.

#### **197. AAI to deploy private security personnel at 60 airports for non-core duties**

Airports Authority of India (AAI) will deploy 1,924 private security agency (PSA) security personnel across 60 airports in place of Central Industrial Security Force (CISF).

AAI also said it has appointed 581 security personnel from Directorate General Resettlement (DGR)-sponsored security agencies for non-core posts at 45 airports. Shri Sanjeev Kumar, Chairman, Airports Authority of India (AAI).

#### **198. Eliud Kipchoge breaks the world record at the 2022 Berlin marathon**

Kenya's Eliud Kipchoge shattered his own world record on Sunday (25 September), with a time of 2:01:09 to win the Berlin marathon.

Kipchoge's previous best in an official 42.2km race was 2:01:39 set on the same course in 2018.

Ethiopia's Tigist Assefa won the women's race in a course record of 2:15:37, the third fastest time in history.

#### **199. Health minister inaugurates Arogya Manthan 2022 to mark 4th anniversary of AB PM-JAY**

Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated "Arogya Manthan 2022" to celebrate four years of the implementation of Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) and one year of the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) on September 25. AB-PMJAY completed four years of its implementation on Sept 23, 2022, and Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission on 27 Sept

#### **200. MoHUAM to launch Swachh Toycathon, a unique competition to make toys from waste**

Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry launched Swachh Toycathon, a unique competition to make toys from waste. The competition will be open to individuals and groups to bring forth innovation in toy designs using dry waste. It will focus on efficient designs that can be replicated at a larger scale, and toys that comply with minimum safety standards. The competition will be hosted on MyGov's innovate India portal.

#### **201. Ageas becomes first foreign company with 74% stake in Indian life insurer**

Ageas Federal Life Insurance has become the first Indian life insurer to have 74% foreign shareholding following the exit of IDBI Bank which sold its entire 25% stake to Ageas Insurance International NV.

Belgium-based Ageas Insurance International's stake in the life insurance company is now 74% from the earlier 49%. Federal Bank continues to hold the remaining 26% stake

#### **202. Adani & family top IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich List**

Gautam Adani and family, with an estimated wealth of '10,94,400 crore, has topped the IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich List 2022, which was released on Wednesday. With 116% growth as compared with the 2021 list, his daily wealth creation velocity is estimated at '1,612 crore.

Mukesh Ambani and family has been named as the second richest in India with wealth of '7,94,700 crore

#### **203. India to get first car that can run on 100% ethanol and electric**

India will get its first flex-fuel vehicle, which can run on ethanol blended petrol and battery next month. The Flex Fuel Strong Hybrid Electric Vehicles (FFV-SHEV) imported from Brazil will be used as a pilot to assess its performance in terms of reduced carbon emissions.

The vehicle will be flagged off by Union road transport and highways minister Nitin Gadkari.

#### **204. Ministry of Defence signs MoU with Bank of Baroda and HDFC Bank to expand the reach of SPARSH initiative**

The Defence Accounts Department signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Bank of Baroda and HDFC Bank, to onboard them as Service Centres under the System for Pension Administration

(Raksha) (SPARSH) initiative, across more than 14,000 branches throughout India. SPARSH is a web-based system for processing the pension claims and crediting the pension directly.

#### **205. Magnus Carlsen breaks 2900 barrier in Julius Baer Generation Cup win**

GM Magnus Carlsen (Norway) won the Julius Baer Generation Cup, needing just two games vs. GM Arjun Erigaisi (India)

Carlsen's performance makes him the first player to hit the historic 2900 Tour Rating mark and he has also reached \$180,000 in earnings on the Tour. Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa stands second with \$106,500.

#### **206. Bandaru Wilsonbabu appointed Indian Ambassador to Madagascar**

Bandaru Wilsonbabu, presently joint secretary in the ministry of external affairs, has been appointed as the next ambassador of India to the Republic of Madagascar.

