

RRB PO AND CLERK MAINS 2023

GK CAPSULE

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Chapter 1: Appointment (National and International)

(National)

March

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person</u>
Appointed as the new Chairperson of the power regulator Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC)	Jishnu Barua (Updated 6 March)
Reappointed as Managing Director and CEO of HDFC Bank for three years	Sashidhar Jagdishan (Updated 7 March)
Took charge as the 28th Controller General of Accounts (CGA)	Sanjiva Shankar Dubey (Updated 7 March)
Taken oath as the chief minister of Meghalaya for the second consecutive term	Conrad K Sangma (Updated 8 March)
Announced as the World's First 'Hand Ambassador' by Savlon Swasth India	Sachin Tendulkar (Updated 7 March)
Sworn in as the new chief minister of Tripura for the second consecutive term	Dr.Manik Saha (Updated 9 March)
Become the first woman officer in the IAF to command a missile squadron in the Western sector facing Pakistan	Shalija Dhami (Updated 9 March)
Sworn in as the Chief Minister of Nagaland for a record fifth term in Kohima	Neiphiu Rio (Updated 10 March)
Appointed as the new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) of Axis Mutual Fund	B Gopkumar (Updated 10 March)
Appointed as CEO & MD of Hindustan Unilever Limited (HUL)	Rohit Jawa (Updated 11 March)
Names Bhanu Vohra head of commercial banking in India	Citi India (Updated 13 March)
Appointed as the Interim Chairman of Life Insurance	Siddhartha Mohanty (Updated 13 March)
Re-appointment as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the bank for a	Sumant Kathpalia (Updated 14 March)

further period of 2 years with effect from March 24, 2023.	
Appointed as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Tech Mahindra for a period of 5 years, effective from 20 December 2023.	Mohit Joshi (Updated 14 March)
Appointed as India's ambassador of 'She Changes Climate'	Shreya Ghodawat (Updated 15 March)
Appointed as the Managing Directors of the Life Insurance Company (LIC).	Tablesh Pandey and M. Jagannath (Updated 16 March)
Assigned the additional charge of chairman and managing director (CMD) of NMDC	Amitava Mukherjee (Updated 17 March)
Appointed as the Chairman of the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA)	Deepak Mohanty (Updated 17 March)
Step down of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Rajesh Gopinathan (Updated 19 March)
New Chief Executive Officer of Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)	K. Krithivasan (Updated 19 March)
Appointed as MD and CEO of UCO Bank	Ashwani Kumar (Updated 19 March)
Appointed as Brand Ambassador of Luxor Writing Instruments Private Limited	Virat Kohli (Updated 19 March)
Appointed as the new Chairman & Managing Director of the Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)	G Krishnakumar (Updated 20 March)
Steps down as MD & CEO of Invest India	Deepak Bagla (Updated 20 March)
Appointed as an Honorary Officer in the General Division of the Order of Australia (AO)	Ratan Tata (Updated 22 March)
Appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Cotton Corporation of India (CCI)	Lalit Kumar Gupta (Updated 22 March)
Appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the investment promotion and facilitation body under the commerce ministry.	Manmeet K Nanda (Updated 23 March)

Appointed as managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO) of CEAT Tyre	Arnab Banerjee (Updated 23 March)
Appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer of Reliance Industries Limited (RIL)	Srikanth Venkatachari (Updated 28 March)
Appointed as Independent Directors of NDTV	UK Sinha and Dipali Goenka (Updated 30 March)
Appointed as the new president of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM)	Ajay Singh (Updated 31 March)
Appointed as Managing Director and Chief Executive Office of Axis Securities	Pranav Haridasan (Updated 31 March)
Appointed as brand ambassador of the Walt Disney Company India-owned channel Star Sports	Ranveer Singh (Updated 31 March)

April

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person</u>
Appointed as the new chief executive officer (CEO) of the Hero MotoCorp Ltd.'s board	Niranjan Gupta (Updated 1 April)
Re-appointed as the company's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director of Tata Power	Praveer Sinha (Updated 1 April)
Appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of Power Trading Corporation of India (PTC) Limited.	Rajib K Mishra (Updated 3 April)
Assumed the appointment of the Vice Chief of Naval Staff	Sanjay Jasjit Singh (Updated 3 April)
The Reserve Bank of India has appointed as executive director (ED) who will look after four departments, including consumer education and protection.	Neeraj Nigam (Updated 4 April)
Appointed as the new Managing Director of Hitachi Payment Services.	Sumil Vikamsey (Updated 4 April)
Assumed charge as the Director General Naval Operations (DGNO)	Atul Anand (Updated 5 April)
Assumed the charge as the 40th president of the FICCI Ladies Organization (FLO) at the 39th annual session.	Sudha Shivkumar (Updated 5 April)

Appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the board of members of Suzlon Energy	J P Chalasani (Updated 7 April)
Appointed as the new Managing Director of Suzuki Motorcycle India Pvt Ltd.	Kenichi Umeda (Updated 7 April)
Appointed as CEO and Executive Director of Welspun New Energy Ltd (WEL).	Kapil Maheshwari (Updated 8 April)
Assumed charge as the President of the National Rifle Association of India (NRAI).	Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo (Updated 9 April)
Reappointed as Managing Director & CEO of AU Small Finance Bank (SFB) for a period of three years.	Sanjay Agarwal (Updated 13 April)
Appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of IT major Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) for a period of five years.	K Krithivasan (Updated 13 April)
Appointed as the new Chief Investment Officer of the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC).	Ratnakar Patnaik (Updated 14 April)
Appointment of as interim managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO) of Karnataka Bank.	Sekhar Rao (Updated 17 April)
Appointed as the brand influencer of HSBC India	Virat Kohli (Updated 21 April)
Appointed as the CEO and managing director of Tata Electronics Pvt Ltd (TEPL)	Dr. Randhir Thakur (Updated 21 April)
Announced as Jio Cinema's brand ambassador of Jio Cinema	Rohit Sharma (Updated 22 April)
Appointed as Deputy Managing Director of the HDFC bank	Kaizad Bharucha (Updated 23 April)
Appointed as Executive Director of the HDFC bank	Bhavesh Zaveri (Updated 23 April)
Appointed as the new chairman of the National Technical Research Organization (NTRIO)	Arun Sinha (Updated 23 April)
Appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of BEML Limited (Bharat Earth Movers Limited),	Shantanu Roy (Updated 24 April)
Star Sports signs as brand ambassador	Rishabh Pant

	(Updated 24 April)
Assumed as the charges of secretary in the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT).	Rajesh Kumar Singh (Updated 25 April)
Appointed as Chairperson of Nasscom for 2023-24	Anant Maheshwari (Updated 26 April)
Taken charge as the new chairman of Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (KVGB).	Shreekant Bhandiwad (Updated 27 April)
Elected as president of Indian Cycling Federation	Pankaj Singh (Updated 28 April)
Reappointed as Managing Director and CEO of City Union Bank.	N Kamakodi (Updated 28 April)
Taken charge as the Chief Executive Officer of the Association of Asset Reconstruction Companies.	Hari Hara Mishra (Updated 28 April)
Appointed as Chief Operating Officer of SpiceJet	Arun Kashyap (Updated 28 April)
Appointed as chairman of Life Insurance Corporation of India till June 2024.	Siddhartha Mohanty (Updated 30 April)
Appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Bank of Baroda (BoB)	Debadatta Chand (Updated 30 April)
Appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Bank of India (BoI)	Rajneesh Karnatak (Updated 30 April)

May

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person</u>
Appointed as Chief Executive Officer of Vodafone	Margherita Della Valle (Updated 2 May)
Appointed as the chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission and secretary of the Department of Atomic Energy	Ajit Mohanty (Updated 2 May)
Signed as brand ambassador of Wakefit Innovations Private Limited	Ayushmann Khurrana (Updated 6 May)
Appointed as the Managing Director of Accenture India	Ajay Vij (Updated 7 May)

Appointed as Chairman and Managing Director of Infrastructure major Larsen & Toubro	S N Subrahmanyam (Updated 12 May)
Appointed as the new Managing Director of PUMA India.	Karthik Balagopalan (Updated 13 May)
Appointed as interim Managing Director and CEO of the National Investment and Infrastructure Fund (NIIF)	Rajiv Dhar (Updated 13 May)
Joins Indian Team as Ambassador for Special Olympics Journey to Berlin	Ayushmann Khurrana (Updated 14 May)
Appointed a director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) for a period of two years.	Praveen Sood (Updated 15 May)
Appointed as new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of Vedanta Limited.	Sonal Srivastava (Updated 17 May)
Took over as the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff	Ashutosh Dixit (Updated 17 May)
Appointed as the Chairperson of the Competition Commission of India (CCI)	Ravneet Kaur (Updated 17 May)
Duroflex Private Limited has signed as its brand ambassador	Virat Kohli (Updated 17 May)
Taken oath as the chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)	Manoj Soni (Updated 17 May)
Appointed as the new Chairman of the Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB)	Anil Kumar Jain (Updated 18 May)
One97 Communications Ltd, the parent company of Paytm, has appointed as the President and Chief Operating Officer (COO) of the fintech company.	Bhavesh Gupta (Updated 18 May)
Assigned the independent charge as Minister of State in the Ministry of Law and Justice in addition to his existing portfolios.	Arjun Ram Meghwal (Updated 19 May)
Appointed as Deputy Managing Director on the Bank's Board for 3 years.	Jayakumar S. Pillai (Updated 24 May)
Re-elected as President and Secretary of the Swimming Federation of India (SFI)	N. Jayaprakash and Monal D Chokshi (Updated 24 May)
The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has given its approval to Paytm Payments Bank for the re-	Vijay Shekhar Sharma

appointment of Paytm CEO as part-time chairman for a year.	(Updated 25 May)
Appointed as the brand ambassador of Tripura tourism.	Sourav Ganguly (Updated 25 May)
Elected as President of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for 2023-24.	R Dinesh (Updated 28 May)
Sworn in as a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)	Suman Sharma (Updated 28 May)
Private sector lender Karnataka Bank has appointed as the new managing director and chief executive officer of the bank	Srikrishnan Harihara Sarma (Updated 29 May)
Sworn in as the Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC)	Praveen Kumar Srivastava (Updated 30 May)
Maharashtra government has named as 'Smile Ambassador' under the state medical education & drug department's 'Swachh Mukh Abhiyan.	Sachin Tendulkar (Updated 31 May)

June

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person</u>
Took charge as the chief executive officer (CEO) for Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)	K. Krithivasan (Updated 1 June)
appointed as Managing Director of the Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited (SECI)	Ajay Yadav (Updated 1 June)
Appointed as MD and CEO of UCO Bank.	Ashwani Kumar (Updated 2 June)
Took over as the Air Officer-in-Charge Administration (AOA).	Rajesh Kumar Anand VSM (Updated 2 June)
Taken over as Director General of Naval Armament (DGONA)	P Upadhyay (Updated 2 June)
Sworn in as a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)	Bidyut Bihari Swain (Updated 2 June)
Appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director of Steel Authority of India Ltd (SAIL)	Amarendu Prakash (Updated 3 June)
Appointed as the new Director General of the Geological Survey of India (GSI).	Janardan Prasad (Updated 4 June)

Appointed brand ambassador for Zebronic TV	Hrithik Roshan (Updated 4 June)
Credit bureau TransUnion CIBIL has appointed as non-executive chairman.	V Anantharaman (Updated 10 June)
Appointed as the new director general of the Border Security Force (BSF)	Nitin Agarwal (Updated 13 June)
Epson India signs as brand ambassador	Rashmika Mandanna (Updated 13 June)
Appointed as CEO Unique Identification Authority of India.	Amit Agrawal (Updated 13 June)
Appointed as director general of the National Testing Agency	Subodh Kumar Singh (Updated 13 June)
The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the appointment for the post of Director (Marketing) of GAIL (India) Limited.	Sanjay Kumar (Updated 15 June)
Taken over as Director (Personnel) of NHPC Limited	Uttam Lal (Updated 15 June)
Assumed charge as the new managing director of Indraprastha Gas Ltd (IGL), the largest CNG distribution company.	Kamal Kishore Chatiwal (Updated 18 June)
Axis Bank has appointed as a part-time Non-Executive Chairman.	N S Vishwanathan (Updated 19 June)
Re-appointed as MD & CEO of Equitas Small Finance Bank	P N Vasudevan (Updated 19 June)
Appointed as the next chief of the Research and Analysis Wing (RAW)	Ravi Sinha (Updated 20 June)
Appointed as Deputy Governor of RBI	Swaminathan Janakiraman (Updated 21 June)
Assumed the charge as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI).	Amit Agrawal (Updated 22 June)
Appointed as Chairman of GIFT City Ltd	Hasmukh Adhia (Updated 22 June)
Appointed as interim MD & CEO of PTC India Financial Services Ltd (PFS).	Mahendra Lodha (Updated 23 June)

Appointed as the new chairman of the Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC).	Umesh Kumar (Updated 25 June)
DBS Bank India has appointed as managing director and head of institutional banking for India	Rajat Verma (Updated 28 June)
Appoints as part-time Chairman of Federal Bank	AP Hota (Updated 29 June)
Appointed as Managing Director and CEO of Hindustan Unilever Ltd (HUL).	Rohit Jawa (Updated 29 June)

July

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person</u>
Appointed as the Special Director of the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)	Ajay Bhatnagar (Updated 1 July)
Appointed as the new Chairman of Coal India Limited (CIL).	P M Prasad (Updated 3 July)
State Bank of India (SBI)'s chief financial officer has resigned	Charanjit Surinder Singh Attra (Updated 3 July)
Sworn in as Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister	Ajit Pawar (Updated 3 July)
Reappointed as Solicitor General of India	Tushar Mehta (Updated 3 July)
Step down as HDFC chairperson	Deepak Parekh (Updated 3 July)
Become the first woman minister in the new government led by Eknath Shinde.	Aditi Tatkare (Updated 4 July)
The State Bank of India board has appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	Kameshwar Kodavanti (Updated 5 July)
Assumed charge as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Bank of Baroda (BoB).	Debadatta Chand (Updated 5 July)
Quick Heal Technologies Ltd has appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Vishal Salvi (Updated 7 July)
Elected as the President of the Basketball Federation of India (BFI)	Aadhav Arjuna (Updated 7 July)

Appointed as the chairperson of the National Green Tribunal (NGT)	Justice Sheo Kumar Singh (Updated 8 July)
Appointed as Executive Director by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	P Vasudevan (Updated 8 July)
SBI Cards & Payment Services (SBI Card) has appointed as MD & CEO	Abhijit Chakravorty (Updated 12 July)
Re-appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of India Tobacco Company Limited (ITC Ltd)	Sanjiv Puri (Updated 13 July)
Appointed as MD of Michelin India. He will be based out of Pune, India.	Shantanu Deshpande (Updated 19 July)
Elected as the new President of the Cement Manufacturers' Association (CMA).	Neeraj Akhoury (Updated 20 July)
Appointed as the Director General of the Railway Protection Force (RPF).	Manoj Yadava (Updated 21 July)
Appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of Invest India.	Nivriti Rai (Updated 21 July)
Appointed as the 25th Director General of the Indian Coast Guard (ICG)	Rakesh Pal (Updated 21 July)
Appointed as CEO of NOIDA	Lokesh M (Updated 22 July)
Appointed as the new Chairman and MD of Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)	A Madhavarao (Updated 25 July)
Re-appointed as the MD and CEO of Tata Steel	T V Narendran (Updated 26 July)
Becomes the 1st female IPS officer of Arunachal Pradesh	Tenzing Yangki (Updated 27 July)
Appointed as non-executive chairman of Axis Bank	NS Vishwanathan (Updated 31 July)

August

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Person</u>
Becomes Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)	Nisha Desai Biswal (Updated 1 August)

Appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Engineering Projects India Ltd (EPIL)	Shivendra Nath (Updated 1 August)
Appointed as the new director of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)	Prof Ganesan Kannabiran (Updated 1 August)
Appointed as the Additional Director General of the Military Nursery Service (MNS)	Amita Rani (Updated 4 August)
The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved extension in service as Cabinet Secretary for a further period of one year	Rajiv Gauba (Updated 5 August)
Qualcomm appointed as the President of Qualcomm India.	Savi Soin (Updated 6 August)
Appointed as the President and CEO of Honeywell High Growth Region	Anant Maheshwari (Updated 7 August)
Appointed as the new Chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)	Sanjay Kumar Agarwal (Updated 7 August)
Cyrus Poonawalla Group appointed as the strategic advisor to all the financial services ventures spearheaded by Adar Poonawalla	Keki Mistry (Updated 8 August)
Appointed as Additional Director General of Indian Coast Guard	S Paramesh (Updated 10 August)
Appoints as MD & CEO of SBI Life Insurance	Amit Jhingran (Updated 10 August)
Reappointed as Chairman of Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL)	Shrikant Madhav Vaidya (Updated 11 August)
Appointed Executive Director of Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) as Managing Director of the insurance behemoth.	R Doraiswamy (Updated 15 August)
Appointed as the new CEO of PayPal	Alex Chriss (Updated 17 August)
Power Finance Corporation Limited (PFC) has appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD), becoming the first woman to lead the company	Parminder Chopra (Updated 18 August)
The Reserve Bank of India has approved the appointment of as Managing Director & CEO of the South Indian Bank	PR Seshadri (Updated 19 August)

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), the second-largest Indian oil marketing company (OMC), has announced as its latest brand ambassador.	Rahul Dravid (Updated 21 August)
Appointed as SEBI whole-time members	Kamlesh Varshney, Amarjeet Singh (Updated 22 August)
Tata Projects Executive Vice President has resigned from the key post in the company	Sandeep Navlakhe (Updated 22 August)

(International)

March

Organization / Country	Person
Re-appointed as the Prime Minister of Kuwait. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital: Kuwait City Currency: Kuwaiti Dinar 	Sheikh Ahmad Nawaf al-Sabah (Updated 7 March)
Elected the new President of Nepal About Nepal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital- Kathmandu Currency- Nepalese rupee President- Ram Chandra Paudel Prime minister- Pushpa Kamal Dahal 	Ram Chandra Paudel (Updated 10 March)
Elected as president for third term of China About China <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital – Beijing Currency – Yuan President - Xi Jinping 	Xi Jinping (Updated 11 March)
Appointed as CEO of Silicon Valley Bank About Silicon Valley Bank <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establishment - 1983 Founder - Roger V Smith President - Gregory W. Baker Headquarters - Santa Clara, California (United States) 	Tim Mayopoulos (Updated 16 March)
Elected as the third Vice President of Nepal About Nepal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capital- Kathmandu Currency- Nepalese rupee President- Ram Chandra Paudel Prime minister- Pushpa Kamal Dahal 	Ram Sahai Prasad Yadav (Updated 20 March)
Assumed charge as new CEO of Starbucks	Laxman Narasimhan (Updated 24 March)

Elected as the new President of the New Development Bank (NDB)	Dilma Vana Rousseff (Updated 27 March)
Appointed as Vice-President of UAE <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital: Abu Dhabi • Currency: UAE dirham 	Sheikh Mansour bin Zayed Al Nahyan (Updated 31 March)

April

<u>Organization / Country</u>	<u>Person</u>
Appointed as the first head of NASA's Moon to Mars Programme, with immediate effect.	Amit Kshatriya (Updated 3 April)
Commissioned as a Warrant Officer in the Royal Air Force of the United Kingdom	Subby Subramaniam (Updated 10 April)
Clinched a second five-year term in a parliamentary vote for which he was the sole candidate in the country About Cuba <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Havana • Currency- Cuban Peso • President- Miguel Diaz-Canel • Prime Minister- Manuel Marrero Cruz 	Miguel Diaz-Canel (Updated 21 April)
Elected as the new deputy prime minister of the United Kingdom. About United Kingdom (UK) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital - London • Currency - Pound sterling • Prime Minister - Rishi Sunak 	Oliver Dowden (Updated 26 April)
Sworn in as the 22nd President of Bangladesh About Bangladesh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Dhaka • Currency - Taka • President - Mohammed Shahabuddin Chappu 	Mohammed Shahabuddin Chappu (Updated 27 April)

May

<u>Organization / Country</u>	<u>Person</u>
Won the Paraguay's presidential election. About Paraguay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Asunción • Currency - Guarani • President - Santiago Peña 	Santiago Peña (Updated 4 May)
Appointed as World Bank president About World Bank <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded - 1944 	Ajay Banga (Updated 4 May)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headquarters - Washington Dc • President - Ajay Banga • MD & CFO - Anshula Kant • Chief Economist - Carman Reinhart • Executive Director - Rajesh Khullar • Member Countries -189 • World Bank Group - 5 (IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA and ICSID) 	
Elected as the new president of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)	Mark Nicholas (Updated 6 May)
Appointed as the Domestic Policy Advisor in US President Joe Biden's team	Neera Tandon (Updated 8 May)
Appointed as Gucci's global ambassador	Alia Bhatt (Updated 12 May)
Appointed as the 'Ambassador at Large for global issues related to women at the State Department by US Senate	Geeta Rao Gupta (Updated 15 May)
Elected as the President of the International Basketball Federation (FIBA) Asia.	Dr. K. Govindaraj (Updated 15 May)
Sworn in as the new President of Nigeria. About Nigeria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Abuja • Currency- Nigerian naira • Continent- Africa • President- Bola Tinubu 	Bola Tinubu (Updated 31 May)
Become the first ever British-Indian Sikh to take oath as Birmingham's Lord Mayor.	Chaman Lal (Updated 31 May)

June

<u>Organization / Country</u>	<u>Person</u>
Re-elected as President of Turkey About Turkey <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Ankara • Currency- Turkish lira • Official language- Turkish • President - Recep Tayyip Erdogan 	Recep Tayyip Erdogan (Updated 1 June)
Elected as the new President of the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) About World Meteorological Organization (WMO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded- 23 March 1950 • Headquarters- Geneva, Switzerland • President- Dr Abdulla Al Mandous (UAE) • Secretary general- Petteri Taalas 	Dr Abdulla Al Mandous (Updated 3 June)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parent organization- United Nations 	
Elected as new president of Latvia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital: Riga • Prime minister: Krišjānis Kariņš • Currency-Euro 	Edgars Rinkevics (Updated 3 June)
Ace Turtle Omni Pvt Ltd., a retail company, has appointed as the brand ambassador of its Wrangler brand.	Smriti Mandhana (Updated 7 June)
Confirmed first Muslim woman federal judge in US history	Nusrat Chowdhary (Updated 21 June)
Appointed as the new CEO of Alibaba Group while Joseph Tsai as Executive Chairman.	Eddie Wu (Updated 23 June)
Elected as new PM of Finland About Finland <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Helsinki • Currency- Euro • Prime Minister- Sanna Marin 	Petteri Orpo (Updated 23 June)
Appointed as the president of BRICS Chamber of Commerce and Industry Women's Vertical (BRICS CCI WE) for a three-year term	Ruby Sinha (Updated 25 June)
Sworn in as Greece's PM About Greece <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Athens • Currency - Euro • Prime Minister - Kyriakos Mitsotakis 	Kyriakos Mitsotakis (Updated 27 June)

July

<u>Organization / Country</u>	<u>Person</u>
German luxury car brand Audi has appointed as Chairman of the Board of Management	Gernot Dollner (Updated 1 July)
Deloitte appointed as a senior advisor to leverage his extensive business and industry knowledge	Manoj Kohli (Updated 1 July)
Union government has re-appointed as India's ambassador to World Trade Organization (WTO) About World Trade Organization (WTO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founded - 1 January 1995 • Headquarters - Geneva Switzerland • 1st Director General - Peter Sutherland • Director General - Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala (Nigeria) • Member Countries - 164 	Brajendra Navnit (Updated 5 July)

Re-elected to a second term as Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations	QU Dongyu (Updated 7 July)
Asics India Private Limited has appointed as its new brand ambassador	Shraddha Kapoor (Updated 7 July)
Elected as the new President of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA)	Sheikh Talal Fahd Al Ahmad Al Sabah (Updated 12 July)
Named director-in-charge of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Zanzibar campus in Tanzania.	Preeti Aghalayam (Updated 14 July)
US President Joe Biden has appointed to the President's Export Council	Shamina Singh (Updated 19 July)
Appointed as chairman of the Board of Directors of the International Myeloma Foundation (IMF).	S. Vincent Rajkumar (Updated 24 July)

August

<u>Organization / Country</u>	<u>Person</u>
Elected as the new chairman of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in Nairobi, Kenya	James Ferguson 'Jim' Skea (Updated 1 August)
Named as a special agent in charge of the FBI's field office in Salt Lake City in the US state of Utah	Shohini Sinha (Updated 3 August)
Cambodia's King Norodom Sihamoni has appointed as the new prime minister of the country About Cambodia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital- Phnom Penh • Currency- Cambodian riel • Official language- Khmer 	Hun Manet (Updated 8 August)
Appointed as the new Chief Financial Officer of Elon Musk-owned carmaker Tesla.	Vaibhav Taneja (Updated 9 August)
Sworn in as Pakistan's caretaker prime minister to head a neutral political set-up to run the cash-strapped country	Anwarul Haq Kakar (Updated 16 August)

Chiefs and DGS

Department	Chief/DGS
▪ CDS	Lt. General Anil Chauhan
▪ Army Chief	Lt Gen Manoj Pande (29 th)
▪ Naval Chief	R Hari Kumar
▪ Air Chief	Vivek Ram Chaudhari

▪ IB	Tapan Kumar Deka
▪ BSF	Nitin Agrawal
▪ CRPF	Sujoy Lal Thaosen
▪ CISF	Sheel Vardhan Singh
▪ ITBP	Anish Dayal Singh
▪ NSG	M. A. Ganapathy
▪ NCB	Satya Narayan Pradhan
▪ NDRF	Atul Karwal
▪ CBI	Praveen Sood
▪ RAW	Ravi Sinha
▪ NIA	Dinkar Gupta
▪ Attorney General	R Venkataramani
▪ SSB	Rashmi Shukla

List of Chairman of Important Organisation

Organisation	Chairman Name
▪ SIDBI	S Ramann
▪ SEBI	Madhabi Puri Buch
▪ NABARD	K V Shaji
▪ NHRC	Arun Mishra
▪ NITI Aayog	PM Narendra Modi
▪ ISRO	S Somanath
▪ UIDAI	Amit Agrawal (CEO)
▪ UGC	Mamidala Jagadesh Kumar
▪ DRDO	Dr. Samir V Kamat
▪ Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)	Nitin Gupta
▪ FICCI (President)	Subhrakant Panda
▪ NTPC	Gurdeep Singh
▪ ONGC	Arun Kumar Singh
▪ Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC)	Sanjay Kumar Agarwal
▪ IOC	Shrikant Madhav Vaidya
▪ GAIL	Sandeep Kumar Gupta
▪ HPCL	Mr. Pushp Kumar Joshi
▪ BPCL	G. Krishnakuma
▪ SAIL	Amarendu Prakash
▪ Chief Election Commission of India	Rajiv Kumar (Election Commissioner : Anup Chandra Pandey, Arun Goel)
▪ UPSC chairman	Manoj Soni
▪ RBI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Governor: Shaktikanta Das ▪ Deputy Governor: Michael Patra ▪ Deputy Governor: Swaminathan Janakiraman ▪ Deputy Governor: M Rajeshwar Rao ▪ Deputy Governor : T Rabi Sankar ▪ Executive director (ED): P Vasudevan
▪ SBI	▪ SBI New chairman - Dinesh Kumar Khara

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SBI new chief financial officer (CFO)- Sanjay Raut ▪ SBI Cards& Payment Services MD & CEO- Rama Mohan Rao Amara ▪ SBI General Insurance MD & CEO - Kishore Kumar Poludasu ▪ SBI Mutual Fund MD & CEO- Shamsher Singh ▪ SBI MD - Shri C.S. Setty, Shri Ashwini Kumar Tewari, Shri Alok Kumar Choudhary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LIC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Chairperson: Siddhartha Mohanty ▪ Government Nominee Director: Dr.M.P.Tangirala ▪ Managing Director: Smt. Mini Ipe ▪ Managing Director: Shri. M.Jagannath ▪ Managing Director: Shri.Tablesh Pandey ▪ Managing Director: Shri. Sat Pal Bhanoo

Chapter 2: Awards (National, International)

List of Academy Award winners 2023 (95th Oscar Awards)

Category	Winner
Best Picture	Everything Everywhere All At Once
Actor In A Leading Role	Brendan Fraser (The Whale)
Actress In A Leading Role	Michelle Yeoh (Everything Everywhere All At Once)
Actor In A Supporting Role	Ke Huy Quan (Everything Everywhere All at Once)
Actress In A Supporting Role	Jamie Lee Curtis (Everything Everywhere All at Once)
Animated Feature Film	Guillermo del Toro's Pinocchio
Cinematography	All Quiet On The Western Front (James Friend)
Costume Design	Black Panther: Wakanda Forever (Ruth Carter)
Directing	Everything Everywhere All At Once (Daniel Kwan and Daniel Scheinert)

Documentary (Feature)	Navalny (Daniel Roher, Odessa Rae, Diane Becker, Melanie Miller, and Shane Boris)
Documentary (Short Subject)	The Elephant Whisperers (Kartiki Gonsalves and Guneet Monga)
Film Editing	Everything Everywhere All At Once (Paul Rogers)
International Feature Film	All Quiet On The Western Front (Germany)
Makeup And Hairstyling	The Whale (Adrien Morot, Judy Chin, and Annemarie Bradley)
Music (Original Score)	All Quiet On The Western Front (Volker Bertelmann)
Music (Original Song)	Naatu- Naatu (RRR; Music by M.M. Keeravaani; Lyric by Chandrabose)
Production Design	All Quiet On The Western Front (Production Design: Christian M. Goldbeck; Set Decoration: Ernestine Hipper)
Short Film (Animated)	The Boy, The Mole, The Fox And The Horse (Charlie Mackesy and Matthew Freud)
Short Film (Live Action)	'An Irish Goodbye' (Tom Berkeley and Ross White)
Visual Effects	Avatar: The Way Of Water (Joe Letteri, Richard Baneham, Eric Saindon, and Daniel Barrett)
Writing (Adapted Screenplay)	Women Talking (Screenplay by Sarah Polley)
Writing (Original Screenplay)	Everything Everywhere All At Once (Written by Daniel Kwan & Daniel Scheinert)

Sound	Top Gun: Maverick (Mark Weingarten, James H. Mather, Al Nelson, Chris Burdon and Mark Taylor)
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68th Filmfare Awards 2023 Winners Complete List

Category	Winner
Best Film	Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Film (Critics')	Badhaai Do
Best Actor (Male)	Rajkummar Rao for Badhaai Do
Best Actor (Female)	Alia Bhatt for Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Actor (Critics')	Sanjay Mishra for Vadh
Best Actress (Critics')	Bhumi Pednekar for Badhaai Do and Tabu for Bhool Bhulaiyaa 2
Best Director	Sanjay Leela Bhansali for Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Male)	Anil Kapoor for Jug Jugg Jeeyo
Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Female)	Sheeba Chaddha for Badhaai Do
Best Music Album	Pritam for Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva
Best Dialogue	Prakash Kapadia and Utkarshini Vashishtha for Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Screenplay	Akshat Ghildial, Suman Adhikary and Harshavardhan Kulkarni for Badhaai Do
Best Story	Akshat Ghildial and Suman Adhikary for Badhaai Do
Best Debut (Male)	Ankush Gedam for Jhund
Best Debut (Female)	Andrea Kevichusa for Anek
Best Debut Director	Jaspal Singh Sandhu and Rajeev Barnwal for Vadh
Lifetime Achievement Award	Prem Chopra
Best Lyrics	Amitabh Bhattacharya for Kesariya from Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva
Best Playback Singer (Male)	Arijit Singh for Kesariya from Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva
Best Playback Singer (Female)	Kavita Seth for Rangisari from Jug Jugg Jeeyo

IIFA Awards 2023 announced

Category	Winner
Best Film	Drishyam 2
Best Director	R Madhavan for Rocketry: The Nambi Effect
Best Actor in a Leading Role (Female)	Alia Bhatt for Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Actor in a Leading Role (Male)	Hrithik Roshan for Vikram Vedha
Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Female)	Mouni Roy for Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva
Best Actor in a Supporting Role (Male)	Anil Kapoor for Jugg Jugg Jeeyo
Outstanding Achievement for Fashion in Cinema	Manish Malhotra
Outstanding Achievement in Indian Cinema	Kamal Haasan
Best Adapted Story	Aamil Keeyan Khan and Abhishek Pathak for Drishyam 2
Best Original Story	Perveez Sheikh and Jasmeet Reen for Darlings
Outstanding Achievement in Regional Cinema	Marathi film Ved directed by Riteish Deshmukh
Best Debut (Male)	Shantanu Maheshwari for Gangubai Kathiawadi and Babil Khan for Qala
Best Debut (Female)	Khushali Kumar for Dhoka Around the Corner
Best Playback Singer (Female)	Shreya Ghoshal for the song Rasiya from Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva
Best Playback Singer (Male)	Arijit Singh for the song Kesariya from Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva
Best Music Direction	Pritam for Brahmastra: Part One – Shiva

Laureus Sportsman of the Year 2023

- Argentina footballer, **Lionel Messi** has been named the **Sportsman of the Year at the 2023 Laureus World Sports Awards**.
- Messi also became the first athlete to scoop both the World Sportsman of the Year Award and the World Team of the Year Award in the same year.
- He was awarded for his remarkable achievements on the pitch in the past year, which included leading Argentina to victory in the FIFA World Cup.
- World Breakthrough of the Year Award - Carlos Alcaraz

- World Comeback of the Year Award - Christian Eriksen
- World Sportsman of the Year with a Disability Award - Catherine Debrunner
- World Action Sportsman of the Year Award - Eileen Gu
- Laureus Sport for Good Award -TeamUp
- World Sportsman of the Year Award - Lionel Messi
- World Sportswoman of the Year Award - Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce
- World Team of the Year Award - Argentina Men's Football Team

69th Film National Awards 2023

Category	Winner
Best Feature Film	Rocketry
Best Director	Nikhil Mahajan, Godavari
Best Popular Film Providing Wholesome Entertainment	RRR
Nargis Dutt Award for Best Film on National Integration	The Kashmir Files
Best Actor	Allu Arjun, Pushpa
Best Actress	Alia Bhatt, Gangubai Kathiawadi and Kriti Sanon, Mimi
Best Supporting Actor	Pankaj Tripathi, Mimi
Best Supporting Actress	Pallavi Joshi, The Kashmir Files
Best Child Artist	Bhavin Rabari, Chhello Show
Best Screenplay (Original)	Shahi Kabir, Nayattu
Best Screenplay (Adapted)	Sanjay Leela Bhansali & Utkarshini Vashishtha, Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Dialogue Writer	Utkarshini Vashishtha & Prakash Kapadia, Gangubai Kathiawadi
Best Music Director (Songs)	Devi Sri Prasad, Pushpa
Best Music Direction (Background Music)	MM Keeravaani, RRR
Best Male Playback Singer	Kaala Bhairava, RRR
Best Female Playback Singer	Shreya Ghoshal, Iravin Nizhal
Best Lyrics	Chandrabose, Konda Polam's Dham Dham Dham
Best Hindi Film	Sardar Udham
Best Kannada Film	777 Charlie
Best Malayalam Film	Home
Best Gujarati Film	Chhello Show
Best Tamil Film	Kadai Vivasayi
Best Telugu Film	Uppena
Best Maithili Film	Samanantar
Best Mishing Film	Boomba Ride
Best Marathi Film	Ekda Kaay Zala
Best Bengali Film	Kalkokkho
Best Assamese Film	Anur
Best Meiteilon Film	Eikhoigi Yum
Best Odia Film	Pratikshya
Indira Gandhi Award for Best Debut Film of a Director	Meppadiyan, Vishnu Mohan
Best Film on Social Issues	Anunaad – The Resonance
Best Film on Environment Conservation/Preservation	Aavasavyuham
Best Children's Film	Gandhi and Co
Best Audiography (Location Sound Recordist)	Arun Asok & Sonu K P, Chavittu
Best Audiography (Sound Designer)	Aneesh Basu, Jhilli

March

(National)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
Pritzker Architecture Prize 2023	Sir David Chipperfield	Arguably the highest international honour in the discipline .
The 32nd Vyas Samman 2022	Hindi writer Dr. Gyan Chaturvedi	For his 2018 satirical novel, Pagalkhana
Saraswati Samman for the year 2022	Sivasankari	For her book Survya Vamsam
The Sangita Kalanidhi award for 2023 by the Music Academy	Bombay Jayashri	She is one of the foremost Carnatic musicians
Kerala's highest civilian honour 1. "Kerala Jyothi" 2. "Kerala Prabha" 3. "Kerala Shri"	1. M T Vasudevan Nair 2. Shared by actor Mammooty, former civil service officer T Madhava Menon and writer Omchery NN Pillai 3. MP Parameswaran, magician Gopinath Muthukad, sculptor Kanayi Kunhiraman, businessman and social worker Kochouseph Chittilappilly, musician Vaikom Vijayalakshmi and biologist Sathyabhama Das Biju.	For an outstanding contribution in various spheres of social life .
Wildlife Conservation Award 2023	Aliya Mir	For her conservation efforts in the Jammu and Kashmir

(International)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
BBC Indian Sportswoman of The Year for 2022	Weightlifter Mirabai Chanu	
BBC Para Sportswoman of the Year 2022	Bhavina Patel	
PEN/Nabokov Lifetime Achievement Award 2023	Vinod Kumar Shukla	For achievement in international literature at a function organized by PEN America in New York
The International 'Golden City Gate Tourism Awards 2023' in 'TV/Cinema Commercials International and Country International' Category	India's Ministry of Tourism (The Golden and Silver Stars)	

Oscars 2023 Best Original Song award	'Naatu Naatu' from the Indian film RRR	In the Best Original Song category at the 95th Oscar Awards .
'Governor of the Year' for 2023	Shaktikanta Das	For his unwavering leadership during the failure of a significant non-banking company , the COVID-19 pandemic's initial and second waves, and the inflationary effects caused by Russia's invasion of Ukraine
'Partnership for Healthy Cities' award	Bengaluru	For effectively enforcing smoke-free laws at a summit held in London
Christopher Martin-Jenkins Spirit of Cricket Award 2022	Aasif Sheikh	For his sporting conduct shown in a Men's T20 International between Nepal and Ireland
The World's Best Airport 2023 at the Skytrax World Airport Awards	Singapore Changi Airport	
2021 National Humanities Medal	Indian-American actress and producer Mindy Kaling	In recognition of her giving voice to a new generation of storytellers , at a White House ceremony .
The Abel Prize for mathematics	Argentine-American Luis Caffarelli	For his " seminal contributions to regularity theory for nonlinear partial differential equations ."
The Foundation of SAARC Writers and Literature (FOSWAL) conferred a special literary award	Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman	For outstanding literary excellence for his trilogy The Unfinished Memoirs, The Prison Diaries and the New China 1952 .
'Lifetime Achievement Award' by University of Texas	Naveen Jindal	For his accomplishments in industry, politics and education

April

(National)

Award	Person/Organization	Purpose/ Field
"Maratha Udyog Ratna" award 2023 "Maratha Entrepreneurs Conference 2023"	Nilesh Bhagwan Sambare	Jijau Sanstha has been providing education, health, employment, and agriculture through self-earning for the past 14 years .
'Business Leader of the Decade' award at the All India Management Association's (AIMA) 13th	Kumar Mangalam Birla	

Managing India Awards ceremony		
"Maharashtra Bhushan" for the year 2022	Appasaheb Dharmadhikari	The work of tree plantation was done by the Nanasaheb Dharmadhikari Foundation keeping in view the effect of climate change and temperature.
Femina Miss India 2023	Nandini Gupta	
Pravasi Bharatiya Samman.	Raj Subramaniam	He is the president and CEO of FedEx Corporation , one of the world's largest transportation companies.
Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2023	Utsa Patnaik	She is a renowned economist of national and international repute
The national award for the best implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)	Karnataka	For the best implementation of the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY)
Prestigious Santokbaa Humanitarian Award	Sonam Wangchuk	He is best known for his work on the Ice Stupa project , which aims to address water scarcity in the Himalayas.
The Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar Award	Asha Bhosle	The award given every year to an individual who has made a path-breaking contribution towards the nation, its people and society.
Vayu Sena Medal (Gallantry)	Wing Commander Deepika Misra	For " extraordinary courage " displayed during a flood relief operation in Madhya Pradesh.
Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2022 (Innovation category)	The Union Health Ministry's National Covid-19 Vaccination Programme	
GREEN4SEA Tanker Operator award	Synergy Group	For its ' leadership role in global tanker management.
68th Hyundai Filmfare Awards 2023 Best Film	Gangubai Kathiawadi	
(International)		
Award	Person/Organization	Purpose/ Field

<p>“Chevalier de la Légion d’Honneur” (Knight of the Legion of Honour)</p> <p>France's highest civilian award</p>	Kiran Nadar	Outstanding contribution in the field of art, her commitment to providing greater access to culture both nationally and internationally , and her leading role in fostering Indo-French cultural ties .
<p>The Order of the White Eagle, Poland's highest distinction</p>	Volodymyr Zelensky	For his services to security, resilience and the defense of human rights .
<p>International Prize 2023 in Statistics</p> <p>At the biennial International Statistical Institute World Statistics Congress</p>	Calyampudi Radhakrishna Rao	Rao, in his research paper published in the Bulletin of the Calcutta Mathematical Society in 1945, had demonstrated three fundamental results that paved the way for the modern field of statistics and provided statistical tools heavily used in science today.
<p>The Young Urologist of the Year Award by the American Urological Association (AUA)</p>	Dr. Nitya Abraham	She has done remarkable work for countless students, residents, fellows and junior faculty in the New York area and at his institution .
<p>World Vaccine Congress 2023</p> <p>the ‘Best Production /Process Development’ award as part of the Vaccine Industry Excellence (ViE) awards</p>	Bharat Biotech	Its intramuscular vaccine, Covaxin , is part of India’s public vaccination programme and was also exported.
<p>Germany's highest Order of Merit</p>	Angela Merkel	It is awarded by the President of Germany to individuals who have made significant contributions to the nation’s cultural, economic, or political life , or have provided outstanding service to society.
<p>Aster Guardians Global Nursing Award 2023</p>	Shanti Lakra (Selected)	Who has made significant contributions to patient care .
<p>Billboard's First Latin Woman of the Year Award</p>	Colombian singer Shakira	For her outstanding tracks over the course of three decades in her career.
<p>2023 Goldman Environmental Prize</p>	Alessandra Korap	For her work fighting against illegal mining and large-scale projects aimed at facilitating soybean exports in the Tapajos River Basin

Immigrant Achievement Award 2023	Neeli Bendapudi	For her contributions to higher education in the US.
1959 Ramon Magsaysay Award	Dalai Lama	
Lifetime Achievement Award by the Telugu Association of London.	Dr. Raghu Ram Pillarisetti	

May**(National)**

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
The National Real Estate Award	Rajasthan Housing Board	For registering the highest number of home projects with the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) and selling the highest number of housing units in the country.
Bharat Ratna Dr Ambedkar Award	Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath	For creating a fear-free Uttar Pradesh
The first Govind Swarup Lifetime Achievement Award instituted by the Astronomical Society of India (ASI).	Veteran astronomer Jayant Naralika	Naralika, a past president of ASI , was the founding director of the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) and amongst the first to initiate cosmology research in the country.
The Sagar Shreshtha Sammaan Award 2023	Cochin Port	For best performance among all Indian Major Ports for best turnaround time in non-container port category , during the year 2022-23.
The best Urban Local Body category of the National Water Award 2022.	Chandigarh	To encourage all stakeholders for adopting innovative practices of groundwater augmentation through rainwater harvesting.
Honoris Causa at Apex University's Jaipur	Sonu Sood	In recognition of his exceptional contributions to society
The International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) 2023 Best Actor in a Leading Role	Hrithik Roshan	For Best Actor in a Leading Role
The 57th Jnanpith Award	Goan writer Damodar Maujo	He is a renowned short story writer, novelist, critic and screenwriter in Konkani language.

The GreenTech Safety Award 2023 under the Safety Excellence category for improving workplace safety in 2022-23	Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL)	For its commitment to corporate citizenship, transparent accountability, and strategic sustainability.
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(International)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
The prestigious Leipzig Book Prize	Maria Stepanova	For her volume of poetry " Madchen ohne Kleider " (Girls Without Clothes).
BAFTA Fellowship, the highest accolade bestowed by the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA)	Meera Syal	For an individual in recognition of an outstanding and exceptional contribution to film and television
United Nations premier prize	Niloufar Hamed, Elaheh Mohammadi, and Narges Mohammadi	For press freedom
The Sportsman of the Year at the 2023 Laureus World Sports Awards	Lionel Messi	For his remarkable achievements on the pitch in the past year, which included leading Argentina to victory in the FIFA World Cup .
The prestigious "Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur" (Knight of the Legion of Honour)	Tata Sons Chairman Natarajan Chandrasekaran	For his role in developing and fostering commercial links between India and France .
"The Companion of the Order of Fiji"	PM Modi	For his global leadership, a rare honor for a non-Fijian
Papua New Guinea conferred its highest civilian honour, Grand Companion of the Order of Loghu (GCL)	PM Modi	For his efforts towards unity of the Pacific Island nation .
International Booker Prize	Bulgarian writer Georgi Gospodinov and translator Angela Rodel	For novel " Time Shelter " - a first for a book in Bulgarian

June

(National)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
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Accredited as 'Athi Uttam' by the National Accreditation Board of Education and Training (NABET).	The Geological Survey of India Training Institute (GSITI)	
Gandhi Peace Prize for 2021	Gita Press, Gorakhpur	In recognition of its exceptional contribution to social, economic, and political transformation through non-violent and Gandhian methods.
Prof. Kothapalli Jayashankar Award instituted by Bharat Jagruthi	Acharya Gopi	
The prestigious (Kendra) Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2023.	Priya A S	For children's literature in Malayalam for her 2018 novel Perumazhayathe Kunjithalukal.
Indian Medical Association (IMA) Award	Dr K Venugopal	For his contribution to the medical field
The IPAF Lifetime Achievement Award	Pandit Purna Das Baul	For his outstanding contribution to the traditional Baul music on the world stage.

(International)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
UNESCO Michel Batisse Award 2023	Jagdish S Bakan	For biosphere reserve management.
The 2023 Royal Society of Literature Christopher Bland Prize	Paterson Joseph	For his debut novel ' The Secret Diaries of Charles Ignatius Sancho '
"Governor of the Year" at the Central Banking Awards 2023 in London.	Shaktikanta Das	The RBI governor has cemented critical reforms , overseen world-leading payments innovation and steered India through difficult times with a steady hand and well-crafted turn of phrase.
The Elizabeth Longford Prize for Historical Biography 2023	Ramchandra Guha's book Rebels Against the Raj: Western Fighters for India's Freedom	
'Health for All' category at the 4th Annual Health for All Film Festival (HAFF)	An Indian documentary film titled "When Climate Change Turns Violent"	The 4.32-minute documentary focuses on the relationship between domestic violence, climate change and human trafficking.

The 45th European Essay Prize for lifetime achievement by the Charles Veillon Foundation.	Arundhati Roy	For the French translation of her compilation of essays titled " Azadi " (2021).
German Peace Prize 2023	Author Salman Rushdie	For his literary work and for his resolve in the face of a " constant threat to his life ".
Olympic Order by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)	Dr. Tedros Ghebreyesus	For his efforts in holding the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 despite the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic .
Guinness World Record Award certificate	Cristiano Ronaldo	To become the first men's player to make 200 international appearances .
'Order of the Nile,' Egypt's highest honor	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	

July

(National)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
Lokmanya Tilak Award	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	For his supreme leadership under which India has climbed the ladder of progress .
ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards 2022	Jammu & Kashmir Bank	For the Best Performance in CASA-India (1st Runner up in Small Bank Category)
SKOCH Award under the theme "State of Governance India 2047" in Gold category	Jammu and Kashmir Rural Livelihoods Mission (JKRLM)	For its outstanding efforts in creating marketing avenues for Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in the Union Territory
'Golden Peacock Environment Management Award' by the 'Institute of Directors' in the 'Power Transmission Sector'.	Indian company Adani Transmission Limited (ATL)	
Economic Times (ET) HR World Future Skills Awards 2023	NTPC	For " Best use of AI/AR/VR in Learning and Upskilling " and " Best Advance in Creating an Extended Enterprise Learning Programme ".
The Global Education Mentor (GEM) Awards Lifetime Achievement Award	Prem Prakash	He has established new dimensions to journalism from time to time and emerged as a great inspiration to society

(International)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
A Points of Light award at a UK-India Week reception	Rajindar Singh Dhatt	For his service and work running the ' Undivided Indian Ex-Servicemen's Association '.
The prestigious PEN Pinter Prize 2023	Michael Rosen	For his work in poetry and literature for children.
Siena Drone Photo Awards 2023	A photo of an elephant taken at the Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR) in Tamil Nadu by wildlife photographer, Mathanraj S	
'Philippe Chatrier Award 2023'	Belgian tennis player Justine Henin	He has made significant contributions to the sport on and off the court.
Miss Universe Netherlands	Rikkie Kollé (first transgender woman)	
Insurer Innovation Award 2023 for the APAC region	Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance	Digital Insurer, acknowledges Bajaj Allianz Life's groundbreaking WhatsApp Conversational Platform empowering customers to digitally services their policies seamlessly.
International Biology Olympiad medal tally	India	
The highest French award 'Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour'	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	It is the highest French honour in military or civilian orders
Champion of Healthcare Innovation Award	Dr. Ami Bera	For his contributions to making high-quality care affordable and accessible in the US.
International Eni Award 2023	Prof. Thalappil Pradeep	For his work on sustainable and affordable nanoscale materials for removing toxic contaminants from water , under the award category Advanced Environmental Solutions.
Miles Franklin Literary Award 2023	Shankari Chandran	For her novel " Chai Time at Cinnamon Gardens ".
UNESCO award 2023	The Byculla Railway station, Mumbai	Byculla railway station in Mumbai is one of the oldest railway stations in India still in use.

August

(National)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
First 'Udyog Ratna' award (Maharashtra Bhushan award)	Ratan Tata	For his outstanding achievements in the industrial sector
Lokmanya Tilak National Award	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	For his extraordinary leadership , which helped India move up the progress ladder .
"Best Managed Pharmaceutical Sustainable Organizations 2023"	Medec Dragon Pvt Ltd	India's fastest-growing research-driven Pharmaceutical API intermediates Contract Manufacturing Company
"Global Visionary Entrepreneur of the year 2023"	Dr. Deepak Shenoy (Managing Director, Medec Dragon Pvt Ltd)	
Diversity in Cinema Award at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM)	Mrunal Thakur	Her outstanding performances across diverse roles and languages in the world of Indian cinema
Best Performing State Award 2023	Tamil Nadu	Tamil Nadu continues to lead in organ donations with 1,705 people donating their organs to save 6,247 human lives .
Excellence in Government Process Reengineering for Digital Transformation Category-1 by the Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Complaints.	National Automated Fingerprint Identification System (NAFIS) Team	For fool-proof fingerprint identification system

(International)

<u>Award</u>	<u>Person/Organization</u>	<u>Purpose/ Field</u>
Global Leader Award 2023 for Healthcare Expansion in Africa	Jayesh Saini	LifeCare Group , led by Jayesh Saini , has expanded healthcare services across East Africa with hospitals in five major parts of Kenya and plans for 10 more in different regions of Africa
Lifetime Achievement Award at the first-ever RICS(Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors) South Asia Awards	Subhash Runwal	This recognition is a testimony to Runwal's exceptional contributions, outstanding achievements, and unwavering dedication to the real estate sector .
Harvard University's coveted George Ledlie Prize 2023	Raj Chetty	For wielding big data to break myths about who achieves the American Dream .

2023 International Young Eco-Hero Award	Eiha Dixit, Manya Harsha, Nirvaan Somany, Mannat Kaur, and Karnav Rastogi.	The young eco-warriors who were recognized for their efforts by the US-based non-profit organization, " Action For Nature "
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Chapter 3: Government Scheme/ campaign

March

SCHEME	PURPOSE
Ladli Bahna scheme (Madhya Pradesh)	To increase the economic independence of women in the state, improving their health and nutritional status .
Mukhyamantri Ekal Mahila Swarozgar Yojana (Uttarakhand)	Women in remote villages of the state are giving impetus to the rural economy through self-help groups .
The Resham Keet Bima scheme for sericulturists (Uttarakhand)	In the first phase of this pilot project, 200 sericulturists from five blocks of four districts - Dehradun, Haridwar, Udham Singh Nagar, and Nainital - have been insured from the ill effects of climate change, scarcity of water, and other hazards.
Captive Employers, a unique initiative under the Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY)	Captive employers will train Rural Poor Youth and provide employment to trained youth in their company or subsidiary .

April

SCHEME	PURPOSE
Marketing and Logistics Development for Promotion of Tribal Products from the North-Eastern Region (PTP-NER) scheme (Manipur)	To strengthen livelihood opportunities for tribal artisans through increased efficiency in procurement, logistics and marketing of tribal products from North Eastern States .
'Sangathan se Samridhhi' scheme	It will empower marginalized rural households by bringing all eligible rural women into the fold of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) .
Salokha Yojana (Maharashtra)	The aim of the scheme is to resolve disputes between farmers regarding land ownership and possession, promote harmony in society and increase peace and harmony among them. The scheme will be valid for the next two years.

