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## Awards and Honours Current Affairs | November 2022

### Avani Lekhara receives Para Sports Person of Year award

- At the Turf 2022 and India Sports Awards of FICCI, Avani Lekhara, who won two medals at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics, was recognized as the Para Sports Person of the Year.
- Apart from Lekhara, former Ranji cricketer Sarkar Talwar was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement of the Year award.
- Shrey Kadyan was recognized as the Special Sportsperson of the Year.

### President Murmu conferred the National Sports Awards'22

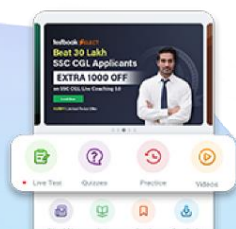
- President Droupadi Murmu conferred the National Sports Awards 2022 and National Adventure Awards 2021 to the awardees at a function at Rashtrapati Bhawan on 30 November 2022.
- Table Tennis player Sharath Kamal Achanta has been chosen for Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award for 2022.
- This year Arjuna Awards for outstanding performance in Sports and Games will be given to 25 sportspersons.

### Health Ministry bags award at 41st India International Trade Fair 2022

- The pavilion of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has been awarded for "Outstanding Contribution towards Public Communication and Outreach" at 41st India International Trade Fair 2022.
- As many as 37,887 screenings, investigations, counseling and trainings were conducted at the pavilion.
- Blood pressure and blood sugar had the highest number of screenings at 4990 and 4356, respectively.

### Om Birla gives away prizes to winners of Hindi Pakhwada'22

- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla gave away prizes to winners of Hindi Pakhwada - 2022 on 28 November 2022.
- The programme was organized by Lok Sabha Secretariat in Parliament House Complex.
- Hindi Pakhwada is an occasion to celebrate the beauty of the Hindi language.



- Hindi is one of the two official languages of India.

### Purnima Devi Burman honoured with Champions of the Earth award

- Indian wildlife biologist Dr Purnima Devi Barman has been awarded with Champions of the Earth award in the Entrepreneurial vision category.
- This is UN's highest environmental honour.
- She is the founder of the Hargila Army.
- The Champions of the Earth is an appreciation for innovative ways implemented by the awardees across the world to support nature's extraordinary capacity for renewal.

### Shilpi Guru and National Awards for handicrafts conferred

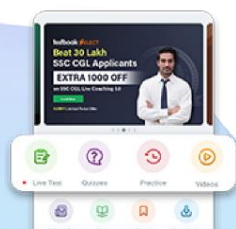
- Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar gave away Shilp Guru and National Awards to master craftspersons for 2017, 2018, and 2019 at a function in New Delhi on 28 Nov'22.
- They are conferred every year to legendary master craftspersons of handicrafts whose work has contributed to the preservation of the rich and diverse craft heritage of the country.
- The awardees represent almost all states and UTs.

### Panchayati Raj Ministry wins GOLD in e-Governance category

- E-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (eGramSwaraj and AuditOnline) of Ministry of Panchayati Raj has won the Gold Award of the National Awards for e-Governance.
- It was given under the category "Excellence in Government Process Re-engineering for Digital Transformation"
- The award was given during the 25th National Conference on e-Governance at Jammu on 26 November 2022.

### Sangeet Natak Akademi award for Vasundhara Doreswamy, R K Padmanabha

- Sangeet Natak Akademi award announced 128 recipients for the years 2019, 20, and 2021 in the fields of art and culture on 25 Nov 2022.
- Bharatanatyam danseuse Vasundhara Doreswamy and veteran Carnatic vocalist R K Padmanabha are among the eight awardees of the Sangeet Natak Akademi awards from Karnataka announced by the Union Ministry of Culture.



- Union Minister of Culture: G.Kishan Reddy

### Tamil writer Iyayam chosen for Kuvempu national award

- Rashtrakavi Kuvempu Prathishtana Kuppali has chosen Tamil poet V Annamalai for the Kuvempu National award for the year 2022.
- The award would be conferred Annamalai at the Kuvempu's birth anniversary programme on December 29 at Kuppali in Thirthahalli taluk.
- The award carries a cash prize of Rs 5 lakh, a silver medal and a citation.
- Annamalai writes in the pen name Iyayam.

### Prashant Wagh awarded 'Asia's Inspirational Leader 22' award in London

- Prashant Wagh was conferred with 'Asia's Inspirational Leader 2022' award at the 'Global Business Conclave 2022' in London on 25 November 2022.
- The award was bestowed upon him in recognition of his exemplary achievements and immense contribution to the growth of his organisation and industry.
- His company, AQURA was also recognised as 'Asia's most admired brand 2022'.

### NIIT Digital wins Best E-learning platform by ASSOCHAM

- NIIT Limited has been recognized as the Best E-Learning Platform by the Associated Chambers of Commerce & Industry of India (ASSOCHAM).
- The award was given to NIIT Digital for its contribution to the technology training sector at the ASSOCHAM Futuristic Technologies & 7th Technology Excellence Awards ceremony in Kolkata.
- ASSOCHAM President: Sumant Sinha

### Film 'Dear Diary' wins 53-Hour Challenge at IFFI

- The second edition of '75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow' at International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa concluded with the award ceremony of the "53-Hour Challenge".
- The film 'Dear Diary' made by Team Purple, has been adjudged as the best movie.
- The competition provided a challenge to produce a short film on their idea of India@100, all in 53 hours.

### Ministry of Sports announces the Tenzing Norgay Adventure Award 2021



- The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports announced the 'Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award' (TNNAA) for the year 2021.
- Ms. Naina Dhakad was awarded in Land Adventure, Shubham Dhananjay in Water Adventure and Group Captain Bhawani Singh Samyal was given Life Time Achievement award.
- This award is given every year to recognize the achievements of persons in the fields of adventure.

### Ministry of Fisheries announces National Gopal Ratna Awards 2022

- Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying announced the National Gopal Ratna Awards 2022 on 23 Nov '22.
- The Award is conferred in three categories:
  - Best Dairy Farmer Rearing Cattle Breeds.
  - Best Artificial Insemination Technician (AIT) and Best Dairy Cooperative or Dairy Producer Organization.
- It is one of the highest National Awards in the field of livestock and dairy sector

### Matrix Awarded Partner of the Year 2022 by Procter & Gamble

- Matrix Business Services India Pvt. Ltd. was awarded "Partner of the Year 2022" by Procter & Gamble (P&G) in Cincinnati, USA, for their contribution in transforming their business processes.
- It was among the 11 external business partners (EBPs) chosen from a global network of over 50,000 for the year 2021 - 22.
- Matrix is headquartered in Chennai and has a presence all over the country.

### AP Shreethar awarded Economic Times Inspiring Leaders Award 2022

- Museum maker AP. Shreethar was honored with Economic Times Inspiring Leaders Award - 2022 in Delhi.
- AP. Shreethar is a self-taught artist and museum maker.
- He is known to have conducted over 72 shows and exhibitions around the globe.
- AP. Shreethar is additionally credited as the creator of the world's first Live Art Museum.

### Ravi Kumar Sagar conferred with the prestigious Dr Kalam Seva Puraskar



- Ravi Kumar Sagar, one of the youngest founders and CEO of RK'S INNO group was conferred with Dr. Abdul Kalam Seva Puraskar on 22 November 2022.
- He was awarded for his persistent service to society and is one of the youngest entrepreneurs in India.
- This award is hosted every year by Vandhe Bharat Foundation to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.

### Prodapt wins the Prestigious Salesforce Partner Innovation Award 2022

- Prodapt, a leading global consulting, technology & managed services provider, has been named a recipient of the Salesforce Partner Innovation Award 2022 in the "Communications" category.
- The award recognizes the significant contributions Salesforce partners have made across industries.
- Prodapt is a global provider of advisory services for IT, and telecommunications.

### Chiranjeevi named the India Film Personality of the Year 2022 at IFFI

- Indian actor Chiranjeevi was named the India Film Personality of the Year 2022 at 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa on 20 November 2022.
- Actor Chiranjeevi has starred in over 150 films in his career.
- He has acted in Telugu, Tamil, and Hindi movies.
- In 2006, he was honoured with the Padma Bhushan, India's third-highest civilian award.

### 53rd Intl Film Festival of India to celebrate 50yrs of Manipuri cinema

- To mark the golden jubilee of Manipuri cinema, IFFI will showcase five feature and five non-feature films, curated by Manipur State Film Society under Indian Panorama.
- Each year April 9 is celebrated as the birth of Manipuri cinema since the first Manipuri feature film was released on April 9, 1972, named 'Matamgi Manipur', directed by Deb Kumar Bose.
- Manipur CM: N. Biren Singh

### India wins Excellence in Leadership in Family Planning (EXCELL) Awards

- India is the only country to receive the Leadership in Family Planning (EXCELL) Awards-2022 in the 'country category' at the International Conference on Family Planning.



- The total 'demand satisfied' for family planning among currently married women aged 15-49 in India increased from 66% in 2015-16 to 76% in 2019-21.
- This has already crossed the SDG target of 75 set globally for 2030.

### 8th FICCI Higher Education Excellence Awards 2022 presented

- Minister of State for Finance Bhagwat Karad presented the 8th FICCI higher education excellence Awards 2022 in New Delhi on 17 Nov 2022.
- The awards were instituted in 2014 to recognize and felicitate the achievements and excellent work done by the institutions and individuals, who have set benchmarks of excellence and are doing inspirational and exemplary work in the higher education space.

### NTPC team wins Gold award at 47th ICQCC-2022

- NTPC's Quality Control Team from Unchahar ABHYUDAYA has won the "GOLD" award in the 47th International Convention on Quality Control Circle (ICQCC-2022).
- The convention is being held from 15-18 Nov '22 in Jakarta under the theme of "Built Back Better through Quality Efforts".
- In March 2022, NTPC had been declared the "Dream Employer of the Year" at the 30th Session of the World HRD Congress.

### Winners of National Sports Awards 2022 announced, Part - 2

- Four coaches have been chosen for Dronacharya Award in the regular category and three coaches in the lifetime category.
- Dhyan Chand Award for Lifetime Achievement in Sports and Games: Ashwini Akkunji C (Athletics), Dharamvir Singh (Hockey), B C Suresh (Kabaddi), Nir Bahadur Gurung (Para Athletics).
- Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy 2022: Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

### Winners of National Sports Awards 2022 announced, Part - 1

- Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports on 14th Nov announced the winners of the National Sports Awards 2022.
- The awardees will receive their awards from the President of India at Rashtrapati Bhavan on 30th Nov 2022.





- List of awardees:
- Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award 2022: Achanta Sharath Kamal (Table Tennis).
- 25 Sports persons will receive Arjuna Awards for outstanding performance in Sports.

### Carlos Saura to be given Satyajit Ray Lifetime Award

- Spanish Film Director and writer Carlos Saura will be conferred the Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement Award 2022 at the upcoming 53rd edition of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) at Goa.
- The 53rd edition of IFFI will be held between Nov 20 and 28 in Goa.
- A children's film package, suggested by UNICEF, has been introduced for the first time in IFFI this year.

### MTV EMAs 2022 winners list

- Best Song - Nicki Minaj – 'Super Freaky Girl'
- Best Artist - Taylor Swift
- Best Collaboration - David Guetta Bebe Rexha - 'I'm Good (Blue)'
- Best New – SEVENTEEN
- Best K-Pop – Lisa
- Best Electronic – David Guetta
- Best Rock – Muse
- Best Metaverse Performance – 'BLACKPINK The Virtual PUBG Mobile'
- Best Alternative – Gorillaz
- Best Latin- Anitta
- Biggest Fans – BTS

### Taylor Swift leads MTV EMAs 2022 winner list, bags four awards

- Taylor Swift won four awards at the MTV Europe Music Awards 2022.
- The awards included Best Artist, Best Pop, as well as both Best Video and Best Longform Video for 'All Too Well (10 Minute Version)'.



- Nicki Minaj was awarded Best Song for her hit Super Freaky Girl and Best Hip Hop while former One Direction singer Harry Styles won Best Live.

### Shlok Mukherjee wins Doodle For Google 2022

- Google has announced the winner of the 2022 Doodle for Google competition.
- Shlok Mukherjee from Kolkata was declared the winner for India for his inspiring Doodle titled 'India on the center stage'.
- Shlok's Doodle is also being featured on Google.co.in on November 14, 2022.
- In addition to the national winner, 4 group winners were also selected.

### Nobel laureate Venki Ramakrishnan awarded UK's royal Order of Merit

- Nobel laureate Professor Venki Ramakrishnan has been awarded the prestigious Order of Merit by Britain's King Charles III in recognition of his distinguished service to science.
- He received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 2009 for his work on ribosomal structure and was knighted by the Queen in 2012.
- The Order of Merit is an exclusive mark of honour conferred by the British sovereign.

### Madhu Kankariya & Madhav Hada awarded the Bihari Puraskar

- Noted writers Madhu Kankariya and Dr Madhav Hada have been awarded the 31st and 32nd Bihari Puraskar, respectively.
- Kankariya has been awarded for her 2018 novel 'Hum Yahan The' while Hada has been awarded for his 2015 book 'Pachrang Chola Pahar Sakhi Ri'.
- Bihari Puraskar is given every year for an outstanding work published in the last 10 years in Hindi or Rajasthani.
- Instituted in: 1991

### NFDB bags 'India Agribusiness Awards 2022'

- Sanjeev Balyan, MoS for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying presented the 'India Agribusiness Award 2022' to the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB) on 10 Nov 2022.
- It was presented the award as part of the India International Agro Trade and Technology Fair – 2022, which is being held from Nov 9–11 in New Delhi.



- It is being organised by the Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture.

### Subhash Babu: 1st Indian scientist to receive Bailey K. Ashford medal

- Prominent Indian scientist Dr Subhash Babu has received the prestigious Bailey K. Ashford Medal for 2022 and the Fellow of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene award for 2022.
- He has been awarded for his outstanding research & contributions to tropical medicine.
- In its 82-year history, the award has never been given to an Indian scientist or an Indian institution for work.

### ICC Hall of Fame

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced the latest legends who join the prestigious list of cricketing greats that make up the ICC Hall of Fame.
- ICC Hall of Fame: Shivnarine Chanderpaul: He is one of the most instantly recognisable figures in the history of West Indies cricket.
- ICC Hall of Fame: Abdul Qadir: Pakistani player, Qadir passed away in 2019 at the age of 63.

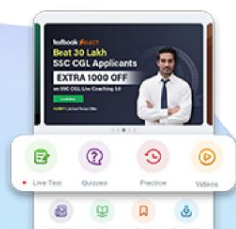
### Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport Initiative presented an award

- The Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport Initiative was awarded the National First Award in the 'City with the Best Public Transport System' category by the Institute of Urban Transport (India).
- The project was presented in New Delhi on 20 Oct 2022.
- The awards are given annually by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, in 12 categories.

### International Kannadiga award to be given to YKC Wadiyar

- Member of the erstwhile royal family Yaduveer Krishnaraja Chamaraja (YKC) Wadiyar has been selected for the International Kannada Rathna award.
- It is presented annually by Dubai Kannadigas to mark Kannada Rajyotsava.
- The award will be presented to YKC Wadiyar during Vishwa Kannada Habba on November 19, 2022 in association with Kannadigaru Dubai Sangha.

### National Florence Nightingale Awards 2021 presented



- President Droupadi Murmu presented the National Florence Nightingale Awards for the year 2021 to the Nursing professionals on November 7, 2022 at Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- The awards were instituted in the year 1973 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare as a mark of recognition for the meritorious services rendered by the nurses and nursing professionals to the society.

### Late CDS Gen Rawat to be awarded with Uttarakhand Gaurav Samman

- Uttarakhand govt has announced to felicitate NSA Ajit Doval, lyricist Prasoon Joshi, and three more with Uttarakhand Gaurav Samman.
- The awardees will be felicitated with the Samman on 9 Nov'22.
- Apart from Ajit Doval, former Chief of Defence Staff Gen Bipin Rawat, the late poet and author Girish Chandra Tiwari and late journalist Viren Dangwal will also be awarded posthumously.

### KSRTC bags central govt award for best public transport services

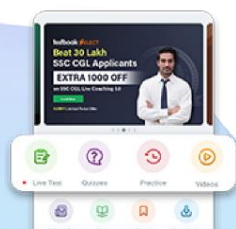
- The Kerala State Transport Corporation (KSRTC) has bagged the central government's award for best public transport services in the country.
- KSRTC has won the award for its 'City Circular Service (CCS)' & 'Gramavandi' projects.
- CCS won in the category of 'City with the best Public Transport System', while Gramavandi won in the category of transport planning with the best public participation.

### Malayalam novelist Sethu chosen for Ezhuthachan Puraskaram

- Noted Malayalam novelist and short story writer A Sethumadhavan, popularly known as Sethu, has been selected for 2022 Ezhuthachan Puraskaram, Kerala government's highest literary award.
- He has been chosen for this award in recognition of his valuable contribution to Malayalam language and literature.
- The award carries a cash award of Rs 5 lakh and a citation.

### Kerala announces 1st awardees of top-state honour 'Kerala Puraskaram'

- The Kerala govt has announced its first 'Kerala Puraskarangal' modelled on the Centre's civilian honours, Padma Awards.



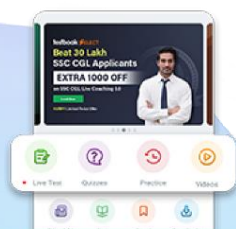
- Renowned writer MT Vasudevan Nair has been announced as the recipient of the first Kerala Jyothi award, the highest of the three honours instituted by the State.
- Kerala Prabha, the second-highest honour, will be given to Mammooty, T Madhava Menon & Omchery NN Pillai.

### Edward Kennedy conferred 'Friends of Liberation War' honour

- Bangladesh PM Sheikh Hasina conferred the prestigious 'Friends of Liberation War' honour on former US Senator Edward M Kennedy posthumously on 1 Nov 2022 in Dhaka.
- He has been conferred for his contribution to the liberation of Bangladesh.
- Kennedy took several steps to stop US military and economic aid to Pakistan till the end of the war.
- Bangladesh Liberation War: Mar 1971 - Dec 1971

### Lakshmir Bhandar scheme by West Bengal bags SKOCH Award

- West Bengal govt's Lakshmir Bhandar scheme has bagged the 2022 SKOCH award in the women & child development category.
- West Bengal had launched the scheme in 2021 to provide financial support to a woman head of a family in the age group of 25-60 years.
- Under the scheme, Rs 500 & Rs 1,000 per month are given to women of the General & SC/ST categories respectively.
- SKOCH Award instituted: 2003





## Banking Current Affairs | November 2022

### Airtel Payments Bank introduces Face Authentication KYC

- Airtel Payments Bank has announced the launch of Face Authentication-based savings bank account opening for customers.
- The facility will further ease the account opening process making it seamless and convenient for customers.
- Airtel Payments Bank is the first Payments Bank in the country to offer this facility.
- Airtel Payments Bank MD & CEO: Anubrata Biswas

### RBI gives nod to Canara Bank, HDFC Bank for rupee trade with Russia

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has allowed HDFC Bank Ltd and Canara Bank Ltd to open a special "vostro account" for trade in rupees with Russia.
- Vostro accounts are accounts a bank holds on behalf of another, often foreign bank, and this forms a key part of correspondent banking.
- Till now UCO Bank, Union Bank and IndusInd Bank have received regulatory clearance for rupee trade.

### Mahindra Manulife Mutual Fund launches small-cap scheme

- Asset management company Mahindra Manulife Mutual Fund has launched a small-cap scheme, an open-ended equity fund predominantly investing in small cap stocks.
- The scheme would be benchmarked against S&P BSE 250 Small Cap Total Return Index.
- The fund managers to the scheme would be Abhinav Khandelwal and Manish Lodha.

### Kotak Mahindra Bank launches Merchant One Account for MSMEs

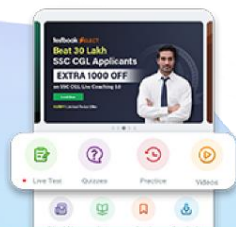
- Kotak Mahindra Bank on 9th Nov 2022 launched Merchant One Account for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).
- It is a one-stop solution to cater the banking and other business-related needs of MSMEs, including small retailers.
- It will also help merchants digitise their daily business processes through smart automation.



- Kotak Mahindra Bank HQ: Mumbai
- Founder & CEO: Uday Kotak

### **SBI commits to finance 1000 entrepreneurs in Nagaland**

- SBI commits to finance 1000 entrepreneurs in Nagaland through a partnership with Business Association.
- The State Bank of India (SBI) in collaboration with the Business Association of Nagas (BAN) has decided to help 1000 entrepreneurs with financing.
- An MoU has been signed between the two parties to facilitate ease of doing business and finance MSMEs of Naga entrepreneurs in the state.



## Books and Authors Current Affairs | November 2022

### A book 'India: The Mother of Democracy' published by ICHR, released

- Union Education & Skill Development Minister Dharmendra Pradhan released the book 'India: The Mother of Democracy' prepared and published by Indian Council of Historical Research (ICHR) in New Delhi on 24 Nov 2022.
- It is shown in this book that since the dawn of civilization, India has been imbued with democratic ethos.
- the book encourages healthy discussion on India's democratic heritage

### Rakhi Kapoor releases her book titled "Now You Breathe"

- Best-selling author Rakhi Kapoor released her latest Book "Now You Breathe: Overcoming Toxic Relationships and Abuse".
- The book provides a roadmap to identify red flags, deal with, leave or heal from toxic relationships.
- Kapoor also authored 'Infertility, Impatience, and Intuition: A physical and mental guide for aspiring parents.'
- Rakhi Kapoor is a renowned physiotherapist and author.

### A book "Accidental Czar: The Life and Lies of Vladimir Putin" launched

- Accidental Czar: The Life and Lies of Vladimir Putin is authored by a Russia analyst and former White House adviser, Andrew S. Weiss.
- The book is published by Roaring Brook Press, New York.
- The book captures Putin's outsized impact on the global stage and portrays his goals and fears in the context of Russia's convulsive 1,000-year history.

### A book 'Nalanada - Until we meet again' launched by Ruskin Bond

- Gautam Borah, the author of the widely acclaimed book 'Monetising Innovation', launched his new book 'Nalanada - Until we meet again' in November 2022.
- The book was launched by legendary writer Ruskin Bond.

- 'Nalanda- until we meet again' is a gripping story of romance, vengeance, and an age-old mystery.

### A new book 'Cartoos Saab: A Soldier's Story of Resilience' launched

- Major General Ian Cardozo, who amputated his leg on battlefield, launched his new book in Nov 2022.
- The book is titled 'Cartoos Saab: A Soldier's Story of Resilience in Adversity.'
- He was the first war-disabled officer of the Indian Army to command a battalion and a brigade.
- The book recounts Major General Ian Cardozo's painstaking efforts as a war-disabled officer to command a battalion.

### "Winning the Inner Battle" : a book by Shane Watson

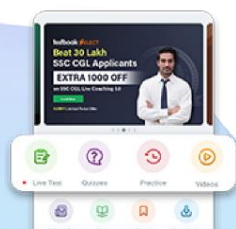
- "Winning the Inner Battle Bringing the best version of you to cricket" is authored by Shane Watson.
- This book guide about how to bring the best version of yourself when every time your best performance is needed.
- Shane Watson is one of Australian cricket's finest all-rounders.
- Shane Watson's new book, is through his own experiences of revitalising his career after retirement.

### Two books on achievements and legacy of PM Modi released in Dubai

- Two books on the achievements and legacy of Prime Minister Narendra Modi were released by Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Rajiv Chandrashekhar in Dubai, in November 2022.
- The books are "Modi@20: Dreams Meet Delivery" and "Heartfelt: The Legacy of Faith".
- The books were released at a programme of Vishwa Sadhbhavana, NID Foundation (Dubai chapter).

### 'Permacrisis' is Collins Dictionary's word of the year 2022

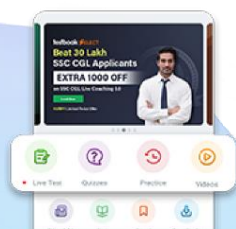
- Collins Dictionary has announced that its word of the year 2022 is "permacrisis."
- The word indicates an era of instability & insecurity.



- It indicates the ongoing Ukraine War, the consequent rise in the cost of living & the political upheaval the world has witnessed in 2022.
- Collins Dictionary is published by HarperCollins in Glasgow.
- Collins word of the year 2021: NFT (non-fungible token)

### French author Rene Naba releases book 'Nuclearization of Asia'

- French author Rene Naba released his latest book 'Nuclearization of Asia' in Geneva in Oct 2022.
- The book discusses the nuclear emergency and threat posed by the nexus of Pakistan and China to South Asia.
- Naba is the vice president of the International Center for the Fight against Terrorism.
- Previously, he authored a book titled 'Pakistan, facing the challenge of the post-Western world'.





## Business and Economy Current Affairs | November 2022

### GeM platform crosses Rs 1 lakh cr Gross Merchandise value by 29 Nov

- The Government e-Marketplace, GeM platform has crossed one lakh crore rupees Gross Merchandise value till 29 November 2022 for the financial year 2022-2023.
- GeM is an online platform for public procurement in India.
- It was launched in August 2016 with the objective of creating an open and transparent procurement platform for government buyers.

### RBI announces launch of first pilot for retail digital Rupee on 1 Dec

- RBI has announced the launch of the first pilot for the retail digital Rupee on 1st December 2022.
- Eight banks have been identified for phase-wise participation in this pilot.
- The first phase will begin with four banks including State Bank of India, ICICI Bank, Yes Bank and IDFC First Bank in four cities across the country.

