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National

IILM University: Law School is India's 1st NEP 2020 compliant Law School

- IILM University launched the first National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) Complaint Law School in the Country. The IILM University also got the approval of the Government of Uttar Pradesh and the recognition of the Bar Council of India (BCI).
- The IILM Law school is also known for its state-of-the-art infrastructure. The IILM University's interdisciplinary teaching and training techniques comply with NEP 2020 which directs the IILM Law School to achieve its goals and planned experiential learning through various practical initiatives.



Starbucks named Indian-origin executive Laxman Narasimhan as CEO

- The coffee giant Starbucks has appointed its new Indian-origin Chief Executive Officer, Laxman Narasimhan. He will join Starbucks on October 1, after replacing Howard Schultz who will continue as interim chief until April 2023.
- The 55-years-old Indian, Narasimhan, has served as chief executive of Lysol and Enfamil baby formula, UK-based Reckitt Benckiser Group PLC. Starbucks Corporation is an American multinational chain of coffeehouses and roastery reserves headquartered in Seattle, Washington.
- It is the world's largest coffeehouse chain. As of November 2021, the company had 33,833 stores in 80 countries, 15,444 of which were located in the United States.



India Surpasses UK to Become World's 5th Largest Economy

- India has surpassed Britain to become world's fifth largest economy, Bloomberg reported. The change in ranking has pushed the United Kingdom to the sixth spot as the country continues to grapple under the brutal cost-of-living shack.
- The Indian economy is forecast to grow more than 7 per cent this year. On an adjusted basis and using the dollar exchange rate on the last day of the relevant quarter, the size of Indian economy in "normal" cash terms in the quarter through March was USD 845.7 billion. On the same basis, UK was USD 816 billion, according to the report.



Central govt female staff to get 60-day maternity leave in early child death

- Special 60-day maternity leave: Central govt female staff to get a special maternity leave of 60 days. The leave will be granted in the event that a baby is lost before or during delivery, or if the infant passes away shortly after birth.
- A directive in this regard was issued by the Department of Personnel and Training. In accordance to the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, the decision was taken.
- A baby born at or after week 28 of gestation may be said to have died still. Up to 28 days after delivery may be used to identify the situation for a child dying soon after birth. The time between conception and delivery is known as the gestational period.



LIC out of list of Top 10 valued Indian Companies, Replaced by Bajaj and Adani Transmission

- Life Insurance Company (LIC) is out of the top 10 companies by market capitalization as it has been replaced by Bajaj Finance and Adani Transmission. LIC has dropped to 11th position in the list, Bajaj Finance at 10th, and Adani Transmission at 9th position.

- Adani Transmission entered the top 10 list with a market value of ₹4.43 lakh crore on the BSE, which is higher than Bajaj Finance's total mcap of ₹4.42 lakh crore and LIC's ₹4.26 lakh crore.
- **Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) is on the top of the list of valued Indian Companies** with a market capitalization of ₹17.8 lakh crore, followed by Tata Consultancy Services (TCS), HDFC Bank, Infosys, Hindustan Unilever (HUL), ICICI Bank and State Bank of India (SBI).

Nation first-ever "Night Sky Sanctuary" to be set up in Ladakh

- India's first-ever 'night sky sanctuary' will be set up within the next three months in **Hanle, Ladakh**, Union Minister of Science and Technology, **Jitendra Singh**. This is a unique and first-of-its-kind initiative by the Indian government.
- The proposed dark sky reserve will be located at Hanle, Ladakh, and will boost astro-tourism in India, according to a statement released by the Union Ministry of Science and Technology.
- The night sky sanctuary will be set up as part of the **Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary**, the world's second-largest nature reserve. The new project will be one of the world's highest-located sites for optical, infrared, and gamma-ray telescopes.



Government of India approve celebrating "Hyderabad Liberation Day" all year long

- The Government of India approved the annual commemoration of "**Hyderabad Liberation Day**" for the years **2022 to 2023**.
- On September 17, 2022, the Ministry of Culture will organise the inaugural event for the year-long celebration of Hyderabad Liberation Day. The goal is to raise awareness of the tale of sacrifice, heroism, and resistance among the current generation in India as a whole as well as in the region under study.



- The purpose is to create awareness of the story of resistance, heroism, and sacrifice among the current generation, both in the region under examination and across India.
- The Center plans to observe this day in all three states, even though Maharashtra and Karnataka already recognise it as Marathwada Liberation Day and Hyderabad-Karnataka Liberation Day, respectively.

GoI announces to rename the Rajpath as Kartavya Path

- The government of India has announced to change the name of **Rajpath and Central Vista lawns** into **Kartavya Path**. The decision is said to shed remnants of the **British colony in India**.
- The decision came after a special meeting on September 7, convened with the aim of renaming the **Rajpath and Central Vista lawns**.
- Earlier, the Modi government had changed the name of the road on which the Prime Minister's residence is, from Race Course Road to Lok Kalyan Marg.
- Kartavya Path includes the entire avenue and area from the **Netaji Statue** to the Rashtrapati Bhavan. The route runs from **Rashtrapati Bhavan on Raisina Hill through Vijay Chowk** and India Gate to National Stadium in Delhi.



NITI Aayog: Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat Top States In Implementing Poshan Abhiyaan scheme

- **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 titled '**Preserving Progress on Nutrition in India: Poshan Abhiyan in Pandemic Times**' further said that 12 out of 19 large states had an implementation score of over 70 per cent.
- While Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu topped among Union Territories (UTs), **Punjab and Bihar were the lowest performers** among larger

states in terms of the overall implementation of Poshan Abhiyaan, as per the government think tank report.

PM Modi to unveil statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, dedicate Kartavya Path

- **PM Modi to unveil statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose:** The newly named **Kartavya Path**, which runs from Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate and features red granite walkways with vegetation all around, renovated canals, state-specific food stalls, new utility blocks, and vending kiosks, will be unveiled by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The government claims that it represents a change from the former Rajpath, which served as a symbol of power, to Kartavya Path, which serves as an illustration of public ownership and empowerment.

Rajasthan launched 100 days urban employment guarantee scheme

- **Rajasthan government** launched an ambitious scheme to provide **100 days** of employment to needy families in **urban areas** on the lines of the rural employment guarantee scheme **MGNREGA**.
- More than 2.25 lakh families have already registered for the Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Scheme which was proposed by chief minister Ashok Gehlot in the state budget this year.
- The state government has allocated **Rs 800 crore** for the scheme. Ministers in charge of districts will launch the scheme in their respective areas.
- The ratio of material cost and remuneration cost for getting the work approved and executed of “general nature” will be **25:75**, while the ratio will be reversed for the works of “special nature”.
- Payments will be made in the bank accounts of the beneficiary within **15 days**.
- People from the **age group of 18 to 60** are eligible for the scheme. Interested families will get 100 days of employment. The scheme will be implemented in all the urban local bodies from September 9.

UNDP’s human development index: India ranks 132 out of 191 countries

- A report on the **2021 Human Development Index (HDI)** is part of the Human Development Report 2021-2022 released by the **United Nations Development Programme**.
- The HDI measures the average achievement of a country in three basic dimensions of human development — a long and healthy life, education and a decent standard of living. It is calculated using four indicators — life expectancy at birth, mean years of schooling, expected years of schooling, and the **Gross National Income (GNI) per capita**.
- **India ranked 132nd** among **191 countries** and territories on the 2021 Human Development Index (HDI). In the 2020 report, India had ranked 131st among 189 countries and territories. The decline in the country’s performance from its previous level was on account of a fall in life expectancy.



Bihar CM inaugurated India’s longest rubber dam on Falgu River

- Bihar Chief Minister, **Nitish Kumar** has inaugurated India’s longest rubber dam ‘**Gayaji Dam**’ on the **Falgu River in Gaya**. The dam has been built at an estimated cost of **Rs 324 crore**. Experts from IIT (Roorkee) were involved with the project.
- There will be enough water in the dam round the year for the convenience of pilgrims. With its construction, now at least two feet of water will be available in the Falgu River near Vishnupad Ghat throughout the year for the devotees who come here to do Pind Daan.



Key Point

- Bihar Capital: Patna;
- Bihar Chief Minister: Nitish Kumar;
- Bihar Governor: Phagu Chauhan.

PM Modi Inaugurates World Dairy Summit 2022 in Greater Noida

- World Dairy Summit 2022:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the International Dairy Federation's World Dairy Summit (IDF WDS) 2022 at the India Expo Center and Mart in Greater Noida, the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) said in a statement.
- Prime Minister Modi also visited the local exhibition. At the rally, the prime minister said the dairy sector's potential would not only boost the rural economy, but would also be an important source of livelihood for millions of people around the world.
- The **International Dairy Agreement (IDA)** changed the International Dairy Arrangement, which were set up in 1980. Its primary feature become to extend and liberalize global exchange in dairy products thru worldwide cooperation. The settlement terminated in 1997.



National Maritime Heritage Complex to be built in Gujarat

- Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways** is building the **National Maritime Heritage Complex** at the historic Indus Valley civilization region of Lothal in Gujarat with a total cost of 3500 crores rupees.
- The first-of-its-kind complex in India, this centre will showcase India's rich and diverse maritime heritage. The foundation stone for the NMHC project was laid by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the consent for the master plan was given in March 2019.

Railroads to launch new version of the Vande Bharat 2 high-speed train

- New version of the Vande Bharat 2:** The Indian Railways will launch the new Vande Bharat Express, a high-speed train in its ongoing effort to provide passengers with the best amenities.
- According to the Ministry of Railways, **Vande Bharat 2** According to the



ministry, Vande Bharat 2 will have further improvements and developments, including a faster 0 to 100 Kmph time of just 52 seconds, a top speed of 180 Kmph, a lighter weight of 392 tonnes, and WI-FI content that is available when needed.

