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Important News: International

NATO announced its annual nuclear exercise "Steadfast Noon"

Why in News:

- The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), also known as the North Atlantic Alliance, has announced the launch of its annual nuclear exercise code "Steadfast Noon".



key points:

- The Steadfast Noon nuclear exercise will be conducted in Southern Europe this year in which aircraft and personnel from 14 NATO countries will participate.

- The Steadfast Noon involved training flights with dual-capacity fighter jets as well as conventional jets supported by surveillance and refueling aircraft.
- The goal of the Steadfast Noon exercise is to ensure that NATO's nuclear deterrents are safe, secure and effective.

Source: Indian Express

Important News: National

Public Affairs Index 2022

Why in News:

- Public Affairs Index 2022 has been released by the Bangalore-based think tank Public Affairs Center (PAC).



key points:

- Haryana has been placed at the top position this year in the category of big states in the Public Affairs Index-2022.

- According to the Public Affairs Index-2022, the state of Haryana has emerged at the forefront of social, economic and political justice disciplines.
- In the Public Affairs Index-2022, Sikkim has retained its position as the best governed small state in India this year as well.

Source: The Hindu

Important News: State

Amit Shah inaugurates 'Gatha Swaraj Ki' gallery in Scindia Museum, Gwalior

Why in News:

- A gallery-cum-exhibition depicting the history of prominent Maratha commanders has been inaugurated by Union Home Minister Amit Shah at the sprawling Jai Vilas Mahal of Scindia, the then ruler of Gwalior.



key points:

- The foundation for the terminal building and expansion of Rajmata Vijayaraje Scindia Airport has also been laid by Amit Shah during the event.

- The gallery-cum-exhibition will showcase the history of the main Maratha rulers including the Scindias, Gaekwads, Holkars, Newalkars, Bhosales and Pawars.

Source: Business Standard

Telangana's Hyderabad honored with AIPH 'World Green City Award 2022'

Why in News:

- Hyderabad in Telangana has been conferred with the prestigious World Green City Award 2022.



key points:

- Hyderabad has won the World Green City Award 2022 by beating cities like Paris, Bogota, Mexico City, Montreal and Fortaleza in all the six categories.
- Hyderabad has been conferred with the International Association of Horticulture Producers (AIPH) Award in 2022.
- The winners of the World Green City Award 2022 have been announced at the IUCN Leaders Forum held in Jeju, South Korea.

- Hyderabad presented the award in "Living Green for Economic Recovery and Inclusive Growth" during AIPH event.

Source: Times of India

Goa to host 9th World Ayurveda Congress & Arogya Expo

Why in News:

- The 9th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC) and Arogya Expo will be held in Panaji, Goa from 8 to 11 December 2022.



key points:

- The aim of the 9th World Ayurveda Congress is to move forward in a transformational way to bring Ayurveda into a global focus.
- The theme of the 9th World Ayurveda Congress this year is 'Ayurveda for One Health'.

Source: The Hindu

Important News: Science & Tech

IIInventTiv, an all-IIT R&D showcase launched by Education Minister

Why in News:

- IIInventTiv, the first all-IIT R&D showcase, has been officially inaugurated by the Union Minister for Education and Skill Development Dharmendra Pradhan, at the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.



key points:

- Under the "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" programme, a R&D fair has been organized at Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi to celebrate the 75th anniversary of India's independence.
- The IIInventTiv initiative supports the vision of Make in India, Digital India and Atmanirbhar Bharat.

Source: Indian Express

Important News: Sports

Aayan Khan, the youngest player in men's T20 World Cup 2022

Why in News:

- UAE's Aayan Khan, 16-year-old all-rounder, has become the youngest player to feature in the men's T20 World Cup.



key points:

- Aayan Khan has been selected in the UAE XI for the first match of the T20 World Cup against the Netherlands at the Simmonds Stadium in Geelong.
- Aayan was dismissed for five runs in seven balls against the Netherlands and he also took a wicket for 15 runs in three overs in the same match.

Source: Navbharat Times

Important Days

International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2022

Why in News:

- International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed globally on 17 October every year.



key points:

- The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is observed with the aim of raising awareness about the global issue of poverty and how it is a violation of human rights and human dignity.
- The theme of this year's International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is "Dignity for All in Practice".
- The International Day for the Eradication of Poverty is marked as an opportunity to acknowledge the efforts and daily struggles of people living in poverty and to bring their needs and concerns to the masses.

Source: Livemint