

Weekly One-liners

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Dear readers,

Weekly One Liners Update is a collection of important news and events that occurred in the **first week** (1-7th) of **November 2023**. This file is important for, **Banking, SSC, Railway & Insurance** exams.

Banking & Financial Awareness

1. The central government's fiscal deficit touched how much per cent of the full-year target in the first half of the FY 23 slightly higher than 37.3 per cent recorded in the 2022 _____ **39.3 percent**
Note:
 - The fiscal deficit, or the gap between expenditure and revenue, worked out at ₹ 7.02 lakh crore at the end of Sept, as per data released by the Controller General of Accounts.
 - In the Union Budget, the government projected to bring down the fiscal deficit to 5.9 per cent of the GDP in the 23-24FY.
2. Which company and Reliance Retail came together to launch the co-branded Reliance Card. _____ **SBI Card**
Note:
 - The lifestyle-focused credit card will offer a holistic and rewarding shopping experience to customers.
 - Aim: To leverage the extensive network of SBI Card with the vast consumer reach and unique retail proposition of Reliance Retail to bring a spectrum of exclusive rewards.
 - To unlock rewards and benefits while transacting at Reliance Retail's extensive and many more.
3. Mahindra Finance, part of the Mahindra Group and one of India's leading Non-Banking Finance Company, announced a strategic co-lending partnership with _____ **SBI**.
Note:
 - Aim: To harness the distribution strength of Non-Banking Financial Companies and the cost-efficient capital of banks, ensuring wider outreach and better interest rates for customers.
 - Launched on a pan India level, this partnership is expected to offer affordable solutions to Mahindra Finance customers.
4. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman visited to opened a branch of the State Bank of India and appreciated its role in supporting corporates in international trade in _____ **Sri Lanka**
Note:
 - She is in the country on a three-day visit, started her day by visiting the main Hindu Temple in the multi-ethnic city to pay homage to it before opening a branch of the State Bank of India in Trincomalee.
 - After inaugurating the branch, She appreciated that SBI is the oldest bank in Sri Lanka
5. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has increased the minimum amount for offering non-callable/without premature withdrawal option term deposits (TDs) from ₹15 lakh to _____ **₹1 crore**.
Note:
 - It means that all domestic term deposits accepted from individuals for amount of ₹1 crore and below shall have premature-withdrawal-facility.
 - The central bank said its instructions in this regard shall also be applicable for Non-Resident Rupee (NRE) Deposit / Ordinary Non-Resident Deposits.
6. ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund's multi-asset fund has turned into a wealth creator for investors by giving an annualised return of what percent since its inception in October 2002. _____ **21%**
Note:
 - An investor who put in Rs 10 lakh at the time of inception would now be sitting on about Rs 5.5 crore as of Sept. 30, indicating a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 21%
 - The fund is an open-ended scheme investing in equity, debt and exchange traded commodity derivatives/units of Gold ETFs.

7. The central bank has imposed a penalty of Rs 72 lakh on _____ **PNB**.

Note:

- Rs 30 lakh on Federal Bank, Rs 13.38 lakh on Kosamattam Finance.
- PNB received the penalty due to several violations, including levying SMS charges on certain accounts despite maintaining invalid mobile numbers in the Core Banking Solution

8. Which company became the first Indian life insurance company to get the Gujarat International Finance Tec (GIFT) City's International Financial Services Centre Registration. _____ **IndiaFirst Life Insurance Company**.

Note:

- Aim: To enhance our market presence and capitalize on the customer outreach opportunities at a global level.
- Its foray into the hi-tech and ultra-modern financial ecosystem of GIFT City IFSC, will empower us to secure lives and create value for our international customers

Obituaries

1. Gieve Patel passed away at the age of 83 was associated with _____ **Painter**

Note:

- Gieve Patel, who had been battling cancer, was admitted to the Pune center a few weeks ago.
- He leaves behind a legacy of remarkable contributions as a playwright, poet, painter, and physician.