Wilsonbabu, who has served as the joint Secretary in the Eurasia division, will be replacing ambassador Abhay Kumar.

#### **207. India achieves significant landmarks in reduction of Child Mortality**

As per the Sample Registration System (SRS) Statistical Report 2020 released on 22nd September 2022 by Registrar General of India (RGI), the country has been witnessing a progressive reduction in IMR, U5MR and NMR since 2014 towards achieving the SDG's.

#### **208. BSE receives SEBI's final approval to launch EGR on its platform**

BSE has received the final approval from the capital markets regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) for introducing the Electronic Gold Receipt (EGR) on its platform.

India is the second largest consumer of gold globally with an annual gold demand of approximately 800-900 tonnes and holds an important position in the global markets.

#### **209. HAL's rocket engine manufacturing facility inaugurated in Karnataka**

An Integrated Cryogenic Engine Manufacturing Facility (ICMF) set up by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited that would cater to the entire rocket engine production under one roof for Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) was inaugurated by President Droupadi Murmu.

On that occasion, the President also laid the foundation stone for the Zonal Institute of Virology (South Zone).

#### **210. NASA's DART Mission Hits Asteroid in First-Ever Planetary Defense Test**

NASA's Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART)- the world's first planetary defense technology demonstration- successfully impacted its asteroid target, the agency's first attempt to move an asteroid in space.

DART targeted the asteroid moonlet Dimorphos, a small body just 530 feet (160 meters) in diameter. It orbits a larger, 2,560-foot (780-meter) asteroid called Didymos. NASA Administrator: Bill Nelson.

#### **211. Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurates 13th FICCI Global Skills Summit 2022**

Union Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan inaugurated and addressed the 13th FICCI Global Skills Summit 2022 on the theme of "Education to Employability - Making It Happen." in New Delhi.

Arun Chawla is current Director General of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI).

#### **212. Asha Parekh to be honoured with Dadasaheb Phalke Award**

The Information & Broadcasting Ministry announced that Dadasaheb Phalke Award for 2020 will be presented to Asha Parekh. The award will be presented at the National Film Award ceremony in New Delhi. The Minister also announced that the 68 th National Film Awards will be held on September 30, 2022 and will be presided over by the President Droupadi Murmu.

#### **213. DRDO conducts successful tests of Very-Short Range Air Defence System missiles**

The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) carried out two successful test flights of the Very-Short Range Air Defence System (VSHORADS) missile.

The missiles were test-fired from a ground-based portable launcher. The tests were carried out from the Integrated Test Range at Chandipur, located off the coast of Odisha.

#### **214. UP govt gives nod to Bundelkhand's first tiger reserve**

In a bid to promote tiger conservation in the state, the Uttar Pradesh cabinet gave a green signal for the development of the first tiger reserve in the Bundelkhand region.

In a meeting chaired by the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, the cabinet approved to notify Ranipur Tiger Reserve under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.

#### **215. Aarogya Setu, CoWIN to be used for health issues other than Covid as well**

Under the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, the Centre is repurposing Aarogya Setu and CoWIN.

Aarogya Setu was launched for handling COVID-19 in a more systematic way. It has been updated to function as a health and wellness app. After being extensively used to facilitate COVID-19 immunisation, CoWIN will be utilised for India's universal immunisation programme. RS Sharma, the chief executive of the National Health Authority.

#### **216. Uco, Yes Bank tie up with Russian banks for payments**

Uco Bank and Yes Bank have put in place arrangements with two Russian counterparts as India seeks to step up trade with the sanctioned nation.

While Uco Bank, which was the agency responsible for rupee trade with Iran, has tied up with Gazprom Bank, Yes Bank and Petersburg Social Commercial Bank (PSCB) also have an agreement in place.

#### **217. World Bank and SIDBI to launch fund against loan default to lenders financing purchase of electric 2 & 3 Wheelers**

The government, World Bank and Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) are set to launch a \$1 billion fund to provide guarantees against loan default to lenders financing the purchase of electric two- and three-wheelers.

