



1. Dubai becomes the host for the inaugural edition of the Global Chess League

- Global Chess League (GCL), a joint venture between FIDE and Tech Mahindra, announced Dubai as the venue for the inaugural edition at a press conference in the presence of key dignitaries such as Dr. Aman Puri, Consul General of India, Dubai, Viswanathan Anand, five-time world chess champion, and Deputy President, FIDE, CP Gurnani, Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, Tech Mahindra, Parag Shah, EVP & Head, Mahindra Accelo and Member, Global Chess League Board, and Jagdish Mitra, Chairperson, Global Chess League Board, in the Gulf city.



2. Devendra Fadnavis unveils Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj's statue in Mauritius

- Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Shri Devendra Fadnavis unveiled a 12-feet statue of Maratha warrior king Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in Mauritius to mark the strong bond between the two nations. It was his first visit to the island nation. The sculpture was created in India by a Delhi-based artist and sent to the island nation in a container ship.



Foot Notes:

About Mauritius :

President : Prithvirajsing Roopun

Prime Minister : Pravind Jugnauth

Capital : Port Louis

3. Chief Minister Eknath Shinde Launches Electric Bus Service In Mumbai

- On the occasion of Maharashtra Day (May 01,2023) Maharashtra Chief Minister (CM) Shri Eknath Shinde launched electric Shivneri bus services between Mumbai and Pune. The inaugural ceremony was held at Sahyadri Guest House in Mumbai's Malabar Hill.
- He also launched a campaign, named after Bal Thackeray, for cleanliness and beautification of bus stands. The new e-buses have a passenger-seating capacity of 43, besides seats for the driver and the co-driver.



Foot Notes:

About Maharashtra :

Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari

Chief Minister: Eknath Shinde

Capital: Mumbai

4. Patna High Court directs Bihar govt to immediately stop caste-based survey

- The Patna High Court directed the state government to immediately stop the caste-based survey and ensure that the data already collected are secured and not shared with anybody till final orders are passed in the writ petition.
- The High Court fixed the 3rd of July as the next date for the hearing. The division bench of Chief Justice K Vinod Chandran and Justice Madhuresh Prasad rebuked the State government for being not responsible for the Right to Privacy.



Foot Notes:

About Bihar:

Capital: Patna

Chief Minister: Nitish Kumar

Governor : Rajendra Arlekar

5. Bihar Government starts Didi Libraries to Promote Reading Habit Among Children In Villages

- In a bid to encourage children in villages to promote the habit of reading, the Bihar government has started 'Didi ki library', established under Jeevika. The first Didi ki library or community library in Singheshwar was inaugurated by Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar on February 10, 2023.
- At least 100 libraries have been opened in 32 districts. Community Library and Career Development Centres (CLCDCs) have also been set up in many blocks of Bihar. There are a total of 12,318 members registered in all the 100 community libraries, of which about 80 per cent are girls.



6. Elon Musk's SpaceX Starship explodes 4 minutes after take-off

- The Elon Musk-owned SpaceX's Starship, world's biggest rocket, exploded during its first test-flight to space from Boca Chica in Texas. The test was the first for the spacecraft manufacturer's Starship spacecraft (the carrier) and Super Heavy rocket (the booster), collectively referred to as Starship.
- The Starship rocket is the world's most powerful rocket ever built. The project comprises a rocket called Super Heavy Rocket and a spacecraft attached to its top called the Starship.



Foot Notes:

About SpaceX :

Founded : March 14, 2002

Headquarters : California, United States

CEO & Chairman : Elon Musk

7. Buland Bharat exercise conducted at High Altitude Artillery Ranges of Eastern Theatre

- An integrated surveillance and firepower training Exercise BULAND BHARAT was conducted in the recently operationalised longest High Altitude Artillery Ranges of Eastern Theatre.
- Exercise BULAND BHARAT involved the synergised application of surveillance and firepower capabilities of the Artillery and the Infantry in close coordination with Special Forces, Aviation and Central Armed Police Forces deployed in West Kameng and Tawang districts of Arunachal Pradesh.



8. Argentina replaces Indonesia as FIFA U-20 World Cup 2023 host

- Argentina will host the 2023 Under-20 World Cup, taking the place of Indonesia, which was removed by FIFA, the world football governing body announced.
- The FIFA U20 World Cup will kick off on May 20-June 11, and it will be the first time Argentina has hosted the tournament since 2001, a Xinhua report said. The official draw of the FIFA U20 World Cup will take place on April 21 at FIFA's headquarter in Zurich.



Foot Notes:

About Argentina:

Capital: Buenos Aires

Currency: Argentine Peso

President: Alberto Fernandez

9. Jaideep Mukherjee released his autobiography titled “Crosscourt”

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- Renowned tennis player Jaideep Mukherjee released his autobiography titled “Crosscourt” in the presence of prominent Indian tennis players such as Ramesh Krishnan and Somdev Devvarman.
- Titled Crosscourt, co-authored by Papri Sen Sri Raman, and published by Vitasta, it is a welcome addition to India’s tennis literature.
- The book provides an insight into Mukherjee’s life and describes his journey as a successful tennis player. In addition to tennis, “Crosscourt” also covers various aspects of Mukherjee’s personal life, including her successes, failures, relationships and behind-the-scenes moments.



10. Olympic and world title winning star athlete 'Tori Bowie' passes away

- Star athlete Tori Bowie's management company informed on 3 May 2023 that the US sprinter and long jumper, who won three Olympic medals and two world titles, died at the age of 32.
- For the past few days neither Tori was seen anywhere in public nor there was any news of her. Later, when police officers went to his Orlando (Florida) residence to inquire about her news, Bowie was found dead. The sheriff's department informed that Bowie's death was not being investigated as a suspicious death. That is, the officials are considering Tori's death as a natural death.



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