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1. 80 castes from six states to be added to Central List of Other Backward Classes (OBCs):

National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) is processing the approval for adding approximately 80 castes from six states to the Central List of Other Backward Classes (OBCs). The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MSJE) also reported the addition of 16 communities to the Central OBC list in Himachal Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, and Jammu and Kashmir. National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) Established under 102nd Amendment Act, 2018) under Article 338B of the Indian Constitution. Other Backward Class is a collective term used to classify castes which are educationally or socially disadvantaged. It is one of several official classifications of the population of India, along with General Class, Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes (SCs and STs). The OBCs were found to comprise 55% of the country's population by the Mandal Commission report of 1980, and were determined to be 41% in 2006. States like Maharashtra, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, and Haryana have proposed communities to be added to the Central OBC list. Telangana: Suggested the addition of around 40 communities. Andhra Pradesh: Turup Kapu community Himachal Pradesh: Majhra community Maharashtra: Lodhi, Lingayat, Bhoyar, Pawar, and Jhandse communities Punjab: Yadav community Haryana: Gosai/Gosain community. The NCBC examines the requests and processes them accordingly, aiming for most of them to be approved. Once the Commission decides, it can send its recommendations to the Cabinet for approval. The final step involves legislation and notification by the President to enact the changes. Unlike the procedure for adding communities to the SC or ST lists, the addition of communities to the Central OBC list does not require the concurrence of the Office of the Registrar General of India or any other authority. The Commission follows guidelines established by the Mandal Commission in 1979, considering social, educational, and economic indicators for additions to the Central OBC list. The reservation system and OBC list play a significant role in promoting social equality by providing opportunities for historically marginalized communities. The continuous evaluation and expansion of the OBC list reflect the government's commitment to creating a more inclusive society and addressing historical injustices.

2. Ladakh demand for 6th schedule: The reservation system and OBC list play a significant role in promoting social equality by providing opportunities for historically marginalized communities. The continuous evaluation and expansion of the OBC list reflect the government's commitment to creating a more inclusive society and addressing historical injustices. Ladakh was granted Union Territory status in 2019, following the bifurcation of the state of Jammu and Kashmir into two separate Union Territories. The administration of Ladakh is currently governed by the Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh and an elected Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council (LAHDC). The Sixth Schedule of the Indian Constitution provides for the administration of tribal areas in the northeastern states of India.

These provisions were added to the Constitution in order to protect the rights and interests of the tribal

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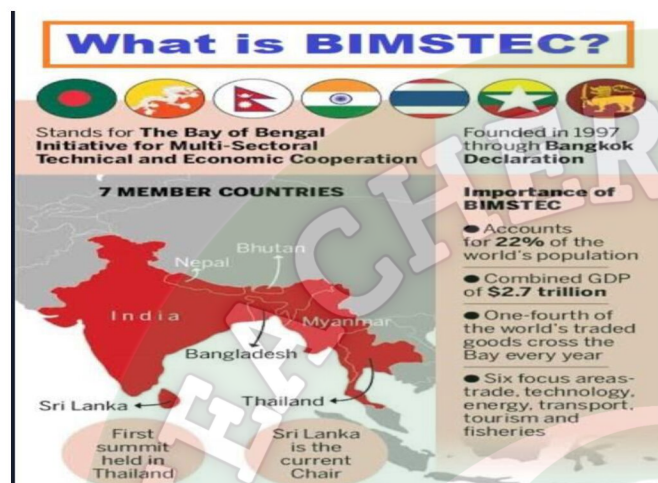
communities in these areas and to promote their social, cultural, and economic development. The Sixth Schedule covers the tribal areas in the states of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, and Mizoram. These areas are known as "tribal areas" and are home to a large number of indigenous tribal communities. The Sixth Schedule provides for the establishment of autonomous district councils in the tribal areas. These councils have the power to make laws and regulations for the governance of their respective areas. They are also responsible for the administration of the local institutions of self-government, such as village councils and traditional councils.

