

Uttar Pradesh

Specific Current Affairs

March 2022



1. Uttar Pradesh's athletes win five medals at National Para Powerlifting Championship

- 5 medals including two gold, two silver, and a bronze, were won by Uttar Pradesh athletes at the 19th Senior and 14th Junior National Para Powerlifting Championship held in Kolkata, in March 2022.
- More than 150 athletes from 24 states competed in the National Games, which were held under the authority of the Indian Paralympic Committee.
- Sumit Kumar won gold in the Seniors 97 kg category.



2. Taj Mahotsav kicked off in Agra from 20 March 2022

- Taj Mahotsav, a 10-day festival of art, craft, and culture, was inaugurated at the Shilpgram in Agra on 20 March 2022.
- It will be held till 29 March 2022.
- The theme of the cultural festival is 'Azadi ke Amrit Mahotsav ke sang, Taj Mahotsav ke rang'.
- The festival has works displayed by artists from Kashmir, Varanasi, West Bengal, Faridabad, Punjab, Chhattisgarh, and many other states.



3. Yogi Adityanath took oath as Uttar Pradesh CM for second term

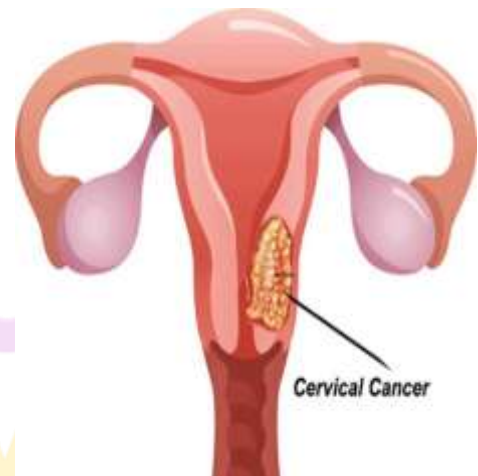
- Yogi Adityanath took oath as Uttar Pradesh chief minister for the second term at the Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ekana stadium in Lucknow on 25 Mar'22.



- Brijesh Pathak and Keshav Prasad Maurya took oath as Deputy Chief Ministers.
- Governor Anandiben Patel also administered oath to 34 state ministers, including 18 cabinet ministers.
- Adityanath is the 33rd chief minister of Uttar Pradesh.
- He is the first CM of Uttar Pradesh to win a second successive term.

4. Cervical cancer will be detected without dissection, BHU discovered the method

- A study by the Central University of BHU has found a way to detect cervical cancer in patients without dissection. The study could be very useful in developing a diagnosis to detect cervical cancer, which is one of the top factors of death for women worldwide.
- The results of this research could show important new directions in the treatment of cervical cancer, Because until now the only method of detecting cervical cancer was tissue biopsy, Which is very painful, it is not easily available to everyone.



5. Indian shooter Saurabh Chaudhary won 10m air pistol gold at ISSF World Cup 2022

- India's young shooter Saurabh Chaudhary has won gold medal for India in the ongoing International Shooting Sports Federation World Cup in Cairo, Egypt. The 19-year-old Indian shooter won the gold medal in the men's 10m air pistol event. In



the final, Saurabh defeated Germany's Michael Schwald by a margin of 16-6.

- Saurabh Chaudhary hails from Kalina village near Meerut in Uttar Pradesh and is the son of a farmer.

6. Pro. Deepak Dhar became the first Indian to be awarded the Boltzmann Medal

- Recently, according to the announcement, IIT Kanpur alumnus Prof. Deepak Dhar will be awarded the Boltzmann Medal for the year 2022.
- Along with this, the recipient of this medal, Prof. Deepak Dhar has become the first Indian. Note that Prof. Dhar has been given this award for his outstanding work in the field of statistical physics.
- The medal is awarded every three years by the International Union of Pure and Applied Physics (IUPAP) at the Statafis conference on Statistical Physics.



7. International Dhrupad Fair 2022

- On March 2, 2022, the 48th edition of the five-day International Dhrupad Mela, held at Tulsighat, Varanasi, concluded.
- This fair was organized under the aegis of Maharaja Banaras Vidyanyas and Dhrupad Samiti.
- Dhrupad Mela is a five-day music festival held every year in the months of February and March, in which eminent music artists from all over India come to participate and showcase their performances.



8. Debashish Panda appointed as the new Chairman of Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)

- Recently, the Central Government has appointed Debashish Panda, former Secretary, Department of Financial Services, as the new Chairman of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI).
- Earlier, Panda, a 1987 batch IAS officer of Uttar Pradesh cadre, had retired as the Secretary of Financial Services in January 2022 after a tenure of two years. Panda here on this post the place of "Subhash Chandra Khuntia"



9. 73rd session of Hindi Sahitya Sammelan held in Prayagraj

- The two-day 73rd session and symposium of Hindi Sahitya Sammelan was held on 12 March in Prayagraj after 27 years.
- The convention has been held in Prayagraj seven times in the 111-year history of the convention. The last time was in 1994. Literary writers from many provinces participated in the convention.



10. 300 km long expressway will be built between Lucknow and Uttarakhand

- This highway, to be named Gomti Expressway, will be built on the banks of Gomti river and will connect the



city of Haldwani in Nainital district of Uttarakhand, connecting Dudhwa National Park.

- The cost of building Gomti Expressway has also been estimated. About Rs 15040 crore will be spent on the entire project including land acquisition, flyover, railway over bridge, service road. Help will also be given from the central government to make it.
- The target of completing this project has also been set in the City Development Plan. Gomti Expressway is expected to be ready by 2027.