May

SCHEME	PURPOSE
The revamped CGTMSE Scheme	Union Minister for MSME Narayan Rane has launched the revamped CGTMSE Scheme in Mumbai . CGTMSE has been provided with an additional corpus support of ₹9,000 crore in the Union Budget for FY 2023-24 to revamp its Scheme to provide guarantee for additional ₹2 lakh crore to Micro & Small Enterprises .
“Vivad se Vishwas I – Relief to MSMEs” Scheme	The Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance , has launched the scheme for providing relief to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) for COVID-19 period .
The Ayushman Assam Scheme under the Mukhya Mantri Jan Arogya (MMJA) (Assam)	Under this scheme, beneficiaries will be able to get facilities in more than 300 empanelled hospitals in Assam and all the AB-PMJAY empanelled hospitals across the country. beneficiary families will be covered under Approximately 2.6 million the scheme.
‘Mukhyamantri Sikho Kamao Yojana’ (Chief Minister Learn and Earn Scheme) (Madhya Pradesh)	Under the ‘Mukhyamantri Sikho Kamao Yojana,’ the government plans to offer training in around 700 different types of work across various sectors .
GRSE Accelerated Innovation Nurturing Scheme (GAINS) 2023	Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd launched GRSE Accelerated Innovation Nurturing Scheme (GAINS) 2023 in Kolkata . The GAINS 2023 Challenge is designed to encourage innovation and fresh perspectives in the shipbuilding industry.
A new initiative, Mo Ghara (My Home) – a credit-linked housing scheme for rural poor (Odisha)	To convert all kutcha houses into pucca ones

June

SCHEME	PURPOSE
Amrit Dharohar and MISHTI (Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats and Tangible Incomes).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The MISHTI scheme will help in reviving and protecting the mangrove ecosystem in the country. In the 2023-24 budget , Union finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced Amrit Dharohar and MISHTI schemes to protect vital wetlands that sustain aquatic biodiversity and mangrove plantations along the coastline and on salt pan lands .
The Nand Baba Milk Mission scheme (Uttar Pradesh)	This scheme provides milk producers the facility of selling their milk at a reasonable price in villages through dairy co-operative societies .

Learn and Earn scheme (Madhya Pradesh)	To teach employable skills to the youth.
Free bus travel 'Shakti' scheme (Karnataka)	Women can apply for Shakti smart cards through sevasindhu.karnataka.gov.in from June 11.
'Mukhyamantri Ladli Bahna Yojana' (Madhya Pradesh)	Mukhyamantri Ladli Bahna Yojana aims to make women financially independent, improve their health and nutritional status and increase their role in family decisions.
A new scheme of a reward system Part of the 'Malinya Muktham Nava Keralam' campaign (Kerala)	To reward for reporting illegal waste dumping on roads.
A free power scheme named 'Gruha Jyothi scheme' (Karnataka)	For providing free electricity up to 200 units a month.
The state government's ambitious panchayat-level drugs shop scheme (Jharkhand)	Aimed at making essential medicines available in remote areas .
A new scheme PM-PRANAM PRANAM stands for PM Programme for Restoration, Awareness, Generation, Nourishment, and Amelioration of Mother Earth Scheme	To promote alternative fertilizers . The PM-PRANAM scheme was aimed at saving the soil and promote sustainable, balanced use of fertilizers and it involved the participation of State governments.

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SCHEME	PURPOSE
'Jagananna Amma Vodi' scheme (Andhra Pradesh)	Under the Amma Vodi scheme , eligible mothers who send their children to schools will receive Rs 15,000 financial aid to meet the educational expenses .
"Scheme for Expansion and Modernization of Fire Services in the States"	The Ministry of Home Affairs launched the Scheme with a total budget of Rs. 5,000 crore . The scheme, part of the preparedness and capacity building funding window under the National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) , aims to strengthen fire services across the country.
'Mo Jungle Jami Yojana' (Odisha)	To saturate recognition of rights pertaining to the Forest Rights Act (FRA) and speed up the post-rights recognition activities within the prescribed time frame.
Mission Shakti Scooter Yojana	Odisha Cabinet , led by Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik , has approved Mission Shakti Scooter Yojana , under which interest

(Odisha)	subvention on bank loans up to Rs 1 lakh will be provided to beneficiaries to purchase a scooter .
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August

SCHEME	PURPOSE
The Vivad se Vishwas-2 scheme (Central Government)	For settling contractual disputes involving the government and government undertakings .
'Naya Savera' scheme or 'Free Coaching and Allied' scheme. (Ministry of Minority Affairs)	To assist students/candidates belonging to the six minority communities namely Sikh, Jain, Muslim, Christian, Buddhist, and Parsi by way of special coaching for qualifying examinations
Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS)	Which aims to revitalize 508 railway stations across India and turn them into world-class travel hubs .
One District One Product (ODOP) scheme (Gujarat)	The ODOP initiative is aimed at fostering balanced regional development across all districts of the country, enabling holistic socio-economic growth across all regions.
'Mo Jungle Jami Yojana' (Odisha)	For indigenous people of the state to ensure individual and community rights over forest land for eligible beneficiaries .
Direct Benefit Transfer in National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme	To focus on the vision of making skilling an apprenticeship aspirational as well as encouraging earning while learning as envisioned in the National Education Policy .
Vishwakarma scheme, with an allocation of ₹13,000 crores to ₹15,000 crores	For skilled workers like barbers, goldsmiths, washer men etc. To improve the quality, scale and reach of products and services of artisans and craftspeople and to integrate them with the domestic and global value chain .
'Lakshpati Didi' scheme	To encourage them to start micro-enterprises . Women would be trained in skills like plumbing, LED bulb making and operating and repairing drones among others .
Annapurna Food Packet Scheme (Rajasthan)	To distribute food packets to more than 10.4 million families for free every month .
"Gramin Mitra" (Goa)	To provide doorstep delivery of government services across the state and promote digital empowerment in rural areas.
The Bhagwan Birsa Munda Road Scheme (Maharashtra)	To enhance road connectivity in tribal areas of the 17 districts of the state .

Chapter 4: Summit/ Conference (March to August)

March

Summit/Conference	Location	About
7th International Dharma Dhamma Conference	Bhopal	The theme of the Conference - Eastern Humanism for the New Era. The Conference is being organized by the India Foundation in collaboration with Sanchi University of Buddhist-Indic Studies.
Good Governance Conference	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	To bring the Government and Citizens closer through various administrative reforms at the Centre, State and District levels
The 1st Session of Massmerize 2023	New Delhi	Massmerize is a dialogue forum between government and retail, Fast-moving consumer goods (FMCG), and e-Commerce sectors to discuss regulatory issues, Macro-Economics, and consumer trends.
The 19th BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting virtually	Bangkok	The Ministers approved several documents including rules of Procedure for Core BIMSTEC Mechanisms, Sectoral BIMSTEC Mechanisms and BIMSTEC's External Relations for submission to the 6th BIMSTEC Summit.
18th meeting of Chief Justices of the Supreme Courts of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Member States	New Delhi	To foster effective judicial cooperation among the Member States.
An international conference on "Shared Buddhist Heritage"	New Delhi	The conference will focus on India's civilizational connection with the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) nations 2023.
The Second G20 Sustainable Financial Working Group (SFWG)	Udaipur, Rajasthan	The G20 is focused on promoting international economic cooperation and addressing major economic challenges faced by its member nations, including issues related to finance, trade, and global economic growth.
The 16th meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)	New Delhi	During the meeting, the SCO Member States shared information on the activities of the SCO Youth Council in 2022-2023.
Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Tourism Ministers' Meeting	Kashi (Varanasi)	India is the current chair of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO). During the Tourism Ministers' (TMM) meeting , a joint action plan on the development of cooperation in tourism among SCO member countries will be adopted, the Ministry of Tourism said in a statement.

The Global Millets Conference	New Delhi	The two-day global conference will have sessions on the promotion and awareness of millets among producers, consumers, and other stakeholders.
B20 or Business20 meeting under India's G20 presidency	Gangtok	The title of the B20 meeting was ' Conference on Opportunities for Multilateral Business Partnership in Tourism, Hospitality, Pharmaceuticals and Organic Farming.
The G20 Business Summit 2023	Kohima, Nagaland	Nagaland is all set to host the G20 Business Summit 2023 at Kohima on 5 April 2023.
Two-day Labour20 (L20) engagement group's inception meeting	Amritsar, Punjab	Key issues included issues concerning the global workforce to provide direction to the G20 nations and institutions to focus on development reaching to the last person.
The Civil20 India (C-20) Inception meeting	Nagpur, Maharashtra	It is one of the empowered groups, which provides a platform for Civil Society Organisations to voice the people's aspirations to the world leaders in G20.
The second Working Group Meeting of the Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group of G20	Gandhinagar	Representatives from more than 30 countries including China, Australia, Japan, Russia, and the United States and international organizations such as United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) will be participated in the meeting.
G20 Research and Innovation Initiative Gathering (RIIG) Conference	Dibrugarh, Assam	It deliberated on ways towards building a sustainable and circular bio-economy.
The second Sherpa meeting of the G20 Summit	Kumarakom in Kerala	Over 120 delegates from G20 member nations are participating in the event being chaired by India's Sherpa Amitabh Kant. During the four-day meeting, the delegates will hold multi-lateral discussions on G20's economic and developmental priorities , besides addressing contemporary global challenges.
The Second G20 Framework Working Group (FWG) meeting	Chennai	The two-day meeting was co-chaired by V. Anantha Nageswaran, India's Chief Economic Advisor, and Clare Lombardelli, Chief Economic Adviser, United Kingdom Treasury.
The First G20 Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group meeting	Gandhinagar, Gujarat	Around 100 delegates from the G20 member countries , invitee countries and from nine international organizations are participating in the three-day event.

April

Summit/Conference	Location	About
The second G20 Tourism Working Group (TWG) meeting	West Bengal's Siliguri and Darjeeling	This meeting will carry a message about the prospects and potential of the North Eastern part of India.

The second G20 Employment Working Group (EWG) meeting	Guwahati, Assam	The EWG Summit will focus on three key areas of global skill gaps; gig and platform economy and social protection and sustainable financing of social security.
The 5th International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (ICDRI) 2023	Via a video message	Prime Minister Narendra Modi has addressed the 5th International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (ICDRI) 2023 via a video message.
Fourth B20 conference of the Northeast Region	Kohima	The conferences would aid the development of critical sectors of the economy in the North East and would facilitate economic growth.
The Youth20 (Y20) Consultation under the G20 Presidency of India	Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	The Y20 Consultation is a platform that brings young people together to connect, share ideas and experiences, and deliberate on finding innovative solutions to pressing global concerns.
The second meeting of the G20 Development Working Group	Kumarakom, Kerala	The delegates emphasised the importance of digital technologies to achieve the 2030 Agenda and bridge the digital divide.
Food Conclave-2023	Telangana	The objective of the Food Conclave is to identify the main challenges and opportunities for the development of the Indian agri-food sector in the current decade. The main focus areas will be agriculture (green), edible oils (yellow), dairy (white), meat and poultry (pink), and aquaculture (blue).
The second Women 20 (W20) international meeting	Jaipur, Rajasthan	Women 20 is an official G20 engagement group , and the meeting will focus on the theme of "Women-Led Development: Leverage Women's Untapped Potential to Accelerate Inclusive and Sustainable Future.
A three-day International Conference on Defence Finance and Economics	New Delhi	The conference aims to give a unique platform to government officials, policymakers and academicians to present their insights and experiences on Defence, Finance and Economics amid present evolving security challenges.
The 12th Meeting of Agricultural Chief Scientists (MACS) in G20	Varanasi	The theme of the 12th MACS conference is "sustainable agriculture and food systems for healthy people and the Planet"
The 2nd Health Working Group meeting under G20 India Presidency	Goa	The 2nd Health Working Group meeting of G20 will have discussions on the Priorities which include Health Emergencies Prevention, Preparedness and Response, Strengthening Cooperation in Pharmaceutical Sector with a focus on Access and Availability to safe, effective, quality, and Affordable Medical Countermeasures and Digital Health Innovations and Solutions to Aid Universal Health Coverage and Improve Healthcare Service Delivery.

Global Conference on Compressed Biogas	New Delhi	<p>IFGE- CBG Producers Forum organize a two-day Global Conference on Compressed Biogas in New Delhi.</p> <p>The theme of the Conference is – Towards Progressive Policy Framework for a Robust CBG Foundation and Growth.</p>
Digital Health Summit 2023	Panaji, Goa	<p>Confederate of Indian Industry (CII) co-organizes Digital Health Summit 2023 with the Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare in Panaji, Goa.</p> <p>The theme of the event was 'Building One Health Together – Improving Health Equity'.</p>
The Space Economy Leaders' Meet (SELM) of the G20 Summit	Shillong, Meghalaya	<p>Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) of the Department of Space is organizing the precursor event of the fourth edition of Space Economy Leaders Meeting (SELM) with active support from Government of Meghalaya and India's Ministry of External Affairs.</p>
The first Global Buddhist Summit	New Delhi	<p>The theme of the Global Buddhist Summit is Responses to Contemporary Challenges: Philosophy to Praxis.</p>
The Research and Innovation Initiative gathering conference of G-20	Himachal Pradesh	<p>The main theme of the RIIG conference during India's G20 presidency in 2023 is Research and Innovation for Equitable Society' with its four priority areas being Materials for Sustainable Energy, Circular bioeconomy, Eco-Innovations for Energy Transition and Scientific Challenges and Opportunities towards Achieving a Sustainable Blue Economy.</p>
The First G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors (FMCBG) meeting	Bengaluru, Karnataka	<p>The meeting will be deliberated on issues such as strengthening multilateral development banks.</p>
The Y20 Pre-Summit under India's G20 Presidency	Leh, Ladakh	<p>The meeting will focus on five Y20 themes, including climate change, peace-building, and health.</p>
The Global Conference on Financial Resilience	Mumbai	<p>The conference with the theme -- Financial Stability: Framework, Monitoring and Implementation -- is being organized by the College of Supervisors in collaboration with the Centre for Central Banking Studies (CCBS), Bank of England, London.</p>
The third in-person Quad Summit	Sydney	<p>Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese announced that they will host the third in-person Quad Summit on May 24 in Sydney.</p> <p>The Quad is committed to supporting an open, stable, and prosperous Indo-Pacific that is respectful of sovereignty and ensures security and growth for all.</p>

May

Summit/Conference	Location	About
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'India Calling Conference 2023'	Mumbai	<p>Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal has addressed the 'India Calling Conference 2023' organized by the Indian Merchants Chamber in Mumbai.</p> <p>The theme of the 2023 Conference is "Rising India Inviting Partnership for Growth".</p>
Science 20 Engagement Group meeting on Universal Holistic Health	Lakshadweep, Bangaram Island	The focus of the two-day event is to work on improved agricultural practices, greater access to nutritious food, healthier eating habits and more opportunities for ecologically conscious and sustainable food products .
The 56th Annual General Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)	South Korea	<p>Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman attends the 56th Annual General Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in South Korea.</p> <p>The meetings are attended by official delegations of ADB members, observers, non-governmental and civil society organizations, financial institutions and banks, and other private sector companies.</p>
A two-day meeting of foreign ministers of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)	Goa	<p>The theme of India's Chairmanship of SCO in 2023 is 'SECURE-SCO'.</p> <p>India attaches special importance to SCO in promoting multilateral, political, security, economic and people-to-people interactions in the region.</p>
A two-day 'Youth-20 Consultation Programme' conference	Rishikesh, Uttarakhand	The theme of the conference was ' Health Wellness and Sports '. The delegates discussed youth health, fitness and sports in the conference.
The 42nd Summit of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)	Indonesia	Theme 2023 - ASEAN Affairs: Epicenter of Growth
The Petersberg Dialogue 2023 on Climate Change	Berlin, Germany	Its central goal is to strengthen trust both in multilateral climate negotiations and between states .
The 6th Indian Ocean Conference (IOC)	Dhaka, Bangladesh	The Conference is being organized by India Foundation in association with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Bangladesh and S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies .
The first mining start-up summit	Mumbai	The summit will mainly focus on innovation and techniques that will support and improve performance, safety, and help in building autonomy in the field of mining and metallurgy .
The 8th meeting of Agriculture Ministers of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) member	via video conferencing	Russia, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, China, and Pakistan participated in it, along with India .
"G20 Conference on Crime and Security in the Age of	Gurugram, Haryana	The Ministry of Home Affairs to organize "G20 Conference on Crime and Security" in July 2023 .

NFTs (Non-Fungible Tokens), AI and Metaverse"		
The second Culture Group meeting under G20	Bhubaneswar, Odisha	The CWG meeting aims to facilitate discussion and cooperation among G20 member states on cultural issues, heritage conservation, creative industries and cultural diplomacy.
The first ministerial-level meeting of the India-European Union Trade and Technology Council (TTC)	Brussels, Belgium	To increase cooperation in strategic technologies, digital connectivity, clean energy, trade, and investments.
The G7 Health Ministerial meeting on Global Health Architecture	Nagasaki, Japan	To discuss the priorities, implementation and utilization of health innovation like digital health towards ensuring Universal Health Coverage.
The 3rd G20 Tourism Working Group meeting	Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir	During the working sessions, G20 delegates will discuss a potential roadmap that would link Tourism-sector with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
The second meeting of the G-20 Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group (DRRWG)	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Aims to discuss key priority areas such as early warning systems, resilient infrastructure, national and international response, building back better, and nature-based solutions.
The First Inter-Ministerial Committee Meeting for World Food India 2023	New Delhi	The meeting aimed to discuss the preparation and participation of Ministries/ Departments/Organizations for the upcoming event.
Quad Leaders' Summit 2024	India	The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue (QSD), commonly known as the Quad, is a strategic security dialogue between Australia, India, Japan, and the United States of America.
The 44th edition of the annual ISO COPOLCO Plenary	India	Organized by the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) , the grand event will include interactive sessions and workshops on relevant topics, apart from various activities aimed at enhancing consumer engagement in the standardization process.
The women laborer's convention	Kerala	Union Women and Child Development Minister, Smriti Irani has inaugurated the women laborer's convention organized by the Kerala unit of BMS in Thiruvananthapuram.
The second meeting of the G-20 Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group (DRRWG)	Mumbai	The meeting aims to mitigate the impact of disasters on vulnerable communities by identifying opportunities and examining creative financing mechanisms.
The 8th meeting of the NITI Aayog Governing Council	Delhi	The meeting, based on the theme 'Viksit Bharat @2047: Role of Team India' .

The second meeting of the G-20 Anti-Corruption Working Group (ACWG)	Rishikesh (Tehri)	The meeting witnessed wide participation of 90 delegates from 20 member countries , 10 invited countries and 9 international organizations including UNODC, OECD, Egmont Group, INTERPOL and IMF.
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June

Summit/Conference	Location	About
The 22nd Summit of the SCO Council of Heads of State	Virtual format	All the SCO Member States, China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan have been invited to attend the Summit. In addition, Iran, Belarus, and Mongolia have been invited as observer states. The theme of the summit is ' Towards a Secure SCO '.
An oil and gas conference	The South American nation of Suriname	In hopes of attracting energy companies , particularly from India
The third Employment Working Group EWG meeting	Geneva, Switzerland	78 delegates from twenty G20 member countries , nine guest countries and four International Organizations are attending the meeting.
BRICS Foreign Ministers' Meeting	Cape Town	The foreign ministers' meeting will finalize the agenda for the 15th BRICS summit scheduled to be held in South Africa in August .
The 3rd G20 Health Working Group meeting	Hyderabad	Minister of State for Health Family Welfare Bharati Pravin Pawar behalf of Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya , is taking forward the agenda of the G20 Health Track under India's Presidency .
The 2025 World Conservation Congress (WCC) of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) world's largest Conservation Conference in 2025	The United Arab Emirates (UAE)	The WCC is the world's largest and most important gathering of conservationists , and it is expected to draw more than 10,000 delegates from over 160 countries .
The first-ever National Training Conclave at the International Exhibition and Convention Centre	New Delhi	To foster collaboration among civil services training institutes and strengthen the training infrastructure for civil servants across the country.
The second summit of the Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs)	Goa	The three-day summit will see the participation of the Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) of Australia, Brazil, Indonesia, South Korea, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Türkiye, Bangladesh, Egypt, Mauritius, Nigeria, Oman, Spain, the UAE, Morocco, and Poland .
The Women 20 summit under the presidency of G20	Mahabalipuram near Chennai	The summit with a theme of women-led development to transform, thrive and transcend will be moderated by Dharitri Patnaik, the W 20 chief Coordinator.

The Plenary Session at the 111th International Labour Conference	Geneva	Labour and Employment Minister Bhupender Yadav has addressed the Plenary Session at the 111th International Labour Conference in Geneva.
The 4th Tourism Working Group Meeting under India's G20 presidency	Goa	A side event on making Cruise Tourism a model for sustainable and responsible travel will be organized on 19th June .
The 2025 International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) Annual Conference	Kochi, Kerala	India will host the 2025 International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS) Annual Conference at Kochi, Kerala in February 2025. The DARPG proposed the theme of the annual conference as " Next Generation Administrative Reforms - Empowering The Citizens And Reaching The Last Mile ".
The National Legislators' Conference Bharat (NLC Bharat)	Mumbai	The National Legislators' Conference Bharat (NLC Bharat) was officially inaugurated by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla in Mumbai.
The two-day conference of Science-20 under G-20	Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh	The theme of the conference is " Connecting Science to Society and Culture ".
The G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting (AMM)	Hyderabad	The delegates discussed about Managing Agribusiness for Profit, People, and Planet and Connecting the Digitally Disconnected- Harnessing the Power of Digital Technologies in Agriculture.
The 8th Global Pharmaceutical Quality Summit 2023	Mumbai	The theme for the Summit was, ' Patient Centricity: New Paradigm of Manufacturing and Quality '.
The Urban20 (U20) Mayoral Summit	Ahmedabad	The summit will also be attended by delegates representing various cities, knowledge partners, Indian and international organizations, academic institutes and dignitaries from the Government of India and the State Government.

July

Summit/Conference	Location	About
17th Indian Cooperative Congress (ICC)	New Delhi	Theme 2023: Amrit Kaal: Prosperity through Cooperation for a Vibrant India
The Startup20 Shikhar summit	Gurugram, Haryana	The startup-20 strives to create a conducive business environment across G20 nations and assist such talents from diverse background to commercialize, scale up and innovation further.
G20 Research and Innovation Initiative Gathering (RIIG) Summit and Research Ministers' Meeting	Mumbai	India has taken forward the RIIG during its presidency in 2023 under the theme " Research and Innovation for Equitable Society ".

Urban-20 Mayoral Summit	Ahmedabad and Gandhinagar	U20 is a great opportunity to showcase urban development experience and successful solutions to challenges like rising urbanization .
World Hindu Conference (WHC),	Bangkok	The theme of the WHC-2023 is " Jayasya Aayatnam Dharmah ", meaning " dharma, the abode of victory ".
The 3rd G20 Culture Group (CWG) meeting	Hampi, Karnataka	The theme of ' Harnessing Living Heritage for a Sustainable Future ' aims to improve the rights of indigenous people and safeguards against misappropriation of traditional practices .
The 50th GST Council meeting	New Delhi	The Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council has finally took the decision to impose a 28% tax on the turnover of online gaming companies, horse racing and casinos .
The inaugural session of the G20 conference on crime and security	Gurugram	The conference is envisaged as an opportunity to forge a global partnership to build a safe cyberspace and to prioritize cybersecurity concerns .
Regional Conference on Drugs Smuggling and National Security	New Delhi	The Government has adopted a Zero Tolerance' policy against narcotics to create a drug-free India .
The BIMSTEC Foreign Ministers' Retreat	Bangkok	The retreat would discuss ways to further deepen the BIMSTEC agenda and strengthen the organization .
The Global Food Regulators Summit 2023	New Delhi	The Summit will provide a valuable platform to the participants to deliberate on a cohesive network on Food Safety and Regulatory aspects, effective understanding of compliance requirements and mutual exchange of best practices, experiences and success stories on food safety norms and regulations .
First Global Food Regulators Summit 2023	Delhi	This conference perfectly aligns with and complements the theme of this year's India's G20 Presidency: " Vasudev Kutumbhakam: One Earth, One Nation ".
5th Helicopter & Small Aircraft Summit	Khajuraho, Madhya Pradesh	The event's theme reflects the critical focus on enhancing transportation services and promoting tourism in remote and hilly terrains.
The third and final meeting of the G20 Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group	Chennai, Tamil Nadu	This is the first time a dedicated working group on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR) has been constituted, signifying India's commitment to addressing global challenges posed by disasters and climate emergencies .
NITI Aayog convened a two-day G20 conference on the Green and Sustainable Growth Agenda for the Global Economy	New Delhi	The aim of this conference is to examine prospects and challenges for green and sustainable growth globally .
Semicon India 2023 conclave	Gujarat	The theme of the Conference is ' Catalysing India's Semiconductor Ecosystem '.

August

Summit/Conference	Location	About
The 20th annual conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, India Region	Rilbong, Meghalaya	The conference will focus on discussing natural disasters and management strategies , particularly concerning the northeast region .
The G20 EMPOWER Summit	Gandhinagar, Gujarat.	The summit, organized around the theme- ' Women-Led Development: ensuring a Sustainable, inclusive, and equitable global economic growth ', will witness the participation of delegates from across G20 nations, invited guest countries and international organizations in addition to many global experts, policymakers and stakeholders .
The first ever World Coffee Conference (WCC)	Bengaluru	" Sustainability through Circular Economy and Regenerative Agriculture " is the central theme for the event.
Think20 Secretariat Summit	Mysuru	Observer Research Foundation (ORF) has organized Think20 Secretariat Summit under India's G20 Presidency in Mysuru . Think20 is the official engagement group that serves as an ' ideas bank ' for the multilateral grouping by bringing together think tanks and high-level experts to discuss policy issues .
The International Education Summit & Conference 2023	Dubai	The Federation of Economic Development Association (FEDA) hosted the International Education Summit & Conference 2023 at Hamdan Bin Mohammed Smart University (HBMSU) in Dubai .
The 3rd and final meeting of G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group (ACWG)	Kolkata	Under India's G20 chairmanship, the ACWG has been able to achieve significant progress on anti-corruption cooperation with regard to the crackdown on fugitive economic offenders and the return of assets .
Global Maritime India Summit (GMIS) 2023	New Delhi	The meeting, with participation from more than 40 countries, including 21 Ambassadors, High Commissioners, Deputy High Commissioners, Trade Commissioners, and 23 other diplomats , underscored the global interest in the upcoming GMIS 2023 .
The 4th G20 Digital Economy Working Group and Digital Economy Ministerial meetings	Bengaluru	During the deliberations under the G20 India Presidency , various issues relating to digital information, service delivery to citizens and growth of the digital economy will be discussed.
Youth 20 Summit-2023	Varanasi	These themes include Future of Work: Industry 4.0, Innovation and 21st Century Skills, Peacebuilding and Reconciliation: Ushering in an Era of No War, and Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction .

First-of-its-kind global summit on Traditional Medicine	Gujarat	<p>The Ministry of Ayush and the World Health Organization (WHO) has organized a first-of-its-kind global summit on Traditional Medicine in Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat.</p> <p>The summit will serve as a platform for experts and practitioners to delve into the latest scientific advancements and evidence-based knowledge.</p>
4th G20 Trade and Investment Ministerial Meeting	Jaipur	The deliberations will focus on building consensus on global trade and investment-related issues , along with accomplishing action-oriented proposals put forward by the Indian Presidency.
The ninth Commonwealth Parliament Association (CPA) India Region Conference	Udaipur	The theme of the two-day Conference is “Strengthening Democracy and Good Governance in Digital Age” .

Chapter 5: Ranking Index

March

Index	Index released by	India's Rank	1st Rank
Electoral Democracy Index 2023	The V-dem Democracy report 2023	108th	Denmark
Cleanest airports in Asia-Pacific	Airport Council International (ACI)		Delhi international airport
World Air Quality Report	IQAir	Delhi	Lahore
Global Terrorism Index		13th	Afghanistan
World's Best Airport of 2023	International air transport rating organisation Skytrax	Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport	Singapore's Changi Airport
World Happiness Report 2023	The United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network	126th	Finland
QS World University Rankings (Engineering and Technology)	Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay 47th globally (1st in India)	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Cambridge

'World's Greatest Places' 2023	TIME magazine	Ladakh, India (31th) Mayurbhanj, India (32th)	1. Tampa, Florida 2. Willamette Valley, Oregon 3. Rio Grande, P. R.
Passport Index Points 2023	Financial advisory services firm Arton Capital	144th position	The United Arab Emirates

April

Index	Index released by	India's Rank	1st Rank
India Justice Report 2022	Initiated by Tata Trusts		Karnataka
World's busiest airports for 2022	Airports Council International (ACI)	9th Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport	The Atlanta airport in the United States
Best Cities for Public Transport	A survey published by London-based 'Time Out'	19th Mumbai	Germany's Berlin
The State Energy Efficiency Index (SEEI) 2021-22 report	Released during the RPM (Review, Planning and Monitoring) meeting of states and state utility companies in New Delhi.		Andhra Pradesh
Annual AI Index report 2023	Stanford University	5th	USA
World's Most Criminal Countries	World of Statistics	77th	Venezuela
India's biggest trading partner in 2022-23	According to the provisional data of the commerce ministry		US (increased by 7.65 % to USD 128.55)
Digital payment transactions in 2022	Payment services firm Worldline India		Chennai
World's wealthiest cities in 2023	London-based consultancy Henley & Partners	3rd Silicon Valley's Bay Area	New York City
World Bank's Logistics Performance Index 2023		38th	Singapore and Finland

World's Largest Military Spending in 2022	Swedish think tank Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI)	4th	The United States
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May

Index	Index released by	India's Rank	1st Rank
The list of States of India with the highest market borrowings (FY23)	RBI		Tamil Nadu
World Press Freedom Index 2023	Global media watchdog Reporters Without Borders (RSF)	161	Norway
National Manufacturing Innovation Survey 2021-22	The government's Department of Science and Technology in collaboration with the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)		Karnataka
Everest Annual ITS rankings 2023 Matrix Service Provider of the Year Awards for Information Technology (IT) services	Everest Group, a global IT research firm		Accenture
The Hanke's Annual Misery Index (HAMI) 2022	Calculated by economist Steve Hanke	103rd	Zimbabwe (Most miserable country')

June

Index	Index released by	India's Rank	1st Rank
Mercer's Cost of Living survey 2023	The Mercer's Cost of Living survey	147 th (Mumbai)	Hong Kong
Global Gender Gap Index 2023		127th	Iceland
Times Higher Education's (THE)		Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bengaluru	China's Tsinghua University

annual Asia university rankings 2023		(48 th)	
Global Liveability Index 2023	Economic Intelligence Unit (EIU)	New Delhi and Mumbai 141st	Austria
Global Competitiveness Index 2023	International Institute for Management Development (IMD)	40th	Denmark
The QS world ranking 2024		The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay 149th	The Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), United States

July

Index	Index released by	India's Rank	1st Rank
India's Top Electronics Exporter of 2023	According to Central government data	Tamil Nadu	
Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Ranking 2024		Chandigarh University (CU) An overall rank of 771-780	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) USA
'Global Peace Index 2022'	IEP report 2023	126th	Iceland
Highest microlending borrowings in India as of March 2023	Credit information company Crif High Mark		Bihar
The 2023 Military Strength list	Global Firepower	4th	US
The Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS)	The Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) under the Personnel Ministry for states		Sikkim (66.70) Lakshadweep (Union Territorie with a score of 70.41 percent)
Henley Passport Index 2023	Henley & Partners	80th	Singapore
CRISIL's corporate banking ranking for 2023	Coalition Greenwich		HDFC Bank

Chapter 6: Partnership/ Agreement

March

Partnership/ Agreement	Aim
Max Life Insurance and Ujivan Small Finance Bank have partnered	To offer life insurance offerings to Ujjivan SFB's customers . Through this partnership, both will offer a range of savings, protection, retirement, and group life insurance plans to Ujivan SFB customers.
Yes Bank has partnered with Aadhar Housing Finance Ltd	To offer home loans at competitive interest rates to customers from lower and middle-income groups .
Axis Bank has joined hands with FMCG giant ITC	To offer lending products and services to farmers who are a part of ITC's agriculture eco-system .
India and Australia have signed an audio-visual co-production agreement	To offer filmmakers financial incentives amounting to up to 30 percent of the expenditure incurred in the respective countries.
IDFC First Bank has partnered with Anantham Online	To enable acceptance of digital rupee at Kochi Metro's parking locations .
The Ministry of Defense signed Rs 934 crore deal with Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL)	For General Refit of INS Sindhukirti Submarine at Visakhapatnam at a total cost of Rs 934 crore .
The Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati partnered with Sri Sathya Sai Heart Hospital, Ahmedabad	To foster Cardiac research
The Defense Ministry of India has signed two separate contracts with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)	To enhance the operational capabilities of the Indian Air Force (IAF) at a total cost of over Rs 3,700 crore .
IDFC FIRST Bank has teamed with Crunchfish	To participate in the RBI's pilot programme to facilitate offline payments .

April

Partnership/ Agreement	Aim
Russia's largest oil producer Rosneft and India's top refiner Indian Oil Corp have signed a term agreement	To substantially increase oil supplies and diversify oil grades delivered to India .

The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting has signed a partnership with Amazon India	This partnership aims to leverage industry collaborations, develop global discoverability of Indian talent and produce and promote Indian content .
Drugmaker Cipla has signed a perpetual license agreement with Switzerland-based Novartis Pharma AG	To manufacture and market Galvus and Galvus combination brands which are used in the treatment of type 2 diabetes .
Citi Bank and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) have joined hands to provide a co-financing loan to IndusInd Bank Limited	This project will support the efforts of IndusInd Bank in strengthening its lending to the agricultural sector by leveraging its presence in rural areas. In this new collaborative agreement, Citi acted as the co-financing lender, arranger, coordinator, and facility agent .
Agri-tech company Fasal signed a partnership agreement with the State Bank of India (SBI)	To provide farmers with easy access to capital .
India has signed an Air Services Agreement (ASA) with Guyana	To facilitate easier travel between the two nations .
Canara Bank, in collaboration with Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH)	They have announced the launch of " Digitalised Submission of Form 15G/15H ".
NPCI International Payments, a wholly-owned subsidiary of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), entered into partnership with digital payments infrastructure provider PPRO	To facilitate global e-commerce payments through UPI .

May

Partnership/ Agreement	Aim
India and the United Kingdom have agreed	To create India-UK NET Zero Innovation Virtual Centre .
Sri Lanka's top mobile telecommunication firm, largest telecommunications provider Dialog Axiata and India's Bharti Airtel	Have signed a binding term sheet for the merger of their Sri Lankan subsidiaries .
Axis Bank and India Shelter Finance Corporation Ltd (India Shelter) have signed a strategic partnership under the co-lending model	To offer secured MSME loans to middle and low-income borrowers in semi-urban areas .
Digital travel firm MakeMyTrip has collaborated with Microsoft	To introduce voice-assisted bookings in Indian languages to make travel planning more inclusive and accessible for its customers.

International Business Machines (IBM) has collaborated with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)	To launch a new geospatial foundation model .
India and Australia sign Migration and Mobility Partnership Agreement	In the field of mobility and migration with a view to encouraging the orderly movement of students, researchers, professionals, academics, and others .
HDFC Bank has partnered with Manipal Global Academy of BFSI	To launch its Future Banker 2.0 programme to groom young graduates into banking professionals within a year.
Equitas Small Finance Bank has signed an agreement with International Business Machines (IBM)	To design and build a digital banking platform .

June

Partnership/ Agreement	Aim
The Tata Group has signed an outline deal with the Gujarat government	On building a lithium-ion cell factory with an investment of about Rs 13,000 crore (\$1.6 billion)
IIT-Kharagpur has signed an agreement with HCL Tech	For collaboration in the field of petroleum engineering and earth sciences .
Microsoft has collaborated with AirJaldi Networks	To provide internet access for underserved communities in 12 states of India , marking a major boost to India's potential USD 1 trillion internet economy by 2030.
The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has joined hand with Google	To drive citizen awareness ' G20-Stay Safe Online ' campaign on online cyber safety in the country.
Intel has signed an agreement with the German government	For investing more than 30 billion euros (\$32.8 billion) in a chip manufacturing site in Magdeburg, Germany
IT company L&T Technology Services has partnered with state-owned Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)	For the deployment of private 5G network for enterprise customers.
IT major Infosys has bagged a digital transformation deal from Denmark-based Danske Bank	As part of the strategic collaboration with Danske Bank , Infosys will acquire Danske Bank's IT centre in India, which employs 1400 digitally skilled professionals
Manipal Technologies Limited (MTL) has partnered with the Indian Bank	To drive financial inclusion by offering customized banking products .
Airtel Payments Bank has partnered with Care Health Insurance	To offer health insurance products to its customer via the Airtel Thanks app .

July

Partnership/ Agreement	Aim
Hewlett Packard Enterprise (HPE) has partnered with Indian manufacturer VVDN Technologies	To begin manufacturing some of its high-volume servers in India.
Public sector bank Canara Bank will be signing a ₹3,000 crore IT transformation deal	To revamp and enhance its tech infrastructure.
Larsen and Toubro (L&T) has signed a teaming agreement with Spanish-based Navantia	For the submission of a techno-commercial bid for the Indian Navy's prestigious P75 (India) submarine program.
Max Life Insurance Company has partnered with DCB Bank	To provide life insurance products to the bank's customers , including term, savings, and retirement plans , allowing them to protect their financial future and expand their investment portfolio.
Union Bank of India has partnered with IBM India Private Limited	To create a Digital Business Platform.
Food delivery platform Swiggy has partnered with HDFC Bank	To launch a co-branded credit card.

August

Partnership/ Agreement	Aim
Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), the principal financial institution for MSMEs partnered with the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIM-A)'s startup incubator CIE	To support startups with meritorious ideas and technologies important for India's goals for 2047 to become self-reliant.
Rail Vikas Nigam Ltd (RVNL) partner with Russian company Metrowagonmash	To manufacture and supply around 120 Vande Bharat trains to Indian Railways , at a cost of Rs 120 crore per train.
Bandhan Bank has partnered with the state government for Odisha Tourism Development Corporation	To ramp up the state tourism department's payment solutions.
Bajaj Finance has partnered with ICICI Lombard General Insurance along with other partners	To provide car and two-wheeler insurance plans on the platform Bajaj Finance Insurance Mall
Indraprastha Institute of Information Technology Delhi Innovation and	To enable IITD-IC to strengthen its mentoring initiatives for startups, gain access to experts across the industry , as well as identify newer

Incubation Centre (IIITD-IC) has partnered with YES Bank	investment and funding opportunities that can benefit startups.
MakeMyTrip has joined hands with the Ministry of Tourism	To showcase 600-plus offbeat destinations .
Infosys bags \$1.6 billion deal with telecom firm Liberty Global	To build and scale the entertainment and connectivity platforms of the digital communications firm .
The All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has partnered with Jio Institute	For a faculty development programme on artificial intelligence (AI) and data science
Axis Bank partners with RBI innovation hub	Private lender Axis Bank has launched two lending products powered by the Public Tech Platform for Frictionless Credit (PTPFC) , introduced by the Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH) .

Chapter 7: Loan

March

Organization/Bank	Loan Amount	To which country	Purpose
World Bank	USD 363 million	Karnataka	To provide clean drinking water supply to two million rural households in the state through a pipd water connection in their homes.
World Bank	USD 500 Million	India	To construct the Green National Highway Corridors Project in Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh

April

Organization/Bank	Loan Amount	To which country	Purpose
The Board of Executive Directors of the World Bank	A USD 100 million	Odisha (India)	To robust its early forecasting systems for improved response to disasters and enhance its social protection coverage for poor and vulnerable households through digital platforms.
Finance Corporation Ltd (PFC),	Rs 633 crore	Gensol Engineering Ltd (GEL)	For the purchase of 5,000 passenger electric vehicles (EVs) and 1,000 cargo EVs.

May

Organization/Bank	Loan Amount	To which country	Purpose
Asian Development Bank	USD 141.12 million	The Indian government	For the development of infrastructure in three industrial clusters situated in Andhra Pradesh.

June

Organization/Bank	Loan Amount	To which country	Purpose
The Asian Development Bank (ADB)	\$130 million	The Government of India	In order to increase agricultural productivity , improve access to irrigation and promote horticulture agribusinesses to raise farmers' income in Himachal Pradesh .
World Bank	\$150-million	Kerala	To support the Resilient Kerala program to continue strengthening the state's preparedness against natural disasters, climate change impacts, and disease outbreaks .
The World Bank	\$391 million	Assam and Tripura	To improve access to high-quality healthcare services and to economic opportunities for people in Assam and Tripura

July

Organization/Bank	Loan Amount	To which country	Purpose
World Bank	\$1.5 billion	India	To accelerate India's development of low-carbon energy .
Asian Development Bank (ADB)	USD 295 million	Indian government	To upgrade around 265-kilometer state highways with climate and disaster-resilient design and road safety elements in Bihar

August

Organization/Bank	Loan Amount	To which country	Purpose
Asian Development Bank (ADB)	\$200 million	India	As additional financing in Rajasthan. A new feature in ADB's support is the water facility development for urban resilience improvement and heritage-sensitive urban development in eight heritage.
The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)	Rs 1,974.07 crore	Rajasthan government	For three rural drinking water supply projects in Ajmer, Jalore, and Kota districts, for the construction of 676 rural roads , for the construction of 104 veterinary hospitals and 431 sub-centres .
India	INR 450 million	Sri Lanka	To fund its unique digital identity project .
Asian Development Bank (ADB)	USD 40.5 million	Meghalaya	For integrated early childhood development and maternal mental health in the northeastern state of Meghalaya

Chapter 8: Mergers and Acquisitions

Merger Company	About
Amazon Pay has collaborated with Bharat BillPay, the biller platform of the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)	To strengthen its loan repayment facility
The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) has approved the merger of HDFC & HDFC Bank	NCLT has given approval for holding a shareholders' meeting for obtaining approval for the proposed merger.
Housing Development Finance Corp Ltd (HDFC) and HDFC Bank	The merged entity will be the world's fourth largest bank by market cap in the world — behind JPMorgan Chase, Industrial and Commercial Bank of China, and Bank of America.
CarTrade Tech to acquire OLX India's auto business	CarTrade Tech is lining up Rs 537 crore towards acquiring Olx India's auto sales business. It will acquire 100 percent stake of Sobek Auto India (Sobek), which operates Olx India's auto business.
Axis Bank, along with its subsidiaries will acquire the remaining 7 percent stake in Max Life Insurance.	The combined weight of Axis Bank, Axis Securities, and Axis Capital has already provided them with a significant 12.02 percent stake in Max Life.
The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) has approved the merger scheme of India's homegrown entertainment company Zee Entertainment Enterprises with Culver Max Entertainment (erstwhile Sony Pictures Networks India or SPNI).	To create a \$10-billion Indian media giant

Chapter 9: App/Website/Portal

March

App/ Website/Portal	Company / Department	Purpose
An exclusive portal for research grants and funds for women scientists	CSIR council under CSIR-ASPIRE	This initiative was aligned to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's initiative to empower women and promote 'Nari Shakti'.
'Call Before u Dig'	The department of telecommunications and the	To facilitate coordination between excavation agencies and

	Bhaskaracharya Institute for Space Applications and Geoinformatics	underground utility owners to prevent damage to utilities due to digging .
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April

App/ Website/Portal	Company / Department	Purpose
A mobile application, 'Digital Dukaan'	Axis Bank and VISA have jointly launched	To empower merchants to accept payments through various digital modes .
YUVA PORTAL	Science and Technology Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh	It will help in connecting and identifying potential young Start-Ups .
India's 1st Voice Biometric Authentication Banking App	City Union Bank	The service will prevent fraud based on PIN / OTP and the technology is fool-proof against recorded or mimicked voices .
The SATHI (Seed Traceability, Authentication and Holistic Inventory) Portal and Mobile App	Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Narendra Singh Tomar	To deal with the challenges of seed production, quality seed identification, and seed certification .

May

App/ Website/Portal	Company / Department	Purpose
'Him Data Portal' a common digital platform	Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu	To integrate data of all organizations for the deliverance of welfare schemes and to better serve the public.
The Sanchar Saathi Portal	The Union Minister for Communications, Ashwini Vaishnav	This citizen-centric portal aims to empower mobile phone users by providing essential services , such as tracking and blocking lost mobile phones .
'Shasan Aplya Dari' (government at your doorstep)	Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde	To provide benefits of government schemes at one place .

June

App/ Website/Portal	Company / Department	Purpose
'Arunpol App'	Arunachal Pradesh Chief Minister	The Arunpol app will facilitate common people to lodge complaints without coming to the police station .

"Dugdh Sanakalan Sathi Mobile App"	Rajasthan Electronics & Instruments Limited (REIL), a CPSE Mini Ratna under the Ministry of Heavy Industries	To improve the quality of milk , foster transparency among stakeholders , and streamline operations at the grassroots village level , including milk cooperative societies .
NANDI (NOC Approvals for New Drugs & Inoculation System) Portal	Union Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister, Parshottam Rupala	To digitize and streamline the regulatory approval process in India's Animal Health Sector .

July

App/ Website/Portal	Company / Department	Purpose
eSARAS mobile App	The Deendayal Antyodaya Yojna- National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM)	To support marketing for products made by women of Self-help Groups (SHGs) .
Mobile-Dost-App in sync with the vision of Apka-Mobile-Hamara-Daftar	Jammu and Kashmir	To providing seamless services to its residents, fostering ease in accessibility, mobility, transparency , and efficiency in governance .
ULLAS (Understanding Lifelong Learning for All in Society) Mobile app	Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan	The ULLAS initiative focuses on promoting functional literacy, vocational skills, & digital literacy .

August

App/ Website/Portal	Company / Department	Purpose
Amrit Brikshya Andolan web portal/mobile application and the Wood-based Industry (WBI) registration web portal	Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma	It is an initiative aimed at planting a total of 1 crore (10 million) commercially-viable saplings across the State by individuals from various walks of life on coming September 17 .
App 'Rajmargyatra'	National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)	To enhance the highway user experience .
'MASI' application (Monitoring App for Seamless Inspection)	The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)	For real-time monitoring of Child Care Institutions (CCIs) and their inspection process across the country
Bhartiya Vastra evam Shilp Kosh'	The National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT)	The programme was attended by over 3000 handloom and khadi weavers, artisans, and

		stakeholders from the textile and MSME sectors.
'SuSwagatam' online portal	The Supreme Court of India	To generate online electronic passes for visitors to enter the apex court's premises .
'Sinh Suchna' Web App	Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel	On the occasion of World Lion Day , Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel has virtually launched Lion Anthem' and unveiled the 'Sinh Suchna' Web App .
'SAMUDRA' mobile app	Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS),	SAMUDRA' stands for Smart Access to Marine Users for Ocean Data Resources and Advisories .
UDGAM portal	The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	UDGAM stands for Unclaimed Deposits Gateway to Access inforMation .
Mobile banking app 'iris'	YES Bank	The iris app has a sleek and intuitive user interface that aims to offer a simplified banking experience for users of all age groups, and backgrounds .

Chapter 10-Budget 2023: Complete Information

FM Nirmala Sitharaman has outlined 7 Priorities For first Budget in Amrit Kaal

- Inclusive development
- Reaching the last mile
- Infra & investment
- Unleashing the potential
- Green growth
- Youth power
- Financial sector

Agriculture

- Agriculture credit target increased to **Rs 20 trillion for FY'24**, with focus on animal husbandry, dairy and fisheries
- Making India Global hub for millets **"Sree Anna"**
- Cash transfer of **Rs 2.2 trn under PM-KISAN**
- Over the next 3 years, one crore farmers will get assistance to adopt natural farming. **10,000 bio input resource centres** will be set up.
- **PM-PRANAM** will be launched to incentivise states to promote alternative fertilisers, Govt to facilitate **1 crore farmers to adopt natural farming**

Social

- **9.6 crore LPG connections under Ujjawala**

- 220 crore Covid vaccination for 102 crore people given,
- 47.8 crore JanDhan accounts opened
- 9cr. drinking water in rural area

Infrastructure and Investment

- Enhanced Capex of **Rs 10lacs Cr. for infra development is 3.3 per cent** of the GDP Capital outlay of
- **Rs 2.40 lakh crore for railways in next financial year**
- 100 transport infrastructure for Ports, coal, steel, fertilizer

Aviation (Important Point)

Hiking the capital expenditure by 33 per cent to Rs 10 lakh crore for infrastructure development for 2023-24 and will be at 3.3 percent of the GDP.

- Presenting the Budget, she said the newly established infrastructure finance secretariat will assist in attracting more private investment.
- The Budget also allocated **Rs 3,113.36 crore to the union civil aviation ministry.**
- With an aim to further improve regional air connectivity, she said the government will revive **50 additional airports, helipads**, water aero drones and advanced landing grounds.

On artificial intelligence in the education sector and Skill

- Three centres of excellence for artificial intelligence will be established in top educational institutions
- **100 laboratories in engineering institutions** will be developing applications using 5G services
- A national digital library will be set up for children and adolescents for facilitating the availability of quality books across geographies, languages and genres
- Centre to **recruit 38,800 teachers** and support staff for **749 Eklavya Model Residential Schools** that will service 3.5 lakh tribal students.
- **Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna 4.0** will be launched to **skill lakhs of youth**, 30 Skill India international centres to be set up

For senior citizens

- Budget 2023 has **increased the maximum** permissible investment in the **senior citizen savings scheme**, a popular investment among the elderly. The post office monthly income scheme, too, has been made more attractive.
- Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman doubled the **maximum limit under the Senior Citizen Savings Scheme (SCSS) to Rs 30 lakh from Rs 15 lakh.** The scheme offers assured interest of Rs 8 percent per annum. The interest is paid quarterly.
- Additionally, the investment limit under the popular **Post Office Monthly Income Scheme (POMIS) has been raised to Rs 9 lakh from Rs 4.5 lakh.** In case of joint accounts held in POMIS, the investment limit has been hiked to Rs 15 lakh from Rs 9 lakh. The scheme pays monthly interest at the rate of 7.1 percent per annum.

Defence sector

- While the Ministry of Defence has received the highest allocation among all ministries at **Rs 5.94 lakh crore**, it is not a significant jump from **Rs 5.25 lakh crore for this FY**
- **Shares of Bharat Electronics, Bharat Dynamics, Hindustan Aeronautics, Paras Defence and BEML tumbled 5-9%** after Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman completed her Budget speech.
- **Under its ambitious Atmanirbhar Bharat scheme**, the government has banned imports of several items, including crucial parts used in defence equipment. Which means they are being manufactured in India now.

For renewable energy sector

- There is a 48% rise in allocation towards renewable energy sector in this budget.
- This year's allocation is **Rs 6,900.68 crore (budget estimate) and 45.3% over the revised estimate (RE) of Rs 7,033 crore.**

For IT ministry

- The budget estimate for the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology has been increased to **Rs 16, 549.04 crore from the Rs 11,719.95 crore.**
- The allocation for the period of 2021-22 stood at Rs 8,118.65 crore, making this year's budget estimate nearly double of what it was two years back.

For Road ministry

- Allocation for the road transport and highways ministry (MoRTH) has been increase by **36% to around Rs 2.7 lakh crore for 2023-24 in the Budget.**
- National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) has been allocated **around Rs 1.62 lakh crore as part of MoRTH's capital expenditure plan for 2023-24**
- As per the government's revised estimates the **NHAI will spend Rs 798 crore as IEBR in 2022-23.**

For Fintech Sector

- Digital payments rose **76% in transaction and 91% in value terms in 2022**
- **7,400 crore digital payments of Rs 126 lakh crore through UPI in 2022.**
- Fiscal support for digital public infrastructure (DPI) will continue in 2023-2024
- The scope of documents available in DigiLocker for individuals will be expanded
- An entity DigiLocker will be set up for use by MSMEs and large businesses
- PM VIKAS scheme will now include access to digital payments and social security.
- Subsidy for UPI expected **to jump two-folds to Rs 2,137 crore in FY23 over previous fiscal.**
- Allocation for digital payments promotion remains stagnant at **Rs 1500 crore for last three years**

New budget tax slab

Under the new personal tax regime, six income slabs have been reduced to six. The government has also increased the tax exemption limits in some of these categories.

- 0-3 lakh- nil
- 3-6 lakh -5%
- 6-9 lakh - 10%
- 9-12 lakh-15%
- 12-15 lakh -20%
- Above 15 lakh - 30%

Note: People who are earning an income of **Rs 9 lakh a year will have to pay only Rs 45,000 a year as tax.** That is **5% of their income or a reduction of 25 percent from the Rs 60,000 they were paying earlier.**

Means

- **Pay 5% tax between 3-6=15k tax**
- **Pay 10% tax between 6-7 lacs= 10k**

Total Tax paid=25k
Govt will refund 25k

- Finance minister announces **Mahila Samman Bachat Patra** – one-time small savings scheme for **₹2 lakh deposit for two-year period with fixed interest of 7.5%.**
- There will be no tax for income up to **Rs 3 lakh.** For income **Rs 3-6 lakh, 5% tax will be charged; highest tax rate of 30% on income above Rs 15 lakh** under new I-T regime

Health and family welfare ministry

- The **Union health and family welfare ministry has been allocated Rs 89, 155 crore** in the **Union budget FY24** marking a rise of a meagre 12% when compared to the revised budget estimated for FY 23.
- For the upcoming financial year, Rs 86,175 crore has been allocated to the department of health and family welfare while Rs 2,980 crore has been allocated for the department of health research.
- In the ongoing fiscal, the budget spent on the department of health and family welfare is Rs 76, 370 while Rs 2,775 crore had been marked for the department of health research.

