

Weekly One-liners

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Weekly One Liners Updates **1st -7th August 2022**

Dear readers,

Weekly One Liners Update is a collection of important news and events that occurred in the **first week (1-7th)** of **August 2022**. This file is important for, **Banking, SSC, Railway & Insurance exams.**

Banking & Financial Awareness

1. How much amount of gross GST has been collected the government for July 2022 _____ **₹1,48,995 crore.**

Note:

- The second highest collection ever since the introduction of the Goods and Services Tax.
- The July 2022 revenue is 28% higher than the revenues in the July 2021 of ₹1,16,393 crore.
- CGST is ₹25,751 crore, SGST is ₹32,807 crore, IGST is ₹79,518 crore (including ₹41,420 crore collected on import of goods) and cess is ₹10,920 crore (including ₹995 crore collected on import of goods).

2. Which bank has entered into a strategic partnership with Rupy for offering 100% paperless loan processing _____ **IndusInd Bank.**

Note:

- Rupy, digital lending platform, is a fintech arm of the Jaipur based, Girnarsoft Pvt Ltd (which houses brands like CarDekho, BikeDekho, Zigwheels, etc).
- This partnership will simplified documentation and instant processing of vehicle loans from IndusInd Bank.
- IndusInd Bank customers can now opt for flexible repayment options while transacting on 'Rupy'.

3. How much transactions of Unified Payments Interface (UPI) has been recorded by the NPCI in July 2022 _____ **6 billion.**

Note:

- It is the highest ever since its inception in 2016.
- According to data released by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), the UPI has reported 6.28 billion transactions amounting to Rs 10.62 trillion.
- Month-on-month, the volume of transactions was up 7.16% and value increased 4.76%.

4. Which organisation has revised the guidelines on the anti-money laundering rules and counter financing of terrorism programme for insurance companies _____ **IRDAI.**

Note:

- The rules issued to consolidate and update guidelines replace the assorted norms issued since 2013.
- No life, general, or health insurer can claim any relaxations to comply with the money-laundering rules, with effect from Nov 1, 2022.

5. Which co-operative Bank Ltd has entered into a partnership with Small Industries Development Bank in India (SIDBI) for empowering MSMEs _____ **SVC Co-operative Bank Ltd.**

Note:

- According to the agreement, SIDBI will extend refinance facility to SVC Bank to facilitate an improved flow of credit to MSMEs.
- The agreement was signed by Ashish Singhal (MD, SVC Bank) and Sanjeev Gupta (GM, SIDBI) in Mumbai.
- SIDBI is the Principal Financial Institution for Promotion, Financing and Development of the MSME sector.

6. Which bank has launched first ever, men-focused Committee 'EmpowerHim' as part of its flagship HR initiative 'Prerna' _____ **Union Bank of India.**

Note:

- Aim: To promote the employees' career trajectory and improve diversity in the Bank by picking out and resolving individual as well as common existing challenges.
- This Committee will complement the women focused; EmpowerHer Committee launched by the bank earlier in July 2022.

7. How much amount of loans have been written off by the bank in the last five financial years i.e. 2017-18 to 2021-22 _____ **Rs 10 lakh crores.**

Note:

- The write-off amount has come down to Rs 1,57,096 crore (2021-22) as compared to Rs 2,02,781 crore (2020-21).
- In 2019-20, the write-off has also come down from Rs 2,36,265 crore to Rs 2,34,170 crore.
- The commercial banks and financial institutions have reported credit information of all borrowers having aggregate credit exposure of Rs 5 crore and above to RBI.

8. The financial inclusion (FI) index has been increased to 56.4 in March 2022 from 53.9 in March 2021, is constructed by which organisation _____ **Reserve Bank of India**.

Note:

- It shows growth in across all sectors across the country.
- Financial inclusion index was constructed to capture the extent of financial inclusion across the country.
- Sectors: Banking, investments, insurance, postal, pension sector
- This index has been created without any base year, and published in July every year.

9. The government has lowered the mandatory turnover threshold from Rs 20 crore to _____ under the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime from October 1, 2022 -- **Rs 10 crore**.

Note:

- Aim: Digitising a higher volume of transactions, transparency in sales reporting, reducing errors and mismatches, automating data entry work, and improving compliance.
- E-invoicing (electronic billing) has been started in October 2020.

10. Which organisation has restructured advisory committee on market data, that recommends policy measures pertaining to securities market data access and privacy _____ **SEBI**.

Note:

- The market data advisory committee will now have 20 members (earlier 21 members).
- Sebi has replaced former MD and CEO of NSE, Vikram Limaye by NSE current chief, Ashishkumar Chauhan.
- The committee is chaired by S Sahoo Professor at National Law University.

11. What is the current Repo Rate, that has been increased by the 50 basis points by the RBI _____ **5.40%**.

Note:

- Standing Deposit Facility Rate to 5.15%, MSF and Bank Rate revised to 5.65% in the latest bi-monthly monetary policy.
- Reason: to control the inflationary pressure
- As per the RBI, real GDP growth for the first quarter of the ensuing fiscal year is projected at 6.7%.
- GDP growth projection for 2022-23 retained at 7.2%.
- India's reserves remain the fourth largest globally.

12. Which Health Insurance Company Ltd has launched Smart Health+ Disease Management Rider, for its ReAssure customers _____ **Niva Bupa**.

Note:

- Coverage: It provide coverage for diabetes, hypertension and related complications from Day 1.
- It offers quarterly health check-ups.
- It also offers discount of up to 20% on health insurance renewal premium on managing a healthy lifestyle.

13. Which bank has become the first bank to list its Payment Gateway platform on the Income Tax Department's TIN 2.0 platform _____ **Federal Bank**.

Note:

- TIN 2.0 platform was launched on July 1, 2022.
- This "Payment Gateway" has been enabled by providing one more payment option to taxpayers.
- With this taxpayers can now make their payments with by using Credit/Debit Card, UPI, NEFT/RTGS and Internet Banking.

14. Which bank has collaborated with M2P Fintech to launch customer value propositions across payments and lending solutions _____ **IndusInd Bank**.

Note:

- The Bank will leverage M2P's cutting-edge technology backed by analytics.
- Aim: To deliver hyper personalised offering across payments and lending.
- M2P is fully equipped API infrastructure.
- It enables the bank to develop innovative products/experiences on top of Bank's core banking system (CBS).

15. Which insurance company has partnered with Future Generali India Insurance Company to offer a unique dog health cover _____ **InsuranceDekho**.

Note:

- This dog health insurance plans offers comprehensive coverage for over 25 breeds of dogs.

- Age of dog: Six months to 10 years.
- Premium: Rs 324 annually
- This insurance provide financial assistance for expenses incurred by pet parents towards hospitalisation, treatment of terminal illness, and surgery, subject to certain terms and conditions.

16. Bandhan Bank has opened its first currency chest in which state _____ **Deedargunj, Patna.**

Note:

- This is the first ever currency chest of bank.
- It will help in cash management for the branches and ATMs in the city.
- This currency chest will help people, MSMEs and small traders with supply of currency notes to the bank branches and the ATMs as and when required.
- The currency chest will also benefit the bank branches with storage.

17. RBI and Life Insurance Companies (LIC) have accepted the center's request to permit non-financial institutions and unregulated entities to own more than _____ stake in IDBI Bank _____ **40 %.**

Note:

- Also, allowed to sell between 51 and 74% of the lender through a strategic divestment process.
- Through a tactical divestiture, the government and LIC intend to sell 51–74% of the lender.

18. Which grameen bank has signed an agreement with Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) to facilitate an improved flow of credit flow to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) in the state _____ **Andhra Pragathi Grameena Bank (APGB).**

Note:

- APGB has started banking operations in 2006.
- This bank provide loan to agriculture and self-help groups in rural areas.
- SIDBI is playing a prominent role as an enabler in empowering the MSME ecosystem in the country.

19. According to a report, the Indian Food Processing industry could potentially grow at a CAGR of which percent, to reach \$500-530 bn by FY27 _____ **1011%.**

Note:

- This is due to its strong agricultural background and several favourable trends supporting its progress.
- According to the report, India has emerged as a global agricultural powerhouse.
- Now it is the world's 2nd-largest agricultural producer, leading in the production of cereals, pulses, fruits and vegetables, sugar, and milk.

20. Which organisation will soon issue draft guidelines on outsourcing of financial services by financial institutions _____ **Reserve Bank of India.**

Note:

- The draft norms, deemed to be titled 'RBI (Managing Risks and Code of Conduct in Outsourcing of Financial Services) Directions, 2022', will be issued for public comments and feedback shortly.
- The revised norms will expand the scope of the directions to include regional rural banks, local area banks, AIFI, CIC and non-scheduled payments banks.

21. Which Eye Hospitals has strengthened its presence in Maharashtra by acquiring five eye hospitals in Pune _____ **Dr Agarwals Eye Hospitals.**

Note:

- The leading eye care chain announced it has acquired Prabhudesai Eye Clinic (Kothrud); Global Eye Care Clinic (Pimpri Chinchwad and Sangvi); Om Eye Care (Viman Nagar and Vishrantwadi), all of which have been eyecare centres of repute in Pune for many years.
- The eye care chain now runs 118 eye hospitals across the country and abroad.

22. The board of which Infrastructure Company has authorised the issuance of up to \$400 million, 5 per cent unsecured Foreign Currency Convertible Bonds (FCCBs) on a private placement basis _____ **Reliance Infrastructure.**

Note:

- The FCCBs shall be convertible into equity shares of ₹10 each of the company as per the FCCBs term, at ₹123 (including a premium of ₹113) per equity share.
- The tenure of the bonds will be ten years.
- Each FCCB of \$1,000,000 is equivalent to ₹7.94 crore.

23. The RBI has imposed a penalty of what amount on Bengaluru-based Jupiter Capital Private Ltd, for breach of norms on submission of credit information _____ **₹82 lakh.**

Note:

- RBI also imposed a fine of ₹32 lakh on Indian Bank for breach of directions on classification and reporting of frauds.

- The examination of the Risk Assessment Report, Inspection Report and all related correspondence revealed that Indian Bank was in violation of certain provisions of RBI Directions, 2016.
- 24.** The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has constituted of Foreign Portfolio Investors (FPIs) Advisory Committee under the chairmanship of _____ former Chief Economic Adviser KV Subramanian.

Note:

- Aim: To increase the overseas flows into the country.
- Other members: Representing foreign banks, stock exchanges depositories and RBI.
- The committee will review investment avenues available for FPIs and to advise on the feasibility of new investment avenues.

Obituaries

- 1.** T Mohandas M Pai, who has passed away, was founder of which newspaper _____ **Udayavani(Kannada daily)**.

Note:

- He was also the president of the Dr T M A Pai Foundation and Manipal Media Network, which runs 'Udayavani'.
- He also served as the chairman and non-executive director at ICDS limited.

- 2.** Johnny Famechon, who has been passed away was belonged to which sports _____ **Boxing**.

Note:

- He was associated with professional boxing for more than 20 years and had a record of 56 wins (20 by knockout, six draws and five losses).
- He won his featherweight world title against Masahiko Harada from Japan.

Important Days

- 1.** Which week is observed annually on 1st -7th August _____ **World Breastfeeding Week**.

Note:

- To highlight the regular breastfeeding for babies
- Theme 2022: Step Up for Breastfeeding: Educate and Support.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) has created a memorandum in 1990 in association with United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF).
- The World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action (WABA) was established in 1991 and the inaugural World Breastfeeding Week was observed in 1992.

- 2.** Which ministry has organized "Tiranga Utsav", to celebrate the 146th Birth Anniversary of Pingali Venkayya in New Delhi _____ **Ministry of Culture**.

Note:

- The event include the release of a commemorative Postal Stamp in honor of Pingali Venkayya for his invaluable contribution to the country.
- Pingali Venkayya was born on August 2, 1876, in Andhra Pradesh.
- He was the designer of India's National Flag.

- 3.** The National Handloom Day in India has observed annually on which date to highlight the contribution of the handloom industry in the socio-economic development _____ **August 7**.

Note:

- The National Handloom Day is celebrated across the country under the aegis of the Ministry of Textiles.
- The handloom sector is one of the largest economic sectors in the country.
- This sector played an important role during the Swadeshi Movement (August 7, 1905).

New Appointments

- 1.** Who has taken charge as police commissioner of Delhi _____ **Sanjay Arora**.

Note:

- He is due for retirement in 2025.
- He succeeded Rakesh Asthana (Gujarat cadre IPS officer), who retired after nearly 38 years in service.
- He was appointed the Director General of the paramilitary Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP).

- 2.** Who has been appointed as the country director for India by World Bank _____ **Auguste Tano Kouamé**.

Note:

- He succeeded Junaid Kamal Ahmad (Bangladeshi economist), who has recently completed his term of five-year.
- He recently served as the country director of World Bank for Turkey.