The Niti Aayog is the facilitating agency for the project, aimed at facilitating faster and easier financing of electric vehicles.

#### **218. Unilever CEO Alan Jope to retire at end of 2023 after GSK setback**

Unilever Plc Chief Executive Officer Alan Jope plans to retire at the end of next year following a tumultuous period where the company botched a potential 50 billion (\$53 billion) deal and irked investors with lackluster growth.

Alan Jope has informed the Board of his intention to retire from the company at the end of 2023, after five years in the role. Unilever Chairman : Nils Andersen.

#### **219. Government launches mobile app, 'Sign Learn' to make Indian Sign Language dictionary more accessible to masses**

The government has launched a new mobile app called 'Sign Learn' with an aim to make the Indian Sign Language dictionary more accessible to the masses. The app, which is available for both Android and iPhone, was launched by Minister of State for Social Justice and Empowerment, Pratima Bhoumik.

#### **220. Swedish Defence Maker Saab To Produce Carl-Gustaf M4 Rocket Launchers In India**

Swedish defence company Saab has announced its decision to set up a production facility in India for its Carl-Gustaf M4 shoulder-fired weapon system. The M4 is one of the world's most popular pieces of military equipment utilised primarily by the Special Forces (SF).

Carl-Gustaf was first inducted into the Indian Army in 1976.

#### **221. Government appoints Lt General Anil Chauhan (retired) as next Chief of Defence Staff**

The Centre has decided to appoint Lt General Anil Chauhan (retd) as the next Chief of Defence Staff (CDS). He is only the second person to hold the post after General Bipin Rawat.

Lt General Anil Chauhan (retd) shall also function as the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Military Affairs.

He was commissioned into the 11 Gorkha Rifles of the Indian Army in 1981.

#### **222. Centre Appoints Senior Advocate R Venkataramani As Next Attorney General For India**

Senior advocate R Venkataramani has been appointed as the new Attorney General of India for a period of three years, by Honorable President of India. He will succeed KK Venugopal after the latter's term ends on September 30.

The Attorney General is the Government of India's first law officer, and has the right of audience in all courts of the country.

R Venkataramani is the 16th Attorney General of India (AG).

#### **223. Cabinet approves India-Bangladesh MoU to withdraw water from Kushiara river**

The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, gave its ex-post facto approval for a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and Bangladesh for withdrawal of up to 153 cusecs of water each by both the countries from the river Kushiara which lies along the border during the dry season.

#### **224. West Zone wins Duleep Trophy 2022, beats South Zone by 294 runs**

West Zone thrashed South Zone by 294 runs to win the 2022 Duleep Trophy here, completing the formalities before lunch on the fifth and last day's play.

Prolific run-scorer Sarfaraz Khan recorded a fine, unbeaten century (127 off 178 balls) while Yashasvi Jaiswal made a monumental 265 in the second innings to help set the game up for the Ajinkya Rahane-led West Zone.

### **225. Govt signs MoU with Amazon to provide training, jobs to people with disabilities in e-commerce sector**

The tripartite agreement between the department of empowerment of persons with disabilities (DePwD), Skill Council for Persons with Disability (SCPwD), & Amazon focuses on skilling, certification, and entrepreneurship with the goal of uniquely enabling and positioning PwD participation in mainstream society.

Union minister of social justice and empowerment Dr. Virendra Kumar.

### **226. Indian firms sign MoU with Canada's Canpotex for long-term stability of fertilisers**

Canpotex is acclaimed as one of the largest potash suppliers globally.

Indian companies Coromandel International, Chambal Fertilisers and Indian Potash Limited signed the MoU.

As per the understanding, Canpotex will supply up to 15 LMT of potash annually for three years. Canpotex, Canada, exports around 130 LMT of the product annually.

