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<p>National Maritime Day</p>  <p>5th April, National Maritime Day</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● National Maritime Day is celebrated in India every year on April 5th.● It marks the maiden voyage of the SS Loyalty in 1919, a pivotal moment symbolizing India's journey as an independent maritime nation. <p>Key Points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Recognizes the vital role of the maritime sector in India's history, economy, and development.● Honors the contributions of seafarers and those working in the maritime industry.● Raises awareness about the importance of maritime trade and the challenges faced by the industry. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● SS Loyalty is the first Indian merchant ship to set sail under the Indian flag in 1919.● This historic voyage, departing from Mumbai for London, marked a significant step towards India's independence as a maritime nation.● The Scindia Steam Navigation Company Ltd., owned by the visionary industrialist Seth Walchand Hirachand Doshi, played a key role in this achievement. <p>Theme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● The Theme for 2024 National Maritime Day is "Navigating the future: safety first!"
<p>Mum's AQI at 90, BMC credits 'deep cleaning'</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mumbai's air quality has shown signs of improvement, with the Air Quality Index (AQI) reaching 90.● This is an improvement from previous readings and is being attributed to deep cleaning efforts undertaken by the Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation (BMC).● While 90 still falls under the 'moderate' category on the AQI scale, it indicates a positive trend.● The BMC's deep cleaning initiatives including measures like dust suppression and road cleaning, are likely contributing to this improvement. <p>Note: Read about AQI Index</p>



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<p>JN.1 variant has clinical features similar to previous Covid-19 variants: Study</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A first-of-its-kind study conducted by experts from B J Medical College (BJMC) and ICMR National Institute of Virology (NIV) has found that JN.1, the dominant Covid-19 variant in India, has clinical features similar to previous circulating variants in Maharashtra without increased severity.• The study titled 'Appearance and prevalence of JN.1 SARS-CoV-2 variant in India and its clinical profile in the state of Maharashtra' was published in the medical journal 'Cureus of Springer Nature Group' on March 22. <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• JN.1 is thus likely to cause similar symptoms, including fever, cough, fatigue, and trouble breathing.• It doesn't appear to cause more severe illness than previous strains.
<p>Nagpur ATC may head air traffic mgmt across India</p>	<p>Context:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nagpur City may be chosen as the country's centre for a unified air traffic management set-up.• A proposal on these lines is being studied by the Airports Authority of India (AAI) <p>About:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nagpur airport is managed by Mihan India Limited (MIL), which is a joint venture between state government's Maharashtra Airport Development Company (MADC) and AAI. <p>Nagpur Air Traffic Control (ATC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nagpur ATC manages air traffic in its airspace, which likely covers central India. <p>Indian Airspace Management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Airports Authority of India (AAI) is responsible for managing the Indian airspace.• The AAI could potentially establish a centralized air traffic management system based in Nagpur, but this is speculative.



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Cancer study by researchers from SUK gets two patents

Context:

- A crucial research to destroy cancer cells using nano composite-based materials by Prof Dr Sagar Delekar(director of Innovation, Incubation and Linkages of Shivaji University, Kolhapur) and three other researchers has received two patents from the govt of Germany.

About:

- The vivo viability evaluation (kidney, gills muscle tissue, brain and liver) of superparamagnetic iron oxide and chitosan-coated iron oxide nanoparticles was done on Kaveri Garra fish from Satara, and this nanocomposite was found to be non-hazardous and biocompatible.

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