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NATIONAL NEWS

1.PM Modi to Inaugurate Arunachal's first Greenfield Airport Donyi Polo Airport

- Arunachal Pradesh got its first greenfield airport in Itanagar, As PM Modi inaugurated Donyi Polo airport. The Donyi Polo airport will boost connectivity in the Northeast.
- The airport gets its name from the age-old indigenous reverence to the Sun ('Donyi') and the Moon ('Polo') in the state. The foundation stone for this airport was laid by the PM in 2019.

2.Arunachal Pradesh launched the world's first drone-mediated livestock vaccines delivery service – TechEagle

- TechEagle, a leading drone delivery startup that offers world-class end-toend drone delivery solutions, has conducted the world's first vaccine delivery for Animal Husbandry in Arunachal Pradesh.
- It's aim is to strengthen the Healthcare ecosystem of the animals by providing rapid and safe delivery of healthcare-related items, starting from Lower Dibang valley. The drone delivery was carried out by TechEagle in collaboration with the Animal Husbandry department.

3.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.

4.J&K L-G Manoj Sinha launches spatial data infra initiative JKRIS 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..

5.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.

6.Karnataka has highest installed grid-interactive renewable power capacity in India

- Karnataka came at the top position while comparing the total installed capacity of grid-interactive renewable power of all the states of the country. The state had a total installed capacity of 15,463 megawatts (mw), according to an RBI publication.
- Tamil Nadu, with 15,225 mw, came at the second; Gujarat, with 13,153 mw, was at third position while Maharashtra, with 10,267 mw, was at the fourth, according to Handbook of Statistics on Indian States 2021-22, which was the seventh edition of its statistical publication, released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

7.Union Minister Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurates launches '53 Hours Challenge' for '75 Creative Minds'

- Union Minister for Information and Broadcasting and Youth Affairs & Sports Anurag Singh Thakur has inaugurated '53 Hours Challenge' for '75 Creative Minds Tomorrow'. This is the second edition of 75 Creative Minds and we have already made a community of 150 strong individuals connected through their shared love for cinema, creativity and culture.
- The competition will challenge the winners of '75 Creative Minds for Tomorrow' to produce a short film on their idea of India@100, all in 53 hours. This is powered by National Film Development Corporation (NDFC).

8.UP chief minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurates the UNESCO-India-Africa Hackathon 2022

- UNESCO India Africa Hackathon was inaugurated at Gautam Buddha University with a grand opening ceremony.
- The program extensively focused upon promoting engagement and collaboration of the student communities in India with the communities of African nations to develop ingenious and out-of-the-box strategies to tackle the problems faced by mankind.

9.Tamil Nadu, Anamalai Tiger Reserve launched 'jumbo trails' in Coimbatore

- The Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR) has launched 'jumbo trails', a programme aimed to educate visitors to the tiger reserve about elephants, the flora, and fauna of ATR and the aboriginal tribes who live in the hills.
- An initiative by ATR Field Director S. Ramasubramanian and Deputy Director (Pollachi Division) Bhargava Teja, the first jumbo trail will happen on November 26. The biologist and other resource persons from the Forest Department will explain the exhibits at the interpretation centre and provide the registered participants with an overall view of ATR.

10.India, China Leads as Global Intellectual Property Filings Reached New Records in 2021

- A record number of international patents were filed last year, indicating that innovation had not been stymied by the pandemic, the United Nations.
- Even as Covid-19 took a vast human and economic toll, international patent applications continued to grow, with Asia, and China in particular, cementing their leading positions. A record 277,500 international patents were filed in 2021, marking a 0.9-percent increase from 2020, the UN's World Intellectual Property Organisation said in its annual overview.

11.DGCA grants aerodrome license to Jaipur International Airport

- Jaipur International Airport Limited has received the Aerodrome license from the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) following which the airport has embarked on an expansion drive.
- The license was previously held by the Airport Authority of India (AAI), the government body which was earlier operating the airport.
- Furthermore, the license has been granted to the airport operator to provide full access to the management and control operations of the airport by the concession agreement.

