

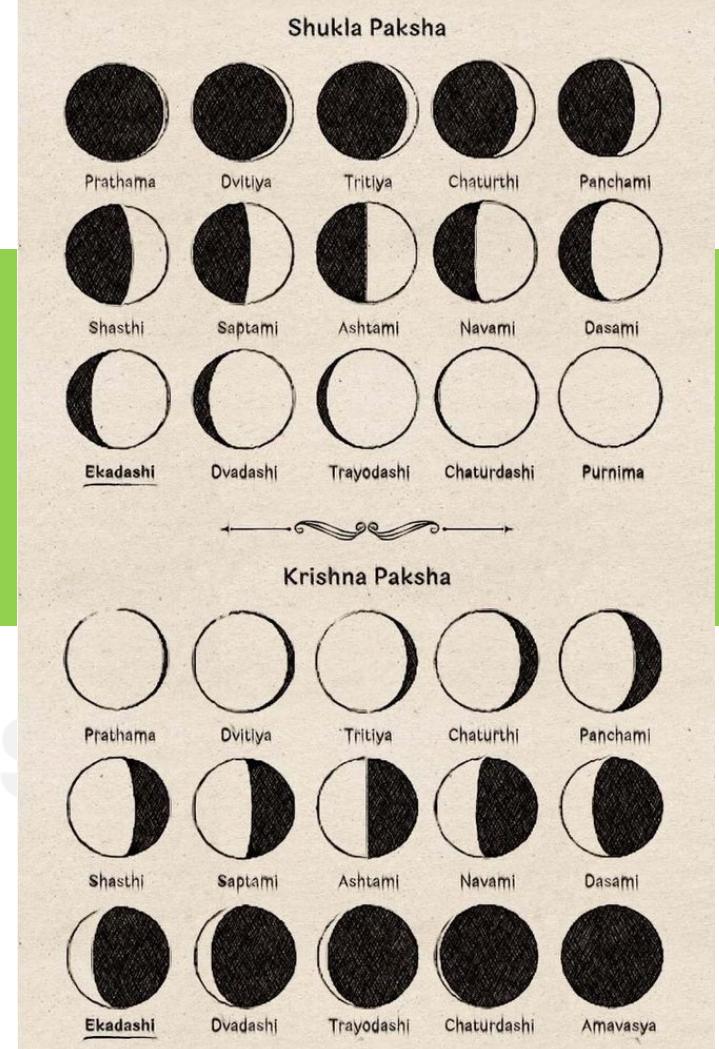
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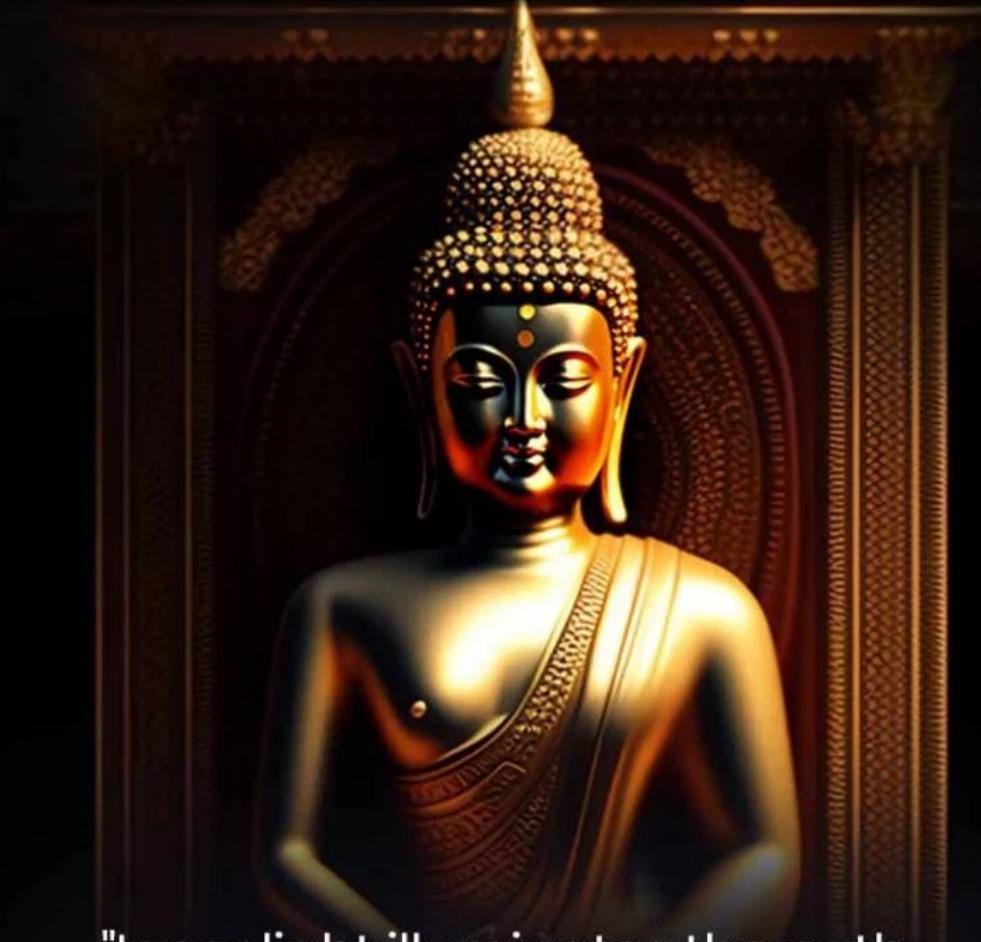
**Biodiversity
Days**