Vedanta And Foxconn to Invest 1.54 Lakh Crore In Gujrat For Chip Manufacturing

- The Anil Agarwal-led-**Vedanta Limited and Foxconn Group** will invest more than **Rs 1.54 lakh crore** to set up an semiconductor ecosystem in Gujarat.
- The oil-to-metals conglomerate said Vedanta Displays Limited will set up a **Display Fab Unit with an investment of Rs 94500 crore** and Vedanta Semiconductors Limited will set up an integrated **Semiconductor Fab Unit and OSAT (Outsourced Semiconductor Assembly and Test) facility with investment of Rs 60000 crore.**

World's largest museum of Harappan culture is coming up in Rakhigarhi, Haryana

- The world's largest museum of Harappan culture is coming up in **Rakhigarhi in Haryana** to showcase about 5,000-year-old Indus Valley artefacts. The village of Rakhigarhi was part of the **Indus Valley Civilisation from 2600-1900 BC.**
- Haryana is slated to host the world's largest museum dedicated to the Harappan civilization. Rakhigarhi is a hamlet in Haryana's Hisar district, some 150 kilometres from Delhi. The settlement is also a well-known archaeological site from the time of the Indus Valley civilization.

India's First Forest University to be Established in Telangana

- India** is going to have its first Forest University. The **Forestry Universities (UoF) Act 2022** was approved by the **Telangana Assembly.**
- The University of Forestry (UoF), will be the first of its kind in India. Globally, it will be the third University of Forestry after Russia and China. The Telangana government has decided to expand



the **Forestry College and Research Institute (FCRI)** in Hyderabad. The FCRI will be turned into a full-fledged University.

- The University will also network and partner with similar institutions to **create synergies in learning.**
- The University will promote **action research** by providing comprehensive **training to farmers.**
- The **objectives of the University** will be to produce quality forestry professionals for conservation and sustainable management of forest resources and to promote research and develop appropriate methods for propagation of plantation crops to meet the demand of industries.

Jharkhand ups reservations for SC, ST, and others to 77%

- **Jharkhand Government** agreed to the proposal for granting **77 percent reservation** in state government jobs for the SC, ST, Backward Classes, and OBC and further economically weaker sections.



- The **chief minister of Jharkhand Hemant Soren** hiked the OBC reservation to 27 percent which was earlier 14 percent. The Jharkhand Government also accepted the proposal to use the 1932 land records to determine those who are local inhabitants.
- The decision of granting reservation was taken in the backdrop of **tribals' demand** that the last land survey is conducted by the **British government in 1932.**
- The development came amid a political crisis in Jharkhand over the threats to **Chief Minister Hemant Soren** of his disqualification as an MLA.

Kantar BrandZ India: TCS now India's most valuable brand

- **Kantar's BrandZ report said:** IT services firm **Tata Consultancy Services** became India's most valuable brand in 2022, according to a report by market data and analytics firm **Kantar**, displacing long-time topper **HDFC Bank.**



- TCS, with a brand value of \$45.5 billion in 2022, is followed by HDFC Bank at \$32.7 billion. HDFC Bank has held the No.1 position since the ranking was unveiled in 2014.

Kantar BrandZ Top 10 Most Valuable Indian Brands 2022

Rank	Brand	Category	Brand Value 2022 (USD mil)
1	Tata Consultancy Services	Business Solutions & Technology Providers	45,519
2	HDFC Bank	Banks	32,747
3	Infosys	Business Solutions & Technology Providers	29,223

India To Be Home to Cheetahs After 70 Years

- **Eight African cheetahs** are all set to move from **Namibia** into their new habitat at the **Kuno National Park in Madhya Pradesh**, on September 17, on **Prime Minister Narendra Modi's birthday.**
- The PM is expected to release the five female and three male cheetahs into the Park's quarantine enclosures on Friday as part of his efforts to revitalise and diversify the country's wildlife and habitat, his office has said. The **last cheetah in India died in 1947** in the Korea district in present-day **Chhattisgarh**, which was an earlier part of Madhya Pradesh, and the species was **declared extinct from India in 1952.**



- According to reports, the cheetah has lost 90 per cent of its global habitat in the last 100 years. In addition, in many of the 31 populations of the cheetah, only 100-200 are left with their habitat consistently deteriorating.
- The '**African Cheetah Introduction Project in India**' was conceived in 2009, with a plan to introduce the big cat by November last year in Kuno National Park, but it suffered a setback due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park in Darjeeling recognised as best zoo

- The **Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park (PNHZP)** 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.



- There are around 150 zoos across the country. As per the list, the **Arignar Anna Zoological Park in Chennai** has secured the second position, followed by the **Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens in Mysore, Karnataka**.
- The zoological park is internationally recognised for its breeding and conservation programmes of endangered animal species of the eastern Himalayas, including the Snow Leopard and the Red Panda. The Red Panda is one of the top attractions of PNHZP, besides others such as the Himalayan Black Bear, Snow Leopard, Goral and Himalayan Thar.

Delhi Police First Force to Make Collection of Forensic Evidence Mandatory

- **Delhi Police** has become the **first police force in India** to make a **collection of forensic evidence mandatory** in crimes punishable by more than six years.
- Delhi is a union territory and is under the administrative control of the **Ministry of Home Affairs**. Delhi Police Commissioner **Sanjay Arora** issued a 'Standard Order', to all the police units.

- The order came into force after **Home Minister Amit Shah** pushed at Zonal Council Meeting.
- In the Zonal Council Meeting, Mr. Amit Shah informed that the government was going to overhaul the **British-era Indian penal code**.
- The changes in making the **collection of forensic evidence compulsory in criminal cases punishable** was one of the initial steps.
- Home Minister Amit Shah emphasized the fact that **custodial torture has roots in colonial India**, however, the conviction of a criminal can be achieved based on forensic evidence.
- The Delhi police order also suggests that the force has its own '**mobile crime team van**', in each district.
- The **forensic Mobil van** will be allotted to each district to provide **scientific and forensic assistance** on the spot.

Manoj Bajpayee publishes book "Muskurate Chand Lamhe aur Kuchh Khamoshiyan"

- **Muskurate Chand Lamhe aur Kuchh Khamoshiyan**: At a ceremony in New Delhi, well-known actor Manoj Bajpayee published a book titled Muskurate Chand Lamhe aur Kuchh Khamoshiyan in the presence of Apurva Chandra, the secretary of information and broadcasting.
- A variety of poetry are offered in the book. Jiwesh Nandan is the author of it. Mr. Apurva Chandra expressed his opinions at the time and remarked that the book is focused on humour and philosophy.
- Manoj Bajpayee, popularly known as Manoj Bajpai, is an Indian actor who primarily performs in Hindi-language films but has also appeared in Telugu and Tamil-language productions. He was born on April 23, 1969. He has won two Asia Pacific Screen Awards, six Filmfare Awards, and three National Film Awards.



Maharashtra's Daulatabad Fort to be renamed as 'Devgiri' Fort

- **Maharashtra Tourism Ministry** has decided to rename the **Daulatabad fort to Devgiri** which is located near Aurangabad.

- This decision comes after Shiv Sena Chief Uddhav Thackeray. It is a national heritage monument, which is maintained by the **Archeological Survey of India (ASI)**. Previously Maharashtra's former **Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray** was renamed Aurangabad Sambhajnagar.
- The decision of renaming **Daulatabad fort to Devgiri** came after **Shiv Sena chief Uddhav Thackeray** renamed Aurangabad to Sambhajnagar after a long demand from Sena Foot Soldiers.

PM Narendra Modi launched world's first Cheetah Rehabilitation Project

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has released wild Cheetahs in Kuno National Park and launched the world's first **Cheetah Rehabilitation Project**.
- Cheetahs which have been brought from Namibia are being introduced in India under Project Cheetah, which is the world's first inter-continental large wild carnivore translocation project.
- The release of wild Cheetahs by the Prime Minister is part of his efforts to revitalise and diversify India's wildlife and its habitat. Out of the eight Cheetahs, there are five females and three males. Mr Modi released Cheetahs at two release points in Kuno National Park. On the occasion, he also interacted with Cheetah Mitras, Cheetah Rehabilitation Management Group and students at the venue.



Saffron from Kashmir GI-tagged on sites both domestic and abroad

- **Saffron from Kashmir GI-tagged:** Farmers in the Union Territory of **Jammu and Kashmir** are now able to sell their products on domestic and international marketplaces thanks to the GI labelling of Kashmiri saffron.
- This was said by Chowdhury Mohammad Iqbal, director of agriculture in Kashmir, who today visited



the India International **Saffron from Kashmir** Trade Centre in Dussu in the Pampore neighbourhood of the Pulwama district of south Kashmir to see how it was operating there.

- He claimed that the GI tagging and e-auctioning facilities have facilitated the export of our goods to places like Dubai and other nations.

Key Point

- Capital of Jammu and Kashmir: **Srinagar**
- LG of Jammu and Kashmir: **Shri Manoj Sinha**

Maharashtra to establish an institution similar to NITI Aayog

- **Maharashtra:** The state's deputy chief minister, **Devendra Fadnavis**, revealed in a meeting that the Maharashtra government intends to create an organisation along the lines of Niti Aayog. The organisation would be in charge of doing thorough data analysis and coming to informed choices about various state sectors.
- The Chief Minister of Maharashtra met with representatives from **NITI Aayog** to discuss a number of issues, including asset monetisation and blockchain in agriculture.
- The discussion covered topics in the meeting are: alternative fuels, electric automobiles, drone healthcare, and agribusiness among others.
- According to Devendra Fadnavis, the **NITI Aayog** has also conducted a thorough investigation into connection issues and created a technology that allows for the analysis of interrelated data from many departments in order to improve decision-making.

Key Point

- Maharashtra Chief Minister: Eknath Shinde;
- Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister: Devendra Fadnavis;
- Niti Aayog Chairman: Narendra Modi.

Jio Cinema's OTT merger with Viacom18 Media approved by CCI

- **Jio Cinema's OTT merger with Viacom18:** The merger of Jio Cinema OTT and Viacom18 Media received approval from fair-trade regulator Competition



Commission of India (CCI).

- The CCI announced, following investments from BTS Investment and Reliance Projects & Property Management Services, it has approved the merger of the Jio Cinema OTT platform with Viacom18 Media.
- Reliance Industries Ltd. (RIL) and Viacom18 announced a strategic partnership with Bodhi Tree Systems in April.
- Bodhi Tree to invest Rs 13,500 crore in Viacom18, and Reliance Projects & Property Management Services, a wholly-owned subsidiary of RIL, will invest Rs 1,645 crore in the broadcaster as part of the tripartite partnership, creating one of the largest TV and digital streaming firms in India.