### **227. Aviation body ICAO signs pact with International Solar Alliance**

The International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the International Solar Alliance (ISA) to check the growth of CO2 emissions in the sector, the Ministry of Civil Aviation said.

Salvatore Sciacchitano is the sixth and current President of the ICAO.

ICAO Headquarters, Montreal, Canada.

Dr. Ajay Mathur- DG, ISA. Union Civil Aviation Minister: Jyotiraditya Scindia.

### **228. HAL, Honeywell sign MoU for joint manufacturing of high-power turbogenerators**

Defence PSU Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Honeywell signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to jointly manufacture high-power, high-voltage turbogenerators.

The Honeywell turbogenerator is capable of running on aviation biofuel, including green jet fuel as well as conventional jet fuel and diesel. Rajesh Rege, president, Honeywell India.

### **229. Reliance Jio Chairman Akash Ambani On Time's 100 Emerging Leaders' List**

Reliance Jio Chairman Akash Ambani, son of billionaire Mukesh Ambani, has been named in the Time100 Next ' the magazine's list of the world's rising stars. Significantly, he is the only Indian on the list.

However, there is another Indian-born American business leader, Amrapali Gan, also on the list.

### **230. Airtel Payments Bank to install 1.5 lakh micro ATMs this fiscal**

Airtel Payments Bank has started rolling out 1.5 lakh micro ATMs in a phased manner across tier 2 cities and semi-urban regions to facilitate cash withdrawal for its customers.

Airtel Payments Bank is now integrated with the National Payments Corporation of India's (NPCI) - National Financial Switch (NFS) to facilitate micro ATM transactions.

### **231. World Heart Day 2022, 29 September**

Cardiovascular diseases are the biggest cause of death in the world and India. It is for that reason that September 29 is marked as World Heart Day. The day hopes to promote awareness about the risks of heart diseases and how to prevent them.

The theme for World Heart Day 2022 is 'Use Heart For Every Heart'.

### **232. India climbs six notches to 40th position in Global Innovation Index 2022**

India climbed six notches to 40th position in the Global Innovation Index 2022 on account of improvement in several parameters, according to a report by the Geneva-based World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

Switzerland, the United States, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands are the world's most-innovative economies.

India was at 46th position in 2021. WIPO, Director General : Daren Tang.

### **233. ASCI appoints N S Rajan as next chairman; Saugata Gupta new V-C**

N S Rajan, Director of August One Partners LLP was unanimously elected as Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI)'s Chairman of the Board of Governors.

Saugata Gupta, Managing Director & CEO, Marico Limited, was elected Vice-Chairman.

Established in 1985, ASCI is registered as a non-profit company under section 25 of the Company Act.

### **234. ICCR collaborates with Google for global promotion of Sanskrit**

The Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) announced a collaboration with Google to promote Sanskrit.

Google has received 100,000 sentence pairs from ICCR as part of the project's pilot phase in order to form its AI/ML models. The Sanskrit team from the University of Delhi, comprising academics, students and

teachers, was led by professor Amarjiva Lochan. Kumar Tuhin: Director General, Indian Council for Cultural Relations.

### **235. PM Narendra Modi declares 36th National Games open in Ahmedabad**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 36th National Games at a grand Opening Ceremony at the Narendra Modi stadium in Ahmedabad.

The National Games are being held after a long hiatus of 7 years since its previous installment in the year 2015 when Kerala played host.

### **236. MoS for Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal attends UNESCO-MONDIACULT 2022 in Mexico**

Union Minister of State for Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal is representing India at an international conference to be held in Mexico from September 28-30.

The UNESCO World Conference on Cultural Policies and Sustainable Development ' MONDIACULT 2022 is convened by UNESCO forty years after the first Mondiacult world conference on cultural policies held in Mexico city in 1982.

### **237. Active credit cards drop 2.3 million in August over new RBI norms**

After the Reserve Bank of India rule mandating credit card operators to deactivate cards that are inactive for 365 days came into effect, the number of credit cards in force declined to about 78 million in August 2022.

