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## The Most Important Current Affairs October 2022

### Nobel prize 2022: Check the list of all winners

**Nobel Prize Winners 2022:** The Nobel Prizes are five separate prizes according to Alfred Nobel's will of 1895, which are awarded to "those who, during the preceding year, have conferred the greatest benefit to humankind." **Nobel Prizes are awarded in the fields of Physics, Chemistry, Physiology or Medicine, Literature, Economic Sciences and Peace.** Nobel Prizes are widely regarded as the most prestigious awards available in their respective fields. The prize ceremonies take place annually. Each recipient (known as a "laureate") receives a gold medal, a diploma, and a monetary award.

Nobel Prize Winners List 2022		
Category	Winners Name	Awarded For
Economic Sciences	Ben Bernanke, Douglas Diamond and Philip Dybvig	for research on Banks and Financial crises
Peace	Ales Bialiatiski, organization Memorial and organization Center for Civil Liberties	They have for many years promoted the right to criticize power and protect the fundamental rights of citizens. They have made an outstanding effort to document war crimes, human rights abuses and the abuse of power.
Literature	Annie Ernaux	"for the courage and clinical acuity with which she uncovers the roots, estrangements and collective restraints of personal memory".
Physiology and Medicine	Professor Svante Pääbo	Swedish Geneticist, discovered the genetic identity of two of humankind's earliest ancestors, opening a new window on human evolution in the process.
Physics	Alain Aspect, John Clauser and Anton Zeilinger	They conducted experiments in quantum mechanics that laid the groundwork for rapidly-developing new applications in computing and cryptography.
Chemistry	Carolyn Bertozzi, Morten Meldal and Barry Sharpless	They are praised for the development of click chemistry and bio-orthogonal chemistry.

### Valley of Words Book Awards: 'Tagore & Gandhi' wins in English non-fiction

**Anees Salim's The Odd Book of Baby Names** (English fiction) and **Rudrangshu Mukherjee's Tagore & Gandhi: Walking Alone, Walking Together** (English non-fiction) were among the eight that were adjudged the best books of the year at the 'Valley of Words Book Awards. The PFC-VoW Book Awards, currently in its sixth edition, is considered one of the most comprehensive independent literary award programmes in India.

#### The total listing of the PFC-VoW E-book Award winners for 2022:

- **English fiction:** The Odd E-book of Child Names by Anees Salim (Penguin Random Home)
- **English non-fiction:** Tagore & Gandhi: Strolling Alone, Strolling Collectively by Rudrangshu Mukherjee (Aleph E-book Firm)
- **Hindi fiction:** Khela by Neelakshi Singh (Setu Publications)
- **Hindi non-fiction:** Jeete Ji Allahabad by Mamta Kalia (Rajkamal Prakashan)
- **Writings for younger adults:** Savi and the Reminiscence Keeper by Bijal Vachharajani (Hachette)
- **Writings/image books for kids:** Aai and I by Mamta Nainy (Pickle Yolk Books)
- **Translation to Hindi:** Yaadon Ke Bikhre Moti: Batware ki Kahaniyan by Aanchal Malhotra, translated by Brig Kamal Nayan Pandit (HarperCollins)
- **Translation to English:** Amader Shantiniketan by Shivani, translated by Ira Pande (Penguin Random Home)

### Harmanpreet Kaur and Mohammed Rizwan seal ICC Player of the Month crowns for September

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has announced the winners of the **ICC Player of the Month awards for September 2022**. India's inspirational captain **Harmanpreet Kaur** is named the recipient of the ICC Women's Player of the Month award, While Pakistan ace **Mohammad Rizwan** claims the ICC Men's Player of the Month award.

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**ICC Player of the month award for September: Harmanpreet Kaur**

- **Harmanpreet Kaur** becomes India’s first winner of the ICC Women’s Player of the Month. The India skipper was at her brilliant best during the ODI series, scoring 221 runs across the three matches, maintaining a strike rate of 103.47 and only being dismissed once.
- She displayed control and poise in the first match of the series at Hove, and her 74 not out helped her side chase down England’s total of 228 at a canter to win by seven wickets.
- Kaur claims her inaugural win by overcoming compatriot Smriti Mandhana and Bangladesh skipper Nigar Sultana in the global vote conducted among media representatives, ICC Hall of Famers, former international players, and fans registered.

**ICC Player of the month award for September: Mohammad Rizwan**

- **Mohammad Rizwan** secures his first-ever ICC Men’s Player of the Month crown after a remarkable spell of scoring throughout September and sees him overcome fellow nominees Cameron Green (Australia) and Axar Patel (India) to the prize.
- The Pakistan star amassed a mammoth 553 runs from ten T20Is, covering performances in the Men’s Asia Cup and the subsequent home T20I series against a touring England side.
- With an eye-catching batting average of 69.12 during the month, the talismanic opener also registered seven half-centuries to illustrate why he sits atop the MRF Tyres ICC Men’s T20I batter rankings.

**36th National Games 2022 Concludes: Check the winners list**

The **36th National Games** is coming to an end after a glorious display of sporting performance and sportsmanship spirit. In its 36th edition, **Gujarat** hosted the National Games for the first time in 2022. The National Games 2022 was held across six cities, **Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot and Bhavnagar, in Gujarat**. Almost 7,000 athletes from 28 Indian States, eight Union Territories and Services, the sports team of the Indian Armed Forces, competed for medals in 36 different sports.

**Notably:** The Indian Olympic Association has confirmed that Goa will host the 37th edition of the National Games in October next year. The state government of Goa also conveyed its in-principle approval to IOA to host the National Games in 2023. At the closing ceremony, the Goa delegation may receive the IOA flag.

**36th National Games: Key points**

- **Raja Bhalindra Singh Trophy** to the hybrid contingent of **Services** for the fourth time in succession.
- **Maharashtra** bagged the Indian Olympic Association’s **Best State trophy** for finishing second in the medals tally with the most medals amongst States and UTs.

- Honourable Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Bhupendrabhai Patel presented the Best Male Athlete to **Sajan Prakash** (5 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze)
- Karnataka’s **Hashika Ramchandra**, barely 14 years old, appropriated the Best Female Athlete crown with 6 gold and 1 bronze.
- Gujarat’s 10-year-old **Shauryajit Khaire** (Mallakhamb), who was a reluctant starter after losing his father just a few days back, emerged as the ‘viral star’ of the Games, becoming its youngest medal winner.

**Here’s the full National Games 2022 medals table:**

Rank	State/Union Territory/Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Services	61	35	32	128
2	Maharashtra	39	38	63	140
3	Haryana	38	38	40	116
4	Karnataka	27	23	38	88
5	Tamil Nadu	25	22	27	74
6	Kerala	23	18	13	54
7	Madhya Pradesh	20	25	21	66
8	Uttar Pradesh	20	18	18	56
9	Manipur	20	10	20	50
10	Punjab	19	32	25	76
11	Delhi	14	17	40	71
12	Gujarat	13	15	21	49
13	West Bengal	13	14	17	44
14	Assam	9	10	9	28
15	Telangana	8	7	8	23
16	Arunachal Pradesh	6	1	0	7
17	Odisha	4	11	11	26
18	Jharkhand	3	5	5	13
19	Chandigarh	3	4	4	11
20	Rajasthan	3	3	24	30
21	Andhra Pradesh	2	9	5	16
22	Chhattisgarh	2	5	6	13
23	Andaman Nicobar	2	5	5	12
24	Himachal Pradesh	2	4	3	9
25	Tripura	2	0	1	3
26	Uttarakhand	1	8	9	18
27	Jammu Kashmir	1	2	9	12
28	Mizoram	1	1	2	4
28	Pondicherry	1	1	2	4
30	Goa	0	0	5	5
31	Bihar	0	0	2	2
32	Sikkim	0	0	1	1

**Sports include in National Games 2022:**

The complete list of sports which were competed at the National Games 2022 in Gujarat are: aquatics, archery, athletics, badminton, basketball, boxing, canoeing & kayaking, cycling, fencing, football, gymnastics, golf, handball, hockey, judo, kabaddi, kho-kho, lawn bowls, mallakhamb, netball, roller skating, rowing, rugby 7s, shooting, softball, soft tennis, squash, table tennis, taekwondo, tennis, triathlon, volleyball, weightlifting, wrestling, wushu and yogasana.

**Global Hunger Index 2022**

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**India ranks 107 out of 121 countries** on the **Global Hunger Index** in which it fares worse than all countries in South Asia barring war-torn Afghanistan. India's score of **29.1 places** it in the 'serious' category. India also ranks below **Sri Lanka (64), Nepal (81), Bangladesh (84), and Pakistan (99). Afghanistan (109)** is the only country in South Asia that performs worse than India on the index.

**China** is among the countries collectively ranked between 1 and 17 having a score of less than five. India's child wasting rate (low weight for height), at 19.3%, is worse than the levels recorded in 2014 (15.1%) and even 2000 (17.15%), and is the highest for any country in the world and drives up the region's average owing to India's large population.

**INDIA'S Progress since 2000**

- India's GHI score has decreased from a 2000 GHI score of 38.8 points, considered alarming, to a 2022 GHI score of 29.1, considered serious.
- India's proportion of undernourished in the population is considered to be at a medium level, and its under-five child mortality rate is considered low.
- While child stunting has seen a significant decrease from 54.2 per cent in 1998-1999 to 35.5 per cent in 2019-2021 it is still considered very high.
- At 19.3 per cent—according to the latest data—India has the highest child-wasting rate of all countries covered in the GHI. This rate is higher than it was in 1998-1999, when it was 17.1 per cent.

**Top countries in Global Hunger Index 2022:**

Rank in 2022	Country	Score
1-17	Belarus	<5
1-17	Bosnia & Herzegovina	<5
1-17	Chile	<5
1-17	China	<5
1-17	Croatia	<5
1-17	Estonia	<5
1-17	Hungary	<5
1-17	Kuwait	<5
1-17	Latvia	<5
1-17	Lithuania	<5

**About the Global Hunger Index (GHI):**

The Global Hunger Index is a peer-reviewed annual report, jointly published by **Concern Worldwide and Welthungerhilfe**, designed to comprehensively measure and track hunger at the global, regional, and country levels. The aim of the GHI is to trigger action to reduce hunger around the world.

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**Times Higher Education Rankings 2023: IISc tops among Indian Universities**

**Times Higher Education Rankings 2023** has been announced. This year, the **Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore** has secured the top place among Indian universities. Five Indian universities made it into the world's top 500 varsities. IISc has been placed under the 251-300 bracket. The complete list of the top 10 Indian Universities is enlisted below.

In total, 22 Indian universities made it below rank 800 - three of which were debutant entries. DTU, Graphic Era University, IIT Indore, IIIT, Delhi, Jamia Hamdard University, JNU, Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education, and KIIT University also have been put under the 601-800 bracket.

**Check the top 10 Indian universities:**

Bracket	Name of the Institute
251-300	IISc
351-400	JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research
351-400	Shoolini University of Biotechnology and Management Sciences
401-500	Alagappa University
401-500	Mahatma Gandhi University
501-600	IIT Ropar
501-600	International Institute of Information Technology Hyderabad
501-600	Jamia Millia Islamia
501-600	Saveetha Institute of Medical and Technical Sciences
601-800	Banaras Hindu University (BHU)

**Times Higher Education Rankings 2023: Globally**

Globally, the **University of Oxford** continued to retain the top spot for the seventh consecutive year, while the University of Cambridge jumped to joint third from joint fifth last year. The US is the most-represented country overall with 177 institutions in the overall ranking list.

A record number of 1,799 universities from 104 countries and regions are ranked, 137 more than last year. The number of US universities represented in the top 100 continues to fall, from a peak of 43 in 2018 to 34 this year.

**Telangana's Hyderabad honoured with AIPH 'World Green City award 2022'**

The city of **Hyderabad, Telangana**, has been honoured as the Grand winner of the **AIPH (International Association of Horticultural Producers) World Green City Awards 2022**, the most prestigious award of the Inaugural AIPH World Green City awards (2022 edition), for its initiative titled "Green Garland to the State of Telangana". Hyderabad also won the award under the 'Living Green for Economic Recovery and Inclusive Growth' category.

**Why the award was given to Hyderabad?**

- Hyderabad has been awarded for its initiatives relying on greater use of plants and nature to create better city environments and helps fulfil local aspirations for improved economic, social and environmental resilience.
- The award acknowledged Telangana's programme of 'Telangana Ku Haritha Haram's largescale treeplanting program taken up from 2015-2016.
- The program aims to increase the tree cover of the state from 24% to 33% of total area of the state.

**About the AIPH World Green City awards 2022 :**

AIPH World Green City awards (2022 edition) are the world's first Green City awards. AIPH announced the 6 Category Winners and the Grand Winner during the award ceremony that took place at the gala dinner at the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Leaders Forum in Jeju Province of the Republic of Korea(South Korea) on 14th October 2022.

**Other Awards: 6 Category-wise winners**

Category	Winners
Living Green for Economic Recovery and Inclusive Growth	Green Garland to the State of Telangana, City of Hyderabad, India
Living Green for Biodiversity	Reverdecer Bogotá, Bogota D.C, Colombia
Living Green for Climate Change	Mexico City's Environmental and Climate Change Program, Mexico City, Mexico
Living Green for Health and Wellbeing	Transforming degraded land into Urban Micro Parks, City of Fortaleza, Brazil
Living Green for Water	The Phytotechnology Stations at the Montréal Botanical Garden / Space for Life, City of Montreal, Canada
Living Green for Social Cohesion	OASIS Schoolyard Project, City of Paris, France

**Sri Lankan author Shehan Karunatilaka won Britain's Booker Prize 2022**

Sri Lankan author, **Shehan Karunatilaka** has won **Britain's Booker Prize 2022 for fiction** for his work "**The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida**", about a journalist murdered amid the country's sectarian strife. The judges praised the "ambition of its scope, and the hilarious audacity of its narrative techniques". Karunatilaka's second novel, *The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida* comes more than a decade after his debut, *Chinaman*, which was published in 2011.

**Neil MacGregor**, chair of the judges for this year's prize, said the novel was chosen because "it's a book that takes the reader on a rollercoaster journey through life and death right to what the author describes as the dark heart of the world".

**Notably:** Karunatilaka, 47, is the second Sri Lankan to win the award, following **Michael Ondaatje's** victory in 1992 for "The English Patient". Aside from the **£50,000 (\$56,000) prize**, winning the Booker can provide a career-changing boost in sales and public profile.

**Shortlist of Booker Prize contenders:**

This year's shortlist of Booker Prize contenders included British author Alan Garner's "Treacle Walker", Zimbabwean author NoViolet Bulawayo's "Glory", "Small Things Like These" by Irish writer Claire Keegan, U.S. author Percival Everett's "The Trees" and "Oh William!" by U.S. author Elizabeth Strout.

**American historian Barbara Metcalf conferred Sir Syed Excellence Award for 2022**

Noted American historian Prof. **Barbara Metcalf** was awarded the **Sir Syed Excellence Award 2022** by the **Aligarh Muslim University (AMU)** on the 205 th birth anniversary of its founder **Sir Syed Ahmad Khan**. Prof. Metcalf has written extensively on the history of the Muslim population of India and Pakistan. "Muslims constituted a full quarter of the population at the time of Independence and an important share of the Indian citizenry in the Republic of India thereafter. Yet their histories are understudied and are essential to telling India's history well.

**About the Prof. Barbara Metcalf:**

The Professor Emerita of History at the University of California, Davis, USA, remarked, "Sir Syed's modernist interventions preceded those of the Egypt-based modernists who too often are taken as founders of these trends of thought."

Prof. Metcalf, who has studied the role of ulama or Islamic scholars, underlined that Aligarh and Deoband schools had a great deal in common, something that is not appreciated. "My starting premise of when I worked on my dissertation 'A Study of the Founding and Early Years of the Madrasa at Deoband' was the fact that Aligarh and Deoband had a great deal in common - their leaders emerging from the same reformist intellectual milieu in Delhi, their sharing a concern for Muslim well-being, their embrace of institutional models for schooling taken from British patterns."

**Who was Sir Syed Ahmad Khan?**

Sir Syed Ahmad Khan (17 October 1817 – 27 March 1898; also Sayyid Ahmad Khan) was a South Asian Muslim reformer, philosopher, and educationist in nineteenth-century British India. Initially espousing Hindu-Muslim unity, he became the pioneer of Muslim nationalism in India. Born into a family with strong debts to the Mughal court, Ahmad studied the Quran and Sciences within the court. He was awarded an honorary LLD from the University of Edinburgh in 1889.

**Alexia Putellas, Karim Benzema win 2022 Ballon d'Or awards**

Real Madrid's **Karim Benzema**, a professional French footballer, has won the **Men's Ballon d'Or (Golden Ball Award) 2022** and becomes the 5th Frenchman to win the prize. Barcelona's **Alexia Putellas**, a Spanish professional footballer, has won the **Women's Ballon d'Or award or Ballon d'Or Féminin Award** for the 2nd time. The 66th edition of the Ballon d'Or Ceremony (2022) was held on 17th October 2022 at the Théâtre du Châtelet. Paris, France. Karim Benzema becomes only the 2nd player aside from Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo to win the award since 2008.

**Notably:** The most number of Ballon d'Or was received by Lionel Messi. He tops the list with 7 awards followed by Cristiano Ronaldo with 5 awards.

**The Ballon d'Or: Awards and Winners:**

Award	Winner
Ballon d'Or (Men)	Real Madrid's Karim Benzema
Ballon d'Or (Women)	Alexia Putellas(Barcelona)
Kopa Award	Gavi (Barcelona)
Gerd Muller Award	Robert Lewandowski (Barcelona)
Yashin Trophy	Thibaut Courtois (Real Madrid)
Club of the Year Award	Manchester City
Socrates Award	Sadio Mane (Liverpool)

**About the Ballon d'Or:**

The Ballon d'Or is annually presented by the French magazine 'France Football', since 1956. The inaugural Ballon d'Or was presented to Stanley Matthews of Blackpool in 1956. This is one of the oldest and most prestigious individual awards for a football play. The Women's Ballon d'Or was introduced in 2018.

**HCL's Shiv Nadar named country's most generous philanthropist**

HCL founder **Shiv Nadar** topped as the most generous person in the country with an annual donation of Rs 1,161 crore, the **EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2022** revealed. Nadar, 77, has reclaimed the 'India's most generous' title with a donation of Rs 3 crore per day, according to the report.

**Wipro's Azim Premji**, 77, slipped to the second position with an annual donation of Rs 484 crore after ruling at the top position for the last two consecutive years, it said. India's richest man Gautam Adani, 60, ranked seventh in Edelgive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2022, with a donation of Rs 190 crore.

**Top 10 in the EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2022 is shown below:**

Rank	Name	Donation (Rs cr)	Primary cause	Company
1(+1)	Shiv Nadar & family	1,161	Education	HCL Technologies
2(-1)	Azim Premji & family	484	Education	Wipro
3(-)	Mukesh Ambani & family	411	Education	Reliance Industries
4(-)	Kumar Mangalam Birla & family	242	Healthcare	Aditya Birla
5*	Susmita and Subroto Bagchi	213	Healthcare	Mindtree
5*	Radha and NS Parthasarathy	213	Healthcare	Mindtree
7(+1)	Gautam Adani & family	190	Disaster Relief	Adani
8(+1)	Anil Agarwal & family	165	Disaster Relief	Vedanta
9(-4)	Nandan Nilekani	159	Societal Thinking	Infosys
10(+1)	AM Naik	142	Healthcare	Larsen & Toubro

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Top 10 New entrants in EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2022:

Rank	Name	Donation (Rs cr)	Age	Primary Cause	Company
1	Susmita and Subroto Bagchi	213	65	Healthcare	Mindtree
1	Radha and NS Parthasarathy	213	61	Healthcare	Mindtree
3	Ajit Isaac	115	55	Healthcare	Quess Corp
4	Rakesh Gangwal	100	69	Education	InterGlobe Aviation
5	Girdhari Lal Bawri, Rajendra Agarwal and Banwari Lal Bawri	41	-	Education	Macleods Pharmaceuticals
6	Naveen Jindal & family	38	52	Education	Jindal Steel & Power
7	Ashok Soota	26	79	Disaster Relief	Happiest Minds Technologies
8	Govind Dholakia	15	75	Disaster Relief	Shree Ramkrishna Exports
9	Madhukar Parekh, Ajay Parekh & Kalpana Parekh	10	-	Disaster Relief	Pidilite Industries
10	Anil Rai Gupta & family	9	53	Disaster Relief	Havells India

**Important points in the report**

- The report further revealed that in India a total of 15 individuals made an annual donation of over Rs 100 crore, 20 donated over Rs 50 crore and 43 over Rs 20 crore.
- Based on the place of residence, Mumbai led with 33 per cent of the list of most generous people in the country, followed by New Delhi accounting for 16 per cent, and Bengaluru at 13 per cent.
- The pharmaceutical industry has the largest number of philanthropists in the list, accounting for 20 per cent, followed by chemicals and petrochemicals at 11 per cent.
- The average age of philanthropists on the list is 69 years, which is two years older than last year's.

**About the Hurun Report:**

The Hurun Report is based on a survey of India's most successful entrepreneurs, including those from the Hurun India Rich List 2022, meticulously cross-referencing the results with media reports and charitable foundations. In the course of the research, Hurun Report also attended non-profit-related seminars, as well as meeting with scholars, experts, philanthropists, and senior members of charitable foundations.

**Smt Droupadi Murmu presents Silver Trumpet and Trumpet Banner to the President's Bodyguard**

The President of India, **Smt Droupadi Murmu**, presented the **Silver Trumpet and Trumpet Banner to the President's Bodyguard (PBG)** at a ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan, Delhi. The President appreciated PBG for their excellent military traditions, professionalism and discipline in all their tasks. She said that the nation is proud of them. She expressed confidence that they will strive with dedication, discipline and valour, to maintain the highest traditions of Rashtrapati Bhavan and be an ideal role model for other Regiments of the Indian Army.

**History of President's Bodyguard:**

- The President's Bodyguard is the oldest regiment in the Indian Army, having been raised as the **Governor-General's Bodyguard (later the Viceroy's Bodyguard) in 1773**. As the President of India's own Guard, it has the unique distinction of being the only military unit of the Indian Army that is privileged to carry the President's Silver Trumpet and Trumpet Banner.
- This distinction was conferred on the **President's Bodyguard in 1923** by the then Viceroy, Lord Reading, on the occasion of the **Bodyguard completing 150 years of service**. Each succeeding Viceroy, thereafter, presented the Silver Trumpet and Trumpet Banner to the Bodyguard.
- **On January 27, 1950**, the regiment was renamed the **President's Bodyguard**. Every President has continued the practice of honouring the regiment. Rather than a coat of arms, as was the practice in the colonial era, the monogram of the President appears on the Banner. Dr Rajendra Prasad, the first President of India, presented his Silver Trumpet and Trumpet Banner to the President's Bodyguard on May 14, 1957.
- The President's Bodyguard, as it is known today, was raised in Banaras (Varanasi) by the then Governor-General, **Warren Hastings**. It had an initial strength of 50 cavalry troopers, later augmented by another 50 horsemen. Today, the President's Bodyguard is a select body of hand-picked men with special physical attributes. They are chosen after a rigorous and physically gruelling process.

