



Current Affairs

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Today's Important News

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- Ireland's Amy Hunter has celebrated her 16th birthday by becoming the world's youngest ODI centurion after smashing an undefeated 121 to secure victory against Zimbabwe in Harare.
- The Belfast batter - who was playing in only her fourth ODI - broke the record previously held by India's Mithali Raj, scorer of a century against Ireland in 1999 when she was 16 years 205 days.
- Hunter's knock, which came from 127 balls and included eight fours, was also the highest score achieved by an Ireland Women batter and set up an 85-run victory - and a 3-1 series success - for her side.



2. World Arthritis Day 2021: 12 October

- The World Arthritis Day is observed every year on October 12 to raise awareness about arthritis, an inflammatory condition which causes pain and stiffness in joints which can worsen with age.
- This day was started by Arthritis and Rheumatism International (ARI) in 1996 in order to spread awareness about arthritis and encourage policymakers to help reduce burden of arthritis.



- The World Arthritis Day theme 2021 is Don't Delay, Connect Today: Time2Work.
- Arthritis means inflammation of the joints which leads to pain and stiffness in the joints.

3. PM Narendra Modi launches Indian Space Association (ISpA)

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Indian Space Association (ISpA) on October 11, 2021 via videoconferencing.
- The ISpA is a private industry body which will act as a premier industry body for space and satellite companies in the country.
- ISpA will be represented by homegrown and global corporations with advanced capabilities in space and satellite technologies.
- ISpA will work towards boosting space technology in India, with focus on capacity building and space economic hubs and incubators in India.
- First Chairman – Jayant Patil, L&T-NxT Senior Executive Vice President for Defence.
- Vice-President – Rahul Vatts, Bharti Airtel's chief regulatory officer.
- Director-General – Lt Gen. A.K. Bhatt (Retd.)
- Its founding members include Bharti Airtel, Larsen & Toubro, Nelco (Tata Group), OneWeb, Mapmyindia, Walchandnagar Industries and Ananth Technology Limited.
- Other core members include Godrej, Hughes India, Azista-BST Aerospace Private Limited, BEL, Centum Electronics and Maxar India.



4. Tamil Nadu's 'Kanniyakumari Clove' gets GI Tag

- The unique clove spice grown in the hills of Kanyakumari district in Tamil Nadu has been awarded a geographical indication (GI) as 'Kanyakumari clove'.
- In India, the total production of cloves is 1,100 metric tons and of this, 1,000 metric tons is produced in Tamil Nadu every year while 750 metric tons of cloves are produced in Kanyakumari district alone.
- Apart from this, the traditional dye-painted figurative and patterned cloth called Karuppur kalamkari paintings and the wood carvings of Kallakurichi from Tamil Nadu have also received GI tags.



Foot Notes:

About Tamil Nadu:

Governor: R. N. Ravi

Capital: Chennai

Chief Minister: M. K. Stalin

5. UNDP Releases 2021 Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) Report

- The 2021 Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) Report was released on 7 October 2021. The report is produced jointly by UNDP and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI).
- The report provides an estimates on multidimensional poverty across 109 developing countries (with data from surveys ranging 2009-2019/2020); These include 26 low-income countries, 80 middle-income countries and 3 high-income countries.
- The index measures each person's deprivations across 10 indicators divided into three equally weighted dimensions.
- The finding is based across 109 countries and 5.9 billion people. of this, 1.3 billion people are multidimensionally poor (or 21.7%).
- In India, five out of six multidimensionally poor people were from lower tribes or castes.



Foot Notes:

About UNDP:

Headquarters: United States

Founded: 22 November 1965

6. Former SBI Chief Rajnish Kumar launches memoir 'The Custodian of Trust'

- Former Chairman of the State Bank of India (SBI) Rajnish Kumar has come out with his memoir titled 'The Custodian of Trust – A Banker's Memoir'.
- The book has been published by Penguin Random House India.
- It gave a rare insight of how the financial system in our country works.
- The Custodian of Trust presents Kumar's journey from a modest house in the old city of Meerut to being a probationary officer in SBI in 1980 and growing to the post of Chairman in 2017.



Foot Notes:

About SBI:

Chairperson: Dinesh Kumar Khara

Founded: 1 July 1955

Headquarters: Mumbai

7. FIFA unveils 'Ibha' - official mascot of U-17 2022 Women's World Cup

- World football body, FIFA has unveiled the official mascot of the U-17 Women's World Cup India 2022 "Ibha" an Asiatic lioness representing women power. The tournament will be held in India from October 11-30 next year. The announcement coincided with the International Day of the Girl Child.
- According to a release issued by the global body, Ibha aims to inspire women and girls across India and around the world to realise their potential. Ibha is a strong, playful and charming Asiatic lioness that aims to inspire and encourage women and girls by using teamwork, resilience, kindness and empowering others.



Foot Notes:

About FIFA:

President: Gianni Infantino

Headquarters: Zürich, Switzerland

Founded: 21 May 1904

8. Astronautical Society of India Confers 2021 Aryabhata Award to Dr G Satheesh Reddy

- Dr G Satheesh Reddy, Secretary DDR&D and Chairman DRDO, has been conferred the prestigious Aryabhata Award for 2021 on October 09, 2021, by Astronautical Society of India (ASI).
- Dr G Satheesh Reddy has been honoured for his outstanding life-time contribution to the promotion of astronautics in India.
- The Aryabhata Award is presented annually to individuals with notable lifetime contributions in the field of astronautics and aerospace technology in India by the Astronautical Society of India (ASI).
- The award consists of a citation and Rs. 1,00,000 in cash.



9. Telugu filmmaker B Gopal selected for Satyajit Ray Award

- Well-known Telugu filmmaker Bejawada Gopal, has been named as the winner of the fourth Satyajit Ray Award for his overall contribution to the Indian cinema.
- The award is presented by the Satyajit Ray Film Society, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
- Satyajit Ray Award comprises Rs 10,000 cash prize, a memento and plaque.



10. 8 judges elevated as chief justices of high courts

- The Government notified the appointments of eight and transfer of five chief justices of high courts. Eight High Courts will get new Chief Justices, and five Chief Justices have been transferred. The clearance in the 13 High Courts was considered crucial as some of them have been making do with Acting Chief Justices.



Newly appointed Chief Justice:

Justice Rajesh Bindal, Acting Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court, was appointed as the Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court.

Justice Ranjit V. More has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Meghalaya High Court.

Justice Satish Chandra Sharma, Acting Chief Justice of the Karnataka High Court, has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Telangana High Court.

Justice Prakash Srivastava, a Madhya Pradesh High Court judge, has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Calcutta High Court.

Justice R.V. Malimath has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Madhya Pradesh High Court.

Justice Ritu Raj Awasthi has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Karnataka High Court.

Justice Aravind Kumar has been appointed as the Chief Justice of the Gujarat High Court.

Justice Prashant Kumar Mishra would take over as the Chief Justice of the Andhra Pradesh High Court.

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