- 3. VAIBHAV fellowships programme:** The Ministry of Science & Technology has launched the Vaishvik Bhartiya Vaigyanik (VAIBHAV) fellowships programme. The program aims to connect the Indian STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics, and Medicine) diaspora with Indian academic and R&D institutions. It promotes collaborative research work, knowledge sharing, and the exchange of best practices in frontier areas of science and technology. The Government of India organized the VAIBHAV Summit to connect the Indian STEMM diaspora with Indian institutions. The summit was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister and saw the participation of over 25,000 attendees. Indian STEMM diaspora from more than 70 countries took part in the deliberations.
- 4. Kari Ishad mango from karnataka awarded GI tag:** A GI is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin. Nodal Agency: Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry. India, as a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), enacted the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999 w.e.f. September 2003. GIs have been defined under Article 22 (1) of the WTO Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) Agreement. The tag stands valid for 10 years.
- 5. Miyawaki technique of urban afforestation:** Prime Minister during his latest 'Mann ki baat' episode spoke about Miyawaki plantation, the Japanese method of creating dense urban forests in a small area. Miyawaki method is a method of urban afforestation by turning backyards into mini-forests. It includes planting trees as close as possible in the same area which not only saves space, but the planted saplings also support each other in growth and block sunlight from reaching the ground, thereby preventing the growth of weed. Thus the saplings become maintenance-free (self-sustainable) after the first three years. It helps to create a forest in just 20 to 30 years while through conventional methods it takes anywhere between 200 to 300 years.
- 6. BIMSTEC to adopt Bangkok Vision 2030:** The upcoming Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) summit, scheduled to be held at the end of this year, is set to adopt the Bangkok Vision 2030. The Bangkok Vision 2030, proposed by Thailand, aims to propel BIMSTEC towards a prosperous, resilient, and open region, fostering sustainable and balanced growth. The vision seeks to advance BIMSTEC as a prosperous, resilient, and open region. It emphasizes sustainable and balanced growth, adapting to rapid changes in the regional and global architecture. Thailand emphasizes the need for synergy between the master plans of BIMSTEC and

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the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN). This collaboration aims to promote the growth and development of the entire region. BIMSTEC was established in 1997 through the Bangkok Declaration with four member states: Bangladesh, India, Sri Lanka, and Thailand (BIST-EC). The inclusion of Myanmar in 1997 led to the renaming of the organization as BIMST-EC. Nepal and Bhutan became members in 2004, resulting in the current name, the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC).



- 7. Gita Press to receive Gandhi Peace Prize for 2021:** Gita Press, located in Gorakhpur is awarded the prestigious Gandhi Peace Prize for 2021. The jury, led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, unanimously selects Gita Press for this honor. Establishment : 1995 . Award Details Cash prize of 1 crore (US\$130,000), which can be converted into any currency world wide Includes a plaque and a citation. Jury composition : PM (Chair), Leader of the Opposition, Chief Justice, Speaker, and Eminent person. Nominees are considered from competent individuals. Award can be withheld if no deserving candidate is found. Recent laureates : Sheikh Mujibur Rahman (Bangladesh Founder) was posthumously awarded in 2020. Gita Press was officially founded in 1923 by Jaydayal Goyandka, a businessman from Bankura, West Bengal.
- 8. Prime Ministers' Museum and Library Society replaces Nehru Memorial Museum and Library Society:** At a special meeting presided over by Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh, who is Vice-President of the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library Society, it was resolved to change the society's name to Prime Ministers' Museum and Library Society. The decision was influenced by the completion of the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya, a museum dedicated to all the Prime Ministers of India, which opened to the public on 21 April 2022 on Teen Murti Premises in New Delhi. The Executive Council of the NMML had approved the construction of the museum in 2016, based on an idea proposed by Prime Minister Shri Modi. • However, they later felt that the name of the institution should reflect its new form, which now includes a Sangrahalaya showcasing the journey of democracy in Independent India and the contribution of each Prime Minister to nation-building. The Nehru Memorial Museum and Library (NMML) was established in 1964 in the memory of Jawaharlal Nehru, the first Prime Minister of India. It is located in the Teen Murti Bhavan in New Delhi, which was the official residence of

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Jawaharlal Nehru. The foundation of NMML was laid by the then Prime Minister, Lal Bahadur Shastri.

The idea behind the establishment of this museum and library was to preserve the life and work of Jawaharlal Nehru, his contribution to the Indian Independence movement and his leadership as the first Prime Minister of independent India. It also aimed to promote research and study of modern Indian history.