**Blue Beaches: Two more Indian Beaches enter the coveted list**

Two more Indian beaches have made it to the list of Blue Beaches. **Minicoy, Thundi Beach and Kadmat Beach, in Lakshadweep** are the proud entrants in the coveted list of Blue Beaches, an eco-label given to the cleanest beaches in the world. Now the tally of total blue flag-endorsed beaches in **India stands at 12**. Both beaches have designated staff for beach cleanliness, maintenance, safety and security of swimmers. Further, they comply with all the 33 criteria mandated by the **Foundation for Environment Education (FEE)**.



**Blue Beaches: Thundi and Kadmat beaches**

- Thundi Beach is one of the most scenic beaches in the Lakshadweep archipelago with hues of white sand mixed with turquoise & blue shade water by the lagoon, a paradise for swimmers and tourists.
- While the Kadmat Beach is popular with cruise tourists who visit the island for water sports. It is a paradise for nature lovers with its pearl white sand, blue lagoon waters, its moderate climate and friendly locals.

**The other Indian beaches in the blue list are**

- Kappad: Kerala,
- Shivrajpur: Gujarat,
- Ghoghla: Diu,
- Kasarkod and Padubidri: Karnataka,
- Rushikonda: Andhra Pradesh,
- Golden: Odisha,
- Radhanagar: Andaman and Nicobar,
- Eden in Puducherry and
- Kovalam in Tamil Nadu.

**What is a Blue Flag Tag?**

The Blue Flag tag certification or tag is one of the world's most prominent voluntary eco-labels for beaches, marinas, and sustainable boating tourism operators. In order to qualify for the Blue Flag Tag, a series of stringent environmental, educational, safety, and accessibility criteria must be met and maintained. The Denmark-based non-profit Foundation for Environmental Education (FEE) awards the certification. It is awarded annually to beaches and marinas. Presently, there are 48 countries currently participating in the program.

**OAG report: Delhi's IGI airport is now world's 10th busiest airport**

According to **Official Airline Guide (OAG) report**, the **Indira Gandhi International Airport** in Delhi is the **10th busiest airport** in the world in terms of seat capacity and frequency of domestic and international flights as of October 2022. According to OAG, there were 34,13,855 seats at the Delhi airport, popularly known as the **Indira Gandhi International Airport (IGIA)**.

In its research, aviation analytics company OAG said the Delhi airport improved from its 14th position in October 2019, before the pandemic struck. The Indian aviation sector is recovering after being significantly impacted by the coronavirus pandemic that also saw scheduled international flight services remaining suspended for more than two years starting from March 2020.

**Key points in the reports:**

- The busiest airport in the world as of October 2022 is **Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport** having serviced **47,47,367 seats**.
- **Dubai International** is second with 41,27,704 seats, followed by **Tokyo International Airport** with 38,77,164 seats and **Dallas Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport** with 37,53,858 seats.

- In fifth place is the **Denver airport** with 37,09,394 seats, followed by **London Heathrow Airport, Chicago O'Hare International Airport** at the 7th spot and **Los Angeles International Airport** at the 9th position, the OAG report said.

**Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day 2022**

**National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2022:**

The **National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas** is celebrated every year on **October 31st** to commemorate the birth anniversary of India's first Home Minister, **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel**. This year will mark the **147th** birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who is also known as the Iron Man of India.

**National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2022: Significance**

The Rashtriya Ekta Diwas provides an opportunity to reaffirm the inherent strength and resilience of our nation towards upholding the unity, integrity, and security of our country. In honour of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the government of India constructed the world's tallest statue of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel** near the Narmada River in Gujarat which symbolizes the strength of unity in India. The main objective of the celebration is to uplift the nation's unity and spread awareness about Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's contribution to Indian history.

**National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2022: History**

The Rashtriya Ekta Diwas or National Unity Day was introduced by the Indian government in 2014 to pay tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on his birth anniversary for his extraordinary work in keeping India united. The first Rashtriya Ekta Diwas event was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi who flagged off a program, 'Run for Unity' in New Delhi in 2014.

**About Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel:**

- He was born on **31st October 1875 in Nadiad, Gujarat**.
- He was the **first Home Minister and Deputy Prime Minister of independent India**.
- He played an important role in the integration of many Indian princely states to make an Indian federation.
- At the time of independence, he played a key role in convincing several princely states to align with the Indian Union. He also worked hard as a social leader for the independence of India.
- After the signing of the Gandhi-Irwin Pact, Patel was elected **president of Congress** for its 1931 session (Karachi).
- **Women of Bardoli** bestowed the title '**Sardar**' on Vallabhbhai Patel, which means 'a Chief or a Leader'.
- He is recognized as the real unifier of India for his colossal contribution to integrating and making India a united (Ek Bharat) and an independent nation.
- He requested the people of India to live together by uniting in order to create Shreshth Bharat (Foremost India).

- He is also remembered as the 'Patron saint of India's civil servants' as he established the modern all-India services system.
- The **Statue of Unity at Kevadiya in the Narmada district of Gujarat (2018)** was built in his honour.

### Banking and Financial Current Affairs

- The rules and regulations for online payments for **debit and credit cards** have been changed. The **Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) card-on-file (CoF) tokenization** norms came into effect on 1st October 2022. RBI's CoF tokenization aims to improve the payment experience of cardholders. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **PNB WhatsApp Banking Launched** : The government-owned **Punjab National Bank (PNB)** announced that it has made banking services available to both clients and non-customers via WhatsApp. Customers must save the official PNB WhatsApp number (919264092640) and start a conversation by texting a hello or hi to this number in order to enable the banking feature on WhatsApp. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Aditya Birla Health Insurance Co. Limited (ABHICL)**, the health insurance subsidiary of **Aditya Birla Capital Limited (ABCL)**, has launched 'Active Fit' which is a comprehensive health insurance plan for young and healthy adults. It is first-of-its-kind in the industry. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **State Bank of India** launched the **SBI Foundation's Gram Seva Program** across six states of India. On **Gandhi Jayanti** this year, the State Bank of India announced that it will adopt 30 remote villages across India under the 4th phase of the '**SBI Gram Seva Program**'. The bank will adopt remote villages across **Aspirational Districts** in Haryana, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, and West Bengal. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Reserve Bank Governor Shaktikanta Das** launched a new '**SupTech**' initiative **DAKSH** - the bank's **Advanced Supervisory Monitoring System**, which is expected to make the supervisory processes more robust. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- To enhance the effectiveness of its grievance redressal systems, the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has urged Credit Information Companies to **designate an internal ombudsman (IO)** by April 1, 2023. The Central Bank made the decision in August to include CICs in the scope of the RBI-Integrated Ombudsman Scheme 2021 in order to broaden its appeal. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- After facing challenges in the **plan to privatise IDBI Bank**, the government has asked the **Reserve Bank of India to consider tweaking the promoter criteria** that may bring a wider pool of bidders for public sector banks. **There are currently 12 public sector banks.** ([Click here to read the article](#))

- The **Reserve Bank Of India(RBI)** has released a **concept note on the Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC)**. The **CBDC is a digital form of currency notes** issued by a central bank. While most central banks across the globe are exploring the issuance of CBDC, the key motivations for its issuance are specific to each country's unique requirements. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Smart Wire service:** ICICI Bank has introduced Smart Wire service, a novel approach to make SWIFT-based inward remittances easier and faster for its customers. According to **ICICI Bank**, the first bank in the nation to introduce such a service, the Smart Wire Service will enable both NRIs and local clients to conduct inward remittance transactions electronically and without the use of paper. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Pay in Europe using UPI soon:** NPCI International Payments Ltd (**NIPL**) and European payment services provider **Worldline** established a corporation due to which Indians will soon be able to make payments through **UPI (United Payments Interface)** across Europe. The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)'s international division is called NIPL. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Seva Vikas Cooperative Bank licence revoked by RBI:** Seva Vikas Co-operative Bank, situated in Pune, had its licence revoked by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) due to lack of sufficient capital and future earnings potential. With effect from the end of business on October 10, 2022, the bank stops conducting banking activity. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **SBI Chairman inaugurated Next-Gen Contact Center:** State Bank of India (SBI) chairman **Dinesh Kumar Khara** inaugurated their Next-Gen Contact Centre service in order to provide a better and more individualised client experience. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Reserve Bank raised the minimum capital requirement for setting up an asset reconstruction company (ARC)** to Rs 300 crore from the existing Rs 100 crore with an aim to **strengthen the securitisation sector** which plays a vital role in the management of distressed financial assets. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- **IDBI Bank said that it has agreed to cooperate with Vayana Network** as its first fintech partner to provide end-to-end digitization services. According to the bank, **this alliance intends to help increase the penetration of supply chain finance in India**, which now accounts for only 5% of total outstanding banking assets and less than 1% of the country's GDP. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **South Indian Bank** bagged a world record for **staging and swinging the highest 101**. The South Indian Bank has organized an event 'Onnichirikkam Oonjaladam' and was accoladed with the World Book of Records award for 'staging and swinging 101 Oonjals'. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **government will extend a one-time grant of Rs 22,000 crore to three state-owned fuel retailers** to cover for the losses they incurred on selling domestic cooking gas LPG below cost in the last two years, I&B Minister Anurag Thakur said. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI) tweaked guidelines for banks** on incremental capital and provisioning requirements in relation to **unhedged foreign currency exposures, amid the weakness in the rupee vis-a-vis the US dollar**. The rupee has depreciated about 10 per cent against the US dollar thus far in 2022, and as a result there has been greater scrutiny of firms' unhedged exposure through borrowings in foreign currencies. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Paytm brand** has partnered with **Jana Small Finance Bank** to deploy card machines to further drive digitisation among merchants across the country. This partnership will enable Jana Small Finance Bank to extend **Paytm's All-in-one EDC machines** to its existing and potential customers, providing a one-stop solution for all their digital payment needs. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **BookMyShow and RBL Bank collaborate:** The launch of a new credit card called "Play" by **RBL Bank** and BookMyShow will significantly increase the entertainment value for Indian consumers. RBL Bank and **BookMyShow** collaborated to offer the Fun Plus credit card earlier in 2016. Customers will be able to follow the full procedure on BookMyShow, a first for any entertainment platform in India, from application to delivery of the "Play" credit card. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **KBL Centenary Deposit Scheme launched:** Karnataka Bank has launched a term deposit scheme named the **KBL Centenary Deposit Scheme** with effect from October 17, 2022. In order to honour the amazing journey towards its Centenary and to thank its customers, the bank has created a special term deposit programme with a higher rate of interest. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Leading stock brokerage firm, **HDFC Securities, announced the opening of the first-ever Women-Only Digital Centre (DC) in India**. This pioneering centre, staffed with a team of women, will serve both male and female investors. This closely follows **the company's announcement regarding the opening of multiple DCs across India** to ease access to services and promote digital adoption. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Netherlands has emerged as India's third-largest export destination, ahead of China and Bangladesh**. It has moved up two spots in the list of India's top ten export destinations since FY22, thanks to a 106% surge in dispatches until August this fiscal from a year before to \$7.5 billion. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- PSU lender **Indian Bank** has launched several digital initiatives under "Project WAVE" in a bid to enhance the customer experience through integrated services on its digital platform. Six digital initiatives were launched by the SL Jain, MD and CEO, Indian Bank, along with Sharad Mathur, MD & CEO, of **Universal Sompo General Insurance Co.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- According to information made public by the Reserve Bank of India, the third largest economy in Asia's foreign exchange reserves decreased by \$3.85 billion to \$524.52 billion for the week ending October 21. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Economy Current Affairs

- **India's current account deficit (CAD)**, a key indicator of **balance of payment** of a country, has widened to \$23.9 billion, which is **2.8% of the GDP**, in the first quarter of the current financial year 2022-23. This is up from \$13.4 billion (1.5% of the GDP in Q4 of FY2022) and a surplus of \$6.6 billion (0.9% of the GDP) a year ago period of Q1FY22, according to the data released by the RBI's Balance of Payments. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **gross GST revenue** collected in the month of September 2022 is ₹ **1,47,686 crore** of which **CGST is ₹ 25,271 crore, SGST is ₹ 31,813 crore, IGST is ₹ 80,464 crore** (including ₹ 41,215 crore collected on import of goods) and Cess is ₹ 10,137 crore (including ₹ 856 crore collected on import of goods). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's unemployment rate** has drastically dropped to 6.43 per cent in September due to an increase in labour participation in the rural and urban areas, according to data from the **Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE)**. During August, India's unemployment rate surged to a one-year high of 8.3 per cent as employment sequentially fell by 2 million to 394.6 million. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The output of **eight core infrastructure sectors** grew 3.3 per cent in August **the lowest in nine months** as against 12.2 per cent in the year-ago period, according to official data released. The previous low was in November 2021 at 3.2 per cent. It stood at 4.5 per cent in July. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- **World merchandise trade volume growth is likely to slow to 1 per cent in 2023**, down from the previous forecast of 3 per cent made in April this year, per **fresh estimates released by the WTO**. This is due to multiple shocks including the Ukraine war, high energy prices, inflation, and monetary tightening, it said. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's economic growth** is expected to decline to 5.7 per cent this year from 8.2 per cent in 2021, citing higher financing cost and weaker public expenditures, according to the **forecast by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)** Trade and Development Report 2022. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Growth in India's services industry** eased to a six-month low in September, led by a cooling in demand amid high inflation, a private survey showed. **The S&P Global India services Purchasing Managers' Index fell to 54.3 in September** from August's 57.2, lower than the Reuters poll expectation of 57.0. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The World Bank cut its 2022-23 (FY23) real gross domestic product (GDP) growth** forecast for India to **6.5%, from an earlier estimate of 7.5%**, while warning that spillovers from Russia's invasion of Ukraine and global monetary tightening will weigh on the economic outlook. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The gross direct tax collections has increased by over 23 per cent to eight lakh ninety eight thousand crore rupees in the current financial year** as compared to last year. Finance Ministry said, the provisional figures of direct tax collections still continue to register steady growth. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In New Delhi, the **Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)** held a national workshop on the topic of "**Ease of Doing Business.**" **Shri Parameswaran Iyer, CEO of Niti Aayog**, gave the keynote speech at the workshop. Parameswaran Iyer emphasised the significance of India's ranking on international indexes. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Nomura Prediction for India in FY24:** Nomura predicts that India's growth will drastically slow down to 5.2% in 2023-24 (**FY24**) from 7% in the current fiscal year due to the spillover effects of the global downturn. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Monetary Fund, IMF Forecast:** The International Monetary Fund made predictions that India's global growth will drop from 6% in 2021 to 3.2 % in 2022 and 2.7 % in 2023. With the exception of the global financial crisis and the pandemic's severe phase, the IMF's growth projections indicate that this will be the weakest growth since 2001. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **International Monetary Fund (IMF)**, in its latest **World Economic Outlook report**, cut its forecast for **India's gross domestic product (GDP) growth in financial year 2022-23 (FY23) by 60 basis points (bps) to 6.8 per cent**, warning of a long and tough economic winter. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's retail inflation accelerated to 7.41 per cent in September** from a year ago on higher food and energy costs, the highest since April and **above the upper end of the RBI's 2-6 per cent tolerance band** in each month this year. **Data released by the National Statistics Office showed consumer price index-based inflation (CPI)** in September rising to 7.41 per cent from a year ago, compared to August's 7 per cent. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **SEBI came out with a standard operating procedure for inter-operable regulatory sandbox** in a bid to facilitate testing of innovative products falling within the regulatory ambit of more than one financial sector regulators. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's industrial production slipped to an 18-month low, contracting by 0.8 per cent in August**, mainly **due to a decline in output of the manufacturing and mining sectors**, according to official data. The data showed that the previous low in industrial output growth was a contraction of 3.2 per cent in February 2021. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Piyush Goyal**, the minister of commerce and industry, expressed confidence that the nation will reach its goal of **2 trillion USD** in products and services exported by **2030**. The Union Commerce and Industry minister was addressing at the Chennai-based Exporters Conclave. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's WPI inflation falls to 10.7% in Sep:** Inflation based on the Wholesale Price Index(WPI) decreased to 10.70% in September. According to official figures, the WPI-based inflation rate was 12.41% in August. **High-speed diesel (HSD)** saw the highest inflation rate at 65.96%. (YoY). It was followed by price increases of 44.72 percent for crude oil and natural gas and 49.79 percent for potatoes. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's Foreign Exchange Reserve Increases:** The Reserve Bank reported an increase in the value of gold assets caused India's foreign exchange reserves to climb by USD 204 million to USD 532.868 billion for the week ended October 7. The total reserves decreased by USD 4.854 billion to USD 532.664 billion during the previous reporting week. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India may draw \$475 billion in FDI:** India has promising growth prospects for **foreign direct investment (FDI)** and has the potential to draw \$475 billion in FDI flows over the next five years, according to a CII-EY report. Despite the effects of the pandemic and geopolitical developments, foreign direct investment (FDI) in India has steadily increased over the past ten years, reaching \$84.8 billion in FY 2021-22. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **BSE, or the Bombay Stock Exchange, launched Electronic Gold Receipt (EGR)** on its platform on 24 October 2022. It introduced two new products of 995 and 999 purity during the Muhurat trading on Diwali. ([Click here to read the article](#))

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- The **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)** has said there will be no charge for **RuPay credit card use on Unified Payments Interface (UPI)** for transactions up to ₹2,000. RuPay credit card has been operational for the last four years, and all major banks are enabled and are issuing incremental cards for both commercial and retail segments. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former Indian cricket **Mahendra Singh Dhoni** has launched the made-in-India camera drone named **'Droni'** with advanced features manufactured by **Garuda Aerospace**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **LIC to divest 60.72% share in IDBI Bank:** The government announced that it and **LIC** would sell a combined 60.72 percent share in IDBI Bank in order to privatise the banking institution. In order to be qualified to bid for **IDBI Bank**, the Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) stated that potential investors needed to have a minimum net worth of \$22,500 crore and net profits in three of the previous five years. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Metis Eduventures Pvt. Ltd.**, which runs the vernacular test preparation platform, **Adda247** has raised **\$35 Million** in a round led by **WestBridge Capital**. The funding round also saw **Google** joining as a new investor and participating from existing investors **Info Edge and Asha Impact**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **JSW Steel** has joined the **United Nations Global Impact (UNGC)** initiative. The UNGC encourages companies to conduct business responsibly by aligning their operations and strategies with the UN's 10 principles. **JSW Foundation**, the social arm of the JSW Group, is a member of UNGC and part of the India local network of UNGC. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **1st SemiconIndia Future Design roadshow launched:** Rajeesh Chandrasekhar, state minister for electronics and IT for the Union, officially kicked off the first SemiconIndia FutureDesign roadshow in Gujarat. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Life Insurance Company (LIC)** has launched the **'LIC Dhan Varsha'** scheme. The 'LIC Dhan Varsha' scheme is a non-linked, non-participating, individual, savings life insurance plan which offers a combination of protection and savings. The savings insurance plan provides **financial support** for the family in case of **unfortunate death** of the life assured during the policy terms. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- AI-driven financial wellness platform, **CASHe**, announced that it has partnered with the **Indian Railways Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC)**, to provide a **"travel now pay later" (TNPL) payment option** on its travel app, **IRCTC Rail Connect**. This will enable travellers of Indian Railways to book their rail tickets instantly and pay for it later in pocket-friendly EMIs, ranging from three to six months. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **PhonePe**, a homegrown fintech platform, announced the launch of its first green data centre in India, leveraging technologies and solutions from **Dell Technologies and NTT**. The facility opens up new opportunities in data management for PhonePe, with efficient data security, power efficiency, ease of operations, and cloud solutions. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Make My Trip, Goibibo (MMT-Go), and OYO** were fined Rs 392 crore by the **Competition Commission of India (CCI)**. CCI fined these companies which were spelled out in a 131-page order which is for "unfair business practices". **Make My Trip** and **Goibibo** will pay a fine of Rs 223.48 crore while OYO will pay Rs 168.88 crore. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The nation's competition watchdog has fined Google, a subsidiary of Alphabet Inc., Rs 1,337 crore for engaging in anti-competitive behaviour with regard to Android mobile devices. **Google** was penalised by **India's Competition Commission (CCI)** for "abusing its dominant position in numerous regions within the Android mobile device ecosystem." ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Coca-Cola**, global soft drinks company announced that its **lemon and lime-flavored soft drink 'Sprite'** has become a **billion-dollar brand** in the Indian market. The company has recorded a **"strong" volume growth** in its India business in the third quarter of 2022. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Elon Musk Fires Twitter CEO Parag Agrawal:** Elon Musk finally completed his \$44 billion acquisition of **Twitter Inc.**, after six months of public and legal battle over the purchase. Placing the world's richest man in charge of the faltering social network. One of Musk's first actions was to replace the leadership. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Sony and Zee media groups** have voluntarily agreed to sell their three Hindi Channels- **Big Magic, Zee Action, and Zee Classic** to address possible anti-competition concerns arising out of their proposed mega-merger deal. Sony and Zee have submitted their proposals to the **Competition Commission of India (CCI)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Shippocket is the first inter-city logistics provider to plug into the ONDC network**, enabling sellers from all segments to ship products to cities and towns across India. Shippocket, a shipping and logistics solutions provider, has gone live on the government's **Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)** and made its first successful transaction on October 22. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Reliance Industries Limited (RIL)** posted the proceedings of its Q2 FY 2022-23 **earnings call on the metaverse**. This is the **first time in the history of corporate India** that a company has used metaverse to engage with its stakeholders. ([Click here to read the article](#))