While SBI Cards' market share based on the number of cards in force increased to 19.2% in August 2022, HDFC Bank and Axis Bank saw their market share fall.

### **238. Ex-Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhaduria joins Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor as chief nodal officer**

The Centre has appointed former Air Chief Marshal (Retd) Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhaduria as Chief Nodal Officer for the UPDIC project. The Uttar Pradesh Defence Industrial Corridor (UPDIC) is a project under the Uttar Pradesh Expressways Industrial Development Authority (UPEIDA).

The project is expected to reduce foreign dependency of the Indian aerospace and defence sector.

### **239. UP Govt approves MSME Promotion Policy 2022 and UP Bioenergy Policy 2022**

Uttar Pradesh cabinet approved a Micro Small Medium Enterprises Promotion Policy (MSME) 2022 and Uttar Pradesh Bioenergy Policy-2022 to help setting up of MSMEs and bioenergy projects.

The state cabinet also approved a proposal to reorganize the State Planning Commission as the State Transformation Commission (STC) on the pattern of the Niti Aayog.

### **240. American Express ties up with Nasscom to empower women with digital skills**

Under this project, American Express and Nasscom Foundation are working with two training partners - FUEL (Friends Union for Energizing Lives) and RCED (Regional Centre for Entrepreneurship) to impart women with technology-based skill development and entrepreneurship training.

### **241. India, California agree to collaborate on zero-emission vehicles**

India has entered into a collaboration with California for research and innovation in the field of zero-emission vehicles to spur the development of its nascent EV industry and address climate risks.

California has the world's most advanced zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) policies. It has an ambitious 100 per cent ZEV mandate by 2035.

### **242. RBI hikes repo rate by 50 bps to 5.9%**

The six-member Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) voted 5-1 to up the policy repo rate by 50 basis points (bps) to rein in the above target inflation and address concerns around weakening of the currency. Following the 50 bps hike, the repo rate (the interest rate at which banks borrow funds from RBI to overcome short-term liquidity mismatches) is at 5.90 per cent against 5.40

### **243. Adani Ports secures '25,000 cr Tajpur port project in West Bengal**

The Adani Group will develop a port in India's West Bengal state at a planned investment of more than \$3 billion, as the port-to-power conglomerate continues to bolster its grip over the local infrastructure and logistics sectors. The greenfield project will entail a total investment of '25,000 crore (\$3.1 billion), of which '15,000 crore will go toward port development.

## QUICK LEARNERS

### BANKING

<b>Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR)</b>	4.50%
<b>Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)</b>	18.00%

<b>POLICY/EXCHANGE RATE &amp; RESERVE RATIO</b>	<b>PERCENTAGE</b>
<b>Repo Rate</b>	5.90%
<b>Reverse Repo Rate</b>	3.35%
<b>Marginal Standing Facility Rate (MSF)</b>	6.15%
<b>Bank Rate</b>	6.15%