2024

22 May - International Day for Biological Diversity

- commemorates the adoption of the text of the **Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) on 22 May 1992** and provides a unique opportunity to foster wide support for the Convention, its Protocols and related action frameworks.
- The Theme of Biodiversity Day 2024: "Be part of the Plan"

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Hidden
mantra

"Inner light illuminates the path.
On Buddha Purnima, ignite your
own flame of curiosity
to discover the truths within."

Happy Buddha Purnima

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Buddha Jayanti or Buddha Purnima

- Buddha Purnima, also **known as** Buddha Jayanti or **Vesak**, is celebrated every year on the **full moon of** the Hindu calendar month **Vaishakha**.
- This year, Buddha Purnima will be observed on May 23, 2024 (Thursday).
- Commemorating the **birth, enlightenment and death** of Gautama Buddha. It is called **Saga Dawa (Dasa)** in Sikkim & Ladakh

About GAUTAM BUDDHA

- Born at Lumbini (present Nepal) in 563 BC as Siddhartha Gautam, to mother Queen Maya and father King Suddhodana
- He was married to Princess Yashodhara and had a son named Rahul
- At the age of 29, he left his house to find the truth of life

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- At the **age of 35** on the same day of his birth, he attained **enlightenment (Nirvana)** in Bodh Gaya Bihar under that pipal tree and **became Buddha, the Enlightened One.**
- He gave his **first sermon** to his five companions at the **Deer Park in Sarnath near Varanasi**. This event was called **Dharma-chakra-pravartana (Turning the Wheel of Law)**.
- He **died (Mahaparinirvana)** at the age of **80 (483 BCE)** in **Kushinagar, UP**

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Important events in the **BUDDHA'S LIFE**

This infographic depicts the 5 most important events in the Buddha's life and the places associated with those events.

623 B.C.- Buddha's Birth



Siddhartha Gautama was born in 623 B.C. in Lumbini, Nepal in a sacred garden where the Maya Devi temple stands in honour of his birth. His father was King Suddhodhana and mother was Queen Maya Devi.



594 B.C. - Renunciation

At the age of 29 years, Siddhartha Gautama left his palace and family at Kapilavastu located in present day Nepal and set out on the quest to seek enlightenment.



588 B.C. - Enlightenment **Nirvana**



Siddhartha Gautama attained enlightenment at the age of 35 years under the Bodhi tree at Bodh Gaya in present day Bihar in India. Today a magnificent vihara is present at the place of Buddha's enlightenment.



588 B.C. - First Sermon

Shortly after attaining enlightenment, the Buddha delivered the first sermon at the Deer Park at Sarnath, in present day U.P. in India to his first 5 disciples. This event marks the founding of Buddhism.



543 B.C. - Parinirvana



After spreading the Dhamma for more than 40 years, the Buddha passed away at the age of 80 at Kushinagar in present day U.P. in India. This event is known as Parinirvana or the Great Passing.



Important Days Revision

May 01, 2024	International Labor Day
May 01, 2024	Maharashtra Day, Gujarat Day
May 03, 2024	World Press Freedom Day
May 04, 2024	Coal Miners Day
May 04, 2024	International Firefighter's Day
May 07, 2024	World Athletics Day
May 08, 2024	World Red Cross Day
May 08, 2024	World Thalassaemia Day
May 11, 2024	National Technology Day

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May 12, 2024	International Nurses Day
May 16, 2024	National Dengue Day
May 16, 2024	International Day of Light
May 17, 2024	World Telecommunication and Information Society Day
May 17, 2024	World Hypertension Day
May 19, 2024	International Museum Day
May 20, 2024	World Bee Day
May 21, 2024	International Tea Day
May 21, 2024	National Anti-Terrorism Day

May
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WORLD TURTLE DAY

Raise awareness about threats to turtles, promote humane practices, and encourage action for their protection and conservation.



23 May - World Turtle Day

- The day is dedicated to the protection and conservation of turtles and tortoises, which **are two different animals** but are often mistaken for one another.
- one major difference between **the two species is that turtles live in the water, while tortoises live on land.**
- They also have **different age groups**, with turtles living up to 40 years and tortoises **living up to 300 years old.**

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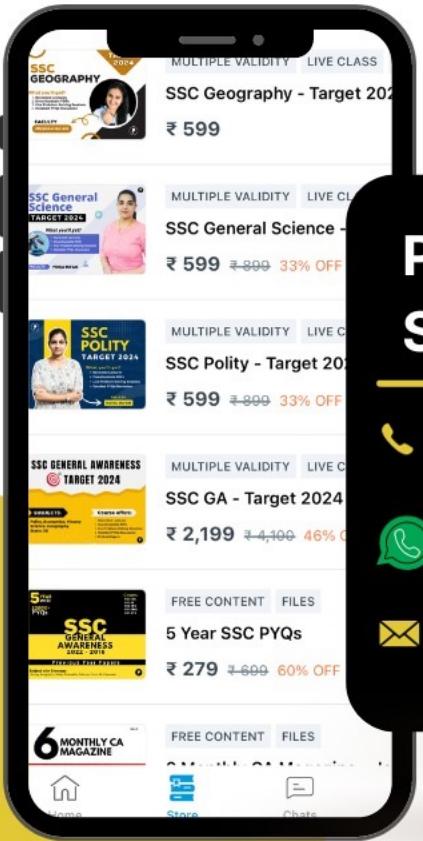


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Jenny Erpenbeck

'An ambitious story
of love and betrayal'
Irish Times



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German author Jenny Erpenbeck wins International Booker Prize for Fiction for ‘Kairos’

- German author **Jenny Erpenbeck and translator Michael Hofmann** won the International Booker Prize for fiction for “**Kairos**,” the story of a tangled love affair during the final years of East Germany’s existence.
- International Booker Prize recognizes fiction from around the world that has **been translated into English and published in the U.K. or Ireland**.

- The **50,000 pounds (\$64,000)** in prize money is divided between author and translator.
- Erpenbeck is the **first German winner** of the International Booker Prize, and Hofmann is **the first male translator to win since the prize launched in its current form in 2016**.

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World Economic Forum's Travel & Tourism Development Index

India Climbs To 39th Position In World Economic Forum's Travel & Tourism Development Index

2024/विश्व आर्थिक मंच के यात्रा एवं पर्यटन विकास सूचकांक 2024 में भारत 39वें स्थान पर पहुंचा

- The biennial index, which was compiled in collaboration with the UK-based University of Surrey, analysed the travel and tourism sectors of 119 countries around a range of factors and policies.
- India also ranks the highest in South Asia among the lower-middle-income economies.
- Earlier, India was ranked 54th in 2021 published index
- US, Spain, Japan, France and Australia - top five

- On an overall index **score of 7, where 1 is the worst, and 7 the best**, India scored 4.25.
- According to the index,, India demonstrates **high price competitiveness (18th) and possesses competitive air transport (26th) as well as ground and port (25th) infrastructure**.
- India's **robust natural (6th), cultural (9th), and non-leisure (9th)** resources contribute to its travel appeal, with the country being **one of only three to secure a top 10 ranking across all resource pillars**



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World Economic Forum founder Klaus Schwab to step back from executive role/विश्व आर्थिक मंच के संस्थापक क्लॉस श्वाब कार्यकारी भूमिका से हटेंगे

- **Klaus Schwab, Founder and Executive Chairman of the World Economic Forum (WEF), will step back from his current role and become Chairman of the board of trustees by next January**
- The World Economic Forum, **established by Klaus Schwab in 1971**, is known for its **annual gathering** of political and business leaders in **Davos, Switzerland**.
- **Theme of 54th Annual Meeting** of the World Economic Forum from 15–19 January 2024 at Davos-klosters, Switzerland was "**Rebuilding Trust**"

- It is headquartered in **Geneva, Switzerland**.

- Major Reports by WEF:

- **Global Competitiveness Report**
- **Global Gender Gap Report**
- **Energy Transition Index**
- **Global Risk Report**
- **Global Travel and Tourism Report.**

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ITC's Sanjiv Puri becomes CII President for 2024-25/ITC's Sanjiv

Puri becomes CII President for 2024-25

- **Sanjiv Puri, Chairman and MD of ITC, has taken over as Confederation of Indian Industry President for the 2024-25 term,**
- **He is succeeding R Dinesh of TVS Supply Chain Solutions.**



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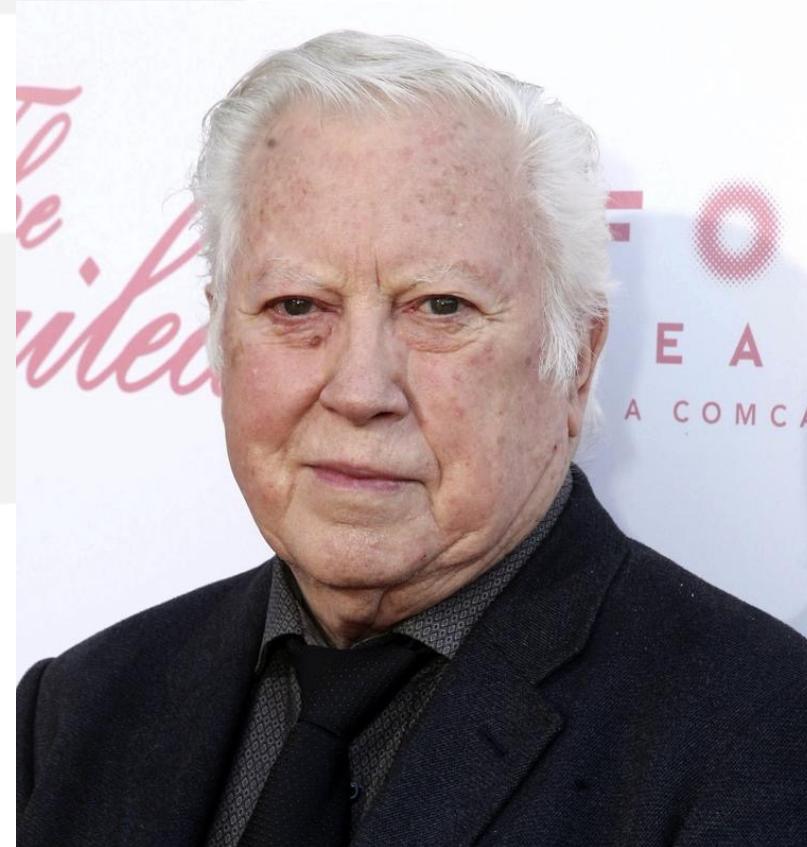
Confederation of Indian Industries

- CII is a **non-government, not-for-profit**, industry-led and industry-managed organization.
- It works to create and sustain an environment conducive to the development of India, partnering industry, Government and civil society, through advisory and consultative processes.
- Founded in **1895**, it is headquartered in **New delhi**.

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Fred Roos, 'Godfather Part II' producer dies at 89/'गॉडफादर पार्ट II' के निर्माता फ्रेड रूस का 89 वर्ष की आयु में निधन

- **Fred Roos, the Oscar-winning producer of The Godfather Part II who helped launch the careers of numerous superstars from Jack Nicholson to Tom Cruise, has died.**



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Man climbs Everest for
a record 30th time

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Nepal's Everest Man- Kami Rita climbs Mount Everest for a record 30th time/नेपाल के एवरेस्ट मैन- कामी रीता ने रिकॉर्ड 30वीं बार माउंट एवरेस्ट पर चढ़ाई की

- A 54-year-old Nepalese climber known as “Everest Man” reached the peak of the world’s highest mountain **for a record 30th time** on three decades after his first summit.
- Kami Rita Sherpa, who broke his own record after climbing the **8,849-metre (29,000-foot) peak for the 29th time earlier this month.**
- Sherpa first stood on the **top of Everest in 1994**

BARC India Appoints Dr. Bikramjit Chaudhuri as New Chief of Measurement Science & Analytics

BARC इंडिया नियुक्तियाँ डॉ. बिक्रमजीत चौधरी को माप विज्ञान और विश्लेषण के नए प्रमुख के रूप में नियुक्त किया गया है

- BARC (Broadcast Audience Research Council) India is an industry body set up to design, commission, supervise and own an accurate, reliable and timely television audience measurement system for India.
- Chairman BARC India –
Shashidhar Sinha

Bikramjit Chaudhuri

**Chief of Measurement
Science & Analytics**



Ravi Shastri and Wasim Akram among 54 named as Cricket Australia's Multicultural Ambassadors/रवि शास्त्री और वसीम अकरम सहित 54 लोगों को क्रिकेट ऑस्ट्रेलिया के बहुसांस्कृतिक राजदूत के रूप में नामित किया गया

- **Former India coach Ravi Shastri and legendary Pakistan cricketer Wasim Akram** has been named as Cricket Australia's Multicultural Ambassadors, among others, for two years.



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FSSAI finds no ethylene oxide traces in MDH and Everest spices/एफएसएसएआई को एमडीएच और एवरेस्ट मसालों में एथिलीन ऑक्साइड का कोई अंश नहीं मिला



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- Samples of **spices of two major brands MDH and Everest** were tested in **28 accredited laboratories** by Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (**FSSAI**)
- Last month, the started taking samples of spices in powder form of all brands, including MDH and Everest, from across the country in view of quality concerns flagged **by Hong Kong and Singapore.**

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NTPC gets global recognition for Talent Development, secures 3rd rank at ATD BEST Awards 2024/एनटीपीसी को प्रतिभा विकास के लिए वैश्विक मान्यता मिली, एटीडी बेस्ट अवार्ड्स 2024 में तीसरा स्थान हासिल किया

- NTPC has achieved a milestone by securing the **3rd rank globally at the ATD BEST Awards 2024**, this being the highest ranking among all Indian companies.
- Notably, NTPC is **the only PSU** to have received this prestigious award **seven times in the past eight years**.



- The ATD BEST Awards, established by the Association for Talent Development (ATD), USA, is one of the most esteemed international recognitions in the field of Learning and Development (L&D).
- It honors organizations that leverage talent development as a strategic business tool and demonstrate enterprise-wide success through effective employee development practices.

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Chief Of The Air Staff Inaugurates First- Ever Emergency Medical Response System Of IAF At CHAF

Bengaluru/वायुसेना प्रमुख ने बैंगलुरु के चाफ में भारतीय वायुसेना की पहली आपातकालीन चिकित्सा प्रतिक्रिया प्रणाली का उद्घाटन किया



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- An Emergency Medical Response System (**EMRS**), was inaugurated by Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari at **Command Hospital Air Force Bangalore (CHAFB)** on 21 May 2024.
- The EMRS is a **first of its kind 24/7 telephonic medical helpline** for serving IAF personnel and their **families** across India.

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**Bank of
Maharashtra
tops among
PSU banks
in business
growth in FY24**

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Bank of Maharashtra tops among PSU banks in FY24/वित्त वर्ष 24 में पीएसयू बैंकों में बैंक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र शीर्ष पर है

- State-owned Bank of Maharashtra recorded the **highest growth rate last fiscal** in terms of total business and deposit mobilisation **among public sector lenders**
- The Pune-headquartered lender has registered a **15.94 % rise in the total business (domestic) in FY24**, followed by **State Bank of India (SBI)** with **13.12 % growth**

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New Disaster Reporting System Introduced In Assam

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Assam unveiled the "DRIMS" platform For Disaster

Management/असम ने आपदा प्रबंधन के लिए "डीआरआईएमएस" मंच का अनावरण किया

- The **Disaster Reporting and Information Management System (DRIMS)** platform, launched by Assam Government facilitates efficient disaster reporting and aid distribution, in collaboration with UNICEF.
- DRIMS captures critical impact data, expediting relief delivery for damaged crops, livestock losses, and other post-disaster restoration efforts.
- Assam CM: Himanta Biswa Sarma.



**SCIENTISTS NOW HAVE EVIDENCE
FOR WHEN 'DOOMSDAY GLACIER'
STARTED RAPIDLY MELTING**

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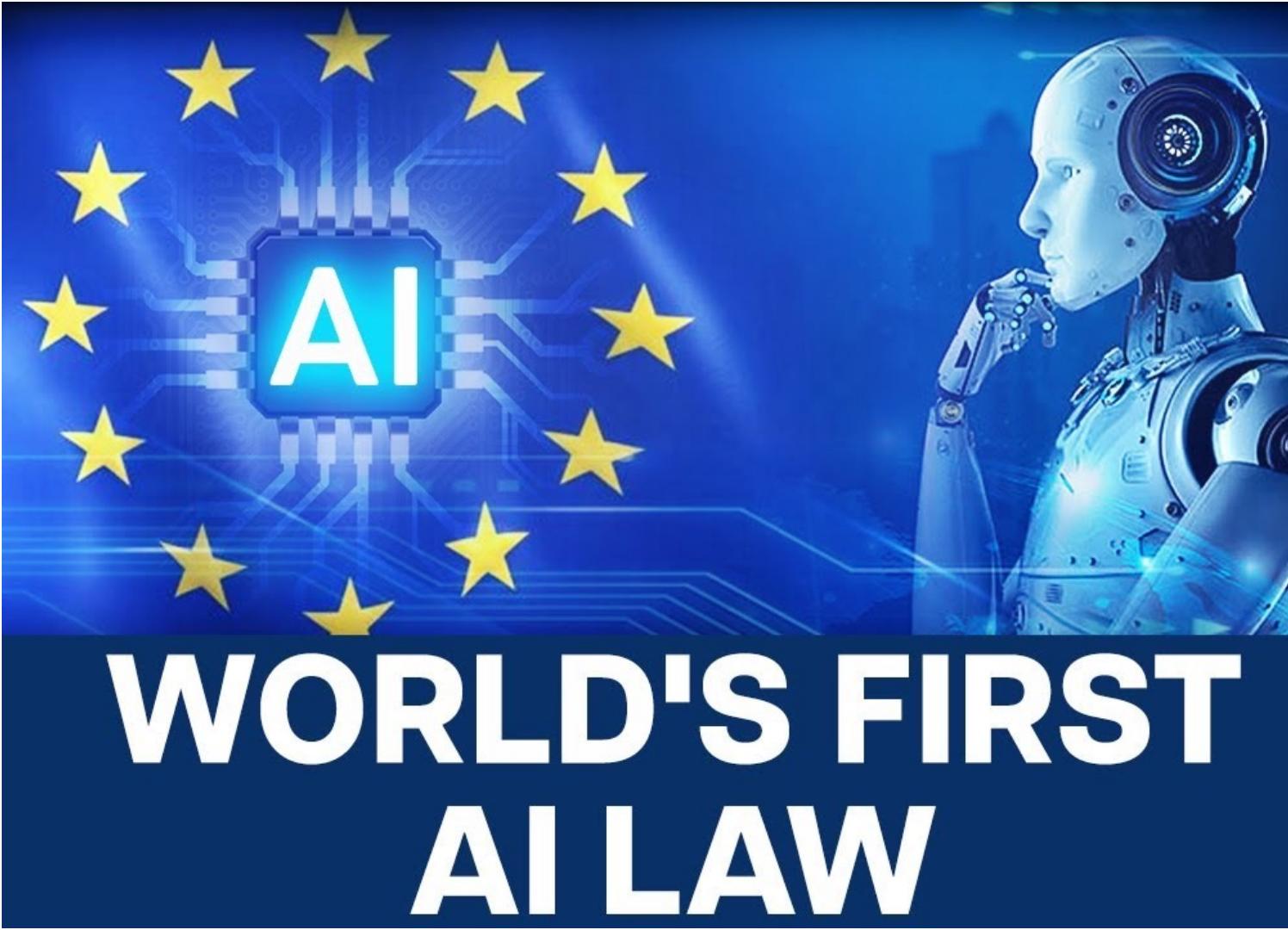
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Science Alert: 'Doomsday Glacier' Melting at a Terrifying Rate

विज्ञान चेतावनी: 'प्रलय दिवस ग्लेशियर' भयावह दर से पिघल रहा है

- Antarctica's "**Doomsday Glacier**" is melting twice as fast as scientists previously thought, because of warm ocean water that is **infiltrating miles beneath its surface**
- The **Thwaites Glacier**, which is **nicknamed the Doomsday Glacier** because of its **potential to massively increase sea levels**, is located **in West Antarctica**. It is one of the world's fastest-changing and most unstable glaciers.

- Previous research found that the glacier **has been melting rapidly since the 1980s** — contributing to a **4% rise in global sea levels** with the loss of hundreds of billions of tons of ice.
- If the glacier completely melted, it could raise sea levels by as much as **2 feet (60 centimeters)**.
- But the glacier is also a natural dam to other ice in West Antarctica. If that ice is released into the oceans, **levels could rise 10 feet**



European Council Approves the first worldwide AI Act

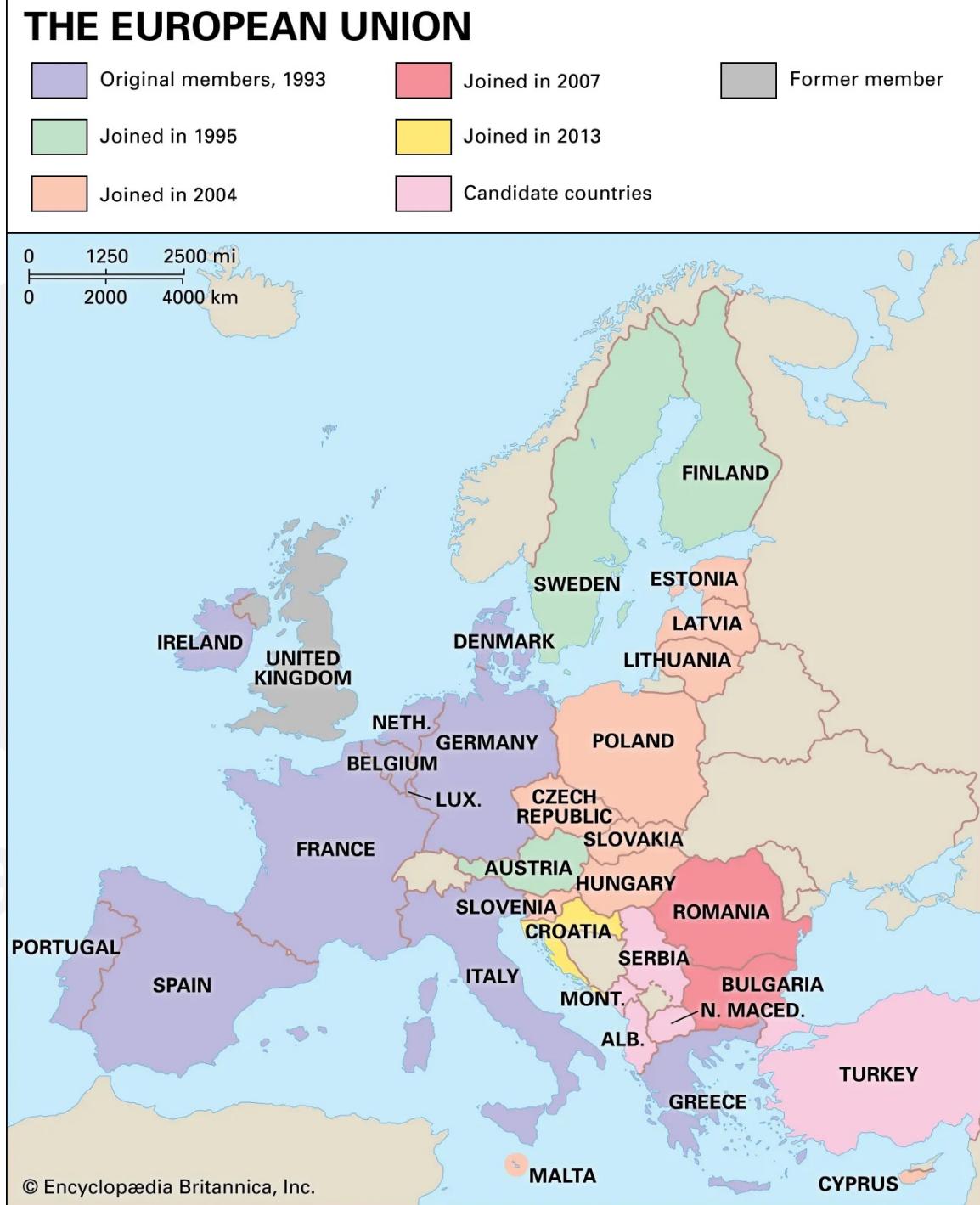
- European Union (EU) Commission has given their final approval to the bloc's Artificial Intelligence (AI) Act, subjecting high-risk AI applications to stricter regulation.
- The EU Commission will have the power to fine companies that breach the AI Act as much 35 million euros (\$38 million) or 7% of their annual global revenues — whichever is higher.

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- The European Council is one of the seven principal institutions of the European Union (EU) and plays a crucial role in defining the general political direction and priorities of the Union.

- The AI Act has adopted a **risk-based approach** - subjecting **higher-risk AI applications** to stricter regulation.
- The **law prohibits applications of AI** that are considered “**unacceptable**” in terms of their **risk level**. Such applications feature so-called “**social scoring**” **systems** that rank citizens based on aggregation and analysis of their data
 - They also include applications of AI in **financial services and education**, where there is a **risk of bias** embedded in AI algorithms.

- The European Union is a political and economic union of **27 member states** that are located primarily in Europe.
- EU Founders: **Germany, France, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg**.



Badminton: Satwik-Chirag Reclaim World No. 1 Spot In BWF Rankings/बैडमिंटन: सात्विक-चिराग ने बीडब्ल्यूएफ रैंकिंग में विश्व में नंबर 1 स्थान हासिल किया



- Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty have regained their top spot in the latest **Badminton World Federation (BWF) Rankings** after a remarkable **victory at the Thailand Open Super 500 in Bangkok** .
- **HS Prannoy** highest-placed Indian in men's singles - world No. 9
- **PV Sindhu** - world No. 15 in women's singles
- India's top women's doubles pair of **Tanisha Crasto and Ashwini Ponnappa** - world No. 19

Sachin Khilari defends gold at World Para Athletics, India surpasses best-ever tally/सचिन खिलाड़ी ने विश्व पैरा एथलेटिक्स में स्वर्ण पदक बरकरार रखा, भारत ने अब तक का सर्वश्रेष्ठ प्रदर्शन किया