12.Tripura CM Launches 'Amar Sarkar' Web Portal To Deliver Benefits Among Citizens

- Tripura Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha launched a new portal, 'Amar Sarkar', to act as a bridge between the people and the government at the Muktadhara Auditorium in Agartala, Tripura.
- The portal will help people to register their problems and complaints through village committee officials. It is worth mentioning here that various problems and complaints of the people will be registered through the village and village committee level workers.

13.Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik approves "PRARAMBH" – Odisha State Policy for Children 2022

- The Chief Minister of Odisha Shri Naveen Patnaik-led State Cabinet approved the 'Prarambh – The Odisha State Policy for Children 2022 & Odisha State Port Policy -2022 two major policies related to port development and children's welfare besides 15 other proposals.
- The Department of Women and Child Development, in collaboration with other State departments and organizations, has brought about a policy document for children in the State called PRARAMBH- the Odisha State Policy for Children, 2022.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

1.22nd 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.



2.India to take over Chair of Global Partnership on AI from France

- India will take over the Chair of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence, GPAI from France on November 21.
- Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology Rajeev Chandrasekhar will represent the country at the GPAI meeting in Tokyo for the symbolic takeover from France. This development comes on the heels of assuming the Presidency of the G20, a league of the world's largest economies.

3.Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev wins re-election with 81.3% of vote

- The 69-year-old former diplomat had been widely expected to extend his rule over the oil-rich nation by seven years and get a strong mandate to continue his increasingly independent foreign policy, as the former Soviet republic navigates the Russia-Ukraine crisis.
- Voter turnout stood at 69.44%, with five other candidates scoring in the low single digits, data showed. The second most popular option picked by voters was "against everyone", with 5.8% of ballots.

4.13th bilateral naval exercise Naseem Al Bahr-2022, between Indian and Omani navy start off the coast of Oman

- The 13th edition of bilateral exercise between the Indian and the Royal Oman navies, Naseem Al Bahr-2022, commenced off the coast of Oman on 20 November 2022. The exercise is being conducted in two phases: the Harbour Phase and the Sea Phase.
- Naseem Al Bahr naval exercise was started in 1993. The last edition was conducted off Goa in 2019. The Indian Navy's guided missile frigate Trikand and Offshore Patrol Vessel Sumitra, with their integral helicopters, and the maritime patrol aircraft, Dornier, are participating in the exercise.

5.Russia Replaces China to Become the Biggest Supplier of Fertilizers to India

- Russia has become India's biggest fertilizer supplier for the first time, citing a government official who said Russian exporters offered reasonable prices. Russian exporters reportedly grabbed a 21% share of the Indian fertilizer market in the first half of the 2022/23 fiscal year, overtaking China, previously India's largest supplier.
- Russian exports reportedly surged 371%, to a record 2.15 million tons from April to October. In monetary terms, India's imports over this period increased by 765%, to \$1.6 billion.

NEW APPOINTMENTS AND PERSON IN NEWS

1.Bandaru Wilsonbabu named as the Ambassador of India to Comoros

- 2004 batch IFS officer Bandaru Wilsonbabu who is currently posted as Ambassador of India to Republic of Madagascar, has been concurrently appointed as the next ambassador of India to the Union of Comoros, with residence in Antananarivo.
- He is expected to take up the assignment shortly. The Comoros is an independent country made up of 3 islands in southeastern Africa.

2.Sandhya Devanathan Appointed as Meta's New India Head

- Facebook parent Meta announced the appointment of Sandhya Devanathan as the Vice President of Meta India.
- Sandhya Devanathan will focus on bringing the organization's business and revenue priorities together to serve its partners and clients, while continuing to support the longterm growth of Meta's business and commitment to India.

3.Govt raises maximum tenure of PSU Banks' MD and CEO from 5 years to 10 years

- The central government has extended the maximum tenure of whole-time directors of PSU banks, including managing director, to 10 years. The move is expected to help these lenders retain good talent. There are many whole-time directors of PSU banks who entered the board at a young age. The amendment would benefit them.
- PSU banks have reported robust results in the second quarter amid improvement in their asset quality and credit demand growing 17 per cent.Besides, banks have already made provisions for the chunky bad loans or have packed them up for insolvency resolution.

