



Current Affairs

14th September 2021

Today's
Important News

Hindi Diwas 2021: 14 September

1. National Hindi Day 2021: 14 September

- Hindi Divas or Hindi Day is observed every year on 14 September to celebrate the popularity of Hindi as an official language of India.
- 14 September is celebrated as Hindi Diwas as it was on this day in 1949 when the Constituent Assembly of India had adopted Hindi written in Devanagari script as the official language of India.
- Hindi was adopted under Article 343 of the Indian Constitution.
- Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar and Rajbhasha Gaurav Puraskar awards are being given on this day.



2. Justice M. Venugopal appointed as Acting Chairperson of NCLAT

- Justice M. Venugopal has been appointed as the new Acting Chairperson of National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) with effect from September 11, 2021.
- He is a former judge of the High Court of Madras and was appointed as Judicial Member of NCLAT on October 23, 2019.
- This is the third time in a row that an Acting Chairperson is at the helm of the NCLAT, after the retirement of S, J .Mukhopadhaya.
- NCLAT is a tribunal established under Section 410 of Companies Act, 2013.



3. Haryana adjudged first in the installation of solar pumps under PM-KUSUM

- Haryana has been ranked as the first state of India in installation of off-grid solar pumps under Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthan Mahaabhiyaan (PMKUSUM), as per Ministry of New and Renewable Energy data.
- The state has installed 14,418 pumps against 15,000 sanctioned pumps for the year 2020-21 with a total cost of Rs 520 crore.
- **PM-KUSUM scheme:** It is a centrally-sponsored scheme, that was launched in 2019 with a target to install 20 lakh standalone solar pumps.



Foot Notes:

About Haryana:

Governor: Bandaru Dattatreya

Capital: Chandigarh

Chief Minister: Manohar Lal Khattar

4. Chhattisgarh launches 'Millet Mission' to become Millet Hub of India

- Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has announced to launch 'Millet Mission' to provide a proper price rate to farmers for minor cereal crops.
- Other important benefits under Millet Mission to include input assistance for millet, procurement arrangements, aid farmers in the processing of crops, etc.
- To implement the mission, the state government has signed an MoU with Indian Institute of Millet Research (IIMR), Hyderabad and collectors of 14 districts of the state.



Foot Notes:

About Chhattisgarh:

Governor: Anusuiya Uikey

Chief Minister: Bhupesh Baghel

Capitals: Raipur (Executive Branch), Bilaspur

5. Skyroot Aerospace becomes first Space startup to formally tie-up with ISRO

- Hyderabad-based Space technology startup, Skyroot Aerospace has become the first private company to formally enter into an agreement with ISRO to get access to their facilities and expertise for the development and testing of subsystems and systems of space launch vehicles.



- Skyroot Aerospace is building Vikram series of rockets to carry small satellites into space.
- First launch vehicle in the series, Vikram-1 is scheduled to be launch in 2022.

Foot Notes:

About Skyroot Aerospace:

Founders: Pawan Kumar Chandana, Naga Bharath Daka

Founded: 12 June 2018

6. North Korea tested a new long-range cruise missile capable of hitting Japan

- North Korea has tested a new long-range cruise missile, which is capable of hitting Japan
- During the test, the missile travelled up to 1,500 km, suggesting that North Korea is still capable of developing weapons despite food shortages and economic crisis.
- It is first long-range cruise missile of Korea that could possibly carry a nuclear warhead



Foot Notes:

About North Korea:

Supreme leader: Kim Jong-un

Capital: Pyongyang

Currency: North Korean won

7. India and US launch Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue

- India and USA have launched Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue (CAFMD) to strengthen India-US bilateral cooperation on climate and environment.
- CAFMD is one of the two tracks of the India-U.S. Climate and Clean Energy Agenda 2030 partnership launched at Leaders' Summit on Climate in April 2021.
- It will demonstrate how the world can align swift climate action with inclusive and resilient economic development.



Foot Notes:

About US:

Capital: Washington, D.C.

President: Joe Biden

Currency: United States Dollar

8. TCS announces largest women recruitment drive 'Rebegin project'

- Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has announced one of its largest recruitment drives for hiring women, titled as 'Rebegin project'.
- The project is aimed at experienced and aspiring women who wish to jump-start their professional journey and make 'The Big Move'.
- It will benefit women professionals who have taken a career sabbatical due to family or other pressing commitments to help them reassimilate into the corporate culture.



Foot Notes:

About TCS:

CEO: Rajesh Gopinathanth

Headquarters: Mumbai

Founded: 1 April 1968

Founders: Faquir Chand Kohli, J. R. D. Tata, Tata Sons

9. Daniil Medvedev wins 2021 US Open Tennis Title

- Russia professional Tennis player Daniil Medvedev (25 years) has won 2021 US Open men's singles Tennis Title, after beating Novak Djokovic (Serbia) by 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.
- This is the maiden Grand Slam title won by Medvedev.
- Women's single winner: Emma Raducanu (Great Britain) defeated Leylah Fernandez (Canada).
- Men's double winner: Rajeev Ram and Joe Salisbury.
- Women's double winner: Samantha Stosur and Zhang Shuai.
- Mixed Doubles: Desirae Krawczyk and Joe Salisbury.



10. Veteran Congress leader Oscar Fernandes passes away

- Veteran Rajya Sabha MP and former Union minister Oscar Fernandes (80 years) passed away due to age-related ailments at Yenepoya hospital in Mangalore.
- He was the senior Congress leader and served as the Union Cabinet Minister for Transport, Road and Highways and Labour and Employment, in Manmohan Singh's UPA govt.
- He was a five-time Lok Sabha MP from Udupi in Karnataka.



- He also served two terms as a member of the Council of the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.

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