

# **Daily Current Affairs**

## **15th June 2022**



## National Affairs

### 1. India's first private train service under Bharat Gaurav Scheme flagged off

- The 1st train operated by a private operator between **Coimbatore and Shirdi** under the Indian Railways' '**Bharat Gaurav**' scheme was flagged off.
- Indian Railways had launched the operation of the theme-based **Bharat Gaurav** train in the month of November 2021.
- Aim: to showcase India's rich cultural heritage and magnificent historical places to the people of India and the world.
- **South Star Rail** is the registered service provider that operates this Bharat Gaurav train.

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## National & International Appointments

### 2. B S Patil sworn in as Karnataka Lokayukta



- Former **Karnataka High Court** judge **Bhimanagouda Sanganagouda Patil** was sworn in as the **Lokayukta of Karnataka**.
- Governor **Thaawarchand Gehlot** administered the oath of office to Justice Patil.
- The post of the head of the anti-corruption ombudsman in Karnataka was vacant after the end of the tenure of **Justice P. Vishwanath Shetty** in January 2022, served in the post for five years.
- He, was elevated to the post of **Lokayukta** on June 14.

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## Important Dates

### 3. World Wind Day 2022: 15th June



- **World Wind Day**, also known as **Global Wind Day**, is observed on the **15th of June** every year.
- The day is celebrated to realize, address, and execute wind energy and its possibilities for the future.
- **Wind Europe** (Brussels) initiated the Global Wind Day in 2007.
- Global Wind Day 2022 is based on the theme is celebrate to enjoy the benefits of **Wind energy** and providing education to individuals about the power and potential of wind energy to change the world.

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### 4. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2022: 15th June

- **World Elder Abuse Awareness Day** is observed on June 15 every year to raise awareness about abuse and neglect of older persons.
- World Elder Abuse Awareness Day came into existence in June 2006.
- In the year 2011, the World Elder Abuse Awareness Day was officially recognized by the **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)**.
- This year theme of World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2022 is "**Combatting Elder Abuse**".

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### 5. Kerala tops in National e-Governance Service Delivery Assessment 2021



- Union Minister **Dr Jitendra Singh** released the **NeSDA 2021 Report** which provides suggestions for governments to further enhance their e-Governance service delivery systems.
- **Kerala** had the highest overall compliance score amongst all the States and UTs.
- **Punjab, Tamil Nadu, and Rajasthan** are the leading states with compliance of more than 75 percent across all parameters for their Services Portals.
- **Jammu and Kashmir** scored the highest amongst all UTs for six sectors

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### 6. TotalEnergies SE and Adani Group agreed to invest \$50 bn in Green Hydrogen

- France's **TotalEnergies SE** and **Adani Group** have agreed to invest **\$50 billion** over the next 10 years in India to produce green hydrogen.
- As part of the plan, TotalEnergies will buy 25% in a new clean energy company, **Adani New Industries Ltd**, a unit of Adani Enterprises Ltd, to jointly build the world's biggest green hydrogen ecosystem.
- In the initial phase, Adani New Industries will develop a green hydrogen production capacity of **1 million tonnes** per annum by **2030**.

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### 7. Mumbai Airport launches first-of-its-kind VAWT & Solar PV System



- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai has become India's 1st airport to launch a one-of-its-kind **Vertical Axis Wind Turbine & Solar PV hybrid (Solar Mill)** to explore the possibility of utilization of wind energy at the airport.
- WindStream Energy Technologies India Pvt Ltd has developed this technology.
- The energy generated through this technology can be customized on a need-specific basis.

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### 8. CASHe launches instant credit line on WhatsApp

- Financial wellness platform **CASHe** has launched an **industry-first credit line service** using its AI-powered chat capability on **WhatsApp**.
- Aim: to provide customers with a fast, seamless and convenient way to access instant credit line by merely typing their name.
- The firm offers an instant credit limit without the need for any documents, app downloads or filling up tedious application forms.
- **CASHe's WhatsApp** chat service is built on the WhatsApp Business Platform.



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## Summits & Conferences

### 9. First National Conference of Chief Secretaries begins today in Himachal



- A 3-day **National Conference of Chief Secretaries** is being organized in Dharamsala, HP.
- It will deliberate to further strengthen the partnership between the Central and State Governments.
- **PM Narendra Modi** will chair over 1st National Conference.
- Three themes of the Conference: (i) Implementation of the National Education Policy; (ii) Urban governance; and (iii) Crop diversification and achieving self-sufficiency in oilseeds, pulses and other agri-commodities.

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### 10. Retail inflation eases to 7.04% in May from 7.79% in April



- **Retail inflation** based on the **Consumer Price Index** eased to 7.04 percent in May from 7.79 per cent in April this year.
- As per the MoSPI data released, inflation slipped mainly due to easing prices in '**Food & Beverages**' and '**Fuel & light**' sections.
- As the Food and Beverages have a weightage of more than 54% in CPI, the dip in food prices contributed the most to the ease in inflation.
- **Rural inflation** lowered to 7.01% in May as compared to 8.38% in April.

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### 11. India Moves Up 6 Places To 37th In World Competitive Index

- India has witnessed the sharpest rise among the Asian economies, with a six-position jump from 43rd to **37th rank** on the annual **World Competitiveness Index 2022**.
- The Index has been compiled by the **Institute for Management Development**.
- **Denmark** has moved to the top of the 63-nation list from the third position last year, while **Switzerland** slipped from the top ranking to the second position and **Singapore** regained the third spot from the fifth.

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### 12. APEDA organizes 8-day-long mango festival in Bahrain



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- In a major boost to the export of mangoes, **APEDA** launched an eight-day-long **Mango Festival** in the Kingdom of Bahrain.
- At the show, 34 varieties of mangoes from eastern states of **West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh** and **Odisha**, are being displayed at eight different locations of **Bahrain's Al Jazira** group supermarket.
- The mango show in Bahrain is part of APEDA's new initiatives to explore international markets for Indian mangoes under the '**Mango Festival 2022**'.

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### 13. Cabinet approves Development of New Greenfield Airport Dholera, Ahmedabad



- The CCEA chaired by **PM Narendra Modi** has approved the proposal for the

development of Phase I of **New Greenfield Airport at Dholera**, Gujarat.

- The estimated cost of the project is Rs. 1305 crore and to be completed within 48 months.
- The project is being implemented by DIACL, a JVC of AAI, Govt of Gujarat and National Industrial Corridor Development and Implementation Trust.
- **Dholera Greenfield Airport** is situated at an aerial distance of 80 Km from **Ahmedabad, Airport**.

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