DBT scheme for youths

- To provide support to 47 lakh youths in 3 years, a Direct Benefit Transfer under a pan India national apprenticeship scheme will be rolled out

"Green Growth"

- Govt to take up mangrove plantation along the coastline **under the new MISHTI scheme**
- Target to reach green hydrogen production of **5 MMT by 2030. Rs 35,000 crore allocated** towards achieving **net zero goal & energy transition**

- The recently launched **National Green Hydrogen Mission, with an outlay of ` 19,700 crores**, will facilitate transition of the economy to low carbon intensity, reduce dependence on fossil fuel imports, and make the country assume technology and market leadership in this sunrise sector. Our target is to reach an annual production of **5 MMT by 2030**.
- Green hydrogen, clean energy storage and transmission are the key drivers of the government's "**Green Growth**" priority sector.
- Govt to set up **Gowardhan Scheme** for promoting circular economy with total investment of Rs 10,000 cr
- Battery energy storage systems with capacity of 4,000 MWh will be supported with viability gap funding.
- A detailed framework for pumped storage will also be formulated.
- The inter-state transmission system for evacuation and grid integration of 13 GW renewable energy from Ladakh will be constructed with an investment of Rs 20,700 crore including Central support of Rs 8,300 crore.
- A green credit programme for encouraging behavioural change will be notified under the Environment Protection Act. Cooperative .

MSME

- **MSMEs are growth engines of our economy.** Micro enterprises with turnover up to ` 2 crore and certain professionals with turnover of up to ` 50 lakh can avail the benefit of presumptive taxation. I propose to provide enhanced limits of ` 3 crore and ` 75 lakh respectively, to the tax payers whose cash receipts are no more than 5 per cent.
- Moreover, to support MSMEs in timely receipt of payments, I propose to allow deduction for expenditure incurred on payments made to them only when payment is actually made.
- Govt to bring another dispute resolution scheme under **Vivad Se Vishwas-2** to settle commercial disputes: If MSMEs fail to execute contract, **95 per cent of performance security will be returned to small business as part of Vivad Se Vishwas.**
- **An Entity DigiLocker will be set up for use by MSMEs**, large business and charitable trusts. This will be towards storing and sharing documents online securely, whenever needed, with various authorities, regulators, banks and other business entities.

Direct Tax

- It has been the constant endeavour of the Income Tax Department to improve Tax Payers Services by making compliance easy and smooth.
- **Our tax payers' portal received a maximum of 72 lakh returns in a day; processed more than 6.5 crore returns this year;** average processing period reduced from 93 days in financial year 13-14 to 16 days now; and 45 per cent of the returns were processed within 24 hours.
- As a result of these proposals, revenue of **about ` 38,000 crore - ` 37,000 crore** in direct taxes and **` 1,000 crore in indirect taxes** - will be forgone while revenue of about ` 3,000 crore will be additionally mobilized. Thus, the total revenue forgone is about ` 35,000 crore annually.

Cooperation

- Cooperation is a value to be cherished. In realizing our Prime Minister's goal of "**Sahkar se Samridhhi**", and his resolve to "connect the spirit of cooperation with the spirit of **Amrit Kaal**", in addition to the measures proposed in Part A, I have a slew of proposals for the co-operative sector.
- First, new co-operatives that commence manufacturing activities **till 31.3.2024 shall get the benefit of a lower tax rate of 15 per cent**, as is presently available to new manufacturing companies.
- Secondly, I propose to provide an opportunity to sugar co-operatives to claim payments made to sugarcane farmers for the period prior to assessment year 2016-17 as expenditure. This is expected to provide **them with a relief of almost ` 10,000 crore.**
- Thirdly, I am providing a higher limit of **` 2 lakh per member for cash deposits to and loans in cash by Primary Agricultural Co-operative Societies (PACS)** and Primary Co-operative Agriculture and Rural Development Banks (PCARDBs).
- Similarly, a higher limit of **` 3 crore for TDS on cash withdrawal** is being provided to co-operative societies.

Other Financial Sector

- The world has recognized Indian economy as the bright star. Our economic growth is expected to be **at 7%, highest among major economies**
- Per capita income has **increased to Rs 1.97 lakh**
- "More than 39,000 compliances have been reduced and more than 3,400 legal provisions have been de-criminalised to improve ease of doing business"
- Centre to continue **50-year interest-free loans to state governments** for one more year
- Revised estimate for **2022-23 fiscal deficit at 5.9% of GDP.**
- **Targeted Fiscal Deficit to be below 4.5% by 2025-26.**
- **States to be allowed 3.5% of GDP as fiscal deficit** receipts are Rs 20.9 lakh crore. The revised estimate of the total expenditure is Rs 41.9 lakh crore, of which the capital expenditure is about Rs 7.3 lakh crore.

Other Important Point

- Govt to launch a **Rs 2,200 crore Aatmanirbhar clean plan programme**
- The outlay for **PM Awas Yojana** is being increased by 66% to over Rs 79,000 crore,
- Govt to provide Rs 5,300 cr assistance to drought-prone central region of Karnataka
- The KYC process will be simplified adopting a 'risk-based' instead of
- 'one size fits all' approach. The financial sector regulators will also be encouraged to have a KYC system fully amenable to meet the needs of Digital India.

Fund Allocation for Ministry

- **Ministry of Defence**-594 lacs Cr.
- **Ministry of Road Transport and Highways**-2.70lacs Cr.
- **Ministry of Railways**-2.41 lacs cr.
- **Ministry of Consumer affairs, Food and Public Distribution**-2.06 lacs cr.
- **Ministry of Home Affairs**- 1.96lacs Cr.
- **Ministry of Rural Development**- 1.60 lacs Cr.
- **Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare**-1.25 lacs Cr.
- **Ministry of Communications**-1.23 lacs Cr.
- **Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers**- 1.78 Lacs Cr.

Important Scheme related to Budget 2023

Eklavya Model Residential Schools

- **EMRS is a scheme** for making model residential schools for **Indian tribals (ST-Scheduled Tribes) across India. It started in the year 1997-98.**
- **The Eklavya Model Residential School in Shinde (Nashik)** has been planned by the Ministry Tribal Affairs to give impetus to **quality education in nearby tribal areas.**

Post Office Monthly Income Scheme (POMIS)

- **The Post Office Monthly Income Scheme (POMIS) is a Government of India backed small savings scheme that allows the investor (s) to set aside (save) a specific amount every month.** Subsequently, interest is added to this investment at the applicable rate and paid out to the depositor(s) on a monthly basis.

Following individuals are eligible to avail the scheme-

- A resident of India. NRIs are not eligible to invest in this scheme
- Individual above the age of 10 years

DBT scheme for youths

- With the aim of reforming Government delivery system by re-engineering the existing process in welfare schemes for simpler and faster flow of information/funds and to ensure accurate targeting of the beneficiaries, **de-duplication and reduction of fraud Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) was started on 1st January, 2013.**

Gowardhan Scheme

- **GOBARDhan supports the villages in safely managing their cattle waste, agriculture waste and organic waste in Rural areas.** It also helps villages convert their waste to wealth, improve environmental sanitation and curb vector borne diseases.
- Government of India provides Technical Assistance to every District and a financial support of **upto ₹50 lakhs per district to achieve safe disposal of cattle and organic waste.**

Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojna

- Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana is a skill development initiative scheme of the Government of India for recognition and standardisation of skills.

PM-PRANAM

- **PM PRANAM (Prime Minister Programme for Restoration, Awareness, Nourishment and Amelioration of Mother Earth)** This programme will seek to incentivise states and union territories promoting alternative **fertilisers and the balanced use of chemical fertilisers.**

PM KISAN

- Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi is an initiative by the government of India that give farmers up **to ₹6,000 per year as minimum income support.** The initiative was announced by Piyush Goyal during the 2019 Interim Union Budget of India on 1 February 2019.

PM Awas Yojana

- Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana is an initiative by the Government of India in which affordable housing will be provided to the urban poor with a target of building 2 crore affordable houses by 31 March 2022.

Aatmanirbhar clean plan programme

Chapter 11: Committee

March

Committee	Headed by	Purpose
The Supreme Court has formed an expert committee	Former Supreme Court judge Abhay Manohar Sapre	To investigate if there was a regulatory failure leading to investor losses after the adverse report by American short-seller Hindenburg Research on the Adani group of companies came out.
The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) has constituted a nine-member task force	The additional secretary (MeitY), Bhuvnesh Kumar	To make India a ' product developer and manufacturing nation '.

April

Committee	Headed by	Purpose
The National Green Tribunal (NGT) has set up a committee	NGT Chairman Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel	To investigate the disappearance of 1095 ponds in Kanpur Dehat

May

Committee	Headed by	Purpose
The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) has recently constituted a five-member expert committee comprising medical experts and insurers	Pratima Murthy	The committee will provide advice and input on existing insurance coverage and what is offered for mental illnesses .
The National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) set up an 11-member Cheetah Project Steering Committee	Rajesh Gopal	The move comes following the death of six cheetahs , including three newborn cubs, within a period of two and half months at Kuno National Park (KNP) in Madhya Pradesh .
The Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) has constituted an	Former Sebi executive director S Ravindran	To advise the markets regulator on changes in legal framework and increasing transparency in

Intermediary Advisory Committee		the functioning of market intermediaries like stock exchanges, depository participants, clearing corporations, among others.
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June

Committee	Headed by	Purpose
The Consultative Committee of Members of Parliament for the Ministry of Railways	Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw	To upgrade 1,275 railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station.
The Meghalaya government has set up an expert committee	Ampareen Lyngdoh	To review the 1972 reservation policy in line with demands made by the opposition Voice of the People's Party (VPP) whose leader is on an indefinite hunger strike.
The central government has formed a Peace Committee in Manipur	The governor of Manipur Anusuiya Uikey	To facilitate peace among ethnic groups in the state.
The Department of Legal Affairs under the Union law ministry, has set up a panel to recommend reforms in the Arbitration and Conciliation Act.	Former law secretary T K Vishwanathan	The committee has been asked to recommend a framework of model arbitration system which is efficient, effective and economical and caters to the requirements of the users.

July

Committee	Headed by	Purpose
"working of the Asset Reconstruction Companies (ARCs)	Reserve Bank of India	Enabling ARCs to fulfill the increasing demand of the financial sector , the working group will undertake a thorough review of assignment agreements and trust deed templates.

Chapter 12: Banking & Financial

GST Collection 2023

- **January 2023** - 1,55,922 crore
- **February 2023** - 1,49,577 crore
- **March 2023** - 1,60,122 crore
- **April 2023** - 1,87,035 crore

- **May 2023** – 1,57,090 crore
- **June 2023** – 1,61,497 crore
- **July 2023** – 1,65,105 crore

RBI Policy Rate

Policy	Rates
Repo Rate	6.50%
Reverse Repo Rate	3.35%
Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) Rate	6.75%
Bank Rate	6.75%
Cash Reserve Ratio	4.50%
Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)	18%
Standing Deposit Facility Rate	6.25%

RBI imposes Penalty 2023

Bank	Amount	Reason
Karur Vysya Bank	30 lacs	for non-compliance with certain provisions of the Reserve Bank of India (Frauds-Classification).
HSBC	1.73cr.	for contravention of Credit Information Companies Rules, 2006.
Canara Bank	2.92 Cr.	for violation of various norms, including linking interest rates to external benchmarks and opening savings accounts of ineligible entities
Central Bank of India	84.50 lacs	For non-compliance with certain provisions of norms related to frauds classification and reporting.
Manappuram Finance	20 lacs	for non-compliance with certain provisions of Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC).
J&K Bank	2.5 Cr.	for non-compliance with certain directions issued by RBI on 'Creation of a Central Repository of Large Common Exposures-Across Banks.
Bank of Maharashtra	1.45 Cr.	
Axis Bank	30 lacs	

March

RBI launched Mission 'Har Payment Digital' to promote digital payments

- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has launched the Mission 'Har Payment Digital' on the occasion of Digital Payments Awareness Week (DPAW) 2023.
- This is part of RBI's endeavour to make every person in India a user of digital payments. DPAW 2023 will be observed from the 6 to 12 of March 2023.
- The campaign theme is "Digital Payment Apnao, Auro ko bhi Sikhao" (Adopt digital payments and Also teach others)

Kotak AMC financial literacy campaign for women

- To drive the culture of digital literacy among the women fraternity on this year's International Women's Day, Kotak Mahindra Asset Management Company has launched a digital campaign called 'DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality'.
- The campaign calls for digital inclusion of all with the hashtag, #IncludeAll.

IDFC Mutual Fund rebrands itself as Bandhan

- IDFC Mutual Fund has been rebranded itself as Bandhan Mutual Fund and its schemes will reflect the new name with effect from March 13, 2023.
- IDFC Mutual Fund has also unveiled a new logo as the company was acquired by Bandhan Financial Holdings-led consortium in April 2022

Kotak Mahindra AMC launched Silver ETF Fund of Fund

- Kotak Mahindra Asset Management Company Ltd has launched Kotak Silver Exchange Traded Fund (ETF) Fund of Fund.
- The New Fund Offer opens for public subscription on March 13, 2023 and closes on 27 Mar 2023.

Suryodaya Small Finance Bank launched Blossom Women's Savings Account

- Suryodaya Small Finance Bank has launched a new savings account for women customers called the Blossom Women's savings account.
- The account is designed to provide women with a safe and secure platform to save and grow their money with best of the interest rate and a wide range of exclusive benefits and privileges.

RBI allowed banks from 18 countries to trade in rupee

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has permitted banks from 18 countries to open Special Vostro Rupee Accounts (SVRAs) to settle payments in rupees.
- These 18 nations include Botswana, Fiji, Germany, Guyana, Israel, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, Myanmar, New Zealand, Oman, Russia, Seychelles, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, Uganda, and the United Kingdom.

ICICI Prudential Life Insurance launched 'ICICI Pru Gold'

- ICICI Prudential Life Insurance has launched ICICI Pru Gold.
- It is an innovative long-term savings product designed to enable customers to create an additional income stream to meet their diverse income requirements.

RBI to set up Data Centre & Cybersecurity Training Institute in Bhubaneswar

- RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das has laid the foundation stone for the establishment of a "Greenfield Data Centre" and "Enterprise Computing & Cybersecurity Training Institute" in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- The new Data Centre and the Enterprise Computing & Cybersecurity Training Institute spread over an area of 18.55 acres, when commissioned, will cater to the emerging requirements of the RBI and the financial sector.

Income tax dept launched mobile app 'AIS for Taxpayer'

- The **Income Tax Department** has launched a **Mobile app** namely '**AIS for Taxpayer**'.
- Objective - To facilitate taxpayers to view their information as available in the Annual Information Statement (AIS) or Taxpayer Information Summary (TIS).

Government imposed surcharge for Google Pay and other payment apps

- The **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)** has issued a circular in which it suggested "**Prepaid Payment Instruments (PPI)**" fees on merchant transactions on Unified Payments Interface (UPI).
- **NPCI has introduced an interchange charge of up to 1.1 percent** on merchant UPI transactions done using prepaid payment instruments from April 1.

Axis Bank launched 'MicroPay' based on 'Pin on Mobile' technology for digital payments

- **Private sector lender Axis Bank** has launched '**MicroPay**', first pocket-sized swipe machine of India, based on '**Pin on Mobile**' technology for accepting digital payments.
- The bank launched '**MicroPay**' along with Ezetap by Razorpay and MyPinpad as the technical solution partners.

April

India Post Payments Bank launched WhatsApp Banking Services

- **India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)** in collaboration with **Airtel** has launched **WhatsApp Banking Services** to provide easy and convenient banking services to its customers.
- Airtel has been working with IPPB to deliver as many as 250 million messages per month to the bank's customers many of whom are located in mofussil towns and Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities.

Government hikes interest rates of small savings schemes

- The government has raised interest rates on most post office saving schemes by up to **0.7 percent for the April-June 2023 quarter**.
- The highest increase was in the interest rate of the **National Savings Certificate (NSC)**, which will now attract **7.5 percent, up from 7 percent**, for the April 1 to June 30, 2023 period.
- The new rate for the girl child savings scheme **Sukanya Samriddhi** has been increased to **8 percent from 7.6 percent**.
- The interest rate on the **senior citizen savings scheme and Kisan Vikas Patra (KVP)** is **8.2 percent (up from 8 percent)** and **7.5 percent (up from 7.2 percent)**, respectively.
- **KVP** will now mature in **115 months as against 120 months** earlier.

BoM inaugurated its first dedicated Branch for Start-ups in Pune

- **Bank of Maharashtra (BoM)** has inaugurated its **first dedicated Branch for start-ups in Pune, Maharashtra**.
- The dedicated branch will provide all kinds of support to a startup during its growth journey.

Public sector banks transfer Rs 35,012 crore unclaimed deposits to RBI

- The **Public sector banks (PSBs)** have transferred unclaimed deposits of **Rs 35,012 crore** as of February 2023 to the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**.
- These deposits have not been operated for **10 years or more**.
- **SBI** tops the list with an unclaimed amount of **Rs 8,086 crore**, while **Punjab National Bank** has **Rs 5,340 crore** and **Canara Bank** has **Rs 4,558 crore**.

Canara Bank launches Premium Payroll Account

- **Canara Bank** has introduced a "**Premium Payroll Package**" for Salary account holders with competitive features.
- This product has been designed to meet all Banking requirements of Salaried Customers.

SBI to launch new current accounts and savings accounts in FY24 to attract deposits

- The **State Bank of India (SBI)** is planning to launch **new variants of current account** (with balances of ₹50,000 and ₹50 lakh) and "**Parivar**" (**family**) **savings account** in FY24 to minimize the gap between deposit growth and credit growth.
- Domestic deposits of India's largest bank grew 8.86 percent year-on-year (y-o-y) by the end of 2022, while domestic advances were up 16.91 percent y-o-y.

HDFC Bank signs with Export-Import Bank of Korea for \$300 million

- **HDFC Bank** has signed a "Master Inter Bank Credit Agreement" **with Export-Import Bank of Korea for a USD 300 million line of credit.**
- The pact was signed by the two entities at GIFT City in Gujarat's capital Gandhinagar.
- This agreement will help HDFC Bank raise foreign currency funds which it would extend to Korea-related businesses.

SBI reintroduces 400 days 'Amrit Kalash' retail term deposit scheme

- The country's largest lender **State Bank of India (SBI)** has extended the validity of **Amrit Kalash special fixed deposit (FD) scheme.**
- The bank previously introduced this retail term deposit programme, and it was valid from February 15, 2023, through March 31, 2023. But on April 12, 2023, SBI stated that its Amrit Kalash FD retail term deposit programme has been extended till 30th June 2023.

Karnataka Bank launches home loan campaign

- **Karnataka Bank** has launched a special home loan campaign -- '**KBL Centenary Mahotsav**' from **April 17 to July 17.**
- Karnataka Bank has developed digital loan products for home loans allowing customers to enjoy seamless digital processing and immediate in-principle approvals at their convenience and comfort.

AIIB to open its first overseas office in Abu Dhabi

- **Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB)** and the **United Arab Emirates (UAE)** have signed a host member agreement to **officially open the bank's first overseas office, an Interim Operational Hub (the Hub), in Abu Dhabi.**
- The new foreign office in Abu Dhabi will support the AIIB's development agenda by funding sustainable economic development projects, primarily in areas where it is most needed.

IndusInd Bank to launch digital bank 'Indie'

- **IndusInd Bank** will launch its **digital bank Indie this quarter.**
- The bank is also planning to enter the mutual funds, insurance, and broking sector.
- Bank is expecting 8 million clients in the next three years with Rs 50,000 crore of balance sheet.

May

Reliance General becomes first insurer to accept CBDC

- **Reliance General Insurance** has become the **first general insurance company to accept RBI's Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) e-Rupee (₹)** for premium payments.
- The insurer has tied up with YES Bank to facilitate the collection of premiums in digital mode using the bank's e-rupee platform.

HDFC Bank launches digital distribution platform for agents and partners

- **HDFC Bank** has introduced a digital distribution platform **HDFC Bank Smart Saathi** to connect business correspondents (BCs) and business facilitators (BFs) to the bank.
- HDFC Bank Smart Saathi will contribute by making banking products and services available, especially credit for rural customers, which will help in the development of the country.

SEBI launches LEI system

- The **Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** has introduced the **Legal Entity Identifier (LEI) system** for issuers that have listed or are planning to list **non-convertible securities, securitized debt instruments, and security receipts.**
- The LEI is a unique global identifier for legal entities participating in financial transactions. Its purpose is to create a global reference data system that uniquely identifies every legal entity that is a party to a financial transaction.

BharatPe rebrands PAYBACK India as 'Zillion'

- **BharatPe Group** has rebranded its multi-brand loyalty program, **Payback India to Zillion.**
- It aims to target customers across age groups and add a new dimension to their overall shopping experience, across categories and brands.

Reserve Bank gold reserves rose 4.5% to 794.64 tonnes in 2022-23

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** added **34.22 metric tonnes of gold** in the fiscal year that ended **March 31, 2023**, taking the **total gold reserves to 794.64 metric tonnes.**
- RBI held 760.42 metric tonnes as of March 31, 2022, compared to 695.31 metric tonnes as of March 31, 2021.

AIBEA to launch 'Bank Clinic' to help retail customers

- The **All-India Bank Employees' Association (AIBEA)** plans to set up an online **'Bank Clinic'** to assist bank customers with grievance redress.
- Once a bank's retail customer lodges an online complaint with our "Bank Clinic", our team will take up the complaint with the Bank for redress," AIBEA General Secretary CH Venkatachalam said.

London stock exchange group to set up technology centre in Hyderabad

- Global financial markets infrastructure and data provider **London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG)** will be **establishing a technology centre of excellence (CoE) in Hyderabad.**
- Which will be generating employment for about 1,000 people in a year.

RBI launches 100 days campaign to settle unclaimed deposits

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has launched the **'100 Days 100 Pays'** campaign for banks to trace and settle the top 100 unclaimed deposits of every bank in every district of the country within 100 days.
- This measure will complement the ongoing efforts and initiatives by the Reserve Bank to reduce the quantum of unclaimed deposits in the banking system and return such deposits to their rightful owners/claimants.

NSE launches WTI crude oil and natural gas futures contracts

- The **National Stock Exchange (NSE)** has launched the **rupee-denominated NYMEX WTI Crude Oil and Natural Gas futures** in its commodity derivatives segment.

- It will provide effective trading and hedging opportunities to market participants, with the availability of key energy products on a single trading platform.

PayNearby launches 'PayNearby Mall' for small businesses and consumers

- A branchless banking and digital network in India, PayNearby has launched a new meta-commerce platform called PayNearby Mall.
- With this initiative, the company aims to upgrade every retailer, in its active network, to benefit from the ongoing e-commerce acceleration.

RBI withdrawal 2000 notes from circulation, to remain legal tender

- The Reserve Bank of India has decided to withdraw the ₹2000 denomination banknotes from circulation but they will continue to remain as legal tender.
- It has advised banks to stop issuing ₹2000 denomination banknotes with immediate effect.
- The ₹2000 denomination banknote was introduced in November 2016 under Section 24(1) of RBI Act, 1934.

Paytm launches Paytm SBI Card on RuPay Network with NPCI

- Paytm has partnered with SBI Card and the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to launch the Paytm SBI Card on the RuPay network.
- The aim of this new partnership, they claim, is to revolutionize the way credit is consumed in India by bringing 'new to credit' users into the formal economy and expanding to non-urban markets.

RBI approved Rs 87,416 crore dividend payout to Centre for FY23

- The Reserve Bank of India has approved Rs 87,416 crore dividend payout to the central government for 2022-23, nearly triple of what it paid in the previous year.
- The dividend payout was Rs 30,307 crore for the accounting year 2021-22.

India's GDP crossed \$3.5 trillion in 2022: Moody's report

- According to Moody's Report 2023, India's GDP has crossed USD 3.5 trillion in 2022 and is predicted to continue to be the fastest-growing G20 economy over the next few years.
- Moody's has warned that reform and policy barriers could hamper investment in India.

Axis Bank launches a digital onboarding platform 'Sarathi'

- Axis Bank has launched 'Sarathi,' a first-of-its-kind digital onboarding journey for merchants to adopt Electronic Data Capture (EDC) or Point of Sale (PoS).
- Unlike the time-consuming traditional onboarding process, which can take several days, Sarathi offers merchants a streamlined and hassle-free experience.

Razorpay launches "Turbo UPI"

- Fintech major Razorpay has launched Turbo UPI in partnership with Axis Bank and the National Payments Council of India (NPCI).
- The new product will allow customers of online merchants to make UPI payments directly without getting redirected to a third-party UPI app during checkout.

June

RBI Governor launches Financial Inclusion Dashboard 'ANTARDRIHSTI'

- RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das has launched a financial inclusion dashboard named 'Antardrishti'.
- The dashboard would, as its name suggests, provide the necessary knowledge to evaluate and track the development of financial inclusion by recording relevant data.

Kotak Bank launches Réserve premium account

- A division of Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited, **Kotak Private Banking** has unveiled **Kotak Réserve, a Savings Programme** curated exclusively for **UHNIs (Ultra High Net Worth Individuals) and HNIs (High Net Worth Individuals)**.
- This by-invite programme extends beyond banking services, offering a range of exclusive amenities to provide clients with an unparalleled luxury banking experience.

Federal Bank launches 'I am Adyar, Adyar is me' campaign

- **Federal Bank** has launched **'I am Adyar, Adyar is me' campaign** in Chennai.
- The campaign aims to honour and celebrate the local community of Adyar. The Adyar branch of Federal Bank has been converted into a living museum for the campaign.

RBI permits FLDG between fintechs and banks, NBFCs

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has approved the **First Loss Default Guarantee (FLDG) framework**, allowing fintech to partner with banks and non-Banking financial companies (NBFCs).
- The central bank has allowed a 5% default loss cover for bank-fintech deals.
- The RBI had earlier specified that banks and NBFCs must abide by securitization norms before entering into any guarantee arrangement.

India tops world ranking in digital payments

- **India with 89.5 million digital transactions** in the year 2022 has **topped the list of five countries in digital payments**, according to data from MyGovIndia.
- India accounted for 46% of the global real-time payments in 2022, more than the other four leading countries combined.
- Brazil is second on the list with 29.2 million transactions, followed by China with 17.6 million transactions.

Reserve Bank of India (RBI) opens regional office in Nagaland

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has opened its **sub-office in Kohima, Nagaland**, expanding its presence in the northeastern region.
- RBI Deputy Governor Michael Debabrata Patra inaugurated the office.
- RBI now has a presence in Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Tripura, and Nagaland.

Indian Overseas Bank Introduces "MY ACCOUNT MY NAME"

- **Indian Overseas Bank** has introduced **"MY ACCOUNT MY NAME"** for **Savings Bank account customers**.
- This is the first time such a feature has been introduced in the banking industry.
- In 'My Account My Name' customer can choose any name (alias) for his/her account in addition to the account name. This 'Alias Name' name can be shared by customers to others instead of sharing the 15-digit account numbers.

Kotak Mahindra Bank launches 'ActivMoney'

- **Kotak Mahindra Bank** launched its **ActivMoney feature**, which gives customers the benefit of fixed deposit (FD)-like interest up to 7 percent per annum, and the flexibility to access their funds at any time from the linked savings account.
- This is an auto sweep feature that is offered by several other banks, including Axis Bank, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, and IndusInd Bank.

Axis Bank launches 'One-View' feature

- **Axis Bank** has launched the **'one-view' feature** on its mobile application which **enables account management across multiple bank accounts**, including non-Axis accounts.
- The feature has been launched using the open banking principle leveraging the account aggregator (AA) ecosystem—an industry-first initiative.

RBI cancels Mahalaxmi Cooperative Bank Dharwad's banking license

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has canceled the banking license of the Karnataka-based Mahalaxmi Cooperative Bank, Dharwad, and allowed function only as a non-banking institution.
- This makes it obligatory on the part of Mahalaxmi Cooperative Bank Ltd., Dharwad, Karnataka to stop conducting the business of 'banking' within the meaning of section 5(b) of the Act ibid, including acceptance of deposits from non-members with immediate effect.

July

Bank of India launched Centralised Pool Buy-Out and Co-Lending Cell

- Bank of India has launched a 'Centralized Pool Buy-Out and Co-Lending Cell' to boost priority sector lending in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- The Cell will be equipped with an end-to-end digital underwriting system to onboard pool buy-outs and co-lending of loans in partnership with NBFCs (non-banking finance companies).

PNB launches its virtual branch in the Metaverse

- State-owned Punjab National Bank (PNB) has launched the virtual branch, PNB Metaverse.
- It is a virtual branch of the bank, which will deliver a unique experience of banking to existing and new customers.

SBI launches 'Transaction Banking Hubs' for efficient solutions

- State Bank of India (SBI) has launched 34 Transaction Banking Hubs in the top 21 district centres across the country to provide customers with quick and efficient transaction banking solutions.
- Dinesh Khara, the chairman of the SBI, inaugurated the hubs, on the occasion of the 68th foundation day of the bank.

Indian Bank rolls out digital services under 'Project WAVE' initiative

- Indian Bank, in partnership with National E-Governance Service Limited (NeSL), has rolled out e-BG (electronic bank guarantee) services under Project WAVE to reduce the number of old paper-based process.
- CEO and Managing Director of Indian Bank, S L Jain has launched the digital service at an event in Chennai.

Bank of India becomes first bank to offer Mahila Samman Savings Certificate

- Bank of India, one of the largest public sector banks (PSBs) in the country, has become the first bank to officially roll out Mahila Samman Savings Certificate (MSSC) scheme.
- The scheme was announced by Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman during her Budget Speech 2023.
- The scheme offers an interest rate of 7.5 percent per annum, compounded quarterly.

RBI panel recommends measures for internationalization of rupee

- RBI's working group has recommended the inclusion of the rupee in the Special Drawing Rights (SDR) basket and recalibration of the foreign portfolio investor (FPI) regime to accelerate the pace of internationalization of the rupee.
- The recommendations by an Inter-Departmental Group (IDG), headed by RBI Executive Director Radha Shyam Ratho.

- The group was constituted by RBI Deputy Governor T Rabi Sankar to review the position of the rupee as an international currency and to frame a road map for the internationalization of the domestic currency.

Piramal Finance launches five all-women branches

- **Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited** has launched **five all-women branches** as part of its commitment to **diversity and equal opportunities**.
- These **branches, named 'Maitreyi,'** are part of the company's efforts to foster gender equality and provide women with equal workforce opportunities.

India to surpass US to become world's 2nd largest economy by 2075: Goldman Sachs

- **Goldman Sachs** said India, the fifth-largest economy, will become the **second-largest economy in the world by 2075** surpassing not only Japan and Germany but also the United States.
- According to the investment bank report innovation and technology, higher capital investment, and rising worker productivity to increase drastically due to the burgeoning population.
- Currently, India is the world's fifth-largest economy, behind Germany, Japan, China and the US.

Bank of India inaugurates IFSC Banking Unit at GIFT City

- **Bank of India** has inaugurated its **IFSC Banking Unit (IBU)** in the **International Financial Services Centre at GIFT SEZ area in Gandhinagar**.
- The BOI IBU has the twin advantage of being situated in India, providing the benefit of the time zone window for its counterparts located globally with competitive pricing & quick processing from an experienced team.

Razorpay launches first international payment gateway in Malaysia

- **Fintech firm Razorpay** has launched its **first international payment gateway for the Malaysian** market with Curlec.
- The new Curlec Payment Gateway will serve more than 5,000 businesses with a target of RM (Malaysian Ringgit) 10 billion in annualized Gross Transaction Value (GTV) by 2025.

SBI to set up Trustee Company to manage CDMDF

- **State Bank of India** will set up a **new trustee company** as its wholly-owned subsidiary for managing the **Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF)**.
- CDMDF will act as a backstop facility for the purchase of investment-grade corporate debt securities to instill confidence amongst the participants in the corporate bond market during times of stress and to generally enhance secondary market liquidity by creating a permanent institutional framework for activation in times of market stress

Govt approves 8.15% interest rate on Employees Provident Fund deposits

- The **government** has cleared the **interest rate for Employees' Provident Fund (EPF) accounts for the financial year 2022-23**.
- The **declared interest rate stands at 8.15 percent**, as notified by the retirement body Employees Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) in a circular.

Canara Bank was top lender to public sector cos in FY23

- **Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman** informed Parliament that during the **fiscal year 2022-23, Public Sector Banks (PSBs) extended loans amounting to Rs 4.12 trillion** to state-backed corporations and public sector undertakings.
- **Canara Bank** led the lending during 2022-23 to government-backed entities at **₹187,813 crore** during the recently concluded fiscal year.

Banks write off bad loans worth Rs 2.09 lakh crore in 2022-23: RBI

- According to the RBI's data during the financial year 2022-23, banks wrote off bad loans amounting to over **Rs 2.09 lakh crore**, contributing to a total loan write-off of **Rs 10.57 lakh crore** by the banking sector over the past five years.
- This huge loan write-off aided banks to bring down gross non-performing assets (GNPA) – or loans defaulted by borrowers — to a 10-year low of 3.9 percent of advances in March 2023.

India to become 3rd largest economy by 2027: SBI Research

- India is expected to become the **world's 3rd largest economy by 2027**, if it maintains its **current rate of growth**, according to the **SBI Research's Ecowrap Report 2023**.
- Earlier, SBI Research had expected India to become the third-largest economy in the world by 2029.

August

HDFC Bank's Jagdishan Highest Paid Bank CEO in FY23 with Rs 10.55cr Pay

- **HDFC Bank's Sashidhar Jagdishan** has emerged as the **highest-paid bank chief executive in the financial year 2022-23**, grossing over **Rs 10.55 crore** in overall pay.
- **Amitabh Chaudhry** of Axis Bank drew **Rs 9.75 crore** payout and was the second highest-paid bank CEO.
- He was closely followed by **Sandeep Bakhshi** of bigger rival ICICI Bank, who drew **Rs 9.60 crore** for the same year.

SBI raises 10,000 cr via 15-year Infrastructure bonds

- **State Bank of India (SBI)** has raised **Rs 10,000 crore** at a coupon rate of **7.54 percent** through its third infrastructure bond issuance.
- The proceeds will be directed towards bolstering long-term resources for funding critical infrastructure projects and supporting the affordable housing segment.

South Indian Bank launches SIB EXIM Current Account

- **South Indian Bank (SIB)** has launched **SIB EXIM Current Account** specially curated for customers involved in the import and export business.
- The current account is available in two variants **SIB EXIM Silver** and **SIB EXIM Gold** with the required Quarterly Forex Throughput (QFT) of **\$15,000** and **\$50,000** respectively.

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Domestic companies raised Rs 9.8 lakh cr from market in FY23: SEBI

- According to the Securities and Exchange Board of India (**SEBI**) **annual report**, **Domestic companies raised Rs 9.8 lakh crore from capital markets** in fiscal 2022-23, which was 4.6 percent higher than the amount raised in fiscal 2022.
- SEBI said that corporates or infrastructure entities raised funds via instruments such as equity (public, rights, preferential, QIP), debt (public and private placement), Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs), Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs), and Infrastructure Investment Trusts (InvITs).

Banks write off Rs 14.56 lakh crore NPAs in last nine financial years

- Banks have written off bad loans worth Rs 14.56 lakh crore in the last nine financial years starting 2014-15 in Aug 2023.
- Out of the total Rs 14,56,226 crore, written-off loans of large industries and services stood at Rs 7,40,968 crore.

RBI raises per transaction limit for UPI Lite to 500 rupees

- RBI has increased the **offline transaction limit from 200 rupees to 500 rupees** but the overall limit of small value digital transaction limit is kept unchanged at 2,000 rupees.
- These initiatives will further deepen the reach of digital payments in the country.

Wholesale inflation stays in negative for fourth month at -1.36% in July

- The **wholesale price-based inflation** remained in the **negative territory for the fourth straight month in July at (-)1.36 percent** on easing prices of fuel, even though food articles turned costlier.
- The wholesale price index-based inflation saw a 1.36% contraction in July, according to data released by the Commerce and industry ministry.

Retail inflation rises to 15-month high of 7.44 percent in July

- **India's retail inflation** surged to **7.44 percent in July** on an annual basis **as against 4.81 percent in June**, showed data released by the Ministry of statistics.
- It is the highest reading since May 2022 when the inflation rate stood at 7.79 percent. The consumer food price index (CFPI) rose to 11.51 percent from 4.49 percent in June. Rural inflation stood at 7.63 percent while urban inflation stood at 7.20 percent.

RBI imposes monetary penalty on four co-operative banks for violating rules

- The **Reserve Bank** has **imposed monetary penalties on four co-operative banks** for deficiencies in regulatory compliance.
- These banks are -- Baroda Gujarat Gramin Bank, Vadodara, The Aska Co-operative Central Bank Ltd., Bally Cooperative Bank Ltd., Howrah and The Nabapalli Co-operative Bank Ltd., West Bengal.
- RBI imposed a penalty of Rs 2.50 lakh on Nabapalli Co-operative Bank, West Bengal and Rs 1 lakh on Bally Co-operative Bank, West Bengal.
- The penalty on Aska Cooperative Bank, Aska (Odisha) was Rs 50,000 and on Baroda Gujarat Gramin Bank, Vadodara (Gujarat) was Rs 5 lakh.

India to become 3rd largest economy by 2027: SBI chief economist

- The **Group Chief Economic Advisor at the State Bank of India (SBI)**, Soumya Kanti Ghoshon has reiterated **that India is likely to become the third-largest economy by 2027**.
- Indian economy is currently ranked fifth and is behind the US, China, Japan, and Germany.

NHA and IRDAI collaborate to boost digital health integration in insurance

- The **National Health Authority (NHA)** and **IRDAI (Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India)** jointly organized an exclusive **three-day Accelerator Workshop**.
- Objective - **To help insurance companies complete** their Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) integration and **to facilitate adoption of Health Claims Exchange (HCX) specifications**.

RBI to start pilot Project on PTP for frictionless credit

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** will launch the **pilot project for Public Tech Platform (PTP) for frictionless credit**.

- The same will be done via the Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH), a wholly-owned subsidiary of the RBI.

Canara Bank introduced Canara Jeevan Dhara savings bank account

- **Canara Bank** has introduced **Canara Jeevan Dhara**, a special **savings bank account** for **pensioners, and prospective pensioners**.
- All the employees who retired on a voluntary basis or normal retirements are also eligible.

Zerodha gets final nod from Sebi to launch mutual fund business

- **Stockbroking startup Zerodha** has received the **final approval from the market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** to launch its **asset management business**.
- It is launching the asset management company in partnership with Smallcase, which was incubated within Zerodha's in-house corporate fund Rainmatter.

Indian Bank opens specialized startup cells in 10 cities

- **Public sector Indian Bank** has set up **10 startup cells across different centres** in the country to serve its specialized banking requirements.
- The startup cells have been set up in **Ahmedabad, Bengaluru, Coimbatore, Chennai, New Delhi, Gurgaon, Guwahati, Hyderabad, Kanpur and Mumbai**.

AU Small Finance Bank to provide 24x7 video banking service

- **AU Small Finance Bank** has launched **24x7 for 365 days of Video Banking**, providing customers with real-time video calls for banking services.
- AU Small Finance Bank is the first bank in India to launch this type of service.
- This facility is available to the bank's customers irrespective of the type of their banking relationship (credit card, loan, savings, digital savings, basic service savings, current account, etc).

Chapter 13: Current Affairs (National)

Recent GI Tag List

Item	State
Kangra Tea	Himachal Pradesh
Nagri Dubraj rice	Chhattisgarh
'Mircha' rice	Bihar's West Champaran
Gond Painting	Madhya Pradesh
'Cumbum' Angoor'	Tamil Nadu
'Amroha Dholak', 'Mahoba Gaura Patthar Hastashlip', 'Mainpuri Tarkashi', 'Sambhal Horn Craft', 'Baghpat Home Furnishings', 'Barabanki Handloom Product' and 'Kalpi Handmade Paper'	UP

List of Changing Name

Old Name	New Name
MCF Raebareli Stadium named	Hockey player Rani Rampal
Sharjah stadium (UAE) stand named	Sachin Tendulkar
Ahmednagar (Maharashtra)	Ahilyabai Holkar

Indian Govt, target important project list

Aims	Target Time
Indian Railways to become Net Zero Carbon Emitter by	2030
Government of India has set a target of building 220 new airports	2025
PM vision of \$ 5 trillion Economy	2025
To Eliminate TB	2025
100 MT coal gasification target	2030
To generate solar Power (500GW)	2030
Har Ghar Jal	2024
Clean Drinking water to all by	2024
Fulfil Jal Jeevan Mission	2024
Railways to run 100% on electricity	2024
zero road accident fatalities	2030
Green Railway'	2030
'Energy independent'	2047
Rice under all scheme to be fortified	2024
Six lakh villages to get internet connectivity by	2024

Festival

State/UT	City	Festival
Andhra Pradesh		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flamingo Festival
Assam		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Magh Bihu Rongali or Bohag Bihu Dwizling Festival Parag Festival Ambubachi Mela Wanchuwa Baikho
Chhattisgarh	Raipur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Tribal Dance Festival
Goa		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Film Festival of India (IFFI) Sao Joao International Lusophone Festival Heritage Festival
Gujarat	Ahmedabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> International Kite Festival

Himachal Pradesh		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Losar Festival
J&K		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mela Kheer Bhavani • Jhiri Mela • Bungus Awaam Mela” • “Apple Festival” • 1st ever Aharbal Festival • Kanchoth festival • Herath or the ‘Night of Hara (Shiva)’ • Lavendar festival’ • Sinthan Snow Festival • Vitasta Mahotsav
Karnataka	Mangalore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karavali Utsav
Kerala		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Onam • Dragonfly Festival or Thumbi Mahotsavam (1st-ever of state in 2020) • Pooram Festival
Ladakh		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naropa Festival • Addi Mahotsav • Hemis • Losar Festival • Spituk Gustor Festival
Madhya Pradesh	Khajuraho	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Film Festival
	Gwalior	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tansen Music Festival or the Tansen Sangeet Sammelan or the Tansen Utsav
	Mandu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandu festival
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Namaste Orchha festival (1st-ever in 2020) • Lokrang Festival • ‘UNMESHA’ • ‘UTKARSH’
Maharashtra		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Owl Festival (Pune) • Palkhi festival
	Nagpur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Khasdar Mahostav • Orange Festival
Manipur	Imphal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sangai Festival, Nata Sankiratana, Kachai Lemon Festival • Leela Festival • Amur Falcon Festival • Yaoshang festival • Hun Thadou cultural festival
	Ukhrul	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shirui Lily Festival
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sangai Festival

Meghalaya		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Behdinkhelam Festival • Cherry Blossom Festival • Wangala festival • Rising Sun Water Festival
Nagaland		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hornbill Festival • Naga Mircha Festival
Delhi	New Delhi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Tribal Festival – Aadi Mahotsav
Odisha		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Raja Parba festival • Konark Festival • International Sand Art Festival • Nuakhai Juhar harvest • 'Boita Bandana' Festival • Sital Sasthi • 'Nuakhai' • Dhanu Yatra' • 'Raja' agricultural festival
	Cuttack	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Bali Yatra' festival
Rajasthan	Bikaner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Camel Festival • Maru Mahotsav or Jaisalmer Desert Festival • Gangaur festival
Telangana		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nagoba Jatara festival • Bathukamma Floral • 'Bonalu' • Medaram Jatara • 'Yoga Festival (Hydrabad) • Annual Bonalu Festival (Hydrabad)
Tripura		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hornbill Festival (1st-ever of state in 2020) • Khrachi Puja
Sikkim		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pang Lhabsol • Losoong (Namsong)
Uttar Pradesh	Agra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bear Festival
Uttarakhand		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ganga Kayak Festival • Harela Festival
Arunachal Pradesh		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Torgya Festival • Chachin Grazing Festival
West Bengal		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 'Dol Utsav' or 'Dol Jatra'
Haryana		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suraj kund mela
Tamil Nadu		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karthigai Deepam Chariot festival

Jharkhand		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarhul Festival • Shravani Mela (Deoghar)
Puducherry		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beach Festival named I Sea PONDY

Note: List of Important Operations (

- **'Operation My Saheli'**: South Eastern Railway launches to enhance security of women passengers
- **Operation Bandar**-Balakot strike
- **Operation Khumaar**- J&k (drug free panchayat)
- **Operation Milap**-by Delhi police to rescue 333 children
- **Operation Sankalp**-Indian navy (in gulf of Oman and Persian gulf)
- **Operation Smile**-Hyderabad police for 325 children rescued.
- **Operation Sudarshan** -BSF (border security force) to secure 100m border from Pakistan
- **Operation Sunrise**-Between the armies of India & Myanmar
- **Operation Support**-By India for people suffering from Idi Strom in Mozambique
- **Operation Swift Retort**-Pakistan strike after operation Bandar
- **Operation Thirst**-RPF To healthy drinking water
- **Operation Sard Hawa**: Operation is to check the instances of infiltration due to dense fog in the region by BSF
- **"Pink Protection"**: Kerala Police lunched for protection of women in public, private and digital spaces
- **"Operation AAHT: Railway Protection Force (RPF)** has launched a nationwide operation to curb human trafficking.
- **"Operation Satark": Railway Protection Force (RPF)** has recently started **"Operation Satark"**. Focused effort under "Operation Satark" was launched from 5th April to 30th April 2022 of illegal tobacco products were detected with seizure of tobacco products.
- **Operation 'GARUDA'**: CBI launched to dismantle drug networks
- **Operation Devi Shakti was**: Operation of the Indian Armed Forces to evacuate Indian citizens and foreign nationals from Afghanistan after the collapse of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan and the fall of Kabul.
- **Operation Samudra Setu**: Launched in May 2020 as part of the national effort to repatriate Indian citizens from overseas during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- **Operation Samudra Setu-II**: Indian Navy has launched Operation Samudra Setu-II for shipment of Oxygen-filled containers to India.
- **'Operation Karuna'**: India has launched 'Operation Karuna' to assist Myanmar which has been devastated by Cyclone Mocha.
- **'Operation Conviction'**: UP launches 'Operation Conviction' for cow slaughter, child abuse cases
- **'Operation Broader Sword'**: India and the USA have jointly conducted an 'Operation Broader Sword' to stop the illegal shipment of drugs through the International Mail System.

March

Amit Shah inaugurated Phase I of Bengaluru Safe City project

- The Union Home and Cooperation Minister **Amit Shah** has inaugurated the **first phase of the Bangalore Safe City Project in Bengaluru, Karnataka.**
- The project is envisaged under Nirbhaya Scheme at a cost of over Rs 496 crore to ensure the safety of women in Bengaluru city.

Mauganj became the 53rd district of Madhya Pradesh

- **Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan** has announced to make **Tehsil Mauganj of Rewa district the 53rd district of the state**
- It will have four tehsils – Mauganj, Hanumana, Naigarhi and Devtalab with a population of more than six lakhs.

Two-day Millet Mahotsav organised at Agra

- **A two-day Millet Mahotsav** was organised by the **Ministry of Food Processing Industries at Agra, Uttar Pradesh.**
- The event was inaugurated by Minister of State for Law & Justice, Prof. SP Singh Baghel.

No sale of gold jewellery without HUID from April 2023

- The **Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)** has **prohibited sale of hallmarked gold jewellery or gold artefacts** without the **six-digit alphanumeric hallmark unique identification number (HUID) after March 31, 2023.**
- To promote quality culture in micro-scale units, it has been decided that the BIS will provide 80 percent concession on the certification/minimum marking fee across various product certification schemes.

Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw flag off PM Jan Aushadhi Train

- Union Ministers Mansukh Mandaviya and **Ashwini Vaishnaw** have **flagged off Jan Aushadhi train as part of the week-long celebrations to commemorate the scheme.**

Ashwini Vaishnaw released 'Go Green, Go Organic' cover for Sikkim

- Union Minister **Ashwini Vaishnaw and four Sikkim ministers** has released a unique cover of the Department of Posts, **'Go Green, Go Organic' for Sikkim.**
- Special cover on **'Go Green, Go Organic'** released for World's first organic state Sikkim.

Dharmendra Pradhan launched new BS course at IIT Madras

- Union Education Minister **Dharmendra Pradhan** has launched the **four-year Bachelor Science Degree in Electronic Systems at IIT Madras.**
- The new BS in Electronic Systems course will be delivered online.

Odisha CM unveiled Dakota aircraft for public viewing in Bhubaneswar

- **Odisha's CM, Naveen Patnaik** has unveiled the **iconic Dakota aircraft** of legendary leader Biju Patnaik for public viewing **at the Bhubaneswar Airport.**
- The iconic Dakota Aircraft belongs to erstwhile Kalinga Airlines and was founded by Ex-Chief Minister of **Odisha (Late) Biju Patnaik.**

Maharashtra to introduce 4th women's policy

- **Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadanvis** has informed the Legislative Council that the state will introduce the **fourth women's policy to give more opportunities to women** by considering the issues of women from all groups.
- Objectives – **To introduce a rehabilitation scheme for those above 18 years old girls from the orphanage.**

To start a Hirkani Room (Kaksha) for breastfeeding mothers at the police station.

J&K government launched plantation drive on International Women's Day

- **Jammu and Kashmir's government** has celebrated **International Women's Day 2023 (March 8)** by organizing a **plantation program under the theme "Ped Lagao Beti Ke Naam"**.
- The initiative involved women and girls in afforestation, environmental conservation, and creating awareness.

Army installed tallest Iconic National Flag in hilly Doda district, J&K

- In Jammu & Kashmir, the **Indian Army installed the tallest 'Iconic National Flag'** in the hilly **Doda district**.
- The tricolour has been **installed on a 100 feet-high pole**, the highest Tricolour in the Doda district.

New health programme 'Arogya Mahila' launched for women in Telangana

- **Telangana Health Minister T Harish Rao** has launched a new **health programme for women, named 'Arogya Mahila'**, on the occasion of International Women's Day.
- Under the programme, tests would be conducted for women every Tuesday initially in 100 health centres and medicines provided to them free of cost.

New initiative called 'Beggar Free City' launched in Maharashtra's Nagpur

- In Maharashtra, a **new initiative** called '**beggar-free city**' has been **started in Nagpur**.
- Nagpur City Police Commissioner Amitesh Kumar said that a notice under 144 CrPC has been issued in this regard.

IRCTC to start 'Bharat Nepal Ashtha Yatra Tour'

- **Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation (IRCTC)** announced to run on 31 March 2023, "**Bharat Nepal Ashtha Yatra**" **tour package**.
- It will run under the Bharat Gaurav Tourists train which will showcase four important pilgrimage and heritage destination in the 10 days tour.

Nitin Gadkari unveiled first methanol run buses in Bengaluru

- Union Minister for Road and Transport Nitin Gadkari unveiled Bengaluru's first methanol-run buses.
- The project is aimed at reducing the level of emissions and the Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTCL) NITI Aayog, Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) and Ashok Leyland are conducting the project together.

Two-day G20 flower festival begins in New Delhi

- Union Environment Minister **Bhupender Yadav** has inaugurated a **two-day G20 Flower Festival**.
- The Festival has been organized at Delhi's Connaught Place for highlighting the vibrancy of G20 members and guest countries.

PM Modi unveils world's longest railway platform in Hubballi-Dharwad

- **PM Narendra Modi** has inaugurated **several development projects in Karnataka** including the **longest railway platform in the world in Hubballi-Dharwad**.
- With the inauguration of the Hubballi railway platform, the city has registered its name in the Guinness Book of World Records for having the longest railway platform in the World at Shree Siddharoodha Swamiji station.

Ayush Ministry organized Yoga Mahotsav 2023 in New Delhi

- **Ayush Ministry** has organized **Yoga Mahotsav 2023 at Talkatora Stadium in New Delhi**.
- The Yoga Mahotsav is an event to commemorate 100 days countdown to the 9th edition of International Day of Yoga.

World Food India-2023 to take place in New Delhi

- The **second edition of 'World Food India-2023'** will be organized from **3-5 November 2023 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.**
- The event will be organized by the Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Government of India.

Asia's largest tulip garden in J&K to open to the public on 19 March

- The **Indira Gandhi Tulip Garden**, which is Asia's largest tulip garden in Kashmir, **will open to the public on March 19, 2023.**
- The garden spread between Dal Lake and Zabarwan Hills.

Ashok Leyland unveils all-women production line at Tamil Nadu plant

- Heavy commercial vehicle maker **Ashok Leyland** has unveiled a **new production line** that would **produce engines at its manufacturing facility in Hosur completely operated by women employees.**
- The initiative to introduce an all-women production line is to promote women empowerment and encourage them take up roles in the manufacturing industry.

Vande Bharat Express gets Asia's first woman loco pilot Surekha Yadav

- **Asia's first woman loco pilot Surekha Yadav** has now become the **first woman to run India's first indigenous semi-high-speed Vande Bharat Express train.**
- Yadav piloted the train between Solapur station and Mumbai's Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Terminus (CSMT) on March 13, 2023.

