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Important News: India

Lata Mangeshkar's demise



Why in News

- Veteran Singer Lata Mangeshkar Dies At 92

Key Points

- Legendary singer Lata Mangeshkar died in Mumbai's Breach Candy Hospital on Sunday. She was 92. She was cremated with full state honors at Mumbai's iconic Shivaji Park this evening. The funeral was attended by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- Lata Mangeshkar, a recipient of the Bharat Ratna, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Dadasaheb Phalke Awards, was an icon of Indian cinema, having sung playback for an extensive list of Hindi films; she also sang in several regional languages including Marathi and Bengali.
- Lata Mangeshkar, who belonged to a prominent musical family, also composed music as well as produced a handful of films. She was popularly known as the 'Nightingale of India.'

Awards:

- National Film Awards
- BFJA Award
- Filmfare Award for Best Female Playback Singer
- Special Award:
- Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award
- Padma Bhushan (1969)
- Dadasaheb Phalke Award (1989)
- Maharashtra Bhushan (1997)
- Padma Vibhushan (1999)
- Bharatratna (2001)
- Allison of Honor (2006).

Source: Indian Express

100 years of Chauri Chaura incident



Why in News

- On February 4, 1922, the volunteers of the Non – Cooperation movement proceeded to a local police station. They held a procession. The police fired at the procession. In retaliation, the volunteers set the police station on fire. Some policemen tried to escape the fire. They were caught and beaten to death. This is referred to as the Chauri Chaura incident

Key Points

- Mahatma Gandhiji launched the non – cooperation movement on August 1, 1920. The movement boycotted foreign goods. It mainly included machine made clothes. Also, the people refused to assist rulers who misrule the country. Education and administrative institutions were boycotted.

Note:

- Around 172 people were sentenced to death by the Britishers. But in all 19 were hanged. Mahatma Gandhiji condemned the killing of the policemen. Chauri Chaura support fund was created. Gandhiji stopped the non – cooperation movement.
- Gandhiji went on a fast for five days after the incident. He held himself responsible for the incident. He withdrew the non – cooperation movement on February 12, 1922.
- PM Modi launched Chauri Chaura centenary celebrations. A postal stamp commemorating the incident was launched. The Uttar Pradesh government is to renovate the Chauri Chaura Shaheed memorial into a heritage tourist spot.

Source: TOI

Statue of Equality in Hyderabad



Why in News



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 216-feet tall 'Statue of Equality' commemorating the 11th-century Bhakti Saint Sri Ramanujacharya in Shamshabad of Telangana on Saturday.

Key Points

- The statue is made of 'panchaloha', a combination of five metals: gold, silver, copper, brass, and zinc and is among one of the tallest metallic statues in sitting position, in the world.
- PM to dedicate to the nation 216-feet tall 'Statue of Equality' commemorating the 11th century Bhakti Saint Sri Ramanujacharya.
- statue of Equality, also referred to as Ramanuja statue, is a statue of the 11th-century Vaishnavite Saint Bhagavad Ramanuja, located at the premises of Chinna Jeeyar Trust at Muchintal, Hyderabad.
- The statue costing an estimated ₹1,000 crore (US\$130 million) was built commemorating 1000 years since his birth, entirely from the donations of devotees.

Source: PIB

Important News: Maharashtra

Maharashtra's Chitrarath wins Award



Why in the news?

- Maharashtra's Chitraratha on the theme of biodiversity and state standards, which participated in this year's Republic Day procession, has been declared as the number one award in the country in the category of 'Lokpasanti'.

Key points:

- The painting was conceived by Tushar Pradhan and Roshan Ingole, a young sculptor and art director.
- This year's Chitrarath has been created by 'Shubh Adds' of Nagpur.
- Director Naresh Charade and Pankaj Ingle and Rahul Dhansare and their 30 sculptors and artists completed the work of the magnificent replica in the actual theater in Delhi.
- **Source:** Indian Express

Important News: Economy

India's Unemployment Rate in January 2022



Why in News

- Unemployment rate in January 2022

Key Points

- The unemployment in the urban regions was 8.16%. It was 5.84% in rural areas. In December 2021, the unemployment rate in the country was 7.91%. It was 9.3% in urban and 7.28% in rural.
- Telangana had the lowest unemployment rate in January 2022. It was 0.7%. The second lowest was in Gujarat in 1.2%. the third lowest was in Meghalaya, 1.5% followed by Odisha (1.8%).
- Haryana had the highest unemployment rate, 23.4%. The second highest was in Rajasthan (18.9%).
- As of December 2021, the total number of unemployed in India is 53 million. Of this, the majority were women. Around 35% of the Indian population is actively looking for work. This includes 8 million women. Another 17 million people are unemployed. These people are willing to work if work was available. However, they were not actively looking for job opportunities.

Source: Indian Express

Important News: Sports

2028 Olympics to be held in Los Angeles



Why in News

- The 2028 Olympics is to be held in Los Angeles.

Key Points

- The 2028 Olympics is to be held in Los Angeles. This is after the 2024 Olympics to be held in Paris. The 2022 Olympics was held in Tokyo. These are all the summer Olympics, the main Olympics. The one that is being held in China right now is Winter Olympics. The International Olympic Committee determines the sports to be held in the Olympics games. The

committee has decided to conduct 28 Olympic sports and 24 paralympic sports at the Los Angeles Olympics.

- This is the first summer Olympics to be held in the US since 1996. Before this, the winter Olympics was held in 2002. This is the third time Los Angeles is hosting the Olympics. The other cities that have hosted Olympics three times are London and Paris. In London, Olympics was held in 1908, 1948 and 2012. In Paris the Olympics was held in 1900 and 1924. It is to be held in 2024.
- It is the ninth Olympics to be held in US and fourth to be held in the state of California.
- **Source:** Indian Express

ICC U19 Cricket World Cup 2022



Why in News

- India Beat England by 4 Wickets in Final to Win Record-Extending 5th Title

Key Points

- India lifted a record-extending fifth ICC U19 World Cup title after defeating England in the final at the Sir Vivian Richards Stadium in North Sound, Antigua on Saturday.
- India won the Youth (Under-19) World Cup for the fifth time on the strength of the spectacular all-round performance of the sculptor of victory Raj Bawa.
- India Wins World Cup for fifth time

India Under-19 World Cup wins:

- 1) 2000: Mohammed Kaif
- 2) 2008: Virat Kohli
- 3) 2012: Unmukt Chand
- 4) 2018: Earth Shaw
- 5) 2022: Yash Dhul

Source: Indian Express