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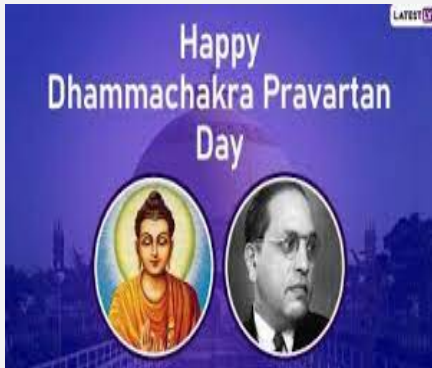


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About Dhamma Chakra Pravartan Diwas



Key Points:

- Dhamma Chakra Pravartan Diwas, also known as Dharmachakra Pravartan Din or the Day of the Turning of the Wheel of Dharma, is a Buddhist festival
- It is celebrated on the full moon day of the Ashadha month in the Hindu calendar.
- The festival commemorates the Buddha's first sermon, which he delivered to five ascetics at the Deer Park in Sarnath, India, after his enlightenment.
- In this sermon, the Buddha taught the Four Noble Truths and the Eightfold Path, which are the foundations of Buddhism.
- The Four Noble Truths are
 - The truth of suffering (dukkha)
 - The truth of the cause of suffering (samudaya)
 - The truth of the end of suffering (nirodha)
 - The truth of the path to the end of suffering (magga).

Did you Know?

- The Eightfold Path is the path of ethical conduct, mental discipline, and wisdom.

Bhide Wada in Pune to be turned into national monument

In News:

- After over 13 years of legal dispute, the first school for girls in the country - the historical Bhide Wada in Budhwar Peth - will be redeveloped as a national monument.

Key Points:

- The school was founded in 1848 by social reformers Jyotirao and Savitribai Phule
- They were running three schools with over 150 students by 1851.
- The school's curriculum was designed to provide girls with a well-rounded education.
- Students learned reading, writing, arithmetic, history, geography, and science.
- They were also taught about social issues such as caste discrimination and widow remarriage.



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<p>Wine-based tourism and international tourist flow can improve Maharashtra's GDP by nearly 20%</p>	<p>In News:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A report by the International Spirits & Wines Association of India (ISWAI) said that Nashik received more than 3.5 lakh visitors every year as wine tourism here has benefitted nearby villages creating new opportunities to improve state GDP by nearly 20%. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ISWAI is the apex body of the premium AlcoBev sector• An astounding 1.8 lakh foreign tourists visit the state, with domestic tourists exceeding 4.3 crore, report added.• In the economic value of the Indian alcoholic beverage industry Maharashtra has been ranked the fifth state after Tamil Nadu, UP, Telangana and K'taka with Nashik emerging as the 'Wine Capital of India'.• Maharashtra has the largest installed capacity in the country for the production of Alcoholic spirits from molasses and grain.• Maharashtra has the added advantage of having around 90% of liquor manufacturers in the country establishing their manufacturing units within the state itself.
<p>SC grants Maharashtra Speaker final opportunity to set fresh time schedule for disqualification hearings</p>	<p>In News:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Supreme Court of India has given Maharashtra Assembly Speaker Rahul Narwekar a final chance to provide a realistic timeline for deciding the cross-petitions filed by rival factions of the Shiv Sena, seeking the disqualification of each other's MLAs following a party split. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The court emphasized the need for a speedy resolution of the disqualification petitions.• A bench headed by Chief Justice DY Chandrachud noted the submission of Solicitor General Tushar Mehta that he will personally engage with the speaker during Dussehra vacation and indicate a firm set of modalities.

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