3rd Divya Kala Mela inaugurated at Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh

- **Madhya Pradesh Governor Mangubhai Patel** has inaugurated the **3rd Divya Kala Mela at Bhopal.**
- The government is aiming to achieve holistic and all-round development so that the disabled can participate equally in this process.

Meghalaya International Film Festival begins in Shillong

- The **first-ever Meghalaya International Film Festival** started in **Shillong.**
- Meghalaya International Film Festival is a five-day event which kicked off in the State Central Library. It was inaugurated by the Meghalaya Tourism Minister Paul Lyngdoh.

Literacy rate in India: Bihar lowest at 61.8%, Kerala highest at 94%

- **According to the Ministry of Education, Bihar** has the **lowest literacy rate in India at 61.8%**, followed by Arunachal Pradesh at 65.3% and Rajasthan at 66.1%.
- Kerala has the highest literacy rate in India at 94%, followed by Lakshadweep at 91.85% and Mizoram at 91.33%.
- The literacy rate in rural India is 67.77 percent as compared to 84.11 percent in urban India.

Sampanna Ramesh becomes fastest Indian to swim across Palk Strait

- Pune based swimmer, **Sampanna Ramesh Shelar** has become the **fastest Indian in under 21 group to swim across the Palk Strait** from Talaimannar in Sri Lanka to Dhanuskodi in Tamil Nadu.
- He created this record by completing the distance of 29 Kms in 5 hours and 30 minutes. The previous record was 8 hours and 26 minutes.

Rajasthan CM announced 19 new districts and three new divisions

- **Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot** announced the decision to carve out **19 new districts in the state.**

- The decision to carve out new districts and three new divisions comes months ahead of the high-stakes Assembly polls.
- With the formation of 19 new districts, the state now has a total of 50 districts.
- The new districts are- **Anupgarh, Balotra, Beawar, Deeg, Didwana-Kuchaman City, Dudu, Gangapur City, Jaipur North, Jaipur South, Jodhpur East, Jodhpur West, Kekri, Kotputli, Khairthal, Neemkathana, Phalodi, Salumbar, Sanchore, Shahpura (Bhilwara).**

President Murmu presents the 'President's Colour' to INS Dronacharya

- **President Droupadi Murmu** presented the **President's Colour** to **INS Dronacharya** in **Kochi**.
- The President's Colour is considered the highest honour that the President bestows on a unit for exceptional service to the nation.

Indian Railways to become Net Zero Carbon Emitter by 2030

- Union Railway Minister **Ashwini Vaishnav** recently said in a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha that the **Indian Railways** is working on a mission mode to become the largest green railway in the world and towards becoming a **"net zero carbon emitter" by 2030.**

Government to develop mega textile parks in 7 states under PM MITRA scheme

- **The Central Government** has announced plans to **set up mega textile parks** in **Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, and Maharashtra.**
- The **PM Mega Integrated Textile Regions and Apparel (PM MITRA) Parks** for the Textile Industry are a step towards realizing the vision of making India a global hub for textile manufacturing and exports.

India & Sri Lanka inaugurate exhibition 'Geoffrey Bawa' in New Delhi

- The **National Gallery of Modern Art** and the **High Commission of Sri Lanka in New Delhi** have inaugurated the **exhibition 'Geoffrey Bawa: It is Essential to be There'.**
- The exhibition is scheduled till the 7th of May this year from 11 AM to 6.30 PM, except on Mondays.

Parshottam Rupala inaugurated 'Sagar Parikrama Phase IV'

- **Union Minister Parshottam Rupala** has inaugurated the **Phase-IV of 'Sagar Parikrama'** in Karnataka.
- It aims to resolve the issues of the fishers and other stakeholders and facilitate their economic upliftment through various fisheries schemes and programs.

India on track to achieve energy independence by 2047

- **According to the US Department of Energy's Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory,** India can achieve **energy independence by its 100th year of independence in 2047.**
- The study titled **"Pathways to Atmanirbhar Bharat"** also notes India's energy infrastructure needs an investment of USD3 trillion in the coming decades

5th Poshan Pakhwada celebrations begins

- **The Ministry of Women and Child Development** celebrates the **fifth Poshan Pakhwada with various activities nationwide.**
- The 15-day celebration started on **20 March and will continue till 3 April 2023.**
- The Pakhwada aims to raise awareness about the importance of nutrition and promote healthy eating habits through "Jan Andolan and Jan Bhagidari".

- Theme 2023 – Nutrition for All: Together Towards a Healthy India

Ranveer Singh named India's most valuable celebrity of 2022

- According to a report by Kroll, a corporate investigation and risk consulting firm, actor **Ranveer Singh has been named India's most valuable celebrity of 2022** with a brand value of \$181.7 million.
- He surpassed cricketer Virat Kohli, who occupied the top spot for five years. Kohli fell to second spot with a brand value of \$176.9 million.
- Actor Akshay Kumar remained in third position with a brand value of \$153.6 million. With a valuation of \$102.9 million, actress Alia Bhatt also retained the fourth spot and the title of the most valued female celebrity.

Stadium named after hockey player Rani Rampal

- Indian team's star hockey player **Rani Rampal** has become the **first Indian woman hockey player to have a stadium named after her.**
- The MCF Raebareli has renamed the hockey stadium as 'Rani's Girls Hockey Turf.'

Tamil Nadu's 18th wildlife sanctuary to come up in Erode

- The **Tamil Nadu Government** has notified **Thanthai Periyar Wildlife Sanctuary** as the **18th wildlife sanctuary in the state.**
- It is spread over 80,567 hectares in the forest areas of Anthiyur and Gobichettipalayam taluks in Erode district.

Assam CM launched Mission Lifestyle for Environment

- **Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma** has launched the **Mission Lifestyle for Environment (LIFE) in the state.**
- It promotes an environmentally conscious lifestyle, focusing on utilization instead of wasteful consumption.

PM Modi addressed 'One World TB Summit' at Varanasi

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has addressed the 'One World TB Summit' at Rudrakash Convention Centre, at Varanasi.
- The summit is being organized by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and the Stop TB Partnership.

Cabinet approved 4% hike in dearness allowance to central government employees

- The **Centre** has hiked the **dearness allowance by 4 percent** for all the government employees taking the **total to 42 percent from 38 percent.**
- **Centre will spend Rs 12,815 crore** to fund the **hike in dearness allowance, or DA,** which will benefit over 1 crore employees of the central government.

Lok Sabha approves Rs 1.18 lakh crore budget for Jammu and Kashmir

- The **Lok Sabha** passed the over **Rs 1.18 lakh crore budget for the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir for 2023-24.**
- The 35% capital expenditure at Rs 41, 491cr is to be spent on development and infrastructure.

NGT slaps ₹10 crore penalty on Kerala government for failure to protect Ramsar sites

- **The Principal Bench of the National Green Tribunal** in New Delhi has slapped a **penalty of ₹10 crore on the Kerala government** for its failure to check the indiscriminate pollution of the Vembanad and Ashtamudi lakes, listed as Ramsar sites.
- The penalty imposed on the basis of the 'polluter pays principle' had to be deposited in a ring-fenced account to be operated under the authority of the Chief Secretary.

Government launches DigiClaim platform for farmer insurance claims

- Agriculture Minister, **Narendra Singh Tomar** has introduced a new platform called **'DigiClaim' on the national crop insurance portal.**
- This platform is aimed at expediting the disbursement of insurance claims to farmers who have availed themselves of crop insurance.

Anupriya Patel inaugurated 23rd INDIASOFT in New Delhi

- Union Minister of State for Commerce & Industry, **Anupriya Patel** has inaugurated the **23rd edition of INDIASOFT in New Delhi.**
- The country's Research and Development professionals for developing and perfecting over 70 new products that will be launched at the INDIASOFT.

Haldwani to get a sports university

- **Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama** has announced the government will set up a **sports university in the Kumaun region's Haldwani town.**
- The international stadium of Haldwani will be upgraded into a sports university.

Government identified 1275 railway stations under Amrit Bharat Station Scheme

- The government has identified **1275 railway stations** under the **Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for the development of railway stations in India.**
- This scheme envisages development of stations on a continuous basis with a long-term approach.

Jaipur to get India's 2nd largest cricket stadium named after Anil Agarwal

- **Vedanta's Hindustan Zinc Limited (HZL)** has signed an MoU with the **Rajasthan Cricket Association** for the development of the **world's third-largest cricket stadium in the village of Chonp in Jaipur.**
- Vedanta's HZL will spend INR 300 crore on the stadium, one of the largest corporate investments in India's sports infrastructure.

Telangana government to rejuvenate 50 lakes in Hyderabad

- The **Ministry of Municipal Administration and Urban Development of the Telangana Government** has launched a programme to rejuvenate and develop **50 water bodies in and around Hyderabad.**
- Minister K Taraka Rama Rao inaugurated the 'Lakes Development Programme' at Khajaguda Lake.

April

France invited PM Modi for Bastille Day parade

- **France** has invited **PM Narendra Modi** to visit Paris as a guest at the **annual Bastille Day parade, which will be held in July 2023.**
- The PM and French President Emmanuel Macron are expected to discuss several major agreements including those on the Indo-Pacific region, nuclear power, and defense, as the two countries mark the 25th year of their strategic partnership.

Eravikulam National Park gets a fernarium

- **Eravikulam National Park (ENP) in Kerala**, the natural habitat of Nilgiri tahr in **Munnar**, has a new attraction — a **Fernarium set up inside the park.**
- This is the first time such a fern collection has been established in the hill station.

India become world's second-largest solar manufacturer by 2026

- According to the new joint report from the Institute for **Energy Economics and Financial Analysis (IEEFA)** and **JMK Research and Analytics**, **India could become the world's second-largest solar photovoltaic manufacturer by 2026**, after China.

- India's cumulative module manufacturing nameplate capacity more than doubled from 18GW in March 2022 to 38GW in March 2023.

Telangana govt launches 'cool roof' policy to beat the heat

- **Municipal Administration and Urban Development Minister K T Rama Rao** launched the **Telangana Cool Roof Policy 2023-28** to make the state more thermally comfortable and heat-resilient by reducing the impact of the urban heat island effect and heat stress and also to bring down energy consumption.

Govt disburses incentives for PLI Scheme for Drones & Drone Components

- The **Government** has disbursed an amount of **30 crore rupees to beneficiaries during 2022-23 under the PLI Scheme for Drones and Drone Components.**
- As per Civil Aviation Ministry the Production Linked Incentive scheme for drones and drone components in September 2021 to promote the indigenous drone industry.

Jal Jeevan Mission Achieves 60% Coverage Milestone

- The **Jal Jeevan Mission** has reached **60% of its countrywide target, adding 23.4 million households in the fiscal year ended 2022-23,**
- At the start of the Jal Jeevan Mission, a baseline survey showed that less than 17% or 32.3 million households had a tap connection.
- Of India's total of 190.4 million rural households, 116 million now have a functioning water tap.
- The country crossed another milestone in the journey towards 'Har Ghar Jal' on 4th April 2023, with over 11.66 crore (60%) rural households provided with tap water supply in their homes.
- As on date, **Gujarat, Telangana, Goa, Haryana, Punjab and the Union territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Daman Diu & Dadra Nagar Haveli and Puducherry** have achieved **100% coverage.**

India & Bhutan plan to set up first Integrated Check Post along border

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi and King of Bhutan Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck** held a bilateral meeting in New Delhi.
- Both the countries reviewed their bilateral ties focusing on economic and development partnership, trade facilitation measures and cooperation in trade, connectivity, investment, energy and new sectors including space and startups.
- Both countries are examining and considering setting up **the first Integrated Check Post along the India-Bhutan border, which would be near Jaigaon.**

Punjab government launched Punjab's 'CM diYogshala' programme

- The **Punjab government** has launched the '**CM di Yogshala**' program and portal in Punjab.
- The initiative was initially launched for four cities – Patiala, Amritsar, Ludhiana, and Phagwara.
- Objective – To create a mass movement to carve out a healthy and prosperous Punjab

Apple Inc. To Open Its First India Store in Mumbai

- **Apple iPhone** maker's **first company-owned store** in the country will be opened in Mumbai. The store will be **named as Apple-BKC.**
- The barricade of its first retail store in India at Jio World Drive Mall, Mumbai officially marking the upcoming opening of Apple BKC.

Amit Shah unveils 54 feet tall statue of Lord Hanuman at Gujarat

- **Union Home Minister Amit Shah** on the occasion of Hanuman Jayanti has unveiled a **54-foot-tall statue of Lord Hanuman at Sarangpur temple in Botad district, Gujarat.**
- The idol is located in the Sarangpur Temple, a popular pilgrimage site for devotees of Lord Hanuman.

President Murmu inaugurate Gaj Utsav at Kaziranga in Assam

- **President Droupadi Murmu** has inaugurated a two-day 'Gaj Utsav-2023' at the **Kaziranga National Park High School's playground field in Assam.**
- The President also flagged off the 'Mount Kanchenjunga Expedition-2023'.

Sarbananda Sonowal flags off International Yoga Mahotsav in Dibrugarh.

- Union Minister **Sarbananda Sonowal** attended **Yoga Mahotsav 2023 at Dibrugarh University, Assam.**
- his event has been organized to commemorate the International Day of Yoga 2023, which is just 75 days away.

Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) has received 450 MW of electricity from the Godda plant of Adani Power.

- It was further increased to 750 MW.
- **Adani Power plant in Godda, Jharkhand** had conducted a 14-day reliability test during which uninterrupted supply for **72 hours** at peak load was tested.
- **The Power Grid Company of Bangladesh (PGCB)** constructed **134 kilometres** of transmission line from the **Chapainawabganj** border to the Bogra substation for receiving electricity from the **Godda plant of Adani Power.**

In Jammu and Kashmir, the third edition of the Jammu Film Festival, sponsored by the J&K Tourism Department, began at Abhinav Theatre.

- The festival featured parallel screenings of **25 feature films, short films and documentaries** from countries including **Iran, India, France and the United States.**
- These included **Nahid, Kav Kav, Fatih the Conqueror, Sandhanam and Liturgy of Anti-Tank Obstacles.**

Union Minister of Law, Kiren Rijiju has released the first edition of the Dogri version of the Constitution of India.

- **The Ministry of External Affairs** had organized a seminar on "**Seven Decades of the Constitution of India**" in coordination with the **Parliamentary Research & Training Institute for Democracies (PRIDE)** in March 2023
- The Constitution of India is amongst the **world's longest-written constitutions** and has guided India's nation-building process for over seven decades.

Jammu & Kashmir Lt Governor Manoj Sinha has inaugurated a tulip garden at Sanasar in Ramban district.

- It is **Union Territory's second and Jammu division's first tulip garden**, it is spread over **40 lakh kanals (5 acres)** of land in the picturesque **Sanasar**, which is famous for its green Alpine meadows
- **2.75 lakh tulip bulbs of 25 varieties** have been planted. Pointing out that Tulip has a very short life.

Kerala tops GI tag list in FY 2022-23

- **Kerala** has topped the list of states in the country with **most number of products securing the Geographical Indication (GI) tag in financial year 2022-23.**

- Between April 2022 and March 2023, 12 products were selected for recognition with two of them from overseas.
- Besides the 6 products from Kerala, Mithila Makhanafrom Bihar was selected for GI recognition followed by Alibag white onion from Maharashtra.

Amit Shah launched Vibrant Villages Programme in Arunachal Pradesh

- **Union Home Minister Amit Shah** has launched the 'Vibrant Villages Programme' in **Kibithoo, a border village in the Anjaw district of Arunachal Pradesh.**
- He has also inaugurated **nine Micro Hydel Projects of the AP government** constructed under the "Golden Jubilee Border Illumination Programme" in **Kibithoo.**

India's Tiger population increases to 3,167

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has released the latest **Tiger census data**, which shows the country's **big-cat count increased by 200 in four years to 3,167 from 2,967 in 2018.**
- Releasing a report on '**Status of Tigers, India 2022**' in **Mysuru, Karnataka**, PM Modi took pride in the phenomenal success of the **Project Tiger**, which has completed 50 years.

J&K govt to organize 3-day 'Baisakhi Mahotsav 2023'

- In Jammu and Kashmir, **Jammu is going to organize a three-day 'Baisakhi Mahotsav 2023'** from April 13 to 15 2023 to celebrate Dogra culture and heritage.
- The festival celebrations will be held at various locations across Jammu Division including **Gulabgarh-Paddar in Kishtwar, Devika in Udhampur, Mansar Lake in Samba, Dera Baba Banda Bahadur in Reasi, Jia Pota Ghat in Akhnoor and Nangali Sahib Gurudwara in Poonch** as well as **Mubarak Mandi Complex, Maharaja Hari Singh Park and Peer Kho** in Jammu district.

Aam Aadmi Party gets National Status

- **Arvind Kejriwal's Aam Aadmi Party or AAP**, was elevated to **national party status.** The party is currently in power in two states – Delhi and Punjab.
- AAP has been deemed a national party based on its electoral performance in four states – Delhi, Goa, Punjab and Gujarat.

Himachal Pradesh launched Sanjeevani Project

- **Himachal Pradesh Government** has launched new project, '**Sanjeevani**' to ensure that livestock is provided quality treatment in a time-bound manner and the farmer is saved the additional expenses of traveling to the point of care for availing quality medicines.

Ministry of Electronics & IT organized 35th CISO Deep Dive Training Program

- **National e-Governance Division (NeGD)**, under its Capacity Building scheme of MeitY, has organized the **35th Chief Information Security Officers (CISO) Deep-Dive training programme** with 22 participants from Central Ministries and States/Uts at the School of Planning & Architecture, Vijayawada in Andhra Pradesh.

Government organizes National Apprenticeship Mela in Udhampur under Skill India Mission

- **Prime Minister's National Apprenticeship Mela (PMNAM)** was organized under the vision of **Prime Minister Narendra Modi at ITI College, Udhampur.**
- Several local business organizations joined the apprenticeship mela to provide jobs to local youth with relevant opportunities to shape their careers through apprenticeship training.

EAM S Jaishankar launches 'Tulsi Ghat Restoration Project' in Uganda

- **External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar** launched the 'Tulsi Ghat Restoration Project' of Varanasi, during his visit to **Uganda's Kampala**.
- Earlier he met Uganda's President Yoweri K Museveni at his farm in Rwakitura and congratulated the country on assuming the chairship of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

PM Modi flags off Rajasthan's first Vande Bharat Express train

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has flagged off **Rajasthan's first Vande Bharat Express** train via video conferencing.
- This is the sixth Vande Bharat Express in the last two months.

UP's Suhelwa sanctuary records first photographic proof of tigers

- **Suhelwa Wildlife Sanctuary** in Uttar Pradesh is a new area where photographic evidence of tigers has been **recorded for the first time**, according to the latest report on tiger census in the country, released by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- This time, Suhelwa and Sohagi Barwa wildlife sanctuaries were added to tiger-detected grids.

WhatsApp launches 'Stay Safe' campaign

- **WhatsApp** has launched a new **campaign called "Stay Safe with WhatsApp,"** which highlights the several safety features that are pre-built on the messaging app.
- The campaign will run for a total of three months with a focus on several safety-centric features like 'Block and Report,' 'Two-Step Verification,' and 'Privacy and group settings.'

Maharashtra gov't announces Vinayak Damodar Savarkar's birth anniversary as 'Swatantraveer Gaurav Din'

- **Maharashtra Government** has announced that **the birth anniversary of Vinayak Damodar Savarkar**, which falls on May 28, will be **observed as 'Swatantraveer Gaurav Din'**.
- It aims to highlight Savarkar's contribution to India's independence movement, his ideology and his campaigns for social reforms and the eradication of untouchability.

Kolkata Metro becomes India's first metro train to run under river

- **Kolkata Metro** has become **the first metro rail** in the country to make an under-river journey as its **rakes passed through an underwater tunnel below the Hooghly River**.
- The Metro is expected to cover the 520-metre stretch under the river in 45 seconds. This tunnel under the river is 32 metres below the water level.

Uttarakhand government launched A HELP Program

- **Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami** has launched a program named **A-HELP (Accredited Agent for Health and Extension of Livestock Production)**.
- Women have been chosen to strengthen livestock-related activities in remote rural areas, keeping in mind their important role under the A-HELP scheme, envisioned by Govt. of India.

Andhra Pradesh's CM Jagan Mohan Reddy wealthiest CM in India: Report

- According to poll affidavits analyzed by the **Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR)**, a total of 29 of the incumbent chief ministers are crorepatists in India with **Andhra Pradesh's Jagan Mohan Reddy having the highest assets totaling ₹510 crores**.

- West Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee has the lowest total assets of about ₹15 lakh.

Telangana CM KCR unveils 125-ft-tall Ambedkar statue in Hyderabad

- **Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao** has unveiled the **125-ft tall bronze statue of BR Ambedkar in Hyderabad**, to mark the **132nd birth anniversary** of the architect of the Indian Constitution.
- The statue in **Hyderabad** is **India's tallest statue of Ambedkar**.

Purushottam Rupala launches Animal Epidemic Preparedness Initiative (APPI)

- Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying **Parshottam Rupala** has launched the **Animal Pandemic Preparedness Initiative** to address animal pandemics in a holistic manner.
- This initiative aims at enhancing the country's preparedness and response to animal pandemics, with a focus on zoonotic diseases that pose a threat to both animal and human health.

Bharat Gaurav tourist train flagged off on the occasion of Dr. BR Ambedkar's birth anniversary

- Union Tourism Minister **G Krishan Reddy** and Social Justice and Empowerment **Minister Dr. Virendra Kumar** have **flagged off Bharat Gaurav Tourist train** to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. B R Ambedkar from Hazrat Nizamuddin Railway Station in New Delhi.
- During the 8-day tour, the train will cover cities including, New Delhi, Mhow, Nagpur, Varanasi and sacred Buddhist sites like Sanchi, Sarnath, Gaya, Rajgir and Nalanda.

Bihu performance in Guwahati creates Guinness World Record

- **The state of Assam** created history by entering the **Guinness World Records for "the largest Bihu performance"** at a single venue.
- The grand event of the traditional dance was held at the Sarusajai Stadium in Guwahati.
- A total of 11,304 folk dancers presented Bihu Dance and over 2,500 drummers performed with the dancers in the presence of Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma at the event.

S Jaishankar inaugurates Buzi Bridge in Mozambique

- India's External Affairs Minister **Dr. Jaishankar** has inaugurated the **Buzi Bridge, constructed as part of 132 km Tica-Buzi-Nova-Sofala Road project**.
- The bridge has been built by India. The Buzi Bridge connects the towns of Chibabava and Mafambisse.

Solar Energy Corporation of India gets 'Miniratna Category-I' status

- **Solar Energy Corporation of India Limited (SECI)** has been accorded the status of **Miniratna Category-I Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE)**.
- SECI was incorporated in the year 2011 and is the primary implementing agency of the ministry for renewable energy schemes/ projects towards the fulfillment of India's international commitments.

Saurashtra Tamil Sangamam begins in Gujarat

- The **Saurashtra Tamil Sangamam** began with great zeal and enthusiasm at **Somnath in Gujarat**.
- The ten-day-long cultural extravaganza was inaugurated by Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh in the presence of Telangana Governor Dr Tamilisai Soundararajan and Chief Minister of Gujarat Bhupendra Patel and Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya.

Kerala adopts Water Budget to tackle summer water shortage

- **Kerala** has become the **first state to adopt a water budget** in a bid to come up with a solution to water scarcity in certain regions.
- The first phase would cover 94 gram panchayats and 15-block panchayats.
- The Public Water Budget was released by Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan along with the launch of the third phase of the Ini Njan Ozhukatte (Let me flow now) project, for the rehabilitation of irrigation networks in the Western Ghats.

J&K Agriculture Production Department launches Kisan Sampark Abhiyan

- The **Agriculture Production Department of Jammu and Kashmir** launched the **Kisan Sampark Abhiyan programme**.
- The Abhiyan has launched across 3565 panchayats in J&K.
- The programme aims to involve Panchayati Raj Institutions in the scheme and celebrate the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav as part of the programme.

Kerala launches One Panchayat, One Playground project

- The **Kerala government** has launched a **project for reviving the sports culture in the State by opening quality playgrounds in every panchayat of the southern state**.
- The 'One Panchayat, One Playground' project was inaugurated by Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan at Kallikkad here where he said that a good sports culture was essential for building a healthy and happy society.

IIT Madras to set up its first international campus in Tanzania

- The **first Indian Institute of Technology** to be set up in **Africa will come up in October in Tanzania**.
- IIT Madras will set up its first international campus in Zanzibar, Tanzania, with plans to start the classes by October 2023.

India proposed to develop G-20 park in New Delhi

- **India** has proposed to develop a **G20 park in New Delhi** to symbolize 'togetherness on the path of development' as part of its year-long presidency of the organization.
- It will showcase sculptures depicting national animals and birds of the G20 countries made with the Waste to wonder concept.

NHAI to develop 10,000 kms of 'Digital Highways' in India by 2025

- The **National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)** is set to develop around **10,000 kilometres of Optic Fibre Cables (OFC) infrastructure across India by the fiscal year 2025**.
- NHAI's special purpose vehicle National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML) will be handling the project of implementing the network of "digital highways" by developing integrated utility corridors along the national highways to develop Optic Fibre Cables infrastructure.

PM Modi flagged off India's first water metro project in Kochi

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has flagged off the **country's first water metro** that connects **ten small islands surrounding the port city of Kochi in Kerala**.
- Water Metro is a unique urban mass transit system with the same experience and ease of travel as that of the conventional metro system. It is very useful in cities like Kochi.

PM Modi laid foundation stone for first Digital Science Park in Thiruvananthapuram

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has laid the foundation stone for **India's first Digital Science Park** coming up at the **Technocity campus in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala**.
- Located adjacent to the Kerala University of Digital Sciences Innovation and Technology in around 14 acres of land, the ₹1,500 crore Digital Science Park project has been

conceived as a multidisciplinary cluster-based interactive innovation zone focused on digital technologies.

Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated National Technology Centre in Chennai.

- Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways **Sarbananda Sonowal** has inaugurated the **Discovery Campus of the National Technology Centre** for Ports, Waterways and Coasts at IITM, **Chennai, Tamil Nadu**.
- This centre aims at enabling Research & development for the marine sector enabling solutions towards achieving the ultimate goal of building a robust marine industry in the country.

Manamadurai pottery receives GI tag

- **Manamadurai pottery**, a traditional form of **pottery from Tamil Nadu**, has received the **Geographical Indication (GI) tag**.
- Manamadurai in Sivagangai district in Tamil Nadu is known for pottery making.

Bengaluru experiences Zero Shadow Day as shadows disappear

- **People in Bengaluru** experienced a **unique astronomical phenomenon** as their shadows disappeared from the surface.
- The city experienced **Zero Shadow Day** at 12:17 pm as the Sun was overhead on 25 April.

IIT Guwahati Researchers Develop Time-Bomb Liquid Marbles

- **Researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati** have developed **liquid marbles using nano clay** that can be pre-programmed for drug delivery and cascade chemical reactions.
- Liquid marbles are small droplets of liquid that are coated with hydrophobic particles.

IIT Bombay secures second place in 'Solar Decathlon' Build Challenge

- **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay's SHUNYA** (Sustainable Housing for Urbanizing Nation by its Young Aspirants) team secured second place in **Solar Decathlon Build Challenge in the United States** for their innovative zero-energy house designed to address air quality challenges in Mumbai's hot and humid climate.

Agriculture Minister launches 'Millets Experience Centre' at Dilli Haat

- Agriculture Minister **Narendra Singh Tomar** has launched the **first of its kind 'Millets Experience Centre (MEC)'** at Dilli Haat in New Delhi.
- National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd. (NAFED) has established the Millets Experience Centre in collaboration with the Agriculture Ministry.
- It aims to raise awareness of Millets and encourage its adoption among the general public.

PM Modi inaugurates NAMO Medical Education and Research Institute in Silvassa

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has inaugurated **NAMO Medical Education and Research Institute in Silvassa**, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.
- Notably, the foundation stone of NAMO Medical Education and Research Institute was also laid by the Prime Minister himself in January 2019.

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PM Modi launches 91 FM Transmitters of capacity of 100 Watt

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has virtually commissioned **91 FM Transmitters of capacity of 100 Watt** at Diphu in Karbi Anglong district of **Assam**.

- The transmitter will act as a vehicle to convey information about programs and policies of the government as well as entertainment content to every nook and corner of the country.

Three new wildlife conservation reserves declared in Rajasthan

- **Rajasthan's Forest Department** has announced **three new conservation reserves** that will protect the rare and endangered wildlife of Rajasthan.
- These three new wildlife conservation reserves are **Sorsan in Baran, Khichan in Jodhpur, and Hamirgarh in Bhilwara**. With these three new additions, now there are 26 wildlife conservation reserves in Rajasthan.

India to join international climate action in civil aviation from 2027

- **India** will join the **International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)** Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSA) and Long-Term Aspirational Goals (LTAG) **from 2027**.
- This announcement was made in the meeting of the Consultative Committee of the Parliament of the Ministry of Civil Aviation under the chairmanship of Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia.

Devendra Fadnavis unveiled Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj statue in Mauritius

- **Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis** has unveiled a **statue of Maratha warrior king Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in Mauritius**.
- The sculpture was created in India by a Delhi-based artist and sent to Mauritius in a container ship.

Manipur CM launches facial recognition system for Inner Line Permits

- **Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh** has launched the **Facial Recognition System (FRS) for Inner Line Permit (ILP) system** and flagged off two camera-mounted mobile FRS vehicles.
- The system has been implemented on a trial basis for some time now, even during the trial period, the system had managed to identify defaulters of the ILPS.

PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra inaugurated at Warasiguda in Secunderabad

- **Union Tourism Minister G Kishan Reddy** has inaugurated a **PM Jan Aushadhi Kendra at Warasiguda in Secunderabad**.
- These **Jan Aushadhi Kendras** provide affordable healthcare and generate self-employment opportunities for youth.

Kiren Rijiju launched the trailer of the first Tagin language film

- The trailer of **'Love in 90s'**, the first film made in Tagin language of Arunachal Pradesh, was launched by **Union Law and Justice Minister Kiren Rijiju in New Delhi**.
- The film depicts the vibrant and colorful world of the 90s, based on the Tagin community in **Upper Subansiri district of Arunachal Pradesh** and the first film made entirely in Tagin language.

First Pharma Park to be built in Uttar Pradesh

- **The Uttar Pradesh government** has approved the establishment of the **state's first Pharma Park in Lalitpur district of Bundelkhand**.
- The project will require the transfer of **1500 hectares** of land from the Animal Husbandry Department to the Industrial Development Department.

India operationalizes Sittwe Port in Myanmar

- **India** has operationalized the **Sittwe Port in Myanmar** with the departure of the inaugural shipment, the **MV-ITT LION (V-273)**, from **Syall Prasad Mookerjee Port, Kolkata**.
- The initiative is part of the **Kaladan Multimodal Transit Transport** project.

10th Landport between India and Bangladesh inaugurated in Meghalaya

- The **10th Landport** between **India and Bangladesh** was inaugurated at **Dawki in Meghalaya** by **State Minister for Home Affairs Nityanand Rai**.
- The landport will boost trade and facilitate easier travel between the two countries. It will strengthen the bonds of friendship between the two countries and open up many new opportunities.

SJVN secures 100 MW wind power project in Gujarat

- State-owned **SJVN Ltd** has secured a **100 MW grid-connected wind power project in Gujarat**.
- The project was awarded to **SJVN Green Energy Limited**, a wholly-owned subsidiary of **SJVN**, through a competitive bidding process followed by an e-reverse auction organized by **Gujarat Urja Vikas Nigam Limited**.

Telangana CM lays foundation of Hare Krishna Heritage Tower in Hyderabad

- **Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao** has laid the foundation for the **Hare Krishna Heritage Tower in Hyderabad**.
- The 400 feet (120 meters) tall structure will be constructed on six acres of land in **Narsingi** at a cost of **Rs 200 crore**.

Oil Ministry panel proposes ban on 4-wheeler diesel vehicles by 2027

- **Four-wheeler vehicles** powered by diesel may get **banned by 2027**.
- An oil ministry panel has recommended the Indian government to ban the use of diesel-powered four-wheeler vehicles by 2027 and switch to electric and gas-fuelled vehicles in cities with more than a million people and polluted towns in order to cut emissions.
- **By 2030, no city buses should be added** which are not electric...diesel buses for city transport should not be added from 2024 onwards.

New Lithium deposits discovered in Rajasthan after J-K

- **After Jammu and Kashmir, Lithium reserves** have been traced in the **Degana district of Rajasthan**.
- According to officials, the lithium reserves are higher than the ones recently found in **Jammu and Kashmir**.

Border Haat between India and Bangladesh inaugurated at Bholaganj in Sylhet

- **A new Border-Haat** between **India and Bangladesh** was inaugurated in **Bholaganj under the Companiganj upazila of Sylhet**.
- **Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment Minister of Bangladesh Imran Ahmed** and **Assistant High Commissioner of India Niraj Kumar Jaiswal** jointly inaugurated the **Border-Haat**.

Uttar Pradesh becomes first state to make digital health cards for children

- The **Uttar Pradesh's Urban Development Department** and **Lucknow Smart City** launched a **"School Health Program"**.
- Under the pilot project, the **School Health Program** has been started by **Lucknow Smart City** in three schools in **Lucknow**. The official statement read,

Health Ministry launches SAKSHAM Learning Management Information System

- **Union Health Ministry** has launched a **learning management information system SAKSHAM** (Stimulating Advanced Knowledge for Sustainable Health Management).
- SAKSHAM is a platform for providing online training and medical education to all health professionals in the country.

PM Modi lay foundation stone of scientific projects worth over Rs 5,800 cr

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has laid the **foundation stone and dedicate to the nation multiple scientific projects worth over 5800 crore rupees** on the occasion of National Technology Day in New Delhi.
- This year, the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) has received special attention in the celebration of National Technology Day.

Sarbananda Sonowal launched 'Harit Sagar' the Green Port Guidelines 2023

- Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways **Sarbananda Sonowal** has launched '**Harit Sagar' the Green Port Guidelines 2023** at a function in **New Delhi**.
- The guidelines have launched to meet the larger vision of achieving the Zero Carbon Emission Goal set by the Ministry.

Punjab becomes first state to enforce 'right to walk'

- **Punjab** has become the **first state in India to implement the 'right to walk'** by making it mandatory for all road-owning agencies to provide footpaths and cycle tracks in all future expansions of roads and construction.
- The state government has issued these directions following two court orders after PILs were filed at Punjab and Haryana High Court and another in the Supreme Court. The courts have sought the action taken reports on safety of pedestrians and cyclists.

Kerala becomes first state to have Drone Surveillance in all police districts

- **Kerala** has become the **first state in the country** to have a **drone surveillance system in all police districts in the state**.
- Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan distributed the drones to all police districts and the drone pilot licences to the specially trained drone pilots.
- He also launched indigenously developed anti-drone software on the occasion.

Cisco to begin manufacturing in Tamil Nadu

- The **technology firm Cisco** has announced its **plans to commence manufacturing operations** in India, aiming to establish a more diverse and resilient global supply chain and support India's vision of becoming a global manufacturing hub.
- The company's CEO, Chuck Robbins, stated that the **manufacturing facility in Tamil Nadu** would generate 1,200 job opportunities.

Varanasi's LBSI airport gets India's first reading lounge

- **The Lal Bahadur Shastri International (LBSI) Airport, Varanasi (UP)** has now become the **first in India** to have a **free dedicated reading lounge**, set up by the **National Book Trust of India**.
- Travellers going to and from the Varanasi Airport will now be able to read books for free.

Google invests \$1 million to IIT-Madras AI research centre

- US technology giant **Google** announced an investment of **\$1 million in the form of grants** to the **Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras)**.
- Google has been announced as the inaugural 'platinum consortium' member of the IIT Madras newly formed Centre for Responsible Artificial Intelligence (CeRAI).

Uttar Pradesh ranked second in country with 48 GI-tags

- **Uttar Pradesh** now holds **second position in the country** in terms of having the **maximum number of Geographical Indication-tagged** goods after receiving GI tags for three more ODOP crafts.
- The ODOP crafts that have received GI tags **include Mainpuri tarkashi, Mahoba Gaura stone craft, and Sambhal horn craft.**
- While **Tamil Nadu leads with 55 GI-tagged goods**, UP and Karnataka follow with 48 and 46 GI products, respectively.

PM inaugurates International Museum Expo 2023

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has inaugurated the **International Museum Expo 2023** at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi.
- The International Museum Expo is being organized as part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav to celebrate the **47th International Museum Day.**
- The theme for this year is 'Museums, Sustainability and Well Being'.

India & Bangladesh launch '50 Start-ups Exchange Programme'

- **India and Bangladesh** have recently jointly launched the **'50 Start-up Exchange Programme'** to promote collaboration and exchange between the start-up ecosystems of the two countries.
- The objective of the program is to strengthen bilateral relations between India and Bangladesh by promoting cooperation in start-up and innovation sectors.

Lucknow to get new Pharmaceutical Research and Innovation Institute

- **Uttar Pradesh government** will set up a **pharmaceutical research and innovation institute** in Lucknow.
- The institute will promote research and manufacturing in the pharma sector.
- UP is the sixth-largest state in the nation in terms of the number of pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities.

Online education program 'Pahal' for rural children inaugurated

- **Uttar Pradesh Chief Secretary, Durga Shankar Mishra** has inaugurated an **online rural education program 'Pahal'** at Government UP Sainik Inter College, Sarojini Nagar.
- This programme has been prepared by the Department of secondary education in collaboration with IIT Kanpur.

HPCL to set up Rs 500 cr ethanol plant in Una, HP

- Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu announced that **Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL)** has committed to **setting up a state-of-the-art ethanol plant in Jeetpur Baheri, Una district.**
- With an estimated cost of Rs 500 crore, this project aims to bolster the production of ethanol in the region and create numerous employment opportunities for local communities.

India launches 'Operation Karuna' to assist cyclone-hit Myanmar

- **India** has launched **'Operation Karuna'** to assist Myanmar which has been **devastated by Cyclone Mocha.**
- Three Indian Navy ships carrying relief material reached Yangon.
- The ships are carrying emergency food items, tents, essential medicines, water pumps, portable generators, clothes, sanitary and hygiene items, etc,".

TN CM Stalin inaugurates India's longest Skywalk Bridge

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin has inaugurated a **570-meter long and 4.2-meter-wide skywalk bridge** connecting the Mambalam railway station and T Nagar bus terminus.
- The multi-modal project connects the railway station and bus stand. It will help pedestrians.

Amit Shah lays foundation stone of campus of National Academy of Coastal Policing

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah has **laid the foundation stone for the permanent campus** of the **National Academy of Coastal Policing (NACP)** at Okha in Gujarat's **Devbhumi Dwarka district**.
- The National Academy of Coastal Policing, the country's first national academy was established in 2018 to provide intensive training to the marine police of nine coastal states, five Union Territories as well as the Central Police Forces.

Mahatma Gandhi bust unveiled by PM Modi in Hiroshima

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled a bust of **Mahatma Gandhi in the Hiroshima City of Japan**.
- The location of the bust of Gandhi has been chosen as a mark of solidarity for peace and non-violence.

MP becomes 1st state in country to provide free air travel to pilgrims

- **Madhya Pradesh** has become the **first state to provide government-funded air travel** for pilgrimage under the **Mukhya Mantri Teerth-Darshan Yojana**.
- Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan has flagged off a batch of 32 senior citizens on pilgrimage to UP's Prayagraj from Bhopal via flight under the 'Mukhya Mantri Tirath Yatra Yojana'.

PM Modi addresses 76th Session of the World Health Assembly in Geneva

- The Prime Minister, **Narendra Modi** has **addressed the 76th Session of the World Health Assembly in Geneva, Switzerland**.
- India shipped almost 300 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines to over 100 countries including many countries from the Global South.

Maharashtra becomes the first state in the country to approve Good Governance Regulations

- **Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde** has approved the **first Good Governance Regulations of the country**.
- Objective – To make the State administration more accountable, accessible, dynamic, and transparent.

Andhra Pradesh CM launches Machilipatnam port project for economic growth

- **Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy** has formally launched the **₹5,156 crore Machilipatnam port works**.
- The port, with an initial cargo capacity of 35 million tonnes, will be completed in two years.
- The capacity of the 4-berth deep water port will be increased to 116 million tonnes as cargo traffic gradually increases.

HP government to formulate Green Hydrogen policy

- **Himachal Pradesh government** has formulated the **'Green Hydrogen' policy to promote the use of green hydrogen** and establish the state as a leading hub for its production.
- It aims to attract investments in large-scale renewable energy projects, ensuring a consistent and sustainable supply of green electricity for electrolysis.

Kerala to be the first fully e-governed state

- Kerala is set to declare itself India's first "total e-governed state".
- The achievement has been realized through a set of policy initiatives of the government seeking to transform the state into a digitally-empowered society.
- The delivery of all vital services has already been digitized, covering all key domains including health, education, land revenue, documentation of properties, public distribution system and social security payouts.

First Urban Climate Film Festival to be held in Kolkata

- The first-ever Urban Climate Film Festival is going to be held in New Town, Kolkata from June 3 to 5 to sensitize the audience about the environmental, social and economic impacts of climate change on urban settlements
- The festival will highlight the environmental, social and economic impacts of climate change on urban settlements.

Chhattisgarh CM launched 'Hamar Sugghar Laika Abhiyan'

- Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has launched the 'Hamar Sugghar Laika Abhiyan' in the 'Bharose Ka Sammelan' program at Sankra in Durg district.
- The campaign aims to bring 1,800 malnourished children, identified through a survey, into the category of well-nourished children.
- This is the first district-level campaign of its kind in the state and focuses on managing the growth of children through hunger testing.

Giriraj Singh launched SAMARTH campaign

- The Union Minister for Rural Development, Giriraj Singh has launched the 'SAMARTH Campaign to promote Digital Transactions in 50000 Gram Panchayats' in Lucknow.
- This campaign, initiated by the Ministry of Rural Development, aims to promote digital transactions in rural areas, with a particular focus on empowering women.

PM Modi inaugurates new Parliament building

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the new parliament building and installed a historic sceptre 'Sengol' near the Lok Sabha Speaker's chair.
- A puja and a multi-faith prayer were held on the occasion. He also unveiled a commemorative plaque for the new building.
- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla and Adheenam seers were present at the event. The seers handed over the 'Sengol' to PM Modi who walked into the new Parliament building and installed it.
- Modi also launches a 75 rupees denomination coin and stamp on the historic occasion. The new building of Parliament symbolizes the spirit of self-reliant India, Aatmanirbhar Bharat.

Telangana achieves 100% coverage of PMJDY

- Since the launch of Prime Minister Jan Dhan Yojana, Telangana State has achieved 100 percent household coverage of banking services extending them to all sections of people.
- As per the Social Security Administration survey, the state has achieved 100 percent coverage and the benefits of 135 welfare schemes and programmes under 20 departments are credited to these zero-balance bank accounts of the beneficiaries.

Mukesh Ambani joins advisory committee to COP28 President

- Mukesh Ambani, chairman and CEO of Reliance Industries, has been selected to serve on the Advisory Committee to the President of the Conference of the Parties (COP28) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

- Other than Sunita Narain, Director General, Centre for Science and Environment, Mukesh Ambani is the only Indian, on the Advisory Committee to the President of COP28.

India gets approval to set up 2nd hydroelectric project in Nepal

- The **Government of Nepal** has approved **India's Sutlej Jal Vidyut Nigam Limited (SJVN)** to develop the **second hydroelectric project in the country**.
- SJVN is currently involved in the development of the Arun-III Hydroelectric Project in eastern Nepal with a capacity of 900 MW.

Bandra-Versova sea bridge will be named after Veer Savarkar

- **Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde** has announced that **Bandra -Versova sea route in Mumbai** will be named as **Swatantra Veer Savarkar Bandra- Versova Sagari Setu**.
- He was speaking at an event on the 140th birth anniversary of SwatantraVeer Vinayak Damodar Savarkar in Mumbai.

Atal Bhujal Yojana water scheme extended by two years

- **Union government** has extended the **Atal Bhujal Yojana (Atal Jal)** for **two more years until December 2025**.
- Initially launched in 2019, Atal Jal is active across 8,220 water-stressed Gram Panchayats within 80 districts of seven Indian states, including Gujarat and Uttar Pradesh.
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BPCL develops ethanol-diesel blend to reduce emissions

- Public sector oil marketing company BPCL has developed an ethanol-diesel blend in a bid to reduce emissions.
- The move is in line with its net zero target of 2040.

Maharashtra government launched Namu Shetkari Mahasanman Yojana

- **Maharashtra government** has approved a **new financial scheme** under which more than one crore farmers in the state will be paid 6,000 rupees annually.
- The scheme, **Namu Shetkari Mahasanman Yojana**, was approved at a Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Eknath Shinde in Mumbai.

Kheer Bhawani Mela 2023 organized in Kashmir Valley

- Every year on the day of **Jyestha Ashtami**, **Kashmiri Pandits** visit **Mata Ragneya Devi Temple**, also known as **Kheer Bhavani Temple**, for darshan.
- The Kheer Bhawani Mela is an annual festival celebrated by both Kashmiri Pandits and locals of the Kashmir valley.

Odisha CM launches 'Odisha for AI, and AI for Youth' initiative

- **Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik** has launched the **'Odisha for Artificial Intelligence'** and **'Artificial Intelligence for Youth'** initiatives in the state capital.
- The State Government has roped in international technology company for the initiative. In the first phase, the initiative will be implemented in Bhubaneswar, Puri and Cuttack.

June

PM launches 'Maha Jansampark' campaign in Rajasthan

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has launched Bharatiya Janata Party's (BJP) month-long pan-India campaign, '**Maha Jansampark**', in poll-bound **Rajasthan's Ajmer** covering all 543 Lok Sabha constituencies.
- Under this Maha Jan Sampark, scheduled to be held from May 31 to June 30, extensive public programmes will be done across the country after the completion of 9 yrs at the Centre.

PM SVANidhi Scheme Celebrates Successful Completion of 3 Years

- Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri complimented the **Prime Minister Street Vendor's AtmaNirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) Scheme** on the occasion of its **successful completion of 3 momentous years**. The scheme was launched in June 2020.
- **Objective** – To empower street vendors by restoring self-employment, self-sustenance, and self-confidence.

AIIMS Nagpur becomes first AIIMS to receive NABH accreditation

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has congratulated **AIIMS Nagpur** for becoming the **first of all AIIMS to receive the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals and Healthcare Providers (NABH) accreditation**.
- The NABH accreditation is recognized globally as a standard for healthcare excellence. Only a few private hospitals in Nagpur have this accreditation.

Srinagar to become smart city by June 2024

- **Srinagar** is all set for a facelift. The city will get a '**Smart City**' tag by **June 2024 under the Srinagar Smart City Project**.
- A total of 137 projects have been sanctioned for Srinagar Smart City under the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India.

Tamil Nadu's Muthamizh Selvi climb Mount Everest

- A teacher from Chennai became the first woman from Tamil Nadu to climb Mount Everest. **Muthamizh Selvi set out on the quest to scale the world's highest peak** on April 2.
- Muthamizh Selvi, who teaches Japanese in Chennai.

French company Alstom to make 100 Vande Bharat trains

- **French railway major Alstom** has emerged as the **lowest bidder for manufacture and maintenance of 100 aluminium Vande Bharat** trainsets, valued at **Rs 30,000 crore**.
- The company, which is a major player in the Indian railway and urban transport sector, bid Rs 150.99 crore as the cost to manufacture one trainset, followed by a consortium of Swiss rolling stock company Stadler Rail and India's Medha Servo, which quoted Rs 169.9 crore to build one trainset.

AICTE to launch 'One Student One Tree Campaign 2023'

- **All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)** will launch "**One Student One Tree Campaign 2023**" and that **UGC too** has taken **initiatives for creating awareness about Mission LiFE**.
- The celebration of World Environment Day across the country envisages involvement of youth in spreading the message of LiFE, along with sensitizing school going children and others about LiFE.

UP govt launches 'Elder Line' service to give shelter to elderly homeless

- **Uttar Pradesh Social Welfare Department** has launched the '**Elder Line**' **14567 service**.
- The objective of the helpline is to rescue destitute old persons and provide them shelter in old age homes.

Government launches MAHIR

- **Government** has launched **Mission on Advanced and High-Impact Research (MAHIR)** to quickly identify emerging technologies in the power sector and develop them indigenously for deployment within and outside the country.
- The Mission aims at facilitating indigenous research, development and demonstration of the latest and emerging technologies in the power sector.

NCPCR launches National Campaign “Addiction Free Amrit Kaal”

- The **National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)** has launched the **“Addiction Free Amrit Kaal”** campaign to promote a healthier & addiction-free India.
- The campaign is organized by the NCPCR in partnership with Tobacco Free India, a citizens group.

Kerala topped in Food Safety Index

- Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare **Dr Mansukh Mandaviya** has unveiled the **fifth State Food Safety Index on World Food Safety Day**.
- The food safety index evaluates the performance of states and union territories across six different aspects of food safety.
- Among the larger states, Kerala secured the top ranking, followed by Punjab and Tamil Nadu.
- Among the smaller states, Goa emerged as the leader, followed by Manipur and Sikkim.
- Additionally, Jammu and Kashmir, Delhi, and Chandigarh secured the first, second, and third ranks respectively among the union territories.

Parshottam Rupala starts VII Phase of Sagar Parikarma

- Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying, **Parshottam Rupala** has started the seventh phase of the **“Sagar Parikrama”** initiative.
- Sagar Parikrama Phase-VII shall cover the **coastal areas of Kerala and UT Administration of Lakshadweep**.

UP government cancels all traffic challans between 2017 to 2021

- **Uttar Pradesh government** has decided to **cancel all Traffic Chalan** for private and commercial vehicle owners **pending from 2017 to 2021**.
- According to the government, the cancellation applies on challans issued between 1 January 2017, and 31 December 2021, regardless of the vehicle type.

Minister Sarbananda Sonowal launches ‘SAGAR SAMRIDDHI’

- Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways **Sarbananda Sonowal** has launched an **online dredging monitoring system called “Sagar Samriddhi.”**
- The “Sagar Samriddhi” system will aid daily and monthly progress visualization, monitor dredger performance and downtime monitoring, and keep track of location data.

UAE emerges as 4th largest investor in India during FY23

- The **United Arab Emirates (UAE)** has emerged as **the fourth largest investor** in India during 2022-23, according to government data.
- The United Arab Emirates (UAE) was signed a comprehensive free trade agreement with India in May last year.
- In the last fiscal, foreign direct investment (FDI) from the UAE to India jumped over three-fold to USD 3.35 billion from USD 1.03 billion in 2021-22, the data of the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT) showed.
- Singapore was the largest investor in India with USD 17.2 billion investment in FY23, followed by Mauritius (USD 6.1 billion) and the US (USD 6 billion).

Mumbai Traffic Police declare 'No Honking Day' on June 14

- **Mumbai Police's Traffic Control Branch** has taken a significant step to address the issue of noise pollution and its detrimental effects on public health.
- They have announced the observance of a '**No Honking Day' on June 14**, aimed at curbing the unnecessary use of vehicle horns.

Indian Navy's Outreach Program "Julley Ladakh" (Hello Ladakh)

- **Indian Navy** is conducting "**Julley Ladakh**" (**Hello Ladakh**), an outreach programme to Ladakh to increase awareness about the service in the pristine state and to engage with youth and civil society there.
- As part of this initiative, a 5000 km Motorcycle Expedition was flagged off from the National War Memorial by Vice Admiral Sanjay Jasjit Singh, the Vice Chief of Naval Staff.

Rajasthan, Gujarat and Tamil Nadu emerge top achievers in Wind Energy

- The **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy** celebrated **Global Wind Day in New Delhi**.
- The event aimed to discuss ways to accelerate wind energy adoption in India.
- The central theme of the celebration was "Pawan – Urja: Powering the Future of India."

UP to host country's 1st MotoGP event in September

- The **Uttar Pradesh government** announced that the **Buddh International circuit in Greater Noida will host India's first MotoGP racing** event on 22 and 23 September.
- The high-end racing machines in the adventurous championship will enhance the reputation of 'Brand UP'.

Tamil Nadu police launches new scheme for Women Traveling Alone at Night

- The **Tamil Nadu Police** has launched a **helpline number for women travelling alone at night between 10 pm and 6 am**.
- If they feel unsafe travelling alone, they can dial the number, and a police patrol vehicle will be made available.

IndiGo makes historic order for 500 Airbus planes worth USD 50 billion

- **India's largest airline by market share, IndiGo** has placed an order for **500 Airbus A320 Family aircraft** in the largest purchase agreement in aviation history.
- This historic deal is pegged at \$50 billion at list prices and the airline will take delivery of these new aircraft between 2030 and 2035.
- The current order comprises a mix of A320 neo, A321 neo, and A321 xlr aircraft

Telangana CM inaugurates Medha Rail Coach Factory at Sangareddy

- **Telangana Chief Minister K. Chandrasekhar Rao (KCR)** has inaugurated the **Medha Rail Coach Factory in Sangareddy district**.
- It is the largest private coach factory in India.

Amit Shah lays foundation stone of 'Balidaan Stambh' in Srinagar

- **Union Home Minister Amit Shah** has inaugurated the construction of the '**Balidan Stambh' in Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir**.
- The 'Balidan Stambh' is a part of the Srinagar Smart City project and serves as a tribute to martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the nation.