- 9. Centre Introduces 'Y-Break – Yoga at Office Chair' for Employee Stress Relief:** The central government of India has recently taken a proactive step towards improving the well-being of its employees by introducing the "Y-Break – Yoga at Office Chair" protocol. This initiative, spearheaded by the Ministry of AYUSH (Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy), aims to help professionals relieve stress, rejuvenate their energy levels, and enhance concentration. The protocol includes a series of simple yoga practices, such as asanas (postures), pranayama (breathing techniques), and dhyana (meditation), all of which can be easily incorporated into a short break from work.
- 10. Kamala Sohonie: Pioneering Scientist and Advocate for Women in Science:** Kamala Sohonie, born on June 18, 1911, in Indore, Madhya Pradesh, was a trailblazing Indian scientist. She became the first Indian woman to earn a Ph.D. degree in a scientific discipline. Despite facing gender bias within the scientific community, including opposition from Nobel laureate CV Raman, Sohonie persevered and made significant contributions to the field of biochemistry. Kamala Sohonie's groundbreaking research on Neera, a palm extract with the potential to combat malnutrition among tribal communities in India, earned her the prestigious Rashtrapati Award. Raman dismissed Kamala's application, stating, "I am not going to take any girls in my institute." Undeterred, Kamala confronted Raman in person in Bengaluru. She challenged him to allow her to complete the course with distinction, which eventually led to her admission. However, Raman imposed several conditions, including not recognizing her work until approved by him and placing her on probation for an extended period. Despite the challenges, Kamala completed her course with distinction, prompting Raman to revise his opinion about women in science.
- 11. Telangana's 5 structures chosen for the Green Apple Awards:** In the Urban and Real Estate Sector category, Telangana has been awarded with the International Green Apple Awards for Beautiful Buildings. For the first time any building or structure in India has received these prestigious awards. The awards are presented annually by The Green Organization, an independent non-profit organisation based in London, to recognize and promote global environmental best practices. The Green Organisation, founded in London in 1994, is an independent non-profit organisation that focuses on recognizing, rewarding, and promoting environmental best practices globally. The green organisation has been organising the annual 'Green Apple Awards' since 2016, with the aim of recognizing and honouring environmentally responsible construction and design practices.
- 12. Orvakallu Rock Paintings:** A recent discovery by D. Kanna Babu, former Superintending Archaeologist, reveals a Mesolithic period rock painting in Orvakallu village, Guntur district, Andhra

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Pradesh. The painting depicts a person tilling land, shedding light on the social life and culture of the ancient inhabitants. The site consists of five caves, two of which exhibit distinct depictions of rock paintings from the Mesolithic Age (approximately 5000 BC).

- 13. National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI):** The National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) marked its 20th Foundation Day. NIXI is a not-for-profit Organization under Section 8 of the Companies Act 2013 and was registered on 19th June 2003. It's an initiative under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) vision 1000 days. It is tasked with increasing Internet penetration and adoption in India by facilitating infrastructure aspects.
- 14. NHAI launches 'Knowledge Sharing Platform' for development of Highways:** The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has announced the launch of a knowledge-sharing platform by the National Highway Authority of India. This platform aims to promote the inclusive development of national highways. It will serve as a collaborative space for experts and citizens to share ideas and knowledge in various fields including road design, safety, construction, environmental sustainability, and related areas. With the help of updated technology and rapid innovation, the national highway infrastructure is developing at a fast pace. To promote sustainable and eco-friendly methods, NHAI is using recycled materials like plastic waste and fly ash. They are also encouraging the use of Recycled Asphalt (RAP) and Recycled Aggregates (RA) to contribute to a healthy environment. The platform 'Knowledge Sharing' seeks to strengthen the engagement and collaboration of ideas and thoughts among experts and citizens, allowing them to contribute their best practices as a part of the nation-building process. National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) was constituted by an Act of Parliament in 1988 under the administrative control of the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways NHAI has been set up as a Central Authority to develop, maintain and manage the National Highways entrusted to it by the Government of India. The authority, however, became operational in February, 1995.
- 15. Amit Shah lays foundation stone of 'Balidan Stambh' in Srinagar:** Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the construction of the 'Balidan Stambh' in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir, June 24. Jammu and Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha joined him at the park near Lal Chowk, the commercial center of Srinagar. This memorial is a part of the Srinagar Smart City project and serves as a tribute to the brave martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the nation. During his visit, Shah also paid a visit to Karan Mahal, the former residence of Karan Singh, the last Yuvraj of Jammu and Kashmir.
- 16. Gruha Jyothi Scheme:** The Karnataka Government recently launched its Gruha Jyothi Scheme, aimed at providing affordable housing to the poor and middle-class families of the state. The scheme is a part of the state's ambitious "Housing for All" plan and aims to provide housing to nearly 4.5 lakh families in the next five years. Under the Gruha Jyothi Scheme, the Karnataka Government will provide financial assistance of up to Rs. 2.5 lakh to eligible beneficiaries for the construction of their own houses. The government will also provide subsidies on the interest rate for loans taken for the construction of the house.