PM CARES Fund: Govt appoints Industrialist Ratan Tata as Trustee

- According to the prime minister's office, 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 **Narendra Modi** chaired a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the PM CARES Fund, which was attended by Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman.
- The trust further decided to nominate other eminent persons for the constitution of the Advisory Board to the PM CARES Fund.
- These eminent personalities included: **Rajiv Mehrishi**, Former Comptroller and Auditor General of India; **Sudha Murthy**, Former Chairperson, Infosys Foundation, and **Anand Shah**, Co-founder of Teach for India and Former CEO of Indicorps and Piramal Foundation.



J&K Observes Holiday On Birth Anniversary Of Maharaja Hari Singh

- The **Jammu and Kashmir** administration has decided to declare **Maharaja Hari Singh's birth anniversary** a public holiday. The announcement was made by **lieutenant governor Manoj Sinha** following his meeting with a delegation

comprising prominent political leaders, members of the Yuva Rajput Sabha, civil society members, including head of J&K transport union.

- The government has taken a decision to declare Maharaja Hari Singh Ji's birthday as a public holiday. **Maharaja Hari Singh was a great educationist, progressive thinker, social reformer and a towering man of ideas and ideals.** The public holiday will be a fitting tribute to Maharaja Hari Singh Ji's rich legacy," the LG observed.

CBI raids nationwide against Child Abuse material under Operation Megha Chakra

- **Operation Megha Chakra:** CBI hunts for Child Sexual Abuse Material Online Circulation Cases in 20 States & UTs. As part of Operation Megha Chakra, the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) searched 56 locations across 20 States and Union Territories in relation to cases of the internet distribution of child sexual abuse material.
- Cloud storage was used to perform searches against sellers of Child Sexual Abuse Material on the Internet after obtaining input from Interpol and intelligence gathered during Operation Carbon last year.
- In November 2021, the CBI carried out Operation Carbon, which involved conducting raids at 76 different locations around the nation and making multiple arrests.



Key Point

- Director General of Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI): **Subodh Kumar Jaiswal**
- Headquarters of Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI): **New Delhi**

Chandigarh airport to be named after Bhagat Singh

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has announced that the **Chandigarh airport** will be renamed after **Shaheed Bhagat Singh** as a tribute to the great freedom fighter. Punjab & Haryana governments had last month (Aug 2022) agreed to name the airport after freedom fighter **Shaheed-e-Azam Bhagat Singh**.

- The Rs 485-crore airport project is a joint venture of the Airports Authority of India (AAI), and the governments of Punjab and Haryana.
- The Punjab Vidhan Sabha in 2017 passed a resolution that the airport should be named after Bhagat Singh and this led to a debate.

Ministry of Home Affairs bans PFI and its associates for five years

- **Ministry of Home Affairs bans PFI and its associates:** The Popular Front of India (PFI) and its affiliates were banned by the Centre for a period of **five years**, days after law enforcement agents tried in a campaign to suppress the activities of the group.
- The Ministry of Home Affairs used the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act to enact the ban, claiming that the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its affiliates pose a “major threat to internal security of the country” and are connected to terrorist organisations like the ISIS.

Supreme Court Judgement on safe and legal abortion

- **Supreme Court Judgement on Abortion:** The Supreme Court has declared that all women have the right to safe and legal abortions up to 24 weeks of pregnancy, no matter their marital status.
- An abortion regulation that made a distinction between married and unmarried women was “artificial and constitutionally unsustainable,” according to a bench of Justices DY Chandrachud, JB Pardiwala, and AS Bopanna.
- The bench determined that unmarried and single women with pregnancies between 20 and 24 weeks cannot be denied access to safe and legal abortion.
- The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act of 1971 had made it illegal for unmarried women who were 20–24 weeks pregnant after having consenting intercourse to have a legal abortion.
- In reference to the MTP Act’s pertinent provision, the court’s ruling stated that “it seems to us that to give Rule 3B a restrictive and narrow interpretation would render it perilously close to holding it unconstitutional,



because it would deprive unmarried women of the right to access safe and legal abortions between 20 and 24 weeks if they face a change in their material circumstances similar to married women.”

‘Hurun India 40 & under self-made rich list 2022’ topped by Zerodha’s Nikhil Kamath

- **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).



The Top 10 in IIFL Wealth Hurun India 40 & Under Self-Made Rich List:

Rank	Name	Wealth INR Cr	Company
1	Nikhil Kamath	17,500	Zerodha
2	Bhavish Aggarwal	11,700	Ola Electric
3	Divyank Turakhia	11,200	Investments

Global Innovation Index 2022: India climbs to 40th rank

- **Global Innovation Index 2022: India** has climbed to the **40th rank** in the **Global Innovation Index of the World Intellectual Property Organization**. This is a huge leap of 41 places in 7 years. India has leapfrogged to 40th position on the **Global Innovation Index (GII) 2022** from the 81st spot in 2015.



- India's innovation performance is above average for the upper-middle-income group in almost every innovation pillar, with the exception of infrastructure, where it scores below average. Within Central and Southern Asia, India continues to lead in the 40th position, moving further up the rankings, from its 46th position in 2021.
- **Switzerland** remains the world's leader in innovation for the 12th consecutive year. It leads globally in innovation outputs, and specifically in patents by origin, software spending, high-tech manufacturing, production, and export complexity. The second position was secured by the **US followed by Sweden, the UK, and the Netherlands.**

International

Fortune India Rich List 2022: Gautam Adani India's richest man

- According to Fortune India's list of '**India's Richest**' for 2022, the wealth of **142** **billionaires** based in India is collectively worth **USD 832 billion (Rs 66.36 trillion)**. The maiden list, made in collaboration with the wealth management firm, Waterfield Advisors, is primarily based on the wealth of entrepreneurs of listed firms.
- According to Forbes realtime billionaires list, Asia's richest man **Gautam Adani** has overtaken Amazon founder **Jeff Bezos** to become the 3rd richest person in the world. He became India's richest man with a net worth of USD 129.16 billion (Rs. 10.29 trillion)
- Meanwhile, Reliance Industries chairman **Mukesh Ambani's** net worth stands at USD 94 billion becoming the 8th richest in the world and the 2nd richest in India.



3 Indian cities join the UNESCO network of learning cities

- **Warangal** and two cities from **Kerala** have joined the **UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC)** in recognition of their outstanding efforts to make lifelong learning a reality for all at the local level.
- **Warangal in Telangana, Thrissur and Nilambur** are among the 77 cities from 44 countries which have joined this network of the world body. Other cities that have joined the network are the Ukrainian capital Kyiv, Durban in South Africa and Sharjah in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) among others.
- The 77 new members bring the total number of cities within the UNESCO GNLC to 294 in 76 countries, UNESCO. The new UNESCO learning cities were added to the network following their nomination by the National Commissions for UNESCO in the



concerned countries and the recommendations of a jury of experts.

U.S. Marks The 21st Anniversary Of 9/11 Horrific Incident

- **Americans remembered 9/11** on 11th Sept with readings of victims' names, volunteer work and other tributes 21 years after the deadliest terror attack on US soil. A tolling bell and a moment of silence began the commemoration at ground zero in New York, where the World Trade Center's twin towers were destroyed by the hijacked-plane attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.
- Victims' relatives and dignitaries also convened at the two other attack sites, the Pentagon and a field in Pennsylvania. Other communities around the country are marking the day with candlelight vigils, interfaith services and other commemorations. Some Americans are joining in volunteer projects on a day that is federally recognized as both **Patriot Day** and a **National Day of Service and Remembrance**.



North Korea passes law authorising nuclear strikes as form of defence

- **North Korea passes law regarding Nuclear Strikes:** North Korea has approved a law that gives it the authority to launch a nuclear attack in advance. With the recently passed law, North Korea's status as a nuclear weapons state has become irreversible. **North Korea**, this year tested a record number of weapons, including an intercontinental ballistic missile.
- According to the law, among other things, the North may use nuclear weapons in the event of a nuclear or non-nuclear attack by hostile forces against the state's leadership and the command structure of its nuclear forces.
- Since 2019, discussions on sanctions relief and what Pyongyang would be ready to give up in exchange have stalled nuclear negotiations and diplomacy between Washington and Pyongyang.

PM Modi In Samarkand, Will Meet President Xi

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** arrived here to attend the **Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit**, which is set to deliberate on regional security challenges, boosting trade and energy supplies among other issues. The SCO is holding its first in-person summit in **Samarkand in Uzbekistan** after two years.
- The summit will also see the participation of **Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese President Xi Jinping**. Modi is also expected to hold bilateral meetings on the sidelines of the summit, including with Putin, and Uzbek President Shavkat Mirziyoyev among other leaders



Kyrgyzstan Reports Heavy Fighting With Tajikistan

- Kyrgyzstan reported "intense battles" with **Central Asian neighbour Tajikistan** and said 24 people had been killed in the latest outbreak of violence to hit the **former Soviet Union**. Both of the small impoverished **landlocked nations** have accused each other of restarting fighting in a disputed area, despite a ceasefire deal.
- In a statement, the Kyrgyz border service said its forces were continuing to repel Tajik attacks. Kyrgyzstan reported fighting in its **southern Batken province** which borders Tajikistan's northern Sughd region and features a **Tajik exclave, Vorukh**.
- The same area is famous for its jigsaw-puzzle political and ethnic geography and became the site of similar hostilities last year, also nearly leading to a war. Clashes over the poorly demarcated border are frequent, but usually de-escalate quickly.



Queen Elizabeth II funeral, buried at Windsor Castle's St. George's Chapel

- **Queen Elizabeth II funeral:** The royal family bid farewell to Britain's longest-reigning monarch, **Queen Elizabeth II**, in a private ceremony at Windsor Castle.

- A smaller crowd bid **Queen Elizabeth II** farewell in St George's Chapel after the official burial earlier that day at London's Westminster Abbey, where world leaders, members of European royal families, and the general public had assembled.
- 2,000 people, including heads of state, gathered in Westminster Abbey earlier on Monday for Queen Elizabeth II funeral.
- The casket was then carried to Wellington Arch in a procession that included soldiers and musicians from the armed forces.