Adani Group founder Gautam Adani launches "Jeetenge Hum"

- **Adani Group** has launched a **campaign called "Jeetenge Hum"** to support the **Indian cricket team in the 2023 Cricket World Cup**.
- His ports-to-energy conglomerate on Saturday gathered 1983 World Cup Cricket legends including Kapil Dev to launch the 2023 World Cup winning campaign.

Historical Kharchi Puja commences in Tripura

- In a vibrant display of cultural heritage and religious fervour, the **Historical 'Kharchi Puja' commenced** at the revered **fourteen gods temple in Khayerpur, Tripura**.
- The auspicious event marked the revival of ancient customs and traditions, drawing enthusiastic devotees from far and wide.

REC to provide ₹3,045 cr finance to Bangalore Metro

- **State-run REC Limited**, a Maharatna Central Public Sector Enterprise will **extend financial assistance of ₹3,045 crore to Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRC)**, for establishment and development of metro lines under phase-II project of Bangalore Metro.
- Phase-II project comprises extension of two corridors of Phase-I and establishing 2 new lines from RV Road to Bommasandra and Kalena Agrahara to Nagawara.

UP launches 'Operation Conviction' for cow slaughter, child abuse cases

- The **Uttar Pradesh Police Department** has launched '**Operation Conviction**' to combat criminals and mafias in the state.
- The initiative will expedite the prosecution of cases registered under the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, as well as those involving cow slaughter, religious conversion, rape, and murder.

Divya Kala Mela organized in Jaipur

- The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities is organizing the sixth '**Divya Kala Mela**' from **29 June to 5 July in Jaipur, Rajasthan**.
- Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment Dr. Virendra Kumar inaugurated the Mela.

Pralhad Joshi unveils list of "Critical Minerals for India"

- Union Minister of Mines, **Pralhad Joshi** has unveiled **India's first-ever report on Critical Minerals for India**.
- The report identifies 30 critical minerals essential for sectors including defense, agriculture, energy, pharmaceuticals, and telecom.

July

PM Modi inaugurates National Sickle Cell Anemia Eradication Mission

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has inaugurated the **National Sickle Cell Anemia Eradication Mission 2047 in Lalpur village of Madhya Pradesh**.
- The Prime Minister also participated in several programs in Shahdol district including distribution of 3.57 crore Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana cards.

Government to develop National Maritime Heritage Complex in Gujarat

- A **National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC)** will be **developed in Lothal, Gujarat** at a cost of Rs 4,500 crore under the government's Sagarmala programme.
- NMHC would be developed as an international tourist destination at Lothal, where the maritime heritage of India from ancient to modern times would be showcased and an "edutainment approach" using the latest technology would be adopted to spread awareness about the country's maritime heritage.

First of its kind exhibition 'Banking on World Heritage' inaugurated

- The first-of-its-kind exhibition '**Banking on World Heritage**' was **inaugurated in New Delhi** by the Minister of Culture and External Affairs, **Meenakshi Lekhi**.
- The exhibition displays banknotes of G20 member nations, depicting world heritage sites listed by UNESCO, in a unique manner.

India's first 'Police Drone Unit' launched in Chennai

- **Greater Chennai Police** has established a '**Drone Police Unit**' to assist cops in aerial surveillance.
- This will particularly be helpful in case of large gatherings, real-time checking of vehicle registration data and spotting of suspects.

HM laid foundation for country's first cooperative-run Sainik School

- Union Home and Cooperation Minister **Amit Shah** has virtually **laid the foundation stone of the country's first cooperative-run Sainik School** near Mehsana in Gujarat.
- This Sainik School has been started in honor of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's appeal to start 100 new Sainik Schools on PPP basis in the country.

Forests for monkeys to come up in Lucknow

- The **Uttar Pradesh government** plans to create **dedicated monkey forests in Lucknow** to help sustain the simian population and reduce human-monkey conflict.
- Some dedicated 'monkey forests' (Vanar Vans) will be created in the state capital during the proposed annual plantation drive for simian population.

J&K Govt increases retirement age for university professors to 65

- **Jammu and Kashmir Government** has raised the **age of superannuation for university professors in the union territory**.
- The Administrative Council under the Chairmanship of Lieutenant Governor, Manoj Sinha, raised the retirement age of University Professors from 62 to 65 years.

Gujarat government doubles insurance cover under Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana

- **Gujarat state government** has **doubled the insurance coverage under Pradhan Mantri Jan Aarogya Yojana**.
- Now, the beneficiaries of PMAY will get an insurance cover of Rs 10 lakhs instead of the earlier 5 lakhs.
- The decision will benefit nearly 1.78 crore Ayushman Bharat cardholders in the state. The beneficiaries will get a free of cost medical treatment over two thousand government hospitals and 795 private hospitals in the state under PMAY.

Govt of India and Kenya to co-host 'International Millet Festival'

- **India and Kenya** will co-host a two-day '**India-Africa International Millet Conference**' on 30 – 31 August 2023.
- The event will witness participation from government leaders, researchers, farmers, entrepreneurs and industry associations from around the globe.

India's first Vedic-themed park unveiled in Noida

- **India's first Vedic-themed Park** has been opened to the public in **Noida's Sector 78**, inaugurated by Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi Adityanath.
- **Known as the Ved Van Park**, the place is home to over 50,000 plants, such as banyan, kalpavriksha, and coconut, which have been mentioned in Vedic literature.

Odisha CM launches 'Ama Pokhari' to rejuvenate water bodies

- **Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik** has launched '**Ama Pokhari Yojana**'.
- Under the scheme, about 2,000 large water bodies spread over 115 urban areas in the State will be renovated for public, the work for which will be undertaken in partnership with Mission Shakti Women Self-Help Groups and educated youths of the State.

S Jaishankar files nomination for Rajya Sabha elections from Gujrat

- **External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar** has **filed his nomination papers** for elections to the Rajya Sabha from Gujarat.

- Four years ago, Jaishankar had filed his nomination for the first time from Gujarat for the Rajya Sabha.

Gujarat CM launched pilot project of 'Antyodaya Shramik Suraksha Yojana'

- **Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel** and Union Minister of State for Communications Devusinh Chauhan have launched the **Antyodaya Shram Suraksha Accident Insurance Scheme** from Nadia of Kheda district in Gujarat.
- The scheme, launched on a pilot basis, is being implemented through the Indian Postal Department, the Indian Post Payments Bank, and the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

NLU Delhi launches research affiliate program 'Eklavya'

- **The National Law University (NLU), Delhi** has launched **Eklavya – a 'Research Affiliate' programme**, under its new academic initiatives.
- This scheme is open to those who do not have a traditional law degree. Through this, the university aims to emphasise its commitment to actively seek partnerships outside the varsity and draw from their experiences and perspectives to develop quality legal scholarship.

India-US conducted 'Operation Broader Sword'

- **India and the USA** have jointly conducted an **'Operation Broader Sword'** to stop the illegal shipment of drugs through the International Mail System.
- It targeted shipments of illicit, potentially dangerous, unapproved prescription drugs, combination medical devices, and synthetic drug precursors shipped through International Mail Facilities.

Odisha government approved Kui language inclusion in 8th schedule

- **Odisha state cabinet** approved a proposal to recommend the inclusion of the **Kui language** in the **eighth schedule of the Constitution of India**.
- Kui is a South-Eastern Dravidian language spoken by the Kandha community. Kui is traditionally written using the Odia script, which is also used for writing the Odia language.

India gets its 36th and Tamil Nadu's 1st flying training organization

- **India's 36th and Tamil Nadu's first Flight Training Organization (FTO)** has been approved by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (GDCA).
- EKVI Air Training Organization Pvt. Ltd. Based in Salem Airport, Tamil Nadu, has received approval to establish FTO.

Mukhra (K) becomes first insured village in Telangana

- **Telangana, Mukhra (K)**, a model village in **Adilabad district** has become the **first habitation in the State to have insured by 100 percent**.
- Mukhra (K) village bagged many national awards which include the National-level Gram Urja Swaraj Vishesh award this year and an incentive of 50 lakh rupees.

Maharashtra to be trillion dollar economy by 2028

- **Maharashtra's Economy** will become a **trillion dollar by 2028**, said N Chandrashekhar, president of the State Economy Development Council.
- The council submitted its recommendation report to Chief Minister Eknath Shinde and Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis.

India welcomes its first regional AI news anchor, 'Lisa'

- In a significant milestone for the AI industry, **Odisha TV**, an Odia-based news station, has unveiled **"Lisa," India's first regional AI news anchor**.

- Lisa's introduction marks a groundbreaking moment in TV broadcasting and journalism, with the potential to revolutionize the industry.

Centre allots additional 1.44 lakh houses under PMAY-Gramin to UP

- **Uttar Pradesh** has been allotted an additional **1,44,220 houses** under the 'Pradhan Mantri Awaas Yojna-Gramin' (PMAY-G) scheme for the financial year 2023-24.
- Following this, the state's total quota of houses completed will reach 21,68,574.

Assam government launched "Gajah Kotha" campaign

- **Assam** has launched the "Gajah Kotha" campaign to address the growing problem of **Human-Elephant Conflict (HEC)**.
- The "Gajah Kotha" campaign involves over 1,200 participants and aims to promote coexistence between humans and elephants.

Govt aims 100 million tonnes coal gasification by 2030

- **The Ministry of Coal** has set a target to gasify **100 million tonnes of coal by FY 2030**.
- The ministry is considering a comprehensive scheme, with an outlay of ₹6,000 crore, to promote coal and lignite gasification projects for both public sector undertakings (PSUs) and the private sector.

Adani Group commissions India's first transnational power project

- **Gautam Adani met Bangladesh PM Sheikh Hasina** for full load commencement and handover of the **1,600 MW ultra-supercritical Godda power plant**.
- Adani Power set up the 1,600 MW thermal power in Jharkhand's Godda to supply power generated to Bangladesh Power Development Board (BPDB) through a dedicated transmission line.

Lucknow University unveils 'heritage point'

- **Lucknow University** has unveiled a "heritage point" at its zoology department, featuring bricks from the **19th century** and a **100-year-old wooden log**.
- The items mark the university's centenary year. The log, extracted from a mango tree on the campus, is also over a century old, according to scientists.

Gujarat to host 69th edition of Filmfare Awards in 2024

- **Gujarat** will host the **69th edition of the Filmfare Awards in 2024**.
- The state government's Tourism Corporation signed an MoU with Worldwide Media to host the event and promote Gujarat as a film destination.

Amit Shah laid foundation stone of 108 feet tall statue of Lord Shri Ram in Kurnool

- Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** has laid the **foundation stone for a 108-foot tall statue of Lord Ram in Andhra Pradesh's Kurnool** in a virtual ceremony.
- It will be **built at a cost of over 500 crore rupees** and this project is spread over an area of 10 acres in Mantralayam village.

PM Narendra Modi to inaugurate 'Semicon India 2023' in Gandhinagar

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** will inaugurate a six-day event focusing on semiconductors – **Semicon India 2023** – at **Mahatma Mandir in Gandhinagar** on July 28.
- The event is scheduled to be held between July 25 and 30 and with the PM inaugurating the main event on July 28.

Government extends Atal Beemit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana for two years

- The **government has extended** the unemployment scheme, the **Atal Beemit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana**, under the Employees' State Insurance Corporation for a period of **two years** up to June 30, 2024.

- It has been decided to extend the Atal Beemit Vyakti Kalyan Yojana for the period 01.07.2022 to 30.06.2024 with the relaxed eligibility conditions and enhanced rate of relief.

Madhya Pradesh has the highest crime rate against SCs

- **Madhya Pradesh** had the **highest crime rate against people belonging to the Scheduled Caste (SC)** community in 2021, according to the **National Crime Record Bureau (NCRB)** data.
- In the same year, Kerala topped the list for crimes against individuals from the Scheduled Tribe (ST) community, the data shows.

Crimes against people belonging to the SC community

- In 2020 as well, MP had the highest crime rate against SCs, and in the previous year, it ranked second after Rajasthan.
- According to the NCRB data, MP had a crime rate of 63.6 against SCs in 2021, against the national average of 22.6.

Crimes against people belonging to the ST community

- Kerala topped the list of the highest crime rate against people belong to the Scheduled Tribes (ST) community with a rate of 26.4, against a national average of 8.1. Rajasthan (22.7) was ranked second, followed by Madhya Pradesh (17.2).

PM Modi inaugurates new ITPO complex 'Bharat Mandapam'

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has inaugurated the new **International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC) complex 'Bharat Mandapam' in Delhi**.
- The International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre (IECC) complex has been developed at a cost of about ₹2,700 crore.
- With a campus area of approximately 123 acres, the IECC complex has been developed as India's largest MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) destination.

Naveen Patnaik becomes 2nd longest-serving CM in India

- **Odisha's Naveen Patnaik** has become the **second longest-serving chief minister in the country**, replacing West Bengal's Jyoti Basu.
- Former Sikkim Chief Minister Pawan Kumar Chamling still holds the record of being the longest-serving Chief Minister in the country.
- He was the Chief Minister of the Himalayan state from December 12, 1994 till May 27, 2019 – more than 24 years.

Bengaluru becomes first Indian city to join World Cities Culture Forum

- **Bengaluru** has become the **first Indian city to become part of the World Cities Culture Forum (WCCF)**
- It is a global network of cities that share research and intelligence and explores the role of culture in future prosperity.

PM Modi launched "Urea Gold" in Rajasthan

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has launched **"Urea Gold"** – a new variety of urea that is coated with sulphur in **Rajasthan's Sikar**.
- A bag of urea, which is sold in India at Rs 266, is being sold at Rs 800 in Pakistan, Rs 720 in Bangladesh, Rs 2,100 in China, and Rs 3,000 in the US."

Kerala to set up India's first fisheries Atal Incubation Centre

- The **Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies (Kufos)** has secured a grant of **₹10 crore from NITI Aayog** to establish **India's first Atal Incubation Centre (AIC)** in fisheries at the University.

- The AIC initiative is part of the Atal Innovation Mission, which seeks to encourage a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship across various sectors in the country.

Amazon India to open first floating store in Dal lake

- As a part of the **last point delivery programme 'I Have Space'**, Amazon India has announced to open its **first-ever floating store in famous Dal Lake in Srinagar**.
- The store should be open in a houseboat and will provide deliveries to its customers every day in Srinagar.

August

India's per capita income to jump 70% by 2030: Standard Chartered Bank

- According to a research report by Standard Chartered Bank, the per capita income of India is likely to grow around 70% by 2030 and is expected to reach \$4,000 from current levels of \$2,450.
- The boost in income will help the country to become a middle-income economy with a GDP of \$6 trillion and half of it will be coming from household consumption.

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- This was revealed in a report released by Minister of State for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Ashwini Kumar on the occasion of Global Tiger Day.

"Astro-OPD" will be launched in Varanasi

- The Sampurnanand Sanskrit University in Varanasi will launch an "Astrology OPD", where teachers and research students at the university's astrology department will check people's horoscopes for an hour every evening.
- For the 'Astro-OPD', minister of state Ravindra Jaiswal has sanctioned ₹25 lakh from the MLA fund. An OPD is an acronym for outpatient department.

Over 6.23 core loans sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana

- Over 6 core 23 lakh loans have been sanctioned under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY) in Financial Year 2022-23.
- The Union Minister for State for Finance, Dr. Bhagwat Kisanrao Karad, shared this information in a written reply during a Lok Sabha session.
- The objective of PMMY is to provide access to institutional finance to new or existing micro units or enterprises up to 10 lakh rupees.

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- The government has said that nearly 2.46 lakh farmers have benefitted from the PM-KUSUM (Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthaan Mahabhiyan) Scheme till June 2023.
- The scheme provides for the installation of solar pumps, solarization of existing grid-connected agricultural pumps and installation of grid-connected renewable power plants.

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- Madhya Pradesh has retained its tag of the 'tiger state' having accounted for 785 big cats, according to a census released on International Tiger Day by Corbett Tiger Reserve, Uttarakhand.

- The population of tigers increased by 49% in the state, which is the highest in India despite recording the maximum number of deaths. Between 2012 to 2022, 278 tiger deaths were reported in Madhya Pradesh.

Navi Mumbai to become country's first septic tank-free city

- Navi Mumbai is set to become **the first city in the country** to be **septic tank-free and have toilets in 100% of households soon.**
- The NMMC has laid a network of sewage drains all over the city with 7 state-of-the-art sewage treatment plants being set up with the help of Central government funds.

Government launched pilot digital crop survey in 12 states

- The **Union government** has launched **Digital Crop Survey (DCS) in 12 states** on a pilot basis from **Kharif 2023 (summer-sown)** season of this year for better sowing data collection.
- DCS reference application has been developed as an open source, open standard, and interoperable public good.
- The 12 states selected for the pilot on DCS are Madhya Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Odisha, and Assam.

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- **The Union Cabinet** has approved **Rs 1.39 lakh crore** for the modernization of the **BharatNet project.**
- It will involve a change in execution strategy, with a focus on providing fibre connections to the last mile through village-level entrepreneurs.
- With this upgrade, the government aims to expedite the process of connecting all 640,000 villages within the next two and a half years.

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Mumbai -Thane to get India's First-Ever Vertical University Campus

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- The President of India, Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated 'Unmesha' – International Literature Festival and 'Utkarsh' – Festival of Folk and Tribal Performing Arts at Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
- Culture Department Madhya Pradesh along with Sangeet Natak Akademi and Sahitya Akademi of the Ministry of Culture is organizing this event from 3rd to 5th August.

India's First Beauty and Lifestyle Festival NYKAALAND debuts In Mumbai

- Omnichannel consumer tech company Nykaa has collaborated with Book My Show to give India its first beauty and lifestyle festival Nykaaland.
- The two-day event will be held in Mumbai on November 5 and 6 at the Royal Western India Turf Club in Mahalaxmi Racecourse.

Sarbananda Sonowal launches Port Health Organization under Sagar Setu

- The Union Minister of Ports, Shipping & Waterways (MoPSW) and Ayush, Sarbananda Sonowal has launched Port Health Organization (PHO) module under Sagar Setu - National Logistics Portal (Marine).

- PHO will conduct disease surveillance, health inspection, and quarantine measures to safeguard citizens and port workers.

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Rajasthan Govt. announces 19 New Districts, 3 New Divisions in State

- The **Rajasthan cabinet** gave its approval to a **high-level committee's** proposal to **establish 19 new districts and three additional divisions within the state**.
- This decision aims to enhance the administrative framework and accessibility of public services.
- New districts include Apoonagarh, Balotra, Beawar, Deeg, Didwana-Kuchaman, Dudu, Gangapur City, Kekri, Kotputli-Behror, Khairthal-Tijara, Neem ka Thana, Phalodi, Slumber, Sanchore, and Shahpura.

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- **The Haryana government** is planning to **build a dam at a cost of 6,134 crore rupees**.
- It will have a 14-km-long reservoir and will be built 4.5 km upstream from the **Hathnikund Barrage in Yamunanagar district**.

CBI Academy joins Interpol Global Academy Network

- The **Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) Academy** has joined the **Interpol Global Academy Network at a virtual event**.
- The CBI Academy has become the 10th member of the INTERPOL Global Academy Network, which will pave the way for the development and delivery of joint training programmes and research projects.

Eknath Shinde launches 'Meri Mati Mera Desh' campaign

- **Maharashtra Chief Minister Eknath Shinde** has launched the '**Meri Mati, Mera Desh**' **campaign** at Mumbai's historic August Kranti Maidan, in the presence of Deputy Chief Ministers Devendra Fadnavis and Ajit Pawar among other dignitaries.
- It was a matter of pride that the clarion call of Quit India and to establish Swarajya was given from Maharashtra's soil.

Kerala Assembly passes resolution to rename 'Kerala' as 'Keralam'

- **The Kerala Legislative Assembly** unanimously passed a **resolution urging the Central Government to change the name of the state from 'Kerala' to 'Keralam'**.
- The resolution was moved by CM Pinarayi Vijayan who stated that the name 'Keralam' is used in the Malayalam language.

India launches 'Neerakshi' - Autonomous Underwater Vehicle

- An **autonomous underwater vehicle (AUV)** designed to **detect mines** and a first of its kind in the country was launched.
- The **AUV named 'Neerakshi'** is a collaboration of Kolkata-based **warship maker Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd** and **MSME entity AEPL**.

Assam Govt to organize 'Khel Maharan' across state

- The **Assam government** will organize '**Khel Maharan**' from November 1 to January 10 to identify and nurture sports talents at the grassroots level.
- More than 50 lakh sportspersons will participate and compete in five sporting disciplines - Athletics, Football, Kabaddi, Volleyball, and Kho-Kho.

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- **5.33 crore subscribers** have so far **enrolled in Atal Pension Yojana (APY)**, the government told in Lok Shaba.
- It aims to deliver old age income security to all citizens of India, particularly to the workers in the unorganized sector.
- Atal Pension Yojana (APY) was launched on 9 May 2015 and was operationalized from 1 June 2015.

Centre approves establishment of new spaceport in Tamil Nadu

- **The Centre** has approved the establishment of a **new spaceport in Kulasekarapattinam, Tamil Nadu** for carrying out the launches of the Small Satellite Launch Vehicles (SSLV) **developed by the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)**.
- The Indian Space Policy 2023 has the provision for the utilization of a spaceport for carrying out launch activities by Non-Government Entities (NGEs), subject to technical feasibility and range safety constraints.

PM Modi laid foundation of Sant Ravidas temple in Madhya Pradesh

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** laid the foundation stone for a **temple of 14th-century mystic poet and social reformer Sant Ravidas in Madhya Pradesh's Sagar district**.
- Sant Ravidas was born at a time when the Mughal dynasty was ruling the country, and he had fought for educating the people at that time.

MeitY Secretary AK Sharma launches the 'Graphene-Aurora Program'

- The '**Graphene-Aurora program**' was launched by the **MeitY Secretary Alkesh Kumar Sharma in Kochi, Kerala**.
- The program will be implemented by Digital University Kerala and has a total budget outlay of Rs 94.85 Crore.

G20 Film Festival begins in New Delhi

- The **G20 Film Festival** begins in **New Delhi**. The event will continue till 2nd September
- Veteran actor Victor Banerjee and Amitabh Kant (India's G20 Sherpa) have inaugurated the G20 Film Festival in New Delhi.

India's 1st state-of-the-art 3D-Printed post office opens In Bengaluru

- **India's first 3D-printed post office** built with a robotic printer using 3D printing technology that deposits concrete layer-by-layer in accordance with computerized 3D model drawing input was inaugurated in **Bengaluru**.
- The entire construction activity was completed in a period of 45 days as compared to about six to eight months taken by the conventional method.

Chapter 14: Current Affairs (International)

March

Colombia opens military service to women for first time in 25 years

- **Colombia** has opened **military service to women for the first time in 25 years**.
- A cohort of 1,296 women has been enlisted in Colombia's Army in February 2023.
- Colombia has long had **compulsory military service for men ages 18 to 24**.

India world's largest arms importer: SIPRI Report 2023

- According to **the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute's (SIPRI) 2023 report, India will become the world's leading arms importer in 2022.**
- India remained the world's largest arms importer from 2018 to 2022 followed by Saudi Arabia.
- According to this report, between the years 2013-17 and 2018-22, India's arms imports have decreased by 11 percent.
- Russia was India's largest arms supplier in the periods between 2013-17 and 2018-22. But Russia's share of arms imports to India fell from 64 to 45%.
- While France emerged as the second-largest arms supplier to India followed by the US.

US recognized McMahon Line as international border

- **The US has formally recognized the McMahon Line** as the international boundary between **India's Arunachal Pradesh and China.**
- The US has also rejected Beijing's claim that the northeastern state falls under Chinese territory.

26th edition of 'Elevate Expo' held in Dubai

- The **Twenty-sixth edition of 'Elevate Expo'** was held in **Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE).**
- The event saw the participation of six startups from India and the registration of 180 investors.

Egypt joins BRICS bank as new member

- **Egypt** has joined the **BRICS New Development Bank (NDB).**
- The African-Arab nation became an NDB member on February 20, though a formal notification was issued on March 22.
- The New Development Bank was set up by BRICS nations on the basis of the intergovernmental agreement signed at the sixth BRICS summit in Fortaleza in **July 2014.**

April

Finland became the 31st member of NATO

- **Finland** has become the **31st member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)** and Turkey's unanimous vote played a key role in Finland's acceptance as a NATO member.
- Finland shares a long border of over 1,340 kilometers with Russia, and its decision to join NATO was prompted by security concerns following Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022.

About North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)

- **Founded** – 1949
- **Headquarters** – Brussels, Belgium
- **Secretary General**- Jens Stoltenberg
- **Founding Members** – United States, Canada, and ten European countries, including Belgium, Denmark, France, Iceland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, and the United Kingdom.
- NATO is a military alliance between North American and European countries.

Georgia became first American state to pass resolution condemning Hinduphobia

- The **Georgia Assembly** has passed a **resolution condemning Hinduphobia**, making it the **first American State** to take such a legislative measure.
- The resolution condemns Hinduphobia and anti-Hindu bigotry and states that 'Hinduism is the world's largest and oldest religion' and 1.2 billion people in more than 100 countries of the world follow this religion.

What is Hinduphobia?

- Hinduphobia is a set of hostile, destructive and derogatory attitudes towards Hinduism and Hindus that may manifest as prejudice, fear or hatred.
- It is true that Hindu Americans have faced discrimination across America.

Italian government seeks to ban English in official communication

- **Italy's PM Giorgia Meloni's Brothers of Italy party** has introduced **new legislation which proposes a fine of up to Euro 100,000 (Rs 82,46,550) for using any foreign language, especially English, in official communication.**
- The bill was introduced by Fabio Rampelli, a member of the lower chamber of deputies and is supported by the Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni.

Paris to ban e-scooters

- **Paris Mayor Anne Hidalgo pledged to ban rented e-scooters from the French capital** after a huge majority of residents backed the move.
- In a non-binding referendum, 89.03% of 103,084 votes cast were opposed to the freestanding scooters, which are booked on a short-term basis through apps. There were only two options, "for" or "against."

India elected to UN Statistical Commission for 4-year term

- **India** has been elected to the **UN Statistical Commission for a four-year term.**
- India, along with South Korea, the United Arab Emirates, and China, was in the fray for two seats in the Asia Pacific states category.

Ghana becomes first country to approve Oxford malaria vaccine for children

- **Ghana** has become the **first country** in the world to approve a new **malaria vaccine** from Oxford University, with children under the age of three in line to benefit.
- The mosquito-borne disease kills more than 600,000 people each year, most of them children in Africa, and scientists have been trying for years to develop vaccines.

Syria becomes world's largest 'Narco-state'

- **Syria** has become the **world's foremost narco-state** as its economic survival now depends heavily on the production and export of **Captagon also known as the "poor man's coke"**.
- Captagon is a banned illicit drug recognized by the UNODC (2021) and is a synthetic stimulant that combines amphetamine and caffeine.

India overtakes China as world's most populous country

- **India** has become **the world's most populous country, overtaking China**, according to the **United Nations.**
- According to UN estimates, **India's population is 142.86 crore against China's 142.57 crore.**
- This is the first time that India has topped the UN list of most populous countries since it started collecting population data in 1950.

UK tests emergency alert system on millions of phones

- The **UK conducted** its first test of a **new emergency alert service with millions of mobile phones** set to emit a **loud alarm and vibrate** at 3:00 pm (1400 GMT).

- A message will say: “This is a test of Emergency Alerts, a new U.K. government service that will warn you if there’s a life-threatening emergency nearby.”

India launches Operation Kaveri to evacuate stranded citizens from Sudan

- **India** has launched a **rescue operation named Operation Kaveri** to evacuate its stranded **citizens from Sudan**.
- The rescue operation is currently underway and around 500 Indians have reached Port Sudan.
- Two C-130s aircraft and the navy ship INS Sumedha is on standby to evacuate Indians.

Mongolia refinery to be built by India by 2025

- **Mongolia Ambassador** to India Dambajav Ganbold has informed that the **first oil refinery of Mongolia**, which is built and funded with Indian assistance, will be **completed by 2025**.
- The first stage of the Mongol Oil Refinery will be built with a \$1.2 billion Indian soft loan this year.

India Pavilion at Global Education & Training Exhibition Inaugurated at Dubai

- The ‘**Study in India Pavilion**’ at the **Global Education & Training Exhibition (GETEX) in Dubai** has been inaugurated by the Consul General of India in Dubai, Dr. Aman Puri.
- It was organized by the Services Export Promotion Council with the support of the Department of Commerce, Ministry of Commerce & Industry.

Dubai’s airline Emirates unveils world’s first robotic check-in assistant

- **Dubai-based airline Emirates** has unveiled the **world’s first robotic** check-in assistant named ‘**Sara**’.
- The system is part of a new City Check-in and Travel Store that is set to launch in Dubai’s financial district.

May

India to hand over fast Patrol Vessel ship & landing Craft to Maldives

- **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** handed over a **fast patrol vessel and a landing craft to the Maldives** as India’s “gift” during his visit to the island nation from May 1 to 3.
- The Fast Patrol Vessel, capable of coastal and offshore surveillance at high speeds, was commissioned as MNDF Coast Guard ship Huravee.

Deepika Padukone appears on cover of TIME magazine

- **Bollywood star Deepika Padukone** has been featured on the **latest cover of TIME magazine**.
- The iconic American magazine described Padukone as a ‘global star’ bringing ‘the world to Bollywood’.

Nepali sherpa becomes world’s 2nd person to scale Everest 26 times

- **Pasang Dawa Sherpa**, also known as Pa Dawa, has **successfully reached the summit of Mount Everest for the 26th time**, equaling the record set by another Nepalese guide.
- According to the Himalayan Database, Pa Dawa had previously climbed Everest 25 times, including two ascents in 2022. Since his initial successful climb in 1998, Dawa has consistently made the journey nearly every year.
- The only other person to have climbed the 8,849-meter (29,032-foot) mountain 26 times is fellow mountain guide Kami Rita Sherpa.

India to open new consulate in Brisbane

- **India** has announced plans to open its **fourth consulate in Australia in Brisbane, the capital of Queensland state.**
- The announcement was made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during a diaspora event in Sydney.

Indian Railways hands over 20 Broad Gauge Locomotives to Bangladesh

- **The Indian Railways** handed over **20 Broad Gauge locomotives to Bangladesh** as part of a grant assistance program.
- The initiative is aimed at meeting the growing demand for passenger and freight traffic between the two neighboring countries.

Sydney's Harris Park renamed as 'Little India'

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** and his **Australian counterpart Anthony Albanese** officially named Sydney's Harris Park area in Parramatta as 'Little India' during a special community event for the Indian diaspora.
- Harris Park is a hub in Western Sydney where the Indian community celebrates festivals and events such as Diwali and Australia Day.

Nepal celebrates Bhoto Jatra

- **Nepal celebrates Bhoto Jatra** which is a public holiday in **Kathmandu Valley.**
- It is a part of Rato Machhindranath Jatra which is a month-long chariot procession.

June

University of Edinburgh launches Hindi course

- The **University of Edinburgh** and the **Indian consulate in the UK** have collaborated to create the **first open-access course in Hindi language.**
- The Climate Solutions course is available in English, Arabic and Hindi, with versions focused on Egypt, the UAE, India and the UK.

India set to remain UAE's largest export destination by 2030

- **India** is set to remain the **United Arab Emirates (UAE) largest export destination by 2030**, according to a new report by Standard Chartered.
- The report, titled "Future of Trade: New opportunities in high-growth corridors", forecasts that the UAE's exports will reach around USD 543 billion by 2030, showcasing a robust annual growth rate of 5.5 percent.

Five new countries elected as non-permanent members of the UN Security Council

- **Algeria, Guyana, the Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia** were elected **non-permanent members of the UN Security Council for a two-year term.**
- The newly elected members will take up their new responsibilities on 1 January 2024 and serve till 31 December 2025.
- Slovenia defeated Belarus by a vote of 153 to 38, while Algeria, Guyana, Sierra Leone and the Republic of Korea were elected unopposed.

Israel to release world's first digital government bond

- **The Tel Aviv Stock Exchange (TASE) and Israel's Finance Ministry** successfully completed the **proof-of-concept phase for a digital Israeli Bond** traded on a **dedicated blockchain platform.**
- The development positions Israel to release the world's first digital government bond.

USA announces to rejoin UNESCO in July 2023

- **UNESCO** has announced that the **United States will rejoin the agency in July 2023** four years after leaving due to allegations of bias against Israel.

- The US stopped funding UNESCO, worth millions of dollars, in 2011 after Palestine became a member of the agency.

Himalayan Glaciers on Track to Lose up to 75% of Ice by 2100: Report

- According to a new report, Glaciers in Asia's Hindu Kush Himalaya could lose up to 75 percent of their volume by the century's end due to global warming.
- Global warming is causing dangerous flooding and water shortages for the 240 million people who live in the mountainous region.

Europe is world's fastest-warming continent: climate report

- Europe should brace for more deadly heatwaves driven by climate change, said a sweeping report, noting the world's fastest-warming continent was some 2.3 degrees Celsius hotter last year.
- Crop-withering drought, record sea-surface temperatures, and unprecedented glacier melt are among the consequences laid out in a report by the WMO and the EU's Copernicus Climate Change Service.

India beats China with world's second-largest road network

- India becomes the second-largest country with the biggest road network after beating China.
- While the United States remains in the number one position.
- The report says India successfully reserved the position by spreading 1.45-lakh km of road connectivity over the last 8 years

July

New Zealand becomes 1st country in the world to ban thin plastic bag

- New Zealand became the first country in the world to ban thin plastic bags at supermarkets on July 1, 2023.
- The ban applies to single-use plastic bags that are less than 70 microns thick.

Meta to launch 'Threads' app

- Meta Platforms, the parent company of the social media platform Facebook, is planning to launch a microblogging app 'Threads', Instagram's text-based conversation app.
- Threads, Instagram's text-based conversation app and will allow users to follow the accounts they follow on the photo-sharing platform and keep the same username.

IMO sets 2050 as net zero target

- The International Maritime Organisation (IMO) agreed on a "flexible" net zero target of 2050 for the global shipping industry.
- The target is "by or around" 2050 and includes a clause that it only applies if national circumstances allow.
- The IMO also agreed to reduce emissions by at least 20% by 2030, and by at least 70% by 2040.

Rajnath Singh inaugurates HAL's regional office in Malaysia

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has inaugurated the regional office of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) in Kuala Lumpur to facilitate close defence industrial collaboration between India and Malaysia.
- It will also serve as a hub for the HAL's engagement with the wider South-East Asian region and act as a window for other Indian defence PSUs.

Tata to set up EV battery factory in UK for £4 billion

- **Tata Sons plans to build a four-billion-pound (about Rs 42,300 crore) electric vehicle battery factory in the UK**, which will be its first gigafactory outside India.
- Last month, it announced plans to establish a Rs 13,000-crore battery manufacturing facility in Gujarat.

Algeria applies to Join BRICS Bank

- **Algeria has applied to join the BRICS group** and submitted a request to become a shareholder member of the BRICS Bank **with an amount of \$1.5 billion.**
- Algeria had sought to join the BRICS to open new economic opportunities.
- The North African country is rich in oil and gas resources and seeking to diversify its economy and strengthen its partnership with countries such as China.
- More than 40 countries have expressed interested in joining the BRICS group of nations.
- Argentina, Iran, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Cuba, Democratic Republic of Congo, Comoros, Gabon, and Kazakhstan are among countries that expressed interest.

Twitter changes logo to 'X', replacing blue bird symbol

- The owner Elon Musk, and Chief Executive Officer **Linda Yaccarino** of Twitter, revealed its **new logo replacing the blue bird on its website with an X** as part of a broader rebranding effort.
- The logo – a white 'X' seen on a black background was seen on the network's site and accounts, evoking mixed reactions and an ocean of memes from the netizens.

Italy honours Indian Army's contribution in World War II

- **A memorial has been unveiled in Italy to honor Indian troops** who fought in the **Italian Campaign during the Second World War.**
- The memorial is in the form of a live sundial and its motto is "We all live under the same sun."

Bhutan announces successful elimination of Rubella

- **Bhutan has announced the successful elimination of rubella.**
- The World Health Organization recognized Bhutan's efforts to tackle this highly contagious and potentially devastating disease.
- In the past 20 years, Bhutan's health workers have worked tirelessly and fought against rubella, also known as German Measles.

Chapter 15: Defence News

Launch Missile with range by DRDO IN NEWS

- "Prithvi II"-350 Km
- "Brahmos"-400Km
- "Shaurya"-1000Km
- "Pranash"-200Km
- "K-4 nuclear"-3500Km
- "Nirbhay": 1500Km
- 'Akash-NG': 60 KM
- Agni-5: 5000 KM
- Pinaka ER: 70 Km
- **Stand-off Anti-tank (SANT) Missile: 10 KM**
- **Agni P Ballistic Missile: 1000 to 2000KM**
- **Pralay: 150-500 km**
- **Man Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile (MPATGM):** minimum range is 200-300 metres. Maximum range, is **4000 metres**

- Agni-4 ballistic: 4000km

March

GRSE launched the 'Most Silent Ship' INS Androth

- **Indian Navy** launched **INS Androth**, the second in a series of eight indigenous ships built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) at a Kidderpore yard, Kolkata.
- It is an Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Craft (ASWSWC).

April

Ministry of Defence Rs 1700 crore deal with BrahMos Aerospace

- **Ministry of Defence** has inked a **Rs 1,700 crore contract with BrahMos Aerospace Private Limited (BAPL) for procurement of next-generation maritime mobile coastal batteries** and BrahMos missiles.
- These systems will be equipped with supersonic BrahMos missiles and will significantly enhance the multi-directional maritime strike capability of the Indian Navy.

May

INS Magar decommissioned after 36 years service to the country

- **INS Magar**, the oldest landing ship of the Indian Navy has decommissioned after a prestigious service to the country for **36 years**.
- The ship, commanded by **Cdr Hemant V Salunkhe**, has decommissioned at a sunset ceremony held at the Naval Base here.

Iran successfully launched ballistic missile 'Kheibar'

- **Iran** has successfully test-launched a **ballistic missile with a range of around 2,000-km**.
- The liquid-fuel missile had been **named the Kheibar** the latest version of the Khorramshahr. The missiles are capable of carrying 1,500 kg of warheads.

June

Fourth warship of Indian Navy 'Sanshodhak' launched

- **The fourth Survey Vessel Large (SVL)** of the Indian Navy, named '**Sanshodhak**', was launched at **Kattupalli, Chennai**.
- The ship named '**Sanshodhak**', meaning '**Researcher**', signifies the primary role of the ship as a Survey Vessel.

India gifts missile corvette INS Kirpan to Vietnam

- **India gifted** the indigenously-built in-service missile corvette **INS Kirpan to Vietnam to enhance that country's naval capabilities**.
- INS Kirpan is a Khukri class missile corvette displacing 1,350 tonnes and was commissioned into the Navy on January 12, 1991.

BEL receives orders worth Rs 5900 crore for Akash Missiles

- **Bharat Electronics (BEL)** has received orders **worth Rs 5,900 crore, of which Rs 3,914 crore of orders are from the Akash Prime Weapon System**.
- BEL received a work order for 2 regiments of Improved Akash Weapon System (AWS) with upgrades from Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL), another defence PSU, for a value of Rs 3,914 crores.

DRDO organizes 'Anusandhaan Chintan Shivir' 2023

- The **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** has organized an **Anusandhaan Chintan Shivir** in New Delhi aimed at promoting Defence Research and Development in the industry and academia.
- At the event, a list of 75 technology priority areas was released, encouraging indigenous innovation in defence technologies and fostering self-reliance.

July

India's first indigenous nuclear reactor starts operation in Gujarat

- India's **first indigenously developed 700 MW nuclear power reactor** at the **Kakrapar Atomic Power Project (KAPP) in Gujarat started commercial operations.**
- The Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) is building two 700 MW pressurised heavy water reactors (PHWRs) at Kakrapar, which is also home to two 220 MW power plants.

Defence ministry inks a Rs 2725 cr deal with MDL for INS Shankush

- The **Ministry of Defence (MoD)** has sealed an agreement **worth Rs 2,725 crore with Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL)** for the refurbishment and life certification of **INS Shankush, a formidable submarine from the Indian Navy's sub-surface killer (SSK) class.**

Indian Naval Air Squadron 324 celebrates first anniversary at INS Dega

- **Indian Naval Air Squadron 324 (INAS 324)** at INS Dega in Visakhapatnam **celebrated its maiden anniversary.**
- Indian Naval Air Squadron 324 is equipped with indigenous ALH Mk III helicopters.

Defence Acquisition Council approves proposals for buying 26 Rafale

- The **Defense Acquisition Council** has approved the **proposal to buy 26 Rafale-M fighter aircraft for the Indian Navy.**
- These include 22 single-seated Rafale marine aircraft and four twin-seater trainer versions. Also, three additional Scopene class submarines will also be bought for the Indian Navy.
- The deals are expected to be worth around Rs 90,000 crore.

Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurates DGNSS 'SAGAR SAMPARK'

- **Union Minister of Ports Sarbananda Sonowal** has inaugurated the indigenous **Differential Global Navigation Satellite System (DGNSS) 'SAGAR SAMPARK'** to strengthen the maritime sector in India.
- It helps mariners navigate safely and reduces the risk of collisions, groundings, and accidents in port and harbour areas.

India hands over missile corvette INS Kirpan to Vietnam

- **India** has gifted its in-service **missile corvette INS Kirpan to Vietnam** to robust the strategic partnership between the two nations, especially in the maritime domain.
- Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar presided over the ceremony at Cam Ranh where the frontline warship was handed over to Vietnam People's Navy.

Air Force Day Parade and Flypast to be held at Prayagraj

- The **Indian Air Force** will be celebrating its **91st anniversary on 08 October 2023.**
- Keeping with the new tradition of hosting the Air Force Day celebrations in different parts of the country, this year's **Air Force Day parade and Air Display** will be **held in Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh.**

August

Bharat Dynamics Limited hands over first Radio Frequency to DRDO

- The **Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL)** has handed over the **first Radio Frequency (RF)** Seeker of **Akash - the Next Generation Weapon System** to Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO).
- Seeker is a critical and technology-intensive subsystem used in Surface-to-Air Missiles and Air-to-Air Missiles for target tracking in the terminal phase.

Guyana to buy Indian Dorniers Aircrafts manufactured by HAL

- **Guyana** to the purchase of **two Dornier 228 aircraft** from **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)**.
- Guyana is also interested in purchasing patrol vessels, a fleet of armoured vehicles, and radar systems.
- Guyana and India will also step-up personnel training to improve military-to-military contacts and Guyana is collaborating with India on cybersecurity and IT operations.

Indian Army inducts BEL-developed Swathi Mk2 radar

- **Indian Army** inducted the lighter and more compact version of the **developed Weapon Locating Radar (WLR-M)** called "**Swathi Mountains**."
- Objective - To enhance the Army's battlefield surveillance capabilities, enabling it to effectively monitor and respond to threats in mountainous regions.

President launches advanced frigate Vindhyagiri in Kolkata

- **President Droupadi Murmu** has launched '**Vindhyagiri**', an advanced stealth frigate, at **Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd's (GRSE)** facility on the banks of Hooghly River, Kolkata.
- This is the sixth of seven ships built under 'Project 17 Alpha' for the Navy. The first five ships of the project were launched between 2019 and 2022.

Government approved Rs 20000 crore deal to build five warships

- **The government** has approved a **Rs 20,000 crore deal to manufacture fleet support vessels (FSVs)** which are urgently required by the Indian Navy.
- Vizag-based **Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL)** will manufacture five of the 45,000-tonne warships, the largest ship of its class being built at the defence ministry-owned yard.

Defence Exercise	Between	About
International Maritime Exercise/ Cutlass Express 2023 (IMX/CE-23)	Participants from over 50 nations and international maritime agencies	INS Trikand is participating in the International Maritime Exercise/ Cutlass Express 2023 (IMX/CE-23) being held in the Gulf region .
The first Joint Military Exercise FRINJEX-23	Indian Army and French Army	The first Joint Military Exercise FRINJEX-23 between Indian Army and French Army has been conducted at Pangode Military Stations, Thiruvananthapuram in Kerala .
Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX) in the Arabian Sea.	India & France	Indian Navy's indigenously built Guided Missile Frigate, INS Sahyadri participated in the Maritime Partnership

		Exercise (MPX) with French Navy (FN) ships in the Arabian Sea.
The third edition of the multilateral exercise 'La Perouse'	Between navies of India, US, Japan, France, UK and Australia	The third edition of the multilateral exercise ' La Perouse ' was held in the Indian Ocean Region .
The 3rd edition of the Sea Dragon exercises	USA	It is a coordinated multilateral anti-submarine warfare (ASW) exercise for long-range maritime reconnaissance aircraft .
The 13th edition of a bilateral armour exercise, EX Bold Kurukshetra	India and Singapore	The ten-day-long joint training that commenced fostered a common understanding of mechanized warfare in emerging threats and evolving technologies .
The 10-day Africa-India Field Training Exercise (AFINDEX 2023)	Africa and India	The focus of the event will be on joint training and strengthening of existing defence ties among various nations and to evolve an institutionalised framework for better and efficient military-to-military cooperation to address emerging global challenges .
The annual bilateral maritime exercise 'Konkan'	The Indian Navy and UK's Royal Navy	The joint drill by the two navies demonstrated operational readiness , enhancing interoperability and improving the ability to conduct joint operations .
The 10th Edition of the annual Indian - Sri Lanka Bilateral Maritime exercise, SLINEX-2023	Indian and Sri Lanka	SLINEX-2023 will aim to enhance inter-operability, improve mutual understanding and exchange best practices and procedures in multi-faceted Maritime operations between both Navies.
The Cope India exercise	The Air Forces of India and the U.S.	The 'Cope India' exercise will "further enhance operational capability and interoperability between the two air forces".
joint military exercise 'Ex Kavach'	The large-scale joint exercise saw the involvement of the 'Shatrujeet Brigade' of the Army, Armed Forces Special Operations Division (AFSOD), Special Forces of the Navy and Amphibious troops of the	Exercise KAVACH was structured to enhance the joint warfare capabilities and the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) of the Armed Forces.

	Andaman and Nicobar Command.	
Exercise INIOCHOS-23	The Indian Air Force (IAF)	The Indian Air Force (IAF) will be participating in Exercise INIOCHOS-23, a multi-national air exercise hosted by the Hellenic Air Force, the air force of Greece.
"Locked Shields" cyber-defense exercise 2023	More than 3000 participants from 38 countries including NATO allies and partners took part in the exercise.	The 2023 edition of the annual exercise "Locked Shields" hosted by the NATO Cooperative Cyber Defense Center of Excellence in Tallinn (Estonia).
7th edition of bilateral training exercise 'Ajeya Warrior 2023	India and the United Kingdom	The exercise is being conducted at Salisbury Plains, UK, from 27 April to 11 May.
Edition of the ASEAN-India Maritime Exercise	India	The harbor phase of the exercise is scheduled to be held at the Changi Naval Base (Singapore) from May 2-4, while the sea phase will be conducted from May 7-8 in the South China Sea.
The 4th edition of India-Indonesia Bilateral exercise Samudra Shakti-23	India & Indonesia	Samudra Shakti-23 will showcase the high degree of interoperability between the two navies and their shared commitment to peace and stability in the region.
A Joint Flood Relief 'Exercise Jal Rahat'	Indian Army	Gajraj Corps of the Indian Army conducted a Joint Flood Relief 'Exercise Jal Rahat' at Hagrama Bridge on Manas River, Assam.
The fourth edition of the Indo-Indonesia bilateral exercise Samudra Shakti-23	India and Indonesia	KRI Sultan Iskandar Muda with an integral helicopter Panther and a CN 235 Maritime Patrol Aircraft participated in the exercise from the Indonesian Navy.
AL MOHED AL HINDI 2023 naval exercise	India & Saudi Arabia	INS TARKASH and INS SUBHADRA have arrived in Saudi Arabia to participate in the AL MOHED AL HINDI 2023 naval exercise. The exercise will involve the participation of naval forces from both countries and focus on joint operations and training.
The 12th edition of the joint military exercise "Ex Ekuverin"	Indian Army and the Maldives National Defence Force	The 12th edition of the joint military exercise "Ex Ekuverin" between the Indian Army and the Maldives National Defence

		Force has commenced at Chaubatia, Uttarakhand.
Joint Exercise Ex Khaan Quest 2023	Indian Army	Indian Army is participating in the multinational peacekeeping Joint Exercise Ex Khaan Quest 2023 in Mongolia.
The bilateral Japan-India Maritime Exercise 2023 (JIMEX 23)	Japan and India	The seventh edition of the bilateral Japan-India Maritime Exercise 2023 (JIMEX 23) hosted by the Indian Navy , is being conducted at Visakhapatnam .
7th edition of SALVEX exercise	Indian Navy – US Navy (IN – USN)	Objective - To enhance the skill sets of the Diving teams in a number of diverse disciplines such as mine detection and neutralization, wreck location, and salvage .
The 15th edition of the joint military exercise, 'Nomadic Elephant 2023'	India and Mongolia	The 15th edition of the joint military exercise between India and Mongolia, 'Nomadic Elephant 2023' , begins at Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia from 17 to 31 July 2023 .
First joint training FALCON Shield-2023	China & UAE	To deepen pragmatic exchanges and cooperation between the two militaries and enhance mutual understanding and trust.
The 31st edition of the Malabar multilateral exercise	India, Australia, Japan, and the U.S	The 31st edition of the Malabar multilateral exercise comprising India, Australia, Japan, and the U.S. will be held in Sydney from August 11-21.
Passage Exercise (PASSEX) 2023	INS Chennai with Royal Saudi Navy	INS Chennai also conducted a port call to Jeddah to enhance defense alliances between India and Saudi Arabia.

Chapter 16: Sports News

French Open 2023

Title	Winner	Runner up
Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia) 23rd Title	Casper Ruud
Women's Singles	Iga Świątek (Poland)	Karolina Muchova

Men's doubles	Ivan Dodig and Austin Krajicek	Sander Gille and Joran Vliegen
Women's doubles	Hsieh Su-Wei and Wang Xinyu	Taylor Townsend and Leylah Fernandez
Mixed doubles	Miyu Kato and Tim Pütz	Bianca Andreescu and Michael Venus

Wimbledon Championship 2023

Category	Winner	Runner up
Men's Singles	Carlos Alcaraz (Spain)	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
Women's Singles	Marketa Vondrousova (Czech)	Ons Jabeur (Tunisian)
Men's Doubles	Wesley Koolhof & Neal Skupski	Horacio Zeballos and Marcel Granollers
Women's Doubles	Barbora Strýcová & Hsieh Su-wei	Elise Mertens & Storm Sanders
Mixed Doubles	Mate Pavić & Lyudmyla Kichenok	Xu Yi fan & Joran Vliegen

F1 2023

Grand Prix	Winning driver	Winning constructor
Bahrain F1	Max Verstappen	Red Bull's
Saudi Arabian F1	Sergio Perez	Red Bull
Australian F1	Max Verstappen	Red Bull
Monaco Grand Prix	Max Verstappen	Red Bull
Azerbaijan Grand Prix	Sergio Pérez	Red Bull
Austrian GP	Max Verstappen	Red Bull
British Grand Prix	Max Verstappen	Red Bull
Hungarian Grand Prix	Max Verstappen	Red Bull
Miami Grand Prix	Max Verstappen	Red Bull

ICC men's & women's player of the Month 2023

- **February**- Ashleigh Gardner (Australia) & Harry Brook (England)
- **March**- Shakib al Hasan (Bangladesh) & Henriette Ishimwe (Rwanda)
- **April**- Fakhar Zaman (Pakistan) & Naruamol Chaiwai (Thailand)
- **May**- Harry Tector (Ireland) & Thipatcha Putthawong (Thailand)
- **June**- Wanindu Hasaranga (Sri Lanka) and Ashley Gardner (Australia)

- **July-** Chris Woakes (England), Ashleigh Gardner (Australia)

March

Karnataka beat Meghalaya to win Santosh Trophy after 54 years

- **Karnataka** defeated **Meghalaya** 3-2 in the final of the **76th National football championship** also known as "the Hero Santosh Trophy" at the King Fahd International Stadium in Riyadh.
- This is the first trophy for Karnataka, having previously won four times as the princely state of Mysore after a gap of 54 years (after 1968–69).

Daniil Medvedev won Dubai Tennis Championships title 2023

- Russian tennis player, **Daniil Medvedev** has defeated his Russian compatriot Andrey Rublev by 6-2, 6-2 **to win the Dubai Tennis Championships title 2023.**
- With this performance, he moved to sixth in the ATP rankings, while Rublev dropped to number seven.

Khelo India Dus ka Dum tournament to be organized to celebrate International Women's Day 2023

- In the run-up to the International Women's Day 2023 celebrations, Department of Sports, **Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports** is set to organize **the Khelo India Dus Ka Dum tournament from 10th to 31st of March.**
- This is the first time that such a sports initiative is taking place to celebrate the international event.

Australia's Shaun Marsh announced retirement from first-class cricket

- Former Australia opener Shaun Marsh has announced his retirement from first-class cricket after 22 years with Western Australia and 38 Tests for Australia.
- Marsh appeared in 38 Test matches for Australia, beginning with an away match against Sri Lanka in Pallekele in September 2011. In his Test career, he has amassed 2,265 runs, including six centuries and ten half-centuries.