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- 17. Launch of Chandrayaan 3 mission:** India's upcoming moon exploration mission, Chandrayaan-3, is set to launch in mid-July. In a significant decision, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) plans to retain the names of the lander and rover from the previous mission, Chandrayaan-2. Chandrayaan-3 is a follow-on mission to Chandrayaan-2 to demonstrate end-to-end capability in safe landing and roving on the lunar surface. It consists of Lander and Rover configuration. It will be launched by LVM3 from SDSC SHAR, Sriharikota.
- 18. 7 products from UP gets GI TAG:** The Geographical Indications Registry in Chennai has recently bestowed Geographical Indication (GI) tags on seven distinct products from Uttar Pradesh. These products represent the rich heritage and craftsmanship of the region. A GI is a sign used on products that have a specific geographical origin and possess qualities or a reputation that are due to that origin. Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry is the nodal agency. India, as a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), enacted the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999 w.e.f. September 2003. GIs have been defined under Article 22 (1) of the WTO Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) Agreement. The tag stands valid for 10 years.
- 19. PM PRANAM scheme gets cabinet nod:** The union cabinet has given its approval to PM-PRANAM scheme, which aims to promote the usage of alternative fertilizers and balanced utilization of chemical fertilizers. This scheme, announced in the budget for 2023-24, reflects the government's commitment to sustainable agricultural practices and the conservation of natural resources. PM-PRANAM stands for Prime Minister Promotion of Alternate Nutrients for Agriculture Management Yojana. The scheme was proposed during the National Conference on Agriculture for Rabi Campaign in September 2022. Its objective is to reduce the subsidy burden on chemical fertilizers by promoting the use of alternative fertilizers.
- 20. Govt launches Nandi portal to grant NOC for veterinary drugs, vaccines:** The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying has taken a significant step towards streamlining the regulatory approval process for veterinary drugs and vaccines with the launch of the Nandi portal. The portal aims to timely process applications and grant non-objection certifications (NOC) for these essential products. With the increasing demand for veterinary products, especially due to the ongoing livestock vaccination drive, the Nandi portal will play a crucial role in expediting the approval process.
- 21. India's first hydrogen-powered train to run from Jind district, Haryana:** In a significant step towards embracing sustainable transportation, India is poised to launch its first-ever hydrogen-powered train. Hydrogen trains, which rely on fuel cells to convert hydrogen and oxygen into electricity, offer a clean and environmentally friendly alternative to traditional diesel trains. This groundbreaking initiative marks a promising stride in India's efforts to reduce carbon emissions and combat pollution. The first hydrogen fuel-powered train in India is scheduled to operate along the Jind-Sonipat route. Germany's 'Coradia iLint' is the world's first passenger train powered by a hydrogen fuel cell. India's first green hydrogen plant has been commissioned by Oil India Limited (OIL) at its Jorhat Pump Station in Assam.

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- 22. Hemis Festival Ladakh 2023:** The annual, two day long, Hemis Monastery Festival is being celebrated in Ladakh with great religious enthusiasm on the occasion of birth anniversary of Guru Padma Sambhava. The Hemis Festival in Ladakh is a renowned religious celebration that attracts numerous tourists to the picturesque region of Leh. Dedicated to the birth anniversary of Lord Padmasambhava, the festival offers a mesmerizing experience of Tibetan Tantric Buddhism. With its two-day extravaganza, Hemis Festival offers a captivating display of Cham Dance, traditional performances, and the unveiling of intricate thangkas (Buddhist paintings). This vibrant celebration takes place in the enchanting region of Ladakh, specifically at the Hemis Gompa monastery. Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh is B. D. Mishra. Other famous festivals of Ladakh are Losar festival and Tak tok festival
- 23. 30 critical minerals:** The Ministry of Mines has strategically identified 30 critical minerals, including lithium, cobalt, nickel, and graphite, crucial for the country's economic development and national security. The move aims to address supply chain vulnerabilities and ensure availability of these minerals for key industries such as clean technologies, information technology, advanced manufacturing, and defense. Critical minerals are elements that are crucial to modern-day technologies and are at risk of supply chain disruptions. These minerals are used in making mobile phones, computers, batteries, electric vehicles, and green technologies like solar panels and wind turbines. Minerals such as antimony, cobalt, gallium, graphite, lithium, nickel, niobium, and strontium are among the 22 assessed to be critical for India. Many of these are required to meet the manufacturing needs of green technologies, high-tech equipment, aviation, and national defence.
- 24. Debrigarh wildlife sanctuary:** Debrigarh, a wildlife sanctuary in Odisha's Bargarh district, adjacent to Hirakund Dam has achieved a significant milestone by becoming completely free of any human settlement. Debrigarh stands out as one of the few wildlife sanctuaries in Odisha where human settlements have been completely removed.