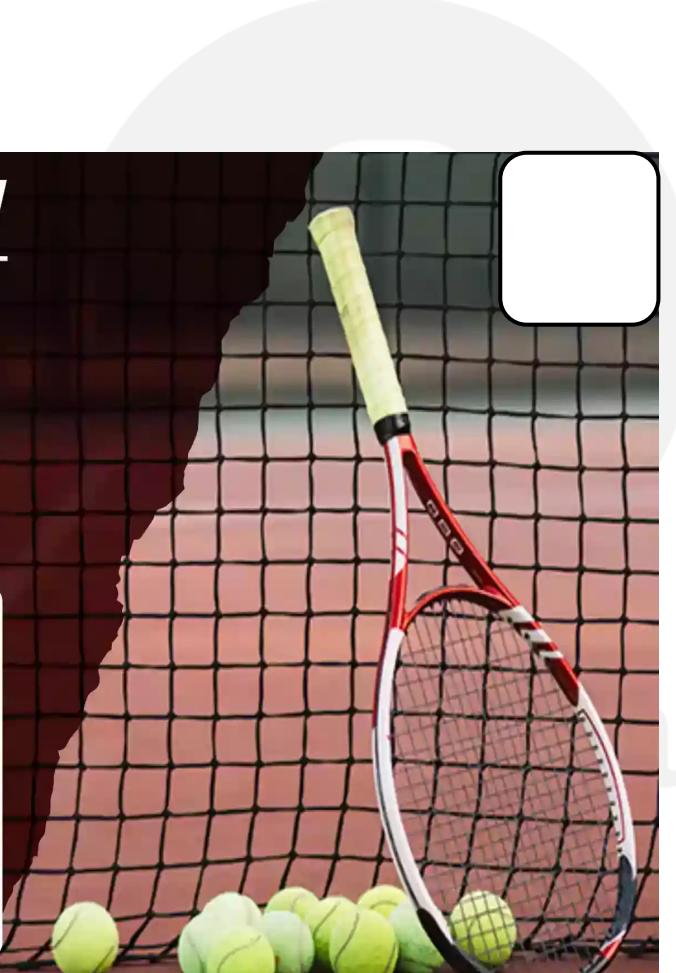


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- India's **Sachin Sarjerao Khilari** defended his gold medal in the men's shot put F46 category with an Asian record at the World Para Athletics Championship, Kobe, Japan
- India, now have 11 medals, 5 of them gold.
- They bettered their previous best tally of 10 (3 gold, 4 silver and 3 bronze) in the 2023 edition in Paris.

Alexander Zverev and Iga Swiatek win Singles Title of Italian open/एलेक्जेंडर ज़ेवेरेव और इगा स्वियाटेक ने इटालियन ओपन का एकल खिताब जीता

**ALEXANDER ZVEREV
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WIN SINGLES TITLE
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REVISION QUESTIONS



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Which former India coach has been named as Cricket Australia's Multicultural Ambassadors?

किस पूर्व भारतीय कोच को क्रिकेट ऑस्ट्रेलिया का बहुसांस्कृतिक राजदूत नामित किया गया है?

- a) Anil Kumble
- b) Sunil Gavaskar
- c) Ravi Shastri
- d) Kapil Dev

Ans: c

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Consider the following statements

1. Jenny Erpenbeck won the International Booker Prize 2024 for fiction for “Kairos”
2. Michael Hofmann is the first male translator to win since the prize launched in its current form in 2016.

Which of the above given statement/s is/are correct?

- a. Only 1
- b. Only 2
- c. Both 1 and 2
- d. Neither 1 nor 2

Ans: c

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Who won at the Thailand Open Super 500 in Bangkok?

बैंकॉक में थाईलैंड ओपन सुपर 500 में किसने जीता?

- a) Prannoy Kumar and Kidambi Srikanth
- b) Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty
- c) Saina Nehwal and P.V. Sindhu
- d) Parupalli Kashyap and B. Sai Praneeth

Ans: b

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Consider the following statements regarding Travel & Tourism Development Index 2024

1. India has secured the 39th position.
2. It is an annual index released by World Economic Forum
3. The United States has attained the top position.

Which of the above given statement/s is/are correct?

- a. Only 1 and 2
- b. Only 2 and 3
- c. Both 1 and 3
- d. All of the above

Ans: c

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Who is the new President of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for the 2024-25 term?

2024-25 कार्यकाल के लिए भारतीय उद्योग परिसंघ (CII) के नए अध्यक्ष कौन हैं?

- A. R Dinesh
- B. Sanjiv Puri
- C. Rajiv Memani
- D. Mukesh Ambani

Answer: B

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Who won the men's singles title at the Italian Open 2024?

इटालियन ओपन 2024 में पुरुष एकल का खिताब किसने जीता?

- A. Rafael Nadal
- B. Novak Djokovic
- C. Alexander Zverev
- D. Roger Federer

Answer: C

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QUESTION OF THE DAY

Consider the following statement regarding Buddha Purnima or Vesak

1. It is celebrated every year on the full moon of Vaishakh Month
2. It marks the anniversary of Buddha's first sermon delivered in Sarnath.

Which of the above given statement/s is/are correct?

- a. Only 1
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