### APPOINTMENTS

<b>APPOINTMENT</b>	<b>POST</b>
<b>Yamuna Kumar Chaubey</b>	Chairman and Managing Director of NHPC
<b>Laxman Narasimhan</b>	CEO of Starbucks
<b>Dr. Justice DY Chandrachud</b>	Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority
<b>Utpal Kumar Singh</b>	CEO of Sansad TV
<b>Binesh Kumar Tyagi</b>	Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Shipping Corporation of India
<b>Mahesh Vishwanathan Iyer</b>	Chairman of Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL)
<b>Amit Kumar</b>	Ambassador of India to the Republic of Korea
<b>Sameer Khetarpal</b>	CEO and Managing Director Jubilant FoodWorks
<b>Sanjay Kumar Verma</b>	India's high commissioner to Canada
<b>Pankaj Gupta</b>	Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of HMT Limited
<b>Sanjay Khanna</b>	CEO and Country Manager of American Express Banking Corp India
<b>Prakash Chand</b>	Ambassador of India to the State of Eritrea
<b>Sibi George</b>	Ambassador of India to Japan
<b>B P Kanungo</b>	Independent Director of BharatPe
<b>Kaushik Dutta</b>	Independent Director of BharatPe
<b>Thomas M Devasia</b>	Member (non-life) in the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)
<b>Joao Lourenco</b>	President of Angola
<b>Rama Subramaniam Gandhi</b>	Non-executive part time chairman of Yes Bank
<b>Rajneet Kohli</b>	Executive Director & CEO of Britannia Industries
<b>Varun Berry</b>	Executive Vice-Chairman and Managing Director of Britannia Industries
<b>Dilip Tirkey</b>	Hockey India (HI) president
<b>Dilip Asbe</b>	Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)
<b>Sanjai Kumar</b>	Chairman & Managing Director of RailTel Corporation of India Limited
<b>Giorgia Meloni</b>	Prime Minister of Italy
<b>Data Security Council of India (DSCI)</b>	CEO of Data Security Council of India
<b>Mohammed bin Salman</b>	Prime Minister of Saudi Arabia
<b>Nicandro Durante</b>	CEO of Reckitt Benckiser Group
<b>Kalyan Chaubey</b>	President of All India Football Federation (AIFF)
<b>Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam</b>	Managing Director and CEO of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB) Ltd
<b>Mary Elizabeth Truss</b>	Prime Minister of United Kingdom
<b>Petrus Johannes Theodorus Elbers</b>	CEO of IndiGo
<b>Ajit Kumar Saxena</b>	Chairman & Managing Director of MOIL Limited
<b>Dinesh Kumar Batra</b>	Chairman & Managing Director of Bharat Electronics Limited



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<b>Devika Bulchandani</b>	Global Chief Executive Officer of Ogilvy
<b>Volker Turk</b>	United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
<b>Sanjay Kumar Rakesh</b>	Managing Director of Common Service Centre (CSC)
<b>Charles III</b>	King of the United Kingdom
<b>BVR Subrahmanyam</b>	Chairman & Managing Director of the India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)
<b>Barnali Barua Tokhi</b>	Managing Director (MD) of Bharat Petro Resources Ltd
<b>Prasanna Kumar Motupalli</b>	Chairman & Managing Director of NLC India Limited
<b>Vinod Aggarwal</b>	Managing Director of Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM)
<b>Sumant Kathpalia</b>	Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of IndusInd Bank
<b>Pralay Mondal</b>	Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of CSB Bank
<b>Arun Kumar Mishra</b>	Member of the Governance Committee of the Asia Pacific Forum (APF)
<b>Dr M Srinivas</b>	Director of All India Institute Of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)
<b>Dr Rajiv Bahl</b>	Director General of Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)
<b>Rajendra Kumar</b>	Director General of Employees' State Insurance Corporation
<b>Bharat Lal</b>	Director General of National Centre for Good Governance (NCGG)
<b>Bandaru Wilsonbabu</b>	Ambassador of India to the Republic of Madagascar
<b>Lt General Anil Chauhan</b>	Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)
<b>R Venkataramani</b>	Attorney General of India
<b>N S Rajan</b>	Chairman of the Board of Governors of Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI)

