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Important News: National

Digital India Week-2022

Why in News:

- Digital India week 2022 was inaugurated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.



key points:

- The objective of Digital India Week-2022 is to increase access to technology, streamline the service delivery system for ease of living and promote startups.
- The theme of Digital India Week-2022 is "**New India Technology Inspiration**".
- Launch of '**Indiastack.global**' for major projects like Aadhaar, UPI, DigiLocker, Covin Vaccination Platform, Government E-Market Place, Diksha Platform, and Ayushman Bharat, Digital Health Mission being implemented under IndiaStack during the event by Prime Minister is also done.
- Digital India Genesis, a national deep technology startup platform to discover, support, nurture, and succeed startups in Tier-2 and Tier-3 cities of the country, is also launched during the event.

Source: News on Air

Drass Cycle Campaign

Why in News:

- The historic cycling campaign from Delhi to Dras was started by the Indian Army and Air Force simultaneously on the occasion of 75 years of independence of the country.



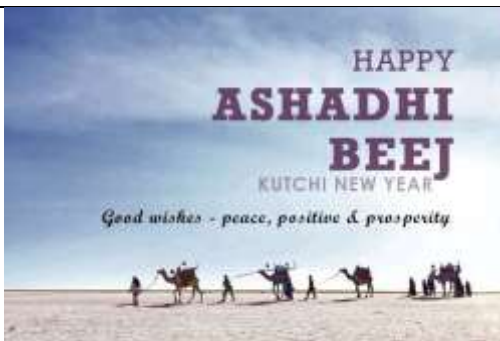
key points:

- The Drass Cycle Expedition team will consist of **twenty soldiers and airmen**, which will be led by **two talented women officers** from the **Armed Forces and the Air Force**.
- The campaign was flagged off from the **National War Memorial** in New Delhi and this team will cover a distance of **one thousand six hundred kilometers** by cycle in **24 days**.
- The campaign will be held on the **26th of this month** at the **Kargil Summer Memorial in Dras** to honor the brave soldiers who sacrificed their lives in the Kargil War.
- The main objective of Drass Cycle Abhiyan is to inculcate the **feeling of nationalism** among Indian youth. During the cyclist campaign, interactions will be held with school children at various places.

Source: PIB

Important News: State

Ashadhi Bij



- The **Kutchi community** of Gujarat celebrates its new year on this day.
- Ashadhi Bij is celebrated on the **second day of Shukla Paksha** of Ashadha month of the Hindu calendar.
- The Ashadhi Bij festival, which marks the beginning of rains in the Kutch region of Gujarat, is a traditional festival and is celebrated at home.
- During the Ashadhi Bij festival, the humidity in the atmosphere is checked to predict which crop will do best in the coming monsoon.
- **Lord Ganesh, Goddess Lakshmi**, and other regional deities are worshiped on the occasion of the Ashadhi Bij festival.

Source: LiveMint

Important News: Polity

Foreign Contribution Regulation Act

Why in News:

- The Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) has been amended by the Union Home Ministry to include provisions like **allowing relatives** to freely remit more money in India.



key points:

- As per the amended rule, now relatives have been allowed to send **Rs 10 lakh** without informing the government, if the amount exceeds, then individuals now have **three months** to inform the government **30 days** in advance.
- Under the amended rule, more time has been provided to organizations to inform the government about the opening of bank accounts for the utilization of funds received under the 'registration' or 'prior permission' category.
- The old provision where an organization/individual receiving foreign funds is required to declare such contribution every quarter on its official website has also been done away with in the new rule.

Source: Hindustan Times

Important News: Sports

Jasprit Bumrah



- India's stand-in captain Jasprit Bumrah holds the world record for most runs in an over in Test cricket by scoring **29 runs** in an over by England's Stuart Broad, breaking Brian Lara's record by one run.
- The world record was held by Lara for 18 years - in a Test match in 2003-04, he made 28 runs in an over-off South African left-arm spinner Robin Peterson, in which he hit four fours and two runs in 6 balls. Scored 28 runs with sixes.
- Former Australia player **George Bailey** also scored 28 runs in an over, but he was behind Lara in terms of boundary count.

Source: Times of India

New National Record in Los Angeles by Parul Choudhary



- Indian sprinter Parul Choudhary set a national record during the sound running meet in Los Angeles and became the first athlete in the country to take less **than nine minutes** in the **women's 3000m event**.
- The **third place** in the competition was secured by **Parul** with a timing of **8 minutes 57.19 seconds**.
- Parul broke the new world record six years ago in New Delhi by breaking **Surya Longanathan's** record of 9 minutes and 4.5 seconds.
- Earlier, Parul Choudhary had won the women's 3000m steeplechase title at the National Championships in Chennai.

Source: News on Air

Important Days

International cooperative day

Why in News:

- Marked by cooperatives around the world since 1923 and officially declared by the United Nations General Assembly in 1995 on the centenary of the ICA, International Day of Co-operatives is celebrated annually on the **first Saturday of July**.



key points:

- This year, International Cooperative Day is celebrated on **2nd July** with the aim of highlighting the contribution of the cooperative movement.
- The theme of this year's International Cooperative Day is '**Cooperatives Build a Better World**'.
- The purpose of the International Day of Co-operatives is to raise awareness of cooperatives and to promote the movement's ideas of international solidarity, economic efficiency, equality, and world peace.

Source: The Hindu

World sports journalist day



- World Sports Journalists Day - also known as International Sports Journalists Day is observed on **2 July** every year.
- World Sports Journalists Day was first celebrated in the year 1994 when the International Sports Press Association decided to celebrate it in honor of its 70th anniversary.
- World Sports Journalists Day is celebrated with the aim of honoring all the sports journalists of the world.
- Sports journalism began to develop during the 19th century, but it focused on elite sports.
- The 20th century saw a turning point in the popularity of sports journalism. In 1880, only 0.4 percent of newspaper space was devoted to sports, but by the 1920s this figure had risen to 20 percent, as newspapers exclusively covered sports.

Source: Navbharat Times