Prithviraj Tondaiman won bronze in trap shooting in Doha

- **India's Prithviraj Tondaiman** has won the bronze medal at the **ISSF Shotgun World Cup 2023 in Doha, Qatar.**
- Two-time world champion Oguzhan Tuzun (Turkey) won gold with a score of 33/35, while Great Britain's Matthew John took silver with a score of 30/35.

Mahindra Auto becomes title sponsor of IBA Women's Boxing Championship

- The **Boxing Federation of India (BFI)** has signed **Mahindra & Mahindra Ltd.** as its title sponsor for the **International Boxing Association (IBA) Women's World Boxing Championships 2023.**
- MC Mary Kom and Bollywood actor Farhan Akhtar were also appointed brand ambassadors for the championship.

Asian Kho Kho Championship for Men and Women begins in Assam

- The **4th edition of the Asian Kho Kho Championship for Men and Women** has begun at **Baksa district in Assam on 20 March.**
- The event will conclude on the 23rd of this month. Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma and officials of the Kho Kho Federation have inaugurated the program.

Rohan Bopanna becomes oldest tennis player to win ATP Masters

- **Rohan Bopanna** became the **oldest ATP Masters 1000 champion** after winning the Indian Wells **men's doubles title at the age of 43 years.**

- Rohan Bopanna and Matthew Ebden defeated Wesley Koolhof of the Netherlands and Neil Skupski of Britain 6-3, 2-6, 10-8 in the final in California, United States.

India to host 2023 SAFF Championships in Bengaluru

- The **2023 edition of the SAFF Championship**, South Asia's marquee international tournament, will be held in **Bengaluru from 21 June to 3 July 2023**.
- This was announced by the All India Football Federation (AIFF).
- India will be hosting the tournament for the fourth time and first since the 2015 edition when it was held in Thiruvananthapuram.

ISSF Shooting World Cup begins in Bhopal

- **International Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF) World Cup Shooting Championship** is organized in **Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh from 21 to 27 March**.
- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has formally inaugurated this event.

Hima Das, Ancy Sojan win gold in 200m and long jump in IGP

- **Star sprinter Hima Das** won the **200m race quite comfortably in 23.79 seconds** while long jumper **Ancy Sojan** shared the limelight with a **best effort of 6.49m in the Indian Grand Prix-1 athletics event**.
- Assam's Hima beat Aishwarya Kailash Mishra (24.81) of Maharashtra and VK Vismaya (24.82) of Kerala to take the women's 200m gold.

Sarabjot Singh won gold in 10m air pistol at ISSF World Cup

- **India's pistol shooter, Sarabjot Singh** has clinched the **gold medal in the men's 10m Air Pistol event at the ISSF Rifle and Pistol World Cup 2023** held in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.
- While Varun Tomar secured bronze in the same event.

Mumbai Indians won Women's Premier League title 2023

- **Mumbai Indians** has defeated the **Delhi Capitals by 7 wickets** and with that they become the first-ever **Women's Premier League champions**.
- Mumbai Indians Captain – Harmanpreet Kaur
- Delhi Capitals Captain – Meg Lanning
- Player of the match - Nat Sciver-Brunt (Mumbai Indians)
- Catch of the season - Harmanpreet Kaur (Mumbai Indians)
- Purple cap - Hayley Matthews (Mumbai Indians)
- Orange cap - Meg Lanning (Delhi Capitals)
- Most valuable player - Hayley Matthews (Mumbai Indians)

Manu Bhaker won 25m Pistol Bronze in ISSF World Cup 2023

- Olympian shooter **Manu Bhaker** has clinched the **25m pistol bronze medal in the ISSF Pistol/Rifle World Cup in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh**.
- In the Bhopal World Cup, China secured the first position by securing a total of 10 medals including six gold, two silver and two bronze medals

Satwiksairaj Rankireddy & Chirag Shetty win Swiss Open doubles title

- India's top men's doubles badminton pair of **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** win their first title of the **2023 season in Basel**.
- They beat China's Ren Xiang Yu and Tan Qiang 21-19, 24-22 in the Swiss Open 2023, a Super 300 event.

April

Aravindh Chithambaram wins Delhi International Open chess title

- **Aravindh Chithambaram** has won the **Delhi International Open chess title**.
- Aravindh, who aggregated a massive 9.5 points from 10 rounds, collected Rs 6 lakh and the winner's trophy from an event that offered Rs 45 lakh in prize money.

Daniil Medvedev Wins Maiden Miami Opens Title 2023

- **Russian tennis star Daniil Medvedev** claimed his fourth title of the year by **defeating Jannik Sinner in a closely-contested final match in Miami Opens 2023**.
- Medvedev has now won 24 out of his last 25 matches, including his latest victory at the prestigious Miami Open.

Gregoria Tunjung won Spain Masters women's title 2023

- **Indonesia's Gregoria Mariska Tunjung** has clinched the **Women's title in the Spain Masters 2023** held in Madrid, Spain.
- **Gregoria Mariska Tunjung** defeated Indian **Badminton player PV Sindhu**.
- While Japanese badminton player, Kenta Nishimoto won the men's title.
- Men's doubles - He Jiting & Zhou Haodong (China)
- Women's doubles - Liu Shengshu & Tan Ning (China)
- Mixed doubles - Mathias Christiansen & Alexandra Boje (Denmark)

Weightlifter Sanjita Chanu banned for four years for failing dope test

- Two-time Commonwealth Games Champion Indian weightlifter **Sanjita Chanu** has been handed a **four-year ban by the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) for failing a dope test**.
- Sanjita had tested positive for an anabolic steroid -- Drostanolone Metabolite -- that features in the World Anti-doping Agency's (WADA) prohibited list.

Dhoni, Yuvraj inducted with the MCC honorary life membership

- Former Indian cricket team captain, **MS Dhoni** was named among the five Indians to have been inducted with the **Marylebone Cricket Club's (MCC) honorary life membership**.
- Other four Indian Cricketers: **Yuvraj Singh, Maithali Raj, Suresh Raina, and Jhulan Goswami**

Kim Cotton becomes 1st female to umpire in ICC Men's T201 cricket

- **New Zealand's Kim Cotton** has become the **1st woman on-field umpire in a full-member men's T201 during New Zealand's second match against Sri Lanka in Dunedin, New Zealand**.
- Cotton has previously officiated in 54 women's T20Is, both as an on-field and TV umpire, besides 24 women's ODIs since 2018.

Priyanshu defeated World No. 49 Magnus Johannesen in a battle of 21-year-olds in the men's singles final.

- This is the **first Badminton World Federation (BWF) Super 300** title for **Rajawat** who was also the **youngest team member** of the **Indian badminton team** that won the historic **2022 Thomas Cup** in **Bangkok**.

Saudi Arabia receives flag to host FEI World Cup Finals 2024

- The **Kingdom of Saudi Arabia** has received the **flag of the FEI World Cup Finals that Riyadh will host in April 2024**.
- The Kingdom received the flag during the FEI World Cup Finals 2023 held in Omaha, Nebraska, USA, according to Saudi News Agency (SPA).

D Gukesh wins title in World Chess Armageddon Asia and Oceania event

- **Indian Grandmaster D Gukesh** has emerged winner of the **World Chess Armageddon Asia and Oceania tournament** after defeating former **World Rapid Champion Nodirbek Abdusatarov of Uzbekistan in the final.**
- The 16-year-old Indian won in a field that included former world classical champion Vladimir Kramnik, Daniil Dubov, Yangyi Yu (China), Vidit Gujrathi and Karthikeyan Murali (both India) and Param Maghsoodloo (Iran), apart from Abdusattorov.

Nisha Dahiya wins Silver in Asian Wrestling Championship

- **India wrestler, Nisha Dahiya** has secured the **silver medal in the women's 68kg category** at the **Asian wrestling championships 2023, held in Astana, Kazakhstan.**
- She reached the final but fell to Japan's Ami Ishii 10-0 and finished as a runner-up. She had defeated China's Feng Zhou 7-6 in the semi-finals.

India's Antim Pangal wins silver medal at Asian Wrestling Championships

- **India's Antim Panghal** won **silver** at the **Asian Wrestling Championships 2023** after losing to Japan's Akari Fujinami in the 53-kg category in Astana, Kazakhstan.
- Fujinami, the reigning world champion, successfully defended her Asian crown in a comfortable fashion.

Aman Sehrawat won gold medal in Asian Wrestling Championship 2023

- Indian wrestler Aman Sehrawat won the **gold medal in the men's 57 kg freestyle category** at the **Asian Wrestling Championships 2023 held in Astana, Kazakhstan.**
- Sehrawat won the gold medal by defeating Almaz Samanbekov of Kyrgyzstan with a score of 9-4.

Shaili Singh qualifies for Asian Games; logging 2nd longest jump in India's history

- At the **Indian Grand Prix-4** in Bengaluru, **Shaili Singh** won in the **women's long jump.**
- With a personal best of 6.76 meters, she is now the holder of the **2nd longest jump in India's history and has qualified for the Asian Games.**

Suryakumar Yadav & Harmanpreet Kaur named Wisden's leading T20I cricketer

- **Wisden Cricketers Almanack** has released the list of **top-5 cricketers of the year 2022.**
- **Suryakumar** won the honour of Wisden Almanack's leading T20I cricketer while **Harmanpreet Kaur** became the first Indian woman to win the Cricketer of the Year award.
- Apart from Kaur, the list also includes the names of Tom Blundell (New Zealand), Ben Foakes (England), Daryl Mitchell (New Zealand) and Matthew Potts (England).

Chennai to host 2023 Men's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy

- The **Men's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy 2023** will be hosted in **Chennai, India.**
- The seventh edition of the prestigious continental event, which was inaugurated in 2011, will serve as a precursor to the Asian Games hockey competition in Hangzhou, China in September.

Gary Ballance announces retirement from all forms of cricket

- **Former England cricketer Gary Ballance** has announced his **retirement from all forms of the game.**
- Ballance played 1 Test, 1 ODI and 5 T20 Internationals for Zimbabwe and also scored a Test ton (137*) during his stint with the team.

Argentina to replace Indonesia as under-20 FIFA World Cup host

- **Argentina** will host the **under-20 soccer World Cup.**
- **Argentina has replaced Indonesia,** which was supposed to host it earlier.

- FIFA announced the decision to remove Indonesia as host after the country's FA canceled the draw to be held in Bali as its governor refused to host Israel's team.

Odisha's Bhubaneswar to host 2023 Intercontinental Cup in June

- A four-team **Intercontinental Cup** will be held in **Bhubaneswar from June 9 to 18**.
- This will be the third edition of the tournament with the previous two being held in Mumbai (2018) and Ahmedabad (2019).

Jyothi Surekha Vennam clinches two gold medals at Archery World Cup

- **India** won two **gold medals**, one each in the mixed team event and women's individual Compound, at the **Archery World Cup 2023 Stage 1 in Antalya, Turkey**.
- **Indian mixed team** of **Jyothi Surekha Vennam** and **Ojas Pravin Deotale** outclassed Chen Yi Hsuan and Chem Chieh Lun of Chinese Taipei 159-154 to win the mixed team gold.

May

Ding Liren becomes China's first world chess champion

- **Ding Liren** has become **17th world chess champion** – the first from China – defeating Russia's Ian Nepomniachtchi in a tie-breaker. Ding defeated Nepo in the last of the four Rapid tiebreaks.
- Ding takes over as winner of the World Chess Championship from Norway's Magnus Carlsen, who chose not to defend his title after a 10-year reign.

Satwiksairaj and Chirag Shetty won men's doubles at the Badminton Asia Championships

- **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** created history by **becoming the first Indian men's doubles pair** to win a gold medal at the Badminton Asia Championships.
- The World No. 6 pair defeated the 8th-ranked pairing of One Yew Sin and Teo Ee Yi of Malaysia in a stunning 3-game battle at Sheikh Rashid Bin Hamdan Indoor Hall, Al Nasr Club.

Abhilash Tomy becomes the first Indian to complete Golden Globe Race 2022

- A retired naval officer, **Commander Abhilash Tomy** has become the **first Indian to complete the prestigious Golden Globe Race 2022**.
- He finished second in the race, a solo around-the-world sailing race.

Mairaj Ahmad Khan and Ganemat Sekhon win gold for India

- Shooters **Mairaj Ahmad Khan and Ganemat Sekhon** have won India its **first medal in the ongoing International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Shotgun World Cup in Cairo, Egypt**.
- They won the gold medal by defeating Mexicans Luis Raul Gallardo Oliveros and Gabriela Rodriguez 6-0 in the skeet mixed team event.

Nepal wins ACC Men's Premier Cup

- **Nepal** have qualified for the **Asia Cup 2023 after winning the ACC Men's Premier Cup**.
- The team, led by Rohit Paudel defeated the United Arab Emirates (UAE) by seven wickets in the final that was played across two days at the Tribhuvan University International Cricket Ground in Kirtipur.

Vantika becomes 11th women to achieve International Master title

- **Vantika Agrawal** is the new India Women No.3 in Chess and the **11th Indian women to achieve the International Master title**.

- Agrawal has played 4 International tournaments previously where she has increased her FIDE rating by 61 points.

India claims 14 Medals in Asia Cup Stage 2 Archery

- India has bagged **14 medals** at the **Asia Cup Stage 2 World Ranking Tournament** to top the event in **Tashkent**.
- In **14 medals seven were gold, five were silver and two bronze**.

Spain's Carlos Alcaraz wins Madrid Open 2023

- Spanish tennis player, **Carlos Alcaraz** has successfully defended his title at **Madrid Open 2023**.
- He is the **fourth ATP Tour trophy** of the year and his **tenth overall**.
- In the final, he defeated **Jan-Lennard Struff (German) 6-4 3-6 6-3**.

Javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra clinches Doha Diamond League title

- **Olympic champion javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra** won the **Diamond League title with 88.67 m** throw in Doha.
- Czech Republic's **Vadlejch** stood second, with Grenada's **Peters** finishing third.

Praveen Chithravel sets national record in triple jump in Cuba

- **Indian triple jumper Praveen Chithravel** won the **men's triple jump event at an athletics meet in Havana, Cuba** with a national record-breaking **mark of 17.37m**.
- The previous men's triple jump national record of 17.30m was set by **Renjith Maheswary** at the third Indian Grand Prix in Bangalore in 2016.

Mastercard replaces BharatPe as global sponsor of ICC

- The American multinational financial services corporation, **Mastercard** has **replaced BharatPe as the global sponsor** of the **International Cricket Council (ICC)**.
- The sponsorship pact between ICC & Mastercard is a multi-year arrangement and will cover the upcoming 4 years.

Asian Kabaddi Championship to be held in South Korea

- The **Asian Kabaddi Championship 2023** is scheduled to be held in **Busan, South Korea** from June 27 to 30.
- The continental kabaddi event will be played after a hiatus of six years. The last edition was held in **Gorgan, Iran** in 2017.

Sumit Mukherjee wins gold at BFAME Championships in Lahore

- **Sumit Mukherjee** from Kolkata has bagged a **gold medal** in the **Bridge Federation of Asia and Middle-East Championship (BFAME)** held at Pakistan's **Lahore**.
- Sumit was the only railway staff in the Indian contingent which had 24 members.

Telangana's Vuppala Prraneeth became India's 82nd Grandmaster

- A 15-year-old chess player from Telangana, **V. Prraneeth** has achieved the title of **Grandmaster, becoming the sixth from the state and the 82nd in India**.
- He secured this milestone by defeating GM **Hans Niemann** from the US during the penultimate round of the **Baku Open 2023**.

Barcelona wins La Liga for 1st time since 2019

- **Barcelona** has **won its first Spanish league title** after the departure of **Lionel Messi** with a 4-2 victory against **Espanyol**
- **Robert Lewandowski** scored twice to lead the Catalan club to its first league title since 2019.

Annu Rani clinched gold medal in Federation Cup 2023

- **Olympian Annu Rani** bagged the **gold medal in the javelin throwing Federation Cup 2023** athletics event at the Birsa Munda Stadium in Ranchi.
- With the victory, Annu Rani also breached the Asian Games 2023 qualifying standards set by the Athletics Federation of India (AFI).

Jyothi Yarraji clinches gold in women's 100 m hurdles

- Athlete **Jyothi Yarraji** won a **gold medal in the women's 100 m hurdles** at the Federation Cup athletics event at the Birsa Munda Stadium in Ranchi.
- Yarraji, representing Andhra Pradesh, had set a meet record (13.18 secs) in the heats of women's 100m hurdles.

Elena Rybakina clinches Italian open women's Singles title

- In **Italian Open Tennis**, **Elena Rybakina of Kazakhstan** won the title **defeating Ukraine's Anhelina Kalinina** by 6-4, 1-0.
- This was Rybakina's second title of the year.

Shaili Singh clinched bronze medal at the Golden Grand Prix 2023

- **Indian athlete Shaili Singh** clinched a **bronze medal** at the **Golden Grand Prix 2023 athletics** meet in the women's long jump event in Yokohama, Japan.
- Shaili Singh attempted a jump of 6.65 meter, which provided her third place on the podium at the Yokohama meet, a World Athletics Continental Tour gold label event.

China claims record 13th Sudirman Cup title

- **China** has claimed a record **13th Sudirman Cup title defeating South Korea 3-0 at Suzhou**.
- Chen Yufei defeated World Number two An Se Young 21-16,22-20, in the women's singles to seal the victory.
- In the men's singles, Korea's Lee Yun Gyu was easily outmatched by Shi Yuqi.

BCCI announces Adidas as Team India's kit sponsor

- The **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)** announced that the **Indian national cricket team had secured a new kit sponsorship** deal with the renowned German sportswear powerhouse, **Adidas**.
- Following the termination of the three-year agreement between the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) and global sportswear giant Nike in 2020, a new era commenced with the signing of a partnership between the BCCI and MPL Sports, the sports merchandise brand of Mobile Premier League.

Neeraj Chopra becomes World No 1 in men's javelin throw

- **Tokyo Olympics gold medalist Neeraj Chopra** has achieved the **number one ranking in men's javelin throw for the first time**.
- He is the new World No.1 in the rankings issued by the World Athletics.

Khelo India University Games begins in Gautam Budh Nagar

- The **third Khelo India University Games** begins with a Kabaddi event in the **Gautam Budh Nagar district of Uttar Pradesh**.
- 15 teams of different universities are taking part in this event, for which the matches will be held at Shaheed Vijay Singh Pathik stadium in Gautam Buddha Nagar district.

Murali Sreeshankar won gold at International Jumping Meeting in Greece

- Indian Long jumper **Murali Sreeshankar** won gold while compatriot Jeswin Aldrin finished bagged **silver at the International Jumping Meeting 2023 at Kallithea in Greece**.

Sania Mirza appointed as the Tennis Ambassador for Sony Sports Network

- Leading sports broadcaster Sony Sports Network has announced the exclusive onboarding **Sania Mirza** as the **Tennis Ambassador for Sony Sports Network**.
- Sony Sports Network has also launched a campaign called Home of Tennis.

Magnus Carlsen won Superbet Rapid and Blitz Poland 2023

- Five-time World Chess Champion **Magnus Carlsen** has won the **Superbet Rapid & Blitz Poland 2023**, held at the Museum of the History of Polish Jews in Warsaw, Poland.
- He finished with a score of 24/36 and won the cash prize of \$40,000.

India's ace shuttler HS Prannoy won the Malaysia Masters Badminton title

- India's star shuttler **HS Prannoy** won the **gold medal in the Malaysia Masters Badminton Championship 2023** played in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
- He defeated Weng Hong Yang of China 21-19, 13-21, 21-18 in men's singles final in Kuala Lumpur.

Chennai Super Kings Beats Gujarat Titans in IPL 2023

- **Chennai Super Kings (CSK)** has **defeated defending champions Gujarat Titans** by 5 wickets to win its **5th IPL title**.
- The final match of IPL 2023 was held at Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat.
- Chennai Super Kings has equaled Mumbai Indians' record for most IPL titles.

Full list of Award Winners

- IPL 2023 Winners - Chennai Super Kings
- IPL 2023 Runner-up - Gujrat Titans
- Orange Cap award - Shubman Gill (Gujrat Titans) - 890 runs
- Purple Cap - Mohammad Shami (Gujrat Titans) - 28 wickets

India won CAVA Women's Challenge Cup 2023

- **India** has won the title of the **Central Asian Volleyball Association (CAVA) Women's Volleyball Challenge Cup 2023 held in Kathmandu**.
- India defeated Kazakhstan in a shared set of 3-0. India won the first set 25-15, the second set 25-22, and the third set 25-18. Along with this, India finished the competition by remaining undefeated.

Jyothi Yarraji clinches gold medal at T-Meeting 2023

- **Jyothi Yarraji** has bagged the **gold medal in the women's 100m hurdles** event in the **T-Meeting 2023 athletics meet in Tilburg, Netherlands**.
- The 23-year-old Jyothi Yarraji clocked 13.20s in the final to win the event at the category E World Ranking competition. En route to the final, Jyothi Yarraji topped the heats with a time of 13.08s.

India wins Junior Asia Cup 2023 hockey title

- The **Indian Junior Men's Hockey Team** won the **Men's Junior Asia Cup 2023** by defeating Pakistan 2-1 in Salalah, Oman.
- India had won the tournament three times previously, in 2004, 2008, and 2015. While Pakistan has won the tournament three times: in 1987, 1992, and 1996.

3rd Khelo India University games conclude in Varanasi

- The **third khelo India University games** has been concluded at **IIT BHU campus in Varanasi**.

- Union Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Anurag Singh Thakur along with Union Minister of state for Sports, Nishith Pramanik and Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh, Yogi Adityanath were present at the closing ceremony.

Amlan Borgohain bags two gold medals in Flanders Cup 2023

- Indian sprinter, **Amlan Borgohain** has bagged **two gold medals** in the **men's 100 and 200-meter races category at the Flanders Cup 2023 athletics** in Merksem, Belgium.
- Borgohain clocked 10.70 seconds to emerge as the fastest man of the meet. He holds the 100-meter national record of 10.25 seconds.

Manchester City becomes most valuable football club in Europe

- **Manchester City** has become the **most valuable football club** in Europe after replacing Real Madrid.
- City, who play Inter Milan in Champions League final in Istanbul, came out on top with a valuation of 4.073 billion euros (\$4.39 billion)

Australia won ICC World Test Championship 2023

- **Australia** has won the **World Test Championship** after a crushing **win over India** in the final at **The Oval, London**.
- This was India's second consecutive defeat in a WTC final; they had lost to New Zealand in the title clash of the inaugural edition in 2021.

India won Women's Hockey Junior Asia Cup 2023

- The **Indian hockey team** emerged champions of the **Women's Junior Asia Cup** in Japan's Kakamigahara **by defeating South Korea 2-1** in a captivating final.
- Annu (22nd) and Neelam (41st) scored for India and Park Seo-yeon (25th) for Korea.

Andy Murray beats Jurij Rodionov to win Surbiton Trophy

- **Tennis player Andy Murray** clinched his second ATP Challenger Tour title of the season **Surbiton Trophy**.
- The former World No. 1 defeated Jurij Rodionov 6-3, 6-2 in the final at the ATP Challenger Tour 125 grass-court event.

Uruguay beat Italy to win maiden FIFA U-20 World Cup title

- **Uruguay beat Italy 1-0** to win its first **Under-20 World Cup title**.
- The Celeste's victory ends a streak of four consecutive wins of European teams in the tournament.

Egypt won the World Squash Championship

- **Egypt** emerged victorious in the **World Squash Championship**, defeating **Malaysia 2-1** in the final held in Chennai.
- Malaysia secured the silver medal in the championship.

First Women's Kabaddi League Inaugurated in Dubai

- The **inaugural edition** of India's **first-ever Women's Kabaddi League (WKL)** commenced with great fanfare in **Dubai**.
- The league is being organized by the Kabaddi Federation of India and the Dream Sports Group.

Indian Men's Senior Football Team wins Intercontinental Cup 2023

- **The Indian men's football team** beat Lebanon 2-0 to win the **Intercontinental Cup 2023** at the Kalinga Stadium in Bhubaneswar.
- It was India's first win over Lebanon in 47 years and second in eight meetings.
- Indian captain - Sunil Chhetri

Bhavani Devi creates history by winning India's first medal in Asian Fencing Championships

- **Bhavani Devi** has won the **bronze medal in the women's sabre event** at the Asian Fencing Championships held in **Wuxi, China**.
- Bhavani lost her semi-final match against Uzbekistan's Zainab Daybekova with a score of 14-15.

Satwik-Chirag become men's doubles champions at Indonesia Open 2023

- **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** became the **first Indian pair to win the doubles title at a BWF Super 1000 event** at the **Indonesia Open 2023**.
- Indonesia Open 2023 took place at Istora Gelora Bung Karno in Jakarta, Indonesia.

37th National Games' mascot 'Moga' unveiled

- **Goa's Chief Minister Pramod Sawant** has launched '**Moga**' at a launch ceremony held at **Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium in Taleigao, Goa**.
- The 37th edition of the national games of India will be held in various locations in the state of Goa in October 2023.

India beat Bangladesh to win Women's Emerging Asia Cup 2023

- The **India U-23 women's team** won the **2023 Women's Emerging Asia Cup T20 title** after **defeating Bangladesh** in the final held at the Mission Round Ground in Hong Kong.
- India's **Kanika Ahuja** was named the Player of the Match, who stayed not out on 30 off 23 with four fours in the final.

Madhya Pradesh won 13th Ind Junior Men National Championship

- **Hockey Madhya Pradesh** won the **13th Hockey India Junior Men National Championship 2023** after defeating Hockey Chandigarh in the Final at the iconic Birsa Munda Hockey Stadium.
- Hockey Madhya Pradesh defeated Hockey Chandigarh by 4-2 in the Final.

Jhulan Goswami, Heather Knight, Eoin Morgan join MCC World Cricket Committee

- **Indian woman cricketer Jhulan Goswami** has joined England women's team captain **Heather Knight** and **Eoin Morgan** to become a member of the **MCC World Cricket Committee (WCC)**.
- This committee is an independent body that consists of current and former international cricketers, umpires, and officials
- from various countries.

July

India beat Iran to win Asian Kabaddi Championship in Busan

- **India beat Iran 42-32** in the **final of the Asian Kabaddi Championship 2023** in Busan, Korea.
- This is India's eighth title in nine editions.

Olympian Neeraj Chopra wins Lausanne Diamond League 2023

- Olympic gold medalist **Neeraj Chopra** obtained the top spot in **Lausanne Diamond League 2023 with a best throw of 87.66 m**.
- He opened his account with a throw of 83.52m in his second attempt, which put him in third place behind Julian Weber (86.20m) and Jakub Vadlejch (84.71m).

Shreyanka Patil becomes first player to be signed up for Women's CPL

- Young spin bowler **Shreyanka Patil** has made history by becoming the **first Indian cricketer to be signed for the Women's Caribbean Premier League (WCPL)**.

- Patil is also the first Indian player to be offered a contract in an overseas league before making her international debut.

BCCI announces Dream11 as new lead sponsor for Team India

- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) signed a **three-year sponsorship deal with fantasy sports gaming platform Dream 11.**
- The fantasy gaming platform Dream11 has replaced the ed-tech platform Byju as the next lead sponsor for Team India.

West Indies fail to qualify for World Cup 2023 for first time

- **West Indies cricket team failed to qualify for the Cricket World Cup 2023 for the first time in their history after losing to Scotland.**
- West Indies won the first two editions of the men's 50-over cricket World Cup in 1975 and 1979 and also the runners-up in 1983.

CHESS Triveni Continental Kings crowned champions of Global Chess League

- **Triveni Continental Kings** were crowned **champions of the inaugural Global Chess League** after defeating Mumba Masters 2-0 in the final.
- The Kings finished the league stage with 15 points, two points ahead of Mumba Masters

Haryana wins 6th Youth Women's National Boxing Championships

- **Haryana** has won the **6th Youth Women's National Boxing Championships** in **Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.**
- Haryana finished with a total of 13 medals, including five gold, four silver, and four bronze

India won the title of SAFF Championship 2023

- **India** has won the **South Asian Football Federation Championship 2023.**
- The Indian men's football team **beat Kuwait 5-4** in a thrilling penalty shootout.
- India triumphed in their ninth SAFF Championship out of 14 editions.

Lallianzuala Chhangte wins AIFF Men's Footballer of the Year award 2022-23

- Indian football team midfielder **Lallianzuala Chhangte** has been named the **AIFF Men's Footballer of the Year for 2022-23.**
- He beat Nandhakumar Sekar and Naorem Mahesh Singh of East Bengal to win the award.
- While Manisha Kalyan won her second consecutive Women's Footballer of the Year award.
- AIFF Men's Coach of the Year award - Clifford Miranda
- AIFF Women's Coach of the Year - Priya Parathi Valappil
- AIFF Men's Emerging Footballer of the Year 2022-23- Akash Mishra
- AIFF Women's Emerging Footballer of the Year 2022-23- Shilji Shaji
- AIFF President- Kalyan Chaubey

India wins gold in Junior mixed team at World Archery Youth Championship 2023

- **India's Priyansh and Avneet Kaur** won gold in the junior mixed team compound event, defeating Israel 146-144 in a keenly-contested final of the World Archery Youth Championships.
- India's Manav Jadhav and Aishwarya Sharma also won a bronze medal defeating Mexico in the cadet mixed compound event.

Lakshya Sen wins Canada Open

- **Indian Badminton player Lakshya Sen** defeated China's Li Shi Feng to **clinch the men's singles title at the Canada Open 2023.**

- The 21-year-old Lakshya Sen triumphed over the reigning All England Champion Li Shi Feng by winning the first set by 21-18 and the second set by 22-20.

Parth Salunkhe becomes first Indian to win Youth World Championship

- **Parth Salunkhe** has become the **first Indian male archer** to win a gold in the recurve category of the **Youth World Championships**.
- The 19-year-old from Satara in Maharashtra provided the perfect icing on the cake by defeating a Korean in the Under-21 men's recurve individual final, in Limerick, Ireland.

Yogesh Kathuniya wins silver in discus throw at Para Athletics World Championships

- **Yogesh Kathuniya** won a silver medal in the **discus throw event at the World Para Athletics Championships**.
- This secured his qualification for the 2024 Paris Paralympics, making him the third Indian to achieve this honor. With a best effort of 43.17 meters, Yogesh displayed exceptional skill, determination, and resilience.

India's top table tennis league UTT tournament is being organized in Pune

- **India's top table tennis league Ultimate Table Tennis (UTT) tournament** is being organized **at the Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex, Pune** this year under the aegis of the Table Tennis Federation of India after a gap of four years.
- The league round-robin will be held between the 13th and the 27th of July. The semifinals will be held on the 28 and the 29th of July and the final will be held on the 30th of July.

India's Nishad Kumar wins silver at Para Athletics World Championships 2023

- **India's Nishad Kumar** clinches silver in the **Men's High Jump event at Para Athletics World Championships in Paris**.
- Nishad bagged this medal in the High Jump T47 Event. With this win, Nishad has become the second athlete at this event to grab a medal.

Indian team secures 2 Gold medals at 64th International Mathematical Olympiad

- A **six-member Indian team won six medals** – two gold, two silver, and two bronze **at the 64th International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO) 2023**, which was held in Japan's Chiba city.
- The team finished ninth out of the 112 countries that competed. This is the fourth time the Indian team has finished in the top 10.

Tajinderpal Singh Toor keeps gold, Parul Chaudhary wins maiden Asians title

- **Indian shot putter Tajinderpal Singh Toor** and runner **Parul Chaudhary** won **gold medals** at the **Asian Athletics Championships 2023 in Bangkok, Thailand**.
- Tajinderpal Singh Toor heaved his best throw of the day on his second attempt to retain his continental title. He started with 19.80m and followed it up with 20.23m.

Mirabai to lead India's contingent at World Weightlifting Championship

- The Tokyo 2020 Olympics silver medalist **Mirabai Chanu** will **lead a five-member Indian contingent at the World Weightlifting Championships** in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- The Riyadh event will be a qualifying event for the 2024 Paris Olympics and will be held from September 4 to 17.

Shubham Bisla, Sainyam win gold at ISSF world championship 2023

- **Indian shooters Shubham Bisla and Sainyam** won gold medals in the **10m air pistol for men and women** respectively **at the ISSF Junior World Championships 2023**.
- Sainyam beat Oh Ye Jin of Korea by 2.6 points for the junior women's gold.

India third with 27 medals in Asian Athletics Championships 2023

- India won a total of 27 medals and secured the **third position in the Asian Athletics Championships 2023 held in Bangkok, Thailand.**
- India finished third with a total of 27 medals, including six gold, twelve silver and nine bronze medals, in the second-best-ever performance.

Ajit Singh won gold medal in Para Athletics Championship in Paris

- Indian athlete **Ajit Singh** won the gold medal in the **final of men's javelin throw F46 at the Para Athletics Championships in Paris.**
- Ajit Singh topped the event with a throw of 65.41m. He broke the previous championship record of 61.89 held by Chunliang Guo of China.

Keerthana upstages Anupama for World U-21 snooker title

- **Keerthana Pandian** defeated fellow Indian **Anupama Ramachandran** in the final to emerge as the **IBSF World under-21 women's snooker champion** in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
- Bengaluru's **Natasha Chethan** made it a memorable outing for the Indians by claiming the bronze medal.

Prithviraj Tondaiman bags bronze medal at ISSF Shotgun World Cup

- In shooting, **India shooter Prithviraj Tondaiman** bagged the bronze medal in the men's trap event at the **ISSF Shotgun World Cup Lonato 2023 in Italy.**
- Prithviraj Tondaiman's bronze was India's only medal at the Lonato shooting meet. This was his second individual ISSF World Cup medal, having won a bronze in Doha in March.

Indian Shuttler sets Guinness world record for fastest badminton shot

- Star India shuttler **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy** has set the **Guinness world record for the fastest hit by a male player in badminton**, recording a mindboggling **565 km/h with his smash.**
- Satwik broke a decade-long record set in May 2013 by Malaysian **Tan Boon Heong**, who had produced a speed of 493 km/h (306.34 mph) with his smash.

Shah Rukh Khan appointed brand ambassador of ICC World Cup 2023

- Bollywood actor **Shah Rukh Khan** was appointed as the **brand ambassador of ICC World Cup 2023.**
- He launched the World Cup 2023 campaign 'It takes one day' in his iconic voiceover.

Stuart Broad becomes 2nd pace bowler to take 600 wickets in Test cricket

- **England cricketer, Stuart Broad** has become the **second pace bowler to take 600 wickets in Test cricket.**
- He reached the mark by removing Australia's **Travis Head** on day one of the fourth Ashes Test at Old Trafford.

Rakesh & Sarita win India's 1st gold at World Para Archery Tournament

- Indian compound archers **Sarita and Rakesh Kumar** gave a fine performance to claim the country's **first-ever gold medal in the World Archery Para Championships** in Pilsen, Czech Republic.
- The duo claimed the mixed team world title, while 16-year-old armless archer **Sheetal Devi** bagged the compound women's individual silver.

Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty clinch Korea Open 2023

- Asian Champions **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** defeated world no. 1 Indonesian duo **Fajar Alfian and Muhammad Rian Ardianto** in a thrilling 3-game **men's doubles final 17-21, 21-13, 21-14 to clinch the Korea Open 2023 title in Yeosu, Korea.**

- This is the third Super 500 title of their career so far after Thailand Open 2019 and Yonex Sunrise India Open 2022.

Indian tennis player Sumit Nagal won Tampere Challenger 2023

- **Indian tennis player Sumit Nagal** beat Dalibor Svrčina of the Czech Republic in straight sets to clinch the **Tampere Open title held in Finland**.
- Nagal beat Svrčina 6-4 7-5 to emerge victorious.
- This was Sumit Nagal's fourth ATP Challenger title overall.

Indian javelin throwers bagged gold medals at Lebanon Athletics 2023

- **India's Annu Rani and Kishore Jena** won the gold medal in the **men's and women's javelin throw events**, respectively at the **Lebanon Athletics Championships 2023 in Beirut**.
- Annu Rani recorded a best throw of 55.32m to top the six-woman field. Her effort, though, was far from her national record-setting mark of 63.82m, achieved last year.

Lahiru Thirimanne announces retirement from international cricket

- **Sri Lankan cricketer Lahiru Thirimanne** has retired from **international cricket after a 13-year career**.
- The 33-year-old Lankan featured in 44 Tests, 127 One-Day Internationals, and 26 T20 Internationals, having made his debut in 2010.

Minerva Academy becomes first Indian club to win Gothia Cup

- **India's Minerva Academy FC** scripted history as they became the **first team from the subcontinental nation** to lift the **prestigious Gothia Cup in Sweden**.
- The Gothia Cup, an international youth football tournament organized has been held annually at Gothenburg in the Scandinavian country of Sweden.

Tripura's Asmita Dey wins gold at Junior Asian Judo Championships 2023

- Tripura's sporting pride 20-year-old, **Asmita Dey** won the **gold medal in the Junior Asia Cup Judo Championship 2023 in Macau, China**.
- She competed in the women's 48 kg category against opponents from 27 different countries.

Kamaljeet bagged two golds in Junior Shooting World Championships 2023

- **India's Kamaljeet** clinched **Gold Medal in Men's individual 50-metre Pistol Event** at **ISSF Junior Shooting World Championship 2023** at Changwon Shooting Range, Korea.
- India went in with a strong contingent of 90 shooters in the tournament and bagged 17 medals including 6 Golds, 6 Silvers and 5 Bronzes.

Aditya Samant becomes India's 83rd Grandmaster

- **Aditya Samant** became **India's 83rd Grandmaster** after earning his third GM norm at the Master Tournament (MTO) in the Biel International Chess Festival.
- The Maharashtra player had earned his first norm to become a grandmaster at the Abu Dhabi Masters last year in August.

August

Shooter Aishwarya clinches Gold medal at FISU World University Games 2023

- **Shooter Aishwarya Pratap Singh Tomar** clinched a **gold medal** for India on the 2nd day of the **FISU World University Games 2023 in Chengdu, China**.
- Olympian Tomar, competing in men's 50 meter rifle three positions, secured the top podium by scoring a total of 461.7 points in the final.

India won 14 medals in Sri Lanka Athletics National Championships

- **Indian contingent finished their Sri Lanka Athletics National Championships with 14 medals including 9 gold, 4 silvers and 1 bronze.**
- Indian athletes clinched six medals on the final day of the event at the Sugathadasa Stadium in Colombo.
- The Indian 4×400 meter mixed relay team of Amoj Jacob, Aishwarya Mishra, Muhammed Anas and Himanshi Malik won the first gold medal of the day.
- India's gold medalist javelin thrower Kishore Kumar Jena received the coveted Best Male Thrower trophy

Hyderabad to host India's first IAU 50 Km World Championships in November

- **Hyderabad** will host **India's first International Athletic Union's Ageas**
- Federation Life Insurance 50 km World championship on 5 November 2023.
- The competition will feature four categories - men and women in individual and team events - besides the Master's segment.

England pacer Stuart Broad announced his retirement

- **England pacer Stuart Broad** has announced his **retirement from international cricket.**
- He sits fifth on the all-time list of wicket-takers and is one of only two fast bowlers to take over 600 wickets

Iga Swiatek defeats Laura Siegemund to win WTA Title

- **Poland's tennis sensation and world No. 1 Iga Swiatek** claimed her **fourth title** of the season with a 6-0, 6-1 win defeating Laura Siegemund in the final of the **BNP Paribas Warsaw Open.**
- Swiatek won the match and added it to her 15th career title.

Diego Godin announced his retirement from football

- **Former Uruguay captain Diego Godin** announced his **retirement from professional football.**
- The announcement came after Velez Sarsfield's final Argentine league game of the season, a 1-0 loss to Huracan.

India bags 6 medals at World University Games

- Indian shooters and archers bagged **six medals including four golds at the World University Games in Chengdu, China.**
- Shooters Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar, Divyansh Singh Panwar and Arjun Babuta joined forces to outclass local favourites China to win the 10m air rifle men's team gold.
- Aishwary also secured gold in the 10m air rifle men's individual event.

Siddhanta Gogoi crowned 61kg junior Asian champion

- India's Siddhanta Gogoi clinched the men's 61kg junior title while Gyaneshwari Yadav and Koyel Bar secured silver medals in the women's 49kg event at the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships.
- The 19-year-old Siddhanta lifted 265kg (116kg+149kg) to give hosts India their first gold medal of the ongoing edition.

9th edition of Malabar River Festival opens in Kerala

- The **ninth edition of the Malabar River Festival** opens at **Thusharagiri in Kozhikode, Kerala.**
- The three-day event, organised by the Kerala Adventure Tourism Promotion Society and the Kozhikode District Tourism Promotion Council will be held at Iruvanjhipuzha and Chalipuzha rivers at Thusharagiri.

Indian women's compound team wins historic gold medal

- The **Indian women's compound team** won a **gold medal at the World Archery Championships 2023**.
- The team comprising of Jyoti Surekha Vennam, Parneet Kaur and Aditi Gopichand Swami secured the nation's first-ever gold medal in this competition.
- The Indian women defeated the Mexican team of Dafne Quintero, Ana Sofia, and Hernandez Jeon by 235-229 in the finals to be crowned as the champions.

Manoj Tiwary announces retirement from all forms of cricket

- India middle-order batter and Bengal veteran **Manoj Tiwary** announced her **retirement from all forms of cricket**.
- The 37-year-old, who last played for India in 2015, was playing domestic cricket as recently as February 2023.

SAI launches short movie series 'Halla Bol'

- **Sports Authority of India (SAI)** under the Umbrella Campaign 'Cheer4India' has launched a **short movie series 'Halla Bol'** on the journey of Asian Games-bound athletes.
- Objective - To motivate them for Hangzhou Asian Games and spread awareness about the upcoming Asian Games.

Aditi Swami becomes 1st Indian to win individual World Title at WAC 2023

- **Indian archer, Aditi Swami** has become the **first-ever Indian** to clinch the individual **World Title at the World Archery Championships final 2023 in Berlin**.
- 17-year-old Aditi, became the senior world champion when she defeated Andrea Becerra of Mexico, 149-147 in the summit clash of the compound women's event.
- **England batsman Alex Hales** has announced his **retirement from international cricket at the age of 34**.

Savita won gold at World Cadet Wrestling Championship 2023

- **Indian wrestler Savita**, who entered the event as the defending champion, **won the only gold medal for India in the women's 61kg weight division in World Cadet Wrestling Championships 2023**.
- **India bagged a total of 11 medals, including 1 gold, 7 silver, and 3 bronze** at the World Cadet Wrestling Championship 2023 in Istanbul, Turkey.

69th edition of Nehru Trophy Boat Race held at Punnamada Lake in Kerala

- The **69th edition of the famous Nehru Trophy Boat Race 2023** is being held at the picturesque **Punnamada Lake in Alappuzha** district of Kerala.
- 72 boats, including 19 Chundan Valloms or Snake Boats vying for the coveted trophy, participated in the boat race, held every year on the second Saturday of August.

India beat Malaysia clinch fourth Asian Champions Trophy

- **India beat Malaysia** 4-3 and clinch a record fourth Asian Champions Trophy title at the Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium in Chennai.
- With four Asian Champions Trophy titles, India is the most successful team in the history of the tournament. Pakistan, with three titles, is in the second spot now.

Jannik Sinner clinches maiden Canadian Open title

- **Jannik Sinner** broke new ground in Toronto when he captured his **maiden ATP Masters 1000 title at the Canadian Open, defeating Alex de Minaur** in the summit clash.
- He broke the Australian's serve five times to become only the second Italian Masters 1000 champion since the series began in 1990, joining Fabio Fognini (Monte-Carlo 2019).

England pacer Steven Finn announces retirement from all forms of Cricket

- England fast bowler **Steven Finn** has announced his **retirement from all forms of cricket**.
- He suffered a knee injury that kept him out of action for most of 2023 and led to him calling time on his 18-year career.

Ashleigh Gardner becomes 1st Australian to win consecutive ICC awards

- **Ashleigh Gardner of Australia** has achieved a historic feat by **becoming the first Australian cricketer to secure the ICC Player of the Month Award** in back-to-back months.
- Ashleigh Gardner has become the first-ever Australian cricketer to win the ICC Player of the Month award in consecutive months.

Seema Bisla handed 1-year ban for whereabouts failure

- **2021 Asian Wrestling Championships bronze medalist and Olympian, Seema Bisla** has been handed a **year-long ban** for whereabouts failure by the **Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel (ADDP) of the NADA**.
- The athlete's ban began on May 12 of this year, according to the most recent list of athletes sanctioned by the ADPP.

Priya Malik wins Gold medal at Under20 World Wrestling Championships

- Indian grappler **Priya Malik** won a **Gold medal** at the **2023 U20 World Wrestling Championships in Jordan**.
- Priya became just the second woman wrestler from India to be crowned U20 world championship. Antim Panghal had been the first woman from India to win a junior world title in wrestling at last year's edition.

Spain beat England to become Women's World Cup champions in Football

- **Spain's women's football team** won the **World Cup 2023** for the first time after beating **England 1-0 in Sydney, Australia**.
- With this win, Spain also became only the second nation to clinch both the men's and the women's World Cups after Germany.

India's Anahat Singh clinches gold in Asian Junior

- **India's Anahat Singh** clinched the **gold medal in the U-17 category** of the **Asian Junior Squash Individual Championships held in Dalian, China**.
- The 15-year-old Anahat defeated Hong Kong's Ena Kwong 3-1 in the final on 20th August 2023 to win the gold medal.

Chapter 17: Book and Author

March

Book	Author
'India's Vaccine Growth Story- From Cowpox to Vaccine Maitri'	Released by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
"India's Struggle for Independence - Gandhian Era"	Released by Supreme Court Judge Justice V. Ramasubramanian
'Mundaka Upanishad: The Bridge to Immortality'	Released by Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar Authored by former Parliamentarian Dr. Karan Singh
The 24th edition of book "Women and Men in India 2022"	Launched by Rao Inderjit Singh

April

Book	Author
"Smoke and Ashes: A Writer's Journey Through Opium's Hidden Histories"	Authored by Amitav Ghosh
'Reflections'	Authored by Narayanan Vaghul Launched by Nirmala Sitharaman

May

Book	Author
'Collective Spirit, Concrete Action'	Shashi Shekhar Vempati
'My Life as a Comrade'	K.K. Shailaja
"Made in India: 75 Years of Business and Enterprise"	Amitabh Kant
"The Indian Metropolis: Deconstructing India's Urban Spaces"	Feroze Varun Gandhi
"The Golden Years: The Many Joys of Living a Good Long Life"	Indian author Ruskin Bond

June

Book	Author
"Ringside"	Released by Dr. Shashi Tharoor Written by Dr. Vijay Darda
"The Power of One Thought: Master Your Mind"	Written by BK Shivani
"Master Residential Real Estate"	Written by Ashwinder Singh
"Finance Minister of India"	Written by A.K. Bhattacharya
The Yoga Sutra for Children'	Written by Roopa Pai

July

Book	Author
'Prism: The Ancestral Abode of Rainbow'	Vinod Mankara
" As the wheel turns "	Released by M Venkaiah Naidu Authored by Ranjit Pratap

August

Book	Author
'Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam: Memories Never Die'	Released by Amit Shah

'Monsoon'	Launched by Abhay K
"Kuch Adhure Shabd"	Launched and authored by Ashutosh Agnihotri

Chapter 18: Important Day

January

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
1 January	Global Family Day	Objective - To share positivity and strive for peace.
1 January 2023	65th foundation day of DRDO	Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) celebrated its 65th foundation day on 1st January 2023. It is a premier defence research and development agency under the Ministry of Defence, Government of India.
4 January	World Braille Day	Objective - To promote awareness about Braille and the contributions of Louis Braille.
5 January	National Birds Day	Objective - To raise awareness of the value of tiny tweets in the ecosystem.
6 January	World Day of War Orphans	Objective - To raise awareness about children orphaned in wars.
10 January	World Hindi Day	Theme 2023 - Hindi: Traditional Knowledge to Artificial Intelligence.
11th to 17th January 2023	Road Safety Week	The aim of the programme is to propagate the cause of safer roads for all under the Swachhata Pakhwada
12 January	National Youth Day	Theme 2022 - Viksit Yuva-Viksit Bharat
11 January	National Human Trafficking Awareness Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the plight of human trafficking victims, as well as to promote and protect their rights.
14 January	7th Armed Forces Veterans Day	The First Armed Forces Veterans Day was celebrated on 14 January 2016 and it was decided to commemorate this day every year by hosting such interactive events in honor of our Armed Forces Veterans and their families.
15 January	148th Foundation Day of India Meteorological Department (IMD)	IMD is the chief government agency dealing in meteorology, seismology, and associated subjects.
16 January	National Startup Day	Objective - To promote and encourage upcoming businesses in the country.

19 January	National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) Day	18th National Disaster Response Force day is celebrated on 19 January 2023 by the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) . It was formed in the year 2006 under the Disaster Management Act of 2005 .
21 January	Foundation Day of Manipur, Meghalaya and Tripura	This year marks the 51st foundation year for the three states which attained statehood under the North Eastern Areas (Reorganization) Act of 1971 .
23 January	126th Birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose	The birth anniversary of Subhash Chandra Bose on 23 January is celebrated every year as Parakram Diwas to inspire the people of the country, especially the youth.
24 January	National Girl Child Day	Objective - To raise awareness against pre-natal sex determination and gender-selective abortion .
24 January	Foundation Day of Uttar Pradesh	The main theme of the ' Uttar Pradesh Day 2023 is ' Investment and Employment ' this year.
24 January	International Education Day	Theme 2023 - To Invest in People, Prioritise Education
25 January	National Voter's Day	Theme 2023 - Nothing Like Voting, I Vote For Sure
25 January	National Tourism Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the importance that the tourism industry plays in the country
25 January	Himachal Pradesh Statehood Day	After India's independence, Himachal Pradesh was formed on 15 April 1948 , by uniting 30 hill princely states of the region. It was granted the status of a Union Territory on November 1, 1956 .
26 January	International Customs Day	Theme 2023 - Nurturing the next generation: promoting a culture of knowledge-sharing and professional pride in Customs
27 January	International Holocaust Remembrance Day	Theme 2023 - Home and Belonging
28 January	Data Privacy Day	Theme 2023 - Think Privacy First
29 January	World Leprosy Day	Theme 2023 - Act Now. End Leprosy

February

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
1 February	Indian Coast Guard Day	The Indian Coast Guard Day is celebrated on February 1 every year to honour organizations that look after maritime security . This year, India will be celebrating the 47th Coast Guard Day .
1-7 February	World Interfaith Harmony Week	The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) designated the first seven days of February as World Interfaith Harmony Week in 2010.
2 February	World Wetlands Day	Theme 2023- It's Time for Wetlands Restoration .
4 February	International Day of Human Fraternity	Motto: Harmony in difference
4 February	World Cancer Day	Theme 2023- Close The Care Gap
6 February	International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation (FGM)	Theme 2023 - Partnership with Men and Boys to transform Social and gender Norms to End FGM .
7 February	Safer Internet Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the importance of using the Internet in a safe way.
10 February	World Pulses Day	Theme 2023- Pulses for a sustainable future
11 February	World Unani Day	Theme 2023 - Unani Medicine for Public Health
11 February	International Day of Women and Girls in Science	Theme 2023 - IDEAS (Innovate, Demonstrate, Elevate, Advance, Sustain)
12 February	International Darwin Day	International Darwin Day is observed every year on 12 February to commemorate the birthday of Charles Darwin .
12 February	National Productivity Day	Theme 2022 - A chance to set goals
13 February	World Radio Day	Theme 2023 - Radio and Peace
13 February	International Epilepsy Day	Objective - To raise awareness of Epilepsy and its impact on individuals & communities around the world.
13 - 17 February 2023	RBI's Financial Literacy Week	Theme - "Good Financial Behaviour, Your Saviour" .
15 February	International Childhood Cancer Day (ICCD)	Theme 2023 - Better Survival
19 February	World Whale Day	Objective - To increase public knowledge of these amazing creatures, their beauty, and

		the ecological importance of what they contribute to the earth.
20 February	Mizoram and Arunachal Pradesh Foundation Day	Arunachal Pradesh became the 24th state of India and is also known as the ' land of the rising sun '. Mizoram was declared a UT in 1972 under the Northeast Areas (Reorganisation) Act of 1971 .
19 February	Soil Health Card Day	Objective - To remember the beginning of the Soil Health Card (SHC) Scheme and to raise awareness of its advantages.
20 February	World Day of Social Justice	Theme 2023 - Overcoming Barriers and Unleashing Opportunities for Social Justice
21 February	International Mother Language Day	Theme 2023 - Multilingual Education - a necessity to transform education
22 February	World Scout Day	The day is also celebrated as World Thinking Day across the world by Boy Scouts and Girl Guides/Girl Scouts and the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) .
24 February	Central Excise Day	Central Excise Day is celebrated in India every year on February 24 to commemorate the establishment of the Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) .
27 February	World NGO Day	Theme 2023 - The role and influence of NGOs in advancing human rights
27 February	National Protein Day	Theme 2023 - Easy Access to Protein for All
28 February	National Science Day	Theme 2023 - Global Science for Global Wellbeing

March

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
7 March	Jan Aushadhi Diwas	Theme 2023 - Jan Aushadhi - Sasti bhi Acchi bhi
8 March	International Women's Day	Theme 2023- " DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality "
8 March	No Smoking Day	Objective - To encourage people to quit smoking and raise awareness about its harmful effects on their health.
10 March	The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) Raising Day	The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) Raising Day is celebrated every year on March 10 to commemorate the establishment of the CISF in 1969 .