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- 25. Canada to quit China led AIIB:** Established : Multilateral development bank established in 2016. Headquarter : Beijing, China. Founding Members : 57 countries that initiated the establishment of the AIIB. India is a founding member. Current Membership : Over 100 countries have joined the AIIB since its inception. Capital : Total capital of \$100 billion for financing infrastructure projects. Largest Share holder : China holds the largest voting power and financial contribution. India holds the second-largest voting power within the AIIB, providing influence in decision-making processes. Focus Areas: Provides funding for diverse sectors including transportation, energy, telecommunications, urban development, and rural infrastructure.
- 26. UK Appoints Jane Marriott As First Woman Envoy To Pakistan:** The United Kingdom has announced the appointment of senior diplomat Jane Marriott as the next British High Commissioner to Pakistan, making her the first female British envoy to Islamabad. Prior to this appointment, Jane

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Marriott, 47, was the high commissioner to Kenya since September 2019. She would be replacing Dr Christian Turner, who left Pakistan in January after serving as the envoy since December 2019

- 27. World Bank introduces its initial plan to enhance road safety in South Asia:** The World Bank (WB) has initiated its first-ever project dedicated solely to road safety in South Asia, with a financial agreement of USD 358 million signed with the government of Bangladesh in Dhaka. The project aims at reducing fatalities and injuries caused by road crashes in high-risk highways, district roads and selected cities. The project will focus on two national highways in Bangladesh, namely Gazipur-Elenga (N4) and Natore-Nawabganj (N6). Ajay Banga assumed office as the 14th President of the World Bank Group on June 2, 2023. World Bank Headquarter: Washington D.C
- 28. First-ever treaty to safeguard high seas marine life adopted by UN members:** Representatives from all 193 UN member nations joyfully approved the first-ever treaty to safeguard marine life in the high seas. UN Secretary-General António Guterres lauded the historical agreement for giving the ocean a chance to fight against the numerous threats that menace it.
- 29. NATO +5 status and India:** As Prime Minister Narendra Modi visits Washington, the US Senate is set to introduce legislation that aims to grant India 'NATO plus five' defence status. However, India's External Affairs Minister has already rejected this framework for India. NATO Plus is a coalition consisting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and five countries, namely Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Israel, and South Korea. The primary objective of this group is to enhance global defense cooperation. Membership in NATO Plus would offer several advantages to India, including seamless intelligence sharing among member countries, access to cutting-edge military technology without delays, and a strengthened defense partnership with the United States. NATO is an alliance composed of 31 North American and European countries with shared values and interests. The organization was established through the signing of the North Atlantic Treaty, also known as the Washington Treaty, on April 4, 1949. The main purpose of NATO is to safeguard peace and ensure the territorial integrity, political independence, and security of its member states. Article Five of the treaty stipulates that an armed attack against one member shall be considered an attack against all members, and the alliance will provide assistance, including the use of armed forces if necessary. NATO's headquarters is located in Brussels, Belgium.
- 30. Titanic submersible expedition:** All five crew onboard the Titan submersible are dead after a catastrophic implosion. Submersibles are vessels designed for underwater travel, often used for research, exploration, and tourism purposes. They are white tubes of about 6.7 meters long and 2.8 meters wide, and have a top speed of three knots or 5.5 kilometers (3.5 miles) an hour. In the context of tourism, submersibles provide passengers with the opportunity to experience the wonders of the underwater world and explore marine ecosystems. Submersible tourism has gained popularity among adventurous travellers, offering unique opportunities to explore the underwater world. The wreckage of the RMS Titanic, discovered in 1985, has been a popular destination for tourists over the years. OceanGate Expeditions began offering Titanic expeditions, taking crews of "citizen scientists" and

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"crew members" to the site since 2010. The Titan submersible was constructed using titanium and filament-wound carbon fiber. With a length of 22 feet and a weight of 10,432 kg, it was capable of reaching depths of 4,000 meters (13,123 feet). Differentiating Submersibles and Submarines. Submersibles, such as the Titan, are not fully autonomous and require support ships for launch and recovery. They descend using weights and do not possess the power to launch independently. Submarines, on the other hand, are self-propelled and capable of launching and returning without external support.