4.Suryakumar Yadav named as brand ambassador of UrbanGabru

- Men's grooming brand UrbanGabru announced the star India cricketer Suryakumar Yadav as its new brand ambassador.He joins the brand to endorse UrbanGabru's grooming range. Suryakumar Yadav, fondly known as SKY, is currently ranked second in men's T20 International batting.
- The youth icon has made his name in International cricket as a prolific rungetter, also garnering massive fan following. He is known for his comprehensive and innovative batting style, calm demeanour and nevergive-up attitude that makes him the right match for the brand, which stands on the 'Upgrade Yourself' ethos.

BANKING

1.RBI imposes Rs 12 lakh fine on six co-operative banks & 3 sahakari banks

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a collective fine of nearly 12 lakh on 9 entities, including 6 cooperative banks and 3 Sahakari banks for violating various banking norms.
- Berhampur Cooperative Urban Bank (Odisha) has been fined 10 lakh, Osmanabad Janata Sahakari Bank, Osmanabad (Maharashtra) 5 lakh,Santrampur Urban Co-operative Bank Ltd, Santrampur in Mahisagar district (Gujarat) 2 lakh penalty.

2.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.

3.India climbs six places to 61st rank in network readiness index

- India has moved up by six slots to improve its position and rank 61st as per the Network Readiness Index 2022 (NRI 2022) report prepared by a US-based Portulans Institute, an independent non-profit research and educational institute.
- It was stated that India's overall score has improved to 51.19 in 2022 from 49.74 in 2021. The NRI 2022 report ranks a total of 131 economies that together account for about 95 per cent of the global Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

4.HDFC Bank, Flywire Collaborate to Offer Edu digital Payments

- HDFC Bank, India's largest private-sector bank, has partnered global paytech firm Flywire to enable Indian students to pay international education fees digitally.
- Flywire will directly integrate into HDFC's banking platform, providing a fully digital checkout experience for Indian students to make transactions. The streamlined experience will enable students to pay in Indian rupees with the assurance of funds reaching the intended institution.

5.India-European Union sign 'Intent of Cooperation

- India and the European Union signed an "Intent of Cooperation on High-Performance Computing (HPC), Weather Extremes and Climate Modeling and Quantum Technologies" at a virtual ceremony in New Delhi.
- India's Ministry of Electronics and IT (MeitY), and the Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology (DG CONNECT), European Commission signed an "Intent of Cooperation on High Performance Computing (HPC), Weather Extremes & Climate Modeling and Quantum Technologies".

6.Crisil lowers GDP growth estimate to 7.3% for FY23

• The domestic rating agency Crisil revised its real GDP growth forecast for India to 7.3%, from 7.8%, for FY23. This can be attributed to the higher oil prices, slowing of export demand and high inflationary pressures.

• Factors contributing to the broad-based rise in inflation will include the impact of this year's heatwave on domestic food production, coupled with persisting high international commodity prices and input costs.

7.OECD Cuts India Growth Rate Forecast to 6.6 % in 2022

- The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), cut its gross domestic growth forecast for India for the current financial year (FY23) to 6.6 per cent from 6.9 per cent, citing higher medium-term global uncertainty and slowing domestic economic activity.
- The World Bank cut its 2022-23 (FY23) real gross domestic product (GDP) growth forecast for India to 6.5%, from an earlier estimate of 7.5%, while warning that spillovers from Russia's invasion of Ukraine and global monetary tightening will weigh on the economic outlook.



8.Union Bank of India Ranks Second in IBA's EASE Reform Index

- As per the report on Enhanced Access & Service Excellence (EASE) Reforms Index for Q1 FY 2022-23 by Indian Banks' Association (IBA), Union Bank of India is the 2nd Best Bank in adopting reforms prescribed for Public Sector Banks.
- Union Bank of India has performed well in areas such as enabling various digital journeys for customer convenience, upgrading analytics & big data capabilities for personalised offerings & proactive reach out to customers, adopting modern technology capabilities for integrated banking experience, collaborative banking for higher efficiency, employee development, and better governance measures, which resulted in the bank moving up two notches in its ranking.