**International Current Affairs**

- **President Vladimir Putin** has granted **Russian citizenship** to former U.S. intelligence contractor **Edward Snowden**, nine years after he exposed the scale of secret surveillance operations by the **National Security Agency (NSA)**. U.S. authorities have for years wanted him returned to the United States to face a criminal trial on espionage charges. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Hitachi Astemo** installed its India's first ground-mounted solar power plant of **3 megawatts (MW)** at its **Jalgaon manufacturing plant**. The 3 megawatts (MW) solar power plant will be built in an area of **43301 sqm**. The ground-mounted solar power plant will consist of 7128 ground-mounted solar panels and 10 inverters. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Kazakhstan's president, **Kassym-Jomart Tokayev** is to restore the former name of the country's capital, **Astana**, just three years after he renamed it in honour of his predecessor. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Inflation in the **19-member eurozone** reached 10% in September, **the highest it has ever been in the history of the common European currency**, according to the latest flash estimate from Eurostat, the EU statistics agency. This is up from the 9.1% seen in August. Just one year ago, inflation was 3.2%. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- At the ceremony on Friday, Putin said Russia has "four new regions", calling the residents of Ukraine's occupied **Donetsk, Luhansk, Kherson and Zaporizhia regions** "our citizens forever". ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **China withdraws its IAEA anti AUKUS resolution**: At the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) general session in Vienna, China withdrew a draught resolution criticising the **AUKUS alliance** after determining that it would not be supported by a majority of the attendees. In order to prevent the draught resolution that claimed the AUKUS proposal breached Australia's, the UK's, and the US' obligations under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), India collaborated closely with numerous IAEA member nations. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- A majestic new **Hindu Temple** has been inaugurated in **Jebel Ali Village, Dubai**. The temple combines both Indian and Arabic architectural designs and gives a powerful message of tolerance, peace, and harmony. The temple is located in a neighborhood that is generally known as the '**Worship Village**' of UAE. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **President of Burkina Faso**: Following **Burkina Faso** 's second coup in less than nine months, **Captain Ibrahim Traore** was named president, according to an official announcement. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- According to a new law passed by the **European Union parliament**, all new smartphones, tablets and cameras will have a single standard charger from late **2024**. The law was adopted with a vote of 602 in favour, and 13 against. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The world's second biggest economy is grappling with the **impact of severe drought and its vast real estate sector is suffering** the consequences of running up too much debt. Business and consumer activity in the world's second-largest economy have been stymied by **Beijing's zero-COVID policy that sparked monthslong lockdowns** on workers in dozens of cities, forcing many businesses to shut. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Former US Presidential candidate Tulsi Gabbard** – who was the **first Hindu-American to run for the White House in 2020** announced her exit from the **Democratic Party** ahead of next month's midterm elections. Gabbard blamed the party for "racializing every issue in the nation" and denouncing it as the "elitist cabal of warmongers." **The former US Congresswoman was a member of the party for the last 20 years.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **53rd Capacity Building Programme** in the Field Administration for the **Civil Servants of Bangladesh** was inaugurated at **National Centre for Good Governance (NCGC)** at Mussoorie. This institute is the only institute that has trained **1,727 field-level officers** of Bangladesh Civil Service such as Assistant Commissioners, SDMs, and Additional Deputy Commissioners. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Lebanon and Israel have reached a "historic" deal** to end a long-running maritime border dispute in the **gas-rich Mediterranean Sea**, according to negotiators from the two countries. Lebanon's deputy speaker **Elias Bou Saab** said, after submitting the **United States-brokered final draft** of the deal to President Michel Aoun, that an agreement had been reached that satisfies both sides. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Iraqi Parliament** chose Kurdish politician, **Abdul Latif Rashid** to lead the country. Rashid won more than **160 votes** against 99 for the incumbent Saleh. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Two American congressmen have introduced a resolution in the House of Representatives** urging the Biden administration to recognise the **Pakistan Army's atrocities** against ethnic minorities during the **1971 Liberation War of Bangladesh**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Japanese cabinet ministers on Oct 14 approved the scrapping of a law** that stipulates women pregnant at the time of a divorce must wait 100 days before marrying again. **The law, in place for more than a century**, does not apply to men and was originally intended as a way to aid the identification of the father who is financially responsible for a newborn baby. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)**, also called the **North Atlantic Alliance** announced had started its annual nuclear exercise code-named "**Steadfast Noon**". The week-long exercise is taking place over Southern Europe and involves aircraft and personnel from 14 NATO countries. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- **Sweden's parliament elected Moderates leader Ulf Kristersson as the country's new prime minister.** A total of 176 members of the Riksdag voted in favor of Kristersson, while 173 members voted against him. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The 8th edition of annual flagship cultural program of Embassy of India, Seoul 'SARANG- The Festival of India in Republic of Korea'** will be held from Sept. 30 through Oct. 14, 2022 in offline mode at various locations across the country after a two-year hiatus due to COVID-19 pandemic. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Pakistan is likely to exit the grey list of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF)** after it was placed in the infamous category since 2018 for failing to check money laundering and terrorist financing, a media report said. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The World Bank has appointed a "neutral expert" and a chairman of the Court of Arbitration** regarding the Kishenganga and Ratle hydroelectric power plants, in view of disagreements and differences between **India and Pakistan over the 1960 Indus Water Treaty.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **One Health Joint Plan of Action:** The One Health Joint Plan of Action would develop a framework and integrate systems and capability to enable improved collaborative prevention, prediction, detection, and response to health hazards. This will support sustainable development while enhancing the health of people, animals, plants, and the environment. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The favourable trade balance that China has enjoyed with India,** since bilateral commerce began to boom in the early 2000s, has cumulatively exceeded \$1 trillion, according to estimates. **The trade gap has particularly widened in the past decade.** In 2021, **annual two-way trade crossed \$100 billion for the first time,** reaching \$125.6 billion, with India's imports accounting for \$97.5 billion, pegging the imbalance at close to \$70 billion. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Liz Truss,** the British prime minister will step down from her position after only six weeks in office due to an economic plan that angered many members of her own party and rattled financial markets. **Suella Braverman,** Indian origin British interior minister, also resigned making her the second senior cabinet official to do so in the past week after finance minister **Kwasi Kwarteng.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India and France were re-elected as the President and Co- President of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) for a term of two years** at the virtual meeting of the Third Assembly held on 14 October. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Pakistan has been removed from the grey list of the Financial Action Task Force(FATF),** the Paris-based global watchdog on money laundering and terrorist financing. **Pakistan was placed in the grey list in 2018** for failing to keep a check on money laundering and terrorist financing. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Chinese President Xi Jinping** has created history, becoming the first leader of the ruling Communist Party after party founder **Mao Zedong** to get re-elected for an unprecedented third term in power with the prospect of ruling China for life. He was elected as General Secretary of the Communist Party for **3rd five-year tenure by the new seven-member Standing Committee.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Money laundering and terrorist financing watchdog **Financial Action Task Force (FATF) has put Myanmar on the "black list"** and has called on members to apply enhanced **due diligence to business relations and transactions in Myanmar.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Rishi Sunak to take Oath as PM of UK:** Rishi Sunak named as the PM of UK, and the first British Prime Minister of Indian descent. In a remarkable shift of power during an economic crisis. In the midst of a "deep economic dilemma," the future prime minister of the UK, **Rishi Sunak,** has called for cooperation. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Anna May Wong:** Anna May Wong was born with the name **Wong Liu-Tsong.** Wong began her film career at the age of 14 as an extra in **The Red Lantern.** Anna May Wong was born in Los Angeles to second-generation Chinese immigrants (1919). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Diwali will be a holiday for the New York City public school starting next year in 2023,** Mayor Eric Adams announced. Adams, **joined by New York Assembly Member Jenifer Rajkumar,** who had introduced the legislation to recognize Diwali as a holiday. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The Kremlin repeated its claim that Ukraine plans to use a radioactive "dirty bomb",** warning the West it was **dangerous to dismiss** Moscow's position. Ukraine, the United States, Britain and France have all rejected Moscow's claims – voiced by several officials in recent days – that Kyiv could be preparing to detonate a radioactive device in Ukraine. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The United Nation Security Council's (UNSC) two-day meeting in India on counter-terrorism will focus on dealing with use of internet, new payment mechanism and drones by terrorists.** The meetings will be hosted in Mumbai and Delhi on 28 and 29 October, respectively. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The United States has launched its much anticipated National Security Strategy (NSS).** All U.S. Presidents are mandated by the **Goldwater-Nichols Department of Defense Reorganization Act** of 1986 to bring out their NSS, to communicate the executive's vision of national security to the legislative. **As a comprehensive document, the NSS reflects certainty about how the government of the day views the national security agenda.** ([Click here to read the article](#))

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- **5G Launch:** The nation's 5G services were officially inaugurated by Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** on October 1st, 2022, ushering in a period of ultra-high-speed mobile internet, according to a statement from the Prime Minister's Office. The sixth iteration of the **India Mobile Congress** was also launched by PM Modi. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The uncertainty around the culmination of the **Naga peace process** is one of the reasons that led to the **Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA)** being retained in some parts of Assam, Manipur, Nagaland, and Arunachal Pradesh for another six months, according to government officials. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG)** has approved 14 projects worth **Rs 1,145 crore**. The projects include the following aspects sewerage management, curbing industrial pollution, and biodiversity conservation among others. The project was approved at the 45th meeting of the executive committee under the championship of **G Asok Kumar, Director General, NMCG**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **100 laboratories for 5G technology:** The government now intends to establish 5G laboratories around the nation, a day after Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the start of 5G services in India at the Indian Mobile Congress. The Indian government intends to establish 100 5G laboratories around the nation, according to **Ashwini Vaishnaw**, the Union Minister for Communications, Electronics, and Information Technology. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Chief Election Commissioner Shri Rajiv Kumar** launched a yearlong Voter Awareness Program '**Matdata Junction**' during an event organized at Akashvani Rang Bhavan. The launch event was also facilitated by **Election Commissioner Shri Anup Chandra Pandey**. The Matdata Junction is a 52-episode radio series produced by the election commission of India, in collaboration with **All India Radio**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's first Green Technology incubation facility:** At the **National Institute of Technology (NIT) Srinagar**, a technology company incubator centred on green technology (Green Technology incubation facility) called the "**Greenovator Incubation Foundation**" will soon open. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- To create cybersecurity awareness among all employees, **Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (IREDA)** observed the "Cyber Jaagrukta Diwas". On this occasion, **Shri Alok Kumar**, Information Security Consultant, AKS IT Services, shared his insights with IREDA employees on the practice of cyber hygiene. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's space economy is likely to be worth nearly \$13 billion by 2025**, with the satellite launch services segment set to witness the **fastest growth due to increasing private participation**, according to a report released. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Pakistan has confirmed that it will attend the **Shanghai cooperation organisation's anti-terror exercises in India**. Pakistan, which is a part of SCO will take part in counter-terror drills in **Haryana's Manesar in October**. These exercises will be conducted under the ambit of the **SCO regional anti-terrorism structure (RATS)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- "**Mahakal Lok**" corridor first phase of Mahakaleshwar Temple in the city of Ujjain in Madhya Pradesh, is scheduled to open by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi**. It is said that the initiative will improve pilgrims' experiences and increase tourism in the area. **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**, the chief minister of Madhya Pradesh, examined the Mahakal Lok's opening preparations. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways **Nitin Gadkari** inaugurated the 81st annual session of the **Indian roads Congress** in Lucknow. He was accompanied by the **Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Yogi Adityanath**. On the occasion, he highlighted the aims and dreams of **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** to make the Indian economy number one in the world, for which good infrastructure is necessary. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)** and Ministry of Minority Affairs organized "**Betiyan Banein Kushal**". It is an inter-ministerial conference on **non-traditional livelihoods (NTLs)** for adolescent girls on the occasion of the International Day of the Girl Child. Union Minister for Women and Child Development, **Smt Smriti Zubin Irani** was the chief guest on the occasion. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** inaugurated **Phase 1 of Modi Shaikshanik Sankul**, which is an educational complex for needy students in Ahmedabad. The project aims to provide **facilities to students for holistic development**. Prime Minister emphasized young students taking up medicine, engineering, and other such subjects as their major streams for further studies. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Union **Home Minister Amit Shah** unveils 14 feet high statue of **Lok Nayak Jayprakash Narayan** at Sitabdiara in Saran district, Bihar. He paid floral tribute to socialist icon Jayaprakash Narayan on his birth anniversary at his ancestral village at **Sitabdiara**. Home Minister Amit Shah highlighted the welfare schemes of the Union government. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- Union Minister for Road, Transport & Highways, **Nitin Gadkari** has unveiled the **Toyota Corolla Altis Flex-fuel car**, which has been touted as first of its kind pilot project on **Flexi-Fuel Strong Hybrid Electric Vehicles (FFV-SHEV)** in India. This project intends to examine whether ethanol-powered flex-fuel vehicles can be viable in Indian conditions. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India may see up to \$20 billion worth of investments in climatetech sector by 2030**, said Enzia Ventures, a new-age, mid-market venture capital firm focused on healthcare, education and environment. Co-founder and partner Namita Dalmia said Indian entrepreneurs, over the next decade, would lead the way and build new products for the global market. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi to dedicate **75 Digital Banking Units (DBUs)** to the nation on 16th October. He will address the occasion via video conferencing. The **Finance Minister** has announced the setting up of the 75 DBUs in 75 districts of the country to commemorate the **75 years of Independence of India** as part of the **Union budget speech for 2022-2023**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **17th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas Convention** is to be held in Indore, **Madhya Pradesh** in January 2023. **External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar** launched the website of the 17th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas Convention with Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan and Minister of State for External Affairs V Muraleedharan. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** has inaugurated a gallery-cum-exhibition depicting the history of prominent Maratha commanders at the sprawling **Jai Vilas Mahal of Scindias**, the erstwhile rulers of Gwalior. Shah visited the museum in the palace and inaugurated the **'Gatha Swaraj ki-Maratha Gallery'** depicting the history of the main Maratha rulers including the Scindias, Gaikwads, Holkars, Nevalkars, Bhosales and the Pawar. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Union Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Dr. L Murugan** has recently said that India stands third in the world in terms of fish production. India is the **3rd largest fish producing** and **2nd largest aquaculture nation** in the world after China. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Union Cabinet approved an increase in the Minimum Support Price (MSP) for all Rabi Crops** for the Marketing Season 2023-24. **The highest increase has been cleared for lentils with a hike of 500 rupees per quintal. The MSP on wheat has been hiked by 110 rupees and barley by 100 rupees.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres** arrived in Mumbai, India on October 19 on a three-day official visit. **This is his first visit to India, since he assumed his second term in office in January this year.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas, **Hardeep Singh Puri** has inaugurated **Asia's largest Compressed Bio Gas (CBG) plant in Lehragaga, in Sangrur, Punjab.** The plant in Sangrur is just the beginning of India's master plan for a CBG-based rural economy and the government is taking all steps to promote the ecosystem around it. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **"Mission Schools of Excellence" unveiled by the Prime Minister Narendra Modi:** The 'Mission Schools of Excellence' is an ambitious project in Gandhinagar with the dual goals of reforming the curriculum in Gujarat's public schools and countering the Aam Aadmi Party's (AAP) criticisms of the State government for the low quality of education. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mission LIFE movement** is launched by **PM Modi** in order to protect the environment. Prime Minister Narendra Modi issued a stern warning. After the global launch of Mission LiFE at the Statue of Unity in Gujarat in the presence of UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, the PM addressed the crowd and asserted that lifestyle changes can help to mitigate climate change. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi on October 22 launched the Rozgar Mela recruitment drive to hire 10 lakh personnel.** In the first tranche, 75,000 new appointees will be given jobs. The new recruits, selected from across the country, **will join 38 government ministries and departments.** They will be appointed across various levels viz. Group A, Group B (Gazetted), Group B (Non-Gazetted) and Group C. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India's first **'Migration Monitoring Systems'** was inaugurated by the **Maharashtra Women and Children Development Minister Mangalprabhat Lodha** in Mumbai. The **website-based Migration Tracking System** will track the movement of vulnerable seasonal migrant beneficiaries. The **Migration Monitoring Systems** aims to provide information about **migrant pregnant women, lactating women, and children.** ([Click here to read the article](#))





- **India suffered an income loss of 5.4% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP), the highest among the G20 nations in 2021**, according to the new report of **Climate Transparency**. The report highlighted that **India witnessed a record heatwave that greatly affected** workers, labour migrants, low-income households, and the homeless, and reduced the yields of wheat crops. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **NIA to establish offices in every state:** Amit Shah, the **Union Minister of Housing and Cooperation**, spoke today at the start of a two-day “Chintan Shivir” in Surajkund, Haryana. The Chintan Shivir is being attended by Chief Ministers of the States, Home Ministers of States, Lieutenant Governors, and Administrators of Union Territories. Utilizing all internal security resources to their fullest potential is necessary in order to combat the issues facing the country. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **New IIFT campus inaugurated:** Nirmala Sitharaman, the nation’s finance minister, officially opened the third campus of the **Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)** at the **Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU) -K campus** in Kakinada. She outlined the significance of the IIFT campus for the development of the country. She stressed the value of IIFT in terms of research and policy development for the growth of the Ministry of Commerce. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India is going to contribute half a million dollars to the United Nations’ efforts to counter global terrorism** at a time when **new and emerging technologies used by terror groups** are posing fresh threats to governments around the world, the foreign minister said. The announcement was made during the plenary session of the **UN Security Council special meeting of the Counter Terrorism Committee (CTC)** in New Delhi. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan** inaugurated India’s second **Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya (RAVV)** in Puri. The Rashtriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya has been launched to spread knowledge of the **Vedas** among people. **Rastriya Adarsh Veda Vidyalaya** which is also called the National Model Vedic School. **Maharishi Sandipani Rashtriya Ved Vidya Pratisthan** is the first such school in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh. ([Click here to read the article](#))

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- **World’s largest jungle safari park** to be developed in **Haryana**. The World’s largest jungle safari park is spread across an area of 10000 acres in the Aravalli Mountain Range of Gurugram and Nuh District. This project will be the **largest such project in the world**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Telangana government** issued an order to increase the reservation for the **Scheduled Tribe** communities from **6 percent to 10 percent**. The order issued by the **Tribal Welfare Department** informed that the enhanced reservations would apply in the educational institutions and to services under the state government with immediate effect. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **AFSPA in Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh:** The Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, or AFSPA, has been applied to 12 districts in **Nagaland** and **Arunachal Pradesh** for an additional six months, according to the federal government. In order to aid the military forces in carrying out the anti-insurgency operations, it has also been expanded in some areas of five more districts of the two northeastern states. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Telangana government** has introduced ‘**Aasara**’ pensions as a part of the state’s welfare measures and social safety net strategy. The ‘Aasara’ pensions aim to secure life for all the poor. It is a welfare scheme for the older section of the state, widows, physically disabled, and beedi workers to avail pension facilities. Under the Asif Nagar Mandal jurisdiction **10,000 new Aasara pensions** have been sanctioned. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The Pullumpara village panchayat** in the **Thiruvananthapuram district, Kerala** achieved the distinction of becoming the first totally **digitally literate panchayat in the country**. The announcement was made by chief minister Pinarayi Vijayan at a public event. The mission to achieve total digital literacy was aimed at empowering the residents to get access to over 800 government services available through the online mode. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **New Governor of Meghalaya:** At the Raj Bhavan in Shillong, Brigadier (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd. ), the governor of Arunachal Pradesh, assumed the role of governor of Meghalaya. After previous Governor Satya Pal Malik’s term ended because he did not receive a term extension, he has been handed the extra responsibility. The oath was delivered by **Justice Harman Singh Thangkhiew**, acting chief justice of Meghalaya. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- According to Chief Minister Office officials, the **Uttar Pradesh government** announced the creation of the first three all-female **Provincial Armed Constabulary (PAC) battalions** in the state. The objective of the action is to give women control over the state’s security. Additionally, by designating women beat constables, women’s aid desks were established at each of the state’s 1,584 police stations. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Chhattisgarh** chief minister **Bhupesh Baghel** has inaugurated the **state's own Olympics**. The aim is to provide a centerstage to the village level sports so that a feeling of pride for the culture is inculcated. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has declared **Modhera village** in poll-bound **Gujarat** as the country's first 24x7 solar-powered village. Modhera, which is famous for a centuries-old Sun temple built during the Chalukya, will also be known as a "solar-powered village". ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, **Anurag Singh Thakur** inaugurated a **Water Sports Center** in the **Koldam Barmana, Bilaspur, Himachal Pradesh**. The Water Sports Centre, the very first of its kind in Himachal Pradesh, has been jointly initiated by the **Sports Authority of India (SAI) and National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Odisha** Chief Minister **Naveen Patnaik** has launched 'Football for All' in the state to take the culture of football to the grassroots. The Programme has been initiated by FIFA in Odisha in partnership with the **Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology (KIIT) & Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **World Bank** has extended an **unconditional loan of \$250 million** to the **Supporting Andhra's Learning Transformation (SALT)** project in appreciation of the path-breaking reforms implemented by the state government. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The state government of Himachal Pradesh** has started a new scheme named 'HIMCAD', to provide irrigation facilities to farmers. According to the latest data, about 80% of the agricultural area of Himachal Pradesh is rain-fed. The scheme will provide end-to-end connectivity of farmers' fields for better water conservation, crop diversification and integrated farming. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Adani group-AAI-operated Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA), Mumbai airport** has switched to green energy sources, fulfilling **95 per cent** of its requirement from hydro and wind, while the rest 5 per cent from solar power. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Tamil Nadu government** has notified the country's first **Kadavur slender loris sanctuary** covering 11,806 hectares in Karur and Dindigul districts of the State, Chief Minister **M K Stalin**. The species, listed as endangered as per the **International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN)**, acts as a biological predator to pests of agricultural crops and benefits farmers. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Meghalaya** is all set to host the four-day long mega global adventure sports spectacle, '**Megha Kayak Festival, 2022**' starting October 13 at the picturesque **Umtrew River at Umtham Village**. The 2022 edition of the festival will witness over 100 participants from close to 20 countries across the globe, featuring some of the best-known athletes. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** inaugurated the fourth **Vande Bharat Express Train** of India. He also launched a slew of development projects in Himachal Pradesh. PM Modi flagged off the inaugural run of the new Vande Bharat Express Train from **Amb Andaura to New Delhi**. He also laid the foundation stone of Bulk Drug Park. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Google Cloud** has announced an empanelment by the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)**, which allows it to apply cloud technology to solve complex problems for government organizations. **Google** is now positioned to fully partner with **India's public sector organizations** to become an active participant in India's digital Transformation initiatives with the empanelment by the MeitY. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The central government** has approved the construction of an iconic cable stayed-cum-suspension bridge across the **Krishna river connecting Telangana and Andhra Pradesh and passing through the Nallamala forest range**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Tamil Nadu** has emerged as the only state in India which has achieved the target for **2022 Q1 and Q2 for Jal Jeevan Mission**, with 69.57 lakh households provided with tap connections. **Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat** visited Chennai and reviewed the progress of the work on the Jal Jeevan Mission for assured portable Tap water supply to every rural household by 2024. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The third **World Kuchipudi Natyotsavam** was organized for three days in Vijayawada. The World Kuchipudi Natyotsavam starts on **14th October 2022**. The Kuchipudi dance festival is being organized in commemoration of the **93rd birth anniversary of world-renowned Kuchipudi dance artist Vempati China Satyam**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Kati Bihu** is an auspicious festival of Assam which is a **harvest festival**. It is celebrated on 18th October 2022 and the day is marked on the first day of Kati month according to the **Assamese Calendar**. The Kati Bihu generally falls in **October** every day. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Durgavati Tiger Reserve** is a 2,339 square kilometers new tiger reserve that will spread across **Narsinghpur, Damoh, and Sagar districts**. **Madhya Pradesh Wildlife Board** has approved the making of a new tiger reserve of Panna Tiger Reserve (PTP), one-fourth of which will get submerged due to the Linkin of the **Ken-Betwa rivers**. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- The Centre has appointed **Sanjay Malhotra**, a 1990 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Rajasthan cadre, as the **new revenue secretary**. He will replace **Tarun Bajaj** who will superannuate at the end of November. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Chief Minister of Tripura Dr. Manik Saha** along with **Education Minister Ratan Lal Nath** inaugurated the **first English medium general degree college of the state** in the city having **100 intake capacity**. The first five basic subjects of the arts stream include compulsory **Bengali and English**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Punjab Government** decided to restore the **old pension scheme** for its employees. **Chief Minister Bhagwant Mann** announced that the government has decided to implement the old pension scheme as a **Diwali gift** for its employees. The decision was taken as an in-principle decision to the effect of the **cabinet meeting**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Honesty Shops** have been opened in 15 schools in the **Ernakulam district of Kerala**. The Honesty Shops are a part of the **Student Police Cadet (SPC)** project which aims to provide valuable lessons on truth, and integrity for students. In these honesty shops there is no salesman at the counters and students can drop the money for each item in the **collection box** kept in the shop. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Karnataka cabinet** decided to promulgate an ordinance to raise reservations for **Scheduled Caste (SCs)** by 2 percent and for **Scheduled Tribe (STs)** by 4 percent. The Karnataka cabinet is chaired by **Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai**. The decision by the **Karnataka government** aims to uplift the ST/SC community in the state and provide adequate opportunities in the education and employment sector. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA)** granted **Jeypore Airport** the license to carry out commercial flight operations under the regional connectivity scheme. The **Ministry of Civil Aviation** has described it as a milestone. The airport is 33km northwest of **Koraput town** and 500km southwest of Bhubaneswar. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Trees Beyond Forests initiative**: The “trees outside forests in India (TOFI)” programme was introduced by the Assam government and the **US Agency for International Development (USAID)** with the goal of bringing together farmers, businesses, and private institutions to increase the amount of trees in the State’s non-traditional forests. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Gujarati New Year 2022**: Gujarati New Year which is also known as **Bestu Varas** is celebrated a day after **Diwali**. The Gujarati New Year falls on Shukla Paksha Pratipada of the **Kartik month**. The Gujarati New Year is also called **Varsha-Pratipada or Padwa**. The Gujarati New Year is one of the major festivals in **Gujarat**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Jakson Green** to invest Rs 22,400 crore to set up **green hydrogen** and **green ammonia** project in **Rajasthan**. The Jakson Green company signed MoU with the **Government of Rajasthan** to this effect. Jakson Green will set up a **3,65,000 tons per annum Green Hydrogen and Green Ammonia plant** along with an integrated hybrid renewable power complex in phase wise manner. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Chhath Puja** is an ancient **Hindu festival** dedicated to the **Surya Dev and Shashthi Devi**. Chhath Puja is celebrated after Diwali for four days. It is mainly celebrated in **Bihar, Jharkhand, and eastern Uttar Pradesh** in India and some parts of **Nepal**. Chhath Puja is also known as **Surya Shashthi, Chhath Mahaparv, Chhath Parv, Dala Puja, Pratihar, and Dala Chhath**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Gujarat** has been declared as a 100 percent ‘**Har Ghar Jal**’ state. In Gujarat, households in rural areas have access to **safe drinking water** through taps under the ‘Har Ghar Jal’ mission. About **91,73,378 houses** in the state have water connections according to the government record. **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** congratulated the state and people of Gujarat who has shown their enthusiasm for the **Jal Shakti** mission. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Odisha** Chief Minister, **Naveen Patnaik** has launched a common credit portal **SAFAL’ (Simplified Application for Agricultural Loans)** for the welfare of farmers. SAFAL is an abridged application for agricultural loans that will enable farmers and agri-entrepreneurs to access over 300 term loan products from more than 40 partner banks. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Centre** has approved the setting up of the **Terai Elephant Reserve (TER)** at Dudhwa-Pilibhit in **Uttar Pradesh**. The Terai Elephant Reserve is the **3rd Elephant Reserve in India** which is spread over **3,049 sq km**. The Terai Elephant Reserve includes protected areas, forest areas, and corridors for the conservation of **wild elephants**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Shiva statue installed in Nathdwara**: On October 29, a 369-foot-tall Shiva statue called “**Viswas Swaroopam**” that has been built in Nathdwara, Rajasthan’s Rajsamand district, will be dedicated. In the presence of Chief Minister **Ashok Gehlot**, Assembly Speaker CP Joshi, and others, preacher Morari Babu will officially unveil Viswas Swaroopam, what is said to be the highest Shiva statue in the entire world. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The Kerala state tourism department has launched a ‘**Women-Friendly Tourism**’ project to ensure safe and hygienic destinations for women. The all-women tour packages, which include food, accommodation, transportation and community guides, will be controlled and operated by women. ([Click here to read the article](#))