## AWARDS

WINNER	AWARD
<b>General Manoj Pande</b>	Honorary rank of General of Nepal Army
<b>Tanikella Bharani</b>	Sahitya Puraskar of the Loknayak Foundation
<b>Admiral Sunil Lanba</b>	Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera)
<b>Vigyan Pragati</b>	National Rajbhasha Kirti Award
<b>Swati Piramal</b>	Chevalier de la Lgion d'Honneur
<b>Radhika Batra</b>	2022 Goalkeepers Global Awards
<b>Zahra Joya</b>	2022 Goalkeepers Global Awards
<b>Vanessa Nakate</b>	2022 Goalkeepers Global Awards
<b>Ursula von der Leyen</b>	2022 Goalkeepers Global Awards
<b>Meena Kandasamy</b>	Hermann Kesten Award 2022
<b>RINL</b>	National Energy Leader Award
<b>Suella Braverman</b>	Queen Elizabeth II Woman of the Year award
<b>Srishti Bakshi</b>	'Changemaker' award at UN SDG Action Awards
<b>Bernadette J. Madrid</b>	2022 Ramon Magsaysay Award
<b>Sotheara Chhim</b>	2022 Ramon Magsaysay Award
<b>Gary Benchehib</b>	2022 Ramon Magsaysay Award
<b>Tadashi Hattori</b>	2022 Ramon Magsaysay Award
<b>Sikandar Raza</b>	ICC Men's Player of the Month awards for August 2022
<b>Tahlia McGrath</b>	ICC Women's Player of the Month awards for August 2022
<b>Asha Parekh</b>	Dadasaheb Phalke Award for 2020

**IMPORTANT DAYS**

DATE	DAY	THEME
<b>September 1 to September 7</b>	National Nutrition Week (NNW)	
<b>September 5<sup>th</sup></b>	National Teachers' Day	
<b>September 5<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day of Charity	
<b>September 7<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day of Clean Air for blue skies	The Air We Share
<b>September 8<sup>th</sup></b>	International Literacy Day	
<b>September 8<sup>th</sup></b>	World Physiotherapy Day	
<b>September 9<sup>th</sup></b>	World Electric Vehicles Day	
<b>September 9<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day to Protect Education from Attack	
<b>September 10<sup>th</sup></b>	World Suicide Prevention Day	Creating hope through action
<b>September 12<sup>th</sup></b>	United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation	
<b>September 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Hindi Diwas	
<b>September 15<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day of Democracy	
<b>September 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Engineers Day	
<b>September 15<sup>th</sup></b>	World Lymphoma Awareness Day	
<b>September 16<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer	Global Cooperation Protecting Life on Earth
<b>September 17<sup>th</sup></b>	World Patient Safety Day	Medication without Harm
<b>September 18<sup>th</sup></b>	World Bamboo Day	
<b>September 20<sup>th</sup></b>	International NFT day	
<b>September 21<sup>st</sup></b>	International Day of Peace	End racism. Build peace
<b>September 21<sup>st</sup></b>	World Alzheimer's Day	Know Dementia, know Alzheimer's
<b>September 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	World Rhino Day	
<b>September 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	International Day of Sign Languages	
<b>September 25<sup>th</sup></b>	World Pharmacists Day	Pharmacy united in action for a healthier world
<b>September 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Antyodaya Diwas	
<b>September 25<sup>th</sup></b>	World Lung Day	Lung Health for All
<b>September 26<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons	
<b>September 26<sup>th</sup></b>	World Environmental Health Day	
<b>September 27<sup>th</sup></b>	World Tourism Day	Rethinking Tourism
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day for Universal Access to Information	
<b>September 28<sup>th</sup></b>	World Rabies Day	One Health, Zero Death
<b>September 29<sup>th</sup></b>	International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste	
<b>September 29<sup>th</sup></b>	World Heart Day	Use Heart For Every Heart
<b>September 30<sup>th</sup></b>	World Maritime Day	New technologies for greener shipping
<b>September 30<sup>th</sup></b>	International Translation day	A World without Barriers

**OBITUARY**

OBITUARY	RELATED FIELD
<b>Mikhail Gorbachev</b>	Former Soviet leader
<b>Umesh Katti</b>	Karnataka Minister of Forests
<b>Ram Chandra Manjhi</b>	Bhojpuri folk theatre Artist
<b>Kamal Narain Singh</b>	Former Chief Justice of India
<b>Raju Srivastava</b>	Indian Actor
<b>Cyrus Mistry</b>	Former Tata Group chairman
<b>Queen Elizabeth II</b>	UK's longest-serving monarch
<b>Venkata Krishnam Raju</b>	Telugu actor & Politician