2. Thomas Kenneth Mattingly II, has died at the age of 87 was associated with _____ **Astronomy**.

Note:

- Starting his career with the US Navy, Mattingly, who went by Ken and TK, eventually joined the Air Force Aerospace Research Pilot School as a student, before being chosen by NASA to be part of the astronaut class in 1966.

Important Days

1. World Vegan Day is celebrated every year on _____ **November 1**

Note:

- The theme of 'World Vegan Day 2023' is "Celebrating for a Good Cause".
- Aim: To spread awareness among people about the advantages of a vegan diet on health and well-being.
- A vegan diet consists of eliminating all animal products, including meat, eggs, poultry, and other items derived from animals.

2. Grand events marked the formation day celebrations across seven states and two Union Territories on _____ **November 1**.

Note:

- The states celebrating the formation day today are Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Haryana, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh and Punjab. The Union Territories of Lakshadweep and Puducherry are also celebrating their formation day.
- Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Karnataka and MP came into being in 1956, Punjab and Haryana were carved out as separate states in 1966

3. World Jellyfish Day is celebrated on _____ **November 3rd**

Note:

- They are often misunderstood and feared, but they play a vital role in the food chain and help to keep the ocean healthy.
- They are gelatinous creatures that come in a variety of shapes, sizes, and colours can be found in all of the world's oceans, from the surface to the deep sea.
- Some jellyfish are harmless and some can have venomous stings.

4. World Tsunami Awareness Day is observed on _____ **5th November**

Note:

- Aim: To raise consciousness about reducing the risks created by these giant waves and improving community preparedness.
- World Tsunami Awareness Day theme 2023 is "Fighting Inequality for a Resilient Future," which mirrors the subject highlighted during the International Day for Disaster Reduction.

5. The International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict is a global day observed on _____ **November 6.**

Note:

- Aim: To raise awareness about the devastating effects of war on the environment.
- Theme 2023: Together for a more sustainable and peaceful future
- This day reminds us of the importance of protecting our environment from the damage caused by war and armed conflicts in different regions of the world.

6. National Cancer Awareness Day in India is observed on _____ **7th November.**

Note:

- Aim: To spread awareness around the types of cancer, need for early detection, and important lifestyle changes.
- The theme of National Cancer Awareness Day 2023 is Close the care gap.
- According to WHO, cancer is a large group of diseases that can start in any organ or tissue of the body and occurs when abnormal cells grow uncontrollably and even spread to other body parts

New Appointments

1. Who will be the jury head for the international competition of the International Film Festival of India 2023 in Goa. _____ **Shekhar Kapur**

Note:

- The five-member jury also includes cinematographer Jose Luis Alcaine, producers Jerome Paillard, Catherine Dussart and Helen Leake
- The International Jury will select the winner of the coveted best film award which includes the Golden Peacock, Rs 40 lakh monetary component and certificates for the director and producer.

2. Who has been appointed as President-Renewables and CEO & MD of its subsidiary Tata Power Renewable Energy Limited (TPREL). _____ **Deepesh Nanda**

Note:

- His appointment is effective November 1, 2023.
- He will be responsible for driving the growth and profitability of Tata Power's renewable energy portfolio, which encompasses solar, wind, hybrid, and B2C green energy solutions.
- He will also lead innovation and digital transformation initiatives in the renewable energy sector.

3. Bank of Baroda appoints whom as the Head of Digital Channels _____ **Kadgatoor Sheetal Venkatesmurt**

Note:

- The move reflects the bank's commitment to strengthening its digital initiatives.
- Aspiring candidates for banking exams need to stay updated on industry-specific developments.
- It highlights the impact of technology and digitalization on the banking sector.
- The 'Digital India' initiative has been a catalyst for the digital transformation in the banking industry.

4. RBI has appointed who as Executive Director (ED) with effect from November 01, 2023 _____ **Manoranjan Mishra**

Note:

- Prior to being promoted to ED, he was serving as Chief General Manager in the Department of Regulation.
- Mishra has experience of over three decades in the RBI, having worked in the areas of regulation of banks and NBFCs, supervision of banks and currency management.
- He has served as a member in several working groups at the national and international levels.