**Schemes/Committees**

- **YUVA 2.0 programme:** The Prime Minister's Scheme for Mentoring Young Authors, known as **YUVA 2.0** (Young, Upcoming and Versatile Authors), was launched by the Department of Higher Education of the Ministry of Education on October 2. In order to promote India and Indian literature abroad, it is an author mentoring programme for young and aspiring writers (under 30 years old). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Fit India Freedom Run 3.0:** In honour of Gandhi Jayanti, Fit India Freedom Run 3.0 was officially introduced at the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium in New Delhi. The third edition of Fit India Plog Run, one of the largest national activities initiated by the Government of India at the height of the Covid-19 epidemic in 2020, was jointly introduced by Union Ministers of Law and Justice Shri Kiren Rijiju and **Shri Anurag Singh Thakur**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The government has approved **Rs 26,000 crore for the installation of 25,000 mobile towers** in 500 days. According to the Telecom Ministry, the financial support for the project will be provided by the **Universal Services Obligation Fund** and it will be implemented by **Bharat Broadband Network**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Union Finance Minister** allowed airlines to avail of up to **Rs 1,500 crore loan** under the **Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS)**. The ECLGS will help them to recover their cash flow problems. Earlier, an airline could only avail of a loan of not more than Rs 400 crore under the ECLGS. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The government of India has appointed Justice **Dinesh Kumar Sharma** of the Delhi High Court as the presiding officer of the tribunal for the **Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA)**, related to the ban on the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its associates. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Cheetah Introduction Project Monitoring:** The Center has established a Task Force to oversee the introduction of cheetahs in Madhya Pradesh's Kuno National Park and other suitably specified places. The **National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)** would support the Cheetah Task Force's operations and provide all essential assistance. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Centre has extended the timeline for disbursement of loans up to March 31** under the ethanol blending programme interest subsidy scheme, notified first in 2018, to facilitate entrepreneurs to complete their projects while availing of government support. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare** launched **Tele Mental Health Assistance and Networking Across States (Tele-MANAS)** on the occasion of World Mental Health Day. The Tele-MANAS was launched virtually by the **Sh. Thawar Chand Gehlot**, Hon'ble Governor of Karnataka at **National Institute of Mental Health and Neuroscience (NIMHANS)** in the presence of **Dr. K. Sudhakar**, Minister for Health and Family Welfare and Medical Education Karnataka and Vice President, NIMHANS. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The total balance in the basic bank accounts under the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) has crossed the ₹1.75 lakh crore mark.** As per the latest Government data, **the total balance stood at ₹1,75,225 crore as on October 5, 2022**, as the total number of beneficiaries touched 47 crore. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **PM Kisan Samman Sammelan 2022 Launched:** The **PM Kisan Samman Sammelan 2022** will be launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the Indian Agricultural Research Institute in New Delhi. More than 13,500 farmers from all around the country and about 1,500 agri entrepreneurs are expected to attend the two-day event. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** launched **Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Urvarak Pariyojana-One Nation One Fertiliser**. Under the Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Urvarak Pariyojana, companies must market all subsidized fertilizers under a single brand, 'Bharat'. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **\$500 Million Accelerator Program to Strengthen Agri Startups:** Union Agriculture Minister **Narendra Singh Tomar** announced that the central government will launch a Rs 500 crore accelerator programme to support the productive ideas of agro businesses. On the second day of the PM Kisan Samman Sammelan, Tomar made numerous significant announcements regarding big policy efforts for agriculture entrepreneurs. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **'Kashi Tamil Sangamam'** will be organized by the **Ministry of Education** next month. The 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' is a month-long program that will be held from the 16th of the next month. The **'Kashi Tamil Sangamam'** aims to rediscover the centuries-old bond of knowledge and ancient civilizational linkage between **Varanasi and Tamil Nadu**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Delhi Lieutenant Governor **Vinai Kumar Saxena** has launched a one-time property tax amnesty scheme **"SAMRIDDI 2022-23"**, which will provide a major relief to lakhs of residential and commercial property owners in the city. SAMRIDDI, an acronym for Strengthening and Augmentation of Municipal Revenue for Infrastructure Development in Delhi, will start on October 26 and end on March 31, 2023, with no further extensions. ([Click here to read the article](#))

**Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**

- **India** will export missiles, rockets, and ammunition to **Armenia** after the recent clashes between Armenia and **Azerbaijan**. The missiles will also include Indigenous Pinaka Multi-Barrel Rocket Launcher. **India has signed this deal with Armenia** to help them to depend on the country against their neighboring country Azerbaijan. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and **Central Financial institution Of Oman** signed a historic MoU to launch the Rupay debit card in Oman, paving the best way for a brand new period of monetary connectivity. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India-New Zealand Navies sign pact:** The Royal New Zealand navy and the Indian navy have signed a contract on the exchange of White Shipping Information Exchange. Chief of Naval Staff, **Admiral R. Hari Kumar** and New Zealand Navy Chief **Rear Admiral David Proctor** signed the contract. In order to encourage more openness in the Maritime Domain, the agreement was signed. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The National Small Industries Corporation Ltd. (NSIC), a Government of India Enterprise under the Ministry of MSME, signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Utkarsh Small Finance Bank**. This Memorandum of Understanding with the banks intends to assist MSMEs with their lending needs. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India and Japan signed an MoU:** The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), **Japan**, and the **All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA)** signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The MoU aims to increase academic institutions' technical capabilities and capacities. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India and US** announced the launch of a **new energy task force** to support the large-scale integration of renewable energy needed to support the clean energy transition. The announcement will strengthen the India-US partnership in the critical energy sector to new levels. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Haryana Govt and Dubai ink an MoU:** The government of **Dubai** has sealed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the **Govt. of Haryana** for collaboration in a variety of economic activities for the **Haryana Govt**. Under the terms of the MoU, the Government of **Dubai** shall identify a suitable entity to assist with identifying the potential areas of collaboration. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Ashok Leyland** has joined hands with researchers at the **National Centre for Combustion Research and Development (NCCRD)** for the development and commercialization of a '**swirl mesh lean direct injection (LDI) system**' for developing hybrid electrical vehicles using turbine technology. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Tata Power Trading Company (TPTCL)** has signed an agreement with **75F Smart Innovation India** to jointly promote automation and energy efficiency solutions in the commercial building space. This will include industry verticals like **IT/ITeS, BFSI hospitality, healthcare, education, government, and retail**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Bharat Heavy Electricals (BHEL)** signed MoU with **Coal India (CIL)** and **NLC India** for setting up Coal Gasification based plants. BHEL rose 2.56% to Rs 62.20 after the company clarified it has entered into a non-binding MoU with CIL and NLCIL. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The International Cricket Council (ICC) and UNICEF** have launched a global partnership to empower women and girls and promote inclusion and gender equality through cricket. The initiatives to drive greater gender equity along with advocacy campaigns involving some of the world's best players will form the basis of the partnership, which aims to mobilise the "**power of cricket to driving positive social change**". ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Arya.ag and FWWB India partner with UNDP:** Project Excel is being implemented in the Gujarati districts of Jamnagar and Dwaraka Devbhumi by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in collaboration with the integrated grain commerce platform **Arya.ag** and **Friends of Women's World Banking India (FWWB India)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Google partners with Assam Government:** In order to help and expedite the Assam government's objective to foster digital growth and development in the State, Google inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). As part of this new initiative, Google will work with the **Assam Government's Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship Department (SEED)** to strengthen school digitization efforts with digital tools and solutions to support teaching and learning. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mahindra and Mahindra Financial Services Ltd** announced a strategic partnership with **India Post Payments Bank** to enhance credit access to a larger customer base. India Post Payments Bank will provide lead referral services to **Mahindra Finance for Passenger vehicles, three-wheelers, tractors, and commercial vehicle loan** categories and provide cash EMI deposit facilities to existing Mahindra Finance Customers at the post office. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Tata and Airbus to produce C-295 transport planes:** The C-295 cargo aircraft for the **Indian Air Force (IAF)** will be produced in Gujarat's Vadodara by European aviation giant **Airbus** and **Tata Advanced Systems (TASL)**, Tata's defence division. The **C-295** aircraft will be produced for the first time outside of Europe. On October 30, Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** will officially lay the cornerstone for the C-295 cargo aircraft manufacturing facility in **Vadodara**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Dabur India** to acquire 51 percent stake in **Badshah Masala** in a Rs 587.52 crore deal. Dabur India marks its entry into the **fast-growing spices and seasoning category**. The company signed definitive transaction agreements to acquire **51 percent shareholding** of Badshah Masala Pvt Ltd. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Retail jewellery major **Malabar Gold and Diamonds** has become the first jeweller in India to import 25 kg gold under the **Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA)** between India and the UAE. The gold has been imported through ICICI Bank with one per cent duty rebate under the agreement. The group has effectively utilised the duty benefits of the agreement both in import and export for the first time in India. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Appointments/Resignations (National & International)

- Senior IAS officer, **Sunil Barthwal** assumed charge as the commerce secretary. Barthwal, a 1989-batch officer of the Bihar cadre, previously served as the labour and employment secretary. He replaced **Subrahmanyam**, a 1987-batch IAS officer of the Chhattisgarh cadre, who was appointed as chairman and managing director, of the India Trade Promotion Organisation on a contract basis for a period of two years following his superannuation. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Senior Indian Police Service (IPS) officers **Sujoy Lal Thaosan** and **Anish Dayal Singh** have been appointed as the new director generals of the **Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)** and **Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)** respectively. Thaosan's scheduled retirement is in November this year, while Singh will superannuate in December 2024. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Senior Indian Space Research Organization scientist **Anil Kumar** has been appointed as the **Vice-President of the International Astronautical Federation (IAF)**. Dr. Anil Kumar is currently serving as the Associate Director, of **ISRO Telemetry, Tracking, and Command Network (ISTRAC)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- Noted lawyer **Lalit Bhasin** has been appointed as the national president of **Indian American Chambers of Commerce (IACC)**. Bhasin, before being elected to the post, was the executive vice president of IACC. Bhasin is the 54th national president of IACC, which was set up in October 1968 and is headquartered in Mumbai, having 14 offices all over India, with a large membership from large, medium and small business entities. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Senior bureaucrat, **Ajay Bhadoo** has been appointed as the **Deputy Election Commissioner** as part of a senior-level bureaucratic reshuffle effected on Sunday by the Centre. Bhadoo, a 1999 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Gujarat cadre, has been appointed to the post up to July 24, 2024. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet approved the senior bureaucrat's candidature. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- A 1985 batch officer of the Indian Ordnance Factory Service (IOFS), **Sanjeev Kishore** has taken over as the **Director General of the Indian Ordnance Factory** with effect from 01-10-2022 upon the superannuation of **M K Grag**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Sandeep Kumar Gupta** assumed charge as the chairman and managing director of **GAIL (India) Limited**. Gupta, who will replace Manoj Jain, has a wide experience of over 34 years in the oil and gas industry. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Election Commission of India (ECI)** in creating awareness amongst voters, Actor Pankaj Tripathi has been declared as the '**National Icon**' of ECI. The actor was chosen for the honour by Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) **Rajiv Kumar** for keeping in view his commitment to the cause and wide appeal across the country. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian-origin Dr. Vivek Murthy** has been nominated by **US President Joe Biden** to serve as the country's representative on the Executive Board of the **World Health Organisation**. Dr. Murthy will serve as the US Representative on **WHO Executive Board** and he will continue his duties as the **US Surgeon General**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Senior Diplomat Sibi George** was appointed as the next **Indian Ambassador to Japan**. Sibi George is a **1993-batch Indian Foreign Service Officer**. He is currently serving as the **ambassador of India to Kuwait**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **New MD and CEO of SBI General Insurance:** Shri Kishore Kumar Poludasu has been named the new managing director and chief executive officer of SBI General Insurance Company Limited, according to the company's announcement. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- The Union Government has appointed a three-member commission, headed by former Chief Justice of India K G Balakrishnan, to consider the possibility of granting SC status to “new persons who have historically belonged to the Scheduled Castes” but have converted to religions other than Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mohit Bhatia- New CEO of Bank of India Mutual Funds:** The appointment of Mohit Bhatia as CEO of Bank of India Investment Managers Private Ltd (**Bank of India Mutual Funds**) has been made public. In the fields of sales and distribution, team development, marketing & branding, and the creation of digital eco-systems, Bhatia has more than 26 years of professional expertise. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Indian cricket star **Smriti Mandhana** has signed on as a brand ambassador of lubricant manufacturer **Gulf Oil India**. India women’s vice-captain joins current men’s cricket ace **Hardik Pandya** and former captain **Mahendra Singh Dhoni** as an ambassador for the company. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **A Balasubramanian** has been re-elected as the chairman of the **Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI)**, and **Radhika Gupta** as the vice-chairperson of the industry body. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former banker **Ananth Narayan Gopalakrishnan** took charge as the fourth whole time member (WTM) in the **Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi)**. Narayan, who has been a member of various advisory committees of Sebi and RBI, has been appointed for an initial period of three years. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Chief Justice of India, **Uday Umesh Lalit** has named Justice **DY Chandrachud** as his successor. He handed over a letter to Justice DY Chandrachud, designating him as the next CJ. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India’s 1983 World Cup hero, **Roger Binny** is set to become the new BCCI president, replacing **Sourav Ganguly**. Binny will assume charge on October 18, when the BCCI annual general meeting will be held, in Mumbai. **Jay Shah** will continue as BCCI secretary, the most influential position in the board. **Rajiv Shukla** will also stay on as the board’s vice president. **Arun Dhumal**, who is set to take over as the new IPL chairman. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Lok Sabha member from Bhubaneswar, **Aparajita Sarangi** has been elected as a member to the executive committee of the **Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)**. The Parliamentarian from Odisha bagged **12 out of the total of 18** available votes in the election to the post held at Kigali, Rwanda. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Dr Adarsh Swaika**, a joint secretary in the **Ministry of External Affairs**, has been appointed India’s next **Ambassador to Kuwait**. Dr Adarsh Swaika (IFS: 2002), is presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs. **Avtar Singh**, a Director in the Ministry of External Affairs, has been appointed as India’s next Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Partha Satpathy** has been appointed as India’s next ambassador to **Bosnia and Herzegovina**. He is currently the Ambassador of India to the Republic of Hungary. On 3rd November 2022, Parth Satpathy was appointed as the **Ambassador of India** to Hungary. He served as the Hungarian Ambassador for 11 months and then became the Ambassador of India to Bosnia and Herzegovina. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Bandhan Bank** has announced that it has roped in **Sourav Ganguly** as its Brand Ambassador. Sourav Ganguly will help amplify the brand message of the Bank and endorse the products and services of the Bank. The Indian Test specialist, Cheteshwar Pujara, has been roped in by the fantasy sports platform, Fantasy Dangal, as its brand ambassador. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Indian Foreign Service, **Apoorva Srivastava** has been appointed to serve as India’s Ambassador to the **Slovak Republic**. An officer of the 2001 batch, she currently serves as Consul-General at the Consulate of India in Toronto. Prior to this, she served in various positions in the Ministry of External Affairs and has been posted in Kathmandu and Paris, among other locations. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The government of India has appointed **Bharati Das**, an officer of the **Indian Civil Accounts Service** of the 1988 batch, as the **Controller General of Accounts (CGA)**, Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance. She is the **27th** Controller General of Accounts, Ministry of Finance. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former Infosys president **Ravi Kumar S**, who resigned from the Bengaluru-based IT company last week, is joining as president of **Cognizant Americas**. Kumar will take on the position from January 16, 2023, and will be reporting directly to Brian Humphries, chief executive officer (CEO) of Cognizant. Kumar succeeds **Dharmendra Kumar Sinha** who retired from Cognizant last year. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Dr Prashant Garg**, executive chair, L V Prasad Eye Institute, has been elected as a ‘Member’ of the prestigious **Academia Ophthalmological Internationalis (AOI)**. Dr Garg becomes the fifth from India to ever receive this honour. His tenure as a Member of Academia Ophthalmological Internationalis will formally commence next year during AOI’s next General Assembly meeting. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **JP Morgan** has announced the appointment of its new **Country Head of India, Kaustubh Kulkarni**. Madhav Kalyan the current country head of India will be serving in the **Asia Pacific Payments Division** from 1st November 2022. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Atanu Chakraborty now the Chairman of Yubi:** Atanu Chakraborty has been appointed as the Independent Chairman of the **Yubi** board, as told by the company itself. In addition, **Atanu Chakraborty** serves as HDFC Bank’s board chairman at the moment. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Veteran Karnataka leader Mallikarjun Kharge defeated his rival Shashi Tharoor to become the first non-Gandhi Congress president in 24 years, and the first Scheduled Caste chief of the grand old organization in four decades.** Kharge polled 7897 of the 9385 votes cast while Tharoor garnered a meagre 1072. Sources said 416 votes were invalid. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Paytm Payments Bank has appointed Deependra Singh Rathore as the interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO),** in addition to his role as Chief Product & Technology Officer. CEO **Satish Gupta** is retiring this month. The bank will announce the new full-time CEO after receiving regulatory approvals. The bank has also appointed **Sunil Chander Sharma**, a former IRS officer as Chief Operating Officer (COO). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former Civil Aviation Secretary, **Pradeep Singh Kharola** was appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of the **India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The Indian Space Research Organisation** has designated **Dr. Sankarasubramanian K** as the Principal Scientist of the **Aditya-L1 mission**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **United Nations Human Rights Council** appointed the **first Asian and first Indian** as an independent experts on racism and related intolerance. **Dr Ashwini's** appointment has been officially made at the UNHRC's session which concluded in Geneva on October 7. Three names, including that of Ashwini, were doing rounds for the post. Dr Ashwini will take over the **UNHCR special rapporteur in Geneva on November 1 for a period of six years**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The Cricket Association for the Blind in India (CABI)** has announced former India cricketer **Yuvraj Singh** as their brand ambassador for the **3rd T20 World Cup for the Blind** to be held in India in December. **Ajay Kumar Reddy B2 (Andhra Pradesh)** will lead the Indian team while **Venkateswara Rao Dunna - B2 (Andhra Pradesh)** will be the vice-captain. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The government of India appointed **Sangeeta Verma** as the acting chairperson of the **Competition Commission of India (CCI)**. The appointment follows full-time Chairperson **Ashok Kumar Gupta** demitting office. Verma is currently a member at the regulator. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India's representative to the **International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)**, **Shefali Juneja** has been elected as the chairperson of the United Nations' specialized aviation agency's **Air Transport Committee (ATC)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Biden administration has now named a senior US diplomat**, who had worked on NATO's role in Europe vis-a-vis Russia as the US Assistant Secretary of State for Europe and Eurasia, as the **next Charge d'Affaires ad interim in New Delhi** — until a full-time Ambassador is sent to India. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Samsung Electronics Co.** officially appointed **Lee Jae-yong** as its executive **chairman**, formalizing the all-encompassing leadership role he has long played at South Korea's largest business. The 54-year-old, Lee has been vice chairman of Samsung Electronics, the crown jewel of South Korea's biggest business conglomerate, since 2012. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Ranks and Reports

