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11<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> Aug 2024

#### QUESTION OF THE DAY



Which state recently launched the 'HaatiApp' to mitigate humanelephant conflict?

हाल ही में किस राज्य ने मानव-हाथी संघर्ष को कम करने के लिए 'हाथीऐप' लॉन्च किया है?

- A) Kerala
- B) Assam
- C) Karnataka
- D) West Bengal

Answer: B

### 12<sup>TH</sup> August – International Youth Day



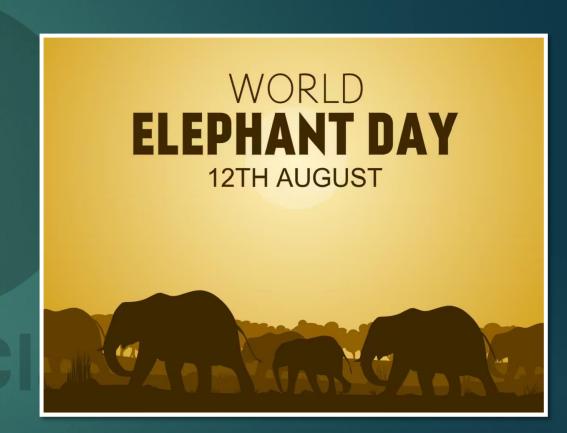
- In 1965, the UN General Assembly approved the declaration of promoting peace, mutual respect, and understanding between people, amongst the youth.
- The United Nations declared 12 August the International Youth Day in 1999, first celebrated on 2000
- Theme 'From Clicks to Progress: Youth Digital Pathways for Sustainable Development.'



### 12<sup>TH</sup> August World Elephant Day

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- On August 12, 2012, the inaugural World Elephant Day was launched to bring attention to the urgent plight of Asian and African elephants.
- Project Elephant was launched in 1992 by the Government of India.
- The Indian elephant (Elephas maximus indicus) is classified as "Endangered" on the IUCN Red List
- As of 2024, the elephant population in India is around 15,000 individuals throughout Asia.



#### Prez Murmu embarks on state visit to Timor-Leste



- Capital: Dili
- Currency: United States dollarb East Timor Centavo (USD).
- Conferred the Grand-Collar of the Order of Timor-Leste, the country's highest civilian award
- (President Jos Ramos-Horta)



### MEA, NSIL sign MoU for grant assistance for the launch of Munal satellite



- The Ministry of External Affairs and ISRO's commercial arm NewSpace India Limited (NSIL) signed an agreement to grant assistance for the launching of the Nepal-built Munal satellite.
- The satellite aims to build a vegetation density database of the earth's surface.
- "This satellite is expected to be launched soon on NSIL's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle,"



### Senior IAS Officer T.V Somanathan Appointed Cabinet Secretary



The central government has appointed senior IAS officer TV Somanathan (1987batch IAS officer, Tamil Nadu Cadre), current Finance Secretary, as the new Cabinet Secretary for a two-year term.

 He will take over India's top bureaucratic position from August 30 when incumbent Rajiv Gauba's extended tenure ends. No. 36/01/2024-EO(SM-I)
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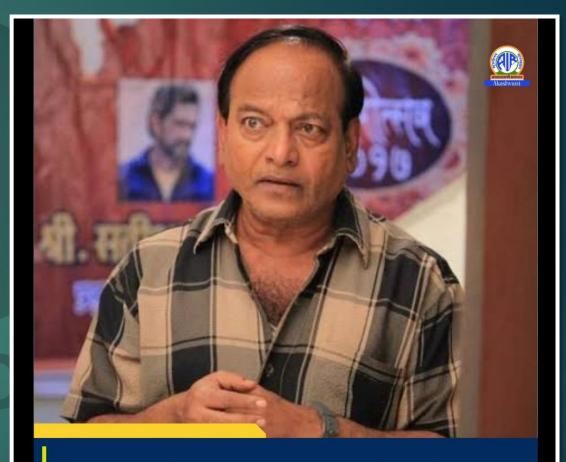


#### Veteran actor Vijay Kadam passes away in Mumbai



 He was 67, In the 1980s and 1990s, Kadam earned acclaim for his stage performances in notable plays such as Turtur, Vichha Mazi Puri Kara, and Pappa Sanga Kunache.