**IMPORTANT STATIC & CURRENT INFO**
**INDIAN STATES, CAPITALS, CHIEF MINISTERS & GOVERNORS**

STATE	CAPITAL	CHIEF MINISTER	GOVERNOR
Andhra Pradesh	Amaravati	Y. S. Jagan Mohan Reddy	Biswa Bhusan Harichandn
Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar	Pema Khandu	Brigadier B.D. Mishra (retd)
Assam	Dispur	HimantaBiswaSarma	Prof. Jagdish Mukhi
Bihar	Patna	Nitish Kumar	Phagu Chauhan
Chhattisgarh	Raipur	Bhupesh Baghel	AnusuiyaUikey
Goa	Panaji	Pramod Sawant	P.S. Sreedharan Pillai
Gujarat	Gandhi Nagar	Vijaybhai R. Rupani	Acharya Dev Vrat
Haryana	Chandigarh	Manohar Lal Khattar	BandaruDattatraya
Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	Jai Ram Thakur	Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar
Jharkhand	Ranchi	Hemant Soren	Ramesh Bais
Karnataka	Bengaluru	Basavaraj Bommai	Thaawarchand Gehlot
Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	Pinarayi Vijayan	Arif Mohammed Khan
Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	Shivraj Singh Chauhan	MangubhaiChhaganbhai Patel
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Eknath Shinde	Bhagat Singh Koshyari
Manipur	Imphal	N Biren Singh	La. Ganesan
Meghalaya	Shillong	Conrad Kongkal Sangma	Satya Pal Malik
Mizoram	Aizawl	Pu Zoramthanga	Dr Kambhampati Haribabu
Nagaland	Kohima	Neiphiu Rio	Jagdish Mukhi
Odisha	Bhubaneshwar	Naveen Patnaik	Ganeshi Lal
Punjab	Chandigarh	Bhagwant Mann	Banwarilal Purohit
Rajasthan	Jaipur	Ashok Gehlot	Kalraj Mishra
Sikkim	Gangtok	PS Golay	Ganga Prasad
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	M. K. Stalin	R. N. Ravi
Telangana	Hyderabad	K. Chandrasekhar Rao	TamilisaiSoundararajan
Tripura	Agartala	Dr. Manik Saha	SatyadeoNarain Arya
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Uttarakhand	Dehradun	Pushkar Singh Dhami	Lt. Gen. Gurmit Singh
West Bengal	Kolkata	Mamata Banerjee	La. Ganesan

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Chandigarh (UT)	Banwarilal Purohit (Administrator)
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (UT)	Praful Patel (Administrator)
Delhi (NCT)	Vinai Kumar Saxena (Lieutenant Governor)
Jammu and Kashmir (UT)	Manoj Sinha (Lieutenant Governor)
Lakshadweep (UT)	Praful Patel (Administrator)
Puducherry (UT)	Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan (Addl. Charge) (Lieutenant Governor)
Ladakh (UT)	Radha Krishna Mathur (Lieutenant Governor)

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<b>Rajnath Singh</b>	Ministry of Defence
<b>Amit Shah</b>	Ministry of Home Affairs Ministry of Cooperation
<b>Nitin Gadkari</b>	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
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<b>Piyush Goyal</b>	Ministry of Commerce and Industry Ministry of Textiles Ministry of Consumer affairs, food and public distribution
<b>Narendra Singh Tomar</b>	Ministry of agriculture and Farmers welfare
<b>Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar</b>	Ministry of External Affairs
<b>Arjun Munda</b>	Ministry of Tribal Affairs
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<b>Gajendra Singh Shekhawat</b>	Ministry of Jal Shakti
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<b>Raj Kumar Singh</b>	Ministry of Power Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

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