

# **Daily Current Affairs** **10th & 11th July 2022**



## National Affairs

### 1. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri launches SVANidhi Mahotsav



- Housing and Urban Affairs Minister, **Hardeep Singh Puri** has launched '**SVANidhi**' Mahotsav to celebrate the success of PM SVANidhi Scheme.
- This festival is organised **by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs** from **9th -31st of July 2022**.
- PM SVANidhi (Prime Minister Street Vendors AtmaNirbhar Nidhi) scheme was launched on June 1, 2020 to provide the working capital loans to street vendors.
- So, they can restart their businesses which were impacted by COVID-19 pandemic.

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## Defense

### 2. INS Vikrant successfully completes fourth phase of sea trial



- The **Vikrant**, Indigenous Aircraft Carrier has been **successfully completed** its **fourth phase of Sea Trials**.
- The ship's delivery is being targeted by the end of July 2022, followed by commissioning of the ship in August to commemorate Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- Vikrant has an **indigenous content of 76%**.
- The construction of the **aircraft carrier began in 2009**.
- The **indigenous design and construction of Aircraft Carrier by Indian Navy and Cochin Shipyard Limited**.

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## Books & Authors

### 3. 'Ikigai' author Garcia and Miralles released book on forest bathing

- The authors **Hector Garcia and Francesc Miralles** has released another self-help book, titled "**Shinrin Yoku: The Rejuvenating Practice of Forest Bathing**".
- 'Shinrin Yoku', which translates as 'forest bathing', refers to taking mindful walks amidst nature to relieve stress and realign our energies.
- The term was coined by the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries in 1982.
- **The book was published by Tuttle Publishing.**

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## Defense

### 4. China and Pakistan on kicked off 'Sea Guardians-2' drills at Shanghai coast

- **China and Pakistan** has began four-day naval exercises '**Sea Guardians-2**' from the coast of Shanghai.
- This drill exercise involves **Pakistan's most advanced China-built frigate**.
- **Taimur is the second of four powerful Type 054A/P frigates built by China**, was delivered to the Pakistan Navy.
- **Theme:** jointly dealing with maritime security threats.



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- **Aim:** To enhance defence cooperation, conduct professional and technical exchanges between the two countries.

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### State Affairs

#### 5. West Bengal gets Internet Exchange Points at Durgapur and Bardhaman

- Rajeev Chandrasekhar, Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology has inaugurated two new Internet Exchange Points (IXP) of NIXI at **Durgapur and Vardhman to improve internet connectivity in West Bengal.**
- It is under the **1000-day plan of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.**
- The **first Internet Exchange at Kolkata is also run by NIXI.**
- The internet service providers can connect at these points, and provide benefit to their end-users.

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### State Affairs

#### 6. Jharkhand secures 1st rank in Delta Ranking for RURBAN Mission



- **Jharkhand** has been ranked **first in the Delta Ranking for the month of June under the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Rurban Mission.**
- The report was **released by the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.**

- The State Government led by CM Hemant Soren is moving forward with the **mantra of “Jeevika Bhi, Jeevan Bhi”.**
- **Aim:** To strengthen the rural economy and provide employment to the villagers.
- **The state has earned 8th place in the country.**

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### Banking & Finance

#### 7. RBI clears payment aggregator licence for Razorpay, PineLabs & Stripe

- **Razorpay, Pine Labs, Stripe, and 1Pay** have received **in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for payment aggregator licences.**
- **Payment aggregators:** Entities that enable e-commerce sites and merchants to accept various payment instruments from customers.
- They allow merchants to connect with acquirers.
- In the process, they receive **payments from customers, pool and transfer them to the merchants** after a time period.

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### Banking & Finance

#### 8. AIIB to establish an Interim Operational Hub in Abu Dhabi



- The **Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)** has approved the establishment of an **Interim Operational Hub (its first overseas office in Abu Dhabi).**



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- The hub will provide AIIB with a strong platform to enable effective supervision of its growing investment portfolio.
- India is the **second-largest shareholder in AIIB after China.**
- **Reason:** UAE was chosen as the location keeping in mind its connectivity with many of the 105 members of the bank.

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## Banking & Finance

### 9. SBI offer collateral free loans to startups in Karnataka



- The **SBI has partnered with the Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM)** to support the state's budding **startups with collateral-free loans.**
- Aim: To leverage the **existing Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE)**, set up by the Centre to improve the credit flow to the MSE sector.
- The **CGTMSE will be utilised by the SBI** to provide collateral-free **loans of up to Rs 2 crore** to startups recognised under KDEM's Elevate programme.

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## Banking & Finance

### 10. BoB partners with WWB to rollout 'Baroda Jan Dhan Plus' in UP, Uttarakhand



- **Bank of Baroda** has partnered with **Women's World Banking** to roll out the **third phase of the 'Baroda Jan Dhan Plus' programme across Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand.**
- In this phase, the programme will reach out to existing Jan Dhan customers of BoB through **financial literacy camps.**
- Baroda Jan Dhan Plus' encourage women account holders to **save money by depositing Rs. 500 monthly for five months and can get a PMJDY overdraft loan facility of up to Rs 10,000.**

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## Sports

### 1. Novak Djokovic wins 7th Wimbledon title and 21st Grand Slam



- **Serbian tennis player, Novak Djokovic** has clinched the **Wimbledon 2022** title after beating Australian Nick Kyrgios by 4-6, 6-3, 6-4, 7-6 in London.
- He became the **fourth player in the open era** after Roger Federer, Pete Sampras, and Bjorn Borg won four titles in a row.