14 March	International Day Of Action For Rivers	Theme 2023 - Rights of Rivers
14 March	International Mathematics Day	Theme 2023 - Mathematics for Everyone
15 March	World Consumer Rights Day	Theme 2023 - Empowering Consumers Through Clean Energy Transitions
16 March	National Immunisation Day	Objective - To spread awareness about the importance of vaccines in the healthcare system.
18 March	Ordinance Factories' Day	Theme 2023 - Vinashaya Dushkritam
18 March	Global Recycling Day	Theme 2023 - Creative Innovation.
20 March	World Oral Health Day	Theme 2023 - "Be Proud of Your Mouth
20 March	International Day of Happiness	Theme 2023 - Be Mindful, Be Grateful, Be Kind
21 March	World Down Syndrome Day	Theme 2023 - With Us, Not For Us
21 March	International Day of Forests	Theme 2023 - Forests and health
22 March	World Water Day	Theme 2023 - Accelerating the change to solve the water and sanitation crisis
22 March	Bihar's 111th foundation day	Theme 2023 - "Yuva Shakti Bihar ki Pragati"
23 March	Shaheed Diwas	Martyrs' Day or Shaheed Diwas is observed on March 23 to commemorate the martyrdom of Bhagat Singh, Shivram Rajguru, and Sukhdev Thapar who were hanged to death by the Britishers.
23 March	World Meteorological Day	Theme 2023 - The Future of Weather, Climate and Water across Generations.
24 March	World Tuberculosis Day	Theme 2023 - Yes! We can end TB!
25 March	International Day of Unborn Child	Theme 2023- The dignity and value of children yet-to-be-born.
25 March	International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery	Theme 2023 - Fighting Slavery's Legacy of Racism Through Transformative Education
27 March	World Theatre Day	Theme 2023 - Theatre and a Culture of Peace
29 March	World Piano Day	This annual event takes place on March 29 in non-leap years and March 28 in leap years.
30 March	Rajasthan Day	March 30 is celebrated across the state to mark the formation of the state of Rajasthan.

31 March	World Backup Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the importance of data backup and protection.
31 March	International Drug Checking Day	To promote harm reduction initiatives to reduce the risks associated with drug use and educate people about drugs and their effects.

April

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
1 April	Odisha Day or Utkal Day	This day is significant for the people of Odisha as it marks the formation of the state on 1st April, 1936 .
1 April	Foundation Day of Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	RBI was established on 1 April 1935 as per the provisions of the Reserve Bank of India Act 1934 . It started functioning from 1 April 1935 .
2 April	World Autism Awareness Day	Theme 2023 - Transforming the narrative: Contributions at home, at work, in the arts and in policymaking
1-7 April	Prevention of Blindness Week 2023	Objective - To support individuals with visual impairments, and to promote access to eye care services.
4 April	International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action	Theme 2023 - Mine Action Cannot Wait
5 April	National Maritime Day	National Maritime Day is meant to appreciate the contribution of maritime trade to the growth of the Indian economy and the significance of India's strategic location in international trade .
5 April	International Day of Conscience	Theme 2023 - Building a Culture of Peace
6 April	International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDS DP)	Theme 2023 - Scoring for People and the Planet
7 April	World Health Day	Theme 2023 - Health For All
10 April	World Homeopathy Day	Theme 2023 - One Health, One Family
11 April	National Safe Motherhood Day	Objective - To raise awareness of good healthcare and safety of all mothers or expecting mothers.
11 April	World Parkinson's Day	Objective - To raise awareness of this chronic, progressive disease that affects over 10 million people worldwide.
12 April	International Day of Human Space Flight	The United Nations General Assembly in its resolution on April 7, 2011 , okayed April 12 as the International Day of Human Space Flight .

13 April	Jallianwala Bagh Massacre Day	On 13 April 1919 , a large crowd gathered peacefully at Jallianwala Bagh, Amritsar, Punjab to protest the arrest of Dr. Satyapal & Dr. Saifuddin Kitchlew .
13 April	39th Siachen Day	This year marks the 39th anniversary of Operation Meghdoot , launched by the Indian Army on April 13, 1984 , to secure the Siachen Glacier , which was important from a strategic point of view since the glacier shares boundaries with Pakistan and China .
14 April	World Chagas Disease Day	Objective - To raise awareness about a life-threatening disease that can cause serious heart and digestive issues.
14 April	132nd Ambedkar Jayanti	Ambedkar Jayanti is celebrated on April 14 to mark the birth anniversary of Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar .
15 April	World Art Day	Objective - To commemorate Leonardo da Vinci's birthday, recognizing the importance of art in promoting creativity, cultural diversity, and information exchange.
16 April	World Voice Day	Objective - To promote the proper care and training of the human voice, particularly among those who use their voice for professional or recreational purposes
16 April	Save The Elephant Day	Theme 2023 - Protecting Elephant Habitats for a Sustainable Tomorrow
17 April	World Hemophilia Day	Theme 2023 - Access for All: Prevention of Bleeds as the Global Standard of Care
18 April	World Heritage Day	Theme 2023 - Heritage and Climate
19 April	World Liver Day	Theme 2023 - Be vigilant, do a regular liver check-up, fatty liver can affect anyone.
20 April	Chinese Language Day	Theme 2023 - Chinese Wisdom for a Green World
21 April	National Civil Services Day	Objective- To recognize and appreciate the vital role played by civil servants in the advancement and betterment of the nation.
21 April	World Creativity and Innovation Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the role of innovation and creativity in each aspect of human development.
22 April	Earth Day	Theme 2023 - Invest in our Planet
23 April	World Book and Copyright Day	Theme 2023 - Indigenous Languages

23 April	National Panchayati Raj Diwas	The Panchayati Raj Day commemorates the 73rd Amendment Act, 1992 of the Constitution coming into effect in the year 1993 .
23 April	Khongjom Day	The observance of Khongjom Day commemorates the sacrifices made by the people of Manipur in the fight for freedom and independence .
24 to 30 April	World Immunization Week	Theme 2023 - The Big Catch-Up
25 April	World Malaria Day	Theme 2023 - Time to deliver zero malaria: invest, innovate, implement
25 April	World English Day	Theme 2023 - English as a Global Language
26 April	World Intellectual Property Day	Theme 2023 - Accelerating Innovation and Creativity: Women and IP
27 April	International Girls in ICT Day	Theme 2023- " Digital Skills for Life "
28 April	World Day for Safety and Health at Work	Theme 2023 - A safe and healthy working environment as a fundamental principle and right at work
29 April	World Dance Day	Objective - To promote the art of dance and raise awareness of its importance in the world
29 April	World Veterinary Day	Theme 2023 - Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession
30 April	International Jazz Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the virtues of jazz as an educational tool, and a force for empathy, dialogue, and enhanced cooperation among people.

May

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
30 April	Ayushman Bharat Diwas	Ayushman Bharat Diwas is a day dedicated to celebrating the success and achievements of the Ayushman Bharat scheme , which is also known as the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PM-JAY) .
1 May	International Labour Day	It is celebrated to highlight the importance of workers and their contribution to building society .
1 May	Maharashtra Day and Gujarat Day	The day marks the formation of the state of Maharashtra , which occurred on May 1, 1960 , following the partition of the Bombay State into

		the linguistic states of Maharashtra and Gujarat.
2 May	World Tuna Day	Theme 2023 - The Global Tuna Industry: Trailblazing through Tough Times
2 May	World Asthma Day	Theme 2023 - Asthma care for all.
3 May	World Press Freedom Day	Theme 2023 - Shaping a Future of Rights: Freedom of Expression as a Driver for All Other Human Rights
4 May	Coal Miners Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the importance of mine safety and the need to ensure safe working conditions for miners.
4 May	International Firefighters' Day	Objective - To honour and pay tribute to the great work done by the firefighters while protecting the life and property of people.
5 May	International Day of the Midwife	Theme 2023 - Together Again: From Evidence to Reality
6 May	International No Diet Day	The day aims to promote body positivity and encourage people to embrace their physical appearance.
7 May	World Athletics Day	Theme 2023 - Athletics for All – A New Beginning
7 May	64th Raising Day of Border Roads Organization (BRO)	Border Roads Organization (BRO) celebrated its 64th Raising Day on 7 May 2023 at all its detachments across the country.
8 May	World Red Cross Day	Theme 2023 - Everything we do comes from the heart
8 May	World Thalassaemia Day	Theme 2023- Strengthening Education to Bridge the Thalassaemia Care Gap,
10 May	International Day of Argania	Objective - To promote awareness and understanding of the argan tree's environmental importance worldwide.
10 May	World Lupus Day	Objective - To raise awareness about this critical condition ; that calls for an in-depth understanding and support for each individual who has been impacted in addition to increase the funds for more research.
11 May	National Technology Day	Theme 2023 – Integrated Approach in Science and Technology for a Sustainable Future
12 May	International Day of Plant Health	Theme 2023 - Plant Health for Environmental Protection
12 May	International Nurses Day	Theme 2023 - Our Nurses, Our Future
13 May	World Migratory Bird Day	Objective -To raise awareness about the importance of migratory birds and the need to conserve them.

15 May	International Day of Families	Theme 2023 - Demographic Trends and Families
15 - 21 May	UN Global Road Safety Week	Objective - To raise awareness about road safety and the importance of taking steps to prevent accidents .
16 May	International Day of Living Together in Peace	To promote peace, tolerance, inclusion, understanding, and solidarity among individuals and communities worldwide.
16 May	National Dengue Day	Theme 2023 - Fight Dengue, Save Live
16 May	International Day of Light	Objective - To highlight the importance of light and its role in science, culture, art, education, and sustainable development.
17 May	World Telecommunication and Information Society Day	Theme 2023 - Empowering the least developed countries through information and communication technologies
17 May	World Hypertension Day	Theme 2023 - Measure Your Blood Pressure Accurately, Control It, Live Longer
18 May	International Museum Day	Theme 2023 - Museums, Sustainability, and Well-being
18 May	World AIDS Vaccine Day	Objective - To create awareness about the importance of HIV vaccination in preventing HIV infection and AIDS.
18 May	Global Accessibility Awareness Day	The purpose of Global Accessibility Awareness Day is to get everyone talking, thinking and learning about digital, web, software, mobile among others , and help ensure access to these technologies for people with disabilities .
18 May	International Museum Day	Theme 2023 - Museums, Sustainability, and Well-being.
19 May	National Endangered Species Day	Objective - To spread awareness on the importance of protecting endangered species, their habitats, and the efforts needed to do so.
20 May	World Bee Day	Theme 2023 - Bee engaged in pollinator-friendly agricultural production
20 May	World Metrology Day	Theme 2023 - Measurements supporting the global food system.
21 May	World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	Objective - To raise awareness of the importance of cultural diversity for peace and sustainable development.
21 May	International Tea Day	Objective - To raise awareness of the importance of tea in fighting hunger and poverty, as well as the sustainable production and consumption of tea

21 May	National Anti-Terrorism Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the importance of combating terrorism and promoting peace and harmony in society.
22 May	International Day for Biological Diversity	Theme 2023 - From Agreement to Action: Building Back Biodiversity
23 May	World Turtle Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the need to protect turtles and tortoises and their nesting sites around the world.
23 May	International Day to End Obstetric Fistula	Objective - To raise awareness about this preventable and treatable condition and to mobilize support for affected women.
24 May	Commonwealth Day	Theme 2023 - Forging a Sustainable and Peaceful Common Future.
25 May	International Missing Children's Day	Missing Children's Day began as an observance in the USA in 1983.
25 May	World Thyroid Day	Objective - To educate people on thyroid diseases and be aware of the symptoms
28 May	International Day of Action for Women's Health	Theme 2023 - Our Voices, Our Actions, Our Demand: Uphold Women's Health and Rights Now
28 May	Menstrual Hygiene Day	Theme 2023 - Making menstruation a normal fact of life by 2030
28 May	World Hunger Day	Theme 2023 - Celebrating sustainable solutions to hunger and poverty
29 May	International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers	Theme 2023 - Peace begins with me
29 May	World Digestive Health Day	Theme 2023 - Your Digestive Health: A Healthy Gut From the Start
29 May	International Everest Day	International Everest Day commemorates the 1953 summit of Mount Everest by Sir Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tenzing Norgay Sherpa of Nepal.
30 May	Goa Statehood Day	Goa Statehood Day is celebrated every year on 30 May. Goa received statehood on May 30, 1987.
31 May	World No Tobacco Day	Theme 2023 - We need food, not tobacco

June

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
1 June	Global Day of Parents	It aims to honour parents and their vital role in nurturing and caring for their children. It recognizes the important contributions parents

		make to the well-being and development of their families.
1 June	World Milk Day	Theme – Enjoy Dairy
2 June	International Sex Workers' Day	This day is dedicated to all sex workers, and it aims to raise awareness of the exploited working conditions of sex workers globally.
2 June	Telangana Formation Day	The Andhra Pradesh Reorganization Act 2014 bill was passed in the Parliament in February 2014 for the formation of the Telangana state.
3 June	World Bicycle Day	Theme 2023 - Riding Together for a Sustainable Future
4 June	International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression	Objective - To raise awareness about the children who have suffered a lot throughout the world and are victims of physical, mental, and emotional abuse.
5 June	World Environment Day	Theme 2023 - Beat Plastic Pollution
5 June	International Day Against Illegal Fishing	Objective - To promote awareness of the threats posed by illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing activities to the sustainability of fisheries resources.
5 June	World Hydrography Day	Theme 2023 - Hydrography - underpinning the digital twin of the ocean
7 June	World Food Safety Day	Theme 2023- Food Standards Save Lives
8 June	World Brain Tumour Day	Theme 2023 - Protect yourself- keep away from stress
8 June	World Oceans Day	Theme 2023 - Planet Ocean: The Tides are Changing
9 June	World Accreditation Day	Theme 2023 - Accreditation: Supporting the Future of Global Trade
12 June	World Day Against Child Labour	Theme 2023 - Week of Action against Child Labour
13 June	International Albinism Awareness Day	Theme 2023 - Inclusion Is Strength
14 June	World Blood Donor Day	Theme 2023 - Give blood, give plasma, share life, share often
15 June	World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD)	Theme 2023 - Closing the Circle: Addressing Gender-Based Violence (GBV) in Older Age - Policy, Law and Evidence-based Responses
15 June	Global Wind Day	This special day serves as a reminder of the incredible potential and significance of wind power in addressing climate change and promoting sustainable energy solutions.

16 June	International Day of Family Remittances	Theme 2023 - Digital remittances towards financial inclusion and cost reduction
17 June	World Day to combat desertification and drought	Theme 2023 - Her Land. Her Rights
18 June	International Father's Day	International Father's Day is celebrated every year on third Sunday of June.
18 June	Autistic Pride Day	Objective - To raise awareness about autism, a complex developmental disorder that affects communication and social interaction.
18 June	International Picnic Day	The term " picnic " finds its roots in the French word " pique-nique ," and its popularity surged in France after the revolution, providing an opportunity to enjoy informal outdoor meals in the country's royal parks.
19 June	International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict	Theme 2023 - Bridging the gender digital divide to prevent, address and respond to conflict-related sexual violence
20 June	World Refugee Day	Theme 2023 - Hope away from home
21 June	International Yoga Day	Theme 2023 - Yoga for Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam
21 June	World Music Day 2023	Theme 2023 - Music on the Intersections
22 June	World Rainforest Day	Theme 2023 - Conserve Restore Regenerate.
23 June	United Nations Public Service Day	Commemorated on June 23 , this special occasion aims to shine a spotlight on the vital role played by public servants .
23 June	International Olympic Day	The day is celebrated to commemorate the founding of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and promote the values of the Olympic Movement .
23 June	International Widows Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the plight of widows worldwide and to advocate for their rights and well-being.
24 June	International Day of Women in Diplomacy	Theme 2023 - Breaking Barriers, Shaping the Future: Women in Diplomacy for Sustainable Development
25 June	International Day of the Seafarer	Theme 2023 - MARPOL at 50 – Our commitment goes on
26 June	World Drug Day	Theme 2023 - People first: stop stigma and discrimination, strengthen prevention

26 June	UN International Day In Support Of Victims Of Torture	According to the United Nations , torture exists in all parts of the world, despite the total ban under international law .
27 June	World MSME Day	Theme 2023 - Future-ready MSMEs for India@100
29 June	National Statistics Day	Theme 2023 - Alignment of State Indicator Framework with National Indicator Framework for Monitoring Sustainable Development Goals
29 June	International Day of the Tropic	Objective - To spread awareness about conservation strategies and promote tropical regions on Earth.
30 June	International Asteroid Day	Objective - To spread awareness about asteroids and the possible hazards they can cause during an impact.
30 June	International Day of Parliamentarism	Theme 2023 - Strengthening Democracy and Governance.

July

Date	Day	Theme/Importance
1 July	National Postal Worker Day	They brave various weather conditions , gruelling schedules , and challenging circumstances to deliver mail to homes and businesses , keeping the communication channels open and operational .
1 July	Canada Day	The day is celebrated with excitement and joy on 1 July as on this date Canada became a self-governing nation and a constitution was enacted.
1 July	National Doctors' Day	Theme 2023 - Celebrating Resilience and Healing Hands
1 July	GST Day	Goods and Services Tax (GST) Day is observed every year on 1 July to commemorate the implementation of the GST regime in the country.
1 July	National Chartered Accountants Day	The day recognizes the contribution of India's oldest and most professional financial and accounting organization - the ICAI . This year ICAI celebrates its 75th year of existence.
2 July	World Sports Journalists Day	The purpose of the occasion is to support those who promote different forms of sports , spreading the culture among the general masses .
2 July	World UFO Day	It aims to promote the gathering of people who are interested in observing the skies for unidentified flying objects (UFOs) .

3 July	International Plastic Bag Free Day	To increase public awareness of the damaging effects that single-use plastic bags have on the environment.
4 July	USA Independence Day	According to the Library of Congress , on July 4, 1776 , the Declaration of Independence was officially adopted by the Second Continental Congress , signifying the colonies' decision to break away from the Kingdom of Great Britain.
6 July	World Zoonoses Day	Objective - To increase awareness about zoonotic diseases and their effects on both human and animal health.
7 July	World Chocolate Day	On this day, chocolate enthusiasts of all ages come together to relish their favorite treats, be it a plain chocolate bar, a decadent truffle, or a delectable chocolate cake.
10 July	National Fish Farmer's Day	National Fish Farmer's Day 2023 is an opportunity for the entire nation to recognize the immense contributions of fish farmers and their commitment toward sustainable aquaculture.
11 July	World Population Day	Theme 2023 - Unleashing the power of gender Equality: Uplifting the voices of women and girls to unlock our world's infinite possibilities.
12 July	International Malala Day	Malala is known for her advocacy of girls' education and her courageous stand against the Taliban , who had banned girls from attending school in her hometown of Mingora in the Swat Valley of Pakistan.
12 July	Paper Bag Day	Objective - To raise awareness about the harmful effects of plastic on the environment and promote the use of sustainable alternatives like paper bags.
17 July	World Emoji Day	Emojis have significantly transformed the way internet users across the world communicate and express themselves in the digital world.
17 July	International Justice Day	The day is observed to commemorate the significant role played by the International Criminal Court (ICC) and other organizations in providing justice to victims of injustice, including people affected by war crimes, genocide, terrorism, and more.
18 July	Nelson Mandela International Day	Theme 2023 - The Legacy Lives on Through You: Climate, Food, and Solidarity.
20 July	National Moon Day	Theme 2023 - Lunar Exploration, Coordination and Sustainability
20 July	World Chess Day	International Chess Day was announced in 1996 by UNESCO to commemorate the

		establishment of the International Chess Federation , commonly known as FIDE by its French acronym .
22 July	Pi Approximation Day	There is an interesting fact why Pi Approximation Day is celebrated on this date. When placed in the date/month format, July 22 looks like 22/7 - this is an approximate value of Pi.
22 July	National Mango Day	According to several sources, the mango was first cultivated more than 4,000 years ago in India . Mango is a stone fruit that grows on a tropical tree called the Mangifera indica .
22 July	World Brain Day	Theme 2023 - Brain Health and Disability: Leave No One Behind
23 July	Parents' Day	Parents' Day is celebrated on the fourth Sunday of July every year in the United States and other parts of the world. This year the day will be celebrated on July 23 .
24 July	National Thermal Engineer Day	Objective - To create awareness among people about the contributions of thermal engineers in society .
24 July	National Broadcasting Day	The day aims to remind us about the impact of radio on our lives.
25 July	World Embryologist Day	Embryologists play an important role in treating infertility and help couples have babies through in vitro fertilization or the IVF process .
25 July	World Drowning Prevention Day	Theme 2023 - Anyone can drown, no one should
26 July	Kargil Vijay Diwas	July 26 to mark India's triumph in the 1999 conflict with Pakistan .
26 July	International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem	Objective - To raise awareness of the importance of mangrove ecosystems as "a unique, special and vulnerable ecosystem" .
27 July	National Refreshment Day	National Refreshment Day is observed every year on the fourth Thursday of July and this year celebrated on July 27 .
28 July	World Hepatitis Day	Theme 2023 - We're not waiting
28 July	World Nature Conservation Day	The main purpose of celebrating this day is to create awareness among people about the importance of the natural environment and its resources .
29 July	International Tiger Day	The day marks the 13th International Tiger Day is celebrated worldwide to promote comprehensive efforts in safeguarding tigers and their natural habitats, fostering

		harmonious coexistence between humans and these magnificent creatures .
29 July	World Day against Trafficking in Persons	Theme 2023 - Reach every victim of trafficking, leave no one behind
30 July	International Friendship Day	Theme 2023 - Sharing the human spirit through friendship
31 July	World Ranger Day	Theme 2023 - 30 by 30

August

Date	Day
30 July	World Day Against Trafficking in Persons
1-7 August 2022	World Breastfeeding Week
1 August	World Wide Web Day
2 August	146th birth anniversary of Pingali Venkayya
6 August	Hiroshima Day
7 August	National Handloom Day
8 August	Quit India Movement Day
9 August	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
10 August	World Biofuel Day
10 August	World Lion Day
12 August	International Youth Day
12 August	World Sanskrit Diwas 2022
13 August	International Lefthanders Day
13 August	World Organ Donation Day
14 August	Partition Horrors Remembrance Day
15 August 2022	Sri Aurobindo's 150th birth anniversary

16 August	Atal Bihari Vajpayee's death anniversary
19 August	World Humanitarian Day
19 August	World Photography Day
19 August	104th birth anniversary of Dr. Shanker Dayal Sharma
20 August	World Mosquito Day
20 August	Akshay Urja Diwas
23 August	International Day for the Remembrance of Slave Trade and its Abolition
23 August	Internaut Day
24 August	Independence Day of Ukraine
23 August to 1 September 2022	World Water Week 2022
26 August	International Dog Day
29 August	National Sports Day
29 August	International Day against Nuclear Tests
30 August	National Small Industry Day
30 August	International Whale Shark Day

September

Date	Day
1 to 7 September	National Nutrition Week
From 1st till 30th September 2022.	The 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022
2 September	World Coconut Day

5 September	National Teachers' Day
5 September	International Day of Charity
7 September	International Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies
8 September	International Literacy Day
8 September	World Physiotherapy Day
9 September	International Day to Protect Education from Attack
11 September	National Forest Martyrs Day
11 September	Vinoba Bhave's Birth Anniversary
till 23 October 2022	Ayurveda Day 2022 programme
15 September	International Day of Democracy
15 September	Engineers' Day
16 September	World Ozone Day
17 September	World Patient Safety Day
18 September	World Bamboo Day
17 September	International Red Panda Day
19 to 25 September 2022	International Week of Deaf People 2022
21 September	International Day of Peace
21 September	World Alzheimer's Day
22 September	World Rhino Day 2022
23 September	International Day of Sign Languages
25 September	World Pharmacist Day
25 September	International Daughter's Day

25 September	World Rivers Day
25 September	Antyodaya Diwas
27 September	World Tourism Day
26 September	World Environmental Health Day
27 September	Death anniversary of Raja Ram Mohan Roy
28 September	World Rabies Day
28 September	International Day for Universal Access to Information
28 September	Bhagat Singh's 115th birth anniversary
29 September	World Heart Day
30 September	International Translation Day
29 September (last Thursday of September)	World Maritime Day

October

Date	Day
1 October	National Pension System (NPS) Diwas
1 October	International Day of Older Persons
2 October	International Day of Non-Violence
2 October	Gandhi Jayanti
3 October	World Habitat Day
4 October	World Animal Day
5 October	World Teachers' Day

6 October	World Cerebral Palsy Day
2 - 8 October	National Wildlife Week
7 October	World Cotton Day
8 October	Indian Air Force Day
7 October 2022	World Smile Day
10 October	World Mental Health Day
11 October	International Day of Girl Child
12 October	World Arthritis Day
13 October 2022	World Sight Day
14 October	World Standards Day
15 October	World Students' Day
15 October	International Day of Rural Women
15 October	Global Handwashing Day
17 October	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
16 October	World Food Day
17 October	World Trauma Day
18 October	World Menopause Day
19 October	Global Dignity Day
20 October	World Osteoporosis Day
20 October	World Statistics Day
24 October	United Nations Day
23 October	7th National Ayurveda Day

24 October	World Polio Day
24 - 30 October	Disarmament Week
27 October	World Day for Audiovisual Heritage
27 October	76th Infantry Day
29 October	World Stroke Day
29 October	International Internet Day
24 - 31 October 2022	Global Media and Information Literacy Week 2022
31 October	National Unity Day

November

Date	Day
30 October	World Savings Day
31 October	World Cities Day
31 October	4th Foundation Day of UT Ladakh
1- 5 November	India Water Week
1 November	formation day of 7 states (Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Chhattisgarh, Kerala, Karnataka, Punjab & Madhya Pradesh) and 2 Union Territories (Lakshadweep & Puducherry) of India
31 Oct to 6 Nov	Vigilance Awareness Week
November 1	Zojila Day
2 November	All Souls' Day
5 November	World Tsunami Awareness Day
7 November	Infant Protection Day
7 November	National Cancer Awareness Day

November 15	Janjatiya Gaurav Divas'
8 November	World Radiography Day
9 November	Uttarakhand Foundation Day
9 November	National Legal Services Day
9 - 14 November	International Week of Science and Peace
10 November	World Science Day for Peace and Development
10 November	World Usability Day
11 November	Armistice Day
11 November	National Education Day
12 November	World Pneumonia Day
12 November	Public Service Broadcasting Day
13 November	World Kindness Day
14 November	World Diabetes Day
14 November	National Children's Day
15 November	Jharkhand Foundation Day
15 November	Janjatiya Gaurav Divas
15 to 21 November	Newborn Care Week
16 November	International Day for Tolerance
16 November	National Press Day
17 November	International Students' Day
17 November	National Epilepsy Day
18 November	National Naturopathy Day

18 - 24 November	World Antimicrobial Awareness Week
19 November	World Toilet Day
19 November	International Men's Day
20 November	World Children's Day
20 November	African Industrialization Day
21 November	World Television Day
19 - 25 November	World Heritage Week
21 November	World Fisheries Day
20 November	World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims
24 November	Guru Tegh Bahadur's Martyrdom Day
24 November	Thanksgiving Day
24 November	Lachit Diwas
25 November	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
26 November	Constitution Day of India
26 November	National Milk Day
27 November	National Cadet Corps (NCC) Day
28 November	Red Planet Day
29 November	International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People
29 November	International Jaguar Day

December

Date	Day
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30 November	Saint Andrew's Day
1 December	World AIDS Day
3 December	International Day of Persons with Disabilities
3 December	Gita Mahotsav
4 December	Indian Navy Day
4 December	109th Birth Anniversary of R. Venkataraman
4 December	International Day of Banks
5 December	World Soil Day
5 December	65th Foundation Day of Directorate of Revenue Intelligence
5 December	International Volunteer Day
7 December	International Civil Aviation Day
7 December	Armed Forces Flag Day
9 December	International Anti-Corruption Day
9 December	International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide Crime
10 December	Human Rights Day
10 December	Nobel Prize Day
11 December	UNICEF Day
11 December	International Mountain day
12 December	International Universal Health Coverage Day
14 December	International Energy Day
16 December	Vijay Diwas
18 December	Minority Rights Day

18 December	International Migrants day
18 December	Arabic Language Day
19 December	Goa Liberation Day
20 December	International Human Solidarity Day
21st December	Winter Solstice Day
22 December	National Mathematics Day
23 December	National Farmers Day
24 December	National Consumer Rights Day
25 December	Good Governance Day
27 December	International Day of Epidemic Preparedness

Chapter 19: Obituary

March

Person	About
Veteran actor-director Satish Kaushik	He was an Indian actor, comedian, screenwriter, director and producer . He acted in theatres before finding his break in Bollywood .
Veteran actor Sameer Khakhar	He rose to fame with his roles in TV shows ' Nukkad ' and ' Circus '. He was also featured in ' Shrimaan Shrimati ', and ' Adaalat '. He also played vital roles in films, including ' Hasee Toh Phasee ', ' Jai Ho ', and ' Patel Ki Punjabi Shaadi '.
Director Pradeep Sarkar	Filmmaker Pradeep Sarkar , known for hit films like Parineeta , Mardani passed away. He was 67 .
Co-founder of Intel, Gordon Moore	Moore was an important figure in the semiconductor industry and played a key role in putting Intel's processors in most personal computers .

April

Person	About
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Former Indian Cricketer Salim Durani	Former India all-rounder Salim Durani passed away at the age of 88 in Jamnagar, Gujarat .
Sahitya Akademi winner Sarah Thomas	The first novel was ' Jeevitham Enna Nathi '. Sarah Thomas's novel ' Muripadukal ' was made into a movie by PA Bakker called ' Manimuzhakkam '. Her novels Asthamayam , Pavizhamuthu , and Archana have also been adapted into films.
Legendary theatre actor Jalabala Vaidya	She was awarded the Sangeet Natak Akademi's Tagore Award , the Delhi Natya Sangh Award , the Andhra Pradesh Natya Akademi Honour , Honorary Citizenship of the City of Baltimore, USA .
Former Mahindra Group chairman, Keshub Mahindra	Former Mahindra Group chairman and industrialist Keshub Mahindra passed away at the age of 99 . He served as chairman of the conglomerate from 1963 to 2012 .
National Award-winning actress Uttara Baokar	In 1984 , she won the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award, India's National Academy for Acting .
Former Ranji opener Abdul Azeem	In a career spanning 73 first-class games between 1980-95 , the dashing opener scored 12 centuries and 18 fifties .
Co-founder of Webchutne Sidharth Rao	Rao started Webchutney in 1999 when he was just 19 years old . In 2013, Webchutney was acquired by Dentsu Aegis Network but Rao stayed on to steer it as its CEO, going on to become head of the India unit of dentsuMB , the global creative network of the Japanese multinational media network in 2021.
Pakistani-Canadian journalist Tarek Fatah	Fatah was recognized for his critiques of Islamic extremism and the Pakistani establishment , as well as his support for queer rights .
Former Punjab CM Parkash Singh Badal	Parkash Singh Badal was the youngest Chief Minister to ever hold office in the state of Punjab . He was 43 . Badal served as the Chief Minister of Punjab five times . He was the chief minister from 1970-1971, from 1977-1980, from 1997-2002, and from 2007-2017 (two consecutive terms).
Malayalam actor Mamukkoya	Mamukkoya made his acting debut in the theatre in 1979 . Before that, he worked in a timber mill in Kozhikode . In his four-decade-long career, Mamukkoya acted in over 450 Malayalam films . He also

	appeared in a French film titled Flammens of Paradise .
Renowned scientist Dr. N. Gopalakrishnan	<p>Dr. N Gopalakrishnan was the founder of the Indian Institute of Scientific Heritage.</p> <p>His lectures on Indian philosophies and spirituality attracted audiences from within and outside the country. He was often criticized for propagating "pseudoscience".</p>

May

Person	About
Eminent historian Ranjit Guha	<p>An eminent historian, Ranjit Guha passed away at the age of 100.</p> <p>One of his famous contributions in the field of history is his book titled 'Elementary Aspects of Peasant Insurgency in Colonial India'.</p>
Renowned Bengali author Samaresh Majumdar	<p>Born on March 10, 1944, novelist Majumdar is best known for his 'Animesh' series.</p> <p>He was first published in the year 1967 - a novel named 'Dour' (Run). One of his works was even adapted into the 2013 film 'Arjun-Kalimpong E Sitaharan'.</p>
Former AIFF vice-president AR Khaleel	<p>He also served as the president of the Karnataka State Football Association (KSFA) for 28 years till 2018.</p> <p>He was a footballer, who ran Jawahar Union FC, one of Bengaluru's traditional clubs.</p>
Actor Sarath Babu	<p>Veteran actor Sarath Babu passed away at the age of 71.</p> <p>Babu worked predominantly in Tamil and Telugu cinema. He appeared in more than 200 films, including Hindi films too.</p>
Industrialist and philanthropist Karumuttu T Kannan	<p>He was the Chairman & Managing Director of Thiagarajar Mills Ltd.</p> <p>Kannan held significant positions such as Chairman of the Textiles Committee in Mumbai, and The South India Mills' Association.</p>

June

Person	About
Doordarshan news anchor Gitanjali Aiyar	<p>Gitanjali Aiyar, one of India's first English female news presenters on national broadcaster Doordarshan, passed away.</p>

Bollywood Actor Mangal Dhillon	He was known for his remarkable acting prowess and memorable performances in shows like ' Junoon ' and ' Buniyaad '.
Former Italian PM Silvio Berlusconi	Berlusconi previously served as Prime Minister of Italy four times, from 1994 to 1995, 2001 to 2006, and 2008 to 2011 .
Nobel-winning lithium battery inventor John Goodenough	John Goodenough , who shared the 2019 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for developing the lithium-ion battery that revolutionized modern life, has died at the age of 100 .

July

Person	About
Eminent mathematician Dr Mangala Narlikar	She was the wife of Dr Jayant Narlikar , who is the founder and director of the Pune-based Inter-z Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) .
Former Kerala CM Oommen Chandy	He was the chief minister twice for a total of seven years (2004–2006 and again from 2011–2016) .
Former Australian wicketkeeper Brian Taber	Taber, who played 16 Test matches for Australia between 1966 and 1970 .

August

Person	About
Congress leader and former Speaker Vakkom Purushothaman	The veteran leader was elected to the Kerala Assembly five times from Attingal assembly constituency and became a minister thrice, handling portfolios like agriculture, health and tourism .
Brazilian supercentenarian, Jose Paulino Gomes, touted as world's oldest man	Gomes possessed a marriage certificate dating back to 1917 , which indicated his birth on August 4, 1895 , making him a witness to two world wars and three pandemics .
Telangana folk singer Gummadi Vittal Rao 'Gaddar'	He played a significant role in the Telangana statehood movement through his songs highlighting injustices in the region .
Padma Bhushan awardee and IAS officer N Vittal	He was a former Telecom Secretary and Central Vigilance Commissioner (CVC) . His experience of more than 40 years covered a wide spectrum with focus on industrial administration, science and technology, and security .
Prominent filmmaker Siddique	Siddique's journey in the world of Malayalam cinema began with his directorial debut, " Ramji Rao Speaking " along with his friend Lal.

Renowned Nuclear physicist Bikash Sinha	He was the recipient of Padma Shri in 2001 and Padma Bhushan in 2010 for his contribution to science & technology.
Renowned author Hari Narke	Narke was the professor of Mahatma Phule chair at Savitribai Phule Pune University and a former member of the Maharashtra Backward Class Commission.
Telugu, Sanskrit scholar Kandlakunta Alaha Singaracharyulu	He was known for his extensive literary works in Telugu and Sanskrit languages. He wrote more than 15 books on Telugu and Sanskrit languages including translations, grammar, and speeches.
Former DRDO Director General Dr V.S. Arunachalam	Arunachalam helmed the Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) and was the Scientific Advisor to the Defence Minister from 1982-92.

Chapter 20: Science & Technology

March

OpenAI launched 'GPT-4' with higher accuracy

- The artificial intelligence research company behind ChatGPT, **OpenAI** has **unveiled its new and more advanced model called GPT-4**.
- The latest version is more **creative and accurate** in its response and has better problem-solving capabilities than ChatGPT.

Gaganyaan mission allocated Rs 9023 crore to achieve its objectives

- The **government has allocated** a budget of **Rs. 9023 Crore** towards achieving the **objectives of the Gaganyaan mission**.
- Objective of Gaganyaan program - To demonstrate human spaceflight capability to Low Earth Orbit and safe return

ISRO to conduct young scientist programme in Bengaluru

- **ISRO** is set to organize its **annual special programme** for school children called **Young Scientist Programme -- 'Yuva Vigyani Karyakram' (YUVIKA)**.
- Objective - To impart basic knowledge on space technology, space science, and space applications to young students in emerging trends in space science and technology.

Microsoft introduces 'Bing Image Creator' powered by OpenAI's DALL-E

- **Microsoft** has introduced a new feature '**Bing Image Creator**' to the new Bing and Edge preview, which allows users to create an image simply by using their own words to describe the picture they want to see -- **powered by an advanced version of the Open AI's DALL-E model**.

ISRO received Indo-US jointly developed NISAR satellite

- The **US Air Force handed over NISAR**, an earth observation satellite jointly **developed by NASA and ISRO, to the Indian space agency**.

- A US Air Force C-17 aircraft carrying the NASA-ISRO synthetic aperture radar (NISAR) has landed in Bengaluru.
- The satellite is an outcome of a collaboration between the American space agency NASA and Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
- The **satellite is expected to be launched in 2024** from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Andhra Pradesh, into a near-polar orbit.

April

ISRO successfully conducts landing experiment of the Reusable Launch Vehicle

- The **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** has successfully conducted the **Reusable Launch Vehicle Autonomous Landing Mission (RLV LEX)** from the Aeronautical Test Range (ATR) in **Karnataka's Chitradurga**.
- A Chinook Helicopter of the Indian Air Force carried the launch vehicle to a height of 4.5 kms and released it in mid-air.

IIT Indore and NASA-Caltech develop low-cost camera for flame imaging

- The **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Indore** in collaboration with the **NASA-Caltech from the US and the Sweden's University of Gothenburg** has developed a **low-cost camera setup** which can provide multispectral imaging of four chemical species in a flame using single DSLR camera.

DRDO Industry Academia Centre of Excellence inaugurated at IIT Hyderabad

- The **Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO)** Industry Academia Centre of Excellence (DIA-CoE) has been inaugurated at the **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Hyderabad**.
- This is the biggest such facility in the country. DRDO Chairman Dr. Samir V Kamat inaugurated the facility at the campus of the IIT-Hyderabad at Sangareddy in Telangana.

Israel launches new Ofek-13 spy satellite into orbit

- **Israel** has successfully launched the "**Ofek-13**" **spy satellite** into space by the Shavit launch vehicle, **from Palmachim Airbase spaceport**.
- This satellite was manufactured by state-owned Israel Aerospace Industries (IAI).
- The 'Ofek 13' is the most advanced of its kind with unique radar observation capabilities and will enable intelligence collection in any weather and conditions of visibility.

NASA astronaut Christina Koch becomes the first woman to go around the moon

- The **American Space Agency, NASA** has selected the **first woman astronaut, Christina Koch** for its **Artemis II mission**.
- Other crew members: Victor Glover (First Black Astronaut) and Reid Wiseman of NASA, and Jeremy Hansen of the Canadian Space Agency (CSA).
- The team of four astronauts will fly around the moon for a 10-day mission next year.

Skyroot Aerospace successfully test-fires 3D-printed cryogenic engine

- India's top private aerospace company, **Skyroot Aerospace** has successfully fired an advanced **fully 3D-printed cryogenic engine, Dhawan-II**.
- The engine roared to life for 200 seconds as the endurance test demonstrated the agility of the 3D-printed structure est to power the company's Vikram-II rocket.

South Korea to conduct first launch of commercial-grade satellite

- **South Korea** plans to conduct its **first launch of a commercial-grade satellite** aboard a domestically built rocket next month as part of its space development program.

- It will blast off from the space launch center on a southern island in May 2023. It will carry one main satellite 'Next Generation Small Satellite 2' and seven other smaller cube-shaped satellites.

ISRO to launch Singapore's TeLEOS-2 satellite on April 22

- The **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)** will launch a **Singaporean Earth Observation satellite** from the **Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota on April 22**.
- The satellite named TeLEOS-2 will be launched aboard ISRO's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV), which will take off on its 55th mission.

Cabinet approved 6003 crore for Quantum Technology Mission

- The **Union Cabinet**, chaired by PM Narendra Modi, approved the **National Quantum Mission (NQM) at a total cost of Rs.6003.65 crore from 2023-24 to 2030-31**.
- This will accelerate QT-led economic growth, nurture the ecosystem in the country and make India one of the leading nations in the development of Quantum Technologies & Applications (QTA).

May

ISRO to start online training programme for PG and final-year UG students

- The **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)** has announced a **new introductory-level online training programme** called **Space Science and Technology Awareness Training (START)**.
- START is aimed at postgraduate and final-year undergraduate students of Physical Sciences and Technology.
- The programme will cover various domains of Space Science, including Astronomy and Astrophysics, Heliophysics and Sun-Earth interaction, Instrumentation, and Aeronomy.

IIT-Kanpur launches cybersecurity skilling programme

- **IIT Kanpur's C3iHub**, a cybersecurity Technology Innovation Hub, formally inaugurated its **Cybersecurity Skilling Programme** with support from the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, under the **National Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS)**.
- The C3iHub-incubated start-ups Threat Guardians Pvt Ltd and Worker Union Support provide additional assistance to the Cybersecurity Skilling Programme.

Rayyanah Barnawi, the first Arab woman astronaut to go to space

- Part of Axiom Space's private mission to the International Space Station (ISS), **Rayyanah Barnawi became the first Arab woman astronaut to go into space**.
- Barwani is part of a team which has travelled to the ISS in a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket from the Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral in the southern state of Florida.

Israel ties up with IIT-M to set up water technology centre

- **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras** has signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with Israel to build an **'India-Israel Center of Water Technology' (CoWT)** in Water Resources Management and Water Technologies.
- The LoI to establish this center was signed by Manoj Joshi, Secretary, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), Prof V Kamakoti, Director, IIT Madras, and Naor Gilon, Ambassador of Israel to India in the presence of External Affairs Ministers S Jaishankar and his Israeli counterpart Eli Cohen.

IIT Madras, DRDO develop sensor technology for underwater communications

- Researchers from the Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) have partnered with Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) scientists to develop cutting-edge sensor technology for underwater communications.
- Which will be advantageous to defence applications, especially in the Indian Navy.

India's AI supercomputer 'AIRAWAT' ranked 75th in Global Supercomputing list

- The AI Supercomputer 'AIRAWAT', installed at C-DAC, Pune has been ranked 75th in the top 500 Global Supercomputing List.
- The announcement was made during the 61st edition of the International Supercomputing Conference (ISC 2023) held in Germany.

Microsoft launched multilingual Jugalbandi AI chatbot

- Microsoft has unveiled a new generative AI-driven chatbot called 'Jugalbandi', designed for farmers and other users living in rural India.
- The chatbot is being developed in collaboration with Microsoft Research and the government-backed AI4Bharat - an open-source language AI centre based at the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras - and OpenNyAI.

June

Microsoft launched voice chat feature to AI-powered Bing Chat

- Microsoft has launched a new 'voice chat' feature to its AI-powered Bing Chat on the desktop.
- It will help users to talk to the AI chatbot by clicking on the microphone icon in the Bing Chatbox.

IIT Kanpur successfully conducts test flight for cloud seeding

- Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur has successfully conducted a test flight for cloud seeding.
- Cloud seeding involves the utilisation of various chemical agents such as silver iodide, dry ice, common salt, and other elements with the aim of enhancing the probability of rains.
- The project was initiated a few years ago and is headed by the Computer Science and Engineering Department of IIT Kanpur.

July

SpaceX launches European space telescope Euclid to explore 'dark universe'

- SpaceX launched the European Space Agency's Euclid observatory toward its ultimate destination 1.5 million km away.
- The telescope's highly anticipated 3D map of the cosmos will span both space and time in a bid to explain how the dark universe evolved and why its expansion is speeding up.

SpaceX launches 'Jupiter 3', world's largest private communication satellite

- SpaceX has launched the world's largest private communications satellite 'Jupiter 3' using a Falcon Heavy rocket from Launch Complex-39A of NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Florida.
- The 'Jupiter 3' satellite, developed by Maxar Technologies in Palo Alto, California, holds the record as the largest commercial communications satellite ever built.

IIT Guwahati researchers develop AI-based model for knee X-ray

- Researchers from the **Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati** have developed a **Deep Learning (DL) based framework**, namely OsteoHRNet, that automatically assesses the **Knee Osteoarthritis (OA) severity from X-rays images**.
- This AI-based model can be used to detect the severity level of the disease and assist medical practitioners remotely for a more accurate diagnosis.

India to launch Chandrayaan 3 moon lander and rover on July 14

- **India's third lunar mission, Chandrayaan-3** will lift off from the spaceport in Sriharikota at **2.35 PM on July 14 from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota**.
- Chandrayaan-3 will be launched over LVM-3, which was previously known as Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle Mk-III (GSLV-3).
- ISRO chairman S Somanath said "If the launch takes place on that day [July 14], we'll reach the Moon by the end of August. Landing will be on August 23 or 24 as we want the landing to happen when the Sun rises on the Moon so we get 14-15 [Earth] days to work.
- If landing cannot happen on these two dates, we'll wait for another month and land in September.
- Chandrayaan-3 is a follow-on mission to Chandrayaan-2. Unlike its predecessor, which carried an orbiter along with Vikram and Pragyan (the rover), Chandrayaan-3 is a composite of three modules: propulsion, lander and rover.
- The spacecraft will weigh 3,900 kg — the propulsion module weighs 2,148 kg and the lander module, including the rover, weighs 1,752 kg.

China launches world's first methane-fuelled space rocket

- **A private Chinese company** has launched the **world's first methane-liquid oxygen space rocket into orbit**.
- The Zhuque-2 carrier rocket was launched from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center in northwest China.

CERT-In issues alert on 'Akira' ransomware

- CERT-In (Indian Computer Emergency Response Team) has issued a warning about new Internet ransomware named 'Akira'.
- This computer malware is targeting Windows and Linux-based systems.

