



# Current Affairs

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## Today's Important News

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### 1. Labor Party's Anthony Albanese sworn-in as the new PM of Australia

- Labour Party leader Anthony Albanese was sworn in as Australia's 31st Prime Minister with four key Cabinet members, including new Foreign Minister Penny Wong.
- Richard Marles is the new Deputy Prime Minister and Employment Minister, Jim Chalmers is Treasurer, and Katy Gallagher is Attorney General and Finance Minister.
- It is Australia's first Labour Government in almost a decade.



#### Foot Notes:

#### About Australia:

**Capital:** Canberra

**Currency:** Australian dollar

**Prime Minister:** Anthony Albanese

### 2. International Day to End Obstetric Fistula 2022: 23 May

- United Nations (UN) International Day to End Obstetric Fistula is marked on 23rd May since 2013 to promote action towards treating and preventing obstetric fistula, a condition that affects many girls and women during childbirth in

developing countries. In 2003 the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) and its partners launched the global Campaign to End Fistula, a collaborative initiative to prevent fistula and restore the health of those affected by the condition. The day was officially recognised in 2012.



**Foot Notes:**

**About United Nations Population Fund:**

**Headquarters:** New York, United States

**Head:** Natalia Kanem

**Founded:** 1969

**3. Indian and Bangladesh Navies started Coordinated Patrol in Bay of Bengal**

- 4th edition Indian and Bangladesh Navies has commenced two-day Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT) in Northern Bay of Bengal.
- **Indian Navy:** Two indigenously built Ships - Kora (a guided-missile corvette) and Sumedha (an offshore patrol vessel) are participating in the exercise.
- **Bangladesh:** Navy Ships BNS Ali Haider and BNS Abu Ubaidah are taking part in the coordinated patrol exercise.
- Both navies of Maritime Patrol Aircraft will also participate.



**Foot Notes:**

**About Bangladesh:**

**Capital:** Dhaka

**Currency:** Bangladeshi taka

**President:** Abdul Hamid

**Prime Minister:** Sheikh Hasina

**4. Manchester City crowned 2021/22 Premier League champions**

- Manchester City (Football) have been crowned 2021/22 Premier League champions their fourth title success in the last five seasons.
- Manchester City win over Aston Villa in the final game of the season.
- In Manchester City's 38 league matches this season, they have won 29, drawn six, and lost three, scoring 99 goals in the process.
- City have now won four Premier League titles and eight major trophies under Pep Guardiola since his arrival in the summer of 2016.



**5. Nobel winner Jose Ramos-Horta sworn in as East Timor president**

- Former independence fighter and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Jose Ramos-Horta was sworn in as president of East Timor.
- He defeated incumbent Francisco “Lu Olo” Guterres (his fellow independence fighter) in election.
- Ramos-Horta was prime minister from 2006 to 2007 and president from 2007 to 2012.
- East Timor is marking the 20th anniversary of independence for Asia’s youngest country.



**Foot Notes:**

**About East Timor:**

**Capital:** Dili

**President:** Francisco Guterres

**Currency:** United States Dollar

**6. New Development bank to set up regional office in India**

- The New Development Bank (NDB) will open its first regional office in India at the Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City) to cater to infrastructure and sustainable development needs of the country.
- The Indian Regional Office (IRO) will be instrumental in enhancing NDB’s engagement with borrowers and stakeholders.
- IRO expands our on-the-ground presence, contributing to preparing and implementing projects.



**Foot Notes:**

**About New Development bank:**

**Headquarters location:** Shanghai, China

**President:** Marcos Prado Troyjo

**Founder:** BRICS

**Founded:** 15 July 2014

**7. Infosys reappoints Salil Parekh as CEO and MD for the next 5 years**

- IT major Infosys announced that its Board of Directors has reappointed Salil S. Parekh as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director (CEO & MD) of the Company effective from July 1, 2022, for a period of five years till March 31, 2027, subject to the approval of shareholders. This is based on the recommendations of the Nomination and Remuneration Committee (NRC) and is subject to the approval of shareholders.



- Salil Parekh has been the Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of Infosys since January 2018 and has successfully led Infosys over the last 4 years. He has more than thirty years of global experience in the IT services industry with a strong track record of driving digital transformation for enterprises, executing business turnarounds, and managing successful acquisitions.

#### Foot Notes:

#### About Infosys:

**Founded:** 2 July 1981, Pune

**Headquarters:** Bengaluru

**Founders:** N.r. Narayana Murthy and Nandan Nilekani

### 8. IFS Vivek Kumar appointed as PS to PM Modi

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has got IFS Vivek Kumar as his new Private Secretary (PS). The Cabinet Appointments Committee accepted Vivek Kumar's nomination as PM Modi's press secretary. Vivek Kumar is the director of the Prime Minister's Office and is a 2004 batch Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer (PMO).
- The Cabinet Appointments Committee has approved the application for Vivek Kumar, IFS (2004) to be appointed as PS to PM at Joint Secretary level in the Prime Minister's Office, with salary at Pay Matrix level 14.
- Vivek Kumar will take over as PM Modi's private secretary from Sanjeev Kumar Singla. India's Ambassador to Israel, Sanjeev Kumar Singla, is ready to take over. Singla, an IFS officer from the 1997 batch, was named PS to the Prime Minister in 2014. Singla returned to India to work in the PMO after a brief stint in the Indian Embassy in Tel Aviv. He will now resume his duties as ambassador.



### 9. Haryana beat Jharkhand 2-0 to win Hockey India Sub-Junior Women's National Championship in Imphal

- Haryana Hockey team has emerged as the winners of the Hockey India sub-junior women's national championship 2022 after defeating Hockey Jharkhand by 2-0 in the final in Imphal.
- Uttar Pradesh Hockey has defeated Madhya Pradesh Hockey by 3-0 to secure third place in the tournament.
- Pushpanjali Sonkar, Manisha Patel, and Purnima Yadav scored a goal each to help Uttar Pradesh Hockey seal third place in the competition





for the second consecutive time.

**Foot Notes:**

**About Haryana:**

**Capital:** Chandigarh

**Governor:** Bandaru Dattatreya

**Chief Minister:** Manohar Lal Khattar

**10. WHO honours ASHA workers for contribution to advancing global health**

- World Health Organisation (WHO) awarded and honoured to India's one million all-women Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA) workers for their 'outstanding' contribution to advancing global health, demonstrated leadership and commitment to regional health issues.
- ASHAs workers worked to provide maternal care and immunization for children against vaccine-preventable diseases; community health care; treatment for hypertension and tuberculosis.



**Foot Notes:**

**About WHO:**

**Headquarters:** Geneva, Switzerland

**Founded:** 7 April 1948

**Director-General:** Tedros Adhanom

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