### Ministry of Coal will organize an investor conclave in Mumbai on 1 Dec

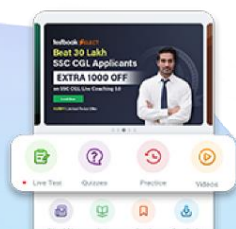
- To boost bidder participation in the commercial auction of coal mines, Ministry of Coal is organising an investor conclave on 1 Dec'22 in Mumbai.
- Union Minister of Coal, Mines and Parliamentary Affairs, Pralhad Joshi will Chair and Chief Minister of Maharashtra, Eknath Shinde will be the Chief Guest.
- SBI Capital Markets Ltd is assisting the Ministry of Coal in conduct of the auction.

### Star Health launches Star Out Patient Care Insurance Policy

- Star Health and Allied Insurance, a standalone health insurance company, announced the launch of Star Out Patient Care Insurance Policy on 29 Nov'22.
- It aims at providing complete health and wellness benefits to customers at an affordable cost.
- Claims processing procedure will be entirely digital.
- The policy is available on individual or floater basis and can cover up to six family members.

### Reserve Bank of India imposes penalties on three cooperative banks

- The Reserve Bank of India imposed penalties on three cooperative banks on 28 Nov'22.



- The central bank imposed penalty on Zoroastrian Co-operative Bank, Indian Mercantile Co-operative Bank, Lucknow and Bharat Co-operative Bank, Mumbai.
- It imposed a penalty of ₹1.25 cr on Zoroastrian Co-operative Bank.
- The central bank also imposed penalties on 5 other cooperative banks.

### ICICI Bank launches new products for NRIs at its GIFT City branch

- ICICI Bank has launched two new products- Loan against Deposits (LAD) and Dollar Bonds for its NRI customers at its branch in GIFT City.
- ICICI Bank is the first bank to offer these products in GIFT City.
- Loan against Deposits is a loan in foreign currency against a deposit in India.
- Dollar Bonds are an alternate investment option for NRIs.

### India's total coal production stands at 448 million tonnes as of Oct

- India's total coal production stands at 448 million tonnes as of October 2022.
- This is 18 percent higher than the production of the corresponding period of 2021.
- The Ministry of Coal has plans to keep building the stock so that production at thermal power plants goes up to 45 million tonnes by the end of March 2023.

### IDFC FIRST Bank launches FIRSTAP, first sticker-based debit card

- IDFC FIRST Bank has launched FIRSTAP, the country's first sticker-based debit card.
- It has been launched in association with National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).
- It will facilitate transactions by simply tapping the sticker on a Near Field Communication (NFC) enabled point-of-sale terminal.
- It is one third the size of a regular debit card.

### GDP growth set to halve to 6.5% in Q2 FY23: Icra

- India's economic growth will likely slow down to 6.5% in the 2nd quarter of the current fiscal (Q2FY23), according to Icra Ltd.
- Icra has projected the GVA (gross value added) growth of the services sector at a robust 9.4% in Q2 FY23.



- It projects YoY growth in manufacturing GVA to dip to 3% in Q2 FY23 from 4.8% and 5.6%, respectively, in Q1 FY23 and Q2 FY22.

### Centre sanctions ₹60,000 cr long-term capex funds to states

- The central government has sanctioned ₹60,000 crore of long-term capital expenditure funds to states this fiscal (2022-23).
- The scheme envisages giving ₹1 trillion of 50-year interest-free loans to states, over and above the normal borrowing they are allowed, so that local administrations get more financial resources for building productive assets, which will also add jobs.

### GST anti-profiteering complaints to be taken up by CCI from Dec 1

- All GST anti-profiteering complaints would be dealt with by the Competition Commission of India (CCI) from 1 Dec 2022 as the extended tenure of the National Anti-profiteering Authority (NAA) ends by the end of Nov 2022.
- NAA was set up in 2017 to check unfair profiteering activities by registered suppliers.
- Initially, it was set up for two years till 2019 but was later extended till Nov 2021.

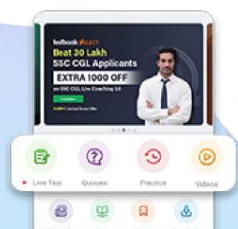
### RBI imposes monetary penalties on 9 cooperative banks

- The RBI has imposed monetary penalties on 9 cooperative banks on account of various contraventions or non-compliances of laid down guidelines.
- These banks include Berhampur Cooperative Urban Bank, Kendrapara Urban Co-operative Bank, Jamshedpur Urban Cooperative Bank, etc.
- The monetary penalties slapped on these banks range from Rs 25,000 to ₹3.1 lakh.

### India's exports dip 17% to \$29.78 billion in October 2022

- A decline in merchandise exports in some sectors led to a contraction in the country's overall outbound shipments by 16.65% to \$29.78 billion in October 2022.
- The merchandise trade deficit widened to \$26.91 billion from \$25.71 billion in Oct, according to the data released by the commerce ministry on 15 Nov'22.
- Import was at \$56.69 billion as against \$53.64 billion in October 2021.

### Retail inflation eases to 6.77% in October



- Retail inflation, based on the consumer price index (CPI), eased to a three-month low of 6.77% in October 2022.
- As per the Ministry of Statistics data released on 14th Nov, retail inflation came down mainly with ease in prices of Food & Beverages.
- The retail inflation for the month of Sep was 7.41%.
- The govt has mandated the RBI to maintain retail inflation at 4% with a margin of 2%.

### Wholesale Price Index inflation in October eases to 8.39 per cent

- Dropping below the double-digit mark for the first time since March 2021, Wholesale Price-based Inflation (WPI) for October eased to 8.39 per cent in October from 10.70% in September 2022.
- Vegetable prices segment eased to 17.61 per cent in the reported period against 39.66 per cent in September.
- The fuel and power segment eased to 23.17% in October from 32.61% in preceding month.

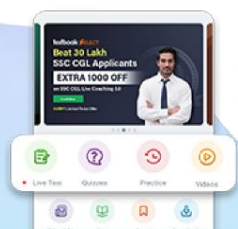
### Moody's cuts India's growth forecast for 2022 to 7%

- Moody's on 11th Nov slashed India's GDP growth projection for 2022 to 7%.
- This is the second time in as many months that Moody's Investors Service has cut India's growth estimates for 2022.
- In September, it had cut projection for the year 2022 to 7.7% from 8.8% pegged in May.
- The Asian Development Bank too has cut its projection to 7%, from 7.5% earlier.

### Krishify integrates with e-NAM's Platform of Platforms

- Social networking platform for Indian farmers, Krishify, has integrated with the Platform of Platforms portal by e-NAM (National Agricultural Market).
- As a service provider, Krishify will provide advisory services to farmers & will cater to the needs of 14 crore farmers in India.
- e-NAM is an online trading platform for agricultural commodities in India.
- e-NAM Launched: 2016

### Kotak Mahindra Bank launches Merchant One Account for MSMEs



- Kotak Mahindra Bank on 9th Nov 2022 launched Merchant One Account for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).
- It is a one-stop solution to cater the banking and other business-related needs of MSMEs, including small retailers.
- It will also help merchants digitise their daily business processes through smart automation.
- Kotak Mahindra Bank HQ: Mumbai
- Founder & CEO: Uday Kotak

### Nirmala Sitharaman approves Sovereign Green Bonds framework

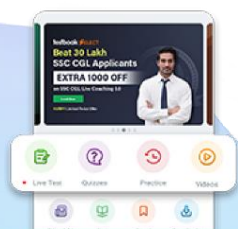
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has approved the final Sovereign Green Bonds framework of India.
- Green bonds are financial instruments that generate proceeds for investment in environmentally sustainable and climate-suitable projects.
- The Finance Ministry has also constituted a Green Finance Working Committee (GFWC) chaired by Chief Economic Adviser, Government of India.

### Centre allows International Trade Settlements in Indian Rupees

- The Central Govt on 9th Nov 2022 allowed international trade settlements in the Indian currency for export promotion schemes under foreign trade policy.
- The decision has been taken to facilitate and ease international trade transactions in Indian Rupees.
- For this, the banks in India may open special rupee Vostro accounts of correspondent bank of the partner trading country.

### Reliance is India's best employer; in top 20 worldwide: Forbes report

- Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries has emerged India's best employer and the world's 20th best firm to work with, according to Forbes' World's Best Employers rankings 2022.
- With 230,000 employees, Reliance is the only Indian company in the top 100.
- The global ranking was topped by South Korea's Samsung Electronics, followed by US' Microsoft, IBM, Alphabet and Apple.





## Russia becomes India's top oil supplier in October

- Russia has become India's top oil supplier in Oct 2022, surpassing traditional sellers Saudi Arabia & Iraq.
- Russia, which made up for just 0.2% of all oil imported by India in the year to March 31, 2022, supplied 9,35,556 barrels per day (bpd) of crude oil to India in Oct — the highest ever.
- It now makes up for 22% of India's total crude imports, ahead of Iraq's 20.5% and Saudi Arabia's 16%.

## RIL appoints KV Kamath as independent director for 5 yrs

- Reliance Industries (RIL) on 4th Nov 2022 appointed K V Kamath as Independent Director of the company for a period of 5 years.
- Kamath has also been appointed as non-executive Chairman for Reliance Strategic Investment Limited (RSIL).
- RSIL will be renamed as Jio Financial Services Ltd.
- Kamath is currently the Chairman of the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID)

## GST collection in October crosses Rs. 1.50 lakh crore

- The gross GST revenue collected in the month of October 2022 was at 1,51,718 crore rupees, which is the second-highest monthly collection till date.
- It is for the second time the gross GST collection has crossed Rs. 1.50 lakh crore mark in 2022, next only to the collection in April 2022.
- CGST collection was at 26,039 crore rupees, SGST at 33,396 crore rupees whereas the IGST at ₹81,778 cr.

## RBI imposes fines on several financial entities, including LIC

- RBI has imposed heavy penalties on several financial entities for violation of various norms.
- The penalties went as high as Rs. 1.76 crores for Vakrangee Ltd, which was fined for non-compliance with some provisions related to White Label ATM (WLA) directions.



- It has imposed a Rs 30 lakh penalty on The Jammu and Kashmir State Co-operative Bank Ltd; Rs 5 lakh each on LIC Housing Finance.

### RBI launches pilot project of Digital Rupee in wholesale segment

- The Reserve Bank of India launched the pilot project of Digital Rupee in the wholesale segment on 1 November 2022.
- Digital Rupee will be used for settlement of secondary market transactions in government securities.
- SBI, Bank of Baroda, Union Bank of India, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Yes Bank, IDFC First Bank and HSBC have been identified for participation in the pilot.

### HDFC ERGO launches first-of-its-kind farm yield insurance policy

- HDFC ERGO on 31st Oct 2022 announced the launch of a technology-backed farm yield insurance policy for farmers.
- This is a first-of-its-kind insurance solution, where a satellite-based index will be used to provide localized farm-level coverage.
- It will provide comprehensive cover across the crop life cycle from sowing to harvesting, basis satellite-based data.
- HDFC ERGO MD: Ritesh Kumar

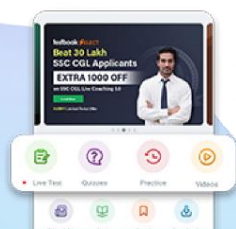
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- 9 banks have been identified for participation in this pilot project.
- The RBI on 31st Oct also released a Concept Note on Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) for India.

## Committees and Recommendations Current Affairs | November 2022

### Centre constitutes a panel for Higher Educational Institutions

- Union Govt has constituted a committee for strengthening the assessment and accreditation of Higher Educational Institutions.
- The committee will also prepare a roadmap for the National Accreditation Council envisioned in the National Education Policy, 2020.
- It will be headed by Dr K. Radhakrishnan, Chairperson, Board of Governors, IIT Kanpur.
- Union Education Minister: Dharmendra Pradhan



## Defence Current Affairs | November 2022

### Harimau Shakti : India - Malaysia joint military Exercise begins

- India - Malaysia joint military Exercise "Harimau Shakti -2022" commenced at Pulai, Kluang, Malaysia on 28th November.
- It will culminate on 12th December 2022.
- Exercise HARIMAU SHAKTI is an annual training event between the Indian and Malaysian Army which is being conducted since 2012.
- The scope of this exercise involves a Command Planning Exercise (CPX) at the Battalion level.

### Armed Forces Flag Day CSR Conclave to be held

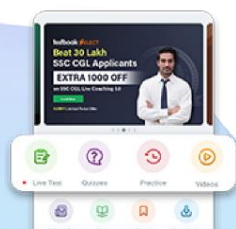
- The fourth edition of the Armed Forces Flag Day Corporate Social Responsibility Conclave is being organised in New Delhi on 29 Nov 2022.
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will be the chief guest at the event.
- A new website for the Armed Forces Flag Day Fund will be launched by him.
- He will also release the anthem for 2022's promotional campaign for the Armed Forces Flag Day.

### Indian Navy launches new survey vessel 'Ikshak'

- The Indian Navy launched 'Ikshak', the third of the four survey vessels (Large) project, on 26 November 2022 at Kattupalli, Chennai.
- It is built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE).
- This will replace the existing Sandhayak Class survey ships with new generation hydrographic equipment to collect oceanographic data.

### Joint military exercise 'AUSTRA HIND 22' to commence from 28 November

- The Bilateral military training exercise "AUSTRA HIND 22" between the Indian Army and the Australian Army will commence on 28 November 2022 at the Mahajan Field Firing Ranges (Rajasthan).
- The exercise will take place from 28 November -11 December 2022.



- Exercise "AUSTRA HIND" will be a yearly event that will be conducted alternatively in India and Australia.

### INS Trikand, INS Sumitra take part In 'Naseem Al Bahr' exercise

- Indian Navy's INS Trikand and offshore patrol vessel INS Sumitra participated in the 13th edition of bilateral exercise 'Naseem Al Bahr' off the coast of Oman.
- The exercise was conducted from 19-24 Nov'22 had 3 phases -- harbour phase, sea phase and debrief.
- The first exercise was conducted in 1993.
- Year 2022 marks 30 years of IN-RNO (Indian Navy- Royal Navy of Oman) bilateral exercises.

### Exercise 'Samanvay 2022' to begin from 28 November

- Indian Air Force is conducting the Annual Joint Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Exercise 'Samanvay 2022' from 28-30 November 2022 at Air Force Station Agra.
- The exercise will comprise a seminar on Disaster Management, a 'Multi Agency Exercise' involving static and flying displays of various HADR assets and a 'Table Top Exercise'.

### India-Indonesia joint exercise 'Garuda Shakti' kicks off in Jawa

- Indian army is participating in a bilateral joint training Exercise GARUDA SHAKTI with Indonesian Special Forces at Karawang, Indonesia.
- The exercise commenced on 21 November 2022.
- Exercise GARUDA SHAKTI is the eighth edition of the series of bilateral exercises.
- The exercise aims to enhance understanding, cooperation, and interoperability between the Special Forces of both armies.

### India successfully tests fires Agni-3 missile from APJ Kalam Island

- India carried out a successful training launch of an Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile, Agni-3 from APJ Abdul Kalam Island, Odisha on November 23, 2022.
- The successful test was part of routine user training launches carried out under the aegis of the Strategic Forces Command.





- The launch was carried out for a predetermined range and validated all operational parameters of the system.

### IAF Heritage Centre receives " Air Force Kanpur-1" from PEC

- Indian Air Force Heritage Centre being set up in Chandigarh has received a Vintage Prototype Aircraft "Kanpur-1".
- This rare single-engined machine had been designed and built by late Air Vice Marshal Harjinder Singh in 1958 and was in the possession of Punjab Engineering College (PEC) Chandigarh.
- The "Kanpur-1" will be displayed along with other aircraft at the IAF Heritage Centre.

### South Western Command conducts Integrated Fire Power Exercise

- South Western Command of the Indian Army conducted Integrated Fire Power Exercise, "SHATRU NASH" in Thar desert of Rajasthan on 21 Nov'22.
- It witnessed use firing platforms in an integrated manner involving both ground and aerial manoeuvres.
- Skills like real-time communication and sharing of a common operating picture to overcome emerging threats were practised in the exercise.

### Indian Coast Guard conducts 20th Maritime Search & Rescue meet

- Indian Coast Guard (ICG) conducted the 20th National Maritime Search and Rescue (NMSAR) Board meeting at Kevadia, Gujarat on November 18, 2022.
- The NMSAR Board, comprising 31 members from various central ministries/agencies, members of the Armed Forces, all Coastal States & Union Territories, meets annually to discuss policy issues.
- ICG Founded: 1 February 1977
- ICG Headquarters: New Delhi

### INS Trikand participates in 'Sea Sword 2' counter-terrorism drill

- INS Trikand participated in the Combined Maritime Forces led Operation "Sea Sword 2", which was held from Nov 6-14, 2022 in the Northwest Arabian Sea.

- The operation was held to prevent narcotics trade & stop smuggling entities from using the seas for their nefarious activities.
- Earlier, the 26th edition of the multinational maritime exercise "MALABAR 22" culminated in Japan on November 15th.

### In a first, six women officers to enter Defence Services Staff College

- In a first, six women officers have been selected for the prestigious Defence Services Staff College (DSSC).
- It is the only competitive course within the Indian Army that paves the way for appointments to higher formations in the force.
- Completion of the course enables Army personnel for staff appointments to Lt Col rank and also gives them an advantage in promotions to the rank of Colonel.

### 26th edition of multinational maritime exercise Malabar culminates

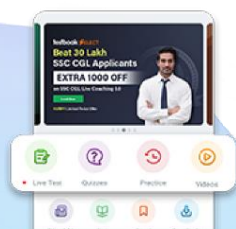
- The navies of India, Japan, Australia and the US concluded the 26th edition of the multinational maritime exercise "MALABAR 22" in the seas off Japan on 15th Nov 2022.
- This edition also marked the 30th anniversary of the exercise and was hosted by the JMSDF (Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force).
- The Indian Navy was represented by Eastern Fleet ships Shivalik and Kamorta.

### Indo-US joint training exercise 'YUDH ABHYAS 22' to commence in Nov

- The 18th edition of Indo - US joint training exercise "YUDH ABHYAS 22" is scheduled to be conducted in Uttarakhand in Nov 2022.
- Indian Army soldiers from the ASSAM Regiment will be participating in the exercise.
- It is conducted annually between India & USA.
- The previous edition of the exercise was conducted at Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson, Alaska in USA in October 2021.

### India to conduct 3rd edition of coastal defence exercise 'Sea Vigil'

- The 3rd edition of the 'Pan-India' Coastal Defence Exercise 'Sea Vigil-22' will be conducted on 15-16 November 2022.



- It will be conducted along the 7,516 km coastline of the country & will involve all the coastal States & UTs.
- It is being conducted by the Indian Navy in coordination with the Indian Coast Guard.
- This exercise was conceptualised in 2018 to enhance maritime security of India.

### 7th edition of Indo-French joint air exercise culminates in Jodhpur

- The 7th edition of the bilateral air exercise between the Indian Air Force (IAF) & the French Air & Space Force (FASF), 'Exercise Garuda-VII' concluded at Air Force Station, Jodhpur on 12th Nov 2022.
- It was the first occasion for IAF's LCA Tejas and the LCH Prachand to participate in any international exercise.
- The first, third & fifth editions were conducted in India in 2003, 2006 and 2014.

### Indian Army organises Walong Mela

- As part of the ongoing Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of Battle of Walong, Dao Division of Spear Corps organised a Mela at Walong Circle of Arunachal Pradesh on 09 Nov 22 incorporating the local populace.
- The celebrations are being held to commemorate the sacrifice of the Indian Army while defending the Indian territory against the Chinese aggression of 1962.

### Indian Army launches single window facility 'VSK' for Veer Naris

- Indian Army has launched a single window facility - Veerangana Sewa Kendra (VSK) for the welfare & grievances redressal of Veer Naris (army wives).
- Indian Army with a motto of "Taking Care of Our Own, No Matter What" launched this facility.
- It will be available on the Indian Army Veterans Portal.
- Veer naris are employed as VSK staff to maintain an inherent connection with the beneficiaries.

### Indian Navy participates Malabar Naval Exercise in Japan

- India is participating in 26th International Malabar Naval Exercise begins in Yokosuka of Japan.
- In the Malabar Naval Exercise, Australia, Japan and the USA are also participating.
- The naval forces of these countries will take part in the exercise till the 18th of next month.



- Indian Naval Ships Shivalik and Kamorta are ready to demonstrate at the event.

### DRDO launched Hull Module of Submersible Platform

- DRDO launched Hull Module of Submersible Platform for Acoustic Characterization & Evaluation (SPACE) facility at Naval Physical & Oceanographic Laboratory (NPOL) Kochi.
- It is a state-of-the-art testing and evaluation facility for sonar systems developed for use by the Indian navy onboard various platforms, including ships, submarines and helicopters.

### Indian Ships participate in 70th International Fleet Review in Japan

- Indian Naval ship Shivalik and Kamorta, participated in the 70th International Fleet Review at Yokosuka, Japan.
- In the event an Indian band played Japanese martial music and Saare Jahan Se Achha.
- The IFR marks the 70th anniversary of the Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF) and will include participation of 40 ships and submarines from 13 countries.

### The first squadron of indigenous LCH is operationalized

- The Indian Army is set to operationalize the first squadron of indigenous Light Combat Helicopter (LCH).
- It will be based at Missamari air base in Assam and will be part of the aviation brigade tasked to defend the strategically vital western part of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Missamari was tasked to defend, among other places, the Tezpur-Bomdila-Tawang-Bum La axis.

### DRDO launches testing and evaluation facility for Indian Navy

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- It is a state-of-the-art testing and evaluation facility for sonar systems developed for use by the Indian navy onboard various platforms.
- It has a specially designed submersible platform, which can be lowered up to depths of 100 meters.

### Army Commanders' Conference to take place from Nov 7 in New Delhi

- Army Commanders' Conference will be held in New Delhi from the 7th of Nov 2022 to chart the future course for the Indian Army.
- It is an apex-level biannual event, which is held in April and October every year to make important policy decisions for the Indian Army.
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh is scheduled to address and interact with the Army Commanders on the 10th of November.

### Annual Joint Military Training between IAF & RSAF commenced

- On 3rd Nov 2022, the 11th edition of the annual Joint Military Training (JMT) between the Indian Air Force (IAF) & the Royal Singapore Air Force (RSAF) commenced at Kalaikunda, West Bengal.
- The two Air Forces have resumed this training after a gap of two years.
- This edition of JMT would be conducted over a period of six weeks.
- Chief of the Air Staff: Vivek Ram Chaudhari

### Indian Army approves five Make II Projects

- Indian Army has now approved Project Sanction Orders (PSOs) of five Make II projects.
- Make II projects are essentially Industry funded projects involving design, development and innovative solutions by Indian vendors for development of prototypes.
- An assurance of order is given after successful prototype development.

### Two CRPF women officers promoted to IG rank for the first time

- Two women officers of the CRPF have been appointed as Inspectors General (IG) for the first time after their induction into the force began in 1987.
- Annie Abraham has been made IG of the Rapid Action Force (RAF), while Seema Dhundia has been posted as Bihar sector IG.
- CRPF was the 1st central armed police force to induct women in combat in 1986.
- An IG is the head of the sector in the CRPF.

### India successfully tests Ballistic Missile Defence Interceptor

- DRDO conducted a successful maiden flight test of Phase-II Ballistic Missile Defence (BMD) interceptor AD-1 missile from APJ Abdul Kalam Island off the coast of Odisha on 2 Nov 2022.

- The AD-1 (Air Defence) is a long-range interceptor missile designed for both low exo-atmospheric & endo-atmospheric interception of long-range ballistic missiles & aircraft.
- DRDO Chairman: Dr Samir V Kamat.





## Government Schemes and Policies Current Affairs | November 2022

### Power Min launches scheme for procurement of aggregate power of 4500MW

- Ministry of Power kicked off a scheme for procurement of aggregate power of 4500 MW on competitive basis or five years on Finance, Own and Operate basis under B (v) of SHAKTI Policy.
- PFC Consulting Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of PFC Ltd has been designated as the Nodal Agency by the Ministry of Power.
- Under the scheme, PFC Consulting Ltd has invited bids for the supply of 4,500 MW.

### Union government rolls out country's first suicide prevention policy

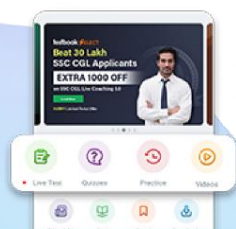
- The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare announced a National Suicide Prevention Strategy in Nov'22.
- This is the first of its kind in the country, with time-bound action plans and multi-sectoral collaborations to achieve reduction in suicide mortality by 10% by 2030.
- In India, more than one lakh lives are lost every year to suicide, and it is the top killer in the 15-29 years category.

### Bengal Govt allows minor mineral mining on private land

- West Bengal govt has come out with a new policy that allows private land owners to get licence to harness natural resources.
- The new policy aims to overcome land acquisition hurdles for mining 'minor minerals' and curbing illegal excavation in the state.
- It will be applicable for the mining of black stone, which is available in large quantities in the state.
- West Bengal CM: Mamata Banerjee

### Maharashtra government doubles pension of freedom fighters

- The Maharashtra Govt has decided to double the pension of freedom fighters from 10,000 to 20,000 rupees per month.



- Freedom fighters associated with India's freedom struggle, Marathwada Mukti Sangram and Goa Liberation Movement will benefit from this decision.
- The govt also cleared a proposal to allow Maratha candidates to avail jobs quota under the category of economically weaker section.