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Chapter 21-List of Bank CEO, Headquarters and Tagline

Total PSBs: 12

Total Pvt. Bank: 21

Total RRBs: 43

Foreign Banks: 46

Payment & Small Financial Banks: 9

PSU Banks

Bank Name	CEO of Bank	Headquarter	Tagline
Bank of Baroda	Debadatta Chand	Vadodara	India's International Bank
Bank of India	Rajneesh Karnatak (MD & CEO)	Mumbai	Relationships beyond Banking
Bank of Maharashtra	A. S. Rajeev	Pune	One Family One Bank/ Ek Parivar Ek Bank
Canara Bank	K. Satyanarayana Raju	Bangalore	Together we can
Central Bank of India	Shri M. V. Rao	Mumbai	Central To you Since 1911
Indian Bank	Shanti Lal Jain	Chennai	Your Own Bank,
Indian Overseas Bank	Ajay Kumar Srivastava	Chennai	Good people to grow with
Punjab & Sind Bank	Swarup Kumar Saha	New Delhi	Where Service Is A Way Of Life
Punjab National Bank	Atul Kumar Goel	New Delhi	The Name you can Bank Upon
State Bank of India	Dinesh kumar khara (Chairman) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C.S. Setty (MD) • Swaminathan Janakiraman (MD) • Ashwini Kumar Tewari (MD) • Alok Kumar Choudhary (MD) 	Mumbai	With you all the way, Pure Banking Nothing Else, The Nation's banks on us, The Banker To Every Indian You Can Always Bank On Us
UCO Bank	Ashwani Kumar	Kolkata	Honors Your Trust
Union Bank of India	Manimekhalai	Mumbai	Good people to bank with

Private & foreign Bank

Bank name	Headquarter	Head/ CEO/ MD	Tagline
Axis Bank	Mumbai	Mr Amitabh Choudhary	Badhti Ka Naam Zindagi
Bandhan Bank	Kolkata	Mr Chandra Shekhar Ghosh	Aapka Bhala, Sabki Bhalai
Catholic Syrian Bank	Thrissur, Kerala	Pralay Mondal	Support All the Way
City Union Bank	Tamil Nadu	Dr.N Kamakodi	Trust and Excellence
Corporation Bank	Mangalore	P.V. Bharathi	Prosperity for All, A Premier Public Sector Bank
Development Credit Bank	Mumbai	Murali M Natarajan	We value you
Dhanlaxmi Bank	Thrissur, Kerala	JK Sivan	Tann. Mann. Dhan
ECGC Bank	Mumbai	M. Senthilnathan	You focus on exports. We cover the risks.
Federal Bank	Kerala	Shri Shyam Srinivasan	Your Perfect Banking Partner
HDFC bank	Mumbai	Mr Sashidhar Jagdishan	We Understand Your World
HSBC	London	Noel Quinn	Together We Thrive
ICICI Bank	Mumbai	Mr Sandeep Bakshi	Khayal Apka
IDBI Bank	Mumbai	Rakesh Sharma	Banking For All, "Aao Sochein Bada", Bank Aisa Dost Jaisa
IDFC First Bank	Mumbai	Mr.V.Vaidyanathan	Always You First
IndusInd Bank	Maharashtra	Shri Sumant Kathpalia	We Care Dil Se, We Make You Feel Richer
ING Vysya Bank	Banglore	Uday Sareen (MD & CEO)	Jiyo Easy
Jammu & Kashmir Bank	Sri Nagar	Baldev Prakash	Serving To Empower
Karnataka Bank	Mangaluru, Karnataka	Shri Srikrishnan Hari Hara Sarma	Your Family Bank Across India
Karur Vysya Bank	Karur, Tamil Nadu	Shri Ramesh Bobu	Smart Way to Bank
Kotak Mahindra Bank	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Shri Uday Kotak	Let's Make Money Simple, Ab Kona Kona Kotak

Lakshmi Vilas Bank is now DBS Bank	Singapore	Surojit Shome (MD & CEO)	Live more, Bank less
Nanital Bank	Nanital, Uttrakhand	Nikhil Mohan (MD and CEO)	Banking With Personal Touch
Ratnakar Bank (Now RBL Bank)	Mumbai, Maharashtra	R Subramaniakumar	Apno ka Bank
South Indian Bank	Thrissur, Kerala	Murali Ramakrishnan	Experience Next Generation Banking
Vijaya Bank	Bangalore	Shri R.A. Sankara Narayanan	A Friend You Can Bank upon
Yes Bank Ltd	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Prashant kumar	Experience Our Expertise

Chapter 22- List of Chief Minister and Governor

State and U.T.	Chief Minister	Governor
Andhra Pradesh	Jagan Reddy	S. Abdul Nazeer
Andaman & Nicobar (UT)	U.T	Admiral (Retd) Devendra Kumar Joshi
Arunachal Pradesh	Shri Pema Khandu	Lt. General Kaiwalya Trivikram Parnaik
Assam	Sri Himanta Biswa Sarma	Gulab Chand Kataria
Bihar	Shri Nitish Kumar	Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar
Chandigarh (UT)	U.T	Banwarilal Purohit
Chhatisgarh	Shri Bhupesh Baghel	Justice (Retd) Biswa Bhusan Harichandan
Dadra and Nagar Haveli (UT) and Daman and Diu (UT)	U.T	Shri Praful Patel
Delhi (NCT)	Shri Arvind Kejriwal	Vinai Kumar Saxena (LG)
Goa	Shri Pramod Sawant	PS Sreedharan Pillai
Gujarat	Bhupendra Patel	Acharya Dev Vrat
Haryana	Shri Manohar Lal	Bandaru Dattatraya
Himachal Pradesh	Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu	Shiv Pratap Shukla
Jammu and Kashmir (UT)		Manoj Sinha (Lt. governor)

Jharkhand	Hemant Soren	C P Radhakrishnan
Kerala	Shri Pinarayi Vijayan	Aarif Muhammad
Lakshadweep (UT)	U.T	Praful patel
Madhya pradesh	Shivraj Singh Chouhan	Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel
Maharashtra	Eknath Shinde	Ramesh Bais
Manipur	Shri Nongthombam Biren Singh	Anusuiya Uikye
Laddak (UT)		Brig (Dr) B D Mishra (Retd)
Meghalya	Conrad Sangma	Phagu Chauhan
Mizoram	Pu Zoramthanga	Hari Babu Kambhampati ,
Nagaland	Shri. Neiphiu Rio	La. Ganesan
Odisha	Shri Naveen Patnaik	Shri Ganeshi Lal
Puducherry (UT)	N Rangasamy	Tamilisai Soundararajan (additional charge)
Punjab	Bhagwant Mann	Banwarilal Purohit
Rajasthan	Shri Ashok Gehlot	Kalraj Mishra
Sikkim	Prem Singh Tamang	Lakshman Prasad Acharya
Tamil Nadu	MK Stalin	R.N Ravi
Telangana	Shri K Chandrasekhar Rao	Tamilisai Soundararajan
Tripura	Manik Saha	Satyadev Narayan Arya
Uttar Pradesh	Shri Yogi Aadityanath	Anandiben Patel
Uttarakhand	Pushkar Singh Dhami	Gurmit Singh
West Bengal	Km. Mamata Banerjee	C V Ananda Bose
Karnataka	Siddaramaiah	Thawarchand Gehlot

Chapter 23- List of Cabinet ministers and Constituency

<p>Shri Narendra Modi</p> <p>Constituency: Varanasi, UP</p>	<p>Prime Minister and also in-charge of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; Department of Atomic Energy; Department of Space; All important policy issues; and All other portfolios not allocated to any Minister
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Cabinet Ministers 2023

<p>Shri Raj Nath Singh</p> <p>Constituency: Lucknow, UP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Defence
<p>Shri Amit Shah</p> <p>Constituency: Gandhi Nagar, GUJARAT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Home Affairs; and Minister of Cooperation
<p>Shri Nitin Jairam Gadkari</p> <p>Constituency: Nagpur, MAHARASHTRA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Road Transport and Highways
<p>Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman</p> <p>Constituency: Rajya Sabha (Karnataka)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Finance; and Minister of Corporate Affairs
<p>Shri Narendra Singh Tomar</p> <p>Constituency: Morena, MP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
<p>Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar</p> <p>Constituency: Rajya Sabha, Gujarat</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of External Affairs
<p>Shri Arjun Munda</p> <p>Constituency: Khunti (Jharkhand)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Tribal Affairs
<p>Smt. Smriti Zubin Irani</p> <p>Constituency: Amethi, UP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Women and Child Development Minister of Minority Affairs
<p>Shri Piyush Goyal</p> <p>Constituency: Rajya Sabha, MAHARASHTRA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Commerce and Industry; Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; and Minister of Textiles
<p>Shri Dharmendra Pradhan</p> <p>Constituency: Rajya Sabha, MP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Education

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
Shri Prahlad Joshi Constituency: Dharwad, KARNATKA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Parliamentary Affairs; Minister of Coal; and Minister of Mines
Shri Narayan Tatu Rane Constituency: Rajya Sabha, Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
Shri Sarbananda Sonowal Constituency: Majuli, Assam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways; and Minister of AYUSH
Dr. Virendra Kumar Constituency: Tikamgarh, MP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Social Justice and empowerment
Shri Giriraj Singh Constituency: Begusarai	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Rural Development; and Minister of Panchayati Raj
Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia Constituency: Rajya Sabha Guna(MP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Civil Aviation Minister of Steel
Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw Constituency: Rajya Sabha, Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Railways; Minister of Communications; and Minister of Electronics and Information Technology
Shri Pashu Pati Kumar Paras Constituency: Hajipur (Bihar)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Food Processing Industries
Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat Constituency: Jodhpur, Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Jal Shakti
Shri Kiren Rijju Constituency: Arunachal West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Earth Sciences
Shri Raj Kumar Singh Constituency : Arrah (Bihar)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Power; and Minister of New and Renewable Energy
Shri Hardeep Singh Puri Constituency: Rajya Sabha from UP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas; and Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs
Shri Mansukh Mandaviya Constituency: Rajya Sabha (Gujarat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Health and Family Welfare; and Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers
Shri Bhupender Yadav Constituency: Rajya Sabha (Rajasthan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change; and Minister of Labour and Employment

Dr. Mahendra Nath Pandey Constituency: Chandauli (UP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Heavy Industries •
Shri Parshottam Rupala Constituency: Rajya Sabha (Gujarat)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
Shri G. Kishan Reddy Constituency: Secunderabad (AP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Culture; • Minister of Tourism; and • Minister of Development of North Eastern Region
Shri Anurag Singh Thakur Constituency: Hamirpur (HP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of Information and Broadcasting; and • Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports

Ministers of State (Independent Charge)

Rao Inderjit Singh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation; • Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Planning; and • Minister of State in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs
Dr. Jitendra Singh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences; • Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office; • Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions; • Minister of State in the Department of Atomic Energy; and • Minister of State in the Department of Space

Ministers of State

Shri Shripad Yesso Naik	Minister of State in the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism
Shri Faggansingh Kulaste	Minister of State in the Ministry of Steel; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development
Shri Prahalad Singh Patel	Minister of State in the Ministry of Jal Shakti; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Food Processing Industries

Shri Ashwini Kumar Choubey	Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
General (Retd.) V. K. Singh	Minister of State in the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Civil Aviation
Shri Krishan Pal	Minister of State in the Ministry of Power; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Heavy Industries
Shri Danve Raosaheb Dadarao	Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways; Minister of State in the Ministry of Coal; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Mines
Shri Ramdas Athawale	Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Sadhvi Niranjana Jyoti	Minister of State in the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Rural Development
Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
Shri Nityanand Rai	Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs
Shri Pankaj Chaowdhary	Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance
Smt. Anupriya Singh Patel	Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Prof. S. P. Singh Baghel	Minister of State in the Ministry of Law and Justice
Shri Rajeev Chandrasekhar	Minister of State in the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
Sushri Shobha Karandlaje	Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Shri Bhanu Pratap Singh Verma	Minister of State in the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises
Smt. Darshana Vikram Jardosh	Minister of State in the Ministry of Textiles; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Railways
Shri V. Muraleedharan	Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs
Smt. Meenakashi Lekhi	Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Culture
Shri Som Parkash	Minister of State in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Smt. Renuka Singh Saruta	Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs
Shri Rameswar Teli	Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Labour and Employment
Shri Kailash Choudhary	Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
Smt. Annpurna Devi	Minister of State in the Ministry of Education

Shri A. Narayanaswamy	Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Shri Kaushal Kishore	Minister of State in the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
Shri Ajay Bhatt	Minister of State in the Ministry of Defence; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Tourism
Shri B. L. Verma	Minister of State in the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Cooperation
Shri Ajay Kumar	Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs
Shri Devusinh Chauhan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Communications
Shri Bhagwanth Khuba	Minister of State in the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
Shri Kapil Moreshwar Patil	Minister of State in the Ministry of Panchayati Raj
Sushri Pratima Bhoumik	Minister of State in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment
Dr. Subhas Sarkar	Minister of State in the Ministry of Education
Dr. Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad	Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance
Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh	Minister of State in the Ministry of External Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Education
Dr. Bharati Pravin Pawar	Minister of State in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Shri Bishweswar Tudu	Minister of State in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Jal Shakti
Shri Shantanu Thakur	Minister of State in the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways
Dr. Munjapara Mahendrabhai	Minister of State in the Ministry of Women and Child Development; and Minister of State in the Ministry of AYUSH
Shri John Barla	Minister of State in the Ministry of Minority Affairs
Dr. L. Murugan	Minister of State in the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting
Shri Nisith Pramanik	Minister of State in the Ministry of Home Affairs; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

Chapter 24-List of Indian Union Secretaries

- Defence Secretary- **Giridhar Aramane**
- Home secretary-**Ajay Kumar Bhalla**
- Revenue secretary- **Sanjay Malhotra**
- Cabinet secretary- **Rajiv Gauba**
- Principal Secretary to PM- **Dr. P. K. Mishra**
- Power Secretary of India — **Shri Pankaj Agarwal**
- Health Secretary of India — **Sudhansh Pant**
- Corporate Affairs Secretary — **Rajesh Verma**
- Joint Secretary of Ministry of New & Renewable Energy — **Dinesh Dayanand Jagdale**
- Expenditure Secretary of India — **T. V. Somanathan**

- Foreign Secretary of India — **Vinay Mohan Kwatra**
- Economic Affairs Secretary — **Ajay Seth**
- Secretary of Parliamentary Affairs — **Shri Gudey Srinivas**
- Secretary of Department of Public Enterprises — **Ali Raza Rizvi**
- Secretary in the Ministry of Tribal Affairs — **Anil Kumar Jha**

Chapter 25: GDP Forecasting

Organization	FY23 (2022-23)	FY24 (2023-24)
Fitch	7.2%	6.3%
HSBC Bank		5.8%
RBI forecasted	6.8%	6.5%,
Moody	6.8%	6.1% (6.3% FY25)
Asian Development Bank (ADB)	7%	6.4% (6.7% FY25)
World Bank	6.9%	6.3%
<u>World Economic Outlook released by International Monetary Fund (IMF)</u>	7.2%	6.1% (6.3% 2024-25)
FICCI	6.9%	6%
Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)	7.2%	6% (7% FY24)
UNCTAD	6.6% (2022)	6% (2023)
Goldman Sachs		6.3% (2023)
CRISIL	7%	6%
UN (United Nation)	6.6% (2022)	5.8%-2023 6.7%-2024
Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)	7.2%	6.5-6.7%
India Ratings & Research (Ind-Ra)	6.9%	5.9%
Economy Survey	7%	6.5%
National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER)	7.4%	6.5%
Standard & Poor's (S&P)	7.2%	6.7% (6.9% in FY25 and FY26.)
ICRA	6.9%	6%
State Bank of India (SBI)	7.1%	between 6.2% and 6.3%.
Morgan Stanley	7%	6.4%
CARE Ratings	7%	6.5%
Normura		5.9% -2023
UBS	6.9%	5.5%

National Statistical Office (NSO)	7%	
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Chapter 26: Important MoU

March

MoU	Between Which Countries
Signed an MoU for a semiconductor Supply Chain and Innovation Partnership following the Commercial Dialogue 2023.	India with the United States
Signed a contract for procurement of six Dornier-228 aircraft at a cost of ₹667 crore.	The defence ministry for the Indian Air Force (IAF) from Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
Signed an MoU to facilitate financing under e-NWR (Electronic Negotiable Warehousing Receipt).	Punjab National Bank with Central Warehousing Corporation (CWC)
Signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MoC) to strengthen cooperation and promote research networking between research institutions from both countries.	India and Sweden
Signed an MoU to boost last-mile e-commerce delivery services across India.	India Post with Shiprocket
Signed MoU to explore prospects of importing and handling of ethane and other hydrocarbons.	GAIL (India) with Shell Energy India Private Ltd
Signed an MoU for setting up Green Hydrogen Projects in its establishments on Build, Own, and Operate (BOO) model.	NTPC Renewable Energy Ltd with Indian Army
Signed an MoU for Rs 817.12 crore project. to develop better sewerage facilities in five towns of the state viz. Manali, Bilaspur, Palampur, Nahar and Karsog and to improve drinking water supply in Manali and Palampur towns.	Himachal Pradesh with the French Development Agency Agence Francaise de Development (AFD)

April

MoU	Between Which Countries
Signed a strategic MoU for various financial products and offerings.	State Bank of India (SBI) with Godrej Capital
Signed an MoU to develop a touchless biometric capture system for easier use, anytime and anywhere.	The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) with the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay (IIT-Bombay).
Signed an MoU to facilitate seamless and efficient entry process for vehicles entering into the forest area.	National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) with the Nagarjunasagar-Srisailem Tiger Reserve, spread across Andhra Pradesh and Telangana
Signed an MoU aims to develop scientific and academic cooperation and scientific research to promote relations and mutual understanding between NCDR and the Centre of Excellence in Disaster Mitigation and Management (CoEDMM) of IIT Roorkee	Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee (IIT Roorkee) with the National Science and Technology Centre for Disaster Reduction (NCDR), Taiwan

May

MoU	Between Which Countries
Signed an MoU to accelerate solid waste and used water management.	The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs with RITES Limited
Signed an MoU on Industrial Research and Development Cooperation with focus on several key technology areas.	India with Israel
Signed an MoU to jointly manufacture and develop business for electro-mechanical bollards for use in various defence, homeland security, paramilitary, and export projects.	Bharat Electronics Ltd (BEL) with Emjay Control Systems
Signed an MoU for collaborative and cooperative momentum on health research in the field of Integrated Medicine.	Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) with AYUSH Ministry
Signed an MoU to collaborate in renewable energy and generation of green hydrogen	NTPC Green Energy Ltd with HPCL Mittal Energy Ltd
Signing an MoU that seeks to provide crucial support to the startups incubated at SIIC.	The Startup Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC) at the IIT Kanpur with YES Bank
Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate towards enhancing the tourism landscape of both Goa and Uttarakhand.	The governments of Goa and Uttarakhand
Entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to enhance the skills and employability of students in Higher Education Institutions in Odisha.	The Odisha Government's Higher Education Department with Infosys Limited and Nasscom

June

MoU	Between Which Countries
Signed an MoU to facilitate the return of dropouts to educational institutions	Meghalaya government with the National Institute of Open Schooling
Signed an MoU to train students and educators at government-led Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and National Skills Training Institutions (NSTIs)	Microsoft with the Directorate General of Training (DGT), Ministry of Skills Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE)
Signed an MoU for the development of Pumped Storage schemes and other Renewable Energy (RE) source projects in the state.	State-run NHPC with the Department of Energy, Maharashtra
Signed an MoU for providing financial solutions to MSMEs.	Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) with HDFC Bank
Signed an MoU to combine strengths and create synergy between the two organizations for guiding the farmers on scientific cultivation of different crops for optimum yield and income.	Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi with Amazon Kisan
Signed an MoU to produce fighter jet engines for the Indian Air Force (IAF).	American firm General Electric with India's state-run Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)
Signed a Mutual Recognition Arrangement for Authorized Economic Operators	India with United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to foster the growth of Self-Help Groups (SHGs) in the State and provide them with vital financial support.	Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) with the Tamil Nadu State Rural Livelihood Mission (TNSRLM)
Signed an MoU to create a startup ecosystem for the youth in the northeastern state.	Paytm Payment Services Limited (PPSL) with Arunachal Pradesh Innovation and Investment Park (APIIP)
Signed an MoU for a semiconductor assembly and test facility at Sanand in Ahmedabad district.	The Gujarat government with American chipmaker firm Micron Technology

July

MoU	Between Which Countries
Signed an MoU to foster academic collaboration and promote research initiatives.	The University of Jaffna has signed an MoU with IIT Madras
Signed an MoU for cooperation in unmanned aircraft systems and innovative air mobility.	Indian aviation regulator Directorate General of Civil Aviation with the European aviation regulator European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA)
Signed an MoU to establish a campus of IIT Madras in Zanzibar.	IIT Madras with the Ministry of Education and Vocational Training (MoEVT) of Zanzibar-Tanzania
Signed a protocol document to extend the current MoU on cooperation in personnel management and public administration until 2028	India with Singapore
Signed six MoUs for the mangrove plantation under the MISTHI (Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitats & Tangible Incomes) Scheme.	The Gujarat government with private industries
Signed an MoU to establish the institutional framework for their ongoing cooperation in the field of election management and administration.	The Election Commission of India with the Electoral Tribunal (ET) of Panama
Signed an MoU to foster collaboration in spacecraft launch and deployment opportunities on board NSIL's Small Satellite Launch Vehicle (SSLV) and Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV).	Voyager Space with New Space India Limited (NSIL)
Signed an MoU for mutual assistance and cooperation to increase mobilization of global sustainable capital flows into India.	The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) with Climate Policy Initiative - India (CPI) for mutual assistance and cooperation
Signed an MoU for the construction of three additional submarines under the P75 program.	India and France
Signed two MoUs related to the promotion of local currencies for cross-border transactions and interlinking their payment systems UPI with the Instant Payment Platform (IPP) of UAE.	The Reserve Bank of India and the Central Bank of UAE (CBUAE)
Signed an MoU for planning to establish the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi in Abu Dhabi, which could be the second IIT abroad after Tanzania.	India & UAE
Signed an MoU for setting up a 'satellite network portal site' — a first for India — at Mehsana in Gujarat.	The Gujarat government through its Department of Science and Technology (DST) with OneWeb India Communications Pvt Ltd

Signed an MoU on cooperation in renewable energy and another one for economic development projects in the Trincomalee district of Sri Lanka.	India and Sri Lanka
Signed an MoU to develop a resilient semiconductor supply chain.	India & Japan
Signed MoU to build capacity/skills in international affairs and foreign policy.	The Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati with the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA)
Signed an MoU to provide financial assistance to selected beneficiaries under the Scheme for Financial Assistance for Veteran Artists	Ministry of Culture with Canara Bank
Signed an MoU to transform 36 government ITIs into an Industry 4.0 Technology Hub.	The Chhattisgarh government worth Rs 1,188.36 crore with Tata Technologies
Signs MoU for bilateral exchange of young researchers and Startups, particularly in the field of Biotechnology and Agriculture.	India and Argentina
Signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to expand employment opportunities for the youth, reported Khalsa Vox.	The Punjab government with British Council Education India Pvt Limited (BCEIPL)
Signed an MoU to provide credit to micro-enterprises operating primarily in the unorganized sector facing challenges in accessing formal credit sources.	Dvara KGFS with private sector lender HDFC Bank
Signed five MoUs in education, health, water facility, and IT	India with Laos for Quick Impact Projects (QIPs)

August

MoU	Between Which Countries
Set up a governmental working group on sustainability, with a focus on energy investments in biofuels in India	India and Finland
Signed MoUs for fostering collaboration in standardization and conformity assessment	The National Standards Body, the Bureau of Indian Standards with 35 institutions across the country
Signed an MoU for potential collaboration opportunities in Green Hydrogen and derivatives in the Hydrogen Value Chain.	Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) with Greenstat Hydrogen India Pvt. Ltd.
Signed an MoU to commence a knowledge partnership with a focus on evidence-based policy formulation and its impact in the State.	The Indian School of Business (ISB's) Bharti Institute of Public Policy with the Goa government
For sharing the India Stack, which is a collection of open application programming interfaces and digital public goods for identity.	India with Trinidad and Tobago

Part 2- Static GK

Chapter 1: Dams in India

State	DAM and Location
Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RanapratapSagar Dam(Chambal River), at Rawatbhata • Mahi Bajaj Sagar Dam (Mahi River) at Banswara district • Bisalpur Dam (Banas River), At Tonk district
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Srisailem Dam(Krishna River), at Kurnool district • Somasila Dam (Penna River), at Nellore district • Prakasam Barrage (Krishna River), at Krishna and Guntur • Tatipudi Reservoir(River Gosthani), at Tatipudi, Vizianagaram • Gandipalem Reservoir (River Penner) • Dummaguden Dam (river Godavari)
Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nagarjuna Sagar Dam (Krishna river), at Nagarjuna Sagar Nalgonda • Sri Ram Sagar (River Godavari) • Nizam Sagar Dam (Manjira River) • Ramagundam dam (Godavari), in KarimnagarR • Dindi Reservoir (River Krishna), at Dindi, Mahabubnagar town • Lower Manair Dam (Manair River) • Singur Dam (river Manjira)
Bihar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kohira Dam (Kohira River), at Kaimur district • Nagi Dam (Nagi River), in Jamui District
Chhattisgarh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HasdeoBango Dam (Hasdeo River), at Korba district
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SardarSarovar Dam(Narmada river), at Navagam • Ukai Dam(Tapti River), at Ukai in Tapi district • Kadana Dam(Mahi River), at Panchmahal district • Karjan Reservoir (Karjan river), at Jitgadh village of Nanded Taluka, Dist. Narmada
Himachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhakra Dam (Sutlej River) in Bilaspur • The Pong Dam (Beas River) • The Chamera Dam (River Ravi) at Chamba district
J & K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salal Dam (Chenab River) at Reasi district • Baglihar Dam (Chenab River) at Doda district
Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Maithon Dam (Barakar River) at Dhanbad • Panchet Dam (Damodar River) at Panchet in Dhanbad • Tenughat Dam (Damodar River) at Bokaro district
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Krishna Raja Sagara Dam at Mandya • Tungabhadra Dam (Tungabhadra River) near the town of Hospet • Bhadra Dam (Bhadra River) at border of Bhadravathi and Tarikere • Linganamakki dam (Sharavathi river) at Kargal village of Sagara taluk • Malaprabha dam (Malaprabha river) at Belgaum • Raja Lakhamagouda dam (Ghataprabha River) at Belagavi district • Hemavathy Dam (river Hemavathy) at Gorur, near the city of Hassan • Supa Dam (Kali river) at Uttara Kannada district • Lakya Dam (river Lakhya) • Almatti Dam (Krishna River) at Bijapur district

Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kakki Reservoir (Pamba River) at Pathanamthitta district • The Idukki Dam (Periyar River) at Kuravan and Kuravathi • Cheruthoni Dam (Periyar River) at Idukki District • Kulamavu Dam (Periyar river) Kulamavu, Idukki District • Idamalayar Dam (Idamalayar River) At Ernakulam District
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gandhi Sagar Dam(Chambal River) at Mandsaur District • Tawa Reservoir(Tawa Reservoir) at Hoshangabad District • Indira Sagar Dam(Narmada River) at Narmada Nagar
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Koyna Dam(Koyna River) at Koyna Nagar • Jaykwadi Dam (Godavari River) at Aurangabad district • Isapur Dam (Penganga river) at Pusad • Totladoh dam (Pench river) at Nagpur • Warna Dam (Warna River) at Kolhapur District • Bhatsa Dam (Bhatsa river) at Shahapur, Thane district
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hirakud Dam (Mahanadi River) at Sambalpur District • Rengali Dam(Brahmani River) at Angul district • Indravati Dam(Indravati River) at Nabarangpur • The Jalaput Dam(Machkund River) at boundary between the states of Odisha and Andhra Pradesh • Mandira dam(Sankh river) at Kansbahal in Sundergarh district
Punjab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ranjit Sagar Dam (Ravi River) at Border of two states of India Jammu and Kashmir and Punjab.
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mettur Dam (river Cauvery) at Mettur, Salem District • Solaiyar Dam at Coimbatore district • Bhavanisagar Dam (Bhavani river) at Erode district
Uttarakhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ramganga Dam (Ramganga River) at Pauri Garhwal district • Jamrani Dam(Gola River) at Nainital District • The Tehri Dam(Bhagirathi River) at Tehri
Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rihand Dam or GovindBallabh Pant Sagar (Rihand River) at Pipri in Sonbhadra District • Matatila Dam (River Betwa) at Lalitpur District • The Rajghat Dam (Betwa River) at Lalitpur
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mukutmanipur Dam (Kansabati River) at Bankura district

Chapter 2: FOLK DANCE

States/UT	Folk Dance
Jharkhand	Chhanu, Sarahul, Jat-Jatin, Karma, Danga, Bidesia, Sohrai.
Uttarakhand	Gadhwali, Kumayuni, Kajari, Jhora, Raslila, Chappeli.
Andra Pradesh	Kuchipudi (Classical), Ghantamardala, (Ottam Thedal, Mohiniattam, Kummi, Siddhi, Madhuri, Chhadi.
Chhattisgarh	Goudi, Karma, Jhumar, Dagla, Pali, Tapali, Navrani, Diwari, Mundari.
Arunachal Pradesh	Mask dance (Mukhauta Nritya), War dance.
Himachal Pradesh	Jhora, Jhali, Chharhi, Dhaman, Chhapeli, Mahasu, Nati, Dangi, Chamba, Thali, Jhainta, Daf, Stick dance etc.
Goa	Mandi, Jhagor, Khol, Dakni etc.
Assam	Bihu, Bichhua, Natpuja, Maharas, Kaligopal, Bagurumba, Naga dance, Khel Gopal, Tabal Chongli, Canoe, Jhumura Hobjanai etc.
West Bengal	Kathi, Gambhira, Dhali, Jatra, Baul, Marasia, Mahal, Keertan etc.
Kerala	Kathakali (Classical), Ottam Thulal, Mohini-attam, Kaikottikali, Tappatikali, Kali Auttam, Kutiyattam (Koodiyattam)
Meghalaya	Laho, Baala etc.
Manipur	Manipuri (Classical), Rakhal, Nat Rash, Maha Rash, Raukhat etc.
Nagaland	Chong, Khaiva, Lim, Nuralim etc.
Orissa	Odissi (Classical), Savari, Ghumara, Painka, Munari, Chhau, Chadya Dandanata etc.
Maharashtra	Lavani, Nakata, Koli, Lezim, Gafa, Dahikala Dasavtar or Bohada, Tamasha, Mauni, Powara, Gouricha etc.
Karnataka	Yakshagan, huttar, Suggi, Kunitha, Karga, Lambi
Gujarat	Garba, Dandiya Ras, Tippani Juriun, Bhavai.
Punjab	Bhagra, Giddha, Daff, Dhaman etc.
Rajasthan	Ghumar, Chakri, Ganagor, Jhulan Leela, Jhuma, Suisini, Ghapal, Panihari, Ginad etc.
Mizoram	Khanatm, Pakhupila, Cherokan etc.
Jammu & Kashmir	Rauf, Hikar, Mandjas, kud Dandi nach, Damali.
Tamil Nadu	Bharatnatyam, Kumi, Kolattam, Kavadi,
Uttar Pradesh	Nautanki, Raslila, Kajri, Jhora, Chappeli, Jaita.
Bihar	Jata-Jatin, Bakho-Bakhain, Panwariya, Sama-Chakwa, Bidesia, Jatra etc.
Haryana	Jhumar, Phag Dance, Daph, Dhamal, Loor, Gugga, Khor, Gagor etc.

Chapter 3: List of International & Domestic Airport: State wise

State	Airport
New Delhi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport

Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaja International Airport (Mumbai) • Pune Airport (Pune) • Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar International Airport (Nagpur) • Akola Airport (Akola) • Aurangabad Airport (Aurangabad) • Jalgaon Airport (Nashik) • Chhatrapati Rajaram Maharaj Airport (Kolhapur) • Gandhinagar Airport (Nashik) • Solapur Airport (Solapur)
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kempegowda International Airport (Bengaluru) • Mangalore Airport (Mangaluru) • Belgaum Airport (Belgaum) • Hubli Airport (Hubli and Dharwad) • Mysore Airport/ Mandakalli airport (Mysore) • Jindal Vijaynagar Airport (Toranagallu)
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chennai International Airport (Chennai) • Tiruchirappalli International Airport (Tiruchirappalli) • Coimbatore International Airport (Coimbatore)
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport (Ahmedabad, Hansol) • Vadodara Airport (Vadodara) • Kandla Airport (Kandla and Anjar) • Porbandar Airport (Rajkot) • Surat Airport (Surat)
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cochin International Airport (Kochi) • Calicut International Airport (Karipur) • Trivandrum International Airport (Trivandrum, Nagercoil, Kanyakumari and Kollam)
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biju Patnaik International Airport (Bhubaneswar Airport) • Jharsuguda Airport Also known as Veer Surendra Sai Airport (Durlaga)
Jammu and Kashmir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sheikh ul-Alam International Airport (Srinagar) • The Jammu Airport, officially known as Jammu Civil Enclave (Jammu)
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rajmata Vijaya Raje Scindia Air Terminal (Maharajpur Air Force Station Gwalior) • Dumna Airport (Jabalpur) • The Khajuraho Airport (Chhattarpur district) • Khandwa Airport (Khandwa) • Raja Bhoj Airport (Bhopal)
Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Birsa Munda Airport (Ranchi) • Dhanbad Airport (Dhanbad) • Sonari Airport (in Jamshedpur) • Atal Bihari Vajpayee Airport (at Deoghar)

Himachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kangra Airport (Gaggal near Kangra) • Shimla Airport (Shimla) • Kullu–Manali Airport (Bhuntar)
Daman and Diu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diu Airport (Union Territory of Daman and Diu.)
Chhattisgarh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jagdalpur Airport (Jagdalpur) • Swami Vivekananda Airport (Raipur)
Arunachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tezu Airport (Tezu) • Daporijo Airport (Daporijo)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visakhapatnam Airport (Visakhapatnam) • Vijayawada Airport • Kadapa (Cuddapah) Airport (Kadapa)
Assam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (Guwahati) • Dibrugarh Airport (Dibrugarh) • Rupsi Airport (Dhubri town)
Punjab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chandigarh International Airport (Mohali) • Sri Guru Ram Das Ji International Airport (Amritsar)
Bihar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jay Prakash Narayana International Airport (At PATNA)\ • Gaya Airport (at Gaya)
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Veer Savarkar International Airport (Port Blair)
Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport (Varanasi) • Chaudhary Charan Singh International Airport (Lucknow)
Goa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goa International Airport also known as the Dabolim airport (at Vasco da Gama)
Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rajiv Gandhi International Airport (Hyderabad)
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose International Airport (Kolkata)
Uttrakhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Atal Bihari Vajpayee Airport (at Dehradun)

Chapter 4: International borders / Boundary lines

Borders/Boundary Lines	Between two Countries
Durand Line	Afghanistan & Pakistan

Hindenburg Line	Germany & Poland.
Mason-dixon Line	Line of demarcation between four states in the United States.
Mannerheim Line	Russia-Finland border.
Macmahon Line	India & China
Medicine Line	Canada & the United States
Order-neisse Line	Poland & Germany
Radcliffe Line	India & Pakistan.
Siegfried Line	Germany on its border with France.
17th Parallel	North Vietnam & South Vietnam
26th Parallel south	Africa, Australia & South America
30TH PARALLEL	Equator & the North Pole
38th Parallel	Separates North Korea&South Korea.
42nd Parallel north	New York - Pennsylvania Border.
49th Parallel	USA&Canada

Chapter 5: International Organizations & Headquarter

Headquarter	International Organizations (Establishment)
New York, US	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations Organization (UN), 24 October 1945 • United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), 11 December 1946 • United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA), 1969
Geneva, Switzerland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations Conference on Trade & Development (UNCTAD), 30 December 1964 • World Health Organization (WHO), 7 April 1948 • World Economic Forum, January 1971 • International Labour Organisation (ILO), 29 October 1919 • World Trade Organisation, 1 January 1995 • World Meteorological Organisation, 23 March 1950 • World Intellectual Property Organisation, 14 July 1967

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Committee of the Red Cross, 17 February 1863
Paris, France	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations Education Scientific & Cultural Organisation (UNESCO), 16 November 1945 • Organisation for Economic Cooperation & Development (OECD), 30 September 1961
Vienna, Austria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO), 17 November 1966 • International Atomic Agency, 29 July 1957 • Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), September 1960
London, UK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amnesty International, July 1961 • International Maritime Organisation, 17 March 1948 • Commonwealth of Nations, 11 December 1931
Washington DC, US	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Monetary Fund (IMF), 27 December 1945 • World Bank, July 1944
Shanghai, China	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Development Bank (BRICS Development Bank), 15 July 2014
Beijing, China	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), 16 January 2016
Manila, Philippines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asian Development Bank (ADB), 19 December 1966
Kathmandu, Nepal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC), 8 December 1985
Jakarta, Indonesia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Association of South East Nations (ASEAN), 8 August 1967
Singapore	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), November 1989
Brussels, Belgium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), 4 April 1949
Dubai, UAE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Cricket Council (ICC), 15 June 1909
Rome, Italy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food & Agricultural Organisation (FAO), 16 October 1945
The Hague, The Netherland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Court of Justice, 26 June 1945
Lausanne, Switzerland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Olympic Committee, 23 June 1894
Zurich, Switzerland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), 21 May 1904

The Hague, The Netherlands	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW), 29 April 1997
Gland, Switzerland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF), 29 April 1961

Chapter 6: List of Lake

Name of the State	Name of the Lake
▪ Andhra Pradesh	▪ Kolleru Lake
	▪ Pulicat Lake
▪ Assam	▪ Chandubi Lake
	▪ Chapanal Lake
	▪ Haflong Lake
	▪ Son Beel Lake
	▪ Kanwar Lake
▪ Bihar	▪ Kanwar Lake
	▪ Hamirsar Lake
▪ Gujarat	▪ Kankaria Lake
	▪ Lakhota Lake
	▪ Sursagar Lake
	▪ Thol Lake
	▪ Vastrapur Lake
	▪ Brighu Lake
	▪ Dashair and Dhankar Lake
	▪ Kareri and Kumarwah lake
	▪ Khajjiar Lake
	▪ Macchial Lake
▪ Manimahesh Lake	
▪ Himachal Pradesh	▪ Nako Lake
	▪ Pandoh Lake
	▪ Prashar Lake
	▪ Renuka Lake
	▪ Rewalsar Lake
	▪ Seruvalsar and Manimahesh Lake
	▪ Badkhal Lake
	▪ Beauty lake
	▪ Blue Bird Lake
	▪ Brahma Sarovar
	▪ Current lake
	▪ Karna Lake
	▪ Sannihit Sarovar
	▪ Surajkund
	▪ Tilyar Lake
▪ Haryana	▪ Dal Lake
	▪ Manasbal Lake
	▪ Mansar Lake
	▪ Pangong Tso
	▪ Sheshnag Lake
	▪ Tso Moriri
▪ Jammu and Kashmir	▪ Dal Lake
	▪ Manasbal Lake
	▪ Mansar Lake
	▪ Pangong Tso
	▪ Sheshnag Lake

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Karnataka 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agara Lake ▪ Bellandur Lake ▪ Byrasandra Lake ▪ Hebbal Lake ▪ Kempambudhi Lake ▪ Lalbagh Lake ▪ Madiwala Lake ▪ Puttenahalli Lake ▪ Sankey Lake ▪ Ulsoor Lake ▪ Dalavai Lake ▪ Devanoor Lake ▪ Karanji lake ▪ Kukkarahalli lake ▪ Lingambudhi Lake ▪ Honnamana Kere 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Pampa Sarovar 			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Kerala 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ashtamudi Lake ▪ Kuttanad Lake ▪ Maanaanchira, Kozhikode ▪ Manakody Kayal ▪ Padinjarechira, Thrissur city ▪ Paravur Kayal ▪ Punnamada Lake ▪ Shasthamkotta lake ▪ Vadakkechira, Thrissur city ▪ Vanchikulam, Thrissur ▪ Vellayani Lake ▪ Vembanad Lake 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bhoj Wetland 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Madhya Pradesh 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lower Lake ▪ Moti lake ▪ Sarang pani lake ▪ Shahpura lake ▪ Tawa Reservoir 	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Upper Lake 	
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maharashtra 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gorewada Lake ▪ Khindsi Lake ▪ Lonar Lake ▪ Mehrun Lake ▪ Pashan Lake ▪ Powai Lake ▪ Rankala Lake ▪ Salim Ali Lake ▪ Shivasagar lake ▪ Talao Pali ▪ Upvan Lake ▪ Venna Lake
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Umiam Lake
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Meghalaya
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Manipur
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mizoram 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Loktak Lake 		
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Palak dil 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Tam Dil
▪ Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Anshupa Lake ▪ Chilika Lake ▪ Kanjia lake
▪ Punjab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Harike Lake ▪ Kanjli Lake ▪ Ropar Lake
▪ Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ana Sagar Lake ▪ Balsamand lake ▪ Dhebar Lake ▪ Jaisamand Lake ▪ Jal Mahal, Man Sagar lake ▪ Kaylana Lake ▪ Nakki Lake ▪ Pushkar Lake ▪ Rajsamand Lake ▪ Ramgarh Lake ▪ Talwara Lake ▪ Sambhar Salt Lake ▪ Fateh Sagar Lake ▪ Rangsagar lake ▪ Uday sagar Lake
▪ Sikkim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gurudongmar Lake ▪ Khecheopalri Lake ▪ Lake Tsongmo ▪ Lake Cholamu
▪ Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Alwal Cheruvu Lake ▪ Durgam Cheruvu (Secret Lake) ▪ Himayat Sagar ▪ Hussain Sagar ▪ Osman Sagar ▪ Safilguda Lake ▪ Saroornagar Lake ▪ Shamirpet Lake
▪ Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Berijam Lake ▪ Chembarambakkam Lake ▪ Kaliveli Lake ▪ Kaveripakkam Lake ▪ Kodaikanal Lake ▪ Ooty Lake ▪ Perumal Eri ▪ Red Hills Lake ▪ Sholavaram Lake ▪ Singanallur Lake ▪ Veeranam Lake
▪ Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Amakhera Lake ▪ Barua Sagar Tal ▪ Belasagar Lake ▪ Bhadi Tal ▪ Chando Tal Lake

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Keetham Lake ▪ Nachan Tal ▪ Ramgarh Tal Lake ▪ Sheikha Jheel
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Uttarakhand 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Skeleton Lake (Roopkund Lake) ▪ Bhimtal Lake ▪ Dodital ▪ Nainital Lake ▪ Naukuchiatal ▪ Sat Tal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ West Bengal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Debar Lake ▪ East Calcutta Wetlands ▪ Jore Pokhri ▪ Mirik Lake ▪ Rabindra Sarobar ▪ Rasikbil ▪ Santragachhi Lake ▪ Senchal Lake

Chapter 7: List of Important Indian Cities on Rivers banks: River wise

Ganges	Baranagar (West Bengal), Haridwar (Uttarakhand), Kanpur (UP), Patna (Bihar), Varanasi (UP), Mirzapur (UP), Farrukhabad (UP), Fatehgarh (UP), Kannauj (UP), Shuklaganj (UP), Chakeri (UP), Munger (Bihar), Allahabad (UP)
Yamuna	Agra (UP), New Delhi, Auraiya (UP), Etawah (UP), Allahabad (UP)
Saraswati	Patan (Gujarat), Allahabad (UP)
Godavari	Rajahmundry (Andhra Pradesh), Nanded (Maharashtra), Golegaon (Maharashtra), nashik (Maharashtra), Nanded (Maharashtra), Ramagundam (Telangana), Nizamabad (Telangana)
Krishna	Vijayawada (Andhra Pradesh), Sangli (Maharashtra), Karad (Maharashtra), Amaravati (Andhra Pradesh)
Kaveri	Thiruchirapalli (Tamil Nadu), Erode (Tamil Nadu)
Mahanadi	Banki (Odisha), Cuttack (Odisha), Sambalpur (Odisha)
Rushikulya	Brahmapur (Odisha), Chhatrapur (Odisha)
Brahmaputra	Dibrugarh (Assam), Guwahati (Assam)

Hooghly	Kolkata (West Bengal), Murshidabad (West Bengal)
Narmada	Jabalpur (MP), Bharuch (Gujarat)
Chambal	Kota (Rajasthan), Gwalior (MP)
Gomti	Jaunpur (UP), Lucknow (UP)
Sabarmati	Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
Sarayu	Ayodhya (UP)
Alaknanda	Badrinath (Uttarakhand)
Banas	Deesa (Gujarat)
Sutlej Musi	Ferozpur (Punjab) Hyderabad (Telangana)
Tawi	Jammu
Tapi	Surat (Gujarat)
Jhelum	Srinagar
Vishwamitri	Vadodara (Gujarat)
Vrishabhavathi	Bangalore (Karnataka)
Teesta	Rangpo (Sikkim)
Aji	Rajkot (Gujarat)
Netravati, Gurupura	Mangalore (Karnataka)
Rapti	Gorakhpur (UP)
Girna River	Malegaon (Maharashtra)
Brahmani	Rourkela (Odisha)
Tungabhadra	Kurnool (Andhra Pradesh)
Shipra	Ujjain (MP)
Koshi	Purnia (Bihar)
Tunga River	Shimoga (Karnataka)
Bhadra	Bhadravathi (Karnataka)
Mula, Mutha	Pune, (Maharashtra)
Vaigai	Madurai (Tamil Nadu)
Kolhapur	Panchaganga (Maharashtra)
Tungabhadra	Hospet (Karnataka)
Kali	Karwar (Karnataka)
Ghataprabha	Bagalkot (Karnataka)
Sharavathi	Honnavar (Karnataka)
Hathmati	Himmatnagar (Gujarat)
Purna	Navsari (Gujarat)

Chapter 8: List of National Parks of India

State	National Parks
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Papikonda National Park at East Godavari and West Godavari districts of Andhra Pradesh and Khammam district of Telangana. • Sri Venkateswara National Park at Chittoor and Cuddapah districts
Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kasu Brahmananda Reddy National Park in Jubilee Hills in Hyderabad, Telangana • Mahavir Harina Vanasthali National Park at Vanasthalipuram • Mrugavani National Park at Hyderabad district
Arunachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Namdapha National Park at Changlang district • Mouling National Park at Jengging, East Siang
Assam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dibru-Saikhowa National Park at Tinsukia district • Kaziranga National Park at Golaghat and Nagaon districts • Manas National Park or Manas Wildlife Sanctuary at Dist Baksa • Nameri National Park at Sonitpur district • The Orang National Park at Darrang and Sonitpur districts • Dehing Patkai, • Raimona
Bihar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valmiki National Park at West Champaran
Chhattisgarh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indravati National Park at Bijapur district • Kanger valley at Bastar district • Guru Ghasi das (sanjay) at Koriya district
Goa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhagwan Mahavir (Mollem) at Panaji district
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blackbuck (Velavadar) National Park at Bhavnagar district • Gir Forest National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary at Talala Gir • Marine National Park at Jamnagar district • Vansda National Park at Navsari district
Haryana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kalesar National Park at Yamuna nagar district • Sultanpur National Park at Gurgaon district
Himachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pin Valley National Park at Lahaul and Spiti district • The Great Himalayan National Park at Kullu District • Inderkilla National Park at Kullu District • Khirganga National Park at Kullu District • Simbalbara National Park at Sirmour District
Jammu And Kashmir/ Ladakh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dachigam National Park at Srinagar District • Hemis National Park at Ladakh region • Kishtwar National Park at Kishtwar district • Salim Ali National Park at Srinagar district
Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Betla National Park at Latehar District
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandipur National Park at Mysore & Chamarajanagar districts • Bannerghatta National Park at Bangalore district • Kudremukh National Park at Dakshina Kannada, Udupi and Chikmagalur districts • Nagarahole National Park at Kodagu and Mysore districts • Anshi National Park at Uttara Kannada district
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eravikulam National Park at Idukki district • Mathikettan Shola National Park at Idukki district • Periyar National Park at Idukki & Quilon districts • Silent Valley National Park at Palakkad district • Anamudi Shola National Park at Idukki district

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pambadum Shola National Park at Idukki district
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandhavgarh National Park at Bandhavgarh, Tala • Kanha Tiger Reserve at Mandla • Madhav National Park at Shivpuri district • Mandla Plant Fossils National Park at Mandla district • Panna National Park at Panna & Chattarpur district • Pench National Park at Seoni and Chhindwara districts • Sanjay National Park at Koriya, Sidhi and Singrauli districts • Satpura National Park at Hoshangabad district • Van Vihar National Park at Bhopal district
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chandoli National Park at Sangli, Satara, Kolhapur, and Ratnagiri districts • Gugamal National Park at Amravati district • Navegaon National Park at Bhandara (Gondia) district • Sanjay Gandhi (Borivilli) National Park at Thane & Mumbai districts • Tadoba National Park at Chandrapur district • Pench National Park across two states - Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra
Manipur	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keibul Lamjao National Park at Bishnupur district
Meghalaya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balpakram National Park near at Garo Hills • Nokrek National Park at East Garo Hills district
Mizoram	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Murlen National Park at Champhai district • Phawngpui Blue Mountain National Park at Lawngtlai district
Nagaland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intanki National Park at Peren district
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bhitarkanika National Park at Kendrapara district • Simlipal National Park at Mayurbhanj district
Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sariska Tiger Reserve at Alwar district • Ranthambore National Park at Sawai Madhopur district • Mukundra Hills National Park at Kota • Desert National Park at Jaisalmer district • Keoladeo Ghana National Park at Bharatpur district
Sikkim	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Khangchendzonga National Park at North Sikkim district
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mukurthi National Park at Nilgiris district • Mudumalai National Park at Nilgiris district • Indira Gandhi (Anamalai) National Park at Coimbatore district • Guindy National Park at Chennai district • Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park at Ramanathapuram & Tuticorin districts
Tripura	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rajbari National Park • Clouded Leopard National Park at the West Tripura district
UttarPradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dudhwa National park at Lakhimpur-Kheri district
Uttarakhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gangotri National Park at Uttarkashi district • GovindPashuVihar National Park at Uttarkashi district • Jim Corbett National Park at Nainital district • The Nanda Devi National Park at peak of Nanda Devi • Rajaji National Park at Dehradun, Pauri Garhwal • Valley of Flowers National Park at the Chamoli district
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gorumara National Park at Jalpaiguri district • Buxa National Park at Jalpaiguri district • Neora Valley National Park at Kalimpong district • Singalila National Park at Darjeeling district

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jaldapara National Park at Alipurduar District • Sundarbans National Park at North & South 24-Paraganas district
Andaman And Nicobar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park at South Andaman administrative district • Middle Button Island National Park at Andaman district • Mount Harriet National Park at Andaman district • North Button Island National Park at Andaman district • Rani Jhansi Marine National Park at Andaman district • Saddle Peak National Park at Andaman district • South Button Island National Park at Andaman district • Campbell Bay National Park at Nicobar district of Andaman • Galathea National Park at Nicobar district of Andaman

Chapter 9: Nuclear Power Plants in India

Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Narora Atomic Power Station (NAPS) Narora, Bulandshahar District
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kakrapar Atomic Power Station (city of Vyara)
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaiga Generating Station (Uttar Kannada district)
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (Tirunelveli district) • Madras Atomic Power Station (Chennai)
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tarapur Atomic Power Station (T.A.P.S.) Tarapur, Palghar • Jaitapur Nuclear Power Project (Ratnagiri district)
Haryana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Gorakhpur Nuclear Power Plant (Fatehabad district)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kovvada Atomic Power Project
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPP at Mithivirdi (Talaja Taluka, Bhavnagar district)
Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banswara Thermal Power Station
MP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Chutka Nuclear Power Plant (Chutka Village of Mandla district)

Chapter 10: Thermal Power Plants in India

Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Singrauli Super Thermal Power Plant (Shaktinagar in Sonbhadra district), The power plant is the first power plant of NTPC • National Capital Power Station (NCPS) Or NTPC Dadri (Dadri, G.Noida) • Rihand Super Thermal Power Project (at Renukut, Sonbhadra in Sonbhadra district) • Anpara Thermal Power Station (Anpara in Sonbhadra district) • Obra Thermal Power Project (Kanpur district) • Rosa Power Plant (at Rosa village in Shahjahanpur) • Feroze Gandhi Unchahar Thermal Power Plant (Unchahar in Raebareli district)
Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NTPC Ramagundam (at Ramagundam in Peddapalli district)

Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talcher Thermal Power station (Angul district) • Vedanta Jharsuguda Power Station (Jharsuguda town in Jharsuguda district) • Hirakud Power Plant (Sambalpur district)
Chhattisgarh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Korba Super Thermal Power Plant (at Jannipali in Korba district) • Sipat Super Thermal Power Station or Rajiv Gandhi Super Thermal Power Station (at Sipat in Bilaspur district) • The NSPCL Bhilai Power Plant (at Bhilai in Durg district)
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Vindhyachal Thermal Power Station (Singrauli district) • Satpura Thermal Power Plant (Betul district) • Sanjay Gandhi Thermal Power Plant (Umaria district) • Shree Singaji Super Thermal Power Project (Khandwa District) • Amarkantak Thermal Power Plant (Anuppur district)
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farakka Super Thermal Power Plant (at Nabarun in Murshidabad district) • Durgapur Steel Thermal Power Station (Bardhaman district)
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mundra Thermal Power Station or Mundra Thermal Power Project (at Mundra in Kutch district) • Sikka Thermal Power Station (Jamnagar) • Wanakbori Thermal Power Station (in Kheda district) • Ukai Thermal Power Station (located on the bank of the Tapi river. • Gandhinagar Thermal Power Station (bank of Sabarmati river near Gandhinagar) • Hirakud Power Plant (Hirakud in Sambalpur district)
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tiroda Thermal Power Station (at Tirora in Gondia district) • Chandrapur Super Thermal Power Station (in Chandrapur district) • Kaparkheda Thermal Power Station (Nagpur district) • RattanIndia Amravati Thermal Power Project (Amravati district)
Bihar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barauni Thermal Power Station (at Begusarai district)
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bellary Thermal Power station (Kudatini Village, Bellary District) • Udupi Power Plant (north of Mangalore)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simhadri Super Thermal Power Plant (Visakhapatnam district)
Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chhabra Thermal Power Plant (Baran district) • Kota Thermal Power Plant (west bank of the Chambal River near Kota.) • Kalisindh Thermal Power Station (Jhalawar district)
Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bokaro Thermal Power Station B (BTPS - B) , at Bokaro district • Patrata Thermal Power Station (Ramgarh district)

Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Mettur Thermal Power Station (Salem district) • The Ennore Thermal Power Station (Chennai Ennore)
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Chapter 11: Solar Power Plant in India

Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charanka Solar Park (Patan district)
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Welspun Solar (Jawad tehsil of Neemuch district)
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahagenco plans 125 MW solar power project (Malkhed village in Yavatmal district) • Tata Power Solar (in Rajgarh) • Sakri Photovoltaic solar energy project (Shivajinagar in Sakri taluka of Dhule district)
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Green Energy Development Corporation of Odisha Ltd. (GEDCOL)
Rajashtan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welspun Energy 50MW Rajasthan Solar Project (Phalodhi, distt. Jodhpur) • The Dhirubhai Ambani Solar Park (Pokhran in the Jaisalmer district) • Bhadla Solar Park (Bhadla, Phalodi tehsil, Jodhpur district)
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bitta Solar Power Plant (Bitta village)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kurnool Ultra Mega Solar Park (Kurnool district)
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kamuthi Solar Power Project
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Banasura Sagar Dam Floating Solar Power Plant (Wayanad)
Karnataka.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pavagada Solar Park (Pavagada taluk, Tumkur district)

Chapter 12: List of Ports in India: State Wise

State	Ports
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kandla Port Trust or Deendayal Port (Kutch District)
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paradip Port (Jagatsinghpur District)
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jawaharlal Nehru Port/ Nhava Sheva (Mumbai) • Mumbai Port Trust (Mumbai)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visakhapatnam Port (Visakhapatnam) • Krishnapatnam Port (Nellore District)
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chennai Port (Chennai) • V.O.Chidambaranar Port (Thoothukudi) • Ennore Port (Chennai)
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port (Kolkata)

Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Mangalore Port (Mangalore)
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cochin Port (Kochi)
Goa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mormugao port

Chapter 13: List of River a Cross State

Name of Rivers	A cross States	Length	Begin From	Ends in
Ganga	Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, Jharkhand, West Bengal	2,525 K.M.	Gangothri	Bay of Bengal
Yamuna	Uttarakhand, Himachal Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Delhi	1,376 K.M.	Garhwal in Yamunotri	Bay of Bengal
Brahmaputra	Assam, Arunachal, Tibet	2,900 K.M.	Lake Manasarovar	Bay of Bengal
Mahanadi	Chhattisgarh, Odisha	858 K.M.	Amarkantak Plateau	Bay of Bengal
Godavari	Maharashtra, Telangana, Chhattisgarh, Andhra Pradesh, Puducherry	1,465 K.M.	Nasik Hills	Bay of Bengal
Krishna	Maharashtra, Karnataka, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh	1,400 K.M.	Near Mahabaleshwar in Maharashtra	Bay of Bengal
Narmada	Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat	1,315 K.M.	Amarkantak hill in Madhya Pradesh	Arabian sea
Tapti	Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Gujarat	724 K.M.	Bettul	Arabian sea
Gomti	Uttarpradesh, Gujarat,	900 K.M.	Gomat Taal	Saidpur, Ghazipur
Koshi	Shigatse Prefecture, Janakpur, Sagarmatha, Koshi, Mechi Zones, Bihar	720 K.M.	Ganga	Ganga
Gandaki	Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar	630 K.M.	Nepal	Ganga
Betwa	Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh	590 K.M.	Vindhya Range	Rajghat Dam
Son	Madhya Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Jharkhand, Bihar	784 K.M.	Ganga	Yamuna
Sutlej	Himachal Pradesh, Punjab	1,500 K.M.	Mount Kailash	Ropar
Ravi	Himachal Pradesh, Punjab	720 K.M.	Himachal Pradesh	Chenab
Beas	Himachal Pradesh, Punjab	470 K.M.	Sutlej	Mandi Plain
Chenab	Himachal Pradesh, Punjab	960 K.M.	Panjnad	Jammu and Kashmir
Jehlam	Punjab, Jammu and Kashmir,	725 K.M.	Pir Panjal Range	Chenab
Kaveri	Karnataka, Tamilnadu,	765 K.M.	Hills of Coorg, Karnataka	Bay of Bengal
Ghaggar	Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan	1080 K.M.	Shivalik Hills, Himachal Pradesh	Indus

Hugli (Hooghly)	West Bengal, Kolkata	260 K.M	Ganga	Bay of Bengal;
Damodar	Jharkhand, Bengal	592 K.M	Hoogly River, Howrah	Chota Nagpur plateau.
Indus	Gilgit-Baltistan, Jammu and Kashmir Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab, Sindh Tibet	3180 K.M	In Tibet Kalish Range 5080 mts.	Arabian sea
Tungabhadra	Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana	531 K.M	Krishna	Krishna
Mahi	Madhya Pradesh, Vindhyas	580 K.M	Gulf of Khambhat , Arabian Sea	Sevalia
Bhagirathi	Uttarakhand,	205 K.M	Ganga	Ganga
Sabarmati	Aravalli Range, Udaipur	371 K.M	Dhebar Lake	Gujarat
Alaknanda	Uttarakhand	190 K.M	Ganga	Nanda Devi
Teesta	Sikkim, India, West Bengal, India, Rangpur, Bangladesh	309 K.M	Brahmaputra	<i>Rangeet River.</i>
Indravati	Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Maharashtra	535 K.M	Kalahandi	Godavari
Bhima	Maharashtra, Karnataka, Telangana	861 K.M	Krishna River	Pandharpur
Subarnarek	Jharkhand, Odisha, West Bengal	395 K.M	Bay of Bengal	Bay of Bengal
Konya	Maharashtra	130 K.M	Krishna Rive	Maharashtra
Ramganga	Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh	596 K.M	Ganga	Ramganga Dam
Peena	Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka