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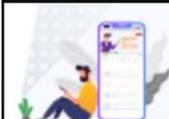
## Bi-Weekly One Liners Updates 1st -15<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear readers,

**Weekly One Liners Update** is a collection of important news and events that occurred in the **first two week** (1-15th) of **September 2022**. This file is important for, **Banking, SSC, Railway & Insurance** exams.

### **Banking & Financial Awareness**

1. Athletics Federation of India (AFI) has joined hands with which bank to support women athletes of the country \_\_\_\_\_  
**HSBC India.**  
**Note:**
  - Under the partnership, promising girl athletes will be selected from the National Inter District Championships for U-14 and U- 16 categories.
  - Special coaching camps would be set up for the selected athletes and nurtured them to perform on the global platform.
2. As per the official data, Indian economy has been grown by how much percent in the April-June period 2022 \_\_\_\_\_  
**13.5%.**  
**Note:**
  - Reason: Better performance by the agriculture and services sectors.
  - India has also remained the fastest growing major economy as China registered economic growth of 0.4% in the April-June 2022 quarter.
  - As per the data released by the National Statistical Office, the Indian economy has been grown by 20.1% in April-June 2021-22.
3. As of 31st August 2022, as per the RBI data, how much amount of foreign direct investment by the India Inc's has been recorded in July 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **\$1.11 billion.**  
**Note:**
  - The domestic firms had invested over \$2.56 billion on Outward Foreign Direct Investment in July 2021 in the form of equity, loan and issuances of guarantees
  - The Indian businesses has invested \$579.15 million by equity infusion, \$193.21 million as loans and \$337.49 million infused by issuing guarantees to their overseas ventures
4. Alappuzha has become the fifth fully digital banking district, is located in which state \_\_\_\_\_ **Kerala.**  
**Note:**
  - Four Kerala districts: Thrissur, Kottayam, Palakkad and Kasaragod
  - The project was initiated by the RBI with the support of the State Level Bankers' Committee and respective district administrations as part of the Digital India project.
  - As part of the initiative, at least one digital transaction facility has been enabled.
5. As per the data released by RBI, during the first quarter of 2022-23, the pricing index for homes in India has been grown by how much percent year-on-year \_\_\_\_\_ **3.5%.**  
**Note:**
  - The all-India house price index (HPI) is a quarterly release done by the central bank.
  - This index is based on transaction-level data obtained from the housing registration authorities in 10 major cities in the country.
  - The cities are: Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Chennai, Delhi, Jaipur, Kanpur, Kochi, Kolkata, Lucknow, and Mumbai.
6. As per the Reserve Bank India data, the services exports of India has been increased by how much percent year-on-year to \$23.26 billion in July 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **20.2%.**  
**Note:**
  - However, the July exports were lower than June by \$25.29 billion in 2022.

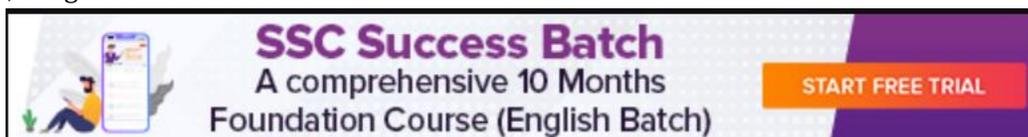


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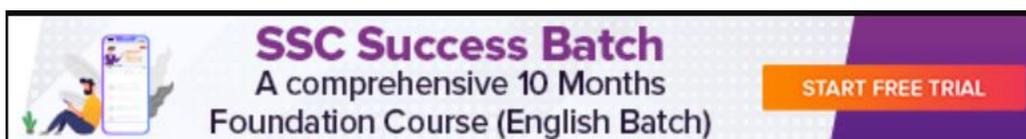
- As per the monthly data on India's international trade in services for July 2022, the imports surged by 22.3% to \$13.92 billion in July.
  - The exports during April-July 2022-23 stood at \$94.75 billion, and the imports totalled \$58.94 billion during the period.
7. According to Finance Ministry data, the government has collected how much amount as the gross GST revenue in the month of August 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **₹1,43,612crore.**
- Note:**
- CGST is ₹ 24,710 crore, SGST is ₹ 30,951 crore, IGST is ₹ 77,782 crore.
  - It includes ₹ 42,067 crore collected on import of goods and cess is ₹ 10,168 crore (including ₹ 1,018 crore collected on import of goods).
  - The revenues for the month of August 2022 are 28% higher than the GST revenues in the same month in 2021 of ₹ 1,12,020crore.
8. Which organisation has launched 'CASHBACK Card', a cashback focused credit card, to boost the online transactions \_\_\_\_\_ **SBICard.**
- Note:**
- Consumers across country, including tier-2 and 3 cities, can apply for the card on the digital application platform 'SBI Card SPRINT'.
  - CASHBACK SBI Card customers will earn unlimited 1% cashback on all spends, cashback will increase to 5% on all online spends up to maximum of ₹ 10,000 per monthly statement cycle.
9. Which financial service company has partnered with IME India Pvt Ltd to expand its money remittance services between Indo-Nepal corridor \_\_\_\_\_ **MuthootFinCorp.**
- Note:**
- Muthoot has been assisting the Nepali community in India in remitting money through their existing partner (Prabhu Money Transfer Pvt Ltd).
  - Now, Muthoot will be able to serve a larger mass of Nepalese diaspora living in India.
  - IDFC First Bank, India and Global IME Bank Ltd., Nepal are the banking partners to facilitate Indo-Nepal remittance service.
10. Which private bank has signed an agreement with Asian Development Bank (ADB) to provide support and promote supply chain finance (SCF) solutions in India \_\_\_\_\_ **IndusIndBank.**
- Note:**
- The bank has entered into a partial guarantee programme with ADB with an initial outlay of USD 70 million ( ₹560.0 crore).
  - Aim: To grow IndusInd Bank presence in MSME financing.
  - This partnership will further strengthen various initiatives of the bank in this domain.
11. Which financial solutions organisation has joined hands with Snapdeal in association with National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and Japan's JCB International Co. Ltd to launch the Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_ **BOB Financial Solutions Ltd.**
- Note:**
- It is co-branded contactless credit card.
  - User will receive up to 5% unlimited cashback (accrued as 20 reward points on every ₹100 spent) on the Snapdeal app and website.
  - It offers 10 Reward points per ₹100 spent on online spends.
12. Which organisation has released new guidelines on digital lending \_\_\_\_\_ **RBI.**
- Note:**
- The central bank has given regulated entities (RE) till November 30th to put in place adequate systems and processes to ensure that 'existing digital loans' comply with fresh lending guidelines.
  - The new norms are applicable to both 'existing customers availing fresh loans' and to 'new customers getting onboarded'.
  - These have come into effect from September 1st, 2022 onward.
13. As per the State Bank of India (SBI), what would be the GDP growth forecast for India for FY23 \_\_\_\_\_ **6.8%.**
- Note:**
- Earlier, the growth forecast was 7.5%.



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- Reason: Statistical adjustments as the reason for lowering the GDP forecast
  - The revised GDP forecast by SBI has been come after the National Statistical Office (NSO) data for the April-June quarter (Q1) of 2022-23, where the economy showed a growth of 13.5% (lower from 20.1% in Q1 of FY22).
14. As per the official data of RBI, India's foreign exchange (forex) reserves has been declined in the week ending August 26, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **\$561 billion.**
- Note:**
- India's FER has declined sharply in recent months as the RBI continues to intervene in the currency markets to defend the rupee.
  - The value of gold reserves also fall down by \$271 million to \$39.643 billion during the week ended August 26.
  - The value of India's SDRs with IMF has also declined by \$155 million to \$17.832 billion.
15. The Securities and Exchange Board of India has restructured its panel on cyber security that recommends measures to safeguard the capital markets from such attacks, chaired by whom \_\_\_\_\_ **Navin Kumar Singh.**
- Note:**
- Earlier, The committee had only four members but now it has six members.
  - Other members: Sanjay Bahl, H Krishnamurthy, Sandeep Shukla and DebdeepMukhopadhyay, SugataGangopadhyay
16. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has launched a pilot project for end-to-end digitization of KCC lending. What is the full form of KCC \_\_\_\_\_ **Kisan Credit Card.**
- Note:**
- The pilot has been developed by the central bank and its subsidiary Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH).
  - Objective: To make it more efficient and reduce costs for borrowers.
  - States for pilot project: Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu with Union Bank of India and Federal Bank, respectively
17. As per the report of State Bank of India (Economic Research Department), by which year India would become the third largest economy in the world \_\_\_\_\_ **2029.**
- Note:**
- India will surpass Germany in 2027 and most likely Japan by 2029 at the current rate of growth.
  - The country has undergone a large structural shift since 2014 and is now the 5th largest economy overtaking the United Kingdom.
  - The report is authored by SoumyaKanti Ghosh, group chief economic adviser, SBI.
18. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has approved the \$4.7 billion acquisition deal between PayU (backed by Prosus) and which online payments firm \_\_\_\_\_ **BillDesk.**
- Note:**
- The commission has cleared the acquisition of 100% of the equity share capital of <http://IndiaIdeas.com> (BillDesk) by PayU Payments.
  - The PayU-BillDesk deal is pegged as the second-largest buyout in the Indian internet sector after Walmart's \$16 billion acquisition of ecommerce major Flipkart in 2018.
19. Public sector banks will open about how many brick-and-mortar branches in the unbanked areas of various states by December 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **300.**
- Note:**
- Aim: To cover all remaining unbanked villages.
  - Branches in: Rajasthan (95), followed by Madhya Pradesh (54), Gujarat (38), Maharashtra (33), Jharkhand (32) and Uttar Pradesh (31).
  - Banks have been asked to open branches at allocated locations by the respective State Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC) by December 2022.
20. IppoPay has acquired which AI-based risk management company for an undisclosed amount \_\_\_\_\_ **Tutelar.**
- Note:**
- IppoPay is a Chennai-based payment gateway firm, that is backed by Coinbase Global, Better Capital and Blume Founders Fund.
  - Addition of Tutelar makes IppoPay an important constituent in the fight against fraud in the payments space.



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21. RBI Deputy Governor, T Rabi Sankar has announced that, government will launch CBDC by the end of 2022. What is the full form of CBDC \_\_\_\_\_ **Central Bank Digital Currency.**

**Note:**

- The RBI will launch digital currency on a pilot basis in 2022.
- In Budget for 2022-23, the finance minister had said the RBI would roll out a digital equivalent to the rupee.
- Benefit: CBDC could become a tool for reducing time and cost for cross-border transactions.
- Data Security Issue: They are keep working on it on a continuous basis.

22. Which bank has introduced a new SMS banking facility for its customers by using 7308080808, to provide a wide range of banking services round-the-clock \_\_\_\_\_ **HDFC Bank.**

**Note:**

- In order to start new SMS banking facility of HDFC Bank, a customer need to complete the registration process.
- They need to SMS "Register" <Space> "Last 4 digits of customer ID" <Space> "Last 4 digits of A/C No. " and then sent it to 7308080808 from their registered mobile number.

23. RBI has selected HDFC Bank and which organisation for testing their 'on tap' retail payments applications under the regulatory sandbox scheme \_\_\_\_\_ **Precision Biometric India.**

**Note:**

- It refers to live testing of new products or services in a controlled/test regulatory environment.
- For this regulators permit certain relaxations for the limited purpose of the testing.
- It allows the regulator, innovators, financial service providers and customers to conduct field tests.

24. The Unified Payments Interface (UPI) has recorded how much transactions in the month of August 2022, a 5% month-on-month growth compared to the previous month \_\_\_\_\_ **657 crore.**

**Note:**

- The transaction volume has crossed Rs 10.72 lakh crore in August.
- In July 2022, the UPI transactions breached the level of 600 crore.
- The growth in UPI volumes by nearly 100% year-on-year (YoY) and amounts transacted growing by 75% YoY.
- NPCI also aims to process 1 billion transactions per day in the next few years.

25. What is the present no. of Insurance Ombudsman in different locations of India \_\_\_\_\_ **17.**

**Note:**

- The Insurance ombudsman has disposed of 40,527 complaints against insurance firms across the country during 2021-22 as compared with 30,596 in 2020-21.
- The complaints relating to health insurance made up a third of the total number cases disposed of by ombudsmen in 2020-21.
- An alternative mode of settling insurance disputes.
- It was constituted under rules framed by the finance ministry in 2017.

26. Which bank has launched a 'Rainbow Savings Account' for the transgender community \_\_\_\_\_ **ESAF Small Finance Bank Ltd.**

**Note:**

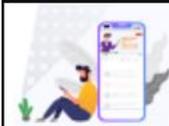
- This bank account offer a host of features, including high savings rate and advanced debit card facilities.
- In 2015, the Reserve Bank of India has directed banks to include a separate column 'third gender' in all their forms and applications.
- The savings habit of the marginalised community will contribute heavily to the growth of the economy as a whole.

27. Which bank has signed up as participant in the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC), an initiative of ministry of commerce and industry \_\_\_\_\_ **IDFC First Bank.**

**Note:**

- The bank has enabled a platform for buyers, that help them to discover sellers in the ONDC network.
- The bank has started onboarding small merchants, who are its current account customers, on to a partner app registered with ONDC.
- The app is expected to help small merchants carry out transactions over ONDC's electronic network.

28. Reliance General Insurance and which insurance platform have jointly launched Reliance Health Gain Policy, that gives its customers the freedom to choose and personalise their health policies as per their requirements \_\_\_\_\_ **Policybazaar.**



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**Note:**

- To make accessible to all, the product is being live on digital distribution channel, Policybazaar.
- This policy is available in – Plus, Power and Prime.
- This plan will cater to the needs of a small family of 2 as well as a larger one of 12.

29. Which bank has now become the participant of the Treasury Department's Khajane-II (K2) integrated financial management system (IFMS) \_\_\_\_\_ **Karnataka Bank.**

**Note:**

- Reason: For implementing the Single Nodal Agency (SNA) account system for Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS).
- The bank will continue to engage and cooperate with the Government of Karnataka in implementing its numerous efforts to benefit the people through its technology and digital-led solutions.

30. Cloud computing division of Google has been partnered with which general insurance company to build a platform that will help digitize the buying and servicing of insurance in India \_\_\_\_\_ **HDFC ERGO General Insurance.**

**Note:**

- HDFC ERGO will launch innovative insurance products.
- HDFC ERGO aims to fully migrate to the cloud by 2024.
- At present, nearly 93% of its retail policies are issued digitally and almost 40% of its customer requests are serviced virtually.

31. Which bank has unveiled 'Bank on Wheels' service in Gujarat, as a part of Rural Banking service \_\_\_\_\_ **HDFC Bank.**

**Note:**

- Aim: To increase the accessibility of Bank in rural area
- Currently, the van is part of the pilot project and more vans are planned to be rolled out in various states.
- Bank on Wheels:
- Bank vans will visit remote villages located 10 - 25 km from the nearest branch.

32. Which Insurance company has received direct insurance broking licence from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) \_\_\_\_\_ **Lord's Mark.**

**Note:**

- The insurance firm has received the license for selling life and general insurance products.
- Lords Mark will collaborate with other insurance firms for launching life and general insurance products on its platform called Policy King.
- Policy King: Offer its customers facilities to compare all available insurance offers.

33. Which Solar Panel manufacturer has signed an agreement with SBI for providing unsecured financing for solar projects through Surya Shakti Solar Finance Scheme \_\_\_\_\_ **WAAREE.**

**Note:**

- The agreement also provide working capital for Channel Partners under EDFs (Electronic dealer finance scheme).
- WAAREE intended to leverage over Rs 500 Cr of a credit line through Surya Shakti Solar Finance Scheme.
- WAAREE is the only manufacturer in India to get a 650Wp Solar panel listed in ALMM.

34. Which payment platform has partnered with the Axis Bank to aid the private lender in achieving the targets of priority sector lending \_\_\_\_\_ **PayNearby.**

**Note:**

- This partnership will be used to set up current and savings accounts for both retail and individual customers in remote areas.
- As per the Reserve Bank of India guidelines, 40% of net bank credit is to be extended to the priority sector (includes agriculture and micro, small and medium enterprises).

35. According to the Fortune report, what is the collectively worth of the wealth of 142 billionaires based in India \_\_\_\_\_ **\$832 billion (Rs 66.36 trillion).**

**Note:**

- The maiden list was made in collaboration with wealth management firm, Waterfield Advisors.
- Fortune and Waterfield collected details of listed and unlisted wealth, additional information regarding investments outside of the listed business: such as stakes in other public companies.



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36. RBI has imposed monetary penalty of how much amount on Industrial Bank of Korea for non-compliance with regulatory norms \_\_\_\_\_ **Rs 36 lakh.**

**Note:**

- Reason: For non-compliance with certain Know Your Customer (KYC) norms.
- RBI has also imposed a penalty of Rs 59.10 lakh on Woori Bank for non-compliance on Creation of a Central Repository of Large Common Exposures – Across Banks'.
- A fine of Rs 12.35 lakh has been imposed on Indiabulls Commercial Credit Limited for contravention of KYC Directions.

37. Which insurance company has launched the 'Smart Flexi Protect Solution', that offers health and enhanced life cover, along with market-linked investment returns \_\_\_\_\_ **Max Life Insurance Company Ltd.**

**Note:**

- This is a combination of Max Life Flexi Wealth Plus, and Max Life Critical Illness and Disability Secure Rider.
- This policy is a unique proposition of wealth creation along with comprehensive protection against death, disability and critical illness.

38. Which private lender has committed to invest Rs 125 crore over the next five years to support green causes like wetland conservation and energy transition projects in India \_\_\_\_\_ **HSBC.**

**Note:**

- Under the commitment, the HSBC has divided the works into energy transition and nature-based solutions.
- Nature-based solutions: Projects to protect and revitalise wetlands, mangroves and forests, landscape restoration.
- Energy transition: Renewables and energy efficiency programmes

39. Which bank has become the first bank in India to issue an Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG) in partnership with National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL) \_\_\_\_\_ **HDFC Bank.**

**Note:**

- The new e-BG will eliminate the paper based and time-consuming process.
- It can be processed, stamped, verified and delivered instantly with enhanced security.
- HDFC Bank will migrate to eBG platform completely in order to expedite the issuance of BGs for customers.
- MD & CEO of NeSL: Debajyoti Ray Chaudhuri

40. Which bank has partnered with the Square Yards to launch a joint branded home buyer ecosystem named "Open Door" \_\_\_\_\_ **Axis Bank.**

**Note:**

- Aim: The entire process of finding and purchasing a dream house is hassle-free, effective, and enjoyable for clients.
- This partnership also ensure that all customers get easy access to home loans.
- Open Doors is an integrated platform that is created to handle all consumer inquiries around residential real estate.

41. Which life insurance company has launched a term insurance plan named Click2Protect Super \_\_\_\_\_ **HDFC Life.**

**Note:**

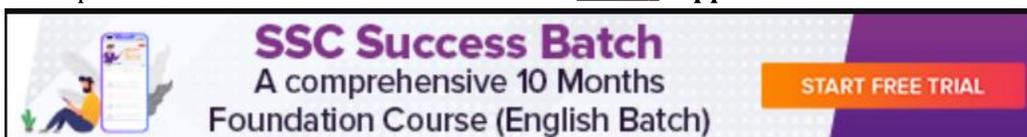
- Offers: It enables customisation as per protection needs and only pay for the benefits/plan options that you have chosen.
- It is a non-linked, non-participating, individual, pure risk premium/ savings life insurance plan.
- It provides with multiple flexibilities such as changing life cover, extending the policy term, getting coverage for accidental death and terminal illness, etc.

42. Which life insurance company has launched a new life insurance policy named iSelect Guaranteed Future, an individual, non-linked, non-participating, savings and protection plan \_\_\_\_\_ **Canara HSBC Life Insurance.**

**Note:**

- The policy comes in multiple options:
- iAchieve and Flexi iAchieve option: Pay for a limited period and get a guaranteed sum assured at maturity
- iAssure and Flexi iAssure plan: Pay for a limited period, and get the guaranteed lump sum on maturity.
- Easy iAchieve: Single premium payment term

43. DWS Group and which organisation have collaborated to provide portfolio management and investment advisory services to the European-listed Indian Government Bond ETF \_\_\_\_\_ **Nippon Life India Asset Management.**



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**Note:**

- DWS is continuously developing its range of ETFs in order to meet the ever-evolving needs of investors.
- Through this collaboration, clients can access to the attractive Indian bond market.
- Nippon Life India brings in its deep knowledge of the Indian Fixed-Income market.

**Obituaries**

1. The former Soviet leader, Mikhail Gorbachev, who has been passed away, had been honoured with the nobel prize in which year \_\_\_\_ **1990**.

**Note:**

- He had served as the general secretary of the Soviet Communist Party and de facto leader of the country in 1985.
- He was the youngest member of the ruling council known as the Politburo.

2. Cyrus Mistry, who has been passed away, was a former chairman of which company \_\_\_\_ **Tata Sons**.

**Note:**

- He had served as the chairman of the Tata group in 2012, he succeeded Ratan Tata.
- He was the sixth chairman of the Tata group and second chairman who did not have the Tata surname.
- He joined the Tata Sons board as a director in 2006.

3. TV Sankaranarayan, who has been passed away, was a renowned \_\_\_\_ **Carnatic musician**.

**Note:**

- He was the torchbearer for Madurai Mani lyer style of Carnatic music.
- He had shared several stages with Madurai Mani lyer.
- He won the Madras Music Academy's SangeetaKalanidhi Award in 2003 and was honored with the Padma Bhushan in 2003.

4. Legendary artist, Ram Chandra Manjhi, has been passed away, was known for which folk dance \_\_\_\_ **Launda Naach**.

**Note:**

- He was an Indian Bhojpuri folk dancer and theatre artist who is known as a Launda Naach performer.
- He has been felicitated with Sangeet Natak Academy Award (2017), Padma Shri (2021) awardee in the field of Arts.

5. The world's longest-ruling monarchs in history, Queen Elizabeth II has been passed away, was a monarch of which country \_\_\_\_ **United Kingdom**.

**Note:**

- She was ascended the throne in 1952.
- She became the UK's longest-serving monarch in 2015, when she surpassed the record of Queen Victoria (1837 to 1901).
- Charles III (73) has become king of the UK and the head of state of 14 other realms including Australia, Canada and New Zealand.

6. Noted archeologist Braj Basi Lal, who led an excavation at the Ramjanmabhoomi site in the mid-1970s, has been passed away, was honoured with Padma Vibhushan in which year \_\_\_\_ **2021**.

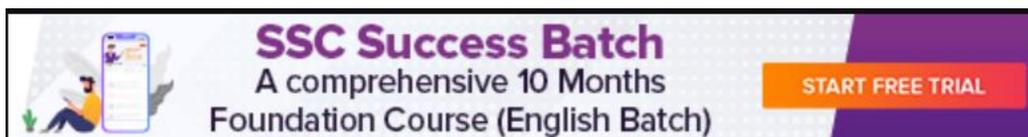
**Note:**

- Considered India's senior-most archaeologist, Lal was actively involved in archaeological research and writing till the age of 100.
- He was trained by Sir Mortimer Wheeler at Taxila in 1944, after which he joined the Archaeological Survey of India and served as its Director-General from 1968 to 1972.

7. U. Krishnam Raju, who has been passed away was a \_\_\_\_ **Former Central Minister and Film Actor**.

**Note:**

- He started his film career in 1966 as an actor with Chiluka Gorinka.
- He has been honoured with the first Nandi Award founded by the State Government for Best Actor.
- In 1990, he joined BJP and was elected to the 12th and 13th Lok Sabha from Kakinada and Narsapuram constituencies.



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8. Shankaracharya Swami Swaroopanand Saraswati, who has been passed away at Narsinghpur, Madhya Pradesh, was a peeth of \_\_\_\_\_ **Dwarka peeth.**

- He was born as Pothiram Upadhyay in Dighori village in the Seoni district of Madhya Pradesh in 1924.
- He had left his home in the pursuit of God at the age of nine.
- He was incarcerated during the freedom struggle.
- He was the Shankaracharya of Dwarka Sharada Peetham in Gujarat and the Jyotir Math in Badrinath.

9. Kamal Narain Singh has been passed away, was a \_\_\_\_\_ **Former Chief Justice of India.**

**Note:**

- He was the 22nd Chief Justice of India, with a term from November 25, 1991 to December 12, 1991.
- He started his career as an Additional Judge of the Allahabad High Court in 1970.
- He then became a Permanent Judge in August 1972.
- He got elevated as a Supreme Court judge in 1986.

10. Jean-Luc Godard, who has been passed away, was Iconic filmmaker of which country \_\_\_\_\_ **France.**

**Note:**

- He was known for his debut feature Breathless.
- He was considered as the father of the French New Wave and one of the most influential filmmakers of the 20th century.
- His notable movies: My Life to Live; Contempt; Pierrot le Fou; A Woman Is a Woman; Histoire(s) du cinéma
- He had been awarded the Golden Lion (1983); Golden Bear (1965) and Honorary Academy Award (2010).

**Important Days**

1. India has observed National Nutrition week every year on which date \_\_\_\_\_ **September 1 to September 7.**

**Note:**

- Aim: To make people aware about the adequate nutrition in food while enjoying the different flavours of Indian cuisine.
- The theme of National Nutrition Week 2022 is to 'Celebrate a World of Flavours.'

2. World Coconut Day is observed annually on which date to highlight the significance of coconut in our daily lives and how beneficial are they for health \_\_\_\_\_ **September 2.**

**Note:**

- Theme 2022: Growing coconut for a better future and life
- Top exporters of coconuts: Indonesia, India, Philippines, Brazil and Sri Lanka

3. The International Day of Charity is observed on which date \_\_\_\_\_ **September 5.**

**Note:**

- September 5 was chosen to celebrate the day because it is Mother Teresa's death anniversary.
- Mother Teresa received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 for "work undertaken in the struggle to overcome poverty and distress, which also constitute a threat to peace."

4. National Teachers' Day observed on which date to mark the birthday of the country's first Vice President and second President of India, DrSarvapalliRadhakrishnan \_\_\_\_\_ **5 September.**

**Note:**

- He was born on September 5 in the year 1888.
- The first Teachers' Day in India was celebrated in 1962.

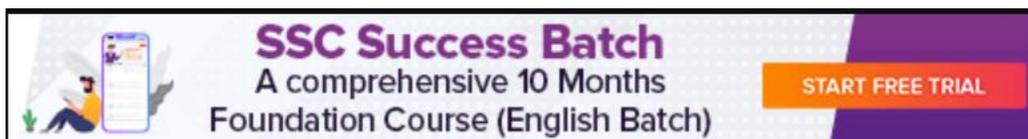
5. Which ministry is celebrating the 5th RashtriyaPoshanMaah 2022 across the nation from 1st September till 30th September \_\_\_\_\_ **Ministry of Women and Child Development.**

**Note:**

- RashtriyaPoshanMaah serves as a platform to bring focus to the discourse of nutrition and good health.
- The Central Theme of PoshanMaah 2022 is "MahilaurSwasthya" and "BachaurShiksha".

6. What is the theme of third International Day of Clean Air For Blue Skies 2022 is observed annually on 7 September to raise awareness about the importance of clean air for the health \_\_\_\_\_ **The Air We Share.**

**Note:**



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- On November 26, 2019, the Second Committee of the 74th session of UNGA has adopted a resolution to designate the 7 September as the "International Day of Clean Air for blue skies".
  - This day commemorates by the United Nations by hosting summits with member states.
7. International Literacy Day is celebrated annually on which date to create importance about the literacy for individuals and societies \_\_\_\_\_ **September 8.**

**Note:**

- Theme 2022: Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces
  - The 14th session, General Conference of UNESCO on October 26, 1966 has declared September 8 as International Literacy Day.
  - Since 1967, this day celebrations have taken place annually around the world.
8. World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) is observed annually on which date to raise awareness about suicide prevention worldwide \_\_\_\_\_ **10 September.**

**Note:**

- The day is organized by the International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and endorsed by the World Health Organization (WHO).
  - Theme 2022: Creating hope through action; it is the triennial theme for this day from 2021 to 2023.
9. World First Aid Day is celebrated every year on which Saturday of September \_\_\_\_\_ **Second Saturday.**

**Note:**

- This year, World First Aid Day falls on September 10.
  - Aim: To raise public awareness of how First Aid can save thousands of lives in everyday crisis.
  - The theme for World First Aid Day 2022 is 'Lifelong First Aid.'
10. The United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation is observed annually on which date to highlight the importance of cooperation among people and countries in the global South \_\_\_\_\_ **September 12.**

**Note:**

- The day also aims at spreading awareness on the social, economic, and political developments made in the Southern region.
11. National Forest Martyrs Day is observed on which date to pay tribute to those who sacrificed their lives to protect forests and wildlife \_\_\_\_\_ **September 11.**

**Note:**

- It is marked by several events aimed at creating awareness about protecting forests and the environment at large.
  - The day holds a lot of significance in the present scenario when depleting green cover is among the greatest challenges in front of the world.
12. World EV Day 2022 is observed on which date \_\_\_\_\_ **9th of September.**

**Note:**

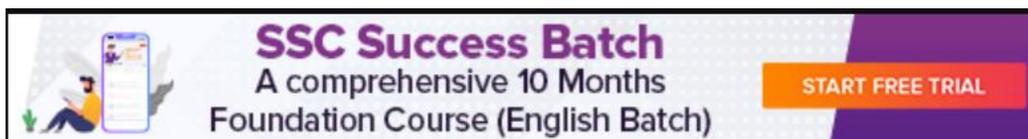
- Aim: To emphasize the importance of e-mobility.
  - World EV day helps to spread awareness about sustainable transport facilities to the people.
  - Air pollution is mainly caused by transportation, and EVs are one of the major alternatives to decrease air pollution.
13. The International Day to Protect Education from Attack is an observed on which date \_\_\_\_\_ **September 9.**

**Note:**

- The purpose of the day is to raise awareness regarding the importance of safeguarding schools as places of protection and safety for students and educators and the need to keep education at the top of the public agenda.
14. To promote the Hindi language and its usage across the nation, India observed Hindi Diwas annually on which date \_\_\_\_\_ **September 14.**

**Note:**

- The day is also marks the birthday anniversary (September 14, 1916) of Beohar Rajendra Simha who played a crucial role in getting Hindi in Devanagari script.
- On September 14, 1949, the Constituent Assembly accepted Hindi in the Devanagari script as the official language of India.
- The first Hindi Day was celebrated on September 14, 1953.

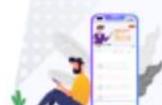


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## New Appointments

1. ONGC has appointed whom as the interim chairman for a period of 4 months with effect from September 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Rajesh Kumar Srivastava**.  
**Note:**
  - He is the senior-most director on the ONGC board.
  - He has been given additional charge of chairman and managing director after current acting head Alka Mittal has been superannuated.
2. Who has been appointed as next ambassador of India to Thailand \_\_\_\_\_ **NageshSingh**.  
**Note:**
  - He is presently Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs.
  - He will replace ambassador, SuchitraDurai and is expected to take up the assignment shortly.
  - Nagesh Singh is a 1995 batch officer of the Indian Foreign Service (IFS) who has served as Consul General of India in Atlanta.
3. Starbucks has appointed whom as the next chief executive officer and a member of the Starbucks Board of Directors \_\_\_\_\_ **LaxmanNarasimhan**.  
**Note:**
  - He will work closely with the interim CEO, Howard Schultz, before taking charge as CEO role.
  - Howard Schultz will continue as interim CEO until April 1, 2023.
4. The President of India, DraupadiMurmu has nominated whom as new executive chairperson of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) \_\_\_\_\_ **Justice DY Chandrachud**.  
**Note:**
  - He has replaced Justice U.U. Lalit, who was elevated as the 49th Chief Justice of India.
  - He was the former Chief Justice of the Allahabad HC and a former judge of Bombay HC.
  - NALSA has been constituted under the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987 to provide free Legal Services to the weaker sections.
5. Who has been elected as the president of All India Football Federation (AIFF) \_\_\_\_\_ **KalyanChaubey**.  
**Note:**
  - He has defeated India's football team captain, BhaichungBhutia by 33-1.
  - In the 85-year history of federation, this was the first time a former player was elected president.
6. Who has been given an additional charge of additional charge as the Chairman and Managing Director of the GAIL \_\_\_\_\_ **MV Iyer**.  
**Note:**
  - He has been succeeded the current CMD, Manoj Jain, who superannuated on August 31.
  - He has been appointed to the post for a period of three months with effect from September 1, 2022, or until further orders, whichever is the earlier.
7. Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of NHPC for three months, with effect from September 1st 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Yamuna Kumar Chaubey**.  
**Note:**
  - He has replaced Abhay Kumar Singh, who retired on August 31, 2022.
  - He is a graduate in Civil Engineering from IIT, Kharagpur.
  - He joined NHPC Limited in 1985 as a Probationary Executive (Civil) at 540 MW Chamera Hydro-Electric Project, now Chamera-I Power Station, Himachal Pradesh.
8. Leader of the Conservative Party, Liz Truss has been elected as the 56th prime minister of which country \_\_\_\_\_ **United Kingdom**.  
**Note:**
  - She has succeeded present PM Boris Johnson, who will tender his resignation to Queen Elizabeth II.
  - She has been served as the foreign secretary since 2021.
  - She has defeated rival Rishi Sunak with 57 per cent of the vote.
  - She will be third female prime minister to lead the country.



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9. The Board of Directors of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Ltd has approved the appointment of whom as the Managing Director & CEO with effect from 4th September 2022 for a term of 3 years \_\_\_\_\_ **Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam**.

**Note:**

- He has replaced present MD & CEO, K V Rama Moorthy, whose tenure ended on 3rd September 2022.
- Earlier, he was the MD & CEO of Punjab and Sind Bank from 4th September 2020 to 31st May 2022.

10. Who has assumed charge as chairman & MD of the Shipping Corporation of India Ltd (SCI) on 3rd September, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Capt. B. K. Tyagi**.

**Note:**

- Prior to this, he was the director, who was looking after the liner and passenger services division at SCI.
- He started his career as a trainee nautical officer and sailed on board various ships in different ranks including as master in SCI in 1990.
- SCI is a Navratna CPSE under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW).

11. Who has been appointed as India's next high commissioner to Canada \_\_\_\_\_ **Sanjay Kumar Verma**.

**Note:**

- He is a 1988 batch officer of the Indian Foreign Service and is currently the ambassador of India to Japan.
- He has been served in Indian missions in Hong Kong, China, Vietnam and Turkey.
- He has also served as Consul General of India in Milan, Italy.
- While Amit Kumar, who is currently Consulate General of India in Chicago, has been named as the next ambassador to the Republic of Korea.

12. President Draupadi Murmu has appointed whom as the Chief Justice of the Madras High Court with effect from September 13, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Justice M Duraiswamy**.

**Note:**

- Prior to this, he was the senior judge of the Madras High Court.
- He has replaced Chief Justice of Madras High Court Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari.
- He got enrolled as an Advocate in the Bar Council of Tamil Nadu and Puducherry in 1987.

13. UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres appointed whom of Austria as the next UN High Commissioner for Human Rights \_\_\_\_\_ **Volker Turk**.

**Note:**

- The new High Commissioner is currently coordinating global policy work as an Under-Secretary-General in the UN's Executive Office.
- From 2019 to 2021, Turk served as Assistant Secretary-General for Strategic Coordination in the UN chief's Executive Office.

14. Who will officially be proclaimed as Britain's new monarch in a ceremony followed by gun salutes and the reading of proclamations \_\_\_\_\_ **King Charles**.

**Note:**

- Charles, 73, succeeded his mother immediately, but an Accession Council made up of hundreds of politicians, bishops and senior civil servants will proclaim his succession at a ceremony.
- Charles is king and head of state of the United Kingdom and 14 other realms including Australia, Canada, Jamaica, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea

15. American Express Banking Corp has appointed whom as the chief executive officer and country manager for India \_\_\_\_\_ **Sanjay Khanna**.

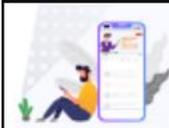
**Note:**

- Responsibilities: For increasing growth across the organization's consumer and commercial businesses.
- Prior to this role, Khanna has held many leadership positions in the company including head of global financial operations, India centre lead for finance and chairman of the American Express India Pvt Ltd (AEIPL) legal entity board.

16. The Kerala Assembly has elected whom as the 24th Speaker of the Kerala Legislature \_\_\_\_\_ **AN Shamseer**.

**Note:**

- He defeated UDF MLA Anwar Sadath by 56 votes in the election.
- UDF candidate and Aluva MLA Anwar Sadath secured 40 votes against the LDF nominee who received 96 votes.
- Deputy Speaker Chittayam Gopakumar headed the election procedures.



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17. Nayara Energy has appointed whom as the Chairman of the company with effect from October 3, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_  
**Prasad K Panicker.**

**Note:**

- He will take on this role from Charles Anthony (Tony) Fountain who has served the company for five years.
- In his new role, he will deploy his technological experience and knowledge of the local Indian market to lead Nayara Energy.

18. The Centre appoints whom the Chairman of the Appellate Tribunal under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chief Justice of Madras High Court, Justice Munishwar Nath Bhandari.**

**Note:**

- The post of the Chairperson of the Tribunal was vacant since September 2019.
- The order was issued by the Department of Revenue under the Ministry of Finance.
- The Tribunal for Forfeiture of Property under the SAFEMA and the PMLA Appellate Tribunal were merged in 2016 through the Finance Act, 2016.

19. The Ministry of External Affairs has appointed Senior diplomat, whom as the next Indian ambassador to Japan \_\_\_\_\_  
**Sibi George.**

**Note:**

- He will replace Sanjay Kumar Verma as India's envoy to Japan, has recently appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to Canada.
- He is a 1993-batch Indian Foreign Service officer and is currently serving as the Ambassador of India to Kuwait.
- India and Japan share very strong Strategic and Global Partnership.

20. The US President Joe Biden has appointed whom as the inaugural director of the Advanced Research Projects Agency for Health (ARPA-H) for five years \_\_\_\_\_  
**Dr Renee Wegrzyn.**

**Note:**

- Purpose of the ARPA-H: To seek innovative solutions to biomedical problems
- She is a biologist and former government scientist.
- Dr. Renee Wegrzyn is currently serving as the vice president of business development at Ginkgo Bioworks and Head of Innovation at Concentric by Ginkgo.

21. Which payment platform has appointed the two independent directors are BP Kanungo (former Deputy Governor of RBI) and Kaushik Dutta (Chairman and Independent Director at Zomato) \_\_\_\_\_  
**BharatPe.**

**Note:**

- B P Kanungo: He served as the Deputy Governor of the RBI from 2017 to 2021 and here, he will be responsible to build a profitable business.
- Kaushik Dutta: He previously held leadership positions at PwC

### Important News - India

1. The Central Railways has set up atmospheric water generators (AWG), Meghdoot in six railway stations in which state \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mumbai, Maharashtra.**

**Note:**

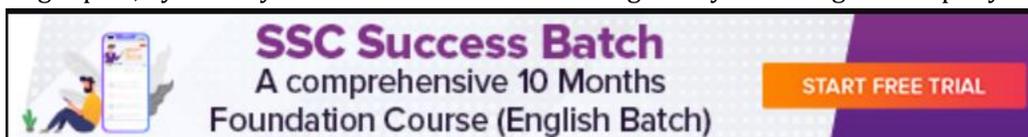
- With the help this, machine can directly harvest water from the air and the commuters can refill their bottles for Rs 12 per litre and Rs 8 for 500 ml.
- The Railways has already installed 17 kiosks across six major stations, including five each at CSMT and Dadar, four at Thane, and one each at Kurla, Ghatkopar and Vikhroli.

2. As per the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy data, the unemployment rate of India has surged to a one-year high in August \_\_\_\_\_  
**8.3%.**

**Note:**

- In August, the urban unemployment rate has been increased to 9.6% and rural unemployment rate also increased to 7.7%.
- In July 2022, the unemployment rate was at 6.8% and the employment was 397 million.
- In August, the unemployment was the highest in Haryana (37.3%).

3. As per the Boeing report, by which year the air traffic of India will grow by an average of 7% per year \_\_\_\_\_  
**2040.**



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**Note:**

- While the air traffic of India will grow 6.9% till 2040, the south-east Asian market will grow at an average annual rate of 5.5%.
  - The Chinese, African and the Latin American market will grow at an average annual rate of 5.4%, 5.4% and 4.8% respectively, till 2040.
4. Union Minister of Science and Technology Jitendra Singh has launched India's first indigenously developed quadrivalent Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccine for the prevention of cervical cancer. What is the name of vaccine \_\_\_\_\_ **CERVAVAC**.

**Note:**

- DCGI had granted market authorisation to Serum Institute of India to manufacture an indigenously-developed vaccine against cervical cancer.
  - Cervical cancer in India ranks as the second most frequent cancer among women between 15 and 44 years of age.
5. Cabinet has approved an MoU with which country on biodiversity conservation to strengthen and enhance coordination and cooperation in the field of forests, biodiversity conservation, and climate change in September 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Nepal**.

**Note:**

- This MoU also aims the restoration of corridors and interlinking areas and sharing of knowledge and best practices, between the two countries.
6. The All-India Council for Technical Education has partnered with which software organisation to accelerate digital creativity skills across the country \_\_\_\_\_ **Adobe**.

**Note:**

- As per the agreement, Adobe will offer courses and expertise for upskilling educators, and integrate digital creativity into the curriculum, to prepare students with the essential creative and digital literacy skills.
  - Aim: To empower educators across higher education institutions with essential digital creativity skills by 2024.
7. Which organisation has signed an MoU with Smiths Detection for offering advanced, high-energy scanning systems to the Indian market \_\_\_\_\_ **Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)**.

**Note:**

- The MoU will leverage the high-end, technological capabilities of both the firms to meet India's domestic security needs.
  - The MoU was signed in line with the Indian Government's 'Make in India' initiative.
8. Who has inaugurated 6th All India Prison Duty Meet in Ahmedabad, Gujarat \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Minister, Amit Shah**.

**Note:**

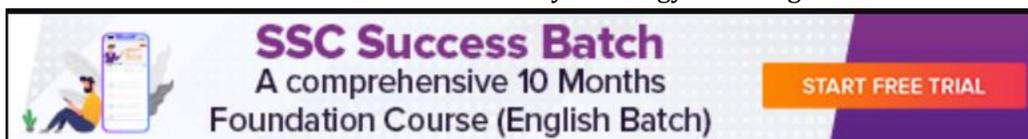
- It is a biennial event, organised by the Bureau of Police Research and Development.
  - The event was attended by Gujarat Chief Minister, Bhupendra Patel and Minister of State for Home, Harsh Sanghavi.
  - AIPDM was last organised in Ahmedabad in 2007, It was the second ever meeting
  - He has also participated in the closing ceremony of 11th KhelMahakumbh at TransStadia, Kankaria
9. The first edition of "World Health Summit for Pride of Homoeopathy" was held in which country with the theme "Diseases caused by climate change and global warming" \_\_\_ **Dubai, UAE**.

**Note:**

- Aim: To educate and promote a homoeopathic system of medicine, drugs, and practices.
  - The summit was organised by Burnett Homoeopathy Pvt Ltd
  - Burnett Homoeopathy Pvt Limited deals with homoeopathic dilutions, mother tincture, lower trituration tablets and various other homoeopathic medicines.
10. Who has attended the Gastech Milan-2022 that scheduled to be held in Milan, Italy \_\_\_\_\_ **Hardeep Singh Puri (Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister)**.

**Note:**

- The Minister will chair the "India Spotlight: Powering India's energy industry - new avenues for a sustainable future" panel discussion.
- He will also participate in the select Ministerial Panel of the Opening Ceremony along with Egyptian Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources and State Secretary of Energy of Portugal.



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11. The Centre has decided to rename Rajpath and Centre Vista lawns stretching from the Rashtrapati Bhavan to India Gate as \_\_\_\_\_ **Kartavya Path**.

**Note:**

- PM Modi, will inaugurate the entire stretch on September 8, 2022, that has been renovated under the government's ambitious Central Vista redevelopment project.
- The New Delhi Municipal Council (NDMC) has convened a special meeting on September 7 and the proposal will be placed before it.
- Rajpath was known as Kingsway during British Rule.

12. Which state run organisation has topped all Ministries/Departments for resolving Public Grievances in the ranking in August 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI)**.

**Note:**

- Report published by: Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances
- UIDAI has been a top performer in resolution of cases received through Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System.
- Its robust grievance redressal mechanism is enable to resolve around 92% of CRM Grievances within 7 days.

13. The external debt of India has been increased by how much per cent from USD 573 billion (March 2021) to over USD 620 billion (March 2022) \_\_\_\_\_ **8.2%**.

**Note:**

- Report title: 28th edition, Status Report on India's External Debt 2021-22
- Released by: Department of Economic Affairs
- The External debt as a ratio to GDP fell marginally to 19.9% (2022) from 21.2% (2021).
- The Commercial borrowings, NRIs deposits, short-term trade credit and multilateral loans together accounted for 90% of the total external debt

14. How many schools across the country, will be developed and upgraded under the Pradhan Mantri Schools For Rising India (PM-SHRI) Yojana \_\_\_\_\_ **14,500**.

**Note:**

- These PM-SHRI schools will become model schools which will summarize the full spirit of National Education Policy (NEP).
- These schools will provide modern infrastructure including latest technology, smart classrooms, sports and more.

15. Which organisation has received a formal approval from the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) for its intranasal COVID19 vaccine iNCOVACC (BBV154) \_\_\_\_\_ **Bharat Biotech International Limited (BBIL)**.

**Note:**

- This is the second Bharat Biotech coronavirus vaccine to get the nod after Covaxin.
- iNCOVACC is a recombinant replication deficient adenovirus vectored vaccine with a pre-fusion stabilized spike protein.
- This nasal vaccine iNCOVACC is stable at 2-8°C for easy storage and distribution.

16. While addressing the 14th CII Global MedTech Summit, Science and Technology Minister, Dr Jitendra Singh has announced that Healthcare sector in India is expected grow to 50 billion dollar by which year \_\_\_\_\_ **2025**.

**Note:**

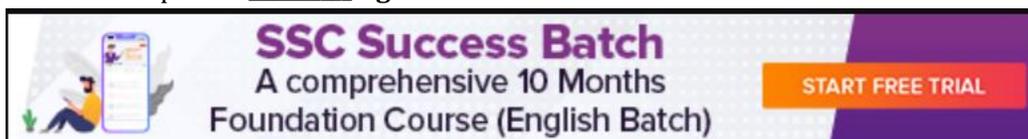
- India aims to achieve 10 to 12% of the global market share of the medical devices sector.
- The Indian healthcare system has become more focused on innovation and technology.
- The govt also aiming to increase their investment in digital healthcare tools in coming five years.

17. India aims to eliminate TB by which year \_\_\_\_\_ **2025**.

**Note:**

- President, Droupadi Murmu has virtually launched two initiatives - Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan and Ni-kshay Mitra initiative.
- Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyaan: This initiative was launched in the presence of Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya.
- Ni-kshay Mitra: A platform for donors to provide various forms of support to those undergoing TB treatment.

18. Which agribusiness has introduced the 'Kisan Safalta Card to help farmers to meet their pre and post-harvest farm requirements and allied expenses \_\_\_\_\_ **Agribazaar**.



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**Note:**

- Farmers can use this card to obtain financing to purchase farm inputs.
- The card's limit, the financing scale, and maintenance costs are determined by the crop yield of each farmer.
- The card amount is adjustable for marginal farmers from Rs 10,000 to Rs 50,000.
- Repayment period: 12-month

19. Which ministry's Startup Hub has collaborated with Meta to launch a programme to support and accelerate XR technology startups across India \_\_\_\_\_ **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY).**

**Note:**

- The programme was launched by the Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology, Rajeev Chandrasekhar.
- The MeitY Startup Hub is a national platform that focuses on promoting technology innovation, start-ups, and the creation of intellectual properties.

20. Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways is building the National Maritime Heritage Complex at which place \_\_\_\_\_ **Lothal in Gujarat.**

**Note:**

- Cost: 3500 crores rupees
- The first-of-its-kind complex in India, this centre will showcase India's rich and diverse maritime heritage.
- The foundation stone for the NMHC project was laid by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the consent for the master plan was given in March 2019.

21. NITI Aayog and which organisation have launched India's first National Electric Freight Platform- E-FAST India (Electric Freight Accelerator for Sustainable Transport-India) \_\_\_\_\_ **World Resources Institute (WRI).**

**Note:**

- The National Electric Freight Platform brings different stakeholders together with the support of the World Economic Forum, CALSTART, and RMI India.
- Aim: To raise awareness of freight electrification bolstered by an on-ground demonstration pilot and evidence-based research.

22. The National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) Centre for Citizen Services, was inaugurated by whom \_\_\_\_\_ **Chief Justice of India Uday Umesh Lalit.**

**Note:**

- Place: Jaisalmer House
- It was provided to NALSA would be utilised for the establishment of Legal Assistance Centre for Citizens, Legal Assistance Centre for NRIs, Training Centre, and Digital Command Centre for providing futuristic legal services across the country.

23. India's first Regional Rapid Transit System, would incorporate an automatic fare collection (AFC) system and tickets with QR codes for riders, is connect which two cities \_\_\_\_\_ **Delhi-Meerut.**

**Note:**

- In order to purchase the AFC system, the National Capital Region Transport Corporation (NCRTC) recently announced that it has requested bids in accordance with the Modi administration's "Make In India" standards.

24. Which ministry has launched Shikshak Parv, that was launched by Union Ministers Annapurna Devi and Rajkumar Ranjan Singh to honour teachers and advance the new National Education Policy (NEP) \_\_\_\_\_ **Ministry of Education.**

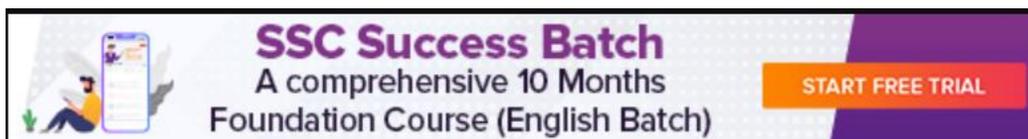
**Note:**

- An inaugural colloquium hosted by the Ministry of Education, CBSE, AICTE, and the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship marked the beginning of Shikshak Parv.

25. Union Health Minister Dr Mansukh Mandaviya will launch a countrywide mega drive 'Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav' for voluntary blood donation from 17th September to 1st October 2022. 1st October observed as \_\_\_\_\_ **National Voluntary Blood Donation Day.**

**Note:**

- The special drive is a part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.
- The registrations for the Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav have been started on the E-Raktkosh portal and Aarogya Setu app.



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26. The Finance Ministry has set up a six-member, high-level panel to look into issues being faced by venture capital (VC) and private equity (PE) investors. The panel is headed by whom \_\_\_\_\_ **Former SEBI chairman, M Damodaran.**

**Note:**

- The committee will suggest steps for scaling up investment by VC and PE funds.
- Members: G Mahalingam (former member Sebi); D P Nagendra Kumar (former member CBIC); Ashish Verma (former Principal Commissioner Income Tax) Poonam Gupta, and P R Acharya.

**Important News – State**

1. Which state/UT has launched the India's first Virtual School \_\_\_\_\_ **Delhi.**

**Note:**

- The school will be for classes IX to XII and will be affiliated to the Delhi Board of School Education.
- The platform was created by two globally recognised organisations, Google and Schoolnet India.
- Virtual school teachers have received special training to conduct online classes.

2. Which state has launched loan scheme 'MahilaNidhi' with an aim to ensure easy loans for women in business \_\_\_\_\_ **Rajasthan.**

**Note:**

- The scheme also aims the social and economic development of women through credit.
- CM Ashok Gehlot has announced in the budget 2022-23 about the 'MahilaNidhi' scheme through Rajasthan Rural Livelihood Development Council.
- The scheme will disburse loans of up to Rs 40,000 within 48 hours, and above Rs 40,000 within 15 days.

3. Which state has launched "Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme" with an aim to ensure that the farmers earn a sustainable livelihood through different livestock farming activities \_\_\_\_\_ **Meghalaya.**

**Note:**

- Under the phase 1 of this Scheme, the govt has earmarked Rs 15.18 crore under which four high-yielding improved varieties will be distributed to 6000 families.
- The additional Rs 25 crore will be earmarked to roll out the second phase of the programme.

4. The Agricultural & Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) has organized an in-store export promotion programme of Manipur's pineapples in which country \_\_\_\_\_ **Dubai, UAE.**

**Note:**

- Aim: To promote locally produced agricultural products in the international markets.
- Manipur Organic Mission Agency (MOMA) has supported the sourcing of organic certified Kwe variety of pineapples.
- Top five importing countries of Indian pineapples: UAE, Nepal, Qatar, Maldives, USA

5. Which state government has launched a Global Startup Challenge named VentuRISE \_\_\_\_\_ **Karnataka.**

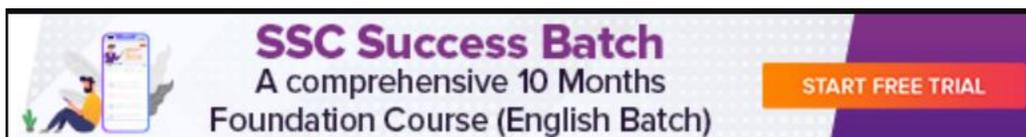
**Note:**

- Aim: To support growth stage startups in manufacturing and sustainability-related sectors.
- VentuRISE, it will be a part of the Global Investors Meet - Invest Karnataka 2022 that will be held from 2 - 4 November in Bengaluru.
- Cash prize: \$ 100,000
- The global challenge will help entrepreneurs to showcase their innovative products or solutions and connect with potential investors.

6. Which actor has been appointed as the brand ambassador for Karnataka govt scheme 'PunyakotiDattuYojana', a cattle adoption scheme \_\_\_\_\_ **Kannada actor, Sudeep.**

**Note:**

- Aim of scheme: Encouraging adoption by the public for the purpose of rearing cattle in 'goshalas' (cow shelters).
- The actor has decided not to charge for being the ambassador of the scheme.
- The scheme was launched in July and any individual or an organization can adopt a cow by paying a total of Rs 11,000 for one year.



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7. Chhattisgarh CM, BhupeshBaghel has inaugurated Mohla-Manpur-AmbagarhChowki as the \_\_\_\_\_ district of the state \_\_\_\_\_ **29th.**

**Note:**

- It has been carved out of Rajnandgaon district.
- Rajnandgaon district had a large area and people spend their entire day to reach the headquarters.
- This has been reduced to 70 kilometres with the inauguration of the new district.
- He is scheduled to inaugurate Sarangarh-Bilaigarh and Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandai as the 30th and 31st districts of the state.

8. Which village in Bareilly district of Uttar Pradesh has become the first village in the state to have RO water in every household \_\_\_\_\_ **Bhartaulvillage.**

**Note:**

- The achievement comes under the Adarsh Gram Panchayat initiative.
- Till now, four RO plants have been set up in the village with an aim to make clean drinking water available to all.
- It will save people from water-borne diseases.
- The village head PraveshKumari is in charge and has been taking care of the RO plants in the village.

9. Which state has launched the 'Pudhumai Penn' (modern woman) scheme for state's girl student \_\_\_\_\_ **Tamil Nadu.**

**Note:**

- Under this scheme, all girl students, who studied from Classes 6 to 12 in government schools, will get Rs 1,000 per month to pursue higher education.
- The money will be directly transferred to the bank accounts of students.
- Aim: Reduce child marriages and make women independent
- The government has also launched 26 Schools of Excellence and 15 Model Schools.

10. Which state education department has launched an e-governance portal named "Samarth" with an aim to provide all administrative and educational updates \_\_\_\_\_ **Uttarakhand.**

**Note:**

- It includes information about entrance exams, salary structures, appointments from five state universities and public schools.
- Aim: To make the education system more transparent in the state.
- Around 200 assistant professors of science subjects will be sent to IISc, Bengaluru for special training.

11. Which state government will provide a unique farm ID that is similar to Aadhar number to the farmers \_\_\_\_\_ **Uttar Pradesh.**

**Note:**

- This unique ID will be linked with Aadhar to provide them benefits of all government schemes.
- With the help of this initiative, the government will bring those families into the ambit of this scheme who are not getting any kind of benefits till now.
- With the help of Aadhar, UP Government has given the benefit of the government schemes to maximum number of people.

12. Meghalaya government launched the online portal of the Meghalaya Residents Safety and Security Act (MRSSA). Who is the chief minister of the state \_\_\_\_\_ **Conrad K Sangm.**

**Note:**

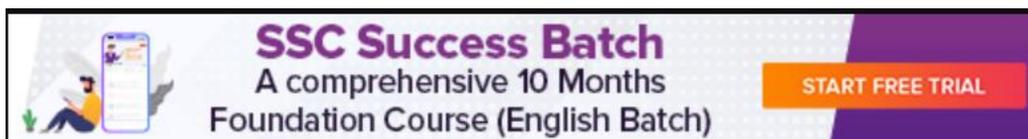
- It will be beneficial for monitoring and better implementation of other services and programmes of the government, especially in critical areas such as health care
- The digitisation process will connect more than 6,000 villages in the state to the online system.

13. Which state govt in collaboration with UNICEF will form child-friendly sanghas', comprising members of SHGs, to curb child marriage and teenage pregnancy in the state \_\_\_\_\_ **West Bengal.**

**Note:**

- To stop these twin menaces, the state govt and UNICEF have planned, as a pilot project, to form 110 child-friendly sanghas' in the next six months in 87 blocks in all 23 districts of the state.
- WB is at the top in cases of child marriage and teenage pregnancy, according to a NFHS report.

14. Who has unveiled the state's first Cinematic Tourism Policy at an event in Gandhinagar, Gujarat \_\_\_\_\_ **Gujarat CM, Bhupendra Patel.**



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**Note:**

- During the launch the govt has signed MoUs worth ₹1,020 crore with organisations and individuals with the department for the development of film infrastructure and film production.
- The policy offers various financial and non-financial incentives for film infrastructure development projects and for film-making projects.

15. Bihar Chief Minister, Nitish Kumar has inaugurated India's longest rubber dam 'Gayaji Dam' on the which river \_\_\_\_\_  
**Falgu River in Gaya.**

**Note:**

- The dam has been built at an estimated cost of Rs 324 crore. Experts from IIT (Roorkee) were involved with the project.
- There will be enough water in the dam round the year for the convenience of pilgrims.
- At least two feet of water will be available in the Falgu River near Vishnupad Ghat throughout the year for the devotees who come here to do Pind Daan.

16. Which state government launched an ambitious scheme to provide 100 days of employment to needy families in urban areas on the lines of the rural employment guarantee scheme MGNREGA \_\_\_\_\_ **Rajasthan.**

**Note:**

- More than 2.25 lakh families have already registered for the Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Scheme which was proposed by chief minister Ashok Gehlot in the state budget this year.

17. As of September 2022, what is the total number of districts in Chhattisgarh \_\_\_\_\_ **33.**

**Note:**

- Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh, Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated the 32nd and 33rd districts of the State.
- Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur and Sakti were announced as the 32nd and 33rd districts of Chhattisgarh.
- Sakti is carved out from Janjgir-Champa, and Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur is carved out from the Koriya district.

18. Vedanta and Foxconn have signed an MoU with the which state government to set up a semiconductor and display manufacturing unit in the state \_\_\_\_\_ **Gujarat.**

**Note:**

- Benefits: To create a huge ecosystem for ancillary industries and help our MSMEs
- Total Investment: Rs 1.54 lakh crore
- Display Fab Unit: This unit will set up with an investment of Rs 94,500 crore.
- The Integrated Semiconductor Fab Unit and OSAT (Outsourced semiconductor assembly and test) facility with an investment of Rs 60,000 crore

**Important News - World**

1. India has surpassed which country to become the world's 5th biggest economy \_\_\_\_\_ **United Kingdom.**

**Note:**

- The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has forecasted that India is overtaking the UK in terms on an annual basis this year.
- Top four: The US, China, Japan and Germany.
- The calculation is based in US dollars and India has extended its lead in the first quarter.
- By contrast, the Indian economy is forecast to grow more than 7% in 2022-23.

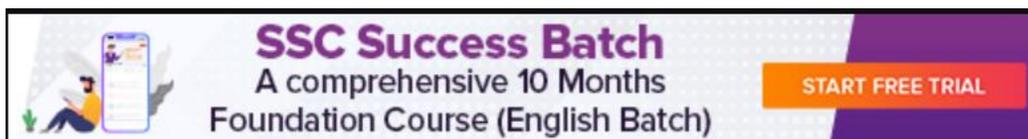
2. Data Protection Commission (DPC) of which country has imposed fined on Instagram of USD 402 million ( 405 million euro) for breaching regulations on the handling of children's data \_\_\_\_\_ **Ireland.**

**Note:**

- The DPC has launched an investigation in late 2020.
- Reason: How the Instagram platform handles children's personal data.
- Findings: The platform had operated a user registration system whereby the accounts of 13-17-year-old users were set to "public" by default.

3. Which country's parliament has passed government legislation to reduce carbon emissions by 43% by 2030 and further bring it to zero by 2050 \_\_\_\_\_ **Australian.**

**Note:**



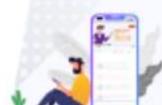
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- The legislation needs royal assent before it officially becomes law.
  - To achieve this target, the government bodies such as clean energy and infrastructure financing agencies, requires to take emissions targets into account in their decisions.
  - Minister for Climate Change and Energy of Australia: Chris Bowen
4. As per the United Nations Development Program report, India has ranked \_\_\_\_ among 191 countries and territories on the 2021 Human Development Index \_\_\_\_\_ **132nd**.
- Note:**
- India had ranked 131st among 189 countries in 2020 report.
  - Findings: The data show that the performance of the country has declined due to fall in life expectancy.
  - Top five: Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Hong Kong, Australia
  - Last four: Central African Republic (188), Niger (189), Chad (190), South Sudan (191)
5. As per the US Embassy, the United States has issued a record of 82,000 student visas to which country in 2022 that is highest than any country \_\_\_\_\_ **India**.
- Note:**
- This is also the highest number of visas given to Indian students ever by the US Mission in India.
  - The Open Doors report in 2021 stated that there were 167,582 students from India in the 2020-2021 academic year.
  - Indian students comprise nearly 20% of all international students studying in the United States.
6. The first Indian Defence Minister to visit Mongolia, Rajnath Singh was gifted a majestic horse \_\_\_\_\_ by President Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh \_\_\_\_\_ **Tejas**.
- Note:**
- Seven years after Prime Minister Narendra Modi received a similar gift from the leadership of this country.
  - In 2015, Prime Minister Modi received a special gift a brown racehorse from his then Mongolian counterpart Chimed Saikhanbileg during his historic visit to this country.
  - The horse was named Kanthaka'.
7. Who is UK's new Home Secretary \_\_\_\_\_ **Suella Braverman**.
- Note:**
- Priti Patel, who is of Indian descent, will be replaced in the position by Suella Braverman.
  - Suella Braverman, Conservative Party member from Fareham in southeast England, previously worked for the Boris Johnson administration as the attorney general.
8. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is all set to travel to which country for the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation summit, to be conducted on September 15 and 16 \_\_\_\_\_ **Samarkand in Uzbekistan**.
- Note:**
- This will be the first in-person summit after June 2019 when the SCO summit was held in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.

### **Honor & Awards**

1. Name the personalities who has been conferred with the 2022 Ramon Magsaysay Awards by the Ramon Magsaysay Awards Foundation \_\_\_\_\_ **SothearaChhim, Bernadette Madrid, Tadashi Hattori, GaryBenchehib**.
- Note:**
- SothearaChhim (Cambodia): For mental Health
  - Bernadette Madrid (Philippines): For effort in child protection
  - Tadashi Hattori (Japan): For training local doctors who have treated Vietnamese
  - Gary Benchehib (Indonesia): For fight against marine plastic pollution
  - Ramon Magsaysay Award was established in April 1957
2. For which documentary of Netflix, the former President of the US, Barack Obama has won Emmy Award for his narration \_\_\_\_\_ **Our Great National Parks**.
- Note:**
- The documentary has been released in five-parts, and produced by Barack and Michelle Obama's production company "Higher Ground".



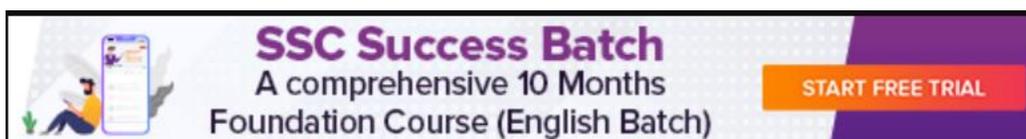
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- He has already won two Grammys and is now halfway to an EGOT- the achievement i.e. an Emmy, a Grammy, an Oscar, and a Tony
  - Barack Obama is 2nd US President to win Emmy, after Dwight D Eisenhower.
3. Which three cities have joined the Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC) of UNESCO \_\_\_\_\_ **Warangal (Telangana), Thrissur (Kerala) and Nilambur (Kerala).**
- Note:**
- Reason: For their outstanding efforts to make lifelong learning a reality for all at the local level.
  - These three cities are among the 77 cities from 44 countries which have joined this network of the world body.
  - The 77 new members bring the total number of cities to 294 in 76 countries.
4. President of Singapore, Halimah Yacob has conferred the prestigious military award of Singapore, the Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera) or Meritorious Service Medal (Military) to which former India Chief of Naval Staff \_\_\_\_\_ **Sunil Lanba.**
- Note:**
- Reason: For enhancing the strong and long-standing bilateral defence relationship between the Indian Navy and Singapore Navy.
  - The award has been presented by Defence minister of Singapore, Ng Eng Hen.
5. Which institute has been conferred with the highest global recognition on Literacy- UNESCO International Literacy Prize 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS).**
- Note:**
- This award has been given at a global award ceremony organised by UNESCO in Côte d'Ivoire on 8 September 2022.
  - KISS is the fifth recipient from India and the first and only institute from Odisha to receive this International honour.
  - It was founded by Dr Samanta, a well-known Educationist and Social Activist.
6. Who has won the 74th Emmy Award for Male lead actor, at the Microsoft Theater, LA, California \_\_\_\_\_ **Lee Jung-jae, Actor of Squid Game (Netflix).**
- Note:**
- Zendaya has won the 74th Emmy Award for best lead actress in a drama Series for her best performance in Euphoria (HBO)
  - Best Drama Series: Succession (HBO)
  - Best Comedy Series: Ted Lasso (Apple TV)
  - Best Limited or Anthology Series: The White Lotus (HBO)
  - Best Writing for a Drama Series: Succession - All The Bells Say (HBO)
7. Which movie has won the Tenth SIIMA Awards in the category of best movie in Telugu Cinema \_\_\_\_\_ **Pushpa: The Rise.**
- Note:**
- While the Allu Arjun won the SIIMA Award in the category of best male lead role for his performance in 'Pushpa: The Rise' (Telugu Cinema)
  - Best Actor: Late Puneeth Rajkumar for Yuvarathnaa (Kannada)
  - Best Director: Sukumar for 'Pushpa: The Rise'
  - Best Actor (Critics Choice): Naveen Polishetty for Jathi Ratnalu
  - Best Actress: Pooja Hegde for 'Most Eligible Bachelor'

### Sports News

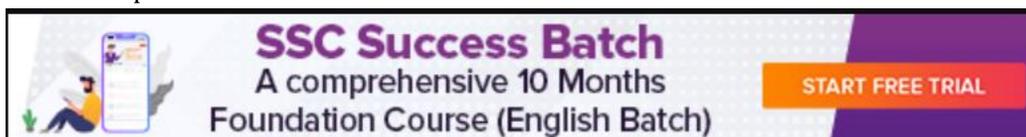
1. Colin de Grandhomme, who has announced his retirement from international cricket, was a player of which team \_\_\_\_\_ **New Zealand.**
- Note:**
- He has played 29 Test matches scoring 1432 runs at 38.70, including centuries against the West Indies and South Africa.



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- His best score was 120 not out.
  - He has also registered 49 wickets in the format at an average of 32.95, including six for 41 on debut against Pakistan.
2. Who becomes the first Indian woman to reach the final of the World Junior Swimming Championships \_\_\_\_\_  
**Apeksha Fernandes.**
- Note:**
- She has finished eighth in the 200m women's butterfly summit clash in Lima, Peru.
  - She clocked 2:19.14 to finish last in the eight-swimmer final.
  - Her previous best was 2:18.39 set in June which is awaiting ratification by the Swimming Federation of India.
3. Which team has won the 68th edition of Nehru Trophy for a boat race, was organised on Punnamadlake, Alappuzha district of Kerala \_\_\_\_\_ **Pallathuruthy boat club.**
- Note:**
- 'MahadevikkaduKattilThekkethil' by Pallathuruthy boat club won the trophy.
  - While NCDC Boat club's 'Nadubhagam' of Kumarakam has secured the second place in the race.
  - The boat of Pallathuruthy boat club has won the title by clearing the distance of 1.15 km in 4.30.77 minutes.
4. Who has lifted the 2022 Formula One Dutch Grand Prix auto race, at the Zandvoort racetrack, in Zandvoort, Netherlands \_\_\_\_\_ **Red Bull driver, Max Verstappen.**
- Note:**
- Mercedes driver, George Russell of Britain has secured second place while the Ferrari driver, Charles Leclerc of Monaco has secured third place in the race.
  - Mercedes's driver, Lewis Hamilton has placed fourth.
5. Who has won the gold medal in the Malaysian Age Group Rapid Chess Championship at Kuala Lumpur \_\_\_\_\_  
**Anishka Biyani.**
- Note:**
- She is a first-grade student of Dhirubhai Ambani School and achieved the feat in the Under-6 Open category.
  - She has also qualified as one of the best under-7 players in the All India FIDE rating chess tournament held in Yousufguda, Hyderabad.
6. Union Home Minister, Amit Shah has launched the mascot and the anthem for which edition of the National Games at Trans Stadia in Ahmedabad, Gujarat \_\_\_\_\_ **36th.**
- Note:**
- Mascot: Savaj (means cub in Gujarati)
  - Anthem is based on the theme of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat.
  - The National Games will be organised in six cities of the state namely Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot and Bhavnagar.
  - He has also launched the official website -[www.nationalgamesgujarat.in](http://www.nationalgamesgujarat.in) and the mobile App NGGujarat.
7. Mushfiqur Rahim, who has recently announced his retirement from Twenty20 international cricket, is associated with which country \_\_\_\_\_ **Bangladesh.**
- Note:**
- He would continue to take part in the Bangladesh Premier League, other two formats of the game (Test and ODI) and other Twenty20 franchise tournaments.
  - His decision came after Bangladesh lost their Group B matches in the Asia Cup against Afghanistan and Sri Lanka in UAE.
  - He has played in 102 T20 matches for Bangladesh and scored 1,500 runs at 19.48.
8. Indian Cricketer who is fondly known as Mr. IPL, has announced his retirement from all formats of cricket, is \_\_\_\_\_  
**Suresh Raina.**
- Note:**
- Suresh Raina has represented India in 18 tests, 226 ODIs and 78 T20s in his 13 years of international cricket career.
  - He has 5615 runs from 226 ODIs and 1605 from 78 T20Is for India.
  - He was part of the Indian cricket team that has won the 2011 World Cup and 2013 Champions Trophy under Dhoni's leadership.



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9. Which organisation has become the title sponsor for all international matches (both women and men) held on home ground, domestic cricket matches held in India for the 2022-23 season \_\_\_\_\_ **Mastercard**.

**Note:**

- Aim: At enhancing Mastercard's connection with cricket lovers across the country.
- Mastercard CEO: Michael Miebach; HQs: New York, United States.

10. Gold medallist javelin thrower, Neeraj Chopra has become the first Indian to win the prestigious Zurich Diamond League Final 2022 in Switzerland with best throw of \_\_\_\_\_ **88.44m**.

**Note:**

- While, Olympic silver medallist, Jakub Vadlejch of Czech Republic has finished second with a best throw of 86.94m.
- Julian Weber of Germany was third with a best of 83.73metre.
- He was also awarded a USD 30,000 prize money and a wild card for the 2023 World Athletics Championships in Hungary.

11. In the 15th edition of the Asia Cup, which country has lifted 6th Asia Cup title after defeating Pakistan by 23 runs at the Dubai International Stadium, UAE \_\_\_\_\_ **Sri Lanka**.

**Note:**

- Sri Lanka all-rounder, Wanindu Hasaranga has been selected as the Player of the Series.
- While Bhanuka Rajapaksa (Sri Lankan) has been named the Player of the Match for his batting performance in the final.
- International Cricket Council (ICC) HQ: Dubai, UAE; Chairman: Greg Barclay

12. Aaron Finch has announced his retirement from one-day international cricket following the final game of a three-match series against New Zealand, was former captain of which team \_\_\_\_\_ **Australia captain**.

**Note:**

- He had an impressive record that includes over 5400 runs with 17 centuries under his name.
- He has made his debut against Sri Lanka at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) in 2013 and smashed his maiden hundred against Scotland, scoring 148 runs.

13. Spanish, Carlos Alcaraz has defeated whom to secure his maiden Men's Singles title at the 2022 US Open tennis \_\_\_\_\_ **Casper Ruud**.

**Note:**

- He is the youngest men's Grand Slam champion since Rafael Nadal won the French Open in 2005.
- Women's singles: Iga Świątek (Poland)
- Men's doubles: Rajeev Ram (US) / Joe Salisbury (UK)
- Women's doubles: Barbora Krejčíková (Czech Republic) / Kateřina Siniaková (Czech Republic)
- Mixed doubles: Storm Sanders / John Peers (Australia)

14. Sikkim will host Ranji trophy matches for the first time in December 2022 at which stadium \_\_\_\_\_ **Mining Cricket Ground near Rangpo**.

**Note:**

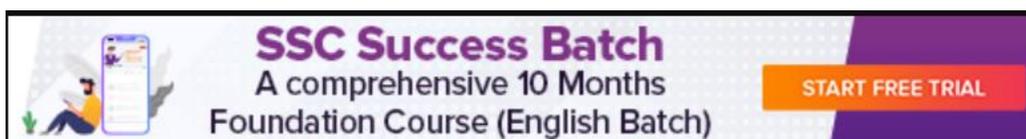
- The state will welcome three northeast teams i.e. Mizoram, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh.
- The decision was taken by BCCI that will act as a game-changer in cricket's promotion in Sikkim.
- Along with Ranji Trophy matches, Sikkim will also play two Cooch Behar Trophy matches, and three Col CK Nayudu Trophy matches at Mining Cricket Ground.

15. Who has secured title of Formula One Italian Grand Prix 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Max Verstappen**.

**Note:**

- Ferrari Driver, Charles Leclerc has secured second spot in the Grand Prix, while George Russell (Mercedes) placed third in the event.
- Lewis Hamilton (Seven times world champion) has also raced and finished in the fifth position, while Nyck de Vries finished ninth in his F1 debut.

### Books and Authors



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1. Who is the writer of the book 'Divorce and Democracy: A History of Personal Law in Post-Independence India' \_\_\_\_\_ **SaumyaSaxena**.

**Note:**

- A new book on divorce laws and various religions in the post-colonial era was released at the India International Centre.
- She is a British Academy Fellow at the faculty of History, University of Cambridge, the book talks about the Indian state's difficult dialogue with divorce, which reconciles largely through religion.

2. Who is the writer of book titled "Science Behind Surya Namaskar" \_\_\_\_\_ **DrMunjparaMahendrabhaiKalubhai**.

**Note:**

- The book is a collection of evidence-based research on one of the most well-known Yoga asanas at the AIIA.
- The book was released during the Continuing Medical Education (CME) Programme 2022 organised by the departments of Swasthavritta, Panchakarma, and Darvyaguna in association with Rashtriya Ayurveda Vidyapeeth (RAV), New Delhi.

3. A book titled, 'Forging Mettle: Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story' has been authored by whom \_\_\_\_\_ **Pavan C.**

**Lall.**

**Note:**

- In this book, the senior journalist Pavan C. Lall tells the story of Nrupender Rao and his entrepreneurial journey.
- It is a unique story of how a business built with ethics, social and environmental concern at the core of its values can indeed be profitable and sustainable.
- This book was published by Harper Business.

4. Who has authored "Will Power" in which writer shares the inside story of the team's incredible turnaround at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics \_\_\_\_\_ **Sjoerd Marijne**.

**Note:**

- The book will be published by HarperCollins India and released on September 21.
- Marijne was appointed as the chief coach of the women's team in 2017.
- He has played for The Netherlands, and guided the Dutch Under-21 women's side to a World Cup title.

**Science sand Defence**

1. Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) has collaborated with the Cyber Security Agency of which country to design and conduct the Cyber Security Exercise "Synergy" for 13 Countries \_\_\_\_\_ **Singapore**.

**Note:**

- It was a part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group.
- The Group is being led by India under the leadership of National Security Council Secretariat.
- Theme: "Building Network Resiliency to counter Ransomware Attacks".

2. Who has launched the Central Armed Police Forces' eAwas web-portal to operationalise the revised policy of allotment and bring transparency to the allotment process \_\_\_\_\_ **HM, Amit Shah**.

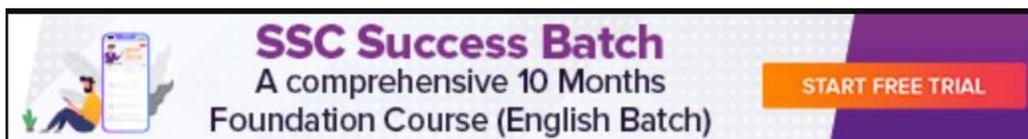
**Note:**

- The web-portal will enable online registration and allotment of residential quarters to eligible personnel of CAPFs and Assam Rifles.
- CAPF has been classified into three major categories: Border Guarding Forces; Forces for Internal Security; and Special Task Force

3. The Cabinet Committee on Security has approved which project and sanctioned 6,500 crore rupees for designing and developing fighter jet with prototypes, flight testing, and certification \_\_\_\_\_ **Tejas Mark-2**.

**Note:**

- The allocation comes in addition to the existing 2500 crore rupees sanctioned to HAL.
- Tejas 2.0 will be equipped with more powerful GE- F414 engines in the 98 Kilonewton thrust class and carry additional payload and weapons as compared to the existing version.



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4. Which country has signed six space industry MoU with India's based organisation at the Bengaluru Space Expo (BSX) 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ **Australia.**

**Note:**

- HEX20 - Skyroot Aerospace: For launch services, spacecraft avionics and components for Australian space initiatives.
- QL Space - Skyroot Aerospace: To develop launch facilities in Australia and support joint mineral exploration missions in space
- QL Space - GalaxEye: To develop a hybrid optic and radar payload
- QL Space - SatSure: To build satellite and AI-based solutions

5. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully demonstrated a new technology with Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (IAD), was designed and developed by which organisation \_\_\_\_\_ **Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC).**

**Note:**

- IAD is a game-changer with multiple applications for future missions including to Mars and Venus.
- The IAD was successfully test flown in a 'Rohini' sounding rocket from Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launching Station.

6. National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) of India and the UK Government in collaboration with which system to conduct the Cyber Security Exercise for 26 Countries \_\_\_\_\_ **BAE Systems.**

**Note:**

- Aim: To simulate a large, wide-spread cyber security incident affecting organisations within a country.
- It is a part of the International Counter Ransomware Initiative- Resilience Working Group.
- This initiative is being led by India under the leadership of NSCS.

7. The MOXIE has been successfully producing oxygen from Mars carbon dioxide-rich atmosphere since February 2021. What is the full form of MOXIE \_\_\_\_\_ **Mars oxygen in-situ resource utilisation experiment.**

**Note:**

- MOXIE, is a lunchbox-sized gadget that generated breathable oxygen on Mars which is equivalent to the effort of a tiny tree.
- MOXIE was landed on the Mars surface as part of Nasa's Perseverance rover mission.
- The MOXIE has met its objective of producing 6g of oxygen per hour in each run.

8. NASA has selected which space to develop a moonwalking system for the Artemis III \_\_\_\_\_ **Axiom Space.**

**Note:**

- Artemis will put humans back on the surface of the Moon for the first time in 50 years.
- The contract, with a base value of \$228.5 million is a task order to develop the next-generation Artemis spacesuit.
- The space agency used its 50 years of spacesuit experience to define the technical and safety requirements for the next generation of spacesuits.

9. IIT-Madras and which university have entered into a research partnership to help address the energy challenges facing nations across the world \_\_\_\_\_ **University of Sydney.**

**Note:**

- The partnership will see each of the institutions investing AU\$50,000 a year in joint funding for up to four research projects.
- The partnership will see experts from the two institutions working together to develop research and advanced technology in fields related to energy.

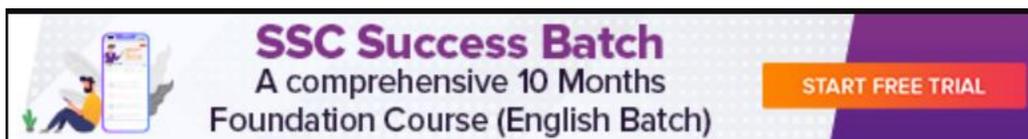
10. DRDO and which armed force have successfully conducted six flight-tests of Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile (QRSAM) system from Integrated Test Range, Chandipur off the Odisha coast \_\_\_\_\_ **Indian Army.**

**Note:**

- Aim: To check the pin-point accuracy of the weapon system with state-of-the-art guidance and control algorithms

11. Army's Kharga Corps and which armed force conducted a joint exercise to showcase the might and prowess of the armed forces \_\_\_\_\_ **Indian Air Force.**

**Note:**



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- Termed “Gagan Strike”, the exercise was conducted over a period of four days in several areas of Punjab, bordering Ambala in Haryana.
- The force multiplier effect of combining these machines with ground operations has enhanced the combat superiority of our forces.

12. Which shipbuilder has launched the third Stealth Frigate of Project 17A Taragiri \_\_\_\_\_ **Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL)**.

**Note:**

- The vessel has an approximate launch weight of 3510 Tons.
- Designed by: Bureau of Naval Design, in-house design of Indian Navy
- The ship is 149.02 M long & 17.8 M wide, is propelled by a CODOG combination of two Gas Turbines and 02 Main Diesel Engines.
- The keel of Taragiri was laid on the 10th of September 2020 and the ship is expected to be delivered by August 2025.

13. Indian Army has been collaborated with which organisation to provide a learning platform to less-privileged girl students of Kargil Region in UT Ladakh \_\_\_\_\_ **HPCL**.

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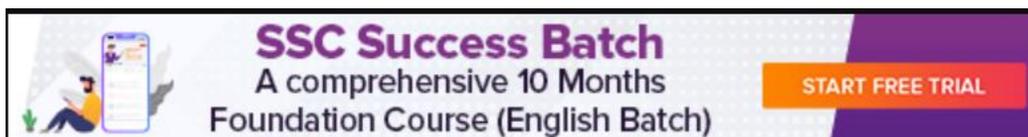
- The platform named ‘Kargil Ignited Minds’, which provide coaching and mentoring to the aspiring girl students.
- Aim: To prepare 50 girl students for various National-level Engineering & Medical entrance examinations.
- Focus: To empower the underprivileged girls with limited resources, residing in extreme weather conditions.

14. The navies of India and Japan are carrying out the sixth edition of Japan-India Maritime Exercise (JIMEX 22) hosted by the Indian Navy at which place \_\_\_\_\_ **Bay of Bengal**.

**Note:**

- Aim: To enhance operational understanding
- The Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF) has deployed Izumo (helicopter carrier) and Takanami (guided missile destroyer) for this exercise.
- The Indian Navy has represented by multi-purpose stealth frigate Sahyadri and anti-submarine warfare corvettes Kadmat.

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