11. Khirkiya Ghat of Varanasi will be known as Namoo Ghat

- Khirkiya Ghat of Varanasi will also be identified as Namoo Ghat. Preparations are on to name the new ghat being built between Khirkiya to Adikeshav Ghat.
- Another figure like the Namaskar Mudra made at Khirkiya Ghat will be installed. Its height will be 75 feet. Divisional Commissioner Deepak Aggarwal has directed to prepare it by April in a meeting with the executive body.



12. Putul festival organized in Varanasi

- On the occasion of World Puppet Day, Sangeet Natak Akademi Putul Utsav was organized at Assi Ghat in Varanasi.
- This festival was organized in 5 big cities of the country. The special thing is that this time the Putul festival was painted in the colors of the nectar festival of independence and this is the reason that its theme was also kept with the color of freedom, the effigy.



13. Ranking of smart cities of Uttar Pradesh released

- The Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry has released the ranking of smart city cities. Varanasi tops in the ranking of smart cities in Uttar Pradesh, Whereas Kanpur has moved from 6th to 4th place. The main reason for the good ranking is believed to be the rapid development work done in the recent past.
- In the ranking released by the Smart City Mission in February, Bhopal is at the first place, while Indore has reached the second place. In the ranking of the country, the top 10 cities of the state include Varanasi, Agra and Lucknow.



14. Khosla National Award to IIT Kanpur Professor Arun Shukla

- Arun Kumar Shukla, a biologist and professor at the Indian Institute of Technology, who has done research in the area of structure, function and modulation of G-protein coupled receptors has been honored with the prestigious Khosla National Award for Science.
- At present, Dr. Shukla is the Jay Gill Chair Professor in the Department of Bioscience and Bioengineering at IIT. Dr. Shukla has conducted research to understand the structure, function and regulation of G protein coupled receptors.



15. NITI Aayog released "Export Preparedness Index 2021"

- Uttar Pradesh has been ranked sixth in NITI Aayog's Export Preparedness Index. Gujarat has come first for the second consecutive year. Maharashtra is at the second position while Karnataka has got the third position in this list.
- The export Preparedness index released by NITI Aayog assesses the state's preparedness in terms of export prospects and performance.



16. Biodegradable nanoparticle developed by IIT Kanpur

- Researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur have created a biodegradable nanoparticle which can be used as an alternative to chemical-based insecticides to protect crops from bacterial and fungal diseases.
- IIT Kanpur Director Abhay Karandikar said that farmers have to face many problems, hence IIT Kanpur has worked tirelessly to improve the farming environment.
- Nanoparticles will reduce the risk of crop infection while increasing agricultural productivity.



17. Ombudsperson App has been developed by the Government of Uttar Pradesh

- Ombudsperson App has been developed by the Ministry of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj,



Government of Uttar Pradesh for smooth reporting and classification of MGNREGA related complaints.

- Now if you are facing any kind of work, payment or any other problem in MNREGA, then you will not need to go round the block, tehsil or district headquarters. With the help of this app, the workers of MNREGA will be able to solve the problems related to MNREGA sitting at home. This app will make MNREGA more transparent.

18. Ustad Amjad Ali Khan conferred with Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia Lifetime Achievement Award

- Renowned sarod player Ustad Amjad Ali Khan was awarded Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia Lifetime Achievement Award by renowned flute player Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia at a program organized in Thane city of Maharashtra on Sunday.
- Pandit Hariprasad Chaurasia, a well-known flute player of the country, was born on July 1, 1938 in Allahabad.



19. Uttar Pradesh gets third National Water Award

- The Ministry of Jal Shakti, Uttar Pradesh has received the third National Water Award 2022. This award has been given to the state for the better work done in the field of water conservation and water conservation.
- Among the states, Uttar Pradesh stood first, Rajasthan second and Tamil Nadu at third place.
- Jal Shakti Minister Swatantra Dev Singh received the award from President Ram Nath Kovind at a function held at Vigyan Bhawan, Delhi.



- Muzaffarnagar (Uttar Pradesh) got the 'Best District' award for North Zone in the Best District category.

20. Padma Awards 2022 presented to 14 persons of Uttar Pradesh

- Radheshyam Khemka (posthumously) and Kalyan Singh (posthumously) were awarded India's second highest civilian honor 'Padma Vibhushan' in the field of literature and education and public affairs respectively.
- Rashid Khan was given 'Padma Bhushan' for his outstanding contribution in the field of art and Vashisht Tripathi in the field of literature and education.
- Similarly Ms. Kamalini Asthana and Ms. Nalini Asthana (Arts), Sheeshram (Arts), Seth Pal Singh (Agriculture), Ms. Vidya Vindu Singh (Literature and Education), Shivanand (Yoga), Ajay Kumar Sonkar (Science and Engineering), Ms. Ajita Srivastava (Arts), Dr. Kamalakar Tripathi (Medicine) and Shivnath Mishra (Arts) were given Padma Shri awards.



21. Satish Mahana became the 23rd Speaker of the 18th Legislative Assembly of Uttar Pradesh

- MLA from Maharajpur seat of Kanpur Nagar, Satish Mahana has been unanimously elected Speaker of the 18th Legislative Assembly.
- Mahana was elected MLA for the first time in 1991. Since then he has been



continuously getting elected as MLA. Mahana has been elected MLA for the eighth time in the 18th Vidhan Sabha.

- Along with the Industrial Development Minister in Mahana Yogi Sarkar-1, he has also been the chairman of several committees of the assembly.

