

Current Affairs

21st November 2022



Today's Important News

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1. Maharashtra government doubles pension of freedom fighters

- The Maharashtra Government has decided to double the pension of freedom fighters from ten thousand to twenty thousand rupees per month. Accordingly, freedom fighters associated with India's freedom struggle, Marathwada Mukti Sangram and Goa Liberation Movement will benefit from this decision.
- The state government is likely to incur an additional expense of 74.75 crore rupees due to this decision, which was approved by the state cabinet.



Foot Notes:

About Maharashtra:

Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari

Capital: Mumbai

Chief Minister: Eknath Shinde

2. World Television Day is celebrated every year on 21st November

- World Television day 2022 is observed on the 21st of November 2022. The UN General Assembly decided to name November 21 World Television Day, not to

celebrate the object itself, but the symbol for communication and globalization in the contemporary world that it represents.

- In 1927, a 21-year-old inventor by the name of Philo Taylor Farnsworth invented the world's first electronic television. Neither of them knew the television would become the emblem for an international day promoting the spread of global information.



3. 22nd FIFA World Cup 2022 kick starts in Al Khor, Qatar

- FIFA World Cup 2022, kicked off with a grand opening ceremony at the Al Bayt Stadium in Al Khor in Qatar at 7:30 pm on 20 November. The host-nation Qatar will face off against Ecuador after the opening ceremony in the first match of the FIFA World Cup 2022.
- The opening ceremony began on a somber tone with a monologue of American actor Morgan Freeman who donned the role of narrator at the opening ceremony. The dancing events began with artists from various countries performing at the Al Bayt Stadium in Al Khor.



Foot Notes:

About Qatar:

Capital: Doha

Currency: Qatari Riyal

Continent: Asia

4. J&K L-G Manoj Sinha launches spatial data infra initiative JK RIS 7 g-SAM mobile app

- Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) Lieutenant Governor Shri Manoj Sinha has launched the Jammu and Kashmir Remote Sensing Information System (JKRIS), a spatial data infrastructure initiative, and g-SAM (Gram Panchayat Spatial Assets Mapper) mobile app.
- It was launched at the convention of geographic information system (GIS) government officials, professionals, and entrepreneurs organised to mark World GIS Day..



Foot Notes:

About J&K :

Lieutenant Governor: Manoj Sinha

Capital: Srinagar, Jammu

5. NABARD sanctions Rs 220.50 crore to Odisha for flood protection projects

- The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has sanctioned 57 flood protection projects and 1 rural bridge amounting to Rs 220.50 crore for Odisha under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF).
- The project would be implemented by the Department of Water Resources (DOWR- Major & Medium), Government of Odisha.



Foot Notes:

About NABARD :

Headquarters: Mumbai

Chairman: Suchindra Mishra

6. Karnataka Bank launches CASA campaign

- Karnataka Bank has launched the CASA campaign of 2022-23 for 100 days towards the 100th year of its existence.
- The event was graced by the Directors of the Bank, Justice A V Chandrashekar, Dr. D S Ravindran, Shri Kalmanje Gururaj Acharya, Chief Business Officer Shri Gokuldas Pai, General Managers and Top Executives of the Bank.



Foot Notes:

About Karnataka Bank :

Founded : 18 February 1924

Headquarters: Karnataka, India

MD & CEO: Mahabaleshwara M. S

7. Amazon Unveils New Design for Prime Air Delivery Drone – MK30

- E-commerce giant Amazon has unveiled the design of its new Prime Air delivery drone, MK30' drone which will handle high temperatures and light rain. The current hexagonal 'MK27-2' drone will be replaced by the new 'MK30', which will be lighter and smaller.
- The drone will enter into service in 2024 and is expected to be 25% quieter than the current hexagonal 'MK27-2' drone. The new drone will undergo rigorous evaluation by national aerospace authorities like the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to prove its safety and reliability.



Foot Notes:

About Amazon :

Founded : July 5, 1994

Headquarters: United States

President & CEO: Andy Jassy

8. Goldman Sachs lowers India's GDP forecast for 2023 to 5.9%

- Goldman Sachs Group Inc. sees India's economic growth slowing next year, citing a hit to consumer demand from higher borrowing costs and fading benefits from pandemic reopening, while lowering its growth forecast.
- Gross domestic product (GDP) may expand by 5.9% in calendar year 2023 from an estimated 6.9% this year.



9. Historian Simon Sebag Montefiore's new book 'The World: A Family History' released on November 21

- British Historian Simon Sebag Montefiore has released a new book titled 'The World: A Family History'. In 'The World: A Family History', Montefiore he tells how humanity evolved by the stories of different and famous families.
- The two-part book, which will be published by Hachette India, will tell the story of humankind in "a ground-breaking, single narrative that will forever shift the boundaries of what history can achieve".



10. Veteran Punjabi actress Daljeet Kaur Khangura passes away

- Daljeet Kaur, a veteran actor well-known for her lead roles in several superhit Punjabi movies, has passed away in Punjab's Ludhiana district. She was 69 years old.
- Daljeet was one of Bollywood's best-known actors. Kaur had appeared in several successful films, including Mamla Garbar Hai, Putt Jattan De, Patola, Ki Banu Duniya Da, and Saida Jogan.



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