5. Bank of Maharashtra announced the appointment of who as Executive Director on the company's Board, with effect from November 1, 2023. _____ **Rohit Rishi.**

Note:

- He replaced A.B. Vijayakumar.
- Rohit Rishi started his banking career as Industrial Development Officer in Indian Bank in July 1995 and has over 28 years of experience working in diversified areas of banking.
- During his tenure, he worked in all key banking functions in various capacities mainly in credit management.

Important News – International

1. UM of Education Dharmendra and which country signed an MoU to strengthen existing educational cooperation between the two countries. _____ **UAE.**

Note:

- Aim: To facilitate student and faculty mobility, joint research programmes, and educational exhibitions in areas of mutual interest held in both countries.
 - UAE being a global economic hotspot and India being a global talent hotspot, both sides should work together to build a knowledge bridge to cement our civilisational connect.
2. Which country is scrapping visas for scores of Indian tourists in order to rekindle the fire in its tourism sector.
_____ **Thailand**

Note:

- Taiwan has also been included in the plan in a bid to draw in more tourists as the high season approaches.
 - Thailand in September scrapped visa requirements for Chinese tourists.
 - India has been Thailand's fourth largest source market for tourism so far this year with about 1.2 million arrivals after Malaysia, China and South Korea.
3. A Chinese communist party delegation has visited the which Islands, calling the "flourishing" cooperation between China and the Pacific nation a show of how diplomatic ties were in their peoples' interest. _____ **Solomon Islands**

Note:

- The delegation led by the deputy head of the international department under China's Communist Party central committee, Guo Yezhou, met Solomon Islands.
 - The delegation also met the foreign minister and energy minister.
4. Collins Dictionary has named which as its word of the year? _____ **"AI"**

Note:

- Considered to be the next great technological revolution, AI has seen rapid development and has been much talked about in 2023," the UK-based dictionary publisher
- While AI's capabilities in mimicking human speech fascinated people at first, they were also the source of some anxiety.

Important News – India

1. Union Minister of State for Skill Development Rajeev Chandrasekhar participated in the "AI Safety Summit 2023" that is scheduled to be held in _____ **United Kingdom**

Note:

- It will bring together Ministers and representatives from various countries, including the UK, Australia, Canada, France among others.
- Aim: To enhance the lives of its citizens while emphasizing the importance of effectively addressing user harm and mitigating risks.

2. PM Narendra Modi launched 'Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)' platform for the youth of the country on October 31st, at Kartavya Path on _____ **National Unity Day.**

Note:

- THE VISION:
- 'Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)' is envisioned as a pivotal, technology-driven facilitator for youth development and youth-led development, with the overarching goal to provide equitable opportunities to empower the youth in realizing their aspirations and contributing to the creation of a "Viksit Bharat".

3. Which company has teamed up with broadband provider Tata Play Fiber to roll out India's first WiFi6-ready broadband network _____ **Nokia.**

Note:

- As part of the deal, the Finnish gear maker will provide Tata Play Fiber with a variety of fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) and WiFi equipment, including optical line terminal (OLT) and optical network terminal (ONT) with WiFi6.
- The partnership with Nokia allows us to bring Wi-Fi6-ready network to our customers - which is a first in the category.

4. Which regulatory body for medical education and medical professionals, is all set to launch its "one nation, one registration platform" for doctors across the country. _____ **National Medical Commission**

Note:

- Aim: To eliminate duplication and red tape and allow the public to access information on any physician working in India.
- The NMC will unveil a patch pilot of the National Medical Register in the next six months where doctors will be allotted a unique identification number