SCIENCE TECH & DEFENCE

1.The 18th edition of India-us joint military exercise YUDH ABHYAS 22 begins in Uttarakhand

• The 18th edition of the Indo – United States (US) joint training exercise "YUDH ABHYAS 22" is scheduled to be conducted in Uttarakhand.The 15-day exercise happen between 16th Nov to 2nd Dec 2022.

• The previous edition of the exercise was conducted at Joint Base Elmendorf Richardson, Alaska (USA) in October 2021.

2.Vikram-S Rocket Launched By ISRO, India's First Privately Developed Rocket

- Vikram-S Rocket, India's first privately developed rocket launched from the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) at the Sriharikota launchpad. The launch of Vikram-S Rocket by ISRO is a historic moment.
- The Vikram-S Rocket is developed by Hyderabad-based start-up Skyroot Aerospace Private Limited, and it is a 6-meter gall and hits a peak altitude of 89.5 kilometers. After five minutes of launch, the Vikram-S Rocket splashed into the Bay of Bengal. The mission was titled Prarambh.

3.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.

4.Army conducts integrated fire power exercise 'Shatrunash' in Thar desert, Rajasthan

- The Indian Army's South Western Command conducted integrated fire power exercise "Shatrunash" at the Mahajan Field Firing Range in Thar Desert in Rajasthan's Bikaner district.
- The exercise witnessed use of multifarious firing platforms in an integrated manner involving both ground & aerial manoeuvres. It also included insertion of troops, offensive ground actions involving comprehensive coordination incorporating contemporary technologies in a multi-domain environment.

5.Google honours American geologist Marie Tharp with interactive doodle on her life

- Google is paying tribute to American geologist and oceanographic cartographer, Marie Tharp, who helped prove the theories of continental drift.
- She co-published the first world map of ocean floors. On November 21 in 1998, the Library of Congress named Ms. Tharp one of the greatest

cartographers of the 20th century. The Google Doodle features an interactive biography of Ms. Tharp.

6.Novak Djokovic matches Roger Federer's record with 6th ATP Finals title

- Novak Djokovic claimed a record-equaling sixth ATP Finals title by beating the third-seeded Casper Ruud on to top a fantastic finish to the season for the Serb.
- Djokovic won 7-5, 6-3 to secure his first title at the event since 2015 and match Roger Federer's record. The 35-year-old Djokovic, who had lost his two previous finals at the event, raised his arms out and smiled broadly after sealing the match with an ace.

BOOKS & AWARDS

1.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".

2.Kathak veteran Uma Sharma receives Sumitra Charat Ram Award

- Kathak exponent Dr. Uma Sharma has received the prestigious 'Sumitra Charat Ram Award' for Lifetime Achievement in recognition of her contribution in the field of Indian classical music and dance.
- She is a renowned classical dancer who has been awarded Padma Shri (1973) and Padma Bhushan (2001) for her unique contribution to the cultural tradition of this country. She received the award from former governor of Jammu and Kashmir Karan Singh and Sarod player Ustad Amjad Ali Khan in a ceremony organized at Kamani Auditorium by Shriram Bharatiya Kala Kendra (SBKK).

3.Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong gets UNESCO Madanjeet Singh Prize for 2022

• The UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize for the Promotion of Tolerance and Non-Violence, for this 2022 Edition, has been given to Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong from Cameroon, President of the NGOs Afrogiveness and Positive Youths Africa. She received the Prize at an official ceremony held on 15 November at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris.

• As a journalist for seven years, Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong has strived for changing the way mental illness is viewed and represented in society. Trained in art therapy and psychology, she and became the founder and president of two NGOs: Afrogiveness Movement and Positive Youths Africa (PYA).

4.Youngest entrepreneur Ravi Kumar Sagar conferred with the prestigious Dr. Kalam Seva Puraskar

- Ravi Kumar Sagar, 22, one of the youngest founders and CEO of RK'S INNO group was conferred with the most prestigious Dr. Abdul Kalam Seva Puraskar. The award was presented to him for his persistent service to society and is one of the youngest entrepreneurs in India.
- Dr. Kalam Seva Purasakar is hosted every year by Vandhe Bharat Foundation and LeadIndia Foundation to commemorate the birth anniversary of the late former President of India Dr. APJ Adul Kalam. The award is conferred to the deserving candidates on the birth anniversary of Dr. Kalam for recognizing various people who have been doing extraordinary work for society.