Key Point

- Capital of the United Kingdom: London;
- Prime Minister of the United Kingdom: Mary Elizabeth Truss a.k.a. Liz Truss;
- King of the United Kingdom: King Charles III.

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

- **India** becomes the largest bilateral lender for **Sri Lanka** and overtakes **China**. In four months of 2022, India has provided a total of 968 million US Dollars in loans to Sri Lanka. China has been the **largest bilateral lender** to Sri Lanka for the past five years from **2017-2021**.
- **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has been the largest bilateral lender in the past five years.
- In 2021, a **total of 610 million dollars** were provided to Sri Lanka by the Asian Development Bank (ADB).
- India has provided 4 billion dollars in **food and financial assistance** to Sri Lanka.
- India handed **21,000 tonnes of fertilizers** to Sri Lanka on August 2022.



India takes over SCO rotating presidency and to host SCO summit 2023

- The rotational presidency of the **Shanghai Cooperation Organization** has been handed over to



India in **Samarkand, Uzbekistan**. Delhi will hold the presidency of the grouping for a year until September 2023. And next year, India will host the SCO summit.

- In the declaration, it is stated that the presidency of the SCO for the forthcoming period passes to India. The next meeting of the SCO Council of Heads of State will be held in **2023 in India**.
- The leaders of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Member States signed the Samarkand Declaration in the meeting of the Council of Heads of State in the city of Samarkand, Uzbekistan.

On September 26, NASA's DART Mission to collide with an asteroid

- **NASA's DART Mission to collide with an asteroid:** In order to test a crucial technology that might be used to divert asteroids heading towards Earth, the **Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART)** mission, which is nearing the end of its life, will fall on an asteroid.
- The spacecraft has travelled along a celestial path under Jupiter's supervision, which is the largest planet in the solar system. On September 26, the spacecraft will travel at a speed of 24,000 kilometres per hour as it collides with the Didymos binary asteroid system, softly deflecting and altering its orbit.



Key Point

- NASA headquarters: **Washington, D.C., United States**
- NASA Administrator: **Bill Nelson**

Adani & family top IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich List

- According to the IIFL Wealth Hurun India Rich List 2022, **Gautam Adani and family** have topped with an estimated wealth of **Rs. 10,94,400 crore**. His daily wealth creation was estimated at **Rs. 1,612 crores** which showed 116 per cent growth as compared with the 2021 list.



- **Mukesh Ambani and family** have been named as the **2nd richest in India** with an estimated wealth of **Rs. 7,94,700 crore** and a growth of 11 per cent compared with the 2021 list. His daily wealth creation velocity is **Rs. 210 crores**.
- Nykaa Founder & Chief Executive Officer (CEO), **Falguni Nayar** became India's richest self-made woman by surpassing Biocon chief Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw in net worth.

Top 5 richest people in the list:


Rank	Person	Wealth estimate
1	Gautam Adani and family	Rs. 10,94,400 crore
2	Mukesh Ambani and family	Rs. 7,94,700 crore
3	Cyrus Poonawalla and family	Rs. 2,05,400 crore
4	Shiv Nadar	Rs. 1,85,800 crore
5	Radhakishan Damani & family	Rs. 1,75,100 crore

Key Point


- IIFL Wealth MD & CEO: Karan Bhagat;
- IIFL Wealth Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.

Defence

INS Vikrant, an Indigenous Aircraft Carrier Commissioned by PM Modi

- **INS Vikrant Commissioned:** INS Vikrant, India's first homegrown aircraft carrier, to the Indian Navy at the Cochin Shipyard commissioned by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. 
- The nation's largest warship, weighing 45,000 tonnes, has finished a year of sea trials. The warship's construction cost Rs 20,000 crore. The new Naval emblem was also revealed by the Prime Minister.
- An imitation of the INS Vikrant was given to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- The first aircraft carrier made entirely in India, INS Vikrant, is given to the Indian Navy by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. Following the construction of INS Vikramaditya, this is the country's second aircraft carrier.
- The new flag of the Indian Navy is raised by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan, and other top officials aboard INS Vikrant.

Indian Army & India Air Force conduct joint exercise 'Gagan Strike'

- **Indian Army's Kharga Corps** and the **Indian Air Force** have conducted a joint exercise '**Gagan Strike**' in **Punjab**. The exercise, conducted over four days, comprised the deployment of attack helicopters as the aerial arm in support of ground forces carrying out drills, practising annihilation of enemy defences and deep penetration. 
- It also showcased the precision firepower of the attack helicopters in coordination with ground forces' mechanised columns.
- The joint exercise was spearheaded by General Officer Commanding, Kharga Corps, Lt Gen **Pratik Sharma**. The exercise was also attended by Lt Gen Nav **K Khanduri**, General Officer Commanding

in Chief, Western Command, who exhorted the forces to continue to evolve such concepts and remain prepared to counter any contingency on the western borders.

Indian Army Chief Manoj Pande conferred honorary rank of Nepal Army General

- Indian Army chief **General Manoj Pande** was conferred the title of Honorary General of the Nepali Army by **Nepal President Bidya Devi Bhandari** in Kathmandu.
- General Pande was honoured at a special ceremony at the President's official residence 'Shital Niwas' in the capital city of Nepal. He has also presented a sword and scroll during the function.
- On behalf of the Indian government, General Manoj Pande presented training equipment to Nepali Army, along with Light Vehicles which would augment the capabilities of Nepali Army personnel.



NASA's Experiment MOXIE successfully creates oxygen on Mars

- NASA's Experiment MOXIE:** A gadget the size of a lunchbox (MOXIE by NASA) is demonstrating its ability to consistently carry out the work of a tiny tree on the red and dusty surface of **Mars**, some 100 million miles from Earth.
- Since April 2021, roughly two months after it landed on the Martian surface as part of NASA's Perseverance rover and Mars 2020 mission, the MIT-led Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment, or **MOXIE**, has been producing oxygen from the Red Planet's carbon-dioxide-rich atmosphere.



Kibithu Military Garrison camp named after Bipin Rawat

- The military camp at Kibithu Garrison, which is very close to the **Line of Actual Control (LAC)** in Arunachal Pradesh, has been renamed as '**Gen Bipin Rawat military garrison**' in honour of the country's first Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) who was killed in a chopper crash last December.
- As a young Colonel, Rawat commanded his **Battalion 5/11 Gorkha Rifles** at Kibithu from 1999-2000 and contributed immensely to strengthening the security structure in the area.
- Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh Pema Khandu named the 22 km long road from Walong to Kibithu as '**General Bipin Rawat Marg**'. A life-size mural of General Rawat was also unveiled on the occasion.



JIMEX 2022: India-Japan joint naval drills in the Bay of Bengal begins

- The sixth edition of Japan-India Maritime Exercise 2022 (JIMEX 22)**, hosted by the Indian Navy, began in the **Bay of Bengal**. The Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF) ships are being led by Rear Admiral Hirata Toshiyuki, Commander Escort Flotilla Four, and Indian naval ships by Rear Admiral Sanjay Bhalla, Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet.
- JIMEX 22 involves two phases – exercises at sea and a harbour phase at Visakhapatnam.
- This edition marks the 10th anniversary of JIMEX, which began in Japan in 2012. It also coincides with the 70th anniversary of diplomatic relations between India and Japan.
- JIMEX 22 seeks to consolidate the high degree of interoperability that exists between maritime forces of the two countries, through complex exercises in the surface, sub-surface and air domains.



BSF's first female camel riding squad to be deployed along the India- Pak border

- **Border Security Force (BSF)** first female camel riding squad will be deployed along the India-Pakistan border in **Rajasthan & Gujarat**. The squad will participate for the first time in the **BSF Raising Day Parade on 1st December**.



- This Squad will be the first of its kind in the world. Giving this information, DIG BSF Bikaner, Pushendra Singh Rathore said that Intensive training was given to this squad at the Bikaner Regional Headquarters of BSF under the supervision of skilled trainers.
- The BSF is the only force in the country to have the Camel Contingents and the Camel Mounted Band. BSF, traditionally known as the 'first line of defence, the Camel Contingents are used to keep a vigil in the vast expanse of the Thar Desert.

Key Point

- Border Security Force Director General: Pankaj Kumar Singh;
- Border Security Force Founded: 1 December 1965;
- Border Security Force Headquarters: New Delhi, India.

Indian Air Force set to retire Abhinandan's MiG-21 squadron

- **The Indian Air Force** is set to retire its Srinagar-based **MiG-21 squadron 'Sword Arms'** that Wing Commander **Abhinandan Varthaman**.
- MiG-21 squadron 'Sword Arms' was a part of when he had downed an F-16 combat aircraft of Pakistan a day after the Balakot strike in February 2019. 'Sword Arms' is one of its four remaining squadrons of ageing MiG-21 fighter jets.
- The No. 51 Squadron is to be retired by the end of September, "as per the plan".
- The remaining three squadrons of MiG-21 will be phased out by 2025.



- IAF is inducting different variants of the indigenous Tejas light combat aircraft to replace the MiG-21s.
- The air force got its first single-engine MiG-21 in 1963, and it went on to induct 874 variants of the Soviet-origin supersonic fighters to bolster its combat potential.

Key Point

- Indian Air Force Chief: Air Chief Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari;
- Indian Air Force Headquarters: New Delhi;
- Indian Air Force Founded: 8 October 1932, India.

GoI appoints Lt Gen Anil Chauhan as the new Chief of Defence Staff

- The government of India has announced the appointment of **Lt General Anil Chauhan (Retired)** as the next **Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)**, who will also function as Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Military Affairs.
- The NDA alumnus became the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief of the Eastern Command in September 2019 and held the charge until his retirement from the service on May 31, 2021.
- He has held several appointments and has extensive experience in counter-insurgency operations in Jammu and Kashmir and the Northeast.
- The Chief of Defence Staff is the Permanent Chairman of the Chiefs of Staff Committee and has to be the main military adviser to the Defence Minister besides giving impartial advice to the political leadership.
- The CDS is a four-star General/Officer who acts as the Principal Military Advisor to the Defence Minister on all tri-services (Army, Navy and Indian Air Force) matters.
- The CDS will be the **single-point military adviser to the Defence Minister on matters involving all three services** and the service chiefs will be obliged to confine their counsel to issues pertaining to their respective services.