- As per a report by Union Tourism Ministry, **Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu** had the highest numbers of foreign tourist visits, with **1.26 million and 1.23 million, respectively in 2021**. The over 280-page report titled 'India Tourism Statistics 2022' was released by Vice-President **Jagdeep Dhankhar** on World Tourism Day at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indore** bagged the title of **India's cleanest city for the sixth time** in a row as the results of the Central government's annual cleanliness survey '**Swachh Survekshan Awards 2022**' were announced. **Madhya Pradesh** secured the first position in the category of best performing states, followed by **Chhattisgarh and Maharashtra**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- About **56 million Indians may have plunged into extreme poverty** in 2020 as a result of the pandemic, increasing the **global tally by 71 million** and making it the **worst year for poverty reduction since World War II**, according to fresh estimates by the World Bank. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Titled **Education 4.0 Report**, the report explains how technology can address learning gaps and make education accessible to all. The information was published under **Education 4.0 India initiative**, launched in May 2020 and has convened over 40 partners from the education technology, government, academic and start-up communities. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The state of **Jharkhand** has earned the disrepute of having the highest percentage of underage girls getting married. The percentage of girls getting married before attaining majority is as high as **5.8 in Jharkhand**. Not only Jharkhand, West Bengal to has enough in its tally as more than half of the women are married before attaining the age of 21 years in the state. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **There has been a 69 per cent decline in the wildlife populations** of mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles and fish, **across the globe in the last 50 years, according to the latest Living Planet Report by World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Andhra Pradesh, Assam, and Gujarat** are three of the 15 States and UTs that are categorised as achievers in the logistics index chart for 2022, according to a study released by the commerce and industry ministry. The **logistics performance Index 2022** measures the effectiveness of the logistical services required to encourage exports and economic expansion. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Haryana** has bagged the top position in the category of **big states in the Public Affairs Index-2022**. In PAI-2022, **Sikkim** has retained its position as the best-governed small state in India. The index, prepared by a Bengaluru-based non-profit think tank **Public Affairs Centre (PAC)**, was released. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The number of people living below the poverty line in India **decreased by 415 million between 2005-06 and 2019-21**, according to a new Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) released jointly by the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) at the University of Oxford. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India's internet freedom improves after 4 years**: Following initiatives to close the digital divide in the nation, India's internet freedom score increased by two points to 51 in the overall ranking, according to the US government-funded NGO **Freedom House**. Reduced frequency and intensity of nationwide internet outages also contributed to the score improvement. In terms of internet freedom, India scored 49 in 2021. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Jio** became the largest landline service provider in the country for the first time, in August. With **7.35 million landline connections** as on August 31, Reliance Jio beat state-owned telecom operator and hitherto market leader **BSNL's 7.13 million connections**, according to the latest data released by the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (Trai). Third-placed **MTNL provided 2.6 million connections**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India** drops three spots in the **Global Ranking for median mobile speed**. It went from 115th to 118th in June from May. According to the **Ookla Speedtest Global Index report**, India's median mobile download speed has decreased from 14.28 Mbps in May to 14.00 Mbps in June. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)**, which oversees Aadhaar, has once again topped the September rankings report published by the **Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG)**, for resolving most public grievances among all government ministries and government departments. This is the second consecutive month UIDAI has topped the rankings. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- With levels of poverty, inflation and hunger notwithstanding, **India ranks third in the world's first-ever global study on the rise of centimillionaires** — individuals with assets of more than Rs 830 crore (\$100 million), a new report has revealed. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- As compared to **40th out of 43 countries in 2021**, **India ranked 41 out of 44 countries in the Mercer CFS Global Pension Index**. The MCGPI is a comprehensive study of 44 global pension systems, accounting for 65 percent of the world's population. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- At 2.4 tCO2e (tonne carbon dioxide equivalent), **India's per capita greenhouse gas emissions were far below the world average** of 6.3 tCO2e in 2020, according to a **new report released by the United Nations Environment Programme** October 27. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **World Health Organisation (WHO)** released the **first-ever list of fungal infections** — “**priority pathogens**”. The fungal priority pathogens list (FPPL) **includes 19 fungi** that represent the **greatest threat to human health**. The UN body warned that some strains are increasingly drug-resistant and are growing at an alarming rate. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)**, ‘Maharatna’ and a Fortune Global 500 Company has once again achieved the **No.1 rank** in the Indian oil and gas sector for its sustainability performance in the **2022 edition of the S&P Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) rankings**. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Sports Current Affairs

- Indian javelin thrower, **Shivpal Singh** has been suspended from competing till **October 2025** due to a doping violation. As per the **Olympics.com** he subsequently tested positive for the banned substance methandienone, a performance-enhancing steroid. As a result, the **National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA)** suspended **Shivpal Singh** for four years. The ban comes into effect from October 21, 2021, which means that the 27-year-old will be out of action till **October 2025**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Red Bull's driver, **Sergio Perez** has won the **Singapore Formula 1 Grand Prix 2022**. Perez finished 7.5 sec ahead of Ferrari's **Charles Leclerc**, who came at the second position. Ferrari's **Carlos Sainz** grabbed the third position. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Indian Skipper, **Rohit Sharma** has achieved yet another milestone in his T20 career and has become the first-ever Indian to play **400 T20s**. The India captain has achieved the milestone in the 2nd T20I of the series against South Africa in Guwahati. ([Click here to read the article](#))

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- **The United States** defeated **China (83-61)** to win the **International Basketball Federation (FIBA) Women's Basketball World Cup** at the Sydney Superdome, Australia. The Americans bagged their fourth title in a row and 11th in total and have also sealed a spot at the **Paris 2024 Olympic Games**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Antim Panghal**, the World under-20 champion, made an impressive debut at the **National Games 2022** as she won the gold medal in **women's 53kg wrestling**. Haryana's **Antim Panghal**, who made history in August by becoming the first Indian to become U20 world champion in women's wrestling, beat **Priyanshi Prajapati** of Madhya Pradesh by fall in the final. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India's **Rohan Bopanna** and Dutch player **Matwe Middelkoop** cruised to a 6-2, 6-4 victory over third seeds **Santiago Gonzalez** and **Andres Molteni** in the doubles final of the \$1,019,855 ATP tennis tournament in Tel Aviv. It was the third title of the season for the 42-year-old Bopanna, who had won the other two, early in the season with Ramkumar Ramathan in Adelaide and Pune. The champion team collected **\$50,000** and 250 ATP points, and the runner-up, **\$26,850** and 150 points. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Saudi Arabia** has won the bid to host the **2029 Asian Winter Games** at a planned Mountain Resort in the Gulf Arab State. The Asian Games will be held at a **\$500 billion** futuristic megacity in the desert that will feature a year-round winter sports complex. The **Olympic Council of Asia (OCA)** said that the deserts and mountains of **Saudi Arabia** will be turned into a playground for winter sports. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Rest of India's** side won the **Irani Cup** title after beating the **Ranji Trophy Champion of 2019-2020 Saurashtra** by eight wickets in Rajkot. Rest of India (ROI) chased down the 105-run target, with **Abhimanyu Easwaran** remaining undefeated on 63 runs while adding 81 runs and Kona Bharat not out at 27. The **Rest of India's** side won the **Irani Cup** title after beating the **Ranji Trophy Champion of 2019-2020 Saurashtra** by eight wickets in Rajkot. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Pankaj Advani** defended his **World Billiards Championships (150-up)** title for the 5th time, beating compatriot **Sourav Kothari** in the best-of-7 frames final at the **High End Snooker Club in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia** for a record 25th title at the global level. Pankaj's last world title came over 12 months ago in Qatar where he won the IBSF Six-Red Snooker World Cup. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India men's hockey team defender and vice-captain **Harmanpreet Singh** has been voted the **FIH Player of the Year for the second year running**. **Felice Albers** of Netherlands was named the FIH Player of the Year. The 22-year-old became the youngest winner of the FIH Player of the Year award (women's category). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Red Bull driver **Max Verstappen** was declared Formula One world champion after winning a dramatic rain-shortened **Japanese Grand Prix**. This was the 25-year-old Dutchman's second championship in a row, which he won with four races to go. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Novak Djokovic** wins **Astana Open**: With a convincing straight-sets win over **Stefanos Tsitsipas** in the ATP final in Astana Open, Novak Djokovic won his 90th career championship and fourth in 2022. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Cristiano Ronaldo** reached another historic landmark in his extraordinary career by scoring his **700th club goal** to seal Manchester United's comeback win over Everton. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The Indian Olympic Association** has confirmed that **Goa** will host the **37th edition** of the **National Games in October next year**. The state government of Goa also conveyed its in-principle approval to IOA to host the **National Games in 2023**. The Goa delegation may receive the IOA flag at the Closing Ceremony of the 36th National Games on 12th October 2022 in Surat, Gujarat. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- At the 36th National Games, **Pooja Patel** of Gujarat has become the first athlete to win gold in **Yogasana**. **Yogasana** is one of the five sports to be played at the National Games this year for the first time. This Indian indigenous sport made its debut at the Khelo India University Games earlier this year. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former India captain and Chennai Super Kings skipper, **Mahendra Singh Dhoni** inaugurated the Super Kings Academy at the **MS Dhoni Global School in Hosur, Tamil Nadu**. MS Dhoni Global School is the first franchise-owned Super Kings Academy in India. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Federation of Association Football (FIFA)**, in partnership with the **All India Football Federation (AIFF)**, and the support of the Union Government, launched the Football for Schools project in the country, which is aimed at broad-basing the beautiful game across India. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Indian discus thrower, **Kamalpreet Kaur** has been banned from competition for three years, starting **March 29, 2022**, due to a doping violation, the **Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU)** announced on October 12. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **India** defeated Sri Lanka by 8 wickets in the finals of the **Women's Asia Cup 2022**. India has bagged the position for the 7th time. **Sri Lanka** won the toss and opted to bat first. Sri Lanka made **65 runs in 20 overs** losing 10 wickets. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Rudranksh Balasaheb Patil wins gold in World Championship**: Rudranksh Balasaheb Patil defeated **Danillo Sollazo** of Italy to win the gold medal match 17–13. Balasaheb Patil would have thought his Olympic goal was just a tiny bit closer when he glanced above one more at the Olympic city shooting range in Cairo. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- UAE's **Aayan Khan**, the **16-year-old all-rounder**, is the youngest player to feature in the **men's T20 World Cup**. He was picked in the UAE XI for the team's first match of the T20 World Cup against the Netherlands at the Simonds Stadium in Geelong. Aayan broke Pakistan pacer **Mohammad Amir's record**. The left-arm quick played his first T20 World Cup when he was 17 years and 55 days old. Netherlands' **Stephan Myburgh**, at 38 years and 230 days, is the oldest in the 2022 T20 World Cup. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Jyothi Yarraji**, an Indian Sprinter made history in the **women's 100m hurdles** as she became the **first Indian woman to run a sub-13s time** to win the gold medal at the Nation Games 2022. Jyothi Yarraji broke her national record representing **Andhra Pradesh** by running the final in 12.79s. Earlier, Jyothi Yarraji won the **women's 100m gold**, leaving behind Sprinters lime **Dutee Chand and Hima Das**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India teenager **Donnarumma Gukesh** scripted history in the ongoing **Aimchess Rapid online tournament** as he defeated **Magnus Carlsen**, thereby becoming the youngest player ever to beat him as world champion. **Gukesh at 16 years 4 months 20 days** – also became the youngest Indian player to defeat Carlsen. **Praggnanandhaa was 16 years 6 months and 10 days** old when he defeated the world No.1. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Serbian scientists** have named a new species of **beetle** after the tennis player **Novak Djokovic**, a Serbian tennis player due to its speed, strength, flexibility, durability and ability to survive in a difficult environment. The new species of beetle belongs to the *Duvalius* genus that is present in Europe. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former Irish professional boxer **Bernard Dunne** has been named the **high-performance director (HPD) for Indian boxing**. Dunne, who had a five-year (2017-2022) stint with the Irish Athletic Boxing Association, replaces **Santiago Nieva**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Asian Football Confederation (AFC)** Executive Committee has confirmed the **Qatar Football Association (QFA)** as the host association for the AFC Asian Cup 2023. The 11th AFC Executive Committee meeting was chaired by **AFC President Shaikh Bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Tazuni**, a fun, football-loving penguin is unveiled as the **Official Mascot of the FIFA Women's World Cup Australia & New Zealand 2023**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Magnus Carlsen** claimed the **Meltwater Champions Chess Tour 2022** title with a tournament defeating **Arjun Erigaisi** in the quarter-finals of the 8th and penultimate event of the **Meltwater Champions Chess Tour**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Belgium's **Max Verstappen** of Red Bull Racing won the **2022 Formula 1 Aramco United States Grand Prix 2022** which was held at the Circuit of the Americas in Austin, Texas, United States (US). With this, he equalled Germany's **Sebastian Vettel and Michael Schumacher's** record of 13 wins in a Formula 1 season. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Western Air Command, Indian Air Force (IAF)** won the **Air Force Lawn Tennis Championship 2022-23** held at Head Quarter MC, Vayu Sena Nagar, Nagpur. The final match of the team Championship was played between **Western Air Command and Training Command** in which Western Air Command emerged as the winner. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a historic decision, **the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)** announced a "pay equity policy", saying that its centrally-contracted **men and women players would get the same match fees**. BCCI secretary Jay Shah took to Twitter to announce the significant development. This means **the women players will now get Rs 15 lakh per Test match, Rs 6 lakh for a One-Day International (ODI), and Rs 3 lakh for a T20 International**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Akanksha Vyavahare**, who is a **Maharashtra-based weightlifter** has created three new national records in the **40kg weight category** at the **Khelo India National Ranking Women's Weightlifting Tournament**. Akanksha Vyavahare was also a part of the **Target Olympics Podium Scheme** and created records in snatch, clean and jerk, and total. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian junior men's hockey team defeated Australia** to win the **Sultan of Johor Cup 2022** in a shootout 5-4 after a 1-1 draw at the **Taman Daya Hockey Stadium in Johor Bahru, Malaysia**. This is the **third time** India has won the Sultan of Johor Cup. India scored the first goal with Sudeep Chirmako's field goal in the 14th minute. However, Australia came back in the second quarter as Jack Holland equalised with India. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Spain**, defending champions won the **FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup** against the first-time finalists **Colombia**. Spain won the match after an own goal in the 82nd minute of the finals by Colombian defender **Ana María Guzmán Zapata**. The final match of the **FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup** was played between Spain and Colombia in the Patil Sports Stadium. Spain won by **1-0** in the finals of the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup against Colombia. ([Click here to read the article](#))

**Summits And Conferences**

- **SC-ST hub conclave** : The Ministry of MSME hosted the National SC-ST Hub Conclave in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, to raise awareness of the National SC-ST Hub Scheme and other Ministry programmes. Dr. Kirit Premjibhai Solanki, a member of parliament and chairman of the parliamentary standing committee on the welfare of scheduled castes and scheduled tribes, as well as other important dignitaries, attended the conclave. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Agni Tattva campaign**: Agni Tattva campaign to raise awareness under LiFE – Lifestyle for the Environment is now being carried out by Power Foundation of India in collaboration with Vijnana Bharati (VIBHA). The goal of this campaign, which involves educational institutions, local communities, and pertinent organisations, is to raise awareness of the central idea of **Agni Tattva**, one of the five elements of Panchmahabhoot and a symbol of energy. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Addressing the **Second United Nations World Geospatial International Congress** via video message, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said that steps taken by India over the past few years has been of empowering the “last person at the last mile”, reflecting the **theme of this year’s conference — ‘Geo-Enabling the Global Village: No one should be left behind’**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Minister of Civil Aviation Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia** inaugurated the **4th Heli-India Summit 2022**. The civil enclave will be built in Jammu for Rs 861 crore and Srinagar’s present terminal will be expanded three times from 20,000 square meters to 60,000 square meters for Rs 1500 crores. The 4th Heli-India Summit 2022 is inaugurated with the theme of **‘Helicopters for Last Mile Connectivity’** at **Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre, Srinagar** in the presence of **Lieutenant Governor of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir Majon Sinha**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- According to the latest **Commitment to Reducing Inequality Index (CRII)**, **India** has moved up six places to rank **123 out of 161 countries** for reducing inequality but continues to be among the lowest performers in health spending. **Norway** leads the CRII followed by **Germany and Australia**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Ministry of Women and Child Development (MWCD)** is set to organize a National Conference on skilling in **Non-traditional Livelihood (NTL)** for girls. The program is named **“Betiyan Bane Kushal”**, under the banner of **Beti Bachao Beti Padhao** on the occasion of the International Day of the Girl Child on 11th October 2022. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Prime Minister’s development initiative for **North East region (PM-DevINE)**, was approved by the **Union Cabinet** chaired by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi**. The PM-DevINE is a Rs 6,600 crore scheme to support infrastructure, industries, and other Livelihood projects in northeastern states of India. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **9th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC)** and Arogya Expo, will be held in **Panaji, Goa** from 8th to 11th December 2022. The 9th World Ayurveda Congress aims to transformationally push Ayurveda to bring it into global focus. The 9th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) is going to be hosted in Goa and it aims to create **an accessible and affordable healthcare system** that is in harmony with modern medical practices. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India is set to host the **Shanghai Coordinators Organization** national coordinator meeting in Delhi. The SCO National Coordinators meeting will take place from the **17th to the 18th of October 2022**. New Delhi took over the presidency of the nine-member grouping earlier this year at the Samarkand SCO summit. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **90th General Assembly of Interpol** is going to be held in **New Delhi** from 18th October to 21st October 2022. The 90th General Assembly of Interpol will have the world’s largest police body with 195 members. The **General Assembly** is the International policing organization’s top governing body and meets once a year to take important decisions. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Blockchain Summit in Dubai is taking place on Oct. 17 and 18, 2022 at Atlantis, The Palm**. It is one of the most elite gatherings of the global crypto and blockchain ecosystem. **The 22nd global edition of the World Blockchain Summit** will bring together some of the world’s leading crypto influencers, policymakers, key government delegates, media, family offices, HNIs and other curated investors, among others, to foster the crypto and blockchain community across the globe. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Global Youth Leadership Center, an international non-profit organisation, is all set to embark on its journey from Bangladesh** on October 20 with the inauguration of its first programme — **the Global Youth Climate Summit**. **The three-day summit will be held at Ava Center in Khulna**, one of Bangladesh’s most climate vulnerable regions, **bringing together 650 youths from 70 countries to explore how today’s youth can lead the fight against climate change**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Spice Congress 14th edition**: The 14th World Spice Congress will take place in the **CIDCO Exhibition and Convention Centre** in Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, from February 16 to 18, 2023. **Spices Board India** in conjunction with a number of trade and export forums is hosting the World Spice Congress during India’s G20 presidency. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **5th edition** of India’s only comprehensive International Trade Fair and Conference, **Windergy India 2023** will be held from 4th October to 6th October 2023. The **Windergy India 2023** will be organized by the **Indian Wind Turbine Manufacturers Association (IWTMA)** and **PDA Ventures Pvt Ltd**, the three-day trade fairs and conference will provide a vibrant platform to meet and interact with policymakers, regulatory authority, international and domestic technology, solution and services providers from the wind power industries. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- The “Akash for Life” a 3-day space conference will showcase the blending of traditional and modern knowledge through an extended integration of all schools of thought. The decision was taken by the **Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science and Technology**, Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences, MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, and **Dr. Jitendra Singh**. The event is scheduled to be held at **Dehradun** from **5th November to 7th November 2022**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **12th World Hindi Conference**: According to **P S Kartigeyan**, the Indian High Commissioner to the South Pacific island, **Fiji** will host the famous **World Hindi Conference** for the first time next year as a new platform for the globalisation of Hindi. The governments of India and Fiji decided together to host the World Hindi Conference in Fiji. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Awards & Recognition

