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Today's
Important News

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1. India's Navdeep Kaur wins Best National Costume award at Mrs World 2022 pageant

- Navdeep Kaur from India has won Best National Costume award at the prestigious Mrs World 2022 pageant in Nevada, Las Vegas
- She is the winner of Mrs India World 2021 and was representing the country at Mrs World 2022.
- She wore a striking gold Avant Garde outfit inspired by Kundalini Chakra and was designed by Eggie Jasmin.
- Mrs America, Shaylyn Ford, was crowned as the 'Mrs World 2022'.
- Mrs Jordan, Jaclyn Stapp, Mrs UAE, Debanjali Kamstra, were declared as the runner ups.



2. Dubai opens its Infinity Bridge for traffic for the first time

- Iconic 'Infinity Bridge' in Dubai, United Arab Emirates has been formally opened to traffic for the first time on 16th January, 2022
- Its design resembles mathematical sign for infinity (∞)
- It represents limitless, infinite goals of Dubai.
- It consists of six lanes in each direction and combined 3-metre track for pedestrians and cyclists



- It is 300 mtrs long and 22 mtrs wide
- It is built over Dubai Creek and can accommodate 24,000 vehicles in both directions each hour

Foot Notes:

About Dubai:

Capital: Abu Dhabi

Currency: Emirati Dirham (AED)

3. Narendra Kumar Goenka appointed as new chairman of AEPC

- Narendra Kumar Goenka took charge as the new chairman of Apparel Export Promotion Council (AEPC).
- He succeeded Padma Shri awardee A Sakthivel.
- Prior to this, he was the Vice Chairman of AEPC and has been associated with AEPC for more than two decades
- AEPC is the official body of apparel exporters in India, under Ministry of Textiles that provides invaluable assistance to Indian exporters as well as importers and international buyers.



Foot Notes:

About AEPC:

Headquarters: Gurugram

4. Delhi Police makes 1st foray into world of Podcasts with digital audio

- Delhi Police is making its first foray into the world of Podcasts with digital audio presentation titled as 'KISSA KHAKI KA'.
- Delhi Police will establish communication with masses through its unheard stories of crimes, investigations, heart, and humanity.
- Podcast will be aired digitally on Social Media handles of Delhi Police .
- It will create a new bond between Delhi Police and citizens and enable better understanding among people of challenges the police force faces.



5. MeitY organizes 26th CISO Deep Dive Training program

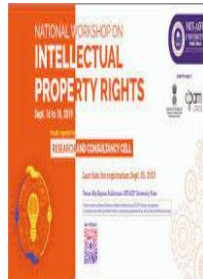
- Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) is organizing 26th CISO Deep Dive Training program under Cyber Surakshit Bharat initiative



- It is aimed to equip participants with better understanding of emerging cyber threat landscape, understand best practices in cyber security.
- The program will continue till 22nd January 2022.
- It will cover topics such as Governance Risk and Compliance and Data Privacy, Network Security, End Point Security, etc.

6. UGC organizes online workshop on Intellectual Property Rights

- University Grants Commission (UGC) has organized online workshop for Universities and Colleges on Intellectual Property Rights under the iconic week of Ministry of Education.
- UGC highlighted the importance of IPR and its importance in the image of the country and its relevance in building the knowledge pool of the country and its legal aspects
- The webinar discussed pertinent aspects of IPR for Higher Educational Institutions and IPR awareness.



Foot Notes:

About UGC:

Founded: 1956

First executive: Shanti Swaroop Bhatnagar

Headquarters: New Delhi

Agency executive: D. P. Singh

7. Pralhad Joshi launches New Rehabilitation & Resettlement Policy of NLCIL

- Union Minister of Coal, Pralhad Joshi has virtually launched the new rehabilitation & resettlement policy applicable to landowners of NLCIL mines area.
- The new flexible rehabilitation policy is framed by NLCIL and Tamil Nadu Govt.
- Under this, compensation to the affected villagers is ensured based on fair and transparent process.
- NLCIL commenced its operations in Tamil Nadu way back in 1956 in lignite mining and lignite based power generation.



8. India set to host football AFC Women's Asian Cup India 2022 from 20th Jan

- India is all set to host football AFC Women's Asian Cup India 2022 from 20th January 2022 in Mumbai, Navi Mumbai, and Pune.

- This is a very significant tournament because women's football is gaining a lot of ground in Asia, and particularly in India.
- The tournament will witness 12 teams competing for the trophy.
- AFC Women's Asian Cup India will also be the final stage of Asian qualification for the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup in Australia and New Zealand.



9. MSME Pavilion, World Expo, 2020 Dubai and KHADI India Film launched

- Union Minister of MSME Narayan Rane has inaugurated MSME Pavilion virtually in the presence of officials from Government of Dubai and dignitaries joining from all over the country in World Expo, 2020 Dubai.
- World Expo2020 Dubai is being held under Bureau International des Expositions (BIE) is themed as Connecting Minds, Creating Future.
- The expo will develop interaction with Governments of different countries
- He also launched Khadi India Film produced by KVIC.



Foot Notes:

About MSME:

Founded: 2007

Officeholders: Giriraj Singh

10. Padma Shri winning social activist Shanti Devi passed away

- Odisha-based social worker and Padma Shri awardee Shanti Devi (88 years) passed away at her residence in Gunupur, Odisha.
- She was remembered as the voice of the poor and was also called as Lugdi Devi.
- She was known for her dedication towards underprivileged community and restoring peace in the Maoist-affected areas in Odisha.
- She is also known for the eradication of Yaws, chronic bacterial infection.
- She received the prestigious Padma Shri award on November 9, 2021.



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