Appointments or Resign/Retired

Former goalkeeper Kalyan Chaubey elected as new AIFF chief

- **Kalyan Chaubey**, who was a goalkeeper with the storied Mohun Bagan and East Bengal football clubs in Kolkata, was elected president of the **All India Football Federation**.



- Choubey got 33 votes in the 34-member electorate comprising representatives of various state associations. His opponent and former East Bengal teammate **Bhaichung Bhutia**, also 45, had to be content with a solitary vote.

Key Point

- All India Football Federation Founded: 23 June 1937;
- All India Football Federation Headquarters location: New Delhi.

Secretary General Lok Sabha Utpal Kumar Singh gets charge of Sansad TV

- Rajya Sabha Chairman and Lok Sabha Speaker jointly decided that **Utpal Kumar Singh**, currently holding the post of Secretary General Lok Sabha, will additionally charge the functions of **CEO Sansad TV**.
- **Ravi Capoor** has been relieved of his duties as the Chief executive officer (CEO) of Sansad TV. Sansad TV was launched in September 2021 after merging the Lok Sabha TV and Rajya Sabha TV channels.
- The 24-hour channel, through its content, showcases the democratic ethos and the functioning of democratic institutions of the country with an aim to target national and international audiences. In February 2021, the decision to merge Lok Sabha TV and Rajya Sabha TV was taken and Ravi Capoor- a retired IAS officer, was appointed as its CEO in March.

Rishi Sunak lost to Liz Truss, who takes over as UK's new Prime Minister

- **Liz Truss** was elected as the leader of the ruling Conservative Party and the country's next prime minister. Liz Truss is now the third woman to be elected prime minister of the United Kingdom.
- By more than 20,000 votes, **Liz Truss** defeated **Rishi Sunak**, who is of Indian descent. The country is currently experiencing a cost of living crisis, industrial unrest, and a recession.



Appointments NewsSC Judge DY Chandrachud named as new Chairman of NALSA

- Supreme Court judge Justice **DY Chandrachud** has been appointed as the next executive chairperson of the **National Legal Services Authority (NALSA)**. The post was previously held by the Chief Justice of India **UU Lalit**.
- President Droupadi Murmu has appointed Justice D.Y. Chandrachud as the executive chairman of the NALSA. Before being elevated as a judge of the Supreme Court, Justice Chandrachud served as the Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court and prior to that a judge of the Bombay High Court.

Key Point

- NALSA Founded: 9 November 1995;
- NALSA Headquarters location: New Delhi;
- NALSA Motto: Access to Justice for All.

Suella Braverman: UK's new Home Secretary of Indian Origin

- **Suella Braverman** is UK's new Home Secretary: Liz Truss, the new British prime minister, named **Suella Braverman**, a lawyer of Indian descent, as the country's new home secretary. Priti Patel, who is of



Indian descent, will be replaced in the position by Suella Braverman.

- Suella Braverman, a 42-year-old Conservative Party member from Fareham in southeast England, previously worked for the Boris Johnson administration as the attorney general.
- Suella Braverman attended Queens College in Cambridge after completing her legal studies at Heathfield School in London. **Suella Braverman** earned a Master's degree in European and French law from the University of Paris 1, Pantheon-Sorbonne, and afterwards became admitted to practise law in New York.

Volker Turk set to become next UN human rights chief

- The United Nations (UN) General Assembly approved **Volker Türk** of Austria to be the global body's Human Rights Chief by UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres. Volker Turk replaces **Verónica Michelle Bachelet Jeria**, a Chilean politician who served at the office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) from 2018 to 2022.
- Turk, currently serving as assistant secretary-general for policy. Previously, Volker Türk served as the Assistant High Commissioner for Protection at UN refugees, the UN **Refugee Agency (UNHCR), Geneva**. He had a long and successful career in the advancement of human rights globally.



Key Point

- Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) Headquartered: Geneva, Switzerland; New York City, United States;
- Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights Establishment December: 1993.

IndiGo appoints Aviation industry veteran Pieter Elbers as the new CEO

- **Peiter Elbers** assumed the charge of **Indigo's chief executive officer**, over three months after he was announced as the replacement for outgoing CEO **Ronojoy Dutta**. Elbers, the former chief

executive of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, was named as the next CEO by IndiGo on May 18, 2022.

- He has been at the helm of KLM since 2014. The 52-year-old is also a member of the executive committee of the Air France – KLM Group. Elbers had started his career in 1992 with KLM and, over the past three decades, held several managerial positions in the company in both the Netherlands and overseas in Japan, Greece and Italy.

Chief Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari appointed as chairman of PMLA appellate tribunal

- Chief Justice of Madras High Court, the Centre appointed **Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari** as the Chairman of the **Appellate Tribunal** under the **Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA)**.
- Justice Bhandari is due to retire on September 12. The order was issued by the Department of Revenue under the Ministry of Finance. The Tribunal for Forfeiture of Property under the SAFEMA and the PMLA Appellate Tribunal were merged in 2016 through the Finance Act, 2016.
- The post of the Chairperson of the Tribunal was vacant since September 2019. The President of India is pleased to appoint Hon'ble Mr Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari, Chief Justice, Madras High Court as Chairman, Appellate Tribunal under the **Smugglers and Foreign Exchange Manipulators Act (SAFEMA)**.



King Charles names William and Kate as the Prince and Princess of Wales

- **Britain's King Charles** has bestowed the titles of **Prince and Princess of Wales** on his eldest son **William** and daughter-in-law **Kate**, passing on the titles that he and his late wife **Diana** previously held. Charles, who became Prince of Wales in 1958, automatically became king on the death of his mother, Queen Elizabeth.



- Delivering his first speech to the nation since the death of his mother Queen Elizabeth, Charles said he was proud to make his heir William the Prince of Wales, a title Charles had held since 1958.
- Mr. William and Ms. Kate, both 40, have taken on central roles within the royal family in recent years, appearing regularly in public and increasingly taking their three young children to events such as the queen's Platinum Jubilee earlier this year. Ms. Kate appreciated the history associated with the title but would seek to create her own path as Princess of Wales.

President Droupadi Murmu nominated Gulam Ali from J&K to Rajya Sabha

- **Gulam Ali**, a Gurjar Muslim from Jammu and Kashmir, has been nominated to **Rajya Sabha** by President **Droupadi Murmu** on the recommendation of the Central government.



- In the notification, the **Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)**, "In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (a) of clause (I) of article 80 of the Constitution of India, read with clause (3) of that article, the President is pleased to nominate Shri Gulam Ali to the Council of States to fill the vacancy caused due to the retirement of one of the nominated members."

Dr. Rajiv Bahl named as Director General of ICMR

- **Dr Rajiv Bahl** has been appointed as the new director general of the **Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)**-cum-secretary of the department of health Research for a period of three years.
- Bahl currently heads the research on maternal, newborn child and adolescent health cum-newborn unit on maternal, Department of Maternal Newborn Child and Adolescent Health and Ageing, at the World Health Organisation (WHO) in Geneva.

Key Point

- ICMR Headquarters: New Delhi;
- ICMR Founder: Government of India;
- ICMR Founded: 1911.

Former Indian captain Dilip Tirkey elected as President of Hockey India

- Former India captain **Dilip Tirkey**, who was the front-runner for the post of **Hockey India president**, was elected unopposed for the top job.
- He was elected after Uttar Pradesh Hockey chief **Rakesh Katyal** and Hockey Jharkhand's **Bhola Nath Singh**, who were in the fray for the president's post, withdrew their nominations.
- The **International Hockey Federation (FIH)** has approved **Tirkey** and his team's appointments. **Bhola Nath** has been elected unopposed as secretary general.



Key Point

- International Hockey Federation President: Dr Narinder Dhruv Batra;
- International Hockey Federation Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland;

Italy PM election: Giorgia Meloni elected as First woman PM of Italy

- **Giorgia Meloni** looks set to become **Italy's first woman prime minister** at the head of its most right-wing government since World War Two after leading a conservative alliance to triumph at the election.
- Meloni will take over from Prime Minister **Mario Draghi**, the former head of the European Central Bank, who pushed Rome to the centre of EU policy-making during his 18-month stint in office, forging close ties with Paris and Berlin.
- The Italian far-right leader Meloni party came top in general elections. Leading the next government, she will work for the betterment of all Italians.



Key Point

- Italy Capital: Rome;
- Italy Currency: Euro;
- Italy President: Sergio Mattarella.

Saudi Arabia Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman appointed prime minister

- Saudi Arabia's powerful Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman has been appointed prime minister by a royal decree. The crown prince, who is heir to the throne held by King Salman, already wields wide powers and is seen as the kingdom's day-to-day leader.
- The royal decree appointing him as prime minister was carried by the Saudi Press Agency. The reshuffle kept another son, **Prince Abdulaziz bin Salman**, as energy minister, the king said in the royal decree.
- The crown prince, known as MbS, is promoted from defence minister and has been the de facto ruler of Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil exporter and a major U.S. ally in the Middle East.



Key Point

- Saudi Arabia Capital: Riyadh;
- Saudi Arabia Currency: Saudi Riyal.

Vladimir Putin grants Russian citizenship to Edward Snowden

- President Vladimir Putin has granted Russian citizenship to former U.S. intelligence contractor **Edward Snowden**, nine years after he exposed the scale of secret surveillance operations by the **National Security Agency (NSA)**.
- U.S. authorities have for years wanted him returned to the United States to face a criminal trial on espionage charges.
- Snowden, a former employee of the U.S. National Security Agency, has been living in Russia since 2013 to escape prosecution in the US after leaking classified documents detailing government surveillance programs.
- He was granted permanent Russian residency in 2020 and said at the time that he planned to apply for Russian citizenship without renouncing his U.S. citizenship.