- Writer **Dr Madhav Hada** will be awarded the **32nd Bihari Puraskar** for his 2015 literary criticism book ‘Pachrang Chola Pahar Sakhi Ri’, the **KK Birla Foundation** announced. A literary critic and academic, Hada has written extensively on literature, media, culture and history. He has also been a member of the general council of the Sahitya Akademi and the Hindi Advisory Board. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Vivek Lall**, an Indian-origin **General Atomic Global Corporation Chief Executive** is honored with the **Lifetime Achievement Award by US President Joe Biden** with the citation of ‘With Grateful Recognition’. This citation was given to Vivek Lall, who has done a **Ph.D. in Aerospace Engineering** from Wichita State University in Kansas, by the **AmeriCorps** and the office of the President. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Roxy Mathew Koll**, a scientist at the Pune-based Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), received the **American Geophysical Union’s (AGU) 2022 Devendra Lal Memorial Medal**. Koll was selected for his outstanding research in Earth and space sciences. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former German chancellor **Angela Merkel** won the **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) prestigious Nansen award** for her “**leadership, courage and compassion**” in ensuring the protection of hundreds of thousands of desperate people at the height of the Syria crisis. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **PR Sreejesh and Savita Punia** have been voted **FIH Men’s and Women’s Goalkeeper of the Year** for the second year in a row. The International Hockey Federation announced that young Indian forward **Mumtaz Khan**, and France’s **Timothée Clément** have been named the **FIH Rising Stars of the Year 2021-22 in the women’s and men’s categories respectively**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **SASTRA Ramanujan Prize** for 2022 will be awarded to **Yunqing Tang** Assistant Professor at the University of California, Berkeley, USA. The Award is instituted by the **Shanmugha Arts, Science, Technology & Research Academy (SASTRA)** in 2005. The award includes a **cash prize of \$10,000** and it is presented annually to individuals aged 32 and below, who made an outstanding contribution to the field of mathematics. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prakash Padukone** awarded with **SJFI medal**: The Sports Journalists’ Federation of India medal (SJFI medal) for 2019 was presented to badminton legendary star **Prakash Padukone** during a cordial ceremony at the Karnataka State Cricket Association. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **YSR lifetime achievement awards recipient**: The State Formation Day, November 1, will mark the presentation of the **YSR Lifetime Achievement** and **YSR Achievement-2022 Awards**, according to the State government. Reporters in Guntur were informed on Friday that the High Power Steering Committee’s suggested awards had been authorised by the Chief Minister **Y.S. Jagan Mohan Reddy**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In the PMAY-2021 awards, **Uttar Pradesh** bagged the first position followed by **Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu** at second and third place, respectively. **Madhya Pradesh** got three special category awards followed by **Jammu and Kashmir**, which was adjudged the ‘Best Performing UT’ alongside **Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Karnataka Bank** has bagged the **National Digital Transformation Awards, “DX 2022 Awards”** instituted by the **Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)** for best practices in digital transformation under the BFSI segment. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The European Parliament** has awarded the people of **Ukraine** its annual **Sakharov Prize** for Freedom of Thought to honour their **fight against Russia’s invasion**. European Parliament President **Roberta Metsola** announced the 2022 laureate in the Strasbourg plenary chamber, following a decision by Parliament’s Conference of Presidents (the President and political group leaders). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **National Intellectual Property Award**: The national award for intellectual property was given to the **Indian Institute of Technology-Madras (IIT-M)** for 2021 and 2022. The prize was established by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry’s Ministry of Commerce and Industry. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **National Industrial Security Academy (NISA)**, at Hakimpet, Hyderabad has bagged the Union Home Minister’s Trophy for the “**Best Police Training Institution for Training of Gazetted Officers for the year 2020-21**”. This extraordinary feat for this Academy was achieved during the serving period of the current Commissioner of Police (CP) Hyderabad, CV Anand, who was the previous Director of the Academy during the year under contention. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- The **Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT)** and **NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory** researchers studied the interactions between microbes in the **International Space Station (ISS)**. The study aims to help devise strategies for the disinfection of space stations to minimize any potential impact of microbes on the health of astronauts. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Legendary filmmaker **Satyajit Ray's** feature "**Pather Panchali**" has been declared the best Indian film of all time by the **International Federation of Film Critics (FIPRESCI)**. The 1955 film has received the number one slot in the top ten films in the history of Indian cinema list, which was declared after a poll conducted by the India chapter of FIPRESCI. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The ace filmmaker **SS Rajamouli's**, which recently hit the screens in Japan, has won its first major international honour. The biggie won the '**Best International Film**' honour at the **Saturn Awards 2022**, which were held in Los Angeles. RRR is a period drama which features Jr NTR and Ram Charan as the parallel leads. RRR, which grossed nearly **Rs 1,200 crore** at the worldwide box office, has bagged its first major international honour. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Important Days

- The **United Nations** observes the **first Monday of October as World Habitat Day**. This year, World Habitat Day will be observed on **October 3**. The day calls to reflect on our towns, cities, and the basic right of all to have adequate shelter. It serves as a reminder that we can shape the future of the place we live in. This year's theme is "**Mind the Gap. Leave No One and Place Behind**". ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Since **1983**, the annual observance of **World Day for Farmed Animals (W DFA)** on **October 2nd (Gandhi's birthday)** has been offering people of conscience an opportunity to memorialize and mourn these innocent lives. The day is organised by the **International animal welfare organization, World Animal Protection** along with **Asia for Animals coalition** to show the importance and urgency of farm animal welfare. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The celebration of **68th National Wildlife Week** is observed all over India from **2nd to 8th October 2022**. The main objective of this campaign is to promote the conservation and protection of animal life. It teaches people about animal life and encourages them to save a large number of animals by not killing them for their own food or for other purposes. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Department of Drinking water and sanitation (DDWS)**, Ministry of Jal Shakti celebrated **Swachh Bharat Diwas (SBD)** on **2nd October 2022**. The Swachh Bharat Diwas is celebrated to commemorate the **birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi**. The Swachh Bharat Diwas is inspired by one of the quotes of the father of the nation, "Cleanliness is next to godliness". ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **World Space Week (WSW)** is observed every year from **October 4 to 10**, to celebrate science and technology, and their contribution towards the betterment of the human condition. The World Space Week 2022 theme is "**Space and Sustainability**" focusing on achieving sustainability in space and achieving sustainability from space. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Teachers' Day or International Teachers' Day** is observed every year on **October 5**. This is a day to celebrate, thank and honour teachers for their contributions to their students. This year marks the 28th anniversary of World Teachers' Day and the theme is "**The Transformation of Education Begins with Teachers**". ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Every year **Breast Cancer Awareness Month (BCAM)** is observed in the month of **October, from 01 to 31**. The annual international health campaign aims to increase awareness of the disease and to raise funds for research into its cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure. The **pink ribbon** is an international symbol of breast cancer awareness. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian Air Force** was raised on **October 8, 1932**, and it is completing **90 years today**. The day and its observance is a matter of pride for Indians and inspire a patriotic zeal among the citizenry for the air arm of the Indian Armed Forces. The President of India is the Commander-in-chief of the IAF. This time Air Force Day flypast is scheduled to take place over Sukhna Lake in Chandigarh this afternoon. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Since its creation in 2006, **World Migratory Bird Day** has been commemorated twice a year. It is supposed to be celebrated on the **second Saturday of May and the second Saturday of October**. This year, it was previously celebrated on **14 May** and for the second time, the world marks this day again today, **8 October**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 7** is celebrated each year as **World Cotton Day**. Year 2022 marks the third-anniversary celebration of the international event. Below, we look at the theme of this year's celebration, its history and its significance. Cotton fibre and cottonseed are two of the most heavily used plant products globally. India is one of the largest cotton producers globally. The theme for 2022's celebration of World Cotton Day appears to be "**Weaving a better future for cotton,**" as apparent from the posters released by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Cerebral Palsy Day** is observed on **October 6**. Cerebral Palsy is a lifelong disability with no known cure. The day celebrates lives of 17 million people living with Cerebral Palsy, bringing people living with cerebral palsy, their families, allies, supporters and organisations across more than 100 countries together. The Theme for World Cerebral Palsy Day 2022 is "**Millions of Reasons**". ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **World Mental Health Day** is observed on **October 10** every year. The theme or rather the slogan for 2022's celebration of World Mental health Day is **"Make mental health & well-being for all a global priority."** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Post Day** is celebrated each year on **9 October**, the anniversary of the establishment of the **Universal Postal Union in 1874 in the Swiss Capital, Bern**. The theme for World Post Day 2022 is **'Post for Planet'**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 9** is celebrated as **Indian Foreign Service Day**. On 9 October 1946, the Indian government established the Indian Foreign Service for India's diplomatic, consular and commercial representation overseas. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Day of the Girl Child** is observed on **October 11** to raise awareness about the importance and potential girls hold as the future of our society. This year's theme for the International Day of the Girl Child is **"Our time is now—our rights, our future"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Arthritis day** is observed on **12 October** every year and it is a global health awareness event that helps create awareness about rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases. The theme for World Arthritis day 2022 is **"It's in your hands, take action"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 13** is designated as **International Day for Disaster Risk Reduction** with a focus on encouraging a global culture of risk awareness and catastrophe preparedness. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Standards Day** is marked every year on **October 14** to raise awareness about the importance of using standardised measurements, technologies, and industries. The theme for World Standards Day 2022 is **'Shared Vision for a Better World.'** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Each year, **International E-Waste Day** is held on **14 October**, an opportunity to reflect on the impacts of e-waste and the necessary actions to enhance circularity for e-products. This is why International E-Waste Day (#ewasteday) 2022 will be focusing on small items of e-waste, under the slogan **"Recycle it all, no matter how small!"**. #ewasteday will take place on 14 October 2022. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Sight Day** is observed every year on the **second Thursday of October** to raise awareness about vision impairment, vision care and other issues related to eyes. This year, the day is being observed today i.e. on **13 October**. Continuing the theme of last year, the **International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness (IAPB)** confirmed that this year's theme will also be **"Love Your Eyes"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 15** is celebrated as **World Students' Day** to commemorate the birth anniversary of **Dr APJ Abdul Kalam**, a celebrated Aerospace scientist and former President of India. The day is marked to acknowledge his efforts toward students and education. Dr Kalam was born on **October 15, 1931**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 15** is celebrated as the **International Day of Rural women** across the world. The day focuses to promote gender quality and highlight the important role played by women in rural areas. The theme for the International Day of Rural Women (15 October), **"Rural Women Cultivating Good Food for All"**, highlights the essential role that rural women and girls play in the food systems of the world. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Food Day 2022:** Every year on October 16 in observance of the date the **Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO)** of the United Nations was established in 1945, World Food Day is marked. The theme for World Food Day 2022 is **Leave NO ONE behind**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty** is observed every year on **October 17** globally. It is a day to raise awareness about the global issue of poverty and how it is a violation of human rights and of human dignity. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Every year, **October 17** is celebrated as **World Trauma Day**. The day is observed with a view to prevent the increasing rate of accidents and injuries causing death and disability across the world. The day was created in **New Delhi, India, in 2011**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 15** is marked as **Global Handwashing Day**, with the aim of increasing awareness and understanding about the importance of handwashing with soap as an effective and affordable way to prevent diseases and save lives. This year's theme, **"Unite for Universal Hand Hygiene"**, calls on all of society to work together to scale up hand hygiene. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World osteoporosis day** is a global healthcare event observed every year on **20 October**. This year 2022, the World Osteoporosis Day theme is **"Step Up For Bone Health"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Statistics Day 2022** is celebrated annually on October 20th to recognize the importance of statistics in our daily lives. The theme of Statistics Day, 2022 is **"Data for Sustainable Development"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Every year on **October 20th, International Chefs Day** is observed to honour the culinary masters who have protected the value of food and are passing on the same message to future generations. The theme for this year is **"Growing A Healthy Future."** ([Click here to read the article](#))



- **India** observes **National Solidarity Day on 20th October** every year. This day is observed to honour the **Armed Forces**. In the wake of the mortifying military thrashing because of China, India had started observing National Solidarity Day on October 20—the date on which China began the assaults in 1962. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Global Dignity Day** is observed every year on the **3rd Wednesday of October**. This year Global Dignity Day is observed on the **19th of October**. The day is an initiative to educate and inspire young people and help them to understand their self-worth and goals. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **October 21** commemorates the sacrifices of ten CRPF personnel who lost their lives in the line of duty. On **October 21, 1959**, ten Indian policemen were killed during an attack by Chinese troops in the Hot Springs region close to Ladakh after an argument between the troops. Since that day, 21 October has been observed as **National Police Commemoration Day** in honour of the martyrs. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Stuttering Awareness Day (ISAD)** or International Stammering Awareness Day is celebrated on **October 22**. The day creates awareness about the speech disorder known as stuttering or stammering. The theme for 2022's International Stuttering Awareness Day is **"Being seen, being heard: Representation and normalisation of stuttering in the mainstream,"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Every year the **United Nations** marks **October 24 as World Development Information Day**. This day is observed to create awareness towards the problems surrounding development in different nations and how to overcome them. It was in 1972 when the **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)** established the World Development Information Day in order to draw the attention of the world toward development problems and also to strengthen international cooperation. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **United Nations Day, on 24 October**, marks the anniversary of the entry into force in **1945 of the UN Charter**. With the ratification of this founding document by the majority of its signatories, including the five permanent members of the **Security Council**, the **United Nations** officially came into being. In 1945, 50 governments gathered to draft the UN Charter. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Global Media and Information Literacy (MIL) Week 2022** is observed from **October 24 to October 31**. The Global MIL Week 2022 focuses on trust and solidarity as it relates to people, media, digital platforms, governments, the private sector, and non-governmental organizations. UNESCO has announced the theme for this year's MIL week as **"Nurturing trust: A Media and Information Literacy Imperative."** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Polio Day 2022** is observed every year on **October 24** to raise awareness about the polio vaccination and eradication of polio from every corner of the world. The day is observed to commemorate the progress made by the world towards polio eradication. This year, the overarching theme of World Polio Day is **"World Polio Day 2022 and Beyond: A healthier future for mothers and children"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **The 7th Ayurveda Day** was celebrated on a magnificent scale in India and at the international level. The theme of this year's Ayurveda Day is **"Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda"**, with the motive to propagate the benefits of Ayurveda to masses and grass-root communities. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Disarmament Week** is celebrated from **October 24 to 30** each year. One of the key goals of the United Nations is to achieve world peace. To that end, the organisation marks October 24 to October 30 as Disarmament Week each year. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Day for Audiovisual Heritage (WDAH)** is celebrated on **October 27** every year to highlight and promote the importance of such preservation. **"Enlisting documentary heritage to promote inclusive, just and peaceful societies"** is the theme for WDAH this year. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian Army Infantry Day** is celebrated on **October 27** every year to pay homage to the soldiers who fought for the country and laid down their lives in the line of duty. To celebrate the **76th Infantry Day** this year on October 27, soldiers are organising four simultaneous bike rallies from all cardinal directions, Wellington (Tamil Nadu), Jammu (Jammu and Kashmir), Shillong (Meghalaya), and Ahmedabad (Gujarat). ([Click here to read the article](#))

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- **The Accession Day of Jammu and Kashmir** on 26th October with the Union of India is being celebrated across the Union Territory. Accession Day carries great significance as it was on this day in 1947 that the then **Maharaja of Jammu and Kashmir, Hari Singh** signed the Instrument of Accession to become part of the greatest democracy of the world. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Animation Day** is celebrated on **28 October** every year. It was in this year when the **International Animated Film Association (ASIFA)** declared International Animation Day (IAD) as a worldwide occasion to commend the speciality of animation. **The International Film Association** established **International Animation Day in 2002**, honouring the birth of animation, recognized as the first public performance of projected moving images at Emile Reynaud's Theatre Optique in Paris, on the **28th October 1892**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** celebrated **Shaurya Diwas** at Old Air Field, Srinagar. The Shaurya Diwas marks the **75th year of induction** of the Indian Army to save the state of **Jammu and Kashmir** from Pakistan's invasion in 1947. The **Shaurya Diwas** is celebrated as a part of celebrations for Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and the **75th year of Air landed operations** of the **Indian Army** at Budgam Airport. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Psoriasis Day** is observed every year on **October 29th** to make the general public aware of the important facts related to psoriasis and this disease and its treatment. In the year 2022, World Psoriasis Day is being observed with the theme of **"Unloading Psoriatic Disease"**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **International Internet Day** is celebrated on **October 29** every year across the world to celebrate the usage of the internet for the first time. The day marks the sending of the first electronic message which was transferred from one computer to another in **1969**. At that time the Internet was known as **ARPANET (Advanced Research Projects Agency Network)**. The Internet provides instant access to information. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **113th** Birth anniversary of Indian nuclear physicist **Homi Jehangir Bhabha** who is also known as the father of the Indian nuclear program. He was born on 30 October 1909 in Bombay, Bombay Presidency, British India (now Mumbai, Maharashtra, India). His invaluable contributions to the field of science continue to inspire generations of young minds in the country. Homi J Bhabha was born into a prominent wealthy Parsi family. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Thrift Day** is celebrated every year on **October 31**, across the world. World Thrift Day, also often called World Savings Day. However, India does this a day earlier, marking it on **October 30** every year. This year, the theme of World Thrift Day is **"Saving prepares you for the future"**, closely linked with last year's theme that focused on the importance of savings. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Cities Day brings Urban October** to an end on **31st October** each year and was first celebrated in 2014. As with World Habitat Day, a global observance is held in a different city each year and the day focuses on a specific theme. A different city hosts the event each year. This year's global observance is planned in **Shanghai, China** under the theme **"Act Local to Go Global."** ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Defence Current Affairs

- The **Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)** has launched a multi-phase **'Operation Garuda'**. Operation Garuda will help to disrupt, degrade, and dismantle networks with international linkages through the rapid exchange of **criminal intelligence on drug trafficking** and coordinated law enforcement action across international jurisdictions through Interpol. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Light combat helicopter added in IAF Jodhpur Base:** At a ceremony conducted at Air Force Station, Jodhpur in Rajasthan, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh officially admitted the locally produced **Light Combat Helicopters (LCH)** into the Indian Air Force (IAF). LCH would join the 143 Helicopter Unit after being inducted. Prachanda is the name given to Light Combat Helicopters (LCH). ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India stands at fourth position among 12 countries** of the Indo-Pacific in self-reliant defence production, says a study by the **Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)** that assessed self-reliance in arms production. **China dominated the list** leaving others behind by a long margin. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian Army** celebrated the **73rd Raising Day of Territorial Army** on 9th October 2022. The Raising Day of the Territorial Army is celebrated to commemorate its raising by the **first Governor General Shri C Rajagopalachari** on this day in 1949. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- On the occasion of the **90th anniversary of the Indian Air Force (IAF)**, the Centre has approved the creation of a weapon system branch for **IAF officers**. This is the first time since independence that a new operational branch has been created. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **National Security Guard (NSG)** is hosting the Multinational **Joint Anti-Terror Exercise (JATE)** under the **Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure (RATS)** at NSG Manesar Garrison. Stage 1 of the exercise was conducted from 27th July to 1st August 2022 by the National Terrorist Forces of **SCO Members Countries** in their respective territories. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **INS Tarkash** reached Port Grequhrea which is also known as **Port Elizabeth in South Africa**. INS Tarkash will participate in the seventh edition of **IBSAMAR**, a joint multinational maritime exercise among **Indian, Brazilian, and South African Navies**. The harbor phase of **IBSAMAR VII** includes professional exchanges such as damage control and fire-fighting drill and interaction among special forces. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **'Prasthan'** an Offshore Security Exercise was conducted by the **Eastern Naval Command** in the **Offshore Development Area (ODA)** off Kakinada. 'Prasthan' is a half-yearly exercise that was conducted in the KG basin to validate SOPs, address various contingencies and strengthen the command and control organization toward Maritime security. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Defence Minister of India, **Rajnath Singh** will be launching the **'Maa Bharati Ke Sapoot' (MBKS) website** for the **Armed Forces Battle Casualties Welfare Fund (AFBCWF)** during a function at the National War Memorial Complex in New Delhi. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian Army** signed MoU with 11 banks for providing banking facilities to **Agniveers** on enrolment. The banks are **State Bank of India, Punjab National Bank, Bank of Baroda, IDBI Bank, ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank, Axis Bank, Yes Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, IDFC First Bank, and Bandhan Bank**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India registered defence exports worth Rs 8,000 crore in six months of the current financial year and aims to achieve the annual export target of Rs 35,000 crore by 2025**, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh said. He was speaking at the curtain raiser event of DefExpo, scheduled to be held from October 18 to 22, in Gandhinagar. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **PowerEx-2022**: 193 invited Power Sector Utilities to participate in the Cyber Security Exercise "PowerEX" that was successfully designed and carried out by the Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (**CERT-IN**) and Power-CSIRTs. On the exercise day, the CERT-IN team collaborated with the **Power-CSIRT** authorities' Exercise Planner Team as Exercise Coordinators. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Adani Airport Holdings** has again rejigged its top management, naming Ericsson veteran **Arun Bansal** its **chief executive officer**. Bansal, who spent 25 years at the Swedish telecom network company, was most recently its president for Europe and Latin America. The appointment will help strengthen digital transformation and the business growth agenda. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian Naval Academy**, Ezhimala to conduct the **Indian Navy Sailing Championship 2022** at Marakkar Watermanship Training Centre in Kerala. The Indian Navy Sailing Championship 2022 is the largest intra-Navy sailing regatta in which nearly one hundred yatchpersons from all three **Indian Naval Commands** will participate. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for Indian Air Force (IAF)'s new airbase at Deesa in Banaskantha district of Gujarat** and described it as an effective center of India's security. He said the Deesa air base, mere **130 kilometers from the Indo-Pak border**, will be able to give a better response to any threat coming from the western side. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Mission DefSpace was inaugurated at **DefExpo2022** in Gandhinagar, Gujarat by the prime minister Narendra Modi (PM Modi). The project's goal is to create cutting-edge defence forces in the space industry. 75 space industry challenges have been highlighted for private companies to work on under Mission DefSpace. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Agni Prime missile successfully tested**: The **Agni Prime New Generation Ballistic Missile** was successfully tested by India on October 21 off the coast of **Odisha**. Around 9.45 this morning, a test launch of the ballistic missile took place. The missile successfully completed the test, covering its full range, and all of its test goals were achieved. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Indian and US militaries** carried out a three-day joint humanitarian assistance exercise in **Visakhapatnam** in line with the growing strategic cooperation between the two countries. The **Tiger Triumph exercise** was the second collaboration between the Indian and US Militaries to coordinate disaster relief in the region. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The Technology Development and Acceleration Cell of the **Naval Innovation Indigenisation Organization (NIIO)** under the **Indian Navy and Drone Federation of India (DFI)** have come together to collaborate towards promoting indigenous development, manufacturing, and testing of drones, counter-drone, and associated technologies for the Indian Navy. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Garuda VII air exercise**: At Air Force Station Jodhpur, the **Indian Air Force (IAF)** and the **French Air and Space Force (FAF)** are taking part in the bilateral exercise "Garuda VII" from October 26 to November 12, 2022. FAF is taking part in this exercise with a troop of 220 people, one A-330 Multi Role Tanker Transport (MRTT) aircraft, and four Rafale fighter aircraft. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian and US militaries** to conduct the battalion-level **"Yudh Abhyas" exercise** between **15th November 2022 to 2nd December 2022**. The Yudh Abhyas will be held at **Auli in Uttarakhand** which from just 100 km from the **Line of Actual Control (LAC)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **SIMBEX 2022 maritime exercise**: From October 26 to October 30, 2022, Visakhapatnam will play home to the 29th **Singapore-India Maritime Bilateral Exercise (SIMBEX)**. The two phases of **SIMBEX-2022** are the Harbour Phase at **Visakhapatnam** and the Sea Phase in the Bay of Bengal. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- The Defence Ministry has informed that the first edition of the **India-Mozambique-Tanzania Trilateral Exercise** commenced at Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania on 27th October 2022. The **Indian Navy** has participated in the **Maiden Trilateral Exercise** with **Mozambique and Tanzania**. Indian Navy is represented by the guided **missile frigate, INS Tarkash, a Chetak Helicopter, and MARCOS**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** launched 75 new projects including the **virtual launch of two helipads**, one in Hanle and one in Thakung in Eastern Ladakh. These **helipads** are aimed to enhance the operational capabilities of the **Indian Air Force** in the region. Several other key infra projects were also unveiled which include bridges, roads, and helipads projects in **Jammu and Kashmir** border areas. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Science and Technology

- **Elon Musk unveils Optimus robot's prototype:** Elon Musk, the CEO of **Tesla**, unveiled a model of the humanoid "Optimus" robot, which uses some of the same Artificial Intelligence (AI) software and sensors as the Autopilot driving assistance system in Tesla vehicles. At Tesla AI Day 2022, which was held to show off how far the company's research into autonomous robots and vehicles had progressed, Optimus was unveiled. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Consumer beta testing for ONDC:** In Bengaluru, the Open Network for Digital Commerce (**ONDC**), a technology similar to UPI that promises to democratise access to the internet for small enterprises, went live with its beta test. Consumers will be able to sample the new platform during the beta test, which will also allow for the gathering of insightful feedback. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mars Orbiter Mission: Mangalyaan**, the Indian Mars Orbiter Craft runs out of fuel and battery after completing **8 years**. Mangalyaan was a huge achievement for the Indian Space Research Organization. It helped to study the **Martian landscape** including surface geology, morphology, atmospheric processes, surface temperature, and atmospheric escape process. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **A SpaceX rocket** soared into orbit from Florida carrying the next long-term **International Space Station crew**, with a Russian cosmonaut, two Americans and a Japanese astronaut flying together in a demonstration of US-Russian teamwork in space despite Ukraine war tensions. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Alphabet Inc's **Google** will set up its first cloud region in **Greece**, the company, giving a boost to the country's efforts to become a world cloud computing hub. The deal is estimated to contribute some **2.2 billion euros (\$2.13 billion)** to Greece's economic output and create some 20,000 jobs by **2030**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Chandrayaan-2** Orbiter's X-ray spectrometer '**CLASS**' has mapped an abundance of sodium on the moon for the first time, as per the **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)**. As Chandrayaan-1's X-ray Fluorescence Spectrometer (C1XS) detected sodium from its characteristic line in X-rays, this opened up the possibility of mapping the amount of sodium on the Moon. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Google** is set to launch **Play Points**, a **global rewards Programme** for users in India. Users will earn points when they purchase with Google Play, including **in-app items, apps, games, and subscriptions**. The reward program has four levels known as **platinum, gold, silver, and bronze**. The levels will provide members with perks and prizes. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** inaugurated the **Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) in Una**, Himachal Pradesh. During the occasion, Himachal Pradesh Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar, **Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur**, Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav, and Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur were present. PM Modi also inaugurated the fourth **Vande Bharat Express Train** of India at the event. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- President of India, **Droupadi Murmu** has inaugurated a supercomputer facility at the **Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati** and launched several other projects during her maiden visit to Assam since assuming office. This supercomputer facility called "**Param-Kamrupa**", the facility will be able to conduct advanced research in various scientific fields. She also inaugurated a high-power active and passive component laboratory called **SAMEER** at the institute. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **IInvenTiv, an all-IITs R&D showcase launched:** At the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi (**IIT Delhi**), IInvenTiv, the first-ever all-IIT R&D exhibition, was officially inaugurated by Union Minister for Education and Skill Development **Dharmendra Pradhan**. The Education minister claimed that IITs are now used as catalysts for change. They serve as both a bridge to the future and a storehouse of information. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- European telecom gear makers, **Nokia and Ericsson** have inked multi-year supply contracts with **Reliance Jio** for supplying **5G network equipment** to the country's largest carrier for deploying standalone or 5G SA. With the deals, both Nokia and Ericsson are supplying to India's three largest mobile operators including Bharti Airtel and Vodafone Idea. While Vodafone Idea is yet to announce its 5G strategy, both Airtel and Jio have said that they will provide pan-India **5G coverage by 2024**. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **The heaviest rocket LVM3 of the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) will launch 36 satellites of British start-up OneWeb Broadband Communication Satellites** from the spaceport in Andhra Pradesh's Sriharikota on October 23, 2022. It will mark the the launcher's **entry into the global commercial launch service market.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Chandrayaan-3 set for launch in August 2023:** The **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)** plans to launch its third lunar mission in the month of June 2023. The more capable lunar rover that will be carried by Chandrayaan-3, which is essential for future interplanetary explorations, according to **S. Somnath**, Chairman of the Indian Space Agency, ISRO. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **APPLE said it would make fresh investments to set up solar and wind projects in Europe and called on its suppliers to decarbonise operations related to the production of iPhones** and other products. The company in 2020 had pledged to remove carbon emissions from its entire business, including products and its sprawling supply chain – **which spans from Vietnam to Brazil – by 2030.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian scientists** developed an indigenous **Overhauser Magnetometer**, one of the most accurate Magnetometers extensively used in all magnetic observatories around the world. The Overhauser Magnetometer will make way for reducing the cost of sampling, according to the **Ministry of Science & Technology**. The sensor installed at **Alibag Magnetic Observatory (MO).** ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Books & Authors

- **Shashi Tharoor**, a congress leader announced to write a biography of **BR Ambedkar** next month. The book will be published by **Aleph** and it will provide insights into the legendary leader's life and times. The book will show the leader's disputes with the legendary politicians and freedom fighters, namely, Jawaharlal Nehru and Mahatma Gandhi . The book will be known as "Ambedkar: A Life". ([Click here to read the article](#))
- A new book titled "**The Philosophy of Modern Song**" authored by **Bob Dylan**, Nobel laureate and published by Simon & Schuster will be launched in November 2022. The Philosophy of Modern Song contains the artistic journey and achievements of Bob Dylan. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Odisha Chief Minister, **Naveen Patnaik** released the book titled '**Pandemic Disruptions and Odisha's Lessons in Governance**' by **Dr Amar Patnaik**, Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha this evening at Naveen Niwas. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Home Minister Amit Shah** launched the **MBBS Course books** in Hindi version at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh. It is the first ever Hindi version of the MBBS course books in India. The book launch event was felicitated by the **Bhopal state education minister Vishvas Kailash Sarang** and Bhopal CM **Shivraj Singh Chouhan.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Indian Revenue Service (IRS) Joint Commissioner GST, Custom & Narcotics and youth influencer, **Sahil Seth** launched his book titled '**A confused Mind story**'. The book was launched and the first look was Unveiled in the presence of Union Health Minister **Sh Mansukh L Mandaviya.** ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Akshay Shah and Stephen Alter** have compiled and edited a new book "**The Corbett Papers: Biographical, Legal, & Contextual Material on the Life & Career of Jim Corbett of Kumaon**" about Jim Corbett. It is published by **Black Kite Publishing**. Jim Corbett, the famous naturalist hunter, has written a series of bestsellers about his experiences with wildlife in the jungles of North India. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Economist **Dr Bimal Jalan** authored the book "**From dependence to SelfReliance: Mapping India's Rise as a Global Superpower**", a stocktaking of India's growth trajectory, benefits from Bimal Jalan's deep insights. The book is written lucidly, with the general reader in mind. Bimal Jalan breaks his book into 3 parts: 4 chapters on the economy, and 3 each on governance and politics. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Miscellaneous Current Affairs

- **Pegatron third iPhone manufacturer in India:** With the opening of a factory in Mahindra World City in Chennai, Taiwan's **Pegatron** became the third Apple supplier to establish a production facility in India. It will put about Rs 1,100 crore into the facility, which might lead to the creation of 14,000 employment. The other two Apple suppliers with facilities in India are the Taiwanese companies Foxconn and Wistron. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **UGC Guidelines for International Students:** The University Grants Commission (**UGC guidelines**) said that higher education institutions (**HEIs**) nationwide would now be able to add up to 25% extra seats for international students and must have a transparent admissions procedure for them. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Adani Green Energy Ltd (AGEL)** has commissioned the world's largest wind-solar power plant of 600 MW capacity in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan. The plant has a power purchase agreement with **Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)** at Rs 2.69/kWh for 25 years. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **Khadi and Village Industry Commission (KVIC)**, a statutory body under the **Ministry of MSME**, is organizing a **Scheme of Fund for the Regeneration of Traditional Industries (SFURTI) Mela** at Dilli Haat, New Delhi. The SFURTI Mela will be organized from **1st October 2022 to 15th October 2022**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Union Home Minister Amit Shah** announces that Pahari Community in **Jammu and Kashmir** will get a **Scheduled Tribe (ST)** status and political reservations before Assembly elections. The **abolition of Articles 370 and 35A** in August 2019 paved the way for providing reservations to deprived sections of Jammu and Kashmir. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India** has emerged as the **largest producer and consumer of sugar** in the world and the second largest exporter. During the sugar season in India, over **5,000 lakh metric tons (LMT) of sugarcane** was produced out of which about 3,574 LMT was crushed by **Sugar Mills** to produce about 349 LMT of Sugar. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Financing Platform Launched by IFC:** The **International Finance Corporation (IFC)**, the private sector investment arm of the **World Bank**, has introduced a new, \$6 billion funding facility to boost the private sector's capacity to respond to the Global Food crisis and aid in food production in response to mounting food insecurity. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Hero MotoCorp** launched **Vida V1 Electric Scooter** in India. The Vida V1 Electric Scooter is commenced to be booked for **Rs 2,499 in India**. The bookings are open for **Delhi, Jaipur, and Bengaluru** only. The Hero Motocorp, Vida V1 Electric Scooter will be available in phases for the customers and deliveries will start in the second week of December 2022. The Vida V1 is highly customizable and comes in two variants, **VIDA V1 Plus** and **VIDA V1 Pro**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Hollywood Actor **Tom Cruise**, who is renowned for pulling off high-octane stunts in his projects, is taking things to the next level and may soon become the first actor to shoot in space. **The Top Gun** actor has reportedly partnered with director **Doug Liman** on a project that calls for him to perform a spacewalk. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated India's first aluminium freight rake** — 61 BOBRNALHSM1 — at Bhubaneswar Railway Station. The rake's destination is Bilaspur. As per reports, **the aluminium freight rake wields the capacity to carry 180-ton more goods as against the traditional rake**. Moreover, it is 180 tons lighter than the traditional steel rake. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- This is the first time a product from **Japan** has filed for a tag at the **Geographical Indication Registry in Chennai**. The Embassy of Japan, New Delhi, has filed an application seeking a Geographical Indication (GI) tag for **Nihonshu/Japanese sake, an alcoholic beverage**. It is learnt that this is the first time a product from Japan has filed for a tag at the Geographical Indication Registry here. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India Gate**, the flagship brand of KRBL, has been recognized as the **world's No. 1 Basmati Rice Brand** in a market study conducted by a leading global research company. The quantitative study by **Mordor Intelligence** covers research of White and Brown Basmati Rice Category across continents like the **Americas, Europe, Asia-Pacific, and Middle East & Africa**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Ministry of Railways** announced the closure of the **Central Organisation for Modernization of Workshops (COFMOW)**, New Delhi. It will come in effect from 1st December 2022. **Railway Board** confirmed the winding up of the four-decade old organization that contributed significantly towards the modernization of the workshop across the railway networks, with the recommendations of the **Principal Economic Advisor**, and Ministry of Finance. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Guinness World Records** has officially declared "**Monday**" the worst day of the week. After Guinness World Records' move, all of that will no longer be smoothed over into a wishy-washy '**Monday blues**' packet. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Lieutenant Governor Vinai Kumar Saxena** approved the setting up of four **Zila Sainik Boards (ZSBs)** which are responsible for policy formulation and implementation of resettlement and welfare schemes for **ex-servicemen (ESM)** and their widows. The four ZSBs are to cater to the South-west, East, Shahdara, North-west, Central, and **New Delhi** districts. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Delhi government** has launched the '**Diye Jalao, Patake Nahin**' (**light up lamps, not firecrackers**) campaign at Central Park in New Delhi. The Delhi government on Friday lit 51,000 diyas at Central Park in Connaught Place here to mark the launch of its campaign for a pollution-free Diwali. The campaign aims at promoting a quieter and pollution-free Diwali. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Ayodhya Ram Mandir- Ayodhya Deepotsav:** Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** was present during the sixth Deepotsav in **Ayodhya**. He carried out a ceremonial coronation of the Lord and inspected the Ram temple's building. Over 15 lakh diyas be lit on the event, breaking its own previous world record. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Cyclone Sitrang hit Bangladesh:** Cyclone Sitrang ploughed into heavily populated, low-lying parts of **Bangladesh** on night, killing at least nine people. The districts of **Barguna, Narail, Sirajganj**, and the island district of **Bhol** all reported death. Officials warned that as more casualties are reported from other districts, the death toll could rise. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- **Ladakh MP Jamyang Tsering Namgyal** launched the 'Main Bhi Subhash' campaign from Leh. The 'Main Bhi Subhash' campaign is a series of events which is organized by the **Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose INA Trust** in collaboration with the **Ministry of Culture**. The 'Main Bhi Subhash' campaign is going to be organized on the occasion of the 125th Birth Anniversary of Netaji on 23rd January next year. The 'Main Bhi Subhash' campaign begins in Mumbai and Kolkata. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **International Union of Geological Sciences (IUGS)**, one of the largest scientific organisations of UNESCO, has recognised the **Mawmluh Cave**, located in the **East Khasi Hills district of Meghalaya**, as one of the first 100 IUGS geological heritage sites. The full list will be presented at the IUGS's 60th-anniversary event, which will take place in Zumaia, Spain. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Bengali film Director and National award recipient **Pinaki Chaudhuri**, has passed away at the age of 82. He died due to lymphoma, a cancer of the lymphatic system. He was born on 19th September 1940 and had a varied interest in the arts and music. He made his debut in the world of films in 1983, directing '**Chena Achen**'. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Amou Haji**, an Iranian man dubbed the "**dirtiest man in the world**," died at the age of 94 in the village of Dejgah, in the southern province of Fars. He was so-called because he had not washed for almost 70 years and he believed that staying dirty kept him alive for so long. Owing to his unique record, a short documentary titled '**The Strange Life of Amou Haji**' was made in 2013, describing his life. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Veteran Assamese actor, **Nipon Goswami** passed away recently. He was born in Assam's Tezpur town. He was an alumnus of the prestigious Film and Television Institute of India. He debuted in the Assamese cinema as a child artist in 1957. The octogenarian worked in a number of Assamese films and was a very popular face. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Obituaries

- **Tulsi Tanti**, founder and chairman of wind turbine maker **Suzlon Energy Ltd** passed away. He was 64. He was born in Gujarat and studied commerce and mechanical engineering. Tanti set up Suzlon in 1995 and spearheaded growth in the Indian wind energy sector by championing affordable and sustainable energy policies. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Arun Bali**, a seasoned actor best remembered for playing Kunwar Singh in Swabhimaan, passed away on 7 October 2022 at the age of 79. The actor passed away in Mumbai, according to various sources. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mulayam Singh Yadav Passes Away**: Mulayam Singh Yadav, the Samajwadi Party (SP) founder and former chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, passed away. The Samajwadi Party's official Twitter account acknowledged the news of Mulayam Singh Yadav's passing. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Former chairperson of Nagaland State Commission for Women, academician, renowned writer and Padma Shri **Dr Temsula Ao** passed away at a private hospital in Dimapur. She was 80. Dr Temsula Ao, who was known as a leading literary voice in the northeast, was awarded **Padma Shri in 2007**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Robbie Coltrane**, the veteran comic and actor known for his star turns in the British crime series Cracker and the **Harry Potter movie franchise**, passed away at the age of 72. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Austrian billionaire **Dietrich Mateschitz**, the co-founder of energy drink company **Red Bull** and founder and owner of the **Red Bull Formula One racing team**, has died. He was 78. Officials with the Red Bull racing team at the United States Grand Prix in Austin, Texas, announced Mateschitz's death. ([Click here to read the article](#))

### Static Takeaways

- Central Reserve Police Force Headquarters: New Delhi, India;
- Central Reserve Police Force Formed: 27 July 1939;
- Central Reserve Police Force Motto: Service and Loyalty;
- ITBP Founded: 24 October 1962;
- ITBP Headquarters: New Delhi, India.
- The Indo-American Chamber of Commerce (IACC), was established in 1968.
- International Basketball Federation Founded: 18 June 1932;
- International Basketball Federation Headquarters: Mies, Switzerland;
- International Basketball Federation President: Hamane Niang;
- International Basketball Federation Secretary General: Andreas Zagklis.
- Secretary of Sports: Smt. Sujata Chaturvedi
- Director general of the Sports Authority of India: Shri Sandip Pradhan
- Ambassador for Fit India: Ripu Daman Bevli
- MD & CEO of Punjab National Bank (PNB): Atul Kumar Goel
- CEO of WhatsApp: Will Cathcart
- Head of India at WhatsApp: Abhijit Bose
- Director-General International Labour Organization (ILO): Gilbert Hougbo;
- International Labour Organisation Founded: 1919;
- International Labour Organisation Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland.
- Election Commission of India Formed: 25 January 1950;
- Election Commission of India Headquarters: New Delhi;

- Chief Election Commissioner of India: Rajiv Kumar.
- Google CEO: Sundar Pichai;
- Google Founded: 4 September 1998, California, United States;
- Google Founders: Larry Page, Sergey Brin.
- International Hockey Federation President: Dr Narinder Dhruv Batra;
- International Hockey Federation Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland;
- International Hockey Federation Founded: 7 January 1924, Paris, France;
- International Hockey Federation CEO: Thierry Weil (Apr 2018-);
- International Hockey Federation Founder: Paul Léautéy;
- International Hockey Federation Motto: FairPlay Friendship Forever.
- Capital of Burkina Faso: Ouagadougou
- Currency of Burkina Faso: West African CFA franc
- CEO of India's first Green Technology incubation facility, NIT Srinagar: Saad Parvez
- Director, NIT Srinagar: Prof. (Dr.) Rakesh Sehgal
- Acting chief justice of Meghalaya: Justice Harman Singh Thangkhiew
- Chairman of State Bank of India (SBI): Dinesh Kumar Khara
- Headquarters of State Bank of India (SBI): Mumbai
- Headquarters of United Nations: New York, USA; Founded: 24 October 1945.
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- Secretary General of the United Nations: Antonio Guterres.
- Inspector General of the National Tiger Conservation Authority: Dr. Amit Mallick

- World Trade Organization Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland.
- World Trade Organization Founded: 1 January 1995.
- World Trade Organization Director-General: Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala.
- Universal Postal Union Headquarters: Bern, Switzerland;
- Universal Postal Union Founded: 9 October 1874;
- Universal Postal Union Director-General: Masahiko Meteko.
- ISRO Chairman: S. Somanath;
- ISRO's foundation Date: 15th August, 1969;
- ISRO's Founder: Dr. Vikram Sarabhai.
- Garuda Aerospace's founder and CEO: Agnishwar Jayaprakash.
- ICC Founded: 15 June 1909;
- ICC Chairman: Greg Barclay;
- ICC CEO: Geoff Allardice;
- ICC Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates.
- AMFI Founded: 22 August 1995;
- AMFI CEO: N.S.Venkatesh (23 Oct 2017-);
- AMFI Headquarters: Mumbai.
- European Union Founded: 1 November 1993, Maastricht, Netherlands;
- European Union Founders: Germany, France, Italy, Netherlands, Belgium, Luxembourg.
- SEBI Founded: 12 April 1992;
- SEBI Sector: Securities market;
- SEBI Headquarters: Mumbai;
- SEBI Chairperson : Madhabi Puri Buch.
- RBI Governor: Shaktikanta Das
- All India Football Federation Founded: 23 June 1937;
- All India Football Federation Headquarters location: New Delhi;
- All India Football Federation President: Kalyan Chaubey;
- FIFA President: Gianni Infantino;
- FIFA Founded: 21 May 1904;
- FIFA Headquarters: Zürich, Switzerland.
- SBI CEO: Shri C.S. Setty and Shri Swaminathan J.
- IMF Chairman and MD: Kristalina Georgieva
- IMF Headquarters: Washington, D.C., United States
- BCCI Headquarters: Mumbai;
- BCCI Founded: December 1928.
- South Indian Bank Founded: 1928;
- South Indian Bank Headquarters: Thrissur;
- South Indian Bank CEO: Murali Ramakrishnan.
- CEO of Oxfam India: Amitabh Behar;
- Oxfam International Formed: 1995;
- Oxfam India Headquarters: New Delhi.
- International Organization for Standardization Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland;
- International Organization for Standardization Founded: 23 February 1947, London, United Kingdom;
- International Organization for Standardization President: Ulrika Francke.
- International Telecommunication Union Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland;



- International Telecommunication Union Founded: 17 May 1865;
- International Telecommunication Union Secretary-General: Houlin Zhao.
- International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness CEO: Peter Holland;
- International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness Founded: 1975;
- International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness Headquarters Location: London, United Kingdom.
- Indian Olympic Association Founded: 1927;
- Indian Olympic Association Headquarters: New Delhi;
- Indian Olympic Association President: Adille Sumariwalla;
- Indian Olympic Association Secretary General: Rajeev Mehta.
- World Anti-Doping Agency Headquarters: Montreal, Canada;
- World Anti-Doping Agency President: Craig Reedie;
- World Anti-Doping Agency Founded: 10 November 1999.
- Inter-Parliamentary Union Founded: 1889;
- Inter-Parliamentary Union Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland;
- Inter-Parliamentary Union President: Saber Hossain Chowdhury;
- Inter-Parliamentary Union Secretary General: Martin Chungong.
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature Headquarters: Gland, Switzerland;
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature Founded: 5 October 1948, Fontainebleau, France;
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature Founder: Julian Huxley;
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature CEO: Bruno Oberle;
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature Motto: United for Life and Livelihoods.
- MD and CEO of Paytm: Vijay Shekhar Sharma;
- Paytm Founded: August 2010;
- Paytm Headquarters: Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India.
- International Association of Horticulture Producers (AIPH) Secretary General: Tim Briercliffe;
- International Association of Horticulture Producers (AIPH) Headquarters: Oxfordshire, United Kingdom (UK).
- Public Affairs Centre Headquarters location: Bengaluru, Karnataka;
- Public Affairs Centre Founded: 1994.
- ICC Founded: 15 June 1909;
- ICC Chairman: Greg Barclay;
- ICC CEO: Geoff Allardice;
- ICC Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates;
- UNICEF Founded: 1946;
- UNICEF Headquarters: New York City, USA;
- UNICEF Director General: Catherine M. Russell;
- UNICEF Membership: 192.
- Minister of Commerce and Industry of India: Shri Piyush Goyal
- Finance Minister of India: Nirmala Sitharaman
- Bandhan Bank Founded: 2001;
- Bandhan Bank CEO: Chandra Shekhar Ghosh;
- Bandhan Bank Headquarters: Kolkata.
- Slovak Republic (Slovakia) Capital: Bratislava;
- Slovak Republic (Slovakia) Currency: Euro;
- Slovak Republic (Slovakia) President: Zuzana Čaputová.
- CII, Director General: Chandrajit Banerjee
- Adani Airport Headquarters location: Ahmedabad;
- Adani Airport Founded: 2 August 2019;
- Adani Airport Parent organization: Adani Group.
- International Osteoporosis Foundation Headquarters location: Nyon, Switzerland;
- International Osteoporosis Foundation Founded: 1998;
- International Osteoporosis Foundation President: Prof. Cyrus Cooper.
- United Nations Statistical Commission Founded: 1947;
- United Nations Statistical Commission Parent organization: United Nations Economic and Social Council;
- United Nations Statistical Commission Chair: Shigeru Kawasaki (Japan).
- World Association of Cooks Societies Headquarters: Paris, France;
- World Association of Cooks Societies Founded: October 1928.
- Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Founded: 20 February 1997;
- Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Headquarters: New Delhi;
- Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Chairperson: Ram Sewak Sharma;
- Telecom Regulatory Authority of India Secretary: Sunil K. Gupta.
- UIDAI CEO: Dr. Saurabh Garg;
- UIDAI Founded: 28 January 2009;
- UIDAI Headquarters: New Delhi.
- India Trade Promotion Organization Headquarters: New Delhi;
- India Trade Promotion Organization Founded: 1 April 1977.
- CEO of Phonepe: Sameer Nigam
- Headquarters location of Phonepe: Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- ISRO Chairman: S. Somanath;
- ISRO's foundation Date: 15th August, 1969;
- ISRO's Founder: Dr. Vikram Sarabhai.
- Guinness World Records Publisher: Jim Pattison Group;
- Guinness World Records Editor: Craig Glenday.
- Karnataka Bank Headquarters: Mangaluru;
- Karnataka Bank CEO: Mahabaleshwara M. S;



- Karnataka Bank Founded: 18 February 1924.
- Defence Minister of India: Rajnath Singh
- ISRO chairman: S Somnath
- UN Secretary-General: Antonio Guterres
- Chief Minister of Gujarat: Bhupendra Bhai Patel
- United Nations Headquarters in New York, USA.
- Mr Antonio Guterres is the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
- WHO Head: Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus;
- WHO Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland;
- WHO Founded: 7 April 1948.
- United Nations Disarmament Commission Founded: 11 January 1952;
- United Nations Disarmament Commission Headquarters location: New York, New York, United States;
- United Nations Disarmament Commission Head: Han Tae-song.
- United Nations Human Rights Council Founded: 15 March 2006;
- United Nations Human Rights Council Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland;
- United Nations Human Rights Council President: Federico Villegas.
- Cricket Association for the Blind in India Founded: 2011;
- Cricket Association for the Blind in India President: Mahantesh Kivadasannavar;
- Cricket Association for the Blind in India Headquarters: Bengaluru, India;
- Cricket Association for the Blind in India Secretary: John David Endala;
- World Blind Cricket Council Founded: September 1996;
- World Blind Cricket Council President: Syed Sultan Shah.
- European Parliament Headquarters: Strasbourg, France;
- European Parliament Founded: 19 March 1958, Europe.
- International Federation of Film Archives Headquarters location: Brussels, Belgium;
- International Federation of Film Archives Founded: 17 June 1938, Paris, France.
- Lt. Governors & Administrators of Jammu and Kashmir: Manoj Sinha.
- International Civil Aviation Organization Headquarters: Montreal, Canada;
- International Civil Aviation Organization Council President: Salvatore Sciacchitano;
- International Civil Aviation Organization Founded: 7 December 1944.
- President of International Animated Film Association: Deanna Morse;
- International Animated Film Association Founder: John Halas;
- International Animated Film Association Founded: 1960, Annecy, France.
- Foundation for Environment Education President: Lesley Jones;
- Foundation for Environment Education Headquarters: Copenhagen, Denmark;
- Foundation for Environment Education Founded: 1981.
- Indian Bank CEO: Shri Shanti Lal Jain;
- Indian Bank Founded: 15 August 1907;
- Indian Bank Headquarters: Chennai.
- Currency of Fiji: Fijian Dollar
- Capital of Fiji: Suva
- President of Fiji: Ratu Wiliame Katonivere
- President of International Federation of Psoriasis Associations: Hoseah Waweru.
- International Federation of Psoriasis Associations Founded: 1971.
- International Federation of Psoriasis Associations Headquarters: Sweden.
- Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command: Vice Admiral Biswajit Dasgupta
- Flag Officer Commanding Eastern Fleet: Rear Admiral Sanjay Bhalla
- Fleet Commander, Republic of Singapore Navy: Rear Admiral Sean Wat Jianwen
- Samsung Founded: 13 January 1969;
- Samsung Founder: Lee Byung-chul;
- Samsung Headquarters: Suwon-si, South Korea.
- International Union of Geological Sciences Founded: 1961;
- International Union of Geological Sciences Motto: Earth Science for the Global Community;
- International Union of Geological Sciences Parent organization: International Science Council (ISC);
- International Union of Geological Sciences Headquarters: Founded in Paris, France, secretariat in Beijing, China;
- International Science Council Headquarters: Paris, France;
- International Science Council Founded: 4 July 2018;
- International Science Council President: Peter Gluckman.
- Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Chairman: Arun Kumar Singh;
- Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Headquarters: Mumbai;
- Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Founded: 1952.



**List of Acts & Reforms In Banking Sector**

Sr.No.	Names of the Banking Acts and Reforms	Years
1	Societies Registration Act	1860
2	Negotiable Instrument Act	1881
3	Indian Trusts Act	1882
4	The Bankers' Books Evidence Act	1891
5	Indian Stamp Act	1899
6	Co-operative Societies Act	1912
7	Provident Funds Act	1925
8	Indian Partnership Act	1934
9	The Reserve Bank of India Act	1934
10	Insurance Act	1938
11	Central Excise Act	1944
12	Public Debt Act	1944
13	International Monetary Fund and Bank Act	1945
14	Employees' State Insurance Act	1948
15	The Industrial Finance Corporation of India Act	1948
16	The Banking Companies (Legal Practitioner Clients' Accounts) Act	1949
17	The Industrial Disputes (Banking and Insurance Companies) Act	1949
18	The Banking Regulation(Companies) Rules	1949
19	The Banking Regulation Act	1949
20	Chartered Accountants Act	1949
21	Contingency Fund of India Act	1950
22	The State Financial Corporations Act	1951
23	Employees Provident Fund and Miscellaneous Provisions Act	1952
24	The Reserve Bank of India (Amendment and Misc. Provisions) Act	1953
25	The Industrial Disputes (Banking Companies) Decision Act	1955
26	The State Bank of India Act	1955
27	Life Insurance Corporation Act	1956
28	Companies Act	1956
29	Central Sales Tax Act	1956
30	The State Bank of India (Subsidiary Banks) Act	1959
31	The Subsidiary Banks General Regulation	1959
32	The Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Act	1961
33	Customs Act	1962
34	Unit Trust of India Act	1963
35	Limitation Act	1963
36	Nationalization of Banks Act (However, the government decided to nationalize 14 major commercial banks on 19th July 1969)	1964
37	Banking Laws (Application to Co-operative Societies) Act	1965

Sr.No.	Names of the Banking Acts and Reforms	Years
38	Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertaking) Act	1969
39	The Nationalized Banks (Management and Miscellaneous Provisions) Scheme	1970
40	The Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act	1970
41	The Regional Rural Banks Act	1976
42	Foreign Contribution (Regulation) Act	1976
43	The Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act	1980
44	The Export-Import Bank of India Act	1981
45	The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development Act	1981
46	Chit Fund Act	1982
47	Sick Industrial Companies (Special Provisions) Act	1985
48	Shipping Development Fund Committee (Abolition) Act	1985
49	Banking Companies (Regulation) Rules	1985
50	The National Housing Bank Act	1987
51	SIDBI Act	1989
52	SIDBI General Regulations	1990
53	Securities and Exchange Board of India Act	1992
54	The Special Court (trial of Offences relating to Transactions in Securities) Act	1992
55	The Industrial Finance Corporation (Transfer of Undertakings and Repeal) Act	1993
56	Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act	1993
57	Debts Recovery Appellate Tribunal (Procedure) Rules	1994
58	Industrial Reconstruction Bank (Transfer of Undertaking & Appeal) Act	1997
59	Foreign Exchange Management Act	1999
60	Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority Act	1999
61	Prevention of Money Laundering Act	2002
62	Fiscal Responsibility and Budget Management Act	2002
63	The Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act	2002
64	Industrial Development Bank (Transfer of Undertaking & Repeal) Act	2003
65	Credit Information Companies (Rules & Regulation) Act	2005
66	Government Securities Act	2006
67	The Banking Ombudsman Scheme	2006
68	Factoring Act Rules	2011
69	SARFAESI (Central registry) Rules	2011
70	Securities Law (Amendment) Act	2014
71	The Regional Rural Banks (Amendment) Act - Diluted the sharing pattern by limiting the composite share of Central Government and sponsor bank to 51%	2014
72	The Insurance Laws (Amendment) Act- pushed FDI limit to 49%	2015
73	The Companies Act (Amended) (legislated in 1956)	2015



**List of Indian Satellites [1975-2022]**

Launch year	Satellite	Importance
1975	Aryabhata	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India's first satellite.</li> <li>It was launched from Russian satellite which was developed at ISRO.</li> <li>The main purpose of the Satellite was to gain experience in building and operating satellites in Space.</li> </ul>
1979	Bhaskara Seg-I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India's first experimental remote sensing satellite that provided land surface data.</li> <li>It carried TV and microwave cameras.</li> </ul>
	Rohini Technology Payload	The First Indian launch vehicle Failed to achieve orbit.
1980	Rohini RS-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It was launched by India's first Launch Vehicle SLV3.</li> <li>India's first indigenous satellite launch was used for measuring the in-flight performance of the second experimental launch of SLV-3.</li> </ul>
1981	Rohini RS-D1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Launched by the first developmental launch of SLV-3.</li> <li>It help to conduct remote sensing technology studies using a sensor payload.</li> </ul>
	Apple	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First experimental communication satellite.</li> <li>Ariane Payload Passenger Experiment.</li> <li>It has C- Band navigator that helped in navigation.</li> </ul>
	Bhaskara-II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Second experimental remote sensing satellite.</li> <li>This was improvised versions of Bhaskar to improve the process of conducting observation related to Geology, Hydrology, etc.</li> </ul>
1982	INSAT-1A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>INSAT Series was the next level of Bhaskar.</li> <li>First operational multipurpose communication and meteorology satellite.</li> <li>INSAT series were launched for diverse purposes like metrological satellite with advanced weather monitoring payload, DTH, etc.</li> </ul>
1983	Rohini RS-D2	Identical to RS-D1.
	INSAT-1B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identical to INSAT-1A.</li> <li>It was launched to augment the existing capacity of previous INSATs.</li> </ul>
1987	SROSS-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stretched Rohini Satellites Series (SROSS)</li> <li>It carried a payload for launch vehicle performance monitoring and for gamma-ray astronomy. Failed to achieve orbit.</li> </ul>
1988	IRS-1A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India's first operational remote sensing satellite.</li> <li>It carried linear imaging self scanning system that gave imagery for various applications.</li> </ul>
	SROSS-2	Carried remote sensing payload of the German space agency and gamma-ray astronomy payload.
	INSAT-1C	Same as INSAT-1A.
1990	INSAT-1D	Identical to INSAT-1A.
1991	IRS-1B	Improved version of IRS-1A.
1992	INSAT-2DT	Launched as Arabsat 1C.
	SROSS-C	It carried gamma-ray astronomy and aeronomy payload.
	INSAT-2A	The first satellite in the second-generation Indian-built INSAT-2 series.
1993	INSAT-2B	The second satellite in the INSAT-2 series.
	IRS-1E	Earth observation satellite. Failed to achieve orbit.
1994	SROSS-C2	Identical to SROSS-C.
	IRS-P2	Launched by the second developmental flight of PSLV.

Launch year	Satellite	Importance
1995	INSAT-2C	It has capabilities such as mobile satellite service, business communication and television outreach beyond Indian boundaries.
	IRS-1C	Launched from Baikonur Cosmodrome.
1996	IRS-P3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It carried a remote sensing payload and an X-ray astronomy payload.</li> <li>It operated for eight years and four months and completed the mission.</li> </ul>
1997	INSAT-2D	Same as INSAT-2C.
	IRS-1D	Same as IRS-1C.
1999	INSAT-2E	Multipurpose communication and meteorological satellite.
	OceanSat-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is also known as IRS P4.</li> <li>It carried an OCM (Ocean Color Monitor) and MSMR (Multi Frequency Scanning Microwave Radiometer) for oceanographic studies.</li> </ul>
2000	INSAT-3B	Multipurpose communication satellite.
2001	GSAT-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experimental satellite for the first developmental flight of GSLV-D1.</li> <li>Failed to complete its mission as it got launched in a wrong orbit.</li> </ul>
	TES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Technology Experiment Satellites.</li> <li>It was launched to test technologies like orbit control system, high torque reaction wheel, etc.</li> <li>It is considered a prototype for future Indian spy satellites.</li> <li>It was launched with the help of PSLV. It had a pan chromatic camera with better resolution.</li> </ul>
2002	INSAT-3C	Augmented the INSAT capacity for communication and broadcasting
	Kalpana-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First meteorological satellite built by ISRO.</li> <li>It was named after Kalpana Chawla.</li> <li>It had a very high resolution scanning radiometer and provided weather and atmosphere data.</li> </ul>
2003	INSAT-3A	Multipurpose communication satellite, similar to INSAT-2E and Kalpana-1.
	GSAT-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experimental satellite for the second developmental test flight of GSLV.</li> <li>With advancements like multi band communication dedicated for military use, etc.</li> </ul>
	INSAT-3E	Communication satellite to augment the existing INSAT System.
	ResourceSat-1	Intended to supplement and replace IRS-1C and IRS-1D.
2004	EduSAT	India's first exclusive educational satellite.
2005	CartoSat-1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Earth observation satellite.</li> <li>First Indian Satellite to provide Stereographic in-Orbit image with 2.5m resolution.</li> </ul>
	HamSat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Micro-satellite built in collaboration with Indian and Dutch researchers.</li> <li>For providing satellite based amateur radio services to national as well as international community.</li> </ul>
	INSAT-4A	Advanced satellite for direct-to-home television broadcasting services.
2006	INSAT-4C	Geosynchronous communications satellite. Failed to achieve orbit.
2007	CartoSat-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Advanced remote sensing satellite</li> <li>Carried pan chromatic camera capable of providing scene specific spot images.</li> </ul>
	SRE-1	An experimental satellite that was launched as a co-passenger with CARTOSAT-2.
	INSAT-4B	Identical to INSAT-4A.
	INSAT-4CR	Identical to INSAT-4C.

Launch year	Satellite	Importance
2008	CartoSat-2A	Identical to CARTOSAT-2.
	IMS-1	Low-cost microsatellite imaging mission. Launched as co-passenger with CARTOSAT-2A.
	Chandrayaan-1	India's first unmanned lunar probe.
2009	RISAT-2	Radar imaging satellite. Launched as a co-passenger with ANUSAT.
	AnuSat-1	Research micro-satellite. It has since been retired.
	OceanSat-2	Continues mission of OceanSat-1.
2010	GSAT-4	Communications satellite with technology demonstrator features. Failed to achieve orbit.
	CartoSat-2B	Identical to CartoSat-2A.
	StudSat	India's first pico-satellite (weighing less than 1 kg).
	GSAT-5P	C-band communication satellite. Failed to achieve the mission.
2011	ResourceSat-2	Identical to ResourceSat-1.
	YouthSat	Indo-Russian stellar and atmospheric mini-satellite.
	GSAT-8 or INSAT-4G	Communications Satellite
	GSAT-12	Augmented the capacity of the INSAT system for various communication services.
	Megha-Tropiques	Jointly developed by ISRO and the French CNES.
	Jugnu	Nano-satellite developed by IIT Kanpur.
	SRMSat	Nano-satellite developed by SRM Institute of Science and Technology.
2012	RISAT-1	India's first indigenous all-weather Radar Imaging Satellite.
	GSAT-10	India's advanced communication satellite.
2013	SARAL	Joint Indo-French satellite mission for oceanographic studies.
	IRNSS-1A	The first of seven satellites in the IRNSS navigational system.
	INSAT-3D	It is a meteorological Satellite with advanced weather monitoring payloads.
	GSAT-7	It is the advanced multi-band communication satellite dedicated to military use.
	Mars Orbiter Mission (MOM) or Mangalyaan-1	India's first Mars orbiter.
2014	GSAT-14	Intended to replace GSAT-3, and to augment the in-orbit capacity of Extended C and Ku-band transponders.
	IRNSS-1B	It is the second of seven satellites in the IRNSS system.
	IRNSS-1C	It is the third satellite in the IRNSS.
	GSAT-16	It has the highest number of transponders in a single satellite at that time (48 transponders).
2015	IRNSS-1D	It is the fourth satellite in the IRNSS.
	GSAT-6	Communication satellite that marks the success of indigenously developed upper stage cryogenic engine.
	Astrosat	India's first dedicated multi-wavelength space observatory.
	GSAT-15	Communications satellite.



Launch year	Satellite	Importance
2016	IRNSS-1E	It is the fifth satellite in the IRNSS.
	IRNSS-1F	It is the sixth satellite in the IRNSS.
	IRNSS-1G	It is the seventh satellite in the IRNSS.
	Cartosat-2C	Identical to CARTOSAT-2,2A and 2B.
	SathyabamaSat	A micro-satellite designed and built by Sathyabama University, Chennai.
	Swayam-1	A 1-U pico-satellite designed and built by the students of College of Engineering, Pune.
	INSAT-3DR	An advanced meteorological satellite
	Pratham	A mini-satellite built by students and researchers at IIT, Mumbai.
	PISat	A micro-satellite designed and built by the students of PES Institute of Technology, Bengaluru.
	ScatSat-1	Miniature satellite to provide weather forecasting, cyclone prediction, and tracking services to India.
	GSAT-18	The heaviest satellite owned by India at the time of its launch.
ResourceSat-2A	Identical to Resourcesat-1 and Resourcesat-2.	
2017	CartoSat-2D	ISRO holds the world record for launching the highest number of satellites by a single launch vehicle.
	INS-1A	One of 2 nano-satellites designed and manufactured by ISRO, as part of the constellation of 104 satellites launched in a single go.
	INS-1B	One of 2 nano-satellites designed and manufactured by ISRO, as part of the constellation of 104 satellites launched in a single go.
	South Asia Satellite	It is offered by India as a diplomatic initiative to its neighbouring countries (SAARC region) for communication, remote sensing, resource mapping and disaster management applications.
	GSAT-19	It is the heaviest rocket (and the heaviest satellite) to be launched by ISRO from Indian soil.
	NIUSat	It is built by the students of Noorul Islam University, Kanyakumari.
	CartoSat-2E	7th satellite in the Cartosat series to be built by ISRO.
	GSAT-17	India's 18th communication (and to date, its heaviest) satellite
IRNSS-1H	First satellite to be co-designed and built-in collaboration with private sector assistance. Failed to achieve orbit.	
2018	CartoSat-2F	6th satellite in the Cartosat series to be built by ISRO.
	MicroSat-TD	It is a technology demonstrator and the forerunner for future satellites in this series.
	INS-1C	Third satellite in the Indian Nanosatellite series. It will carry MMX-TD Payload from SAC.
	GSAT-6A	A high power S-band communication satellite. It will also provide a platform for developing technologies.
	IRNSS-II	Eighth satellite of IRNSS.
	GSAT-29	High-throughput Communication Satellite
	HySIS	Hyperspectral imaging services for agriculture, forestry, resource mapping, geographical assessment and military applications.
	ExseedSat-1	India's first privately funded and built satellite.
	GSAT-11	Heaviest Indian spacecraft in orbit to date.
GSAT-7A	Services for IAF and Indian Army.	

Launch year	Satellite	Importance
2019	Microsat-R	Suspected to have been destroyed in the 2019 Indian anti-satellite missile test.
	PS4 Stage attached with KalamSAT-V2	Used PSLV's 4th stage as an orbital platform.
	GSAT-31	Replacement of the ageing INSAT-4CR.
	EMISAT	Electromagnetic intelligence to track any enemy radars for IAF.
	PS4 Stage attached with ExseedSat-2, AMSAT, ARIS and AIS payloads	Utilization of the fourth stage directly as a satellite for experiments.
	RISAT-2B	Successor to old RISAT-2.
	Orbiter of Chandrayaan-2	India's second lunar exploration mission.
	Cartosat-3	One of the optical satellites with the highest resolutions in the world.
	RISAT-2BR1	Improved resolution of 0.35 metres.
2020	GSAT-30	Replacement of INSAT-4A.
	EOS-01	Space-based synthetic aperture imaging radar.
	CMS-01	Extended C-band coverage for mainland India, Lakshadweep and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.
2021	Sindhu Netra	Earth observation satellite used by Indian Navy for surveillance over the Indian Ocean.
	SDSat	This Nanosatellite was developed by Space Kidz India to study radiations. It carried 25,000 names and a copy of Bhagavad Gita into space.
	JITSat	Developed by JIT as part of UNITYSat constellation.
	GHRCESat	Developed by GHRCE as part of UNITYSat constellation.
	Sri Shakthi Sat	Developed by SIET as part of UNITYSat constellation.
EOS-03	India's first real-time Earth observation satellite and first satellite of the GISAT constellation.	
<b>Upcoming Satellites</b>		
2022	RISAT-1A	Radar imaging satellite to facilitate high-quality images and additional security to Indian borders.
	OCEANSAT-3	Earth observation satellite for oceanographic and atmospheric studies.
	GSAT-20	Communication satellite to add data transmission capacity required by Smart Cities Mission of India.
	GISAT-2	Multispectral and hyperspectral Earth-imaging satellite.
	Aditya-L1	Solar coronal observation spacecraft.
	GSAT-32	Communications satellite.
	TDS-01	A technology demonstrator for TWTA and atomic clock.
	SPADEX x 2	Demonstration of rendezvous space docking and berthing of spacecraft.
	GSAT-7R	Military communications satellite.
	DRSS-1	Communications satellite comprising two satellites in the initial stage- CMS-04 and IDRSS-2 in GEO.
	DRSS-2	
	X-ray Polarimeter Satellite	Space observatory to study polarization of cosmic X-rays.
INSAT 3DS	Military communications satellite.	

Launch year	Satellite	Importance
2022-23	GSAT-7C	Military communications satellite.
	AstroSat-2	It is a space telescope and successor of AstroSat-1.
2023	NISAR	A joint mission between ISRO and NASA is a dual-frequency synthetic aperture on an Earth observation satellite.
2024	Lunar Polar Exploration Mission	Joint lunar exploration mission between ISRO and JAXA.
2024-25	Mangalyaan-2	India's second Mars exploration mission.
2025	DISHA	Twin aeronomy satellite mission.
2024-26	Shukrayaan-1	Venus exploration satellite.