- 31. Pakistan bans Holi to save Islamic identity:** Pakistan has recently implemented a ban on the celebration of Holi and other Hindu festivals across educational institutions in the country. The decision was made to protect what the government considers to be the eroding Islamic identity of the nation. The ban was issued by the Higher Education Commission in Islamabad following the emergence of a video on social media showing students at a university in Islamabad celebrating Holi. Shehbaz Sharif is the prime minister of Pakistan. Pakistan is the world's fifth-most populous country. Pakistan is the world's second-largest Muslim population, just behind Indonesia.
- 32. China Pakistan nuclear deal:** The recent agreement between China and Pakistan for a 1,200 MW nuclear power plant in Pakistan's Chashma nuclear complex has significant implications. Pakistan signs agreement for a 1,200 MW nuclear power plant at the Chashma nuclear complex. China provides "special concessions" for financing the construction amid Pakistan's financial crisis and ongoing IMF bailout negotiations. The new plant (C-5) will be the largest reactor at the Chashma complex and utilize China's Hualong One reactor technology. Pakistan currently operates six China-built nuclear plants, including four at Chashma and two at the Karachi Nuclear Power Plant (KANUPP). The KANUPP-3 project is part of China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and the China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).
- 33. Canada launches 'digital nomad strategy' for foreign workers:** Canada has launched a "Digital Nomad Strategy" to address its skilled workers' shortage, particularly in the tech industry. Under the digital nomad strategy, foreign workers are permitted to stay in Canada for up to six months. If they receive job offers during their stay, they have the opportunity to extend their time in the country. This initiative is designed to alleviate the shortage of skilled professionals in Canada's tech sector. Canada – Prime Minister: Justin Trudeau; Capital: Ottawa Currency: Canadian Dollar (CAD); Official Languages: English and French;.
- 34. UN chief appoints Xu of China as deputy head of UNDP:** United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres has announced the appointment of Haoliang Xu of China as Under-Secretary-General and Associate Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). Mr. Xu will succeed Usha Rao-Monari of India, to whom the Secretary-General has expressed his appreciation for her service and commitment during her tenure as Associate Administrator. UNDP Founded: 1965; Headquarters: New York, United States; Administrator: Achim Steiner.

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- 35. India's Progress Recognized: Removed from UN Secretary-General's Report on Impact of Armed Conflict on Children:** India has been removed from the UN Secretary-General's annual report on the impact of armed conflict on children, signaling the country's improved measures to protect children. The decision by Secretary-General Antonio Guterres acknowledges India's commitment to child protection and highlights the positive outcomes of its technical mission and a workshop on strengthening child protection. This development marks a significant milestone for India, which had been included in the report since 2010. Initially, India was listed in the report alongside other countries such as Burkina Faso, Cameroon, the Lake Chad Basin, Nigeria, Pakistan, and the Philippines. The inclusion of India was based on allegations of armed groups recruiting young boys in Jammu and Kashmir and the detainment of boys by security forces due to their association with such groups.

APPOINTMENTS

- 36. IPS officer Ravi Sinha selected as new chief of RAW:** Ravi Sinha, a senior IPS officer, has been appointed as the new chief of India's external intelligence agency, the Research and Analysis Wing (RAW). Sinha will take over from Samant Kumar Goel, who is completing his four-year term on June 30. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved Sinha's appointment as Secretary of RAW for a period of two years. Research and Analysis Wing (RAW). Headquarters: New Delhi; Founded: 21 September 1968; Founders: R. N. Kao, Indira Gandhi.
- 37. Swaminathan Janakiraman named as new RBI deputy governor:** Government of India has appointed Swaminathan Janakiraman as a Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). As per an official notification, Janakiraman's appointment is for a period of three years starting from the date of joining, or until any further orders are issued. He will be succeeding Mahesh Kumar Jain, whose tenure concludes on June 22nd.
- 38. Alibaba named Eddie Wu as new CEO:** Eddie Wu, the chairman of Alibaba's core Taobao and Tmall online commerce divisions, will take over as the chief executive of the company, which has a market value of \$240 billion. Alibaba is a prominent Chinese multinational conglomerate specializing in e-commerce, technology, and various other sectors. Founded in 1999 by Jack Ma and a group of entrepreneurs, Alibaba has grown into one of the world's largest and most influential companies. The company operates a range of businesses, including online marketplaces, cloud computing services, digital payment platforms, logistics and supply chain management, entertainment, and media ventures. Its flagship platforms, such as Taobao, Tmall, and Alibaba.com, facilitate online retail transactions between businesses and consumers. These platforms have played a significant role in shaping China's e-commerce landscape and have gained international recognition as well.