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Maharashtra: Veteran actor Vijay Kadam passes away at his residence in Mumbai

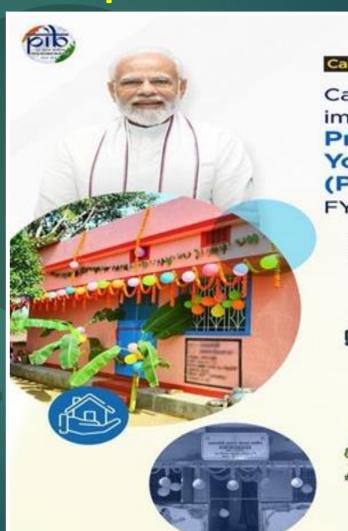
# Union Cabinet approves PMAY-U 2.0 scheme; One crore houses to be built for urban poor & middle-class

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families

 Financial assistance will be provided to one crore urban poor and middle-class families through states and Union Territories to construct, purchase, or rent a house at an affordable cost in urban areas in five years.

The government will provide Rs
 2.30 trillion in assistance under the scheme.



Cabinet Decision: 9th August, 2024

Cabinet approves implementation of the **Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojana – Gramin**(PMAY-G) during
FY 2024-25 to 2028-29



Total outlay of ₹ 3.06.137 crore



2 crore more houses to be constructed during next five years benefiting nearly 10 crore individuals



Updating Awaas+ list for identifying eligible rural households using modified exclusion criteria

### PMAY-U Overview



- Launched in 2015
- Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana Urban (PMAY-U) aims to provide allweather 'pucca' houses to eligible candidates in urban areas.
- PMAY-U 2.0 targets families from economically weaker sections (EWS), low income group (LIG), and middle income group (MIG) who do not own a pucca house anywhere in India.



- EWS Households: Families with an annual income up to Rs 3 lakh.
- LIG Households: Families with an annual income from Rs 3 lakh to Rs 6 lakh.
- MIG Households: Families with an annual income from Rs 6 lakh to Rs 9 lakh.

#### ► Interest Subsidy Scheme

- Beneficiaries taking loans up to Rs 25 lakh for houses valued up to Rs 35 lakh will receive a 4% interest subsidy on the first Rs 8 lakh loan for up to 12 years.
- Eligible beneficiaries can receive a maximum subsidy of Rs 1.80 lakh in 5-yearly instalments.



# Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs gives nod to eight railway projects worth 24,657 crore rupees

- The total estimated cost of the projects is Rs 24,657 crore.
- These projects will save 767 crore kg of CO2, which is equivalent to planting 30 crore trees.
- CCEA (Chairperson) PM
- Aspirational districts and tribal areas will get a major push of development through these projects.



Youth creates World Record for performance of largest-ever Kashmiri folk dance at 'Kashur Riwaaj' cultural festival

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Youth of Jammu and Kashmir's Baramulla district created a world record by registering their names to the Universal Records Forum (URF) for the largest-ever Kashmiri folk dance performed by 10,000 young women at the 'Kashur Riwaaj' cultural festival.



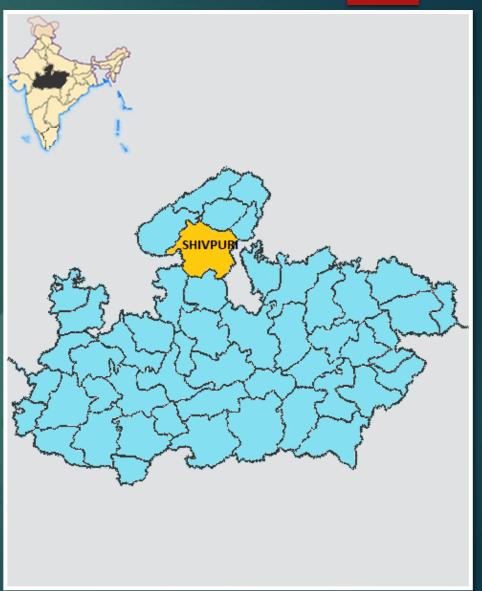


Country's first PM Janaman Colony built-in Shivpuri

**Janpad Panchayat** 

The PM-JANMAN (comprising Central Sector and Centrally Sponsored Schemes) to focus on 11 critical interventions through 9 Ministries including the Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

The scheme aims to provide crucial interventions such as permanent housing, road connectivity, piped water supply, mobile medical units, hostel construction, 'Anganwadi' facilities and skill development centres etc.



### MP govt declares reward of Rs 1 Cr for Olympics bronze medal winner Vivek Sagar Prasad



 Vivek Sagar Prasad is a member of the Indian men's hockey team that secured a bronze medal in the Paris Olympics.



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### Paris Olympics 2024 Closing Ceremony to take place tonight at Stade de France



- The name given to the Closing Ceremony is 'Records'.
- For India, two-time Olympic medallists PR Sreejesh (Hockey Goalkeeper) and Manu Bhaker have been chosen as the flagbearers for the Parade of Nations during the ceremony.
- Sreejesh, who is known as the 'Wall of India'.



# Abhinav Bindra receives the Olympic Order Award by International Olympic Committee in Paris



- The Olympic Order is the highest honour bestowed by the IOC, recognizing exceptional contributions to the Olympic Movement.
- Bindra won India's first individual Olympic gold in the Men's 10-meter Air Rifle event at the 2008 Beijing Games.



Aman Sehrawat won the bronze in the men's freestyle 57kg event at the Paris 2024 Olympics wrestling tournament, become India's youngest medal winner at the Summer Games

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This is Sehrawat's first Olympics games.

 India now have five bronze medals and a silver,



### K. Natwar Singh, former External Affairs Minister, passes away



- India's former external affairs minister K
   Natwar Singh passed away at the age of 93
- He was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 1984.
- Singh, who was the foreign minister in UPA-I and also served as India's Ambassador to Pakistan besides holding other senior diplomatic positions.
- 'The Legacy of Nehru: A Memorial Tribute' and 'My China Diary 1956-88'. His autobiography is titled 'One Life is Not Enough '



#### India's First Grain ATM Launched in Odisha



- WFP (World Food Programme) and the Government of Odisha launched India's first around the clock grain dispensing machine, the 'Grain ATM,' also known as 'Annapurti', in the state capital Bhubaneshwar.
- Odisha has become the first state in India to provide access to the public distribution system beneficiaries 24 hours a day.
- Annapurti is energy efficient and consumes only 0.6 Watts per hour and can be connected to solar panels for automatic refilling.







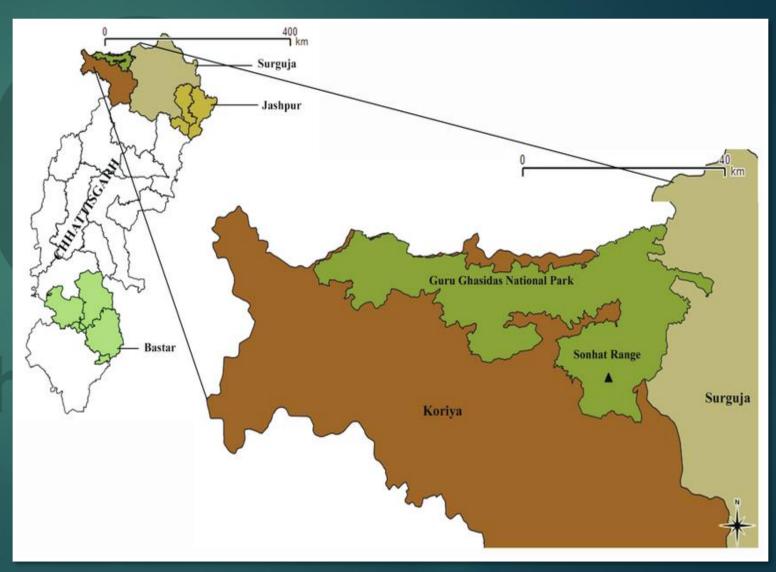
- Guru Ghasidas National Park was the last known habitat of the Asiatic cheetah in the country.
- Originally part of the Sanjay Dubri National Park, Guru Ghasidas Park was created as a separate entity in Chhattisgarh's Sarguja region after the formation of the state in 2001.
- Turning Guru Ghasidas into a Tiger Reserve is important because it connects Jharkhand and Madhya Pradesh and provides a corridor for tigers to move between the Bandhavgarh and Palamau Tiger Reserves.

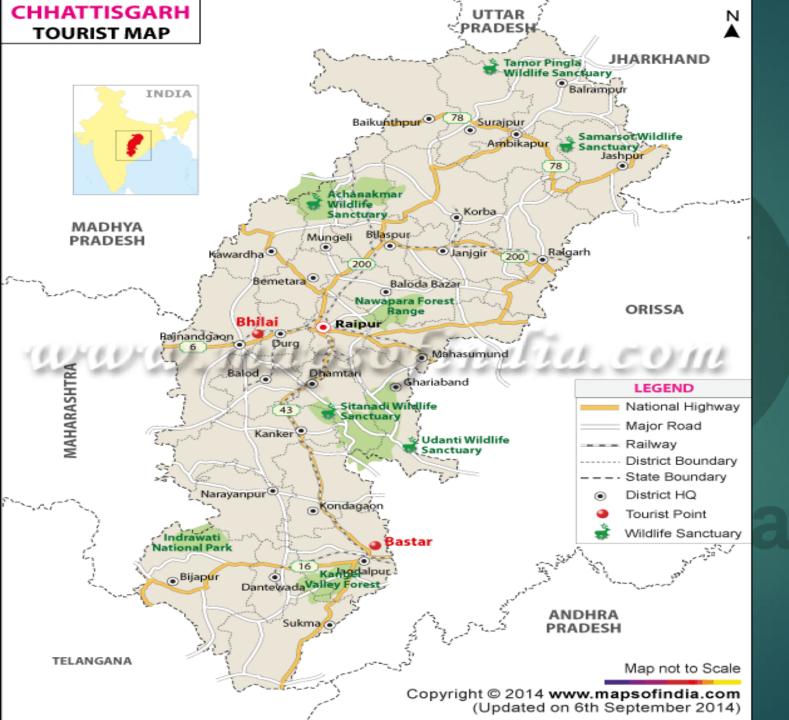
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### **Chhattisgarh Approves Country's Third Largest Tiger Reserve**



- The Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve, which integrates an existing national park with a wildlife sanctuary, is Chhattisgarh's fourth reserve for the big cats.
- It spans 2,829 square kilometres across four northern districts of the state.
- Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur, Koriya, Surajpur and Balrampur.







- •Guru Ghasidas National Park was made a tiger reserve in 2021, but it could not be notified due to opposition.
- Andhra Pradesh's Nagarjunasagar Srisailam Tiger Reserve is the country's largest tiger reserve, covering 3,296.31 sq km.
- Manas Tiger Reserve in Assam is the second largest with an area of 2,837.1 sq km. Both have 58 tigers.

#### **IIT Indore Develops E-Shoes for Live Location Tracking**



- The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Indore has delivered 10 pairs of Tribo-Electric Nanogenerator (TENG)-based shoe sole energy harvesting units to the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO),
- Which will help in live location tracking of jawans and can help improve the performance of athletes as well.
- The TENG technology can be used to track the location of senior citizens suffering from Alzheimer's, school children and climbers and can help monitor the attendance and work of workers in factories.



#### Harish Dudani Appointed As Member CERC



- The Power Ministry, announced the appointment of Harish Dudani as Member of Central Electricity Regulatory Commission.
- CERC was initially constituted on 24 July 1998 under the Ministry of Power.
- Regulate the tariff of power generating companies



#### **DBS Appoints Tan Su Shan As First Female CEO**



 Singapore's DBS Group has appointed Tan Su Shan, currently its institutional banking group head, as CEO, replacing Piyush Gupta, who has led Southeast Asia's biggest bank for 14 years.

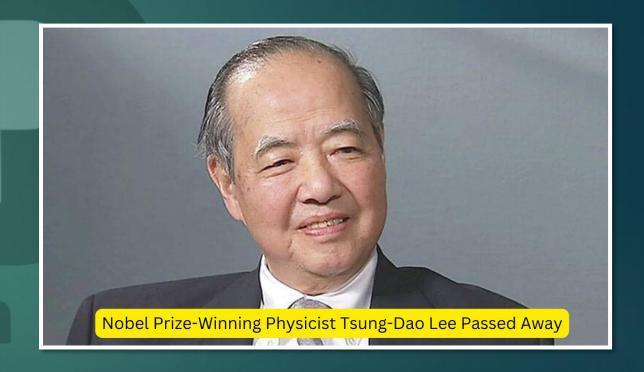
 She will be the bank's first female chief executive and also the first to be appointed from within the ranks of the bank.



### Nobel Prize-Winning Physicist Tsung-Dao Lee Passed Away



- Chinese-American physicist Tsung-Dao Lee, who in 1957 became the second-youngest scientist to receive a Nobel Prize, died at age 97
- Robert Oppenheimer, known as the father of the atomic bomb, once praised Prof. Lee as one of the most brilliant theoretical physicists of the time









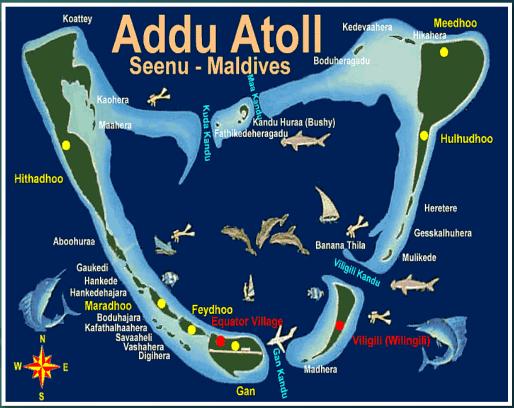
- April 1988 as an executive body and was given statutory powers on 30 January 1992.
- Chairperson Madhabi Puri Buch

### EAM Dr. Jaishankar inaugurates Addu Reclamation and Shore Protection Projects in Maldives



- This ambitious program of 80 million US dollar involves reclamation for tourism development purposes.
- This will translate in overall growth for the region, bringing in better opportunities for employment, entrepreneurship and trade.





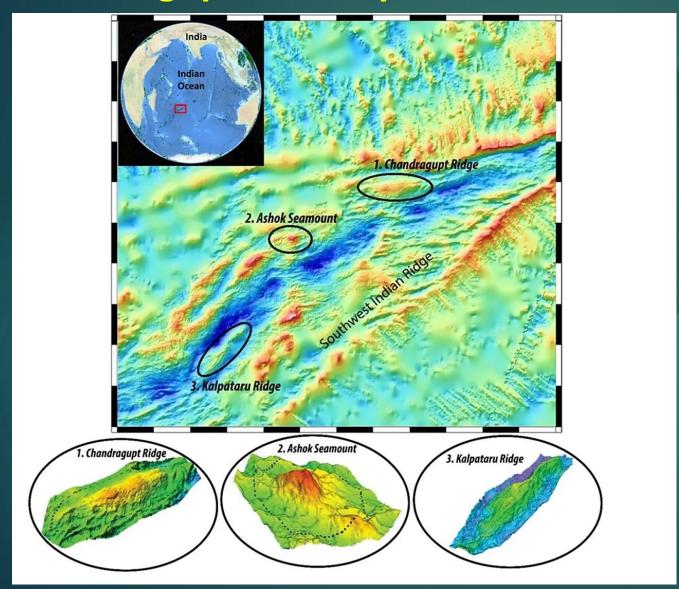
# Refaat Ahmed sworn in as Bangladesh's new chief justice





# Three Indian Ocean structures named Ashoka, Chandragupt and Kalpataru





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Structure Name	Туре	Discovered By	Year of Discovery	Area Covered	Named After
Ashoka Seamount	Seamount	Russian Sea vessel Akademik Nikolay Strakhov	2012	180 sq km	Emperor Ashoka (Mauryan dynasty)
Chandragupt Ridge	Ridge	Indian research vessel MGS Sagar	2020	675 sq km	Emperor Chandragupta (Mauryan dynasty)
Kalpataru Ridge	Ridge	Russian Sea vessel Akademik Nikolay Strakhov	2012	430 sq km	Kalpataru (wish-fulfilling tree in Indian mythology)
Raman Ridge	Ridge	US oil vessel	1951	Not specified	Physicist and Nobel Laureate Sir CV Raman
Panikkar Seamount	Seamount	Indian research vessel Sagar Kanya	1992	Not specified	Oceanographer NK Panikkar
Sagar Kanya Seamount	Seamount	Indian research vessel Sagar Kanya	1986	Not specified	Named after research vessel Sagar Kanya
Wadia Guyot	Guyot (Volcanic)	Indian research vessel Sagar Kanya	1992	Not specified	Geologist DN Wadia





Which organization registered the world record for the largest-ever Kashmiri folk dance performed by 10,000 young women at the 'Kashur Riwaaj' cultural festival?

किस संगठन ने 'कशूर रिवाज' सांस्कृतिक महोत्सव में 10,000 युवा महिलाओं द्वारा प्रस्तुत सबसे बड़े कश्मीरी लोक नृत्य का विश्व रिकॉर्ड दर्ज किया?

- A) Guinness World Records
- B) World Records Association
- C) International Record Registry
- D) Universal Records Forum (URF)

**Answer:** D



### In which state is the Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve located?

ग्र घासीदास-तमोर पिंगला टाइगर रिजर्व किस राज्य में स्थित है?

- A) Chhattisgarh
- B) Uttar Pradesh
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Odisha

**Answer:** A



#### Where was the 'Grain ATM' (Annapurti) launched?

'अनाज एटीएम' (अन्नपूर्ति) कहां लॉन्च किया गया?

- A) Mumbai
- B) Kolkata
- C) Bhubaneshwar
- D) Hyderabad

**Answer:** C

### With reference to the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) 2.0 scheme, consider the following statements.

- 1. The scheme provides financial assistance to middle-class families Only
- 2. The government will provide a maximum subsidy of Rs 1.80 lakh to eligible beneficiaries over five years.
- 3. Under the Interest Subsidy Scheme, beneficiaries can receive a 4 per cent interest subsidy on the first Rs 8 lakh of a loan.

#### Which of the following statement/s is/are correct?

- A) 1 and 3 only
- B) 2 and 3 only
- c) 1, 3, and 4 only
- D) All of the above

**Answer:** B





Where did External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar inaugurate the Addu Reclamation Project and Addu Shore Protection Project?

विदेश मंत्री डॉ. एस. जयशंकर ने अड्डू रिक्लेमेशन प्रोजेक्ट और अड्डू शोर प्रोटेक्शन प्रोजेक्ट का उद्घाटन कहां किया?

- A) Colombo, Sri Lanka
- B) Male, Maldives
- C) Addu, Maldives
- D) Dhaka, Bangladesh

Answer: C



हाल ही में किस संगठन ने कल्पतरु रिज, अशोक सीमाउंट और चंद्रगुप्त रिज को नाम दिए हैं?

- A) International Maritime Organization (IMO) and UNESCO
- B) International Hydrographic Organization (IHO) and UNESCO's Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC)
- C) International Oceanographic Foundation (IOF) and United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- D) International Commission on Oceanography (ICO) and United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

**Answer:** B



#### QUESTION OF THE DAY



Which honor was conferred upon President Droupadi Murmu by Timor-Leste?

तिमोर-लेस्ते द्वारा राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू को कौन सा सम्मान प्रदान किया गया?

- A) Order of the Rising Sun
- B) Grand-Collar of the Order
- C) Legion of Honor
- D) Order of Saint Michael and Saint George

**Answer:** B