- Earlier, he worked as the director of the department of human development and economic management in the World Bank Group's Independent Evaluation Group (IEG).
- 3.** Who has been appointed as the brand ambassador Noise for its upcoming smartwatch, X-Fit 2 series _____ **Vaani Kapoor.**
- Note:**
- Last year, the company had announced partnership with HRX, a fitness brand jointly owned by Hrithik Roshan and Exceed Entertainment.
 - India's wearables market saw double-digit growth in Q1 2022 with products crossing 13.9 million units, according to the international Data Corporation India.
- 4.** Who has assumed as the additional charge of Director General of Indo-Tibetan Border Police in New Delhi _____ **Dr. Sujoy Lal Thaosen.**
- Note:**
- He is an IPS Officer of the 1988 batch, Madhya Pradesh Cadre.
 - He has taken charge from Sanjay Arora, who has recently appointed as the Police Commissioner of Delhi Police.
- 5.** Who has been appointed as the principal director general of Press Information Bureau (PIB) _____ **Satyendra Prakash.**
- Note:**
- Earlier, he served as the principal DG of Central Bureau of Communication (HQ: New Delhi).
 - He has a wide range of experience in the field of public communication, media management, administration, policy formulation and programme implementation.
 - He has also represented India in various national and international forums.
- 6.** Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of state-run Oil India Ltd (OIL) _____ **Ranjit Rath.**
- Note:**
- He has replaced Sushil Chandra Mishra who superannuated on June 30.
 - Prior to his appointment, he served as the CMD Mineral Exploration & Consultancy Ltd.
 - He has also held the positions of the CEO of Khanij Bidesh India Limited, additional charge of the Director General of Geological Survey of India, and MD of Bharat Gold Mines Ltd
- 7.** Who has been as the MD & CEO of Unity Small Finance Bank (USFB) _____ **Inderjit Camotra.**
- Note:**
- His appointment has been approved by the RBI and Unity Bank's Board.
 - Prior to this appointment he was interim CEO of the Bank.
 - Camotra has over 25 years of experience as a Banker in leadership positions at Standard Chartered Bank, ANZ and Citibank.
 - USFB has been promoted by Centrum Financial Services (Centrum Group) with Resilient Innovations (BharatPe) as joint investor.
- 8.** Who has been appointed as the president of Catamaran, an investment firm _____ **Deepak Padaki.**
- Note:**
- MD Ranganath as its Chairman.
 - Padaki will be responsible for driving the firm's investment management strategy in its mission to nurture ideas from entrepreneurs into impactful business outcomes.
 - Ranganath served as the Chief Financial Officer at Infosys for 18 years till 2018.
- 9.** Who has been appointed as the Director General of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) for two years _____ **Dr N. Kalaiselvi.**
- Note:**
- She succeeded Shekhar Mande, who superannuated in April 2022.
 - She is the first woman scientist to hold this position.
 - Currently, she is working as the head of the CSIR-Central Electrochemical Research Institute (CSIR-CECRI).
 - She is known for her work in the field of lithium-ion batteries.
- 10.** Who has been elected as the deputy president of FIDE _____ **Viswanathan Anand.**
- Note:**
- While the present president, Arkady Dvorkovich (Russian) has been re-elected for a second term.
 - Anand was nominated by incumbent president Arkady Vladimirovich Dvorkovich as part of his team.
 - Dvorkovich a Muscovite has received 167 votes in his favour while his opponent Andrii Baryshpolets got 16.

11. Who has been elected as the 14th Vice President of India after defeating joint Opposition candidate Margaret Alva _____ **Jagdeep Dhankhar.**

Note:

- He will succeed M Venkaiah Naidu whose tenure ends on August 10.
- He secured 528 votes out of the 710 valid votes in the Vice-Presidential election.

12. The Appointment Committee of the Cabinet (ACC), headed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved a one-year extension of which Union cabinet secretary _____ **Rajiv Gauba.**

Note:

- After the extension, he will remain in the same position till August 30, 2023.
- He had taken over as the new Cabinet Secretary in the Government of India after the superannuation of PK Sinha in 2019.
- He is an IAS officer of the Jharkhand cadre (1982 batch) and served as like Union Home Secretary.

Important News – India

1. Union Rail Minister, Ashwini Vaishnav has flagged off the Badi Sadri-Udaipur City train service in which city _____ **Chittorgarh.**

Note:

- The minister has inaugurated the Badi Sadri-Mavli gauge converted rail section.
- While, the Rewa-Udaipur City Special and Siuri-Sealdah-Siuri train services in West Bengal virtually.
- The railway stations that are currently in the redevelopment phase are being built with a plan keeping in mind the next 50 years.

2. The government has constituted a task force on monkeypox to closely monitor the emerging situation in the country. Who is the head of this task force _____ **Dr V K Paul, NITI Aayog member (health).**

Note:

- The task force will provide guidance to the government on expansion of diagnostic facilities in the country and explore emerging trends related to vaccination for the disease.
- The World Health Organisation (WHO) has recently declared monkeypox a global public health emergency.

3. Steel Ministry has constituted an advisory committee for secondary steel under the chairmanship of _____ **Jyotiraditya Scindia.**

Note:

- Aim: To identify and deliberate on the issues pertaining to the steel sector especially the secondary steel industry.
- Secondary steel share in steel output of nation has been falling sharply from a level of 55% (2015) to 40% (now).
- The secondary steel sector wants higher allocation of coal from Coal India.

4. Which conglomerate company will launch the 'First in India' seating system for Vande Bharat Express trains from September 2022 _____ **Tata Group.**

Note:

- The firm is also planning to invest Rs 3,000 crore on R&D by FY26.
- The Composites division of Tata Steel has received, a Rs 145 crore, bulk order for seating systems of the Vande Bharat express.
- It includes the supply of complete seating systems for 22 train sets, 16 coaches in each train set.
- The specially designed seats can rotate 180 degrees.

5. To meet the workforce requirements, which airlines has raised the retirement age of pilots to 65 _____ **Air India.**

Note:

- Earlier, the age of retirement of AI pilots was 58, but now post-retirement age on a contractual basis for 5 years extendable to 65 years.
- DGCA has also allowed pilots to fly till the age of 65 years.

6. How much amount of Trade deficit of India has been recorded in July 2022, with decline in exports and increase in imports _____ **\$31 Billion.**

Note:

- According to the data released by the commerce ministry, the merchandise exports have been declined to a five-month low at \$35.2 billion in July 2022 while imports eased sequentially to \$66 billion.
- It has almost tripled from USD 10.63 billion in the same month of the previous fiscal.

- Minister of Commerce and Industry: Piyush Goyal
7. According to the data published by the Indian consultancy Coalmint, which country has become the third-largest coal supplier of India in July 2022 _____ **Russia**.

Note:

- Russia has historically been the sixth-largest supplier of coal to India, after Indonesia, South Africa, Australia, and the United States, with Mozambique and Colombia alternately featuring in the top five.
- Imports of India from Russia have increased nearly five times to over \$15 billion ever since Russia-Ukraine war.

8. India has added 10 more sites to Ramsar list, what is the total number of Ramsar sites in the country _____ **64**.

Note:

- 10 new wetland sites are from TN, Goa, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha.
- TN: Koonthankulam Bird Sanctuary, Gulf of Mannar Marine Biosphere Reserve; Vembannur Wetland Complex; Vellode Bird Sanctuary; Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary; Udhayamarthandapuram Bird Sanctuary
- Odisha: Satkosia Gorge
- Goa: Nanda Lake
- Karnataka: Ranganathituu BS
- Madhya Pradesh: Sirpur wetland

9. Which has organised Amrit Mahotsav named 'Badhe Chalo', to create a youth centric activation _____ **Ministry of Culture**.

Note:

- It is being held across 10 cities every day from 5th to 11th August 2022.
- Ten locations include: Lal Chowk, Ashtley Hall, Akashdeep Market, Central Mall, Telibandha Talab, CMR Mall, Gaurav Tower, Maharaja Sayajirao University, Alpha One Mall and Keshav Vatika.
- These events will be ended on the 12th August, at Talkatora Stadium in New Delhi.

10. Which armed force has signed an MoU with the Indian Space Research Organisation's (ISRO) Space Applications Centre (SAC) on data sharing and cooperation on satellite-based naval applications in oceanology and meteorology _____ **Indian Navy**.

Note:

- This MoU is an extension of the MoU signed in 2017.
- Aim: Rapid development in the field of satellite data retrieval and applications.

Important News – State

1. Which state government has launched Vidyanidhi Programme, under which, govt will provide scholarship from Rs 2,500 to Rs 11,000 to the children of farmers, weavers, taxi drivers and fishermen, who studying in 11th class _____ **Karnataka**.

Note:

- Swami Vivekananda Yuva Sangha: provide training to the youths to evolve into entrepreneurs.
- SC/ST families will be provided free power supply up to 75 units

2. After carving out new districts from the existing West Bengal districts, what will be the new number of districts in West Bengal _____ **30**.

Note:

- Earlier there were 23 districts in Bengal, after this, West Bengal will have 30 district.
- Seven new districts: Sunderban, Ichhemati, Ranaghat, Bishnupur, Jangipur, and Behrampur.
- One more district will be named from the Basirhat region.
- Aim: Smaller units would make governance easier and benefit the people by bringing the administration closer to them.

3. Which state government has launched Mission Bhumiputra, a digital way to issue digitalised caste certificates to students _____ **Assam**.

Note:

- He has also inaugurated a Bhumiputra Portal at a programme held at Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshetra.
- This initiative was implemented by the Departments of Tribal Affairs (Plain) and Social Justice Empowerment.
- The certificates issued will be available in the digi locker under the IT Act with digital signature of the respective DC.

4. Which state government has recently launched the "Chief Minister Equal Education Relief, Assistance and Grant (Cheerag)" scheme for EWS students _____ **Haryana**.

- Under the Cheerag scheme, government school students whose parents have an annual verified income of less than Rs 1.8 lakh can enroll in private schools from Class II to XII.
- The government will reimburse:
- Rs 700 per student from Classes II to V
- Rs 900 per student from Classes VI to VIII
- Rs 1,100 per student from Classes IX to XII
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Important News – World

1. Ibrahim Mohamed Solih, who has arrived in India on a four-day visit to India, is a president of which country _____ **Maldives**.

Note:

- He will hold talk with Prime Minister Narendra Modi and several agreements are expected to be signed after the talks.
- He also scheduled to meet President Droupadi Murmu at Rashtrapati Bhavan.
- Both countries share common perspectives on maritime security issues in the Indian Ocean.

2. Which country will host the special meeting of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) on counter-terrorism on October 29, 2022 _____ **India**.

Note:

- The tenure of India as a non-permanent member at the UN Security Council will be ended on December 2022.
- Theme: Mindful of the increasing threat posed by the misuse of new and emerging technologies
- Non- permanent members: Albania, Brazil, Gabon, Ghana, India, Ireland, Kenya, Mexico, Norway and the UAE

3. According to the latest Fortune Global 500 list, which company has entered into Fortune Global 500 list, and ranked 98th with revenue of USD 97.26 billion and a profit of USD 553.8 million _____ **LIC**.

Note:

- While Reliance Industries has jumped 51 places to 104 on the 2022 list. The list has been topped by US retailer, Walmart.
- Indian companies: IOC (142nd); ONGC (190th); Tata Motors (370th); Tata Steel (435th); Rajesh Exports (437th); SBI (236th) and Bharat Petroleum Corporation (295th).

Honor & Awards

1. Which of the following bank has been awarded Agri Infra Fund awards in the category of Best Performing Banks _____ **SBI, PNB and Bank of India**.

Note:

- Narendra Singh Tomar (Minister for Agriculture) has presented Agri Infra Fund awards under various categories to honour Banks and State Governments.
- Banks valuable contribution category: Bank of Baroda, Central Bank of India, Canara Bank and Kotak Mahindra
- Best performing State: Madhya Pradesh
- **PACS application:**
- Best performer in sanction : Andhra Pradesh
- Best performer in faster disposal: Karnataka

Sports News

1. Olympic medallist, Mairaj Ahmad Khan has claimed gold medals in men's category of which sports in the inaugural Digvijay Singh Memorial Shooting Championship _____ **Skeet**.

Note:

- Raiza Dhillon has claimed gold medals in women's skeet events.
- Arjun Thakur of Madhya Pradesh has silver position and Gurjot Singh from Punjab has settled for bronze in Men's category.
- Dhillon has bagged double gold after winning the Junior Women's Skeet competition over Parinaaz Dhaliwal from Punjab.

2. Indian weightlifter, Achinta Sheuli has bagged gold medal in which men's category _____ **73 Kg.**

Note:

- Erry Hidayat Mohammad (Malaysia) has clinched Silver medal with a total of 303 kg, while Darsigny (Canada) won Bronze with a total of 298 kg.
- Earlier, Mirabai Chanu and Jeremy Lalrinunnga have claimed gold medal while Bindyarani Devi and Sanketh Sargar bagged silver and Gururaja Poojary has settled for bronze.

3. Which team has defeated Germany by 2-1 in the final of the European Championship to win its first major women's soccer title at Wembley Stadium _____ **England.**

Note:

- Chloe Kelly (England) gave 2-1 win over Germany in the Women's European Championship final to claim their first-ever major title in front of a record crowd on home soil.
- England coach, Sarina Wiegman made history by becoming the first manager to win the Euros with two separate teams (England and Netherlands)

4. Who has clinched silver in women's judo 48kg category at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games _____ **Shushila Devi.**

Note:

- This is her second silver medal in CWG, she bagged her first silver in Commonwealth Games 2014 .
- While, Vijay Kumar Yadav has also bagged bronze medal in the judo men's- 60kg category in CWG 2022.
- In Weightlifting, Harjinder Kaur won the bronze medal in the women's 71kg category (logged 212kg (snatch - 93kg; clean and jerk - 119kg)).

5. India's women team has clinched first ever gold medal in the lawn bowls after defeating which country _____ **South Africa.**

Note:

- Women team Lawn bowl include: Nayanmoni Saikia, Pinki, Lovely Choubey and Rupa Rani Tirkey.
- The Men's Table Tennis team clinched gold medal after defeating Singapore.
- Weightlifter, Vikas Thakur won the silver medal in men's 96-kilogram category.
- India's mixed badminton team settled for a silver medal.

6. Who has claimed Silver medal in Judo women's 78 kg category at Commonwealth Games 2022 in Birmingham _____ **Tulika Maan**

Note:

- This is India's third medal in Judo this Commonwealth Games.
- Indian weightlifter, Gurdeep Singh won bronze medal in the men's 109-plus kg final.
- Indian Saurav Ghosal won bronze medal in squash men's singles.
- India's Tejaswin Shankar won bronze, India's first medal in athletics at CWG 2022 in the men's high jump.

7. Name the para-powerlifter who has clinched the gold medal in the Men's Heavyweight, after defeating Ikechukwu Obichukwu (Nigeria), in the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, with the lift of 212kg _____ **Sudhir.**

Note:

- He won India's first gold in Para-Powerlifting at Commonwealth Games.
- India's M. Sreeshankar has clinched silver in Men's long jump.
- India's Saurav Ghosal has bagged the bronze medal in squash men's singles.

8. Sakshi Malik and Deepak Poonia presented a double gold delight at Commonwealth Games 2022 at Birmingham, are associated with which sports _____ **Wrestling.**

Note:

- Sakshi Malik stood atop the podium in the women's freestyle 62 kg category, while Deepak Punia secured the gold medal in the men's freestyle 86 kg category.
- Sakshi was up against the Pan American champion – Ana Paula Godinez Gonzalez from Canada in the gold medal match.

9. Name the Indian para table tennis player who has clinched gold medal in the para table tennis women's singles at the Commonwealth Games 2022 _____ **Bhavina Patel.**

Note:

- She defeated Ifechukwude Christiana Ikpeoyi of Nigeria Classes 3-5.
- **Other winners:**
- Indian para TT player, Sonalben Manubhai Patel won bronze medal in the women's singles Classes 3-5.
- Saurav Ghosal and Dipika Pallikal won Bronze in Squash Mixed Doubles

- Vinesh Phogat won gold in the Women's Freestyle 53 kg Nordic category.

Books and Authors

1. A book titled, 'Madam President: A Biography of Draupadi Murmu' that will be released by the end of 2022, is written by _____ **Sandeep Sahu**.

Note:

- Sandeep Sahu is a Bhubaneswar-based senior journalist.
- The book will be published by Penguin Random House India (PRHI).

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1. Which edition of Vietnam-India bilateral army exercise "Ex VINBAX 2022" has conducted at Chandimandir in Haryana till 20th August _____ **Third**.

Note:

- Aim: To strengthen the bilateral relations between India and Vietnam.
- Theme of Ex VINBAX - 2022: Employment and deployment of an Engineer Company and a Medical Team as part of United Nations Contingent for Peace Keeping Operations.

2. The joint military Exercise "AL NAJAH -IV" between contingents of Indian Army and the Royal Army of Oman has conducted in which state of India _____ **Bikaner, Rajasthan**.

Note:

- The contingent of Royal Army of Oman is comprising 60 personnel from the Sultan of Oman Parachute Regiment and the Indian Army is represented by troops from the 18 Mechanised Infantry Battalion.

3. Along with 13 countries, India will take part in which exercise that has been organised by Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF), Australia _____ **Pitch Black**.

Note:

- This mega air exercise is scheduled to be held from August 19 to September 6.
- Participants (17 countries): Australia, Canada, India, France, Germany, Indonesia, Japan, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, Singapore, Thailand, the UAE, the UK and the US.

4. To commemorate the victory of the Indian Armed forces during the Kargil War, which point at Drass in Kargil Sector was renamed as 'Gun Hill' _____ **Point 5140**.

Note:

- The Regiment of Artillery, with lethal and accurate firepower, was able to have a telling effect on the enemy troops and their defences.
- On July 26, 1999, the Indian Army announced the success of 'Operation Vijay'.

5. Which edition of India and US mega military exercise "Yudh Abhyas" will be held in Auli, Uttarakhand from October 14 to 31, 2022 _____ **18th**.

Note:

- Aim: To build the understanding, cooperation and interoperability between the two armies.
- The 17th edition of the exercise was held in Alaska in US.

6. Along with Indian army, which organisation has successfully test-fired indigenously developed Laser-Guided Anti-Tank Guided Missiles (ATGM) from Main Battle Tank (MBT) Arjun _____ **DRDO**.

Note:

- The missiles have hit the target successfully with the precision at two different ranges.
- Laser Guided ATGM employs a tandem High Explosive Anti-Tank (HEAT) warhead to defeat Explosive Reactive Armour protected armoured vehicles.
- This is currently under technical evaluation trials from MBT Arjun's 120 mm rifled gun

7. Five women officers of the which INAS have created history by completing the first all-women independent maritime reconnaissance and surveillance mission over the north Arabian Sea onboard a Dornier 228 aircraft _____ **INAS 314**.

Note:

- The INAS 314 is a frontline Naval Air Squadron based at Porbandar, Gujarat.
- Five women: Lt Commander Aanchal Sharma (Mission Commander); Lt Shivangi; Lt Apurva Gite; Lt Pooja Panda; Sub Lt Pooja Shekhawat

8. Which country has successfully launched its first lunar mission, Danuri, from Cape Canaveral in Florida _____ **South Korea**.

Note:

- It is also known as Korea Pathfinder Lunar Orbiter.
- This mission is jointly developed by Nasa and the Korea Aerospace Research Institute.
- South Korea has also planned to land its own spacecraft on the moon by 2030.

9. Which rocket launched by United Launch Alliance (ULA) from Space Launch Complex-41 at Cape Canaveral Space Force Station for carrying the Space Based Infrared System Geosynchronous Earth Orbit-6 (SBIRS GEO 6) mission for the U.S. Space Force's Space Systems Command _____ **Atlas V rocket**.

Note:

- SBIRS is an early missile warning system that will replace the Defense Support Program (launched in the 1950).
- The ULA is a joint venture between Lockheed Martin and Boeing.

10. Name the co-passenger satellite, that has been launched by the Indian Space Research Organization along with Earth Observation Satellite, EOS-02, but failed due to a technical anomaly in the cryogenic stage _____ **Azaadi SAT**.

Note:

- It is a three-stage vehicle with all solid propulsion stages.
- The 'Azaadi Satellite' is designed by 750 girl students of government schools in rural areas from Kashmir to Kanyakumari.

11. Which country successfully launched a pilot reusable spacecraft with its Long March-2F carrier rocket _____ **China**.

Note:

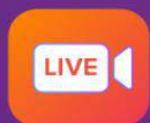
- The unidentified spacecraft, which was launched from China's Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center, will return to a planned landing site after operating in the orbit for some time to provide technical validations for reuses.
- A similar mission was launched by China in 2020.
- Spacecraft will operate in orbit for some time and then return to the intended landing site in China.

12. Which armed force has conducted a pan-India exercise called 'Skylight', to test and validate its entire satellite-based communication network _____ **Indian Army**.

Note:

- Reason: To ensure operational readiness in case of a conflict in the future.
- The exercise involved all kinds of satellite communication from the Andaman and Nicobar Islands to Ladakh, where India and China have engaged in a military stand-off for the past two years.

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