Senior Advocate R Venkataramani named as new Attorney General of India

- Senior advocate **R Venkataramani** has been appointed as the new **Attorney General of India**. The President has appointed Mr Venkataramani as the new Attorney General for a period of three years from **the 1st of October**.
- The notification regarding Mr Venkataramani's appointment as the Attorney General was issued today by the Department of Legal Affairs, Union Ministry of Law and Justice.
- Mr Venkataramani will replace current Attorney General **KK Venugopal** whose term ends on September 30, 2022. Mr Venugopal is currently on his third extension.
- The Attorney General for India is the Indian government's chief legal advisor and is its chief advocate in the courts. They are appointed by the President of India at the instance of the Union Cabinet under Article 76 of the Constitution and hold office during the pleasure of the President.



Honours/ Awards

64th Ramon Magsaysay Award 2022 Announced

- The **Ramon Magsaysay Awards Foundation (RMAF)**, which is widely regarded as the “**Nobel Peace Prize of Asia**,” recently announced this year’s awardees in a global announcement ceremony.
- The 2022 Ramon Magsaysay Awardees are **Sotheara Chhim (Cambodia)**, **Bernadette Madrid (Philippines)**, **Tadashi Hattori (Japan)** and **Gary Benchehib (Indonesia)**.
- The Ramon Magsaysay Award, established in **1957**, is Asia’s greatest honour and distinction. The award is managed by RMAF. It is named after Ramon Magsaysay, the third president of the Philippines.
- The award is regarded around the world as “Asia’s Nobel Prize”. The prize is annually presented in a ceremonial ceremony in **Manila, Philippines on August 31**. The first Ramon Magsaysay Awards ceremony was held on **31st August 1958**.



Former US president 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- the achievement of having won all four of the major American entertainment awards i.e. an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar, and a Tony.
- The five-part Netflix documentary produced by “Higher Ground” productions, Barack and Michelle Obama’s production company, features national parks from across the globe.



Lok Nayak Foundation Sahitya Puraskar awarded to Tanikella Bharani

- Telugu writer and actor, **Tanikella Bharani** was presented with the annual **Sahitya Puraskar of the Loknayak Foundation (18th Loknayak Foundation Award)** at an award ceremony held at Kalabharathi Auditorium, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- The Governor of Mizoram, **Kambhampati Haribabu**, who participated as the Chief Guest, felicitated the award to Tanikella Bharani along with actor Manchu Mohan Babu and others. Justice Jasti Chelameswar, a retired Judge of the Supreme Court was also present.



Hindi writer Dr. Asghar Wajahat awarded with 31st Vyas Samman

- The **31st Vyas Samman** was conferred on to well-known Hindi writer **Dr Asghar Wajahat** at a function in New Delhi.
- He has been chosen for the prestigious award for his play **Mahabali**. In his play Mahabali, Dr. Wajahat focuses on Mughal emperor Akbar and poet Tulsidas. Through the play, he attempts to answer who is the real Mahabali, the poet or the emperor.
- The Vyas Samman is given by **K K Birla Foundation** for outstanding literary work in Hindi authored by an Indian citizen published during the last 10 years.
- It carries an award of **Rs 4 lakh** along with a citation and a plaque. It was initiated in 1991.
- Ram Vilas Sharma** received the inaugural Vyas Samman in 1991 for his work ‘Bharat ke Pracheen Bhasha Parivar aur Hindi’.



74th Primetime Emmy Awards 2022: Check the complete list of winners

- The **74th Primetime Emmy Awards** were held, to mark some remarkable American television performances until mid-2022.

- Overall, there are 40-plus categories, where writers, actors, directors and editors were awarded for their remarkable work from **June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022**. The 74th annual Emmy Awards hosted by **Kenan Thompson** at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles.

74th Emmy Awards 2022: List of winners

Category	Winner
Outstanding lead actress in a comedy series	Jean Smart- Hacks
Outstanding lead actor in a comedy series	Jason Sudeikis- Ted Lasso
Outstanding comedy series	Ted Lasso
Outstanding lead actor in a limited or anthology series or a movie	Michael Keaton- Dopesick
Outstanding lead actress in a limited or anthology series or a movie	Amanda Seyfried- The Dropout
Outstanding limited or anthology series	The White Lotus
Outstanding lead actress in a drama series	Zendaya- Euphoria
Outstanding lead actor in a drama series	Lee Jung-jae- Squid Game
Outstanding drama series	Succession

Swati Piramal conferred with top French civilian honour

- Swati Piramal**, Vice Chairperson, Piramal Group has been conferred the **Chevalier de la Légion 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.
- The award was presented to her by H.E. Catherine Colonna, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs of France on behalf of President Emmanuel Macron. In 2006, she was also awarded the Chevalier de l'Ordre National du Mérite (Knight of the Order of Merit), France's second highest civilian honour.
- Swati Piramal is also a recipient of the Padma Shri, one of the highest civilian honours of India, as a champion of developing frameworks and policies to support women in leadership roles.



India's official entry for the 95th Academy Awards or Oscar awards

- Gujarati film "**Chhello Show**", a coming-of-age drama about a young boy's love affair with cinema in a village in Saurashtra, is India's official entry for the **95th Academy Awards or Oscar awards**, the Film Federation of India (FFI) announced.
- Titled "**Last Film Show**" in English, the Pan Nalin directorial will release in theatres countrywide on October 14. The 95th Academy Awards are scheduled to take place on **March 12, 2023 in Los Angeles**.
- The film, which will represent the country in the best international feature film category at the Oscars, is produced by **Siddharth Roy Kapur's** banner Roy Kapur Films, Jugaad Motion Pictures, Monsoon Films, Chhello Show LLP and Marc Duale.



Alia Bhatt receives the Prestigious “Priyadarshni Academy’s Smita Patil Memorial Award”

- The 29-year-old actress, **Alia Bhatt** has been awarded the **Best Actor** at the prestigious **Priyadarshni Academy Smita Patil Memorial Award**. This award is given for her commendable contribution to Indian cinema at the 38th-anniversary celebrations of the premier non-profit, socio-cultural and educational organisation, Priyadarshini Academy.
- This honour is bestowed upon outstanding national and international recipients annually and awards global recognition for their unparalleled excellence and immense contribution to their respective fields.
- This year, exceptional achievers were felicitated virtually by Union Ministers, Government of India, at the Academy’s Awards presentation ceremony through a webinar scheduled for September 19, 2022.

Breakthrough Prize 2023 in Mathematics awarded to Daniel Spielman

- The 2023 winners of the Breakthrough Prizes, dubbed the “**Oscars of Science**,” were announced and will split a total of more than \$15 million.
- **2023 Breakthrough Prize laureates**, recognized for their game-changing discoveries in Fundamental Physics, Life Sciences and Mathematics, along with early-career scientists who have made significant contributions to their fields.
- **Daniel A. Spielman** has been honoured with the 2023 Breakthrough Prize in Mathematics for multiple discoveries in theoretical computer science and mathematics.



Asha Parekh to be bestowed with 52nd DadasahebPhalke award

- Veteran actress **Asha Parekh** has been declared the recipient of the **2020 DadasahebPhalke award**, making her the **52nd awardee of the honour**.



- Union Minister for Minister of Information and Broadcasting, **Anurag Thakur** announced her name. She worked in more than 95 films and was the chairperson of the Central Board of Film Certification from 1998-2001.
- She is also a recipient of the **Padma Shri**, awarded to her by the Government of India in 1992 for services to cinema.
- The **DadasahebPhalke Award** is the highest honour in Indian cinema. The award was instituted in **1969**, the award is the highest honour for an artiste in Indian cinema.

Indian-origin SuellaBraverman won first Queen Elizabeth II award

- Britain’s Indian-origin Home



Secretary, **SuellaBraverman** 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, said it was the “**honour of her life**” to take on the new role at the **Asian Achievers Awards (AAA) 2022 ceremony**, dedicated to the memory of the late monarch who passed away recently. Braverman was previously Attorney General between 2020-2022.

Kumar Sanu, Shailendra Singh, Anand-Milind gets LataMangeshkar Award (2019-2021)

- Noted playback singers **Kumar Sanu and Shailendra Singh** and music-composer duo **Anand-Milind** were conferred with the **National LataMangeshkar Award** for different years.
- They will be presented the prestigious award (on September 28), the birth anniversary of the late legendary singer, at her birthplace Indore. State Culture Minister **Usha Thakur** conferred Shailendra Singh, Anand-Milind, and Kumar Sanu with the award for the years **2019, 2020 and 2021** respectively.

- Officials informed the award is given for promoting excellence in the area of light music annually by the **Madhya Pradesh government's** culture department. It carries a cash prize of Rs **two lakh** and a citation. Earlier recipients included **Naushad, Kishore Kumar and AshaBhosle**.

Navtej Sarna's latest book Crimson Spring longlisted for the 2022 JCB Prize for Literature

- **Navtej Sarna's latest book, Crimson Spring**, longlisted for the **JCB Prize for Literature**, starts with the **Jalianwalla 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. After all, as stated in the Prologue, "These then are the facts."



Sports

Mastercard Acquires Title Sponsorship Rights for All BCCI International and Domestic Matches

- **Mastercard** has announced its collaboration with the **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)** to expand its strategic outreach to Indian audiences.
- During the collaboration between **Mastercard and BCCI**, Mastercard will be the title sponsor of **all the international matches** including men and women, held on the home grounds, domestic cricket matches like Duleep Trophy, Ranji Trophy, and Irani Trophy.
- Also, all junior cricket matches are held in India. The sponsorship and collaboration aim to enhance the connection of Mastercard with cricket lovers across the country. Mastercard has also invested in **worldwide sponsorships** including **UEFA, Champion League, the Grammys, the Cannes Film Festival, and the Australian and French Open tennis tournaments**.

Leh in Ladakh all set to Host First-Ever Mountain Bicycle World Cup

- **Leh** is all set to host the first-ever Mountain Bicycle, MTB, World Cup- the '**UCI MTB Eliminator World Cup in India**'. The '**UCI MTB Eliminator World Cup**' will be organized in collaboration with the Administration of **Union Territory of Ladakh and the Cycling Association of India**.
- The Ladakh leg of the Eliminator World Cup is part of ten professional race series held in various cities across the world.
- **UCI MTB Eliminator World Cup** is going to be a short track race with **Cross Country Eliminator, XCE, the format of five hundred meters with natural and artificial obstacles**.
- In this upcoming event, a total of **20 international, 55 national, and local cyclists** are going to participate. Since the UCI MTB Eliminator World Cup is going to be held for the first time in India, all cyclists are excited about the event.