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- It is the **21st Grand Slam** title of Djokovic.
- **Kazakhstan tennis player, Elena Rybakina has clinched the Women's Singles title.**
- **Most singles titles:**
  - Men: Roger Federer (8)
  - Women: Martina Navratilova (9)

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## National Affairs

### 2. Health Ministry and Panchayati Raj Ministry sign MoU to eliminate TB



- **Union Health Ministry and Panchayati Raj Ministry** have signed an MoU to **eliminate TB in India by 2025.**
- The MoU was signed by Dr. Bijaya Kumar Behera, Economic Adviser on behalf of the Ministry of Panchayati Raj and Dr. P Ashok Babu, Joint Secretary on behalf of the Ministry of Health.
- This MoU will **shape the inter-Ministerial collaboration and strategic partnerships** to achieve the Prime Minister's ambitious target of eliminating TB in India.
- **World TB Day: 24th March**

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## Sports

### 3. Abhishek Verma, Jyothi Surekha Vennam win bronze medal in archery



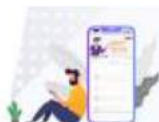
- The Indian compound mixed team archery **duo of Abhishek Verma and Jyothi Surekha Vennam** won a **bronze medal at the 11th edition of World Games** held at Birmingham, Alabama, USA from July 7-17 2022.
- In the bronze medal round, the team **defeated Canada's Andrea Becerra & Miguel Becerra.**
- Abhishek Verma is the only Indian archer to win medals at all stages of compound archery (World Games, World Championship, World Cup Final, World Cup, Asian Games, Asian Championship).

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## Obituaries

### 4. Former Angolan President José Eduardo Dos Santos passes away

- **Former President of Angolan, José Eduardo** dos Santos has passed away at the age of 79.
- He was one of **Africa's longest-serving heads of state**, who ruled for almost four decades as president of Angola.
- He stepped down from the president's post in 2017.
- He had also **fought for the continent's longest civil war** and turned his country into a major oil producer.
- **Angola capital: Luanda; Currency: Kwanza; President: Joao Lourenco**



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## International Affairs

### 5. India joins Interpol's child sexual exploitation database



# INTERPOL

- India becomes the **68th country** to join the Interpol's international child sexual exploitation (ICSE) database.
- This allow to draw links between victims, abusers and crime scene using audio-visual data.
- The **CBI (Central Bureau of Investigation)** is the India's nodal agency for Interpol matters.
- As per the **NCRB data (2021)**, Uttar Pradesh has topped the list of sexual offences against children followed by Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu.

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## Books & Authors

### 6. Union minister Meenakshi Lekhi launches 'Swadhinata Sangram Na Surviro'



- **Union Minister of Culture, Meenakshi Lekhi** has launched the book the titled, "**Swadhinta Sangram na 75 Shoorveero**" in Gujarati.
- This book is a page-long summary of 75 freedom fighters of India like- Tirupur Kumaran from Tamil Nadu who saved the Flag.
- It is a part of the "Swadhinta Ka Amrit Mahotsav" to mark the 75th year of the country's Independence.
- The book is **published by the Hindu Spiritual & Service Foundation** in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.

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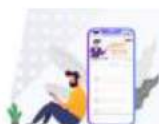
## Sports

### 7. 36th National Games to be held in Gujarat from 27 September 27, 2022



- **Chief minister of Gujarat, Bhupendra Patel** has announced that **Gujarat will host the 36th National Games between September 27 and October 10.**
- The prestigious event is being held after a gap of seven years, **the last was being held in 2015 in Kerala.**
- PM Narendra Modi had launched the 'Khel Mahakhumbh' initiative in Gujarat in 2010 when he was the chief minister of the state.
- The National Games will have 34 sporting events including athletics, hockey, among others.

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## Agreement

### 8. HAL sign agreement with Safran to create JV to build helicopter engines

- **Safran Helicopter Engines** has signed an agreement with **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)** to create a new joint venture intended to develop helicopter engines.
- The MoU was signed by **Mr. R. Madhavan (HAL CMD)** and **Franck Saudo (Safran CEO)**.
- **Aim:** To meet the requirements of HAL and India's Ministry of Defence (MoD) future helicopters, including the future 13-ton IMRH (Indian Multi Role Helicopter).
- Both companies have also partnered for Shakti engine.

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## State Affairs

### 9. Chhattisgarh receives Centre's nod for World Bank funded school project



- The **Chhattisgarh Government** has received in- principle nod from the **Centre for \$300 million school education project** which is **funded by the World Bank**.
- **Loan tenure:** 5 years, the state government has to payback this amount over a period of 20 years.
- **Aim:** To boost the education system of Chhattisgarh.
- **In-principle nod:** The central government has no objection with the State borrowing money from international financial institution like World Bank.

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## Important Dates

### 10. World Population Day: 11th July

- The **World Population Day** is observed on the **11th of July every year** with an aim to increase the awareness of the people towards the worldwide population issues.
- The Day was **first marked on 11th July 1990** in more than 90 countries.
- The **theme for World Population Day 2022** is **'A world of 8 billion: Towards a resilient future for all - Harnessing opportunities and ensuring rights and choices for all.**

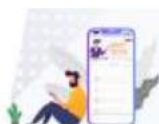
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