5. Ashwini Vaishnaw and H.E. Houlin Zhao, Secretary General of International Telecommunication Union (ITU) signed the Host Country Agreement for the establishment of an Area Office & Innovation Centre of ITU in _____ **New Delhi**.
Note:
 - ITU is the United Nations specialised agency for information and communication technologies – ICTs.
 - ITU currently has a membership of 193 countries and over 900 private-sector entities and academic institutions.
6. Which company launched its groundbreaking National Efficient Cooking Programme (NECP) and Energy Efficient Fans Programme (EEFP) in New Delhi. _____ **Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL)**.
Note:
 - Aim: To revolutionize cooking practices in India and emphasize on the importance and urgency of energy efficient fans.
 - As part of these programmes, EESL will distribute 1 crore efficient BLDC fans and 20 Lakh energy-efficient induction cook stoves nationwide.
7. Who organized a workshop on India-AU Collaboration for a Better Inclusive World in partnership with the Observer Research Foundation (ORF) at the Taj Palace, New Delhi _____ **NITI Aayog**
Note:
 - The participants had in-depth discussions on three key themes:
 - Indo-AU collaboration for an inclusive world
 - Indo-AU collaboration for sustainable and resilient infrastructure
 - Managing Migration: The role of Indo-AU Partnership
8. India and which country launched two new railway links and a thermal power plant unit to strengthen connections and energy security in the region amid strong opposition protests _____ **Bangladesh**.
Note:
 - India provided \$47.8 million for a cross-border train link and a \$388.92 million concessional line of credit for the Khulna-Mongla port rail line in Bangladesh.
 - India provided another \$1.6 billion for Bangladesh's 1,320-megawatt super thermal power project
9. The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances and M/o Public Sector Transformation & the Civil Service of the which country signed the Letter of Intent for Cooperation in the field of Public Administration and Administrative Reforms for 3 years. _____ **French Republic**
Note:
 - Aim: To strengthen the bilateral partnership between the two countries through exchange visits focused on administrative reforms, good governance webinars, institutional exchanges, capacity-building programs
10. India has approved its first 100% foreign direct investment (FDI) in the defence sector, permitting which country? _____ **Sweden**
Note:
 - The FDI proposal, valued at less than Rs 500 crore, was given the green light last month, according to an ET report.
 - India currently allows up to 74% FDI in the defence sector through the automatic route, with clearances beyond that available on a case-by-case basis.
11. Which ministry is all set to unveil a progressive initiative "Women for Water, Water for Women Campaign". _____ **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**.
Note:
 - Under its flagship scheme - Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation, in partnership with the Ministry's National Urban Livelihood Mission and Odisha Urban Academy is the knowledge partner.
 - Aim: To provide a platform for inclusion of women in water governance.
 - This campaign celebrates "Jal Diwali" from, 7th Nov, 2023.

Important News – State

1. Kerala's which city was officially designated as a Unesco City of Literature. _____ **Kozhikode**
Note:
 - This recognition makes Kozhikode the first city in India to receive this title.

- Unesco formally conveyed the honour to the Kozhikode Corporation as the city joined the ranks of 55 newly selected creative cities.
 - Kozhikode Corporation Mayor Beena Philip expressed her enthusiasm for achievement, emphasizing that the "City of Literature" title is a remarkable acknowledgement of the city's
2. According to Knight Frank's Prime Global Cities Index 2023 which city recorded the fourth highest year-on-year growth in prime residential prices among global cities. _____ **Mumbai**
- Note:**
- The 6.5 percent increase in prime residential prices has moved the city up by 18 places from 22nd rank in September 2022.
 - New Delhi and Bengaluru too recorded an upward movement in their index rankings.
 - NCR moved from 36th rank a year ago to 10th in September 2023 with a growth of 4.1 per cent YoY.
3. The Ministry of Ayush will participate as the partner in the World Food India event to be held on _____ **3rd to 5th November 2023.**
- Note:**
- Ayush start-ups from across the country will showcase newly developed Ayush Aahar products.
 - It will showcase more than 30 newly developed Ayush products.
 - The session will discuss the importance of the Ayush diet, the health benefits of the Ayush diet and the efforts to make Ayurveda a part of the daily lives of common people across the globe.
4. Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh inaugurated the three-day 'India Manufacturing Show' in _____ **Bengaluru**
- Note:**
- The central theme of the event is 'Make in India, Make for the World'.
 - The Raksha Mantri described the small-scale industries as the backbone of India's economy that contribute immensely to the development of the nation. "Small industries are the motor of the Indian economy.
 - The faster the motor runs, the quicker the vehicle of the economy moves.
5. Which state approved a Rs 1,485-crore electrification scheme and free training for 15 rookie pilots in the proposed pilot training academy in Dumka. _____ **Jharkhand**
- Note:**
- A new scheme, Mukhya Mantri Ujjwal Jharkhand Yojana, has been approved by the cabinet and Rs 1,485.39 crore has been allocated for it.
 - Under the scheme, un-electrified rural hamlets and households and leftover urban areas will be covered.
 - The government has also decided to provide free training to 15 trainee pilots.
6. The crest of the Indian Navy's latest warship will be unveiled by Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel at _____ **'Surat'**
- Note:**
- This is the first warship to be named after a city of Gujarat and this is also the first time the unveiling of the crest of a warship is being undertaken in the very city after which it has been named
 - Defence Minister Rajnath Singh had launched this indigenously constructed ship, which is a guided missile destroyer, in March last year at Mumbai.
7. The First Australia India Education and Skill Council (AIESC) meeting is being held at _____ **IIT Gandhinagar.**
- Note:**
- AIESC is a bi-national body established in 2011 to guide the strategic direction of the education and research partnerships between the two countries.
 - Aim: To provide a platform for academic and skill experts to discuss a wide range of mutually agreed priorities, with the ultimate aim of shaping the future of education and skilling in both our nations.
8. Which institute has reportedly developed a potential solution to address the problem of air pollution in Delhi and its neighbouring regions? _____ **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur.**
- Note:**
- They propose the use of "artificial rains" through cloud seeding to help clear pollutants and dust from the air.
 - The premier institute has been working on creating the necessary conditions for artificial rains for over five years and conducted successful trials in July.
9. Bharat Botanics announced the opening of its wood-pressed cold oil processing facility in _____ **Gujarat.**
- Note:**
- This 16,000 square feet automated facility is one of its kind, promoting 100% hygiene and transparency.

- At Bharat Botanics facility, seeds are crushed using traditional "Wooden Ghani's" with the cold-pressed technique, resulting in natural, chemical-free edible oils rich in healthy nutrients, natural flavor, and a scintillating aroma

Honor & Awards

1. Who was awarded the best photographer in his category at the prestigious Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition held in London. _____ **Vihaan Talya Vikas**

Note:

- Organized by the Natural History Museum, London, the competition showcases the finest wildlife photography from around the world.
- The event is also considered the 'Oscars of Photography'.
- His photo of a spider along with Krishna's carving clicked on the outskirts of the city and helped him bag the award

2. The 2nd Rohini Nayyar Prize 2023 for outstanding contribution to rural development was presented to _____ **Deenanath Rajput**

Note:

- The prize was presented in memory of late economist-administrator Rohini Nayyar.
- It came with a trophy and cash prize of Rs 10 lakh.
- His work has included providing agricultural extension services to farmers and building cold storage infrastructure.

3. Who won a record eighth Ballon d'Or for the best player in the world beating Norway's UEFA player of the year and treble winner Erling Haaland of Manchester City to the prestigious prize. _____ **Lionel Messi**

Note:

- Spain's Women's World Cup winner and Barcelona midfielder Aitana Bonmati won the women's Ballon d'Or.
- Earlier, Messi's World Cup-winning teammate Emiliano Martinez won the Lev Yashin award for the world's best goalkeeper.

4. Eminent writer has been chosen for the Kerala Jyothi Award 2023 instituted by the Kerala government. _____ **T. Padmanabhan**

Note:

- He was selected for the highest civilian honour by the government considering his contributions in the field of Malayalam literature.
- The State also announced other 'Kerala Puraskarngals', the highest award given by the government to distinguished personalities who have made outstanding contributions in various spheres of social life.

5. Who has been named the winner of the 2023 British Academy Book Prize for Global Cultural Understanding, a leading international non-fiction prize, for her book 'Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origins of Empire'. _____ **Nandini Das**

Note:

- The winning book is her debut and has been described by critics as the "true origin story of Britain and India told through England's first diplomatic mission to the Mughal courts".

6. Who conferred the business line's 'Changemaker of the Year' 2023 award. _____ **Reserve Bank of India**

Note:

- RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das attributed RBI's success in steering through Covid and other crises to the team work and diligence of its dedicated officers and employee force.
- These awards encompass various categories, celebrating those who have contributed to the betterment of society, the economy, and the planet.

7. Which state Responsible Tourism Mission won the Global Responsible Tourism Award 2023 for promoting sustainable and women-inclusive initiatives? _____ **Kerala.**

Note:

- The award is instituted by the Responsible Tourism Partnership and International Centre for Responsible Tourism (ICRT) in the best for local sourcing, food, and craft category.
- This international award reflects the universal appeal of the Responsible Tourism projects that Kerala implemented.

8. Who has secured its second Grassroots Football award in 2023, having earned the same recognition back in 2014?
 _____ **All India Football Federation.**

Note:

- The accomplishment reflects AIFF's commitment to promoting football at the grassroots level, characterized by several innovative initiatives.
- AFC Member Association of the Year
- Platinum: Uzbekistan Football Association
- Diamond: Lebanese Football Association
- Gold: Football Association of Hong Kong
- Ruby: Guam Football Association

Sports News

1. Which country was the only football association to present a bid to host the 2034 FIFA World Cup before the deadline closed, soccer's global governing body FIFA confirmed. _____ **Saudi Arabia**

Note:

- FIFA had invited bids from Asia and Oceania for the tournament and Saudi Arabia announced it would bid only minutes after the announcement.
- It also confirmed that the sole confirmation of interest in hosting the 2030 World Cup came from Morocco, Portugal, Spain and Uruguay, hosting celebratory games.

2. Who secured the silver medal at the prestigious Asian Shooting Championship 2023 held in South Korea. _____

Zahid Hussain

Note:

- He would be representing his nation on the international stage at the Paris Olympics.
- Star India shooter Manu Bhaker secured her Paris 2024 Olympics quota after she finished fifth in the women's 25m pistol final
- Arjun Babuta in men's 10 metre air rifle event and Sarabjot Singh in men's 10 metre air pistol event have also secured Paris 2024 quotas.

3. Who split the Ferrari front row of Charles Leclerc and Carlos Sainz to snatch the lead of the Formula One Mexico City Grand Prix 2023 by the first corner. _____ **Max Verstappen**

Note:

- Red Bull's three-time season champion collected his third consecutive win at the Autodromo Hermanos Rodriguez and broke his own season victories record set last year.
- Verstappen started from third and won from the same spot as he did in 2021.

4. Who created history with his match-winning five-wicket haul against Sri Lanka at the ODI World Cup. _____

Mohammed Shami

Note:

- Overtaking bowling icons Zaheer Khan and Javagal Srinath, pace ace Shami became the leading wicket-taker for India at the ODI World Cup.
- He surpassed Javagal Srinath and Zaheer Khan's joint record, both of who have 44 wickets to their names.
- He has taken 14 wickets so far in just three matches in world cup 2023.

5. In Hockey, which country dethroned Japan to crown themselves Asian Champions Trophy winners? _____ -

India

Note:

- India overcame the two-time champions through goals from Sangita Kumari, Neha, Laremsiami and Vandana Katariya.
- India won their maiden Asian Champions Trophy title in 2016 in Singapore, while Japan bagged the crown twice, in 2013 and 2021.
- Asian Games champions China beat South Korea to secure third place.

6. Which country will host the 24th Asian Archery Championships in 2025 after winning votes in the bid at the World Archery Asia Congress held in Bangkok, Thailand. _____ - **Bangladesh.**

Note:

- A total of twenty four member countries of the Asian continent participated in the congress.
- Bangladesh and China applied for bids as host countries for the 24th Asian Archery Championship
- The 23rd Asian Archery Championship will begin on Sunday (Nov 5) in Bangkok, Thailand.

7. Who hit an unbeaten 101 runs equaling Sachin Tendulkar's record of highest number of 49 centuries in One Day Internationals? _____ **Virat Kohli.**
Note:
 - Virat touched the milestone in 277 innings as against Tendulkar's 452 innings.
 - He was adjudged Player of the match.
 - The next batter on the list of most ODI centuries is current captain Rohit Sharma, who has scored 31 centuries.
 - India is currently at Number one position with 14 points followed by South Africa at 2nd place with 12 points.
8. Which country beat Pakistan hockey in penalty shootout to finish its campaign with a bronze medal at the Sultan of Johor Cup 2023? _____ **India.**
Note:
 - Defending champion India bounced back from loss to Germany in the semifinals, defeating Pakistan to clinch its ninth medal in 11 editions of the under-21 tournament
 - This victory marked India's third title in the Sultan of Johor Cup.
 - The junior men's hockey team had previously won the prestigious Johor Bahru Cup twice in 2013 and 2014.
9. Which batter was given "timed out" in a World Cup clash against Bangladesh, becoming the first man to suffer the dismissal in the 146-year history of international cricket? _____ **Angelo Mathews.**
Note:
 - The former captain took more than two minutes to take strike and opposition skipper Shakib Al Hasan appealed, which was upheld by the on-field umpire.
 - Mathews came into bat after the fall of Sadeera Samarawickrama in the 25th over but was unable to secure his helmet strap tightly enough

Science and Defence

1. India and which country decided to further boost interaction between their armed forces as well as cooperation in military technologies and industries. _____ **Singapore**
Note:
 - The two countries have also inked an implementing agreement on submarine rescue support between their navies.
 - India is fortunate to have a defence partner like Singapore.
 - The interaction will benefit both countries on many bilateral issues that are being pursued to further strengthen our special relationship.
2. The Number 4 Squadron (Oorials) of the Indian Air Force (IAF) based at Air Force Station Uttarlai (Barmer) is converting from the MiG-21 to the _____ **Su-30 MKI.**
Note:
 - The MiG-21 was the first supersonic fighter in service of the IAF and was inducted in 1963.
 - The conversion of this squadron to Su-30 MKI implies that the IAF now operates only two squadrons of the MiG-21.
 - The IAF remains committed to phasing out the MiG-21 aircraft by the year 2025.
3. In a significant development, India has given the Letter of Request to the French government for the procurement of _____ **26 Rafale Marine fighter aircraft**
Note:
 - As per the proposal, the Indian Navy will get 22 single-seated Rafale Marine aircraft along with four trainer aircraft.
 - The aircraft carriers INS Vikramaditya and Vikrant have been operating the MiG-29s and need the Rafales for operations on both carriers.
4. The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorisation Centre has approved which university proposal for the development of the varsity's first satellite, to be named after its founder Sir Syed Ahmad Khan. _____ **Aligarh Muslim University**
Note:
 - The SS AMU SAT is a nano satellite project which began in November 2021 under AMU Robo Club.
 - It is a 3U CubeSat with multiple objectives, including the study of economic growth in India's poorest districts using satellite imagery.

5. Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal will launch the domestic sailing of the first International Cruise Liner 'COSTA SERENA' in India at _____ **Mumbai**

Note:

- Costa Cruises is expected to carry approximately 45,000 passengers in its next 2 months voyages.
- Such cruise initiatives are part of 'Dekho Apna Desh', launched on Prime Minister's appeal to the middle class to prefer domestic tourism over international.

6. The 33rd edition of annual International Maritime Boundary Line meeting between the representatives of Navies and Coast Guards of India and which country was held at the Maritime Boundary Line off Point Calimere at Palk Bay.
_____ **Sri Lanka**

Note:

- Aim: To discuss maritime security in the Palk Bay and Gulf of Mannar region, safety of fishermen, measures to curtail trafficking of contraband, among other issues.

7. The Chanakya Defence Dialogue 2023, a two-day groundbreaking event steered by the Indian Army in collaboration with the Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS), concluded on 4th November with takeaways on Security Challenges in South Asia and the Indo-Pacific.

Note:

- The theme, 'Serving India and Indo Pacific Region- Collaborating for Comprehensive Security'.
- The event organised in Manekshaw Centre on 3rd and 4th November, in six different sessions.

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Features :



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Complete Doubt
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