AWARDS

- 39. Salman Rushdie wins prestigious German peace prize 2023:** The Peace Prize of the German Book Trade for 2023 has been awarded to British-American author Salman Rushdie, "for his indomitable spirit, for his affirmation of life and for enriching our world with his love of storytelling,". Rushdie was born on June 19, 1947, in Bombay (now Mumbai), Ahmed Salman Rushdie's name is best known

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worldwide for his 1988 novel *The Satanic Verses*, which caused widespread uproar in the Muslim world for its story inspired by the life of Islamic Prophet Muhammad. It also prompted Iranian religious leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini to declare a fatwa against the author. List of Famous Salman Rushdie Book; *Midnight's Children* Shame; *Satanic Verses*; *Haroun and the Sea of Stories*; *Moor's Last Sigh* book by Salman Rushdie; *Ground Beneath Her Feet*; *Fury*; *Shalimar the Clown*; *Enchantress of Florence*; *Two Years Eight Months and Twenty-Eight Nights*; *Golden House*; *Quichotte* book; *Victory City*

- 40. PM Narendra Modi receives Egypt's highest honour 'Order of the Nile':** During his official visit to Egypt, Prime Minister Narendra Modi was bestowed with the highest state honor of Egypt, known as the 'Order of the Nile.' This recognition marks the 13th international award received by Prime Minister Modi. The prestigious award was presented to him by Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, making it a significant moment as Prime Minister Modi became the first Indian Prime Minister to visit Egypt since 1997.
- 41. Priya A.S. received Sahitya Akademi Award 2023 for children's literature:** Priya A S, a talented writer, has been honored with the prestigious Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2023 in the Malayalam language for her novel "Perumazhayathe Kunjithalukal" (The Children Who Never Withered). This recognition adds to her previous achievement of winning the Kerala Sahitya Akademi Award for Children's Literature in 2020 for the same novel.

SPORTS

- 42. Mascot launched for 37th edition of Indian National Games:** Goa's Chief Minister Pramod Sawant launched 'Moga' at a launch ceremony held at Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium in Taleigao, Goa. 37th edition of the national games of India will be held in various locations in the state of Goa. It will feature competitions in a total of 43 disciplines. It will also feature 'Gatka', a traditional martial art form associated with Punjab. National Games in India are organised by the Indian Olympic Association. The Indian sports ministry, has affirmed that the National Games will be held every two years, except in years where the Olympics and Asian Games are held. PT Usha is the president of Indian Olympic Association which is headquartered in New Delhi. Mascots serve as the face of their respective games representing the game's characters and themes. It creates an emotional connection with players & evoke a sense of loyalty of player to the game. Maharashtra was the winner of 36th National Games which was held in Goa. 'Savaj' which represents an Asiatic lion was the mascot for the 36th National Games.
- 43. FIFA appoints Indonesia as U-17 World Cup host:** Indonesia has been officially selected as the host country for the U-17 World Cup. About Indonesia President - Joko Widodo; Currency – Rupiah; Brazil is the current champion of FIFA U-17 World Cup; Current President of FIFA is Gianni Infantino; Headquarter of FIFA is located in Zurich, Switzerland.
- 44. Special Olympics World Games 2023 in Berlin from 17-25 June:** The 16th Special Olympics World Games, the world's largest inclusive sports event, took place in Berlin, Germany, from 17th June to

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25th June 2023. This momentous occasion brought together thousands of athletes with intellectual disabilities from around the globe to compete in 26 sports. With the aim of promoting recognition and inclusion, the Games showcased the remarkable talents, determination, and spirit of these exceptional athletes. The Games brought together approximately 7,000 Special Olympics athletes from nearly 190 countries. India ended its Special Olympics World Games 2023 campaign by winning 202 medals (76 gold, 75 silver and 51 bronze), with the last of the medals coming from the athletics track. Indian athletes notched six medals from the track events (2 gold, 3 silver and 1 bronze). About Special Olympics World Games. It is organised by the Special Olympics organization which is recognised by International Olympic Committee. It is held every two years. 2025 edition will be held in Italy. 2027 edition to be held in Australia.

- 45. Boxing champion Mary Kom named Global Indian Icon at UK-India Awards:** Sporting legend and India's first-ever Olympic medallist in women's boxing, Mary Kom, has been honoured with the Global Indian Icon of the Year award at the annual UK-India Awards in Windsor, south-eastern England. Filmmaker Shekhar Kapur, directing Oscar-nominated 'Elizabeth: The Golden Age' received a Lifetime Achievement Award for his contribution to the field of cinema across both nations at the awards, organised by India Global Forum (IGF) as part of UK-India Week. The Nehru Centre in London, the cultural wing of the Indian High Commission, won the UK-India Award for Significant Contribution to UK-India Relations.
- 46. Asian Kabaddi Championship 2023: India beat Iran in final to win title:** In the final of the Asian Kabaddi Championship 2023 held at the Dong-Eui Institute of Technology Seokdang Cultural Center in Busan, Republic of Korea, India emerged victorious, defeating Iran with a score of 42-32. This marked India's eighth championship title in the past nine editions. Pawan Sehrawat, the captain of the Indian team, played a crucial role, delivering an impressive performance with ten successful raids. Initially, within the first five minutes of the match, India faced a deficit against Iran. Six teams: India, Iran, Japan, Korea, Chinese Taipei and Hong Kong, participated in the Asian Kabaddi Championships. India won all five matches in the league stage and topped the points table. Iran came second, only losing to India in the league stage, and made the final