### Madhya Pradesh govt implements PESA Act

- Madhya Pradesh govt on 15th Nov 2022 implemented the Panchayats Extension to Scheduled Areas (PESA) Act in the state.
- It aims to preserve the tribal population from exploitation with an active involvement of the Gram Sabhas.
- It also gives special powers to Gram Sabhas in Scheduled Areas especially for the management of natural resources.
- The PESA Act was enacted by the Parliament in 1996.

### RIL to develop India's first multi-modal logistics park in Tamil Nadu

- Union Road Transport Ministry has awarded the contract of setting up India's first multi-modal logistics park (MMLP) at Mappedu in Thiruvallur district of Tamil Nadu to Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL).
- The estimated project cost is ₹1,424 cr & it will be developed in an area of 184.27 acres.
- MMLP is a key policy initiative of the Govt to improve the country's freight logistics sector.

### Kerala govt to reimburse tech license cost to startups

- Kerala has launched a scheme to reimburse the expense incurred by the nascent startups to procure technology licenses from govt to commercialise their products.
- Under the project titled 'Technology Transfer Scheme', implemented through Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM), the govt will reimburse upto ₹10 lakh to startups.
- KSUM is the nodal agency of Kerala govt for entrepreneurship development.

### Uttarakhand CM inaugurates 'Lakhpati Didi' fair in Dehradun

- Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami inaugurated the 'Lakhpati Didi' fair in Dehradun on 4th Nov 2022, which aims to empower women of the state.

- At the fair, the CM also launched the 'Lakhpati Didi Yojana' on 4th Nov.
- Under the scheme, the Uttarakhand government's Rural Development department plans to make 1.25 lakh women of the self-help groups 'Lakhpati' by 2025.

### Madhya Pradesh CM launches scheme to help girls financially

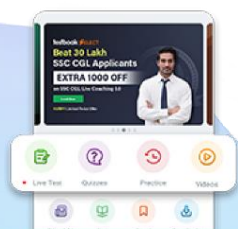
- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan on 2nd Nov 2022 launched the state govt's flagship scheme 'Ladli Laxmi 2.0'.
- It is a financial assistance scheme to encourage girls to pursue higher education and make them independent.
- Chouhan had launched the 'Ladli Laxmi' scheme in 2007 after he became the chief minister for the first time in 2005.

### Lakshmir Bhandar scheme by West Bengal bags SKOCH Award

- West Bengal govt's Lakshmir Bhandar scheme has bagged the 2022 SKOCH award in the women & child development category.
- West Bengal had launched the scheme in 2021 to provide financial support to a woman head of a family in the age group of 25-60 years.
- Under the scheme, Rs 500 & Rs 1,000 per month are given to women of the General & SC/ST categories respectively.
- SKOCH Award instituted: 2003

### Govt approves 42 proposals for telecom products under PLI scheme

- Union Govt on 31st Oct 2022 granted approval to 42 companies including Nokia & Samsung, under the production linked incentive (PLI) scheme for telecom and networking products.
- Union Budget 2022-23 had announced a design-led PLI scheme for telecom and networking products.
- Telecom equipment makers who use 50% of Made in India components in their products will be eligible for the incentive.



## Days and Events Current Affairs | November 2022

### International Jaguar Day: 29 November

- International Jaguar Day is observed annually on Nov 29.
- In March 2018 representatives from 14 range countries gathered in New York at UN' Headquarters for the Jaguar 2030 Forum.
- It resulted in the creation of the Jaguar 2030 Statement which outlined a wide range of internationally collaborative jaguar conservation initiatives, including the proposal to create an International Jaguar Day.

### International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People : 29 November

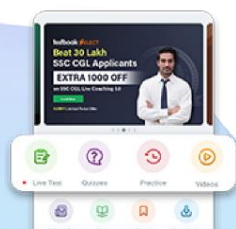
- The International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People is observed on November 29 every year.
- It is a day to inform the public about the issues related to Palestine.
- The United Nations General Assembly declared November 29 as International Day for Solidarity with Palestinian people in the year 1977.
- It adopted the resolution on the partition of Palestine on May 14, 1948.

### National Cadet Corps (NCC) celebrates 74th foundation day

- The National Cadet Corps (NCC) is celebrating the 74th anniversary of its Raising Day on 27 November 2022.
- NCC Day is observed on the fourth Sunday of November.
- The NCC was raised on 15th July 1948 in New Delhi, which was the fourth Sunday of the November month in 1948.
- It is the largest uniformed youth organisation in the world.

### Constitution Day of India: 26 November

- Constitution Day is celebrated in India on 26 November every year to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India.



- On 26 November 1949, the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, and it came into effect on 26 January 1950.
- In 2015, on the 125th birth anniversary of BR Ambedkar, the Union government announced November 26 as Constitution Day.

### National Milk Day: 26 November

- It is observed on 26 November to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien, the father of India's White Revolution.
- Dr. Kurien's birthday is commemorated on Nov 26th with National Milk Day.
- He is credited with bringing India's "white revolution."
- The white revolution was started by Dr. Verghese Kurien, who also made India's largest self-sustaining industry the dairy farm.

### Lachit Diwas: 24 November

- Every year on Nov 24th, Lachit Diwas is celebrated as the birthday of Ahom General Lachit Borphukan.
- The day honors the victory of the Assamese Army at the Battle of Saraighat.
- In 2022, India is marking the 400th birth anniversary of the Lachit Borphukan.
- Borphukan was a commander of Ahom kingdom and in the 1671 battle of Saraighat, he thwarted an attempt by Mughal forces to capture Assam.

### Intl Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women: 25 November

- Every year on November 25th, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women is observed.
- This day was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1993.
- Violence against women is defined as any act of gender-based violence that causes physical, sexual, or psychological harm to women.
- Theme for 2022: "UNiTE! Activism to End Violence against Women & Girls"

### Guru Tegh Bahadur's Martyrdom Day: 24 November

- Guru Tegh Bahadur's Martyrdom Day is observed on 24 November every year.



- The Guru was executed under the orders of the then-Mughal ruler Aurangzeb on November 24, 1675.
- He was the ninth of the ten gurus of Sikhism and was followed by the tenth guru, Guru Gobind Singh (1666-1708).
- He was born in Amritsar in 1621.
- He was also the youngest son of Guru Hargobind.

### World Television Day: 21 November

- Every year on November 21st, World Television Day is observed.
- In December 1996 the United Nations proclaimed 21 November as World Television Day commemorating the date on which the first World Television Forum was held in 1996.
- This day is observed as the acceptance of the impact and reach of geo-televisual communication on the global scenario.

### Africa Industrialization Day: 20th November

- Every year on November 20th, Africa Industrialization Day is observed to raise awareness about the problems and challenges of African industrialization.
- Various African countries are focusing on different ways to stimulate Africa's industrialization process.
- On December 22, 1989, the United Nations General Assembly recognized November 20 as Africa Industrialization Day.

### Universal Children's Day: 20th November

- Every year on November 20th, Universal Children's Day is observed.
- This day is primarily intended to promote international cooperation, raise awareness among children worldwide, and improve children's welfare.
- On November 20, 1954, Universal Children's Day was established.
- The theme for the year 2022 is 'Inclusion: For Every Child.'

### International Men's Day: 19th November





- International Men's Day is a global holiday celebrated annually on November 19 to recognize and celebrate the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of men.
- The main theme of International Men's Day is to promote men's and boys' health.
- The three themes of 2022 are helping men and boys, celebrating "mate ship", and celebrating men leading by example.

### World Fisheries Day: 21 November

- World Fisheries Day is celebrated on 21st November every year to demonstrate solidarity with all fisher folk, fish farmers and concerned stakeholders throughout the world.
- The event aims to draw attention to overfishing, habitat destruction and other serious threats to the sustainability of our marine and freshwater resources.
- It was started in 1997.

### Rani Lakshmibai's birth anniversary: 19 November

- Rani Lakshmibai was born on November 19, 1828, in Varanasi.
- Her maiden name was Manikarnika Tambe.
- Rani Lakshmibai was the queen of the Maratha princely state of Jhansi in North India.
- She was one of the leading figures of the Indian Rebellion of 1857 who became a symbol of resistance to the British Raj for Indian nationalists.

### World Toilet Day: 19 November

- World Toilet Day is observed on 19 November every year.
- The day focuses on the impact of the sanitation crisis on groundwater.
- This observance, held annually since 2013, celebrates toilets and raises awareness of the 3.6 billion people living without access to safely managed sanitation.
- The 2022 campaign is titled 'Making the invisible visible'.

### World Heritage Week: 19-25 November 2022

- The World Heritage Week is being observed from November 19 and November 25, 2022.
- It aims to raise awareness about traditional and cultural practices.



- Entry for tourists will be free at all Archaeological Survey of India-protected monuments on November 19 to mark the commencement of World Heritage Week.
- World Heritage Day is observed on 18 April every year.

### Indira Gandhi's 105th birth anniversary: 19 November 2022

- 19 November 2022 marked India's first and only woman Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's 105th birth anniversary.
- She was born on this day in 1917.
- She was the daughter of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of independent India.
- She served as PM from January 1966 to March 1977 and from January 1980 until her assassination in October 1984.

### 5th National Naturopathy Day: 18 November

- In India, November 18th is observed as National Naturopathy Day as a future-oriented health-care system.
- The main event was organized at National Institute of Naturopathy in Pune.
- This year's Naturopathy day was celebrated with the theme, Naturopathy: An Integrative Medicine, thus spreading the message of patient-oriented approach of treatment with Naturopathy across the country.

### World Day for prevention of child sexual abuse: 18 November

- The UN General Assembly has adopted a resolution to designate November 18 every year as the World Day for prevention of and healing from child sexual exploitation, abuse and violence.
- It is aimed at bringing global visibility to the trauma of child sexual abuse.
- According to WHO, millions of children experience sexual violence each year.

### Army observes 60th anniversary of battle of Rezang La in Ladakh

- 18 Nov'22 marked the 60th anniversary of Rezang La Day.
- The Battle of Rezang La in 1962 in eastern Ladakh, was India's one of the remarkable military expeditions.



- A fierce fight broke when over 5000 Chinese with heavy artillery attacked Charlie Company, protecting the airfield of Chushul.
- 120 soldiers of Charlie Company of 13 Kumaon Regiment killed over 1000 Chinese soldiers in the fight.

### Indian Army celebrates 242nd Corps of Engineers Day on 18 Nov

- Indian Army celebrated the 242nd Corps of Engineers Day on 18 Nov'22.
- The Corps of Engineers provides combat engineering support, develops infrastructure for armed forces and other defence organisations.
- The Corps of Engineers has three groups, i.e. Madras Sappers, Bengal Sappers and Bombay Sappers which were amalgamated into the Corps on 18 Nov 1932.

### National Epilepsy Day: 17th November

- In India, November 17th is observed every year as National Epilepsy Day to create awareness about epilepsy.
- Epilepsy is a chronic disorder of brain characterized by recurrent 'seizures' or 'fits'.
- It can affect people at any age.
- In India, about 10 million people suffer from seizures associated with epilepsy.
- International Epilepsy Day is observed every year on the 2nd Monday of February.

### International Students' Day: 17th November

- Every year, November 17th is observed as International Students' Day to ensure that every student has access to education.
- The date commemorates the anniversary of the 1939 Nazi storming of the University of Prague after demonstrations against the German occupation of Czechoslovakia.
- Oct 15th is celebrated as World Students' Day to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr APJ Abdul Kalam.

### National Press Day: 16 November

- National Press Day is observed on 16th November every year to commemorate a free and responsible press.



- It was on this day that the Press Council of India started functioning as a moral watchdog to ensure that the press maintains high standards and is not fettered by any influence or threats.
- The council is traditionally chaired by a retired Supreme Court Judge and 28 additional members.

### Newborn Care Week: 15th to 21st November

- Newborn Care Week is celebrated every year in the country from 15th to 21st November.
- Aim: to raise awareness about the importance of the newborn care for child survival & development.
- The neonatal period (the first 28 days of life) is the crucial period for child survival.
- In India, the Neonatal Mortality Rate is 20 per 1000 live births.
- 2022 Theme: "Home care of Newborn in Urban Area".

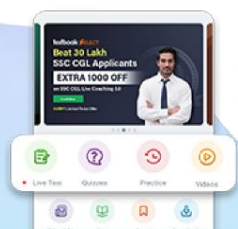
### International Day for Tolerance: 16th November

- International Day for Tolerance is commemorated on 16th Nov every year to raise awareness about the significance of tolerance in society.
- The UN established this day in 1996.
- In order to mark the 125th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, UNESCO created a prize known as UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize in 1995.
- Madanjeet Singh, an Indian diplomat, had sponsored the celebrations that year.

### Jharkhand Foundation Day: 15th November

- The state of Jharkhand commemorates its foundation day every year on November 15th.
- The day also coincides with the birth anniversary of tribal leader Birsa Munda.
- The state was carved out of Bihar in 2000 and was established as the 28th state of India.
- Jharkhand accounts for around more than 40 per cent of mineral resources in India.
- It is the 15th largest state by area.
- CM: Hemant Soren

### World Kindness Day: 13th November



- World Kindness Day is observed on November 13th every year to celebrate acts of kindness, compassion, and humanity.
- It is observed in many countries, including Canada, Australia, India and the United Arab Emirates.
- In 1998, this day was first observed by an organisation called – The World Kindness Movement.
- It was formed by like-minded kindness organisations at a Tokyo conference in 1997.

### Children's Day (Nehru Jayanti): 14th November

- Every year in India Nov 14th is celebrated as Children's Day to mark the birth anniversary of Pt Jawaharlal Nehru, the 1st Prime Minister of India (1947 to 1964).
- Nehru, fondly called 'Chacha Nehru', was known for his affection for kids.
- He also established Children's Film Society India in 1955 to create indigenous cinema exclusively for kids.
- World Children's Day is celebrated on 20th Nov.

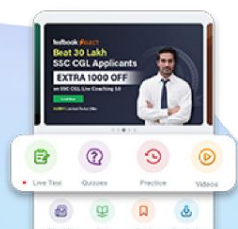
### World Diabetes Day: 14th November

- World Diabetes Day is celebrated every year on Nov 14th to mark the birthday of Frederick Banting, who discovered the insulin hormone along with Charles Herbert Best in 1922.
- It was first observed in 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation (IDF) & World Health Organisation (WHO).
- At present, 10 out of 100 adults are suffering from diabetes.
- 2022 Theme: 'Access to diabetes education'.

### Public Service Broadcasting Day: 12 November

- Public Service Broadcasting Day was observed on 12 November 2022.
- The day is celebrated every year to commemorate the only visit of Mahatma Gandhi to the studio of All India Radio, Delhi in 1947.
- The Father of the Nation addressed the displaced people, who had temporarily settled at Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition.

### Acharya Kripalani's birth anniversary: 11th November



- On 11th Nov 2022, the country observed the birth anniversary of freedom fighter Acharya Kripalani.
- His original name was Jivatram Bhagwandas Kripalani but was popularly known as Acharya Kripalani.
- He participated in movements like Non-Cooperation Movement, Quit India Movement & Salt Satyagraha.
- He was the president of the Indian National Congress when India gained independence in 1947.

### World Pneumonia Day: 12th November

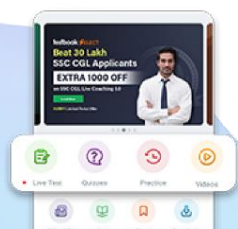
- World Pneumonia Day is observed every year on 12 Nov to raise awareness about Pneumonia disease.
- Any infection causing an inflammatory response in the lung is referred to as pneumonia.
- It is responsible for the majority of death of children below 5 around the world.
- This day was first observed in 2009 by Global Coalition Against Child Pneumonia.
- 2022 Theme: 'Pneumonia Affects Everyone'.

### National Education Day: 11th November

- National Education Day is celebrated every year on November 11 to mark the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, India's first education minister after independence (1947-58).
- Maulana Azad was a key architect of the education system of independent India.
- The govt in 2008 declared November 11 as National Education Day.
- Maulana Azad was posthumously awarded Bharat Ratna in 1992.

### World Usability Day: 10th November

- Every year, the second Thursday of November is internationally observed as World Usability Day.
- In 2022, It is being celebrated on 10th Nov.
- Aim: to bring a variety of communities together which can work in making this world an easier place to live.
- It is also known as Make Things Easier Day.





- It was established in 2005 by the Usability Professionals Association.
- 2022 Theme: "Our Health".

### World Science Day for Peace and Development: 10th November

- World Science Day for Peace and Development is observed every year on 10th November to raise the importance and relevance of science in our daily lives.
- The main aim of this day is to ensure that citizens are kept informed of developments in science.
- It was established by the UNESCO in 2001 and was first celebrated in 2002.
- 2022 Theme: 'Basic Sciences for Sustainable Development'.

### International Week of Science and Peace

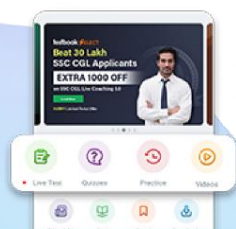
- November 9 - November 14 is observed as the International Week of Science and Peace every year around the globe.
- This week is an initiative taken by the United Nations (UN), hoping to make people contribute towards the encouragement and promotion of peace across the globe.
- This week, people promote peace in their countries and also develop advanced technology for better living.

### National Legal Services Day

- National Legal Services Day is marked every year on 9th November to celebrate the commencement of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 which came into force on this very day in 1995.
- This day was established with a mandate to offer support and help to weaker sections of society including Scheduled Tribes, Scheduled Castes, women, disabled persons, natural calamities victims.

### Uttarakhand Foundation Day 2022

- Uttarakhand Foundation Day is observed on November 9 every year.
- It is celebrated to mark the establishment of the 27th state of India.
- It is one of the states that was created under the Uttar Pradesh Reorganisation Act, 2000.
- The state of Uttarakhand was formed, initially as Uttaranchal.



- On January 1, 2007, Uttaranchal was officially renamed Uttarakhand.

### Guru Nanak Jayanti: 8 November 2022

- Guru Nanak Jayanti, also known as Gurpurab, Prakash Parv is being celebrated on 8 November 2022.
- It is one of the most important days of Sikhism and marks the birth anniversary of the first of the ten Sikh gurus and the founder of Sikhism, Guru Nanak Dev Ji.
- It is observed annually on the full moon date of the Kartik month or Kartik Purnima.

### Education Ministry to celebrate 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' on Nov 15

- Education Ministry will celebrate 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' on 15th Nov in schools & higher educational institutions across the country.
- In 2021, Union govt had declared 15th Nov as 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' dedicated to the memory of brave tribal freedom fighters.
- 15th Nov is also the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda, a freedom fighter, social reformer & revered tribal leader of the country.

### Infant Protection Day: 7th November

- The Infant Protection Day is observed annually on November 7th.
- This day is celebrated to spread awareness about the measures to be taken to save the lives of infants and provide sufficient protection and care.
- The infant mortality rate in India in 2022 is 27.695 deaths per 1000 live births.
- Infants are newborn babies around the age of 0 to a year.

### National Cancer Awareness Day: 7th November

- November 7th is observed annually as National Cancer Awareness Day in India to raise awareness about cancer.
- It was first announced in 2014 by Govt, with Nov 7 chosen for the occasion to coincide with the birth anniversary of Nobel laureate Marie Curie.
- Marie Curie's works led to the development of radiotherapy to treat cancer.
- National Cancer Control Programme was started in India in 1975.



### World Tsunami Awareness Day: 5th November

- Every year on 5th November, World Tsunami Awareness Day is celebrated around the world to raise awareness about tsunamis.
- This day was established by the UN in 2015.
- A tsunami is a series of huge waves created underwater by a disturbance which is referred to as earthquakes below the ocean.
- In the past 100 years, more than 260,000 people have perished in 58 separate tsunamis.

### Zojila Day commemorated at Zojila War Memorial

- Zojila Day was commemorated at Zojila War Memorial near Drass on November 1, 2022 .
- It was commemorated to celebrate the gallant action by Indian troops in 'Operation Bison' in 1948 which was launched on the icy heights of Zojila pass, the gateway to Ladakh.
- This battle was also historic for the reason that tanks were used for the first time at such heights.

### Puducherry celebrated its Liberation Day on 1 November 2022

- The Union Territory of Puducherry celebrated its Liberation Day on 1 Nov 2022.
- It was on 1st November 1954 the union territory was liberated from French colonialism following a referendum in which all elected members from Puducherry voted against the French and preferred to join India.
- Later the Indian government effected the de-jure transferring the territory to its union on 16 Aug 1962.

### Ladakh Police celebrates its 3rd Raising Day

- Ladakh Police celebrated its 3rd Raising Day on 1 Nov 2022 in Leh.
- Ladakh Police, the youngest police force in India, was formed in 2020 after the formation of UT Ladakh.
- Gallantry awards were presented to the family members of Sub Inspectors Stanzin Nurbu, Stanzin Otsal.



- Julley Mobile App, aimed to facilitate the tourists with several features to help the visitors, was also launched.

## 7 Indian states & 2 UTs celebrate their formation day on Nov 1

- In India, 7 states (Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Karnataka, Punjab & Madhya Pradesh) and 2 Union Territories (Lakshadweep & Puducherry) celebrate their Foundation Day on November 1 every year.
- Earlier, Tamil Nadu also used to celebrate its foundation day on November 1 but the state govt in 2021 announced that 'Tamil Nadu Formation Day' will be celebrated on July 18 onwards.

## UGC proposes 'Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas' to be celebrated on Dec 11

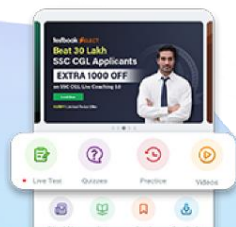
- The University Grants Commission (UGC) has directed all higher education institutions to observe 'Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas' on Dec 11 every year.
- In a notice, the UGC said that the day will be observed to create "language harmony" and develop a conducive environment for learning Indian languages.
- Dec 11 is also the birth anniversary of poet Subramania Bharati, a pioneer of modern Tamil poetry.

## Vigilance Awareness Week: 31 October to 6 November

- The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) observes vigilance awareness week every year during the week in which October 31 — birth anniversary of India's first home minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel — falls.
- In 2022, it is being observed from Oct 31 to Nov 6.
- 2022 Theme: "Corruption free India for a developed nation".
- It is observed with the aim of promoting probity in public life.

## Karnataka Rajyotsava Day: 1st November

- Karnataka Formation Day is celebrated as 'Rajyotsava' day on 1 November every year.
- This celebration marks the birth of Karnataka state, on 1st Nov 1956 by way of merger of Kannada speaking regions of South India.



- In 1956, boundaries of Mysuru state were redefined to include Kannada speaking regions of other adjacent states.
- The name was changed from 'Mysuru' to 'Karnataka' on 1st Nov 1973.

### India Water Week to be celebrated from 1st - 5th November 2022

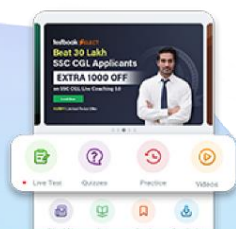
- In an effort to raise awareness, conserve and use water resources in an integrated manner, Union Ministry of Water Resources will organize the 7th edition of India Water Week from 1st to 5th Nov 2022.
- The theme of 7th edition is "Water Security for Sustainable Development and Equity".
- The event will be inaugurated by the President of India Droupadi Murmu on 1st Nov 2022 in Greater Noida, UP.

### World Vegan Day: 1st November

- Every year, World Vegan Day is celebrated on November 1st.
- Veganism is the practice of staying away from the use of animal products & extending the philosophy to banning of commodification of animals.
- On this day, people are made aware of the benefits of veganism & how it is a sustainable approach to the environment as well.
- This day was established in 1994 by The Vegan Society in the UK.

### World Cities Day: 31st October

- World Cities Day is celebrated on October 31 every year to highlight the need for international cooperation to promote global urbanisation and address its challenges.
- This day was established by the UN General Assembly in 2013 and was first celebrated in 2014.
- A different city hosts the event each year & Shanghai, China, hosted the event in 2022.
- 2022 Theme: "Act Local to Go Global."



## International Current Affairs | November 2022

### "mpox" - New name given to Monkeypox by WHO

- The World Health Organization announced that Monkeypox is to be renamed mpox, in a bid to avoid stigmatisation stemming from the existing name.
- Monkeypox received its name because the virus was originally identified in monkeys kept for research in Denmark in 1958.
- The disease was first discovered in humans in 1970 in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

### 'Gaslighting' is Merriam-Webster's word of the year 2022

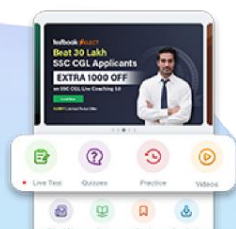
- The US dictionary publisher Merriam-Webster announced that their 2022 word of the year is "gaslighting."
- Merriam-Webster defines it as the act or practice of grossly misleading someone, especially for one's own advantage.
- Interest in the term was up by 1,740% over the previous years according to searches of the online dictionary.

### Hawaii's Mauna Loa erupts for first time in nearly 40 years

- The world's largest active volcano, Hawaii's Mauna Loa, is erupting for the first time in almost 40 years.
- The volcano's alert level has been upgraded from an "advisory" to a "warning", the highest classification.
- Mauna Loa last erupted in March and April of 1984, sending lava flows within 8 kilometres of the city of Hilo.
- The latest eruption began on 27 November night.

### Canada launches Indo-Pacific strategy to boost cyber security

- Canada has launched its long-awaited Indo-Pacific strategy, outlining 1.7 billion US dollars in spending to boost military and cyber security in the region.
- The plan detailed in a 26-page document said Canada will tighten foreign investment rules to protect intellectual property.





- Canada is seeking to deepen ties with a fast-growing Indo-Pacific region of 40 countries.

### European Space Agency names first disabled astronaut

- The European Space Agency appointed British Paralympic sprinter John McFall the first ever "parastronaut" on 25 Nov 2022.
- He will take part in a feasibility study during astronaut training to assess the conditions needed for people with disabilities to take part in future missions.
- It is a major step towards allowing people with physical disabilities to work and live in space.

### 'Homer' is Cambridge Dictionary's word of the year 2022

- Cambridge Dictionary has declared the word "homer" as the 2022 Word Of The Year.
- 'Homer' refers to a home run in the popular American sport Baseball.
- Cambridge said that the decision to choose this word was influenced by the famous game 'Wordle'.
- 'Homer' was the top searched word on Cambridge Dictionary in 2022.
- Collins Dictionary's word of the year 2022: 'Permacrisis'

### British inflation rises to 41-year high

- Rising household energy bills and food prices have pushed British inflation to a 41-year high.
- The Office for National Statistics (ONS) has informed that inflation figures show prices have risen 11.1% in Oct'22, up from 10.1 per cent the previous month.
- The United Kingdom is seeing its highest inflation not seen since October 1981.

### GE, IRENA sign collaborative agreement at COP27

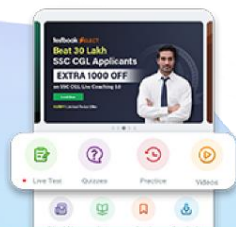
- GE has signed a framework agreement with the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA).
- It will collaborate on a plan which will help fight climate crisis and offer energy security.
- Both have agreed to cooperate across several specific pillars including decarbonization, thought leadership, and adoption and sustainable use of all forms of renewable energy.

### World population projected to hit 8 billion people on 15 November

- The world's population is projected to reach 8 billion people on 15 November 2022, according to the UN estimates.
- The latest projections by the UN suggest that the global population could grow to around 8.5 billion in 2030, 9.7 billion in 2050 and 10.4 billion in 2100.
- The annual World Population Prospect report also notes that the global population is growing at its slowest rate since 1950.

### Climate disaster aid scheme 'Global Shield' launched at COP27

- A G7-led scheme "Global Shield" to provide funding to countries suffering climate disasters has been launched at the United Nations COP27 summit in Egypt's Sharm El-Sheikh.
- It is being developed in collaboration with the 'V20' group of 58 climate-vulnerable economies.
- Pakistan, Ghana and Bangladesh will be among the first recipients of funding from this initiative.



## MoU and Agreements Current Affairs | November 2022

### Indian Immunologicals partners with CIFE to develop first fish vaccine

- Hyderabad-based Indian Immunologicals Ltd has joined hands with the Central Institute of Fisheries Education (CIFE) for the commercial development of India's first fish vaccine.
- The vaccine will be developed to protect freshwater fish against common bacterial diseases.
- CIFE, will provide technology for 2 inactivated bacterial vaccines, one for Columnaris Disease and other for Edwardsielliosis

### UNICEF, India join hands to promote films on child rights at IFFI

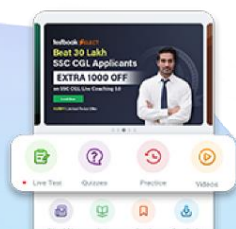
- UNICEF and National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) have joined hands to promote films with a child rights perspective at the 53rd IFFI in Goa.
- A special section for films that highlight children's and adolescents' issues and rights have been created at IFFI for the first time.
- Six films curated jointly by NFDC and UNICEF are being screened during the 9-day festival.

### Simplilearn partners with IIT Roorkee to launch HR programme

- Online skill development platform Simplilearn Solutions has partnered with IIT Roorkee, for a program on HR Analytics: Unlocking Human Capital.
- The program will consist of live online masterclasses from IIT Roorkee faculty.
- The programme will be launched in India and globally.
- The course's duration is six months of online self-learning and masterclasses.

### Federal Bank Ties up with JCB India to finance heavy equipment buyers

- Federal Bank on 19 November 2022 tied up with JCB India to finance the prospective buyers of heavy construction equipment.
- Under the arrangement, Federal Bank is the preferred finance partner of the construction equipment manufacturer, where JCB's customers can avail of loans from the lender at competitive interest rates.
- Federal Bank CEO: Shyam Srinivasan



### SBI gets Euro 150 mn loan from German KFW for solar projects

- SBI has signed a 150 million euro ( ₹1,240 cr) loan agreement with the German development bank KFW for funding solar projects.
- The long-term loan under Indo-German solar partnership, will facilitate new and upcoming capacities in the solar sector
- This is the second loan from KFW to SBI as part of the solar partnership with India as another loan for the same amount has already been disbursed.

### National Museum, India and Kolding Museum, Denmark sign MoU

- An MoU was signed and exchanged between the National Museum, New Delhi, India and the Museum Kolding, in New Delhi on 17 Nov'22.
- In the beginning of March, 2023, both will open the joint exhibition "Silver treasures from Denmark and India", in New Delhi.
- The collaboration is under the recently agreed cultural exchange programme between India and Denmark for the years 2022 to 2026.

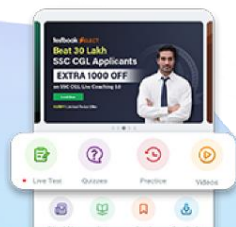
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- GE has signed a framework agreement with the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA).
- It will collaborate on a plan which will help fight climate crisis and offer energy security.
- Both have agreed to cooperate across several specific pillars including decarbonization, thought leadership, and adoption and sustainable use of all forms of renewable energy.

### MoRD, Veddis Foundation sign MoU to set up effective governance system

- Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) has signed an MoU with Gurugram-based Veddis Foundation.
- It has been signed to support setting up of effective governance systems under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana - National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM).
- The partnership is for three years and is non-financial in nature.

### India & Cambodia sign four MoUs in various areas

- India & Cambodia on 12th Nov 2022 signed 4 MoUs in the areas of culture, wildlife & health.
- They were signed during the bilateral talks between Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar and Cambodian PM Hun Sen on the sidelines of the ongoing ASEAN Summit at Phnom Penh.
- Vice President Dhankhar is on a visit to Cambodia to participate in the ASEAN India Commemorative Summit & the 17th East Asia Summit.

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- These included one in the field of health and medicine between the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare of India and Ministry of Health, Cambodia.
- The second MoU was signed regarding reintroduction of tigers in Cambodia.

### Cochin Shipyard to build first hydrogen fuel cell catamaran vessel

- Cochin Shipyard has signed an MoU with Inland Waterways Authority of India to build the country's first hydrogen fuel cell catamaran vessel for Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh.
- It will have a seating capacity for 100 passengers.

- The Shipyard also signed another MoU for the construction of six electric catamaran vessels for Uttar Pradesh and two such vessels for Guwahati.

### NIIFL signs pact with JBIC to boost Japanese investments in India

- National Investment and Infrastructure Fund Limited (NIIFL) has signed an MoU with Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC).
- It has been signed to promote and enhance Japanese investments into India.
- JBIC and the Government of India will invest in the India-Japan Fund, which will make equity investments in environmental preservation and low carbon emission strategies.

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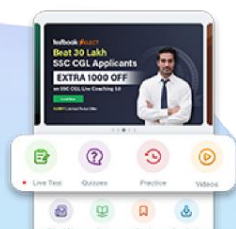
- OneWeb has signed a pact to use Airtel Africa as a provider of the satcom company's high-speed, low-latency satellite internet connectivity services to government and enterprise customers across the African continent.
- The two companies will begin trialling the service in South Africa in September 2023.
- They will also provide critical backhaul in unserved and underserved regions.

### DMRC, BEL sign pact for a control system

- The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) and Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) have signed an agreement.
- It is for the development of an indigenous communication-based train control system.
- The DMRC and BEL have also jointly developed the i-ATS (indigenous Automatic Train Supervision System) which is currently under implementation stage.

### GE Aerospace, Tata Advanced Systems extend \$1-billion contract

- GE Aerospace and Tata Advanced Systems Ltd have extended their long term contract worth USD 1 billion for production and supply of several commercial aircraft engine components.
- The engine parts will be manufactured at the Tata Centre of Excellence for Aero Engines (Tata-TCoE).
- The contract was first signed in 2017.
- Tata-TCoE was established in 2018.





### Niva Bupa and IDFC First Bank partner for bancassurance

- Niva Bupa Health Insurance Company Limited (formerly known as Max Bupa Health Insurance Company), has announced its corporate agency partnership with IDFC First Bank.
- It will provide health insurance solutions to the bank's customers.
- A bancassurance is an arrangement between a bank and an insurance company, through which the insurer can sell its products to the bank's customers.

### MoU signed between Rural Development Ministry and Patanjali

- The Union Rural Development Ministry on 2nd Nov 2022 signed an MoU with Patanjali Ayurved for marketing of products made by women self help groups.
- Under the MoU, selected products made by Women Self Help Groups will be sold through Patanjali Stores.
- As per the agreement, the ministry has also recognised Patanjali as National Resource Organization for its National Rural Livelihoods Mission.

### Union Cabinet approves India-Denmark MoU on water resource management

- The Union Cabinet on 2nd Nov 2022 approved an MoU between India & Denmark on cooperation in the field of Water Resources Development & Management.
- The areas of cooperation envisaged in the MoU are integrated and smart water resources development and management, aquifer mapping & groundwater modelling.
- Denmark PM: Mette Frederiksen
- Capital: Copenhagen
- Currency: Danish krone



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### Scindia inaugurates multiple flights to boost northeast connectivity

- Union Civil Aviation Minister, Jyotiraditya Scindia, inaugurated multiple flights on 29 November 2022 to expand the connectivity to the northeastern region.
- The flights are operated by Indigo and Alliance Air.
- The Itanagar-Mumbai flight via Kolkata operated by IndiGo started on November 28.
- Twice-weekly Dibrugarh-Itanagar-Ziro flights operated by Alliance Air started on November 29.

### Anurag Thakur inaugurates Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union Assembly

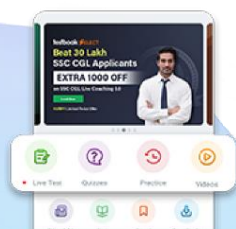
- Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated the 59th Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU) General Assembly and Associated Meeting 2022 in New Delhi on 29 November 2022.
- Prasar Bharati is hosting the ABU General Assembly in 2022.
- The ABU is a nonprofit, professional association of the broadcasting organizations of Asia and pacific region.

### R.K Singh inaugurates 10 Mobile Health Clinics in Bihar

- R.K. Singh, Union Minister of Power and New & Renewable Energy inaugurated REC's CSR initiative on 28 Nov'22.
- It is for procurement, operation and maintenance of 10 Mobile Health Clinics 'Doctor Apke Dwar' at Sadar Hospital, Aarah, Bihar.
- The total cost of the project is Rs 12.68 cr which will facilitate operational expenditure for 3 years for smooth functioning of the project.

### Manoj Kumar inaugurates Re-Hab Project in Nainital

- KVIC Chairman Manoj Kumar inaugurated the Re-Hab Project by Khadi and Village Industries Commission at village Chausla, Nainital on 28 November 2022.
- Re-Hab stands for Reducing Human Attacks using Honey Bees.



- He also distributed 330 Bee-boxes, bee-colonies and toolkits along with the honey extractors to the rural beneficiaries in Chausla village, free of cost.

### President Murmu on a two-day visit to Haryana

- President Droupadi Murmu will be on a two-day visit to Haryana from 29 Nov'22.
- She will attend various programmes including International Gita Festival -2022.
- She will virtually inaugurate 3 big projects of the Haryana including an e-ticketing system in Haryana transport, Nirogi Haryana Scheme and lay the foundation stone of Sirsa medical college to be built at cost of 950 crore rupees.

### Supreme Court launches online RTI portal

- The Supreme Court has launched an online portal that will help citizens file and access applications under the Right to Information (RTI) Act in matters related to the court.
- The online RTI portal has been initiated to make it convenient for people to access information about the Supreme Court.
- So far, RTI applications at the Supreme Court had to be filed only via post.

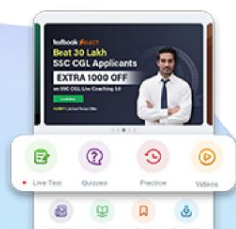
### 53rd International Film Festival of India concludes

- The 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI) concluded in Goa on 28 Nov'22.
- The closing ceremony was held at Dr Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium near Panaji.
- Telugu superstar Chiranjeevi was given the Indian Film Personality of the Year 2022 award at the closing ceremony.
- The Polish film 'Perfect Number', directed by Krzysztof Zanussi, was the closing film of IFFI 2022.

### Animal Quarantine Certification Services inaugurated in Bengaluru

- The Union Minister Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan inaugurated the Animal Quarantine Certification Services (AQCS) at Hessarghata, Bengaluru on 25 Nov 2022.
- There are six AQCS in India under the Department of Animal Husbandry.
- The aim of setting up Quarantine Stations is to prevent the spread of dangerous exotic diseases into the country through imported livestock and livestock products.

### Aero India 2023 to be held form 13-17 February 2023 in Bengaluru



- The Union Ministry of Defence announced on 27 November 2022 that the biennial air show AeroIndia-2023 will be held at the Air Force Station Yelahanka in Bengaluru from 13-17 February 2023.
- This would be the 14th edition of Aero India.
- Aero India has been held in February month at Bengaluru since 1996.
- The Defence expo 2022 was held at Gandhinagar, Gujarat in October 2022.

### ISRO launches PSLV-C54 rocket carrying earth observation satellite

- India successfully launched the PSLV C-54 rocket from Sathish Dhawan Space Centre Sriharikota on 26 Nov 2022.
- The payload includes an Ocean satellite to monitor the sea surface.
- Ku Band Scatterometers is to take precise pictorial data to reveal weather and other information.
- ARGOS, a french payload will reinforce the existing fleet of Indo-French satellites working on weather surveillance.

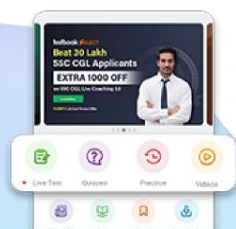
### PIDEAX Labs launches India's first Co-Working Research Hub

- PIDEAX Labs launched India's First Co-Working Research hub and incubation lab in November 2022.
- Pideax Labs will provide office space to increase job productivity and efficiency, as well as incubator laboratories for entrepreneurs.
- Nitin Lohia and Lakshay Lohia are the Co-Founders of PIDEAX Labs.

### Film 'Dear Diary' wins 53-Hour Challenge at IFFI

- The second edition of '75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow' at International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa concluded with the award ceremony of the "53-Hour Challenge".
- The film 'Dear Diary' made by Team Purple, has been adjudged as the best movie.
- The competition provided a challenge to produce a short film on their idea of India@100, all in 53 hours.

### In Arittapatti, Tamilnadu gets its first biodiversity heritage site



- The Tamil Nadu government on 22 November 2022 declared the Arittapatti village in Madurai district as a biodiversity heritage site.
- It is the first Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS) to be notified in the state.
- The village has a rich biological and historical significance with the presence of around 250 bird species.
- Tamil Nadu CM: M. K. Stalin

### TPDDL to organise special Lok Adalat for settlement of cases

- Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited (TPDD), supplying electricity to consumers of North Delhi, will hold a special 'Lok Adalat' on 27 November 2022.
- It will be held for on-the-spot settlement of power theft and disconnection cases.
- The Lok Adalat will take up cases that are either pending in any court or are yet to be filed.

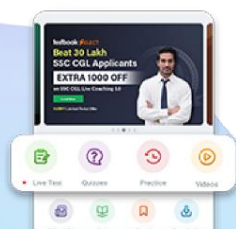
### Nitin Gadkari approves projects for Telangana and Andhra Pradesh

- Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has approved projects for Telangana at the total cost of Rs. 136.22 Crore.
- He said the project stretch connects major tourist places namely Laknavaram lake and Bogotha Waterfalls.
- He has also approved projects across river Krishna in Nagarkurnool district in Telangana and Andhra Pradesh at the total cost of Rs. 436.91 crore.

### Startup India launches Startup applications for MAARG Portal

- The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) launched a call for startup applications for registration on the MAARG portal on 23 November 2022.
- MAARG (Mentorship, Advisory, Assistance, Resilience, and Growth) portal is a one-stop platform to facilitate mentorship for startups across diverse sectors.
- Startup India is focused on catalyzing the startup culture in India.

### Ashwini Vaishnaw launches Entrepreneurship Cell at C-DOT Campus, Delhi



- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has inaugurated the Entrepreneurship Cell and Centre of Innovation (COI) at the Delhi campus of the Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) on 23 November 2022.
- It will accelerate the design, development and deployment of cost-effective and globally-competitive Telecom solutions in the country.

### Government gives in-principle approval for 95 more ethanol projects

- The government has given in-principle approval for 95 more ethanol projects under the new window of Ethanol Interest Subvention Schemes.
- The decision is expected to add an annual ethanol production capacity of around 480 crore liters in the country.
- Out of these projects, 68 are grain-based, 20 are molasses based, and seven projects are based on dual feedstock.

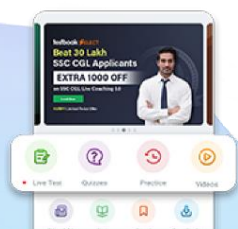
### Assam government launches new tourism policy

- The Assam government has launched a new tourism policy to invite more entrepreneurs and investors to make the state their investment destination.
- The policy was prepared after consultations with the World Bank, stakeholders and industry experts.
- It will facilitate on-the-job training to be provided by employers for local employees in hotels and resorts.

### South Western Command conducts Integrated Fire Power Exercise

- South Western Command of the Indian Army conducted Integrated Fire Power Exercise, "SHATRU NASH" in Thar desert of Rajasthan on 21 Nov'22.
- It witnessed use firing platforms in an integrated manner involving both ground and aerial manoeuvres.
- Skills like real-time communication and sharing of a common operating picture to overcome emerging threats were practised in the exercise.

### Union Minister Anurag Singh Thakur launches '53 hours Challenge'





- Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting and Youth Affairs & Sports Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated '53 Hours Challenge' for '75 Creative Minds' on 21 November 2022.
- The competition will challenge the winners of '75 Creative Minds for Tomorrow' to produce a short film on their idea of India@100, all in 53 hours.
- This is powered by National Film Development Corporation (NDFC).

### UGC to implement four-year UG programme framework

- University Grants Commission, UGC has finalised the framework for the four-year undergraduate programme.
- The rules for these courses will be shared with all universities in November 2022.
- The Four Year Undergraduate programme will be implemented in all the 45 Central Universities and most of the state and private universities from the next academic session.

### Retired IAS officer Arun Goel takes charge as Election Commissioner

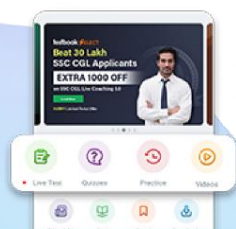
- Retired Punjab cadre IAS officer Arun Goel has assumed the office of Election Commissioner (EC).
- Goel was Secretary, Union Ministry of Heavy Industries, till he took voluntary retirement on November 18, 2022.
- The post of Election Commissioner had been vacant since May 2022 when Kumar was elevated from the post of Election Commissioner to CEC upon the retirement of Sushil Chandra.

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- The 53rd edition of the International Film Festival of India kicked off with a grand opening ceremony in Panaji, Goa on 20 November, 2022.
- This edition of the film fiesta is showcasing a collection of 280 films from 79 countries.
- As many as 75 youths, in the age group of 18-35, will get to attend the festival this year as special guests, as part of the '75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow.'

### Union Min Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurates Unani Institute in Silchar

- The Union Minister of Ayush Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the Regional Research Institute of Unani Medicine (RRIUM) in Silchar on 20 November 2022.



- The newly opened institute is the first such center in the Northeast on Unani medicine.
- The institute will provide treatment for the diseases particularly on Gastro-intestinal disorders and Respiratory disorders.

### Tamil Nadu introduces India's first elephant death audit framework

- Tamil Nadu's Forest Department has introduced an elephant death audit framework for recording and monitoring elephant deaths in the State.
- The framework will be helpful to collect mortality assessment data with high quality and credibility through a transparent process.
- India is home to over two-thirds of the World's Asian elephant population.

### Tripura Chief Minister Dr Manik Saha launched 'Amar Sarkar' portal

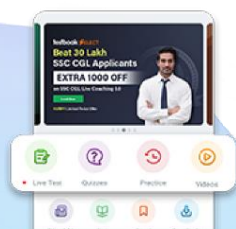
- Tripura chief minister Dr. Manik Saha launched a new portal, 'Amar Sarkar', to act as a bridge between the people and the government.
- The portal will help people to register their problems and complaints through village committee officials.
- Earlier in September 2022, the state government launched the 'Har Ghar Sushasan' initiative to mark the birthday of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

### PM Modi dedicates 600 MW Kameng hydro power project in Arunachal

- PM Narendra Modi on 19 Nov 2022 dedicated the 600 MW Kameng hydropower project in Arunachal Pradesh's West Kameng district to the nation.
- The project stretches over more than 80 kilometres and has been built at a cost of approximately ₹8200 crore.
- The project has two dams and a powerhouse having 4 units of 150 MW to generate 3,353 million units of electricity.

### Rani Lakshmibai's birth anniversary: 19 November

- Rani Lakshmibai was born on November 19, 1828, in Varanasi.
- Her maiden name was Manikarnika Tambe.
- Rani Lakshmibai was the queen of the Maratha princely state of Jhansi in North India.



- She was one of the leading figures of the Indian Rebellion of 1857 who became a symbol of resistance to the British Raj for Indian nationalists.

### PM Modi to inaugurate a month-long 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' in Varanasi

- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to inaugurate a month-long 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' on 19th November in Varanasi.
- It is being organized as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- Sangamam is scheduled from 17 November, 2022 to 16 December, 2022.
- The program is being organized by the Ministry of Education, Government of India, and Banaras Hindu University is the host institution for the program.

### Ministry of Culture to organise cultural program at India Gate

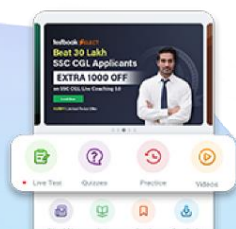
- Sangeet Natak Akademi of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, will organize a variety of programmes at the India Gate on 19th and 20th November.
- Odissi Dance and Kathak dance along with Chenda Melam, Puppet Show, Manipuri Dance will be organised.
- It is organised to commemorate Mahatma Gandhi, Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore, and Raja Ram Mohan Roy.

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### Army observes 60th anniversary of battle of Rezang La in Ladakh

- 18 Nov'22 marked the 60th anniversary of Rezang La Day.
- The Battle of Rezang La in 1962 in eastern Ladakh, was India's one of the remarkable military expeditions.



- A fierce fight broke when over 5000 Chinese with heavy artillery attacked Charlie Company, protecting the airfield of Chushul.
- 120 soldiers of Charlie Company of 13 Kumaon Regiment killed over 1000 Chinese soldiers in the fight.

### LPG cylinders will soon have QR code facility

- LPG cylinders will soon have QR code facility which will help regulate the domestic cylinders.
- This was informed by Union Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri.
- It will be pasted on existing cylinders and welded on new ones.
- When the QR code is activated it has the potential to resolve several existing issues of tracking and tracing and better inventory management of gas cylinders.

### 8th FICCI Higher Education Excellence Awards 2022 presented

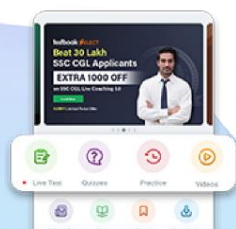
- Minister of State for Finance Bhagwat Karad presented the 8th FICCI higher education excellence Awards 2022 in New Delhi on 17 Nov 2022.
- The awards were instituted in 2014 to recognize and felicitate the achievements and excellent work done by the institutions and individuals, who have set benchmarks of excellence and are doing inspirational and exemplary work in the higher education space.

### 4th Edition of Indian Chemicals Council Sustainability Conclave begins

- Chemicals and Petrochemicals Secretary Arun Baroka inaugurated 4th edition of Indian Chemicals Council, ICC Sustainability Conclave in New Delhi on 17th Nov 2022.
- Theme of the two-day event is 'boardrooms to Community-ESG, Carbon Neutrality, Operational Safety, Greener Solutions'.
- The Conclave aims to promote sustainability in the management of the entire life cycle of chemicals.

### Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma launches Assam Millet Mission

- With a view to expanding and increasing millet cultivation across Assam, CM Himanta Biswa Sarma has launched Assam Millet Mission.



- He also inaugurated six Soil Testing and Quality Control Laboratory at Bongaigaon, Morigaon, Udalguri, Golaghat, Karimganj and Darrang and two knowledge centres at Dhemaji and Titabor virtually at the same programme.

### In a first, six women officers to enter Defence Services Staff College

- In a first, six women officers have been selected for the prestigious Defence Services Staff College (DSSC).
- It is the only competitive course within the Indian Army that paves the way for appointments to higher formations in the force.
- Completion of the course enables Army personnel for staff appointments to Lt Col rank and also gives them an advantage in promotions to the rank of Colonel.

### 3-day International Tourism Mart begins in Aizawl

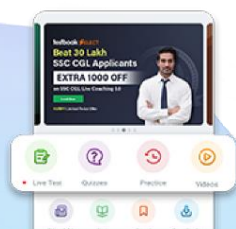
- The 3-day long International Tourism Mart (ITM) began in Mizoram on 17 Nov 2022.
- It is the 10th edition of the mart, jointly organized by the Ministry of Tourism and the state tourism department.
- It is aimed at highlighting the tourism potential of the North-Eastern region in the domestic and international markets.
- Also, there will be business-to-business sessions and panel discussions.

### Former diplomat Abasara Beuria passes away

- Noted Odiya literateur and former Indian ambassador Abasara Beuria passed away in November 2022.
- He had served in Indian diplomatic missions in Japan, Russia (formerly USSR), the United States of America, United Arab Emirates, Myanmar, Sri Lanka and Madagascar.
- He contributed regularly to leading Odia and English dailies besides authoring five books.

### GST anti-profiteering complaints to be taken up by CCI from Dec 1

- All GST anti-profiteering complaints would be dealt with by the Competition Commission of India (CCI) from 1 Dec 2022 as the extended tenure of the National Anti-profiteering Authority (NAA) ends by the end of Nov 2022.





- NAA was set up in 2017 to check unfair profiteering activities by registered suppliers.
- Initially, it was set up for two years till 2019 but was later extended till Nov 2021.

### Space regulator authorises launch of 1st private rocket Vikram-S

- India's space regulator Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) on 16th Nov 2022 authorised the launch of first private sector rocket 'Vikram-S'.
- It is a suborbital space vehicle developed by Skyroot Aerospace & it will be launched from Satish Dhawan Space Centre of ISRO on 18th Nov.
- Skyroot was the first startup to sign a MoU with ISRO for launching its rockets.

### NCW launches 4th phase of Digital Shakti campaign

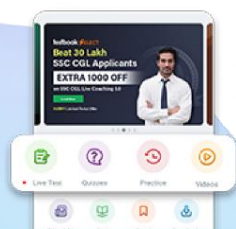
- National Commission for Women (NCW) Chairperson Rekha Sharma on 16th Nov 2022 launched the 4th phase of Digital Shakti Campaign.
- The Digital Shakti 4.0 is focused on making women digitally skilled and aware to stand-up against any illegal/inappropriate activity online.
- Digital Shakti was started by NCW in 2018 to help women across the nation to raise the awareness level on the digital front.

### POSOCO renamed as Grid Controller of India

- 'Power System Operation Corporation Ltd (POSOCO)' has changed its name to 'Grid Controller of India Ltd'.
- The Grid Controller of India Limited (Grid-India) operates the national load despatch centre (NLDC) and five regional load despatch centres (RLDCs).
- The Grid-India is also designated as the nodal agency for major reforms in the power sector.

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### RBI imposes monetary penalties on 9 cooperative banks

- The RBI has imposed monetary penalties on 9 cooperative banks on account of various contraventions or non-compliances of laid down guidelines.
- These banks include Berhampur Cooperative Urban Bank, Kendrapara Urban Co-operative Bank, Jamshedpur Urban Cooperative Bank, etc.
- The monetary penalties slapped on these banks range from Rs 25,000 to ₹3.1 lakh.

### National Press Day: 16 November

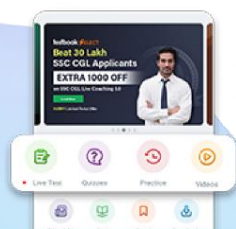
- National Press Day is observed on 16th November every year to commemorate a free and responsible press.
- It was on this day that the Press Council of India started functioning as a moral watchdog to ensure that the press maintains high standards and is not fettered by any influence or threats.
- The council is traditionally chaired by a retired Supreme Court Judge and 28 additional members.

### MoS for Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal inaugurates exhibition

- An International travelling exhibition "Vaccines Injecting Hope" was inaugurated by Union Minister of State for Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal at National Science Centre, NCSM in New Delhi on 15 Nov'22.
- NCSM and Science Museum Group, London have joined hands to tell the story of the global effort to develop vaccines at higher speed.
- The exhibition will be on display till 18th June 2023.

### Mathematician RL Kashyap passes away

- Mathematician RL Kashyap passed away in November 2022.
- He worked as a professor in the Department of Electrical and Computers for three decades at Purdue University in America.



- He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2021 by the central government for his considerable service in the field of studying the Vedas.
- He was the founder of Sakshi Sanstha and wrote more than 50 books

### Wholesale Price Index inflation in October eases to 8.39 per cent

- Dropping below the double-digit mark for the first time since March 2021, Wholesale Price-based Inflation (WPI) for October eased to 8.39 per cent in October from 10.70% in September 2022.
- Vegetable prices segment eased to 17.61 per cent in the reported period against 39.66 per cent in September.
- The fuel and power segment eased to 23.17% in October from 32.61% in preceding month.

### 41st India International Trade Fair to begin on 14th Nov

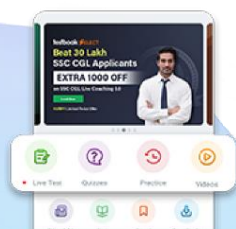
- The 41st edition of India International Trade Fair (IITF) will be held at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi from 14th Nov 2022.
- Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal will inaugurate the fair, which will continue till 27th of Nov.
- In 2022 the theme of the trade fair is 'Vocal For Local, Local to Global.'
- Uttar Pradesh & Kerala are participating as Focus States in the fair.

### Children's Day (Nehru Jayanti): 14th November

- Every year in India Nov 14th is celebrated as Children's Day to mark the birth anniversary of Pt Jawaharlal Nehru, the 1st Prime Minister of India (1947 to 1964).
- Nehru, fondly called 'Chacha Nehru', was known for his affection for kids.
- He also established Children's Film Society India in 1955 to create indigenous cinema exclusively for kids.
- World Children's Day is celebrated on 20th Nov.

### Public Service Broadcasting Day: 12 November

- Public Service Broadcasting Day was observed on 12 November 2022.



- The day is celebrated every year to commemorate the only visit of Mahatma Gandhi to the studio of All India Radio, Delhi in 1947.
- The Father of the Nation addressed the displaced people, who had temporarily settled at Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition.

### Ramagundam Fertilizers & Chemicals Limited dedicated to nation

- PM Narendra Modi dedicated Ramagundam Fertilizers and Chemicals Limited (RFCL) to the nation on 12 November 2022.
- After two decades of the closure of the FCI plant, the revived RFCL has been developed as one of the major fertilizers plants in the country.
- Besides, he also inaugurated the new railway line, Bhadrachalam Road - Sattupalli, completed at a cost of about 1000 crore rupees.

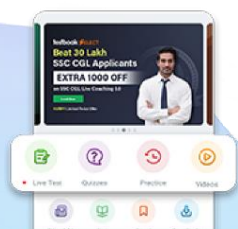
### Nitin Gadkari announces new projects of Rs1.6 lakh cr in North-East

- Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari has announced new projects of 1.6 lakh crores rupees in North-East.
- These projects include Roads, Ropeways, and major Bridges across the river Brahmaputra and other water bodies.
- Northeast states: Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Tripura and Sikkim.
- Guwahati is called the Gateway to the North East.

### PM flags off south India's first Vande Bharat Express train

- PM Modi flagged off two much-awaited trains from Krantiveera Sangolli Rayanna Railway Station in Bengaluru on Nov 11 - south India's first Vande Bharat Express between Mysuru & Chennai & Bharat Gaurav Kashi Darshan train.
- The Vande Bharat Express is part of the 75 such trains expected to be running all across India by the end of 2023.
- Vande Bharat has a maximum commercial speed of 160 km/h.

### Government amends Aadhaar rules



- The government has amended Aadhaar rules, specifying that supporting documents need to be updated at least once by Aadhaar holders on completion 10 years from enrolment date.
- The updation would ensure continued accuracy of Aadhaar-related information in the Central Identities Data Repository.
- More than 133 crore Aadhaar cards have been issued as of June 2022.

### Bhupender Yadav launches online portal for ESIC Maternity benefits

- Union Minister Bhupender Yadav on 10th Nov 2022 launched an online portal for ESIC Maternity benefits claim facilities for insured women in New Delhi.
- The portal was launched at the 102nd birth anniversary of Dattopant Thengadi, a social reformer and the founder of Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS).
- Founded in 1955, BMS is the labour wing of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS).

### Krishify integrates with e-NAM's Platform of Platforms

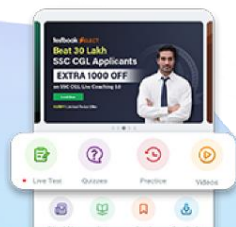
- Social networking platform for Indian farmers, Krishify, has integrated with the Platform of Platforms portal by e-NAM (National Agricultural Market).
- As a service provider, Krishify will provide advisory services to farmers & will cater to the needs of 14 crore farmers in India.
- e-NAM is an online trading platform for agricultural commodities in India.
- e-NAM Launched: 2016

### India's first national repository for life science data released

- Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh on 10th Nov 2022 launched India's first national repository for life science data, the Indian Biological Data Center (IBDC) at Faridabad, Haryana.
- It is mandated to archive all life science data generated from publicly-funded research in India.
- It has a data storage capacity of about 4 petabytes & houses the 'Brahm' High-Performance Computing (HPC) facility.

### Govt completes mother tongue survey of 576 languages in India

- Ministry of Home Affairs has successfully completed a mother tongue survey of 576 languages and dialects across the country.



- It has been planned to set up a web archive at the National Informatics Centre (NIC) to preserve & analyse the original flavour of each indigenous mother tongue.
- The Linguistic Survey of India is a regular research activity in the country since the 6th Five Year Plan.

### Nirmala Sitharaman approves Sovereign Green Bonds framework

- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has approved the final Sovereign Green Bonds framework of India.
- Green bonds are financial instruments that generate proceeds for investment in environmentally sustainable and climate-suitable projects.
- The Finance Ministry has also constituted a Green Finance Working Committee (GFWC) chaired by Chief Economic Adviser, Government of India.

### Dynamic Ground Water Resource Assessment Report released

- Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat released the Dynamic Ground Water Resource Assessment Report for the entire country for the year 2022 in New Delhi, on 9 Nov'22.
- As per the 2022 report, the total annual ground water recharge for the entire country is 437.60 billion cubic meters.
- The assessment was carried out jointly by Central Ground Water Board (CGWB), States and UTs.

### AIM launches women centric challenges under ANIC program

- Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) of NITI Aayog on 9 Nov '22 launched the Women centric challenges under the 2nd edition of Atal New India Challenge (ANIC).
- These challenges address the major issues faced by women from all spheres of life.
- ANIC aims to support technology-based innovations that solve sectoral challenges of national importance.
- AIM launched: 2016
- NITI Aayog CEO: Parmeswaran Iyer

### Justice Rituraj Awasthi appointed as chairperson of Law Commission





- The Union government has appointed former Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court Rituraj Awasthi as the Chairperson of the Law Commission of India.
- The Commission has been reinstated after a gap of four years as the 22nd Law Commission.
- Awasthi served as the Chief Justice of Karnataka HC during October 2021-July 2022.
- He was part of a bench that upheld the hijab ban in Karnataka.

### Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport Initiative presented an award

- The Navi Mumbai Municipal Transport Initiative was awarded the National First Award in the 'City with the Best Public Transport System' category by the Institute of Urban Transport (India).
- The project was presented in New Delhi on 20 Oct 2022.
- The awards are given annually by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, in 12 categories.

### ISRO to move operational activities to NSIL, to focus on R&D

- ISRO would move its operational activities to its marketing arm NewSpace India Limited (NSIL) and focus on research and development in the area of advanced space technologies in the coming years.
- NSIL was established on 6 March 2019 under the administrative control of Department of Space and the Company Act 2013.
- It is headquartered in Bengaluru.

### New CJI Justice D Y Chandrachud administered oath

- President Droupadi Murmu will administer the oath of office to the new Chief Justice of India, Justice D Y Chandrachud at Rashtrapati Bhawan on 9 Nov 2022.
- He will succeed Justice Uday Umesh Lalit who retired on 8th November 2022.
- Justice D Y Chandrachud will be the 50th Chief Justice of India.
- He was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court of India on the 13th of May 2016.

### Supreme Court upholds EWS quota in 3-2 split verdict

- The SCI Bench has by a 3:2 majority upheld the validity of the 103rd Constitutional Amendment which introduced a 10% reservation for EWS in education and public employment.



- This was introduced under the 103rd Constitution (Amendment) Act, 2019 by amending Articles 15(6) and 16(6).
- It was enacted to promote the welfare of the poor not covered by the 50% reservation policy.

### DMRC, BEL sign pact for a control system

- The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) and Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) have signed an agreement.
- It is for the development of an indigenous communication-based train control system.
- The DMRC and BEL have also jointly developed the i-ATS (indigenous Automatic Train Supervision System) which is currently under implementation stage.

### DRDO launches testing and evaluation facility for Indian Navy

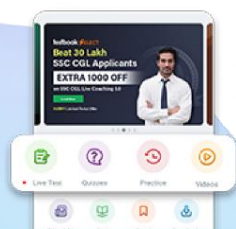
- DRDO launched Hull Module of Submersible Platform for Acoustic Characterization & Evaluation (SPACE) facility at Kochi, in November 2022.
- It is a state-of-the-art testing and evaluation facility for sonar systems developed for use by the Indian navy onboard various platforms.
- It has a specially designed submersible platform, which can be lowered up to depths of 100 meters.

### National Florence Nightingale Awards 2021 presented

- President Droupadi Murmu presented the National Florence Nightingale Awards for the year 2021 to the Nursing professionals on November 7, 2022 at Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- The awards were instituted in the year 1973 by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare as a mark of recognition for the meritorious services rendered by the nurses and nursing professionals to the society.

### Guru Nanak Jayanti: 8 November 2022

- Guru Nanak Jayanti, also known as Gurmurab, Prakash Parv is being celebrated on 8 November 2022.
- It is one of the most important days of Sikhism and marks the birth anniversary of the first of the ten Sikh gurus and the founder of Sikhism, Guru Nanak Dev Ji.



- It is observed annually on the full moon date of the Kartik month or Kartik Purnima.

### Late CDS Gen Rawat to be awarded with Uttarakhand Gaurav Samman

- Uttarakhand govt has announced to felicitate NSA Ajit Doval, lyricist Prasoon Joshi, and three more with Uttarakhand Gaurav Samman.
- The awardees will be felicitated with the Samman on 9 Nov'22.
- Apart from Ajit Doval, former Chief of Defence Staff Gen Bipin Rawat, the late poet and author Girish Chandra Tiwari and late journalist Viren Dangwal will also be awarded posthumously.

### Anthropological Survey of India builds tribal hut replicas

- Anthropological Survey of India (AnSI) has recreated the huts of several tribal communities at its different regional centres.
- This is a first-of-its-kind bid to showcase the heritage of tribal communities, especially those of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTGs).
- The huts are not only authentic in design but also contains artefacts which the tribals use.

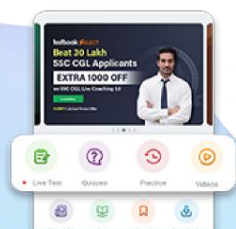
### New species of honey bee spotted after 200 years in Western Ghats

- Researchers from Kerala have discovered a new species of honey bee that is endemic to the Western Ghats.
- The species, discovered after a gap of over 200 years, has been named Apis karinjodian, with the common name, 'Indian black honey bee'.
- The honey bee last discovered from India was Apis indica which was identified in 1798 by Fabricius.

### CAQM revokes Stage - 4 of GRAP in entire NCR with immediate effect

- The Commission for Air Quality Management has revoked the Stage - 4 of the Graded Response Action Plan in entire National Capital Region with immediate effect.
- The decision was taken during a review meeting on Graded Response Action Plan (GRAP).
- With the removal of GRAP - 4, plying of non-BS -6 diesel-run light motor vehicles and entry of trucks into the national capital will be permitted.

### Guyana President Dr Mohamed Irfaan Ali to be chief guest at 17th PBD



- Guyana President Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali will be the chief guest at the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) Convention.
- It will be held from 8 to 10 Jan 2023 in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- Zaneta Mascarenhas, MP Australia, will be the guest of honour at the Youth PBD which will be held on 8 Jan 2023.
- Theme of the 17th PBD: - 'Diaspora: Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal'.

### Education Ministry to celebrate 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' on Nov 15

- Education Ministry will celebrate 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' on 15th Nov in schools & higher educational institutions across the country.
- In 2021, Union govt had declared 15th Nov as 'Janjatiya Gaurav Divas' dedicated to the memory of brave tribal freedom fighters.
- 15th Nov is also the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda, a freedom fighter, social reformer & revered tribal leader of the country.

### Centre constitutes a panel for Higher Educational Institutions

- Union Govt has constituted a committee for strengthening the assessment and accreditation of Higher Educational Institutions.
- The committee will also prepare a roadmap for the National Accreditation Council envisioned in the National Education Policy, 2020.
- It will be headed by Dr K. Radhakrishnan, Chairperson, Board of Governors, IIT Kanpur.
- Union Education Minister: Dharmendra Pradhan

### Giriraj Singh unveils Panchayati Raj's rural development agenda booklet

- Union Minister for Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Giriraj Singh unveiled the booklet 'Agenda for Members of Panchayati Raj Institutions for Rural Development" on 4th Nov 2022.
- Through this booklet, information about all the schemes such as MGNREGA, Deen Dayal Antyodaya Yojna etc. will be available to the general public.
- It will be made available at each Gram Panchayat in the country.

### UIDAI launches new chatbot 'Aadhaar Mitra'



- The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) on 4th Nov 2022 launched the new AI/ML based chatbot, 'Aadhaar Mitra' for better resident experience.
- It has enhanced features like check Aadhaar enrollment/update status & information on enrollment centre location.
- Also, UIDAI has been again placed at the top amongst all govt depts for resolving public grievances for Oct 2022.

### Indian Army approves five Make II Projects

- Indian Army has now approved Project Sanction Orders (PSOs) of five Make II projects.
- Make II projects are essentially Industry funded projects involving design, development and innovative solutions by Indian vendors for development of prototypes.
- An assurance of order is given after successful prototype development.

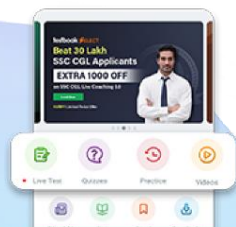
### Union Minister G Kishan Reddy inaugurates sixth edition of Ganga Utsav

- Union Minister for Culture, Tourism & DoNER, G. Kishan Reddy inaugurated the sixth edition of Ganga Utsav 2022 in New Delhi on 4 Nov'22.
- The Ganga Utsav, is being developed as a model for River Festivals with the aim to connect people to the rivers.
- One of its main objectives is to celebrate rivers and spread awareness on the significance of river rejuvenation across river basins in India.

### Two CRPF women officers promoted to IG rank for the first time

- Two women officers of the CRPF have been appointed as Inspectors General (IG) for the first time after their induction into the force began in 1987.
- Annie Abraham has been made IG of the Rapid Action Force (RAF), while Seema Dhundia has been posted as Bihar sector IG.
- CRPF was the 1st central armed police force to induct women in combat in 1986.
- An IG is the head of the sector in the CRPF.

### Adani New Industries installs India's largest wind turbine in Gujarat



- Adani New Industries Ltd on 3rd Nov 2022 announced the installation of country's largest Wind Turbine Generator (WTG) in Mundra, Gujarat.
- Standing 200 metres tall, the wind turbine is taller than the world's tallest statue, the Statue of Unity (182 metres).
- It is the first machine which has been built with technology from W2E (Wind to Energy) of Germany.

### Niva Bupa and IDFC First Bank partner for bancassurance

- Niva Bupa Health Insurance Company Limited (formerly known as Max Bupa Health Insurance Company), has announced its corporate agency partnership with IDFC First Bank.
- It will provide health insurance solutions to the bank's customers.
- A bancassurance is an arrangement between a bank and an insurance company, through which the insurer can sell its products to the bank's customers.

### Education ministry releases report on Performance Grading Index

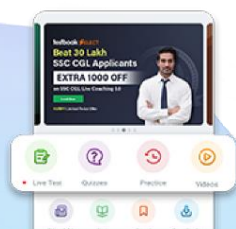
- The Ministry of Education has released the Performance Grading Index (PGI) for 2020-21.
- It is an evidence-based comprehensive analysis of school education system across states and Union Territories.
- The prime objective of PGI is to promote evidence-based policymaking and highlight course correction to ensure quality education for all.

### Sanjeev Chopra appointed as Secretary, DFPD

- Sanjeev Chopra has assumed charge as Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution.
- He has also served as Secretary to Government in Departments such as Industries, General administration, Agriculture and Home.
- He was awarded by the Govt with the National e-Governance Award for Excellence in Government Process Re-engineering for Digital Transformation in the Year 2020 and 2021.

### PM Modi inaugurates over 3024 newly constructed flats

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 3,024 newly constructed flats for the Economically Weaker Sections in Delhi as part of an in-situ slum rehabilitation project, in November 2022.





- The in-situ slum rehabilitation in 376 Jhuggi-Jhopri clusters is being undertaken by the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) in line with the Prime Minister's vision to provide housing for all.

### 15th edition of Urban Mobility India Conference & Expo to open

- In Kerala, the 15th edition of the Urban Mobility India Conference & Expo will open in Kochi on 4 November 2022.
- Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri and Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan will jointly inaugurate the three-day conference.
- The meet will focus on the theme, 'Azadi @ 75 -- Sustainable Aatmanirbhar Urban Mobility'.

### Citizen Engagement and Communication Programme launched in Meghalaya

- In Meghalaya, the "Citizen Engagement and Communication Programme" was launched by Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma on 2 November 2022 at Tura, West Garo Hills district.
- The programme will aim to create much-needed awareness amongst the masses so that people will have the right information to avail benefits of the schemes being launched by the Government.

### IPPB conducts India's First Floating Financial Literacy Camp in J&K

- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) conducted India's 1st Floating Financial Literacy Camp in Srinagar, J&K on 2nd Nov 2022.
- It was conducted with an initiative called 'Niveshak Didi' to promote Financial Literacy among women.
- IPPB, in collaboration with Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority, launched this initiative to promote Financial Literacy "By the women, for the women" concept.

### MoU signed between Rural Development Ministry and Patanjali

- The Union Rural Development Ministry on 2nd Nov 2022 signed an MoU with Patanjali Ayurved for marketing of products made by women self help groups.
- Under the MoU, selected products made by Women Self Help Groups will be sold through Patanjali Stores.
- As per the agreement, the ministry has also recognised Patanjali as National Resource Organization for its National Rural Livelihoods Mission.





## Union Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurates 'India Chem-2022'

- Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers Dr Mansukh Mandaviya on 2nd Nov inaugurated the 12th Biennial International Exhibition and Conference 'India Chem 2022' in New Delhi.
- The theme of the Conference is "Vision 2030: Chemicals & Petrochemicals Build India".
- India Chem 2022 is being organised to showcase the government's policy for sustainable growth in the Petroleum & Chemical sectors.

## Union Minister Dr Virendra Kumar inaugurates the Shilp Samagam-2022

- Union Minister Dr Virendra Kumar on 2nd Nov 2022 inaugurated the 'SHILP SAMAGAM-2022' in New Delhi.
- Beneficiaries of top corporations have been invited to showcase and sell their handicraft products at the samagam.
- During the 15 days Shilp Samagam-2022 (1st -15th November) marketing exhibition, the products from the 19 different states and Union Territories are available on display and sale.

## Kerala revokes decision to enhance retirement age of PSU employees

- The Kerala government has announced rolling back its decision to enhance the retirement age of employees of all state PSUs to 60 years.
- The order was issued based on the recommendations of an expert committee, which conducted a comprehensive study on the formulation of a common framework for pay/ wage structure of PSUs in the state.

## PM Modi inaugurates Global Investors Meet 'Invest Karnataka 2022'

- PM Modi addressed the inaugural function of Invest Karnataka, the Global Investors Meet, on 2 November 2022.
- The three-day programme is being held from 2 to 4 November in Bengaluru, would witness more than 80 speaker sessions.
- The country sessions would each be hosted by the partner countries - France, Germany, Netherlands, South Korea, Japan, and Australia.

## GST collection in October crosses Rs. 1.50 lakh crore



- The gross GST revenue collected in the month of October 2022 was at 1,51,718 crore rupees, which is the second-highest monthly collection till date.
- It is for the second time the gross GST collection has crossed Rs. 1.50 lakh crore mark in 2022, next only to the collection in April 2022.
- CGST collection was at 26,039 crore rupees, SGST at 33,396 crore rupees whereas the IGST at ₹81,778 cr.

### Zojila Day commemorated at Zojila War Memorial

- Zojila Day was commemorated at Zojila War Memorial near Drass on November 1, 2022 .
- It was commemorated to celebrate the gallant action by Indian troops in 'Operation Bison' in 1948 which was launched on the icy heights of Zojila pass, the gateway to Ladakh.
- This battle was also historic for the reason that tanks were used for the first time at such heights.

### Ministry of Textiles clears 20 strategic research projects

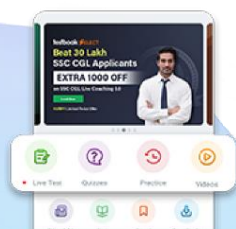
- Ministry of Textiles has cleared 20 strategic research projects worth around 74 crore rupees in various areas under National Technical Textiles Mission.
- Of them, five projects are related to Speciality Fibres, six are of Agro-textiles and two are of Smart Textiles, protective gear and apparel and geotextiles.
- These were approved under the chairmanship of Union Minister Piyush Goyal.

### Puducherry celebrated its Liberation Day on 1 November 2022

- The Union Territory of Puducherry celebrated its Liberation Day on 1 Nov 2022.
- It was on 1st November 1954 the union territory was liberated from French colonialism following a referendum in which all elected members from Puducherry voted against the French and preferred to join India.
- Later the Indian government effected the de-jure transferring the territory to its union on 16 Aug 1962.

### Ladakh Police celebrates its 3rd Raising Day

- Ladakh Police celebrated its 3rd Raising Day on 1 Nov 2022 in Leh.



- Ladakh Police, the youngest police force in India, was formed in 2020 after the formation of UT Ladakh.
- Gallantry awards were presented to the family members of Sub Inspectors Stanzin Nurbu, Stanzin Otsal.
- Julley Mobile App, aimed to facilitate the tourists with several features to help the visitors, was also launched.

### UGC proposes 'Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas' to be celebrated on Dec 11

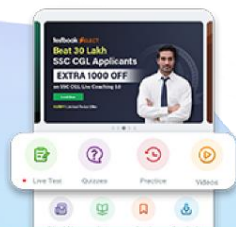
- The University Grants Commission (UGC) has directed all higher education institutions to observe 'Bharatiya Bhasha Diwas' on Dec 11 every year.
- In a notice, the UGC said that the day will be observed to create "language harmony" and develop a conducive environment for learning Indian languages.
- Dec 11 is also the birth anniversary of poet Subramania Bharati, a pioneer of modern Tamil poetry.

### PM Modi declares Rajasthan's Mangarh Dham national monument

- PM Narendra Modi on 1st Nov 2022 declared Mangarh Dham in Rajasthan a national monument.
- The dham, a memorial for around 1,500 tribals massacred by the British army in 1913, is located in the Banswara district on the Gujarat-Rajasthan border, a region with a large tribal population.
- The gathering of tribals in 1913 in Mangarh against the British was led by social reformer Govind Guru.

### Vigilance Awareness Week: 31 October to 6 November

- The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) observes vigilance awareness week every year during the week in which October 31 — birth anniversary of India's first home minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel — falls.
- In 2022, it is being observed from Oct 31 to Nov 6.
- 2022 Theme: "Corruption free India for a developed nation".
- It is observed with the aim of promoting probity in public life.



## RBI imposes fines on several financial entities, including LIC

- RBI has imposed heavy penalties on several financial entities for violation of various norms.
- The penalties went as high as Rs. 1.76 crores for Vakrangee Ltd, which was fined for non-compliance with some provisions related to White Label ATM (WLA) directions.
- It has imposed a Rs 30 lakh penalty on The Jammu and Kashmir State Co-operative Bank Ltd; Rs 5 lakh each on LIC Housing Finance.

## Jamshed J Irani, 'steel man of India', passes away

- Jamshed J Irani, known as the steel man of India, died in Jamshedpur in Oct'22.
- He was the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Govt in 2008 as acknowledgement to his services in the area of metallurgy.
- He led Tata Steel from the forefront during India's economic liberalisation in the early 1990's and contributed to the growth and development of the steel industry in India.

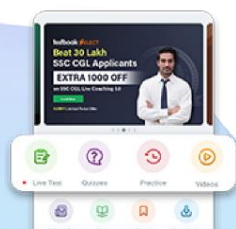
## RBI launches pilot project of Digital Rupee in wholesale segment

- The Reserve Bank of India launched the pilot project of Digital Rupee in the wholesale segment on 1 November 2022.
- Digital Rupee will be used for settlement of secondary market transactions in government securities.
- SBI, Bank of Baroda, Union Bank of India, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Yes Bank, IDFC First Bank and HSBC have been identified for participation in the pilot.

## PM Modi to dedicate, lay foundation stone of projects in Gujarat

- PM Modi dedicated and laid the foundation stone of projects worth around 860 cr rupees at Jambughoda, Panchmahal district of Gujarat on 1 Nov'22.
- He inaugurated the new green administrative block of the Shri Gobind Guru University (GGU) built at the cost of Rs 52.61 cr in Jambughoda.
- He also inaugurated memorials of tribal freedom fighters, Raja Roop Singh Nayak and Saint Joria Parameshwar.

## 4th Foundation Day of UT Ladakh: 31st October 2022



- Ladakh's Foundation Day was observed on 31 October 2022 both at the district headquarters in Leh and Kargil of UT Ladakh.
- Ladakh was established as a union territory of India on 31 October 2019, following the passage of the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act.
- Prior to that, it was part of the Jammu and Kashmir state.
- It is the largest and the 2nd least populous union territory of India.

### Kerala celebrates 66th formation day as 'Kerala Pirayi day'

- Kerala celebrated its 66th formation day on 1 Nov'22, which is also known as 'Kerala Pirayi day'.
- It was formed on 1st November 1956, amalgamating Malabar, Cochin and Thiruvithancoor.
- The President's Trophy Boat Race is part of the day's celebrations.
- For 2022, a human chain was formed in Thiruvananthapuram to mark the end of the first phase of the State government's 'No to drugs' campaign.

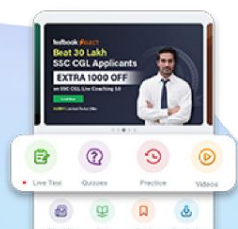
### India Water Week to be celebrated from 1st - 5th November 2022

- In an effort to raise awareness, conserve and use water resources in an integrated manner, Union Ministry of Water Resources will organize the 7th edition of India Water Week from 1st to 5th Nov 2022.
- The theme of 7th edition is "Water Security for Sustainable Development and Equity".
- The event will be inaugurated by the President of India Droupadi Murmu on 1st Nov 2022 in Greater Noida, UP.

### Govt approves 42 proposals for telecom products under PLI scheme

- Union Govt on 31st Oct 2022 granted approval to 42 companies including Nokia & Samsung, under the production linked incentive (PLI) scheme for telecom and networking products.
- Union Budget 2022-23 had announced a design-led PLI scheme for telecom and networking products.
- Telecom equipment makers who use 50% of Made in India components in their products will be eligible for the incentive.

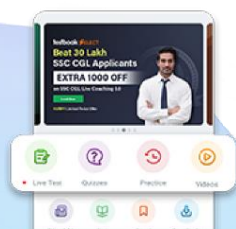
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- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will launch the pilot project of Digital Rupee in the wholesale segment (e₹-W) on 1st Nov 2022.
- Digital Rupee will be used for settlement of secondary market transactions in govt securities.
- 9 banks have been identified for participation in this pilot project.
- The RBI on 31st Oct also released a Concept Note on Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) for India.

### IT Dept launches HARIT Aaykar initiative to create micro forests

- The Income Tax Department launched the HARIT Aaykar initiative on the occasion of National Unity Day (31st Oct) to increase greenery and create micro forests.
- HARIT is the abbreviation of Hariyali Achievement Resolution by Income Tax.
- Under this initiative, the Dept resolves to increase the green cover by planting trees & creating micro-forests in and around Income Tax Dept's buildings.





## Appointments Current Affairs | November 2022

### Preeti Sudan takes oath of office and secrecy as UPSC Member

- Former Health Secretary Preeti Sudan took the Oath of Office and Secrecy as Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) Member in New Delhi, in Nov'22.
- Mrs. Sudan is a 1983 batch Andhra Pradesh cadre retired Indian Administrative Service officer.
- She also served as the Department of Food and Public Distribution Secretary as well as in Women and Child Development and in the Defence Ministry.

### Janhvi Kapoor signed as brand ambassador of Marico's Saffola Fittify

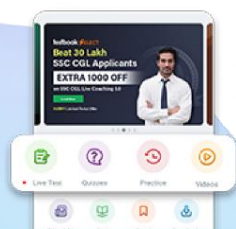
- Consumer products company Marico Limited's brand Saffola Fittify has signed actor Janhvi Kapoor as the new face of the brand for its peanut butters and gummies range.
- The company has also launched a digital campaign 'Health ko rakho fit fit fittify' campaign.
- The campaign film will have the actor as part of the campaign.
- She will demonstrate how peanut butter has high fibre in it.

### Vinay Mohan Kwatra term as Foreign Secy extended up to 30 April'24

- Government has extended the term of Vinay Mohan Kwatra as Foreign Secretary.
- The IFS officer's term has been extended beyond the date of his superannuation on 31st December 2022 up to 30th April 2024 or until further orders.
- Mr Kwatra, a 1988 batch Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer, took charge in May 2022 as the 34th Foreign Secretary of India, succeeding Harsh Vardhan Shringla.

### PT Usha set to become first woman President of IOA

- PT Usha is set to become the first woman President of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA).
- She is a multiple Asian Games gold medallist and a fourth-place finisher at the 1984 Olympics 400m hurdles final.
- She will also become the first Olympian and first international medallist to head the IOA in its 95-year-old history.
- Ajay Patel will be the Senior Vice-President.



### Union government appoints Dr. Deepa Malik as Nikshay Mitra ambassador

- Union Health Ministry appointed the President of the Paralympic Committee of India Dr. Deepa Malik as Nikshay Mitra ambassador on November 26, 2022.
- It is an initiative under Pradhan Mantri TB Mukht Bharat Abhiyaan.
- As a Nikshay Mitra ambassador along with physical treatments, Dr Malik. will concentrate on the mental growth of the patients as well.

### Anwar Ibrahim sworn in as tenth Malaysian Prime Minister

- Malaysia's veteran opposition leader Anwar Ibrahim has been sworn in as the country's new prime minister on 24 November 2022.
- The new leader was appointed by King Sultan Abdullah.
- Anwar, was Deputy to former Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad in the 1990s.
- Malaysia Capital: Kuala Lumpur
- Currency: Malaysian ringgit

### IIT Guwahati Director T G Sitharam appointed as new AICTE Chairman

- IIT Guwahati Director T G Sitharam has been appointed Chairman of the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
- Sitharam will take over from Jagadesh Kumar, who was holding interim charge of the AICTE Chairman.
- Before he joined as Director of IIT Guwahati, he was a professor in the department of civil engineering at Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

### LG Asim Munir appointed as new Chief of Army Staff of Pakistan

- In Pakistan, Lieutenant General Asim Munir was appointed as the new Chief of Army Staff in November 2022.
- He will take over from outgoing General Qamar Javed Bajwa, who will retire after a six-year term.
- Lt. Gen. Sahir Shamshad Mirza will be appointed as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

### Romal Shetty nominated as CEO-designate of Deloitte India



- Senior consultant Romal Shetty has been nominated CEO-designate of Deloitte India.
- On April 1, 2023, Shetty will take over the corner office from incumbent N Venkatram.
- Deloitte is an international professional services network headquartered in London, England.
- It was founded in 1845.
- Deloitte India was founded in 1995 and is headquartered in Mumbai.

### Nepal PM Sher Bahadur Deuba elected for consecutive 7th time

- In Nepal, Prime Minister Sher Bahadur Deuba has been elected for the consecutive 7th time from the home district of Dhankuta.
- Deuba has previously served four terms as the prime minister (1995–1997, 2001–2002, 2004–2005, and 2017–2018)
- It was the second general election since the promulgation of the constitution in 2015.

### UrbanGabru announces Suryakumar Yadav as its new brand ambassador

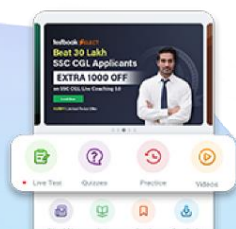
- Men's grooming brand UrbanGabru announced cricketer Suryakumar Yadav as its new brand ambassador on 22 November 2022.
- Suryakumar joins the brand to endorse UrbanGabru's grooming range.
- Suryakumar Yadav is currently ranked first in men's T20 International batting.

### Vinit Kumar takes over the charge of CEO, KVIC at Mumbai

- Vinit Kumar has taken over the charge of CEO of Khadi & Village Industries Commission (KVIC), Mumbai.
- KVIC comes under the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises.
- He had served as the Chairman of Syama Prasad Mukherjee Port, Kolkata earlier.
- He had also served as Chief Electrical Engineer in Mumbai Railway Vikas Corporation Ltd.

### Tokayev wins Kazakhstan presidential election

- Kazakhstan President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev secured a second term elections, winning 81.31% of the vote.
- He came to power in 2019.



- Kazakhstan is a Central Asian country and former Soviet republic.
- Capital: Astana
- Currency: Kazakhstani tenge
- Prime Minister: Alikhan Smailov

### Prof. Venu Gopal Achanta elected as a Member of CIPM

- Prof. Venu Gopal Achanta was Elected as a Member of the International Committee for Weight and Measures (CIPM) on 21 Nov'22.
- Prof. Gopal was declared an elected Member of CIPM during the 27th General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM) meeting in Paris, France.
- Prof. Achanta is among 18 elected members from different countries and the 7th personality in Indian history elected to CIPM.

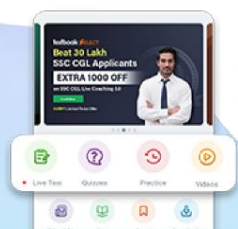
### Retired IAS officer Arun Goel takes charge as Election Commissioner

- Retired Punjab cadre IAS officer Arun Goel has assumed the office of Election Commissioner (EC).
- Goel was Secretary, Union Ministry of Heavy Industries, till he took voluntary retirement on November 18, 2022.
- The post of Election Commissioner had been vacant since May 2022 when Kumar was elevated from the post of Election Commissioner to CEC upon the retirement of Sushil Chandra.

### Dr C V Ananda Bose appointed as Governor of West Bengal

- Dr CV Ananda Bose, a former civil servant, has been appointed as the new governor of West Bengal.
- Manipur Governor La Ganesan had been holding the additional charge of West Bengal since July 2022 after the former Governor, Jagdeep Dhankhar, became India's Vice President.
- Bose has held the rank of Secretary to Government of India, Chief Secretary, and University Vice-Chancellor.

### Bandaru Wilsonbabu appointed as the Ambassador of India to Comoros



- IFS officer Bandaru Wilsonbabu has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Union of the Comoros.
- Wilsonbabu is presently working as the Indian ambassador to Madagascar.
- Former VP Venkaiah Naidu visited Comoros in 2019 & It was the first state visit by an Indian political dignitary to the Union.
- The Comoros is an independent country made up of 3 islands in southeastern Africa.

### Arun Kumar Singh to be next head of ONGC

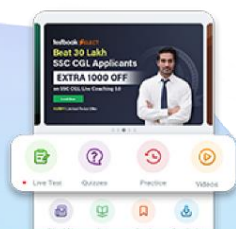
- BPCL's former chairman Arun Kumar Singh will be the new chairman of India's top oil and gas producer ONGC.
- This will be the first time that a person aged over 60 will be heading a top PSU board-level position.
- He retired from BPCL after attaining the superannuation age in Oct 2022 and was already selected to head the Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB).
- ONGC Founded: 1956

### Suraj Bhan appointed as chairman of National Pension System Trust

- Pension Fund Regulatory & Development Authority (PFRDA) has appointed Suraj Bhan as the chairman of the National Pension System Trust (NPS Trust).
- The trust is responsible for managing funds under the National Pension System (NPS).
- NPS started with the decision of the Government of India to stop defined benefit pensions for all its employees who joined after 1 April 2004.

### Meta India appoints Sandhya Devanathan as country head

- Meta has appointed Sandhya Devanathan as its new top executive for the country.
- She will transition to her new role as country head of Meta India from 1 January 2023.
- Devanathan currently serves as vice-president of gaming for Meta's Asia-Pacific (APAC) division.
- She will replace Ajit Mohan.
- Meta Platforms, Inc., is an American conglomerate based in Menlo Park, California.





### Centre extends tenure of DCGI Dr V G Somani by another three months

- The government has extended the term of Dr VG Somani, the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) by 3 more months.
- He was earlier given an extension in Aug 2022.
- Dr Somani was appointed as the DCGI for a term of three years on August 14, 2019.
- The DCGI heads the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO), which is responsible for ensuring quality drugs supply across the country.

### Arvind Virmani appointed as full-time member of NITI Aayog

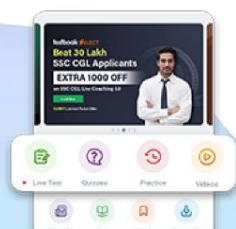
- Former Chief Economic Advisor Arvind Virmani has been appointed as a full-time member of NITI Aayog.
- Mr Virmani served as the chief economic adviser in the finance ministry (2007-2009).
- He is also the founder-chairman of the non-profit public policy organisation Foundation for Economic Growth and Welfare.
- NITI Aayog (National Institution for Transforming India) CEO: Parameswaran Iyer

### IIM Ahmedabad appoints Pankaj Patel as new Chairperson

- IIM Ahmedabad has announced the appointment of Pankaj R. Patel as the new Chairperson of its Board of Governors, effective November 16, 2022.
- Pankaj R. Patel succeeds Kumar Mangalam Birla, who completed his four years term on 15 Nov.
- Patel, who will become the fourteenth Chairperson of the institute, has been a member of the IIMA Board of Governors for eight years.

### Govt nominates Vivek Joshi as Director in RBI's central board

- The Union Govt has appointed Financial Services Secretary Vivek Joshi as a director on the central board of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- The board is primarily responsible for the oversight of the central bank.
- The board has 15 seats, of which five are official directors and 10 are non-official directors.
- RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das is the chief executive of the board.





## Mary, PV Sindhu, Mirabai and Gagan elected in IOA Commission

- MC Mary Kom, PV Sindhu, Mirabai Chanu and Gagan Narang are among 10 eminent sportspersons elected as members of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) Athletes Commission.
- Shiva Keshavan, table tennis player Sharath Kamal, women's hockey captain Rani Rampal, fencer Bhavani Devi, rower Bajrang Lal and former shot putter Om Prakash Singh Karhana are the other six members of the elected panel.

## Gaurav Dwivedi appointed as Prasar Bharati CEO

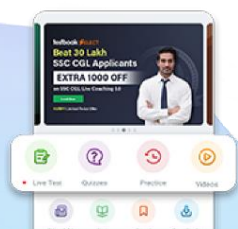
- Senior IAS Officer Gaurav Dwivedi has been appointed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Prasar Bharati.
- He is currently posted as chief executive officer, MyGov & is responsible for managing the Indian government's citizen engagement platform.
- He is also a recipient of the Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Administration.
- Prasar Bharati Founded: 1997

## Jay Shah to head finance and commercial affairs committee of ICC

- BCCI secretary Jay Shah will be the Indian representative on the decision-making ICC board and head the Finance and Commercial Affairs (F&CA) committee of the global cricket body.
- The F&CA committee is the most important of all the subsidiary committees of the ICC and for some years, BCCI representatives weren't a part of it till former BCCI president Sourav Ganguly became its member.

## Slovenia elects first female President, Natasa Pirc Musar

- In Slovenia, Natasa Pirc Musar has been elected as the country's first female President.
- She won almost 54 per cent of the vote, ahead of Anze Logar who got just over 46 per cent vote.
- Natasa Pirc Musar is a journalist and lawyer.
- She was hired as a lawyer to protect the interests of Donald Trump's wife, during her Trump's presidency.



### Greg Barclay unanimously re-elected as ICC Chairman for two-year term

- The ICC board has unanimously re-elected Greg Barclay as the Independent Chair of the International Cricket Council (ICC) for a second two-year term.
- Barclay was originally appointed as the ICC Chair in November 2020.
- He was previously the Chair of New Zealand Cricket (NZC) and was a director of the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2015.

### Neeraj Chopra signed up as 'Friendship Ambassador' of Switzerland

- Switzerland Tourism has appointed Olympic gold medalist Neeraj Chopra as its 'Friendship Ambassador' to showcase and promote locations in the country to Indian travellers.
- Chopra had also donated his gold-winning javelin to The Olympic Museum in Lausanne, Switzerland, in September 2022.
- Mary Kom's gloves as well as Dhyan Chand's hockey are a part of the exhibits at the museum.

### Navi Technologies signs MS Dhoni as brand ambassador

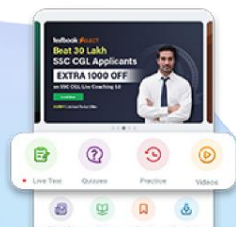
- Navi Technologies Ltd has appointed MS Dhoni as its brand ambassador.
- The firm sells financial products like personal loans, home loans, and general insurance etc.
- According to Kroll's Celebrity Brand Valuation Report 2021, among sports celebrities, Dhoni entered the top five club in 2022 and saw a big spike in his brand value to reach \$61.2 million.

### Five Indian-American lawmakers elected to US House of Representatives

- In the United States midterm elections, a record five Indian-American lawmakers from the ruling Democrat Party have been elected to the US House of Representatives.
- Indian-American entrepreneur Shri Thanedar created a record as he become the first Indian-American to win the Congressional elections from Michigan defeating Republican candidate Martell Bivings.

### Justice Rituraj Awasthi appointed as chairperson of Law Commission

- The Union government has appointed former Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court Rituraj Awasthi as the Chairperson of the Law Commission of India.
- The Commission has been reinstated after a gap of four years as the 22nd Law Commission.



- Awasthi served as the Chief Justice of Karnataka HC during October 2021-July 2022.
- He was part of a bench that upheld the hijab ban in Karnataka.

### New CJI Justice D Y Chandrachud administered oath

- President Droupadi Murmu will administer the oath of office to the new Chief Justice of India, Justice D Y Chandrachud at Rashtrapati Bhawan on 9 Nov 2022.
- He will succeed Justice Uday Umesh Lalit who retired on 8th November 2022.
- Justice D Y Chandrachud will be the 50th Chief Justice of India.
- He was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court of India on the 13th of May 2016.

### Kishor K Basa named as Chairman Of National Monuments Authority

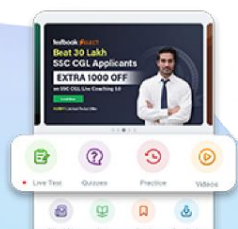
- Professor Kishor Kumar Basa has been appointed as the chairman of the National Monument Authority (NMA).
- He is the vice chancellor of the Indian National Confederation and Academy of Anthropologists (INCAA).
- National Monuments Authority (NMA) is set up as per provisions of The Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains AMASR (Amendment and Validation) Act, 2010.

### Gopal Vittal appointed deputy chair of GSMA

- GSMA, a global organization covering mobile ecosystem across countries, has elected Gopal Vittal as deputy chair of the association's board of directors.
- He has been appointed for a two-year term, beginning 1 January 2023 through 31 December 2024.
- He is the chief executive of Bharti Airtel Group.
- José María Álvarez-Pallete López CEO of Telefónica Group, will continue to be the Chair.

### RIL appoints KV Kamath as independent director for 5 yrs

- Reliance Industries (RIL) on 4th Nov 2022 appointed K V Kamath as Independent Director of the company for a period of 5 years.
- Kamath has also been appointed as non-executive Chairman for Reliance Strategic Investment Limited (RSIL).



- RSIL will be renamed as Jio Financial Services Ltd.
- Kamath is currently the Chairman of the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID)

### FICCI names Subhrakant Panda as next president

- The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) on 2nd Nov 2022 named Subhrakant Panda as its next president.
- Panda, the managing director of Indian Metals & Ferro Alloys Ltd (IMFA), is currently serving as the senior vice president of FICCI.
- Panda will succeed Sanjiv Mehta as president of FICCI at the conclusion of its 95th AGM to be held in Dec 2022.
- FICCI Founded: 1927

### Two CRPF women officers promoted to IG rank for the first time

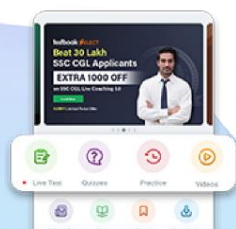
- Two women officers of the CRPF have been appointed as Inspectors General (IG) for the first time after their induction into the force began in 1987.
- Annie Abraham has been made IG of the Rapid Action Force (RAF), while Seema Dhundia has been posted as Bihar sector IG.
- CRPF was the 1st central armed police force to induct women in combat in 1986.
- An IG is the head of the sector in the CRPF.

### Sanjeev Chopra appointed as Secretary, DFPD

- Sanjeev Chopra has assumed charge as Secretary, Department of Food and Public Distribution.
- He has also served as Secretary to Government in Departments such as Industries, General administration, Agriculture and Home.
- He was awarded by the Govt with the National e-Governance Award for Excellence in Government Process Re-engineering for Digital Transformation in the Year 2020 and 2021.

### Giridhar Aramane takes charge as Defence Secretary

- Giridhar Aramane, a 1988-batch IAS officer of Andhra Pradesh cadre, assumed charge as the Defence Secretary on 1st Nov 2022.



- He was earlier Additional Secretary in the Cabinet Secretariat.
- The Defence Secretary is the administrative head of the Ministry of Defence.
- Also, Amrit Lal Meena, a 1989-Bihar Cadre IAS officer, took over the charge of Secretary in Coal Ministry on 1st Nov.



## Obituaries Current Affairs | November 2022

### Veteran Bollywood actor Vikram Gokhale passes away at 77

- Veteran actor Vikram Gokhale passed away on November 26, 2022.
- He was 77 and was seen in many popular Bollywood movies like Hum Dil De Chuke Sanam, Mission Mangal, Aiyaary, Bhool Bhulaiya and others.
- He won the National Film Award for Best Actor category for his Marathi film "Anumati" and was also conferred the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award in 2011 for his Acting in Theatre.

### Former Indian football captain Babu Mani passes away at 59

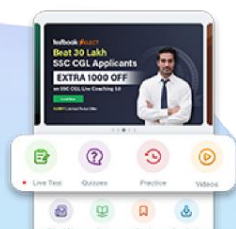
- Former Indian football captain Babu Mani passes away on 20 Nov 2022.
- Babu Mani was an integral part of the Indian football team in the 1980s.
- He represented India in 55 international matches and was a part of the first Indian team that qualified for the AFC Asian Cup in 1984.
- Mani was also a member of the Indian team which won gold at the 1985 and 1987 editions of the South Asian Games.

### Rasna founder Areez Pirojshaw Khambatta passes away at 85

- Rasna founder and Chairman Areez Pirojshaw Khambatta, who had contributed immensely to the Indian industry and business, passed away on 20 November 2022.
- He was also the former Chairman of WAPIZ (World Alliance of Parsi Irani Zarthostis) and past President of Ahmedabad Parsi Panchayat.
- He was also the Vice President of the Federation of Parsi Zoroastrian Anjumans of India.

### Veteran Punjabi actress Daljeet Kaur Khangura passes away

- Veteran Punjabi actress Daljeet Kaur, known for her appearances in films like Putt Jattan De, Sarpanch, and more, passed away on November 17, 2022.
- Daljeet was one of the most popular actors in the Punjabi film industry through the 1970s and 1980s.





- She is known for films like Daaj, Giddha, Putt Jattan De, Roop Shaqinan Da, Ishaq Nimana, Laajo, and Anakh Jattan Dee among many others.

### Indian basketball icon Abbas Moontasir passes away

- Gulam Abbas Moontasir, former India basketball captain and Arjuna awardee, passed away in Nov 2022 at the age of 80.
- He was the captain of the Indian team at the Asian Basketball Championships in 1969 and 1975.
- He was also the first basketball player from the country to get the Arjuna Award in 1970.
- Post retirement, he did appear in a few movies, two with Amitabh Bachchan.

### Former diplomat Abasara Beuria passes away

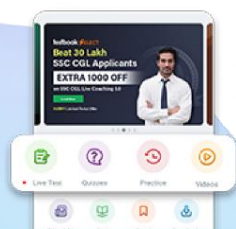
- Noted Odiya literateur and former Indian ambassador Abasara Beuria passed away in November 2022.
- He had served in Indian diplomatic missions in Japan, Russia (formerly USSR), the United States of America, United Arab Emirates, Myanmar, Sri Lanka and Madagascar.
- He contributed regularly to leading Odia and English dailies besides authoring five books.

### Kevin Conroy passes away

- Kevin Conroy, the legendary voice actor behind Batman and Bruce Wayne in Batman: The Animated Series, the Batman Arkham trilogy of games, and numerous other projects, passed away in November 2022.
- He most recently voiced Batman in the Warner Bros. fighting game, MultiVersus.
- In video games, he lent his voice to the Dark Knight in several Batman titles, including the Injustice series.

### Veteran Telugu actor Ghattamaneni Krishna passes away

- Veteran Tollywood actor and former Congress parliamentarian Ghattamaneni Krishna passed away in November 2022.
- He made his debut in the Telugu films in 1961 with "Tene Mansulu" but shot into fame with "Gudhachari 116".



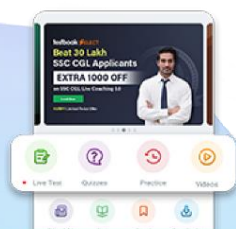
- Krishna's film "Alluri Seetharama Raju," a biopic on revolutionary freedom fighter from Andhra, brought him national recognition.

### Mathematician RL Kashyap passes away

- Mathematician RL Kashyap passed away in November 2022.
- He worked as a professor in the Department of Electrical and Computers for three decades at Purdue University in America.
- He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2021 by the central government for his considerable service in the field of studying the Vedas.
- He was the founder of Sakshi Sanstha and wrote more than 50 books

### Mahendra Kumar Sharma, pioneer of Indian women's cricket, passes away

- Mahendra Kumar Sharma, who played a pioneering role in the development of women's cricket in India in the 1970s, passed away in Nov 2022.
- He was a founding secretary of the Women's Cricket Association of India for the first five years and was in charge of India's hosting of their first-ever Women's World Cup in 1978.
- He was also instrumental in organizing the women's first-ever Test in 1976.



## Person in News Current Affairs | November 2022

### Cristiano Ronaldo to leave Manchester United

- Manchester United forward Cristiano Ronaldo will leave with immediate effect.
- Cristiano Ronaldo captains the Portugal national team.
- Ronaldo has won five Ballon d'Or awards and four European Golden Shoes, the most by a European player.
- He has won 32 trophies in his career, including seven league titles, five UEFA Champions Leagues, and the UEFA European Championship.

### Sebastian Vettel retires from Formula One racing

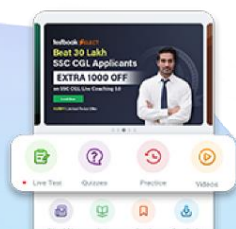
- Sebastian Vettel has retired from Formula One racing
- In the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix on November 20, 2022 Sebastian Vettel finished in the 10th place, the last one of his career.
- Sebastian Vettel won four Formula One World Championships between 2010 and 2013 while competing for Red Bull.
- Vettel received a guard of honour from his fellow competitors before the race.

### Paddler Sharath Kamal becomes first Indian player elected to ITTF

- Star Indian paddler Achanta Sharath Kamal has become the first player from India to get elected in the Athletes' Commission of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF).
- 8 athletes have been elected from Asia, Africa, the Americas, Europe & Oceania & will serve in the Commission for 4 years from 2022 to 2026.
- Sharath has also been selected for Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award 2022.

### WhatsApp India Head Abhijit Bose steps down

- Abhijit Bose, WhatsApp's head of India, and Rajiv Aggarwal, Director Public Policy, Meta India, have resigned from their positions.
- Shivnath Thukral, Director of WhatsApp Public Policy in India, has now been made Director, Public Policy for all Meta brands in India.



- Earlier in November 2022, Ajit Mohan, the head of Meta in India, had also stepped down from his role.

### Virat Kohli becomes the first to score 4000 T20I runs

- Virat Kohli became the first batter to cross the 4000 T20I run mark.
- He scored 50 off 40 deliveries in the second semifinal of the 2022 T20 World Cup.
- He was also the first to breach the 3000 run mark in the shortest format for India.
- Lara had scored 940 runs off 15 innings at the venue while Kohli crossed the 950 run mark in his 15th outing.
- He also leaped past Brian Lara.

### Aruna Miller: 1st Indian American to be elected as LG of Maryland

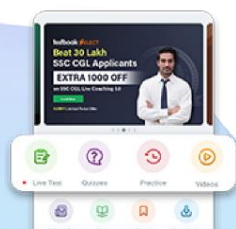
- Aruna Miller on 8th Nov 2022 scripted history by becoming the first Indian-American politician to win the race of Lieutenant Governor (LG) in the state of Maryland, US.
- She will also be the first South Asian woman to serve at such an important position.
- Miller is a former executive director of Indian American Impact project.
- The LG is the state's highest official following the Governor.

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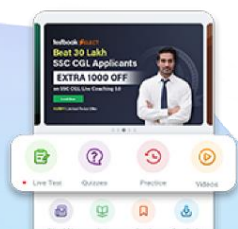
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- CRPF was the 1st central armed police force to induct women in combat in 1986.
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### Lebanon President leaves at end of term with no replacement

- Lebanon President Michel Aoun has left the Presidential Palace marking the end of his six-year term without a replacement.
- He served as the President from 31 October 2016 until 30 October 2022.



- As Aoun's term ended, the country is being run by a caretaker government after Prime Minister-designate Najib Mikati failed to form a new Cabinet following May 15 parliamentary elections.



## Science and Technology Current Affairs | November 2022

### ISRO unveils first privately designed and operated rocket launchpad

- The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) unveiled the first privately designed and operated rocket launchpad and mission control centre in India on 28 November 2022.
- The facility was unveiled by S. Somanath, Chairman of ISRO and Secretary Department of Space (DoS).
- It is designed and will be fully operated by homegrown space startup Agnikul Cosmos.

### ISRO conducts successful launch of RH200 sounding rocket

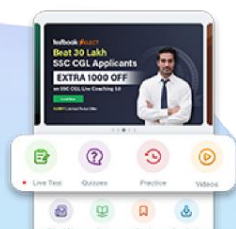
- RH200, the versatile sounding rocket of ISRO, has registered its 200th consecutive successful launch from the shores of Thumba, Thiruvananthapuram.
- It was conducted by ISRO.
- The Rohini Sounding Rocket (RSR) series have been the forerunners for ISRO's heavier and more complex launch vehicles, with a continued usage for atmospheric and meteorological studies.

### PSLV to launch Pixxel's hyperspectral imaging satellite

- Spacetech startup Pixxel is set to launch its third hyperspectral satellite - Anand - onboard ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) from the Sriharikota spaceport on 26 Nov'22.
- Anand is a hyperspectral microsatellite weighing less than 15 kg but having more than 150 wavelengths.
- Pixxel became the first Indian company ever to launch a commercial satellite - Shakuntala - in April 2022.

### ISRO successfully launches first ever private Rocket from Sriharikota

- India's first ever private Vikram Suborbital rocket was launched on 18 Nov'22 from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota.
- The rocket reached an altitude of 81.5 km with three payloads weighing a total of 83 kilogram.
- Praram, the mission of the rocket has the payloads from Space Kidz India, Bazoomq Armenia and N-Space Tech India and are equipped with sensors.





## Space regulator authorises launch of 1st private rocket Vikram-S

- India's space regulator Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) on 16th Nov 2022 authorised the launch of first private sector rocket 'Vikram-S'.
- It is a suborbital space vehicle developed by Skyroot Aerospace & it will be launched from Satish Dhawan Space Centre of ISRO on 18th Nov.
- Skyroot was the first startup to sign a MoU with ISRO for launching its rockets.

## NASA's Artemis rocket lifts off 50 years after Apollo

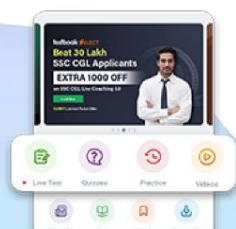
- NASA's next-generation moon rocket Artemis blasted off from Florida on 16 Nov'22 on its debut flight.
- The 32-story Space Launch System (SLS) rocket surged off the launch pad from Kennedy Space Center, to send its Orion capsule on a three-week test journey around the moon and back without astronauts aboard.
- The rocket marks the first flight of the SLS rocket and the Orion capsule together.

## ISRO to conduct first runway landing experiment of RLV

- The first runway landing experiment (RLV-LEX) of the Reusable Launch Vehicle - Technology Demonstrator (RLV-TD) will be conducted by ISRO.
- On 23 May, 2016, ISRO successfully completed its first RLV-TD HEX-01 (Hypersonic Flight Experiment-01) mission.
- However, it was a suborbital flight and designed to land on sea.

## ISRO has turned its attention to Mars and Moon

- The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has turned its attention to Venus and is collaborating with Japan to examine the moon's dark side, following trips to the moon and Mars.
- A Japanese rocket will launch an ISRO-built lunar lander and rover into orbit with a planned landing site close to the south pole of the moon.
- ISRO Chairman: S Somanath  
Defence Minister: Rajnath Singh



## New species of honey bee spotted after 200 years in Western Ghats

- Researchers from Kerala have discovered a new species of honey bee that is endemic to the Western Ghats.
- The species, discovered after a gap of over 200 years, has been named *Apis karinjodian*, with the common name, 'Indian black honey bee'.
- The honey bee last discovered from India was *Apis indica* which was identified in 1798 by Fabricius.



## Sports Current Affairs | November 2022

### Ravina wins gold in Youth Men's and Women's World Championships

- In boxing, Asian champion Ravina won gold in her final bout as India ended the Youth Men's and Women's World Championships with 11 medals in La Nucia, Spain.
- In the other final, Kirti lost 0-5 to European youth champion Cliona Elizabeth D'Arcy of Ireland in the 81 plus kg category, to settle for a silver.
- The women pugilists' total tally of eight medals was the highest among all countries.

### The Madras boating club women team wins the Adyar Trophy 2022

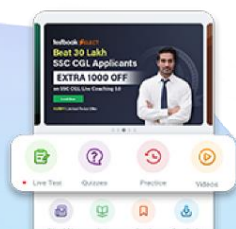
- The Madras Boating Club women won the 81st Annual Madras-Colombo Rowing Regatta held at Colombo, Sri Lanka on 26 November 2022.
- The men's section of the race was won by the Colombo Rowing Club and they were conferred with the Deepam trophy.
- The Madras-Colombo Rowing Regatta is organised by the Madras Boat Club and the Colombo Rowing Club.

### Bhukya, Patri win National U-13 badminton titles

- Telangana's Nishanth Bhukya and Odisha's Tanvi Patri have won in the boy's and girls' singles respectively at the 34th Under-13 National Badminton Championships.
- The event was held at the UP Badminton Academy, Lucknow on 23 November 2022.
- Bhukya defeated Andhra Pradesh's Akhil Reddy Boba whereas Patri defeated 15th-seeded Divyanshi Gautam by 21-7, 21-10.

### Cristiano Ronaldo becomes first man to score in 5 FIFA World Cups

- Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo becomes the first male player to score in 5 World Cups in November 2022.
- He achieved this feat in Portugal's opening game in Qatar against Ghana on 25 Nov 2022.
- He scored the 118th goal for his country.



- He is the most prolific goal scorer in men's international football and has made a record 18 appearances for Portugal at a World Cup.

### Army Red Team wins 72nd Inter Services Volleyball Championship 2022-23

- The Army Red Team has won the 72nd Inter Services Volleyball Championship 2022-23.
- The Army Red team emerged victorious with a set score of 3-1.
- Two teams of Indian Army, Red and Green besides one team each of Indian Navy and Indian Air Force participated in the event.
- Telangana and Andhra Sub Area officiating GoC, Brigadier K Somashankar presented the trophy.

### Pranay Sharma becomes first Indian to win Gold at Karate 1 Series A

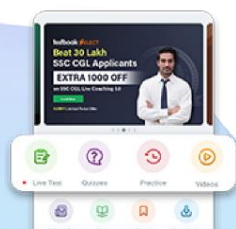
- Indian Karate Star Pranay Sharma on 20 November 2022 became the first Indian to win Gold Medal at Karate 1 Series A in Jakarta, Indonesia.
- Sharma defeated Ukraine's Davyd Yanovskiy in the Men's 67 kg Kumite Final to bag the historic gold medal in the competition.
- The Karate 1 - Series A comprises a number of first-class international tournaments all over the world.

### Manika Batra becomes first Indian woman to win medal at Asian Cup

- Indian table tennis player Manika Batra clinched the bronze medal at the IITF-ATTU Asian Cup tournament on 19 November 2022 in Bangkok, Thailand.
- She has become the first Indian female to win a medal at the Asian Cup table tennis tournament.
- She defeated the World number six and three-time Asian champion Hina Hayata in a match by 4-2 to bag the bronze medal.

### N Jagadeesan sets record with 5 consecutive tons in Vijay Hazare event

- N Jagadeesan broke the world record and became the first player to score five consecutive centuries, the first by an Indian.



- Jagadeesan achieved the feat during the round six group stage match of the Vijay Hazare Trophy against Arunachal Pradesh with a 77-ball 100 at the M. Chinnaswamy stadium in Bangalore.
- He is also the sixth batter to hit a double ton in Vijay Hazare Trophy.

### Sebastian Vettel retires from Formula One racing

- Sebastian Vettel has retired from Formula One racing
- In the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix on November 20, 2022 Sebastian Vettel finished in the 10th place, the last one of his career.
- Sebastian Vettel won four Formula One World Championships between 2010 and 2013 while competing for Red Bull.
- Vettel received a guard of honour from his fellow competitors before the race.

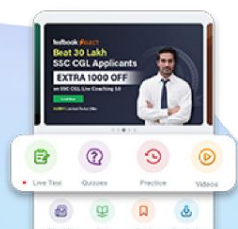
### FIFA World Cup kicks off in Doha

- The opening ceremony of the FIFA World Cup 2022 was held at the Al Bayt Stadium, Al Khor in Qatar on 20 November 2022.
- The first match was held between Qatar and Ecuador.
- The world cup is being held from 21 November to 18 December 2022.
- 32 teams will compete across 64 matches in the 22nd edition of the World Cup.

### Novak Djokovic wins sixth ATP Finals title

- Novak Djokovic defeated Norway's Casper Ruud to collect sixth ATP Finals title in Turin, Italy in Nov'22.
- This was Djokovic's first title at the event since 2015 and the one that matches Roger Federer's record.
- The 35-year-old Djokovic is the oldest player to win the title.
- He also earned the largest payday in tennis history as he walked away with \$4.7 million for claiming the trophy.

### Carlos Alcaraz becomes the youngest world No. 1 ATP Player



- Carlos Alcaraz has become the youngest year-end ATP World Number 1, making him the first teenager to achieve this feat.
- He is the 18th year-end world number 1 in history and the first outside of 'Big Four' players Novak Djokovic, Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, and Andy Murray since Andy Roddick in 2003.
- Alcaraz clinched his first-ever ATP Masters 1000 title in Miami.

### India bags 25 out of 28 golds at 15th Asian Airgun Championships

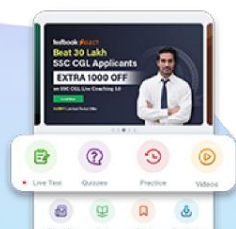
- In Shooting, India ended their campaign at 15th Asian Airgun Championships in South Korea with 25 gold medals.
- Indian Pair of Manu Bhaker and Samrat Rana won the 10 meter Junior Air Pistol Mixed Team event.
- The Indian pair of Rhythm Sangwan and Vijayveer Sidhu clinched gold in the corresponding senior event.
- Sangwan and Sidhu won in the Air Pistol Mixed Team final.

### Phrygian Caps unveiled as the Paris 2024 Olympic & Paralympic Mascots

- Phrygian cap has been unveiled as the mascot for the 2024 Paris Olympics & Paralympics.
- These red caps date back to ancient times & were a symbol of the pursuit of liberty in the French Revolution.
- The Paralympic version of the mascot features a prosthetic leg.
- Paris Olympics will take place from 26 July to 11 Aug 2024.
- The Games will feature the debut of breakdancing as an Olympic event.

### Indian basketball icon Abbas Moontasir passes away

- Gulam Abbas Moontasir, former India basketball captain and Arjuna awardee, passed away in Nov 2022 at the age of 80.
- He was the captain of the Indian team at the Asian Basketball Championships in 1969 and 1975.
- He was also the first basketball player from the country to get the Arjuna Award in 1970.
- Post retirement, he did appear in a few movies, two with Amitabh Bachchan.





## Team of Manu Bhaker, Esha Singh & Shikha Narwal bag gold medal

- In the Asian Airgun Championships, team of Manu Bhaker, Esha Singh and Shikha Narwal today bagged another gold medal for India in the tournament in Daegu, South Korea.
- They defeated South Korean team of Yang Jiin, Kim Minseo and Kim Juhee 16-12 in 10 meters Air Pistol Women's Junior Team event.

## 2nd edition of North East Olympic Games concludes in Shillong

- The 2nd edition of the North East Olympic Games concluded on 16th Nov 2022 in Shillong, Meghalaya.
- Manipur emerged as the overall winner with a total of 240 medals while Assam took the second spot with a total of 203 medals.
- The 1st North East Olympic games were held in Manipur in October 2018.
- Nagaland will host the next edition of the Northeast Olympic Games.

## Paddler Sharath Kamal becomes first Indian player elected to ITTF

- Star Indian paddler Achanta Sharath Kamal has become the first player from India to get elected in the Athletes' Commission of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF).
- 8 athletes have been elected from Asia, Africa, the Americas, Europe & Oceania & will serve in the Commission for 4 years from 2022 to 2026.
- Sharath has also been selected for Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award 2022.

## FIFA World Cup 2022 is set to kick off on 20th November

- The 2022 FIFA World Cup is set to kick off on 20th Nov in Qatar.
- This will be the first-ever time that the tournament is held in the winter months.
- The tournament will have 32 teams competing for the world cup, segmented across 8 groups in 8 venues across Qatar.
- The final of the tournament will be played on 18th Dec.
- France had defeated Croatia in the final of the 2018 edition in Russia.

## Switzerland beats Australia to win maiden Billie Jean King Cup

- Switzerland women's tennis team on 13 Nov 2022 won the Billie Jean King Cup for the 1st time by defeating 7-time champion Australia in Glasgow, Scotland.
- 2022 Billie Jean King Cup was the 59th edition of the international women's tennis tournament & was held from 8th to 13th Nov 2022 in Scotland.
- The championship is named after Billie Jean King, an American former world No. 1 tennis player.

### India's Shiva Narwal wins gold medal at Asian Airgun Championship

- India's Shiva Narwal on 15th Nov 2022 won gold in the Men's 10-meter air pistol event in the Asian Airgun Championship in South Korea.
- He defeated South Korea's Park Dai Hun 17-13 in the final.
- Another Indian, Vijayvir Siddhu bagged bronze in the same event.
- Also, Indian Men's Youth team won gold in the 10-meter air pistol team event.

### Singhraj, Manish Narwal, Deepender Singh bag silver medal

- The Indian pistol team of Paralympic medallists Singhraj and Manish Narwal along with Deepender Singh bagged a silver medal in the P4- Mixed 50m Pistol SH1 event at the Shooting Para-sports World Championship 2022 at Al Ain, UAE on 15 Nov'22.
- The Indian team finished with a total of 1579-13x, finishing behind the South Korean team.
- Turkey claimed the bronze medal with a total of 1574-23x.

### Arjun Babuta, Mehuli Ghosh win gold medal in 10m air rifle event

- In shooting, India's Arjun Babuta and Mehuli Ghosh won the gold medal in the 10m air rifle mixed team event at the Asian Airgun Championship 2022 in Daegu, South Korea, on 14 November 2022.
- They defeated Kiran Ankush Jadhav and Elavenil Valarivan in the finals.
- Sandeep Bishnoi, clinched the gold medal in the 10m air pistol men's junior event.

### Mercedes' George Russell wins the 2022 Brazilian F1 Grand Prix

- Mercedes' George Russell on 13th Nov 2022 won his maiden F1 race in Brazilian Grand Prix in Sao Paulo.
- It was also Mercedes' maiden win in the F1 2022 season.



- Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton & Ferrari's Carlos Sainz came at the second and third positions respectively.
- The 2022 season's final race will be held in Abu Dhabi from November 18 to 20 at Yas Marina Circuit.

### Winners of National Sports Awards 2022 announced, Part - 2

- Four coaches have been chosen for Dronacharya Award in the regular category and three coaches in the lifetime category.
- Dhyan Chand Award for Lifetime Achievement in Sports and Games: Ashwini Akkunji C (Athletics), Dharamvir Singh (Hockey), B C Suresh (Kabaddi), Nir Bahadur Gurung (Para Athletics).
- Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy 2022: Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

### Winners of National Sports Awards 2022 announced, Part - 1

- Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports on 14th Nov announced the winners of the National Sports Awards 2022.
- The awardees will receive their awards from the President of India at Rashtrapati Bhavan on 30th Nov 2022.
- List of awardees:
- Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award 2022: Achanta Sharath Kamal (Table Tennis).
- 25 Sports persons will receive Arjuna Awards for outstanding performance in Sports.

### Kohli, Suryakumar named in Most Valued Team of 2022 T20 World Cup

- Virat Kohli and Suryakumar Yadav have been named in the Most Valuable Team of the ICC T20 World Cup 2022.
- England's Jos Buttler has been named as the captain of T20 World Cup team.
- Pakistan's Shaheen Shah Afridi and Shadab Khan have also been named to the team.
- Players from six different nations have been named in the Most Valuable Team of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022.

### England wins second T-20 world cup, defeats Pakistan by five wickets

- In cricket, England created history by winning their second T-20 world cup defeating Pakistan by five wickets at the Melbourne Cricket ground on November 13, 2022.
- Curran was named player of the match and player of the tournament.
- England are now the first nation to hold both global white-ball trophies, having won the 50-over World Cup on home soil in 2019.

### 2025 Kabaddi World Cup to be hosted by West Midlands

- The World Kabaddi Federation on 12th Nov 2022 announced that the UK's West Midlands Region will host the 2025 Kabaddi World Cup.
- This is the first time that a kabaddi world cup will be held outside of Asia.
- It will be organized by England Kabaddi, Scottish Kabaddi, and the British Kabaddi League.
- The tournament will feature 16 teams (men and women), including from India, Iran and Pakistan.

### Sri Lanka to host U-19 Men's T-20 World Cup 2024

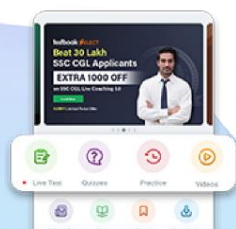
- International Cricket Council on 13th Nov 2022 announced that the 2024 Under-19 men's T-20 World Cup will be hosted by Sri Lanka while the 2026 edition will be hosted by Zimbabwe & Namibia.
- The 2025 U-19 women's T20 World Cup will be held in Malaysia & Thailand & 2027 U-19 women's edition will be hosted by Bangladesh & Nepal.
- Also, Greg Barclay has been re-elected as ICC chairman in Nov '22.

### Mehuli Ghosh bags Gold medal in the Asian Airgun Championship

- Indian shooter Mehuli Ghosh beat South Korean Eunyoung Cho to clinch the Women's 10-meter Air Rifle gold medal at the Asian Airgun Championship in Daegu, South Korea on 12th Nov 2022.
- The junior women's gold was bagged by Tilottama Sen who beat compatriot Nancy in the 10-meter air rifle event.
- In the youth men's event, Parth Mane outclassed Ha Semin 16-0 for the gold.

### Saweety Boora, Alfiya Khan claim gold medals

- Alfiya Khan bagged a gold in the 81 plus weight category at the Asian Boxing Championship in Amman, Jordan.



- Saweety defeated Gulsaya Yerzhan of Kazakhstan 5-0 by unanimous decision, to win a gold.
- Minakshi, on the other hand, concluded her maiden Asian Championships campaign by clinching a silver medal in the flyweight division.

### Indian boxer Lovlina Borgohain wins gold at Asian Boxing Championships

- Indian boxer Lovlina Borgohain won the gold medal at the Asian Boxing Championship in the 75kg category on 11th Nov 2022.
- She won the gold medal after beating Uzbekistan's Ruzmetova Sokhiba.
- 22-year-old Parveen Hooda also clinched the gold medal in the 63 kg category by defeating Japan's Kito Mai.
- The 2022 Asian Boxing Championships in being held in Amman, Jordan.

### Mahendra Kumar Sharma, pioneer of Indian women's cricket, passes away

- Mahendra Kumar Sharma, who played a pioneering role in the development of women's cricket in India in the 1970s, passed away in Nov 2022.
- He was a founding secretary of the Women's Cricket Association of India for the first five years and was in charge of India's hosting of their first-ever Women's World Cup in 1978.
- He was also instrumental in organizing the women's first-ever Test in 1976.

### Sumit and Govind win bronze at the 2022 ASBC Championships

- In boxing, Sumit and Govind won bronze at the 2022 ASBC Asian Elite Boxing Championships in Amman, Jordan on 10 November 2022.
- Govind (48kg) was up against Sanzhar Tashkenbay of Kazakhstan.
- Sumit (75kg) was involved in a tough matchup against the reigning Asian Champion Jafarov Saidjamshid of Uzbekistan.

### Uttar Pradesh to host 2023 Khelo India University Games

- Uttar Pradesh will host the 2023 Khelo India University Games, the third edition of the event.
- Lucknow will be the main host city for the multi-discipline event in which almost 6000 athletes from all over the country are expected to participate.





- The inaugural edition of the games was held in 2020 in Odisha while Karnataka was the host for the second edition held in 2022.

### England has reached T20 World Cup final for the third time.

- England has reached the T20 World Cup final for the third time.
- England restricted India to 168/6 in their 20 overs and chased down the target in 16 overs without losing any wickets.
- England was the winner of the T20 World Cup 2010.
- The eighth edition of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup is being played in 2022.
- Australia is the hosting country for the T20 World Cup.

### Virat Kohli becomes the first to score 4000 T20I runs

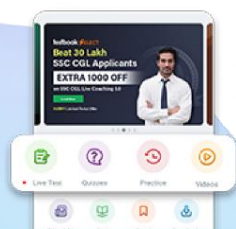
- Virat Kohli became the first batter to cross the 4000 T20I run mark.
- He scored 50 off 40 deliveries in the second semifinal of the 2022 T20 World Cup.
- He was also the first to breach the 3000 run mark in the shortest format for India.
- Lara had scored 940 runs off 15 innings at the venue while Kohli crossed the 950 run mark in his 15th outing.
- He also leaped past Brian Lara.

### India to host women's World Boxing Championship in 2023

- India will host the women's world boxing championships in 2023 in New Delhi.
- It will be the third time that the women's competition will be held in the country having conducted the championships in 2006 & 2018.
- It will be conducted by the International Boxing Association (IBA) & the Boxing Federation of India (BFI).
- The 2022 Championships was held in Istanbul, Turkey from 8 to 20 May 2022.

### 15th Asian Airgun Championship 2022 begins on 9 November

- The 15th Asian Airgun Championship 2022 began on 9 November 2022 at Daegu in South Korea.





- This will be the first Rifle/Pistol Asian Shooting Confederation Championship that will be counted towards the new Asian Ranking System.
- Manu Bhaker, Mehuli Ghosh, Arjun Babuta and Divyansh Singh Panwar are among some prominent names in the 36-strong Indian contingents taking part in the championship.

### G Sathiyar, Manika Batra become first to enter top 5

- Table tennis players Manika Batra and Gnanasekaran Sathiyar created history by becoming the first Indian mixed doubles pair to enter the top five of the ITTF Table Tennis World Rankings on 8 Nov'22.
- The duo climbed up in the rankings after making it to the final of the WTT Contender event in Nova Gorica, Slovenia, where they lost to South Korea's Lim Jonghoon and Shin Yubin 3-0 in the final.

### Boxer Shiva Thapa secures 6th medal in Asian Boxing C'ships

- In Boxing, five-time Asian Championships medallist, Shiva Thapa won his 6th Asian Championships medal in November 2022.
- Thapa in the 63.5kg was contesting the quarterfinals against Minsu Choi of South Korea.
- The match ended in a 4:1 victory for Thapa who now becomes the most successful male boxer in the Asian Championships with 6 competition medals to his name.

### S Yadav: 1st Indian player to score 1,000 T20I runs in a calendar year

- Star Indian batter Suryakumar Yadav on 6th Nov 2022 became the first Indian player to score 1,000 T20 International runs in a calendar year.
- He accomplished this feat in India's final Super 12 stage match against Zimbabwe at Melbourne.
- He scored 61 not out of 25 balls, consisting of six fours and four sixes.
- In 28 innings this year, Suryakumar has scored 1,026 runs at an average of 44.60.

### Pramod Bhagat, Manisha Ramadass bag gold at BWF Para-Badminton C'ships

- Pramod Bhagat and Manisha Ramadass won gold medals in singles at the BWF Para Badminton World Championships in Tokyo on 6th Nov 2022.



- Bhagat defended his men's singles SL3 title as he defeated compatriot Nitesh Kumar to clinch the gold medal, while Ramadass beat Japan's Mamiko Toyoda in women's singles SU5 finals.
- India ended its campaign with 2 gold, 2 silver & 12 bronze medals.

### Indian men's squash team win their first ever gold medal

- In Squash, Indian men's team clinched their first-ever gold at the Asian Squash Team Championships, on 4 November 2022.
- They defeated Kuwait in the final in straight sets in Cheongju, South Korea.
- It is the biggest win of Indian Men's Team since they won 2014 Asian Games Gold.
- The Indian men's team has won three silver medals in the Asian Team Squash Championships and seven bronze medals.

### 'Baji Rout National Football Tournament' inaugurated in Odisha

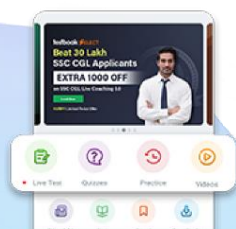
- Union Minister Dharmendra Pradhan on 3rd Nov 2022 inaugurated the 'Baji Rout National Football Tournament' in Dhenkanal in Odisha.
- The tournament, organized by Ame Odia Foundation, will be held from November 3 to November 8 in Dhenkanal, Angul and Talcher in the State.
- It is being organized in honour of the country's youngest freedom fighter, Martyr Baji Rout (12 years old).

### India's Suryakumar Yadav becomes world's No.1 T20I batter

- India's Suryakumar Yadav on 2nd Nov 2022 became the world's number one batter in T20 Internationals.
- Yadav overtook Pakistan opener Mohammad Rizwan to claim the top spot in the ICC men's ranking for T20 batsmen.
- Yadav has accumulated 863 points & Rizwan 842 points in the latest ICC rankings.
- Yadav made his T20 International debut on 14 March 2021 against England.

### Kerala to host Track Asia Cup 2022

- Kerala is all set to host the Track Asia Cup-2022 cycling tournament, one of the biggest cycling events, from November 25 to 28, 2022.



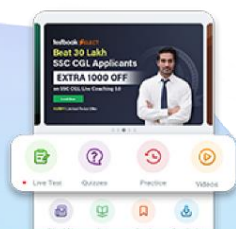
- Around 200 cyclists from over 25 countries in Asia will take part in the event, which is being conducted outside Delhi for the first time.
- Track Asia cup is also the selection of Asian countries for the 2024 Paris Olympics.

### Max Verstappen wins the 2022 Mexican Formula 1 GP

- 2022 Formula 1 championship winner Max Verstappen on 30th Oct won the Mexican Formula 1 Grand Prix.
- Verstappen is now the most successful driver in the history of the Mexican GP, having secured his fourth title.
- It was the 34th race win of his career & 14th win of the 2022 season.
- Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton and Red Bull's Sergio Perez finished second and third respectively.

### Spain beat Colombia to win FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022 title

- Defending champion Spain on 30th Oct won the 2022 FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup, defeating first-time finalists Colombia 1-0 at the DY Patil Sports Stadium in Mumbai.
- Spain won their first title in 2018.
- Spain's Vicky Lopez was adjudged as the player of the tournament.
- Hosts India failed to clear the group stage after losing all their three matches.
- It was the 7th edition of the tournament.



## Summits and Conferences Current Affairs | November 2022

### Dr S Jaishankar addresses 7th edition of the Global Technology Summit

- External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar addressed the seventh edition of the Global Technology Summit in New Delhi on 29 November 2022.
- The three-day Summit is India's annual flagship event on Geotechnology.
- It is co-hosted by the Ministry of External Affairs and Carnegie India.
- The theme for this year's Summit is "Geopolitics of Technology."
- The annual event is being held since 2016.

### India hosts the 59th ABU General Assembly 2022 from 25-30 November

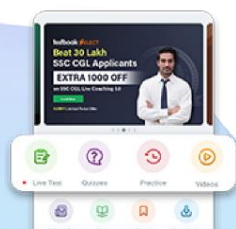
- The government of India is hosting the 59th Asia Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU) General Assembly 2022 from 25th to 30th November 2022 in New Delhi.
- Prasar Bharti was set up in 1997 by an act of Parliament.
- Around 300 international delegates from 40 countries are participating in the event.
- The theme of the 59th ABU General Assembly is: Serving the People: Media's Role in Times of Crisis.

### India holds G20 briefing for G20 nation envoys in Andaman and Nicobar

- India held a briefing for envoys from G20 nations in the Andaman and Nicobar Islands on 26 November 2022.
- India took over leadership of the G20 group from Indonesia, where the recent G20 Summit concluded in Bali.
- The G20 or Group of Twenty is an intergovernmental forum comprising 19 countries and the European Union.
- Founded: 26 September 1999

### Defence Minister to co-chair 4th India-France Annual Defence Dialogue

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh will co-chair the 4th India-France Annual Defence Dialogue with the French Armed Forces Minister Sebastien Lecornu from 26-28 November, 2022.



- In 1998, the two countries entered into Strategic Partnership, marking convergence of their views on a range of international issues apart from a close and growing bilateral relationship.
- France President: Emmanuel Macron

### Minister of State Dr Rajkumar R. Singh attends 22nd IORA-COM in Dhaka

- India participated in the 22nd Council of Ministers (COM) meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) held in Dhaka on 25 November 2022.
- The Indian delegation was led by Minister of State External Affairs (MoS), Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh.
- IORA is the largest and pre-eminent organization in the Indian Ocean Region with 23 Members and 10 Dialogue Partners.

### 27th Conference of DGPs of the North East held in Agartala

- The 27th Conference of DGPs and Heads of CPOs of the North East was organised at Agartala on November 22-23, 2022.
- It was organised jointly under the Ministry of Home Affairs and Tripura Police.
- DGPs of the North Eastern States participated in the Conference.
- The Conference was inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Tripura, Dr.(Prof.) Manik Saha.

### 9th India-EU Foreign Policy, Security Consultations held in New Delhi

- The 9th India-EU Foreign Policy and Security Consultations were held in New Delhi on 22 November 2022.
- The two sides reviewed the working of various institutional mechanisms between India and the European Union, including Cyber Security, Counter Terrorism, and Maritime Security.
- EU Founded: 1 November 1993

### Jitendra Singh to inaugurate 25th National Conference on e-Governance

- Union Minister Jitendra Singh will inaugurate the 25th National Conference on e-Governance (NCeG) in Jammu and Kashmir on November 26, 2022.
- The National Awards for e-Governance (NAeG) will be presented under five categories of the NAeG Scheme 2022.



- The theme of this Conference is "Bringing Citizens, Industry and Government closer".

### Amit Shah chairs 1st session on 'Global Trends in Terrorist Financing'

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah chaired the first session of the 3rd 'No Money for Terror' Ministerial Conference on 'Global Trends in Terrorist Financing and Terrorism' theme in New Delhi on 18th November 2022.
- It was attended by about 450 delegates from across the world, including Ministers, and Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Heads of Delegations.
- FATF President: T. Raja Kumar

### 4th Edition of Indian Chemicals Council Sustainability Conclave begins

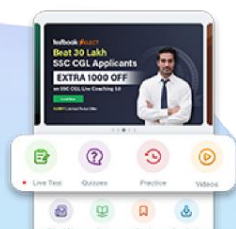
- Chemicals and Petrochemicals Secretary Arun Baroka inaugurated 4th edition of Indian Chemicals Council, ICC Sustainability Conclave in New Delhi on 17th Nov 2022.
- Theme of the two-day event is 'boardrooms to Community-ESG, Carbon Neutrality, Operational Safety, Greener Solutions'.
- The Conclave aims to promote sustainability in the management of the entire life cycle of chemicals.

### UAE hosts 1st Global Media Congress in Abu Dhabi

- The United Arab Emirates (UAE) on 15th Nov 2022 launched the 1st edition of Global Media Congress (GMC), a platform to boost business connections and foster innovation in the media sector.
- The 3-day event is being held under the theme of "Shaping the Future of the Media Industry,".
- More than 1,200 media practitioners & experts are participating in it from across the world.

### GeoSmart India 2022 Summit inaugurated in Hyderabad

- Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat on 15th Nov 2022 inaugurated the GeoSmart India 2022 Summit, a three-day annual event on geospatial technologies, in Hyderabad.
- It is being co-hosted by the Indian Society of Remote Sensing and the Indian Society of Geomatics.





- About 2500 representatives from about 500 organisations working on geospatial technology have attended the summit.

### India hosts Lead IT Summit with Sweden at COP27

- India and Sweden hosted the LeadIT Summit on 15th Nov 2022 in COP27 at Sharm El Sheikh in Egypt.
- The LeadIT (Leadership for Industry Transition) initiative focuses on low carbon transition of the hard to abate industrial sector.
- The Summit was addressed by the Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav.
- The current phase of LeadIT is set to conclude in 2023.

### The 17th G20 Summit begins in Bali, Indonesia, Part - 2

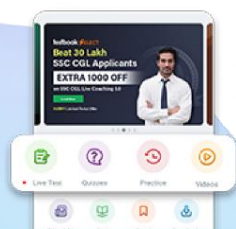
- PM Modi addressed the 1st working session of G-20 on Food & Energy Security on 15th Nov 2022.
- Chinese President Xi Jinping also held talks with US President Joe Biden ahead of G20 summit on 15th Nov in Bali.
- Britain's new PM Rishi Sunak is also attending his first G20 summit in Bali.
- At the closing session of the Summit, the Indonesian President will hand over the G20 Presidency to PM Modi.

### The 17th G20 Summit begins in Bali, Indonesia, Part - 1

- The 17th G20 Summit began in Bali, Indonesia on 15 Nov 2022.
- During the Summit, G20 Leaders will deliberate upon key issues of global concern under the theme of "Recover Together, Recover Stronger".
- 3 working sessions will be held as part of the G20 Summit Agenda.
- These are food and energy security, health & digital transformation.
- The 18th G20 summit will be held in New Delhi in 2023.

### "In our LiFetime" Campaign launched by India at COP 27

- Union Environment Ministry's National Museum of Natural History & the UN Development Programme on 14th Nov 2022 jointly launched "In Our LiFetime" campaign at COP27 in Egypt.



- It has been launched to encourage youth between the ages of 18 to 23 years to become message-bearers of sustainable lifestyles.
- PM Modi in June 2022 had launched the 'Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE) Movement.

### Climate disaster aid scheme 'Global Shield' launched at COP27

- A G7-led scheme "Global Shield" to provide funding to countries suffering climate disasters has been launched at the United Nations COP27 summit in Egypt's Sharm El-Sheikh.
- It is being developed in collaboration with the 'V20' group of 58 climate-vulnerable economies.
- Pakistan, Ghana and Bangladesh will be among the first recipients of funding from this initiative.

### ASEAN agrees in principle to admit East Timor as 11th member

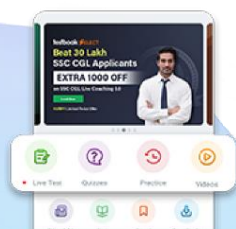
- The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) has agreed 'in principle' to admit East Timor as the group's 11th member.
- East Timor is the youngest country in Southeast Asia, having gained independence from Indonesia in 2002 after 24 years of occupation.
- ASEAN began as a five-member bloc in 1967 and has gradually expanded, with Cambodia being the most recent addition in 1999.

### India to host ministerial conference on counter financing of terrorism

- Home Ministry will organise the third Ministerial Conference on Countering Financing of Terrorism - No Money for Terror.
- It will be held in New Delhi on 18 November 2022.
- The two-day conference aims to progress the discussions on combating terrorist financing held by the international community in the previous two Conferences in Paris and Melbourne.

### 42nd International Congress of the INCA Inaugurated in Dehradun

- The 42nd International Congress of the Indian National Cartographic Association (INCA) is being organised by the National Hydrographic Office (NHO), Dehradun from 09 to 11 Nov 2022.
- The Chief Hydrographer to the Govt. of India, Vice Admiral Adhir Arora, is the current President of INCA.



- The theme for the 42d INCA Congress is 'Digital Cartography to Harness Blue Economy'.
- INCA Founded: 1979

### Kochi to host international telemedicine conference from Nov 10 to 12

- Telemedicine Society of India (TSI) is hosting the Telemedicon 2022, the 18th edition of the International Telemedicine Conference, in Kochi, Kerala from 10 to 12 Nov 2022.
- Telemedicon 2022 is an annual global conference for healthcare professionals, health insurance providers & others.
- Theme of the event is 'Strengthening Health Systems Through Sustainable Telemedicine and Digital Health'.

### India hosts second Agriculture Ministerial-level meeting of BIMSTEC

- India hosted the 2nd Agriculture Ministerial-level meeting of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical & Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) in New Delhi on 10 Nov 2022.
- It was held under the chairmanship of Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar & Agriculture Ministers of Bhutan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Myanmar, Sri Lanka & Thailand participated in the meeting.
- BIMSTEC HQ: Dhaka

### VP to visit Cambodia to attend ASEAN-India Commemorative Summit

- Vice President (VP) Jagdeep Dhankhar will visit Cambodia from 11- 13 Nov '22 to attend the ASEAN-India Commemorative Summit & the 17th East Asia Summit.
- Cambodia is hosting these Summits as the current Chair of ASEAN.
- It will be the first foreign visit of VP Dhankhar.
- The year 2022 marks the 30th anniversary of ASEAN-India relations & is being celebrated as the ASEAN-India Friendship Year.

### PM Modi to visit Indonesia for G20 Summit in Bali

- PM Narendra Modi will visit Indonesia from 14th to the 16th of Nov to attend the G20 Summit in Bali.



- During the summit, G20 leaders will deliberate upon key issues of global concern under the Summit's theme of 'Recover Together, Recover Stronger'.
- At the closing session of the Summit, Indonesian President Joko Widodo will hand over the G20 presidency to PM Narendra Modi.
- G20 Founded: 1999

### 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention

- Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) Convention is the flagship event of the Ministry of External Affairs.
- Guyana President, Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali will be the chief guest of the Convention.
- It will be held from 8th to 10th January next year in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- The theme of the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is Diaspora: Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal.

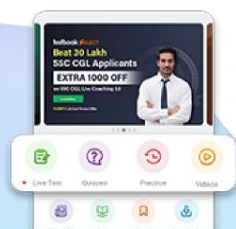
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### Guyana President Dr Mohamed Irfaan Ali to be chief guest at 17th PBD

- Guyana President Dr. Mohamed Irfaan Ali will be the chief guest at the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) Convention.
- It will be held from 8 to 10 Jan 2023 in Indore, Madhya Pradesh.
- Zaneta Mascarenhas, MP Australia, will be the guest of honour at the Youth PBD which will be held on 8 Jan 2023.
- Theme of the 17th PBD: - 'Diaspora: Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal'.

### Tourism Ministry to participate in World Travel Market from Nov 7



- Union Ministry of Tourism will participate in the World Travel Market (WTM) which is being held in London from the 7th to the 9th of Oct 2022.
- It is one of the largest international travel exhibitions & the theme of this year's exhibition is - 'The Future of Travel Starts Now'.
- India is participating in the WTM 2022 to showcase itself as a preferred destination for tourism.

### Bhupender Yadav to lead Indian delegation at COP27 in Egypt

- Union Minister Bhupender Yadav will lead the Indian delegation to attend the 27th Session of Conference of Parties of the UNFCCC (COP27).
- The conference is scheduled to be held at Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt from 6th to 18th November 2022.
- At COP27, countries come together to take action toward achieving the world's collective climate goals as agreed under the Paris agreement and the convention.

### Indonesia hands over G20 Religion Forum presidency to India

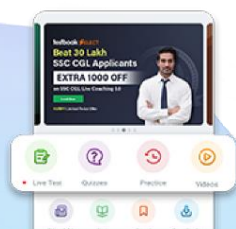
- Indonesia on 3rd Nov 2022 handed over the Presidency of the R20 summit, the religious grouping of the G20, to India which New Delhi will host in 2023.
- R20 is part of a series of G20 events initiated under Indonesia's G20 Presidency.
- It is being held from Nov 2-3 in Bali, Indonesia to mobilize global leaders to help ensure that religion functions as an open and dynamic source of solutions.

### 15th edition of Urban Mobility India Conference & Expo to open

- In Kerala, the 15th edition of the Urban Mobility India Conference & Expo will open in Kochi on 4 November 2022.
- Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri and Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan will jointly inaugurate the three-day conference.
- The meet will focus on the theme, 'Azadi @ 75 -- Sustainable Aatmanirbhar Urban Mobility'.

### Union Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurates 'India Chem-2022'

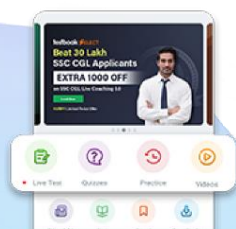
- Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers Dr Mansukh Mandaviya on 2nd Nov inaugurated the 12th Biennial International Exhibition and Conference 'India Chem 2022' in New Delhi.



- The theme of the Conference is "Vision 2030: Chemicals & Petrochemicals Build India".
- India Chem 2022 is being organised to showcase the government's policy for sustainable growth in the Petroleum & Chemical sectors.

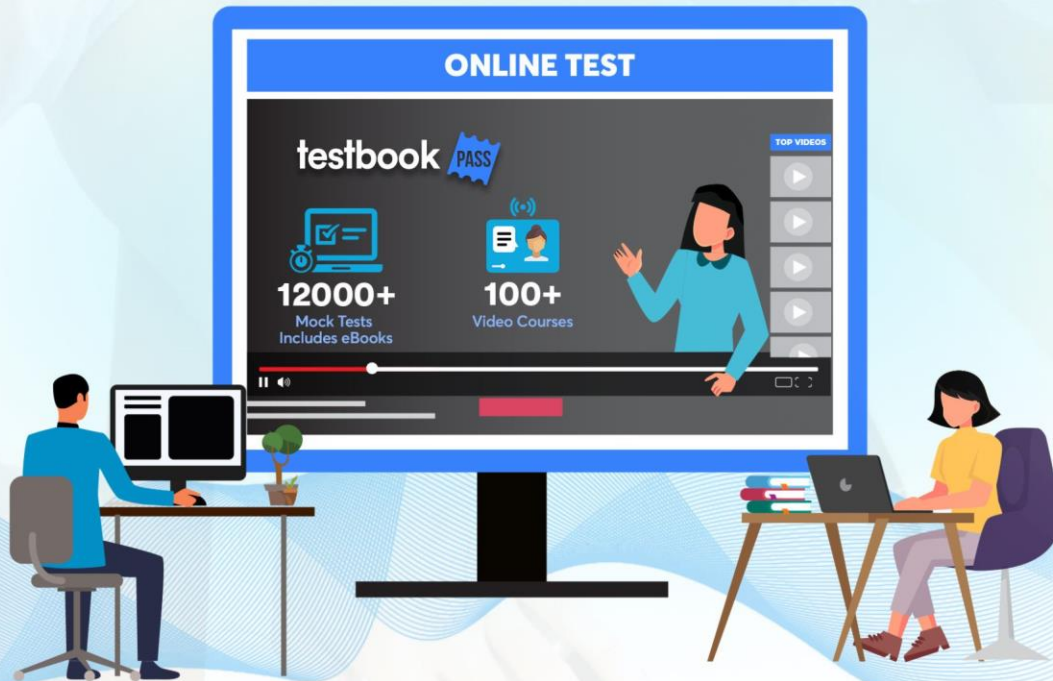
### 41st Sharjah International Book Fair inaugurated

- Sheikh Sultan Al Qasimi, Ruler of Sharjah city of UAE, on 1st Nov 2022 inaugurated the 41st Sharjah International Book Fair.
- It is being organised by the Sharjah Book Authority & will be held from Nov 2-13, 2022 in Sharjah, UAE.
- The theme of the 2022 edition is 'Spread the Word' & Italy is the Guest of Honor.
- Publications Division of Ministry of I&B, is participating from Indian side.





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