F1 GP-2022: Max Verstappen won Dutch F1 Grand Prix 2022

- Red Bull's driver **Max Verstappen** has won the **Dutch Formula 1 Grand Prix 2022**. Mercedes' **George Russell** & Ferrari's **Charles Leclerc** came at the 2nd and 3rd positions respectively.
- Verstappen has now won 10 of this season's 15 races. It was his 72nd podium finish & he collected 26 points from this race. Verstappen won the Dutch GP in 2021 as well. He has now won a total of 30 races.

Mushfiqur Rahim Announces Retirement from T20 Cricket

- **Mushfiqur Rahim** announces his retirement from **T20 international cricket**. Mushfiqur Rahim Bangladesh wicketkeeper announced his **retirement**.
- The decision came



after **Bangladesh** faced defeat in Asia Cup 2022 match against Sri Lanka. He announced retirement from the short-format game, and he would continue to play one-day international and test cricket.

- He has played **82 test innings and scored 5,235 runs and in 236 ODI's he scored 6,774 runs**. He is also the second player from Bangladesh to retire this year after Tamim Iqbal.

Diamond League 2022 Finals: Neeraj Chopra win with a throw of 88.44m

- **Diamond League 2022 Finals:** Neeraj Chopra gained another accomplishment when he won the Diamond League Final in Zurich.
- **Neeraj Chopra** has now won the Diamond League Trophy, making him the first Indian to do it. The expert javelin thrower recorded a throw of 88.44 metres on his second attempt, which was sufficient for him to win the competition.



- Neeraj Chopra registered a throw of 88.44m in his second attempt and he followed it up with an 88m throw in his third attempt and 86.11m in his fourth attempt.

Australia Captain Aaron Finch to Retire from ODI Cricket

- **Aaron Finch**, Australia's captain announced his retirement from **one-day international cricket** after Australia's third and final ODI against New Zealand.
- Finch will continue to be the captain of the Australian cricket team for **T20** and will lead it in defense of its world title in the **T20 World Cup** which is going to be held in October and November in Australia.
- Finch is known as one of the **most damaging opening batters in the world**, Finch has scored **5,401 runs in the ODI format** with an average of close to 40, and 17 centuries.



US Open 2022 Concludes: Complete List of Winners

- In the men's category, Spanish player **C. Alcaraz Garcia** has lifted his first Grand Slam trophy after defeating **C. Ruud**, to become the youngest player to reach world No. 1 at just 19 years old.
- The event was held at the Arthur Ashe Stadium in New York. In the women's category, Poland tennis player **I. Świątek** defeated **O. Jabeur** to win the 2022 US Open women's singles final title.
- In 2022, the U.S. Open set a new record for total prize purse, at **more than \$60 million**, up from \$57.5 million in 2021. For women's and men's singles, the total prize money is \$42,628,000, with the winners taking \$2.6 million respectively. The men's and women's singles runner-ups will each receive \$1.3 million.



Here is the Complete List of Winners in Different Categories:

S. No.	Category	Winner	Runner Up
1.	Men's Singles	C. Alcaraz Garfía	C. Ruud
2.	Women's Singles	I. Świątek	O. Jabeur

Asia Cup 2022 Finals: Sri Lanka won by 23 Runs

- Sri Lanka won by 23 runs against Pakistan. Pakistan was left all out by Sri Lanka. Pakistan won the toss and chose to bowl first. Sri Lanka made **170 runs in 20 overs** with a loss of 6 wickets.
- W Hasaranga made 36 runs in 21 balls and Dhananjaya de Silva made 28 runs in 21 balls. **Pathum Nissanka and Kusal Mendis** were opening batsmen from Sri Lanka, they made 8 runs and 0 runs respectively.

Max Verstappen denies Charles Leclerc in Monza for fifth straight victory

- Max Verstappen won the **Formula One Italian Grand Prix**. Max Verstappen claimed his first win or podium finish, at Monza after fighting from seventh on the grid to beat Charles Leclerc over the line.
- He is 116 points ahead of **Charles Leclerc** in the driver standings after winning a race whose final six laps were run with the safety car after Daniel Riccardo slid off the track.
- **George Russell of Mercedes** rounded off the podium, while teammate of Leclerc, Carlos Sainz, came fourth after starting at 18th position.



- Seven times world champion **Lewis Hamilton** also raced from the back of the Mercedes and finished in the fifth position, while Nyck de Vries finished ninth in his F1 debut.

Robin Uthappa announced retirement from all forms of Indian cricket

- **Robin Uthappa** has announced his retirement from all forms of **Indian cricket**. In last season's IPL, Uthappa played 12 matches for Chennai Super Kings and scored 230 runs with his highest score being 88. He was part of the country's 2004 Under-19 World Cup team.
- He made his India debut two years later and featured in 46 ODIs and 13 T20Is for India. He scored 934 and 249 runs in ODIs and T20Is. He has 9446 first class and 6534 List A runs under his belt. His last ODI appearance was back against Zimbabwe in 2015, where he scored a 44-ball 31.
- During these two decades, Uthappa became a World Cup winner in 2007. In fact, it was on this very day in 2007 that Uthappa was involved in one of the most iconic moments of Indian cricket – the famous bowl-out win over Pakistan, where he produced the winning moment and bowed down in a sight for the ages.



Virat Kohli becomes first cricketer to have 50 million followers on Twitter

- **Virat Kohli** has now become the first cricketer who have notched up **50 million followers on Twitter**. Team India's star cricketer and former skipper Virat Kohli has now achieved another big feat, but this time it is on the social media.
- Virat Kohli has popularity in all the platforms of social media which includes 211 million followers on Instagram and 49 million followers on Facebook as well.
- In early 2022, Kohli became the first-ever Indian to cross 200 million followers on Instagram as well. Kohli recently recorded his first international century in 1020 days, when he slammed a 61-ball 122 not out

during India's final Super 4 clash against Afghanistan in Dubai.

Vinesh Phogat wins bronze in World Wrestling Championships

- **Vinesh Phogat** won bronze at the **World Wrestling Championship 2022** in the women's **53kg category**. Vinesh Phogat became the first Indian woman wrestler to win two medals at the World Championship.
- She also became the first Indian woman to win a **gold medal** at both the **Commonwealth and Asian Games**. At Commonwealth Games 2022, she won the gold medal in the women's 53 kg freestyle wrestling category.
- In the bronze medal bout, **Vinesh defeated European Champion Emma Malmgren** of Sweden by 8-0.
- Earlier in the Asian Games she defeated **Zhuldyz Eshimova of Kazakhstan** in the first repechage round.
- Vinesh made it to the bronze play-off through the repechage round after losing to **Khulan Batkhuyag of Mongolia**.



Roger Federer announces retirement from Professional Tennis

- **Roger Federer Retirement:** One of the greatest sporting careers will come to a close when Roger Federer, 41, announces his retirement following the Laver Cup in London.
- Federer, a 20-time grand slam champion, declared on social media that his final week playing professionally will be the one in Laver Cup. The Laver Cup, a competition modelled after the Ryder Cup, was founded by Federer's management company, Team8.

Sunil Chhetri-led Bengaluru FC win maiden Durand Cup title



- **Sunil Chhetri-led Bengaluru FC** beat **Mumbai City FC 2-1** in the final of the **131st edition of Durand Cup** at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan in Kolkata.
- Goals from Siva Sakthi in the 10th minute and Alan Costa's 61st-minute strike were enough to help Bengaluru lift the crown. Apuia got the lone goal for the Mumbai side in an entertaining match.
- The former Foreign Secretary of British India, **Mortimer Durand** founded the **Durand Cup in 1888**. The Durand Cup was initially played only by the Armed services but in later years, the game was officially made open for the Professional Football Clubs.

World Wrestling Championships 2022: Bajrang Punia won bronze medal

- Indian wrestler **Bajrang Punia** won the bronze medal after defeating **Daulet Niyazbekov** of Kazakhstan in the men's freestyle 65kg category at the **World Wrestling Championships 2022**. It was Bajrang's fourth medal at the world championships.
- With his silver in 2018 and bronze medals in 2013 and 2019, he was already India's most successful wrestler at the world championships coming into this edition.



Jhulan Goswami Retirement: Indian Legend retires from all Formats

- **Jhulan Goswami Retirement:** The legendary Women's Cricketer, Jhulan Goswami announced her retirement from all forms of the game in a touching farewell statement on September 25.
- Jhulan played her last international game at the Lord's on the 24th, and she went out on a high note by helping India women defeat England women 3-0 in an ODI series.



- JhulanGoswami sent a parting message on social media, expressing her contentment with her lauded career.
- Jhulan concluded her career with 255 wickets from 204 games, an ODI women's record.
- Jhulan secured two wickets in her final match for India, which saw them defeat England by 16 runs while holding them to a 169-run goal.

Domestic Cricket: West Zone wins Duleep Trophy 2022, beats South Zone

- **The West zone** has defeated the **South zone** by **294 runs** to win their **19th title** in the final day of the **2022 Duleep Trophy** at the SNR College Cricket Ground, Coimbatore. The 2022 Duleep trophy was the 59th season of the Duleep Trophy.
- **Sarfaraz Khan** scored the most runs with 127 runs for 178 balls and JaydevUnadkat of the West zone became the player of the series.
- **YashasviJaiswal** of the West zone scored 265 runs in the second innings which helped the west zone to hit a win while Kerala Opener RohanKunnummal scored 93 runs in the South zone's second innings.



Obituaries

Former Tata Sons chairman Cyrus Mistry passes away

- Former chairman of Tata Sons, **Cyrus Mistry** has died in a road accident while en route from Ahmedabad to Mumbai. Mistry was aged 54 years. He was travelling with Jahangir Dinshaw Pandol, Anahita Pandol, and Darius Pandol.
- Mistry is survived by his wife Rohiqa and their two sons. Cyrus Pallonji Mistry was an Indian-born Irish businessman. Mistry, who was the sixth chairman of Tata Sons, was ousted from the position in October 2016.
- He had taken over as the chairman in December 2012 after Ratan Tata announced his retirement. N Chandrasekaran later took over as Executive Chairman of Tata Sons.



Queen Elizabeth II passes away, Buckingham Palace announces

- **Queen Elizabeth II passes away:** Queen Elizabeth II, who reigned the UK for 70 years, passed away at Balmoral at the age of 96. After worries about her health grew early, her family gathered at her Scottish estate.
- Queen Elizabeth II saw significant social change after ascending to the throne in 1952. The King and the Queen Consort will spend today (08.09.2022) and tomorrow (09.09.22) in Balmoral before departing for London.

Chief Justice of India with the shortest tenure, Kamal Narain Singh passes away

- Former Chief Justice of India **Kamal Narain**



Singh passed away, at the age of 95. 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.

- Born on December 13, 1926, his career as a judge started with his appointment as an Additional Judge of the Allahabad High Court in 1970. He then became a Permanent Judge in August 1972. He got elevated as a Supreme Court judge in 1986 and, after almost five years, became the CJI.

Swami Swaroopanand Saraswati passes away at 99

- Dwarka-Sharda Peeth Shankaracharya **Swami Swaroopanand Saraswati** has

passed away at Narsinghpur in Madhya Pradesh. He was 99 years old. He breathed his last at the Shridham Jhoteswar Ashram in Narsinghpur.



- Swami Swaroopanand was born in Dighori village in Madhya Pradesh's Siwani district. He left his home at the age of 9. Later, he went to Kashi in Uttar Pradesh, where he gained spiritual enlightenment and religious wisdom from Swami Karpatri Maharaj.

Former Pakistan umpire Asad Rauf passes away

- Former Pakistan umpire **Asad Rauf** has passed away due to suspected cardiac arrest. He breathed his last at the age of 66. He was one of the legendary umpires Pakistan ever produced, along with the likes of Aleem Dar.



- Back in 2006, Rauf was included in the ICC's Elite Panel of Umpires, after which he officiated in 47 Tests, 98 ODIs and 23 T20Is. He served at the top for seven years before being dropped from the elite panel of umpires in 2013 following an annual review of performance.

Comedian Raju Srivastava passes away at the age of 58

- Comedian **Raju Srivastava** has

passed away in Delhi at the age of 58. He had suffered a heart attack while exercising on August 10. As per a report Raju was still conscious and with normal body movements. The comedian was earlier registering Spo2 levels of 80 per cent to 90 per cent without oxygen support.



- Srivastava appeared in Hindi films such as "Maine Pyar Kiya", "Baazigar", "Bombay to Goa" (remake) and "Aamdani Atthani Kharcha Rupaiya". He was one of the contestants on "Bigg Boss" season three.
- He was the chairman of the Uttar Pradesh Film Development Council.

Important Days with theme

National Teachers' Day 2022: Celebration, Theme, Significance & History

- **Teachers' Day or Shikshak Divas** marks the birthday of the country's first Vice President (1952–1962) who went on to become the second President of India (1962-1967), a scholar, philosopher, Bharat Ratna awardee, **Dr Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan**. He was born on **September 5 in the year 1888**.
- But teachers' day was first observed in the year **1962 on his 77th birthday**. He was a teacher who turned out to be a philosopher, scholar and politician. He dedicated his entire life to working towards the importance of education in people's lives.
- The theme for this year's teachers' day is **'Leading in crisis, reimagining the future.'**

International Literacy Day 2022 celebrates on 08th September

- **International Literacy Day (ILD)** is celebrated on **8 September** every year all across the globe to make people aware of the meaning and importance of literacy for individuals and societies.
- The day spread awareness about the importance of literacy for individuals, communities, and societies and the need for intensified efforts towards more literate societies.
- This year's International Literacy Day will be celebrated worldwide under the theme, **"Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces"** and will be an opportunity to rethink the fundamental importance of literacy learning spaces to build resilience and ensure quality, equitable, and inclusive education for all.

Key Point

- UNESCO Founded: 16 November 1945;
- UNESCO Headquarters: Paris, France;



Himalaya Diwas 2022: Know Theme, History and Significance

- **The National Mission for Clean Ganga** organized **Himalayan Diwas on September 09**, in association with Naula Foundation. The day is celebrated with an aim to preserve the Himalayan ecosystem and region.
- This day is celebrated to mark the importance of the Himalayas. The Himalayan hill cities face many challenges due to poor building planning and design, poor infrastructures like roads, water supply, sewage etc. and unprecedented felling of trees.
- Himalaya Day 2022 was observed under the theme **'Himalayas will be safe only when the interests of its residents are protected.'**



Hindi Diwas 2022: Check history and Interesting facts

- **Hindi Diwas or Hindi Day** is observed every year on **14 September** to mark the popularity of Hindi as an official language of India. The language was adopted under **Article 343** of the Indian Constitution.
- The first Hindi day was celebrated on **14th September 1953**. Hindi is one of the major languages used in India as a large portion of the country's population knows and uses the language. Schools, colleges and other educational institutions celebrate Hindi Diwas by organising various programs.
- Hindi Diwas is celebrated to commemorate the adoption of Hindi in the Devanagari script as one of the official languages of the nation. Hindi was adopted by the National Constitution on **September 14, 1949** and it became the official language of the country. India's first prime minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, decided to celebrate September 14 as Hindi Diwas.
- Hindi Diwas also marks celebrating the birthday of **Beohar Rajendra Simha** who played a crucial role in getting Hindi in the Devanagari script approved as an official language of India. He was born on **14 September 1916**.



International Day of Democracy 2022 observed on 15 September

- This year, **September 15** marks the **15th anniversary of the International Day of Democracy**. The day is celebrated annually around the world to strengthen democracies and highlight its values and principles.
- This year, Democracy Day will focus on the importance of media freedom to democracy, peace, and delivering on the Sustainable Development Goals.
- A theme is chosen for the International Day of Democracy. This year, the day is focused on the **“importance of media freedom to democracy, peace, and delivering on the Sustainable Development Goals”**.



National Engineer's Day 2022 celebrated on 15 September

- In India, **Engineer's Day** is celebrated on **September 15** every year. The day is celebrated to recognise the contribution of engineers in the development of the nation.
- This day commemorates the birth anniversary of **Sir Moksha Gundam Visvesvaraya**, who is considered one of the greatest engineers of India. Joining India, Sri Lanka and Tanzania also celebrate Engineers Day on September 15, 2022, in honour of Sir Moksha Gundam Visvesvaraya.
- Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya was born on **September 15, 1861 in Karnataka**. He later on attended the University of Madras to study for a Bachelor of Arts. Later in life, he decided to switch career paths and completed a diploma in civil engineering at the College of Science in Pune.

International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer 2022: 16th September

- **World Ozone Day** or the **International Day for the preservation of the Ozone Layer** is observed on the **16th of September**. The



day aims to create awareness about the importance and need of the Ozone layer which is the single protection on Earth against UV rays coming out from the sun.

- The UN Environment Programme also aims to bring awareness about the importance of getting rid of the substances that damage the ozone layer. It also calls for taking time-targeted actions to protect Earth's protective shield.
- The theme announced by the UN Environment Programme for International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer 2022 is **‘Global Cooperation Protecting Life on Earth’**.

National Cinema Day 2022 observed on 23rd September

- The **National Cinema Day** was previously announced to be held on **September 16**, however, on request from various stakeholders and in order to maximize participation, it was rescheduled to **September 23**.
- The day has been scheduled by the **Multiplex Association of India (MAI)**. Over 4,000 screens at multiplexes from across the country, including PVR, INOX, Cinepolis, Carnival, and Delite, have teamed up to offer a “celebratory admission price” of **Rs 75** to mark National Cinema Day.
- National Cinema Day is scheduled to be celebrated as a ‘thank you’ to the moviegoers and an invitation to those who haven't made it back to the cinema after the Covid-19 pandemic.



International Daughter's Day 2022: 25 September

- **International Daughter's Day** is observed every year on the **fourth Sunday of September**. This year, the day is being celebrated on **September 25**.
- This day is celebrated to cherish our daughters who bring love and happiness to our lives. To mark this day, people across the globe celebrate by



spending some quality time with their daughters and doing something special for them.

- Organizations and governments also strive to close the gender gap and provide society with equal opportunity. As the special day is here, let's take a look at these wishes, quotes, and greetings to share.

World Rivers Day 2022: Theme, Significance and History

- **World River Day** is observed to raise awareness regarding water bodies and to promote their conservation. It is observed every year on the fourth Sunday of September, and this year, it falls on **September 25**.



- This day highlights the values of rivers and strives to increase public awareness and encourages the improved supervision of rivers around the world.
- The theme for this year's World Rivers Day is '**The importance of Rivers to Biodiversity**'. The absolute need for rivers to keep any civilization going is the focus of this year's theme. Not only humans, but rivers keep a wide range of animals and plant a living breathing part of our ecosystem.

World Tourism Day 2022 celebrates on 27th September

- **World Tourism Day 2022** is observed on **27 September** globally. This day is celebrated every year to focus on promoting tourism in various parts of the world. It was initiated by the **United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO)**.
- It is celebrated to promote tourism and understand its importance. World Tourism Day aims to make people understand the joy of exploring the world. It is an extremely important event.
- The theme of World Tourism Day 2022 is '**Rethinking Tourism**'. Everyone will focus on understanding the growth of the tourism sector and reviewing and redeveloping tourism after the COVID-19 pandemic.

World Heart Day 2022 Observed On September 29

- Every year on the **29th of September**, people all around the world observe **World Heart Day**. The day is observed to raise awareness about the rising concerns of heart health, cardiovascular illnesses, the impact of overexercising on the heart and how heart care is of utmost importance.
- The theme for World Heart Day 2022 is '**USE HEART FOR EVERY HEART**'. With increasing global awareness about cardiovascular diseases and learning to manage the disease. In the theme 'USE HEART FOR EVERY HEART', "Use Heart" means to think differently, make the right decisions, act with courage and help others.



Similarly, "For Every Heart" involves the use of "FOR" and shifts the focus from the actions themselves to the heir of such actions, allowing for wider application of the campaign while also making it more personal.