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- 47. Sberbank introduces Indian rupee accounts for individuals in Russia:** Sberbank, Russia's top lender, has announced that individuals can now open accounts in Indian rupees, as the bank looks to decrease its reliance on the US dollar and euro. Sberbank has more than 100 million retail clients and already offers deposits in China's yuan and UAE dirhams. The bank's finance chief stated that Sberbank will issue bonds in Chinese yuan if the opportunity arises and will continue borrowing in rubles. In addition, rival VTB has announced plans for yuan savings to make up a significant portion of Russia's foreign exchange portfolio by 2025. Sberbank is the largest bank in Russia and one of the largest banks in the world. It was founded in 1841 and has been a key player in the Russian banking

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industry ever since. Sberbank operates more than 14,000 branches across Russia, serving 95 million customers.

- 48. Canara Bank Offers UPI Payments Through RuPay Credit Cards:** Canara Bank has become the first Public Sector Bank in India to offer merchants the convenience of making UPI payments through their RuPay Credit Cards. Canara Bank, in collaboration with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), has announced that its customers can now utilize their RuPay Credit Cards on the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) platform. This joint initiative aims to provide safe, secure, and convenient payment transactions for Canara Bank customers. The introduction of RuPay Credit Cards on UPI opens up new opportunities for both customers and merchants, revolutionizing the credit ecosystem. Unified Payments Interface is an instant payment system developed by National Payments Corporation of India in 2016. National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) was founded in 2008. MD & CEO of NPCI is Dilip Asbe. Shri K. Satyanarayana Raju is the Managing Director & CEO of Canara Bank

IMPORTANT DAYS

- 49. World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought observed on June 17th:** It is a global initiative aimed at raising awareness about the threats posed by desertification and drought and promoting efforts to combat these challenges. This year, the theme of the International Day Against Desertification, and Drought "Her land. Her rights", emphasizes that investing in women's equal access to land and associated assets is a direct investment in their future and the future of humanity. It's time for women and girls to be at the forefront of global land restoration and drought resilience efforts.
- 50. International Father's Day 2023:** Father's Day is a celebration of fathers and fatherhood. It is celebrated on the third Sunday of June in many countries around the world, including the United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom. The day is a time to honour fathers, grandfathers, and other male role models who have made a significant impact in the lives of their children. This year Father's Day held on 18th June.
- 51. World Refugee Day 2023:** It is observed annually on June 20th and serves as a platform to acknowledge the bravery and determination of individuals who have been compelled to flee their homeland due to conflicts or persecution. The theme of World Refugee Day is "Hope away from home,"
- 52. The Longest Day of the Year:** Every year, the 21st of June marks the summer solstice in the Northern Hemisphere, known as the longest day of the year. On this special day, the sun reaches its highest point in the sky, casting its rays over the Earth for an extended duration. In this article, we delve into the scientific and astronomical reasons behind why June 21st holds the distinction of being the longest day of the year. The primary factor influencing the length of daylight is the tilt of Earth's axis. The Earth rotates on an axis that is tilted by approximately 23.5 degrees relative to its orbit around the sun. This tilt causes the angle at which sunlight reaches different parts of the planet to change throughout the year, leading to variations in the length of daylight.

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- 53. International Yoga Day 2023:** International Yoga Day 2023 is celebrated every year on June 21st to promote the numerous benefits of practicing yoga. The chosen date coincides with the summer solstice, the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere. This day serves as a platform to raise awareness about the holistic approach to well-being that yoga offers. In its 9th edition, this year's International Day of Yoga will be led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the UN Headquarters on June 21st. This marks the first time a yoga session will be conducted by the Prime Minister at this location. The theme selected for this year's International Day of Yoga 2023 is "Yoga for Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam," which represents our shared desire for "One Earth, One Family, One Future."
- 54. International Olympic Day 2023:** World Olympic Day or International Olympic Day is observed globally on June 23 to honor the establishment of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and encourage the principles upheld by the Olympic Movement. It is a day filled with sports events like races, displays, music, and informative workshops featuring athletes from various countries. The theme of this year's Olympic Day is 'Let's Move' which aims to inspire people around the world to make time for daily physical activity.
- 55. World MSME Day 2023:** International Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Day or World MSME Day is observed every year on 27th June all over the world to highlight the significance of MSMEs and how they play a crucial role in being the backbone of the country's economy. The theme MSME Day 2023 in India is "Future-ready MSMEs for India@100."

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