SPORTS

1. The Phrygian hat has been chosen as the mascot for the Paris Olympics 2024

- The Phrygian cap, a symbol of the French republic but wearing sneakers as a nod to the present, was unveiled as the 2024 Paris Olympics mascot. The Olympic Phryge is a little smaller, while the Paralympic Phryge is a little leaner and has a blade on his right leg because he is a Phyrge with a disability.
- The Paralympic mascot is distinguished by the presence of a runner's blade on one of its legs.Phryges (pronounced Fri-jee-uhs) are small Phrygian caps that symbolize liberty, inclusivity, and people's ability to support great and meaningful causes.

2.Carlos Alcaraz becomes the youngest world No. 1 ATP Player

- Carlos Alcaraz won the 2022 US Open, earning his first Grand Slam title. The 19-year-old also became the youngest world No. 1 in the history of the ATP rankings. Alcaraz's previous career-high was No. 4, but he has done all the right things this year to make the jump and solidify the fact that he is Spain's next tennis star.
- Alcaraz is the first teenage World No. 1 and also the fourth male Spanish player to reach that ranking, joining his coach Juan Carlos Ferrero, Carlos Moya, and Rafael Nadal.

3.Sebastian Vettel to retire from Formula 1 at the end of the 2022 season

- Four-time world champion Sebastian Vettel has announced he will retire from Formula 1 at the end of the 2022 season. After making his debut in 2007, Vettel went on to win four consecutive world championships for Red Bull between 2010 and 2013, the first of which made him the sport's youngest title winner.
- The 35-year-old German, who spent six seasons with Ferrari after joining the Italian team in 2015, will see out the remainder of his final campaign with Aston Martin.

OBITUARIES

1.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 Pollywood'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.



2.Veteran Actress Tabassum Govil passes away

- Veteran actress Tabassum Govil, who was popularly known as Baby Tabassum passed away at the age of 78.Tabassum was born in 1944 in Mumbai.
- She started her career as a child artist in 1947 with Nargis. The actress later starred in films like Mera Suhaag (1947), Manjhdhar (1947), Bari Behen (1949), Deedar (1951), and Swarg (1990). Tabassum hosted the popular Doordarshan celebrity talk show Phool Khile Hain Gulshan Gulshan India's first talk show from 1972 to 1993.

IMPORTANT DAYS

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

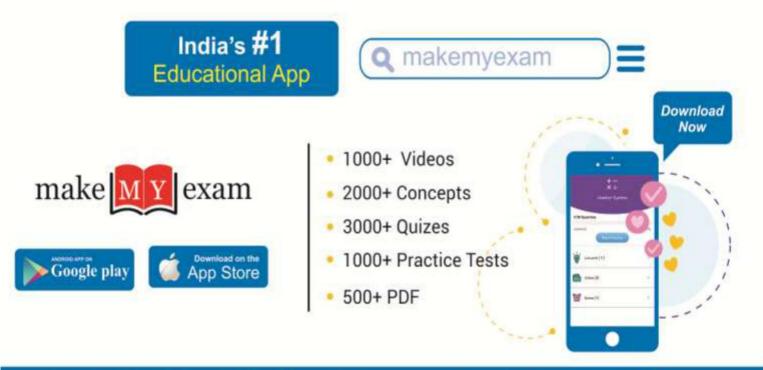
- World Television day 2022 is observed on the 21st of November 2022. The UN General Assembly decided to name November 21 World Television Day, not to celebrate the object itself, but the symbol for communication and globalization in the contemporary world that it represents.
- In 1927, a 21-year-old 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.

2.World Heritage Week is observed every year 19–25 November 2022

- The Department of Archives, Archaeology and Museums is celebrating World Heritage week commencing from November 19 to November 25, 2022. The World Heritage Week is observed to promote the conservation of culture and heritage.
- The week long celebration aims to create awareness about traditions and culture. The World Heritage Week is celebrated by UNESCO and several other international organisations. In India. The World Heritage Week is celebrated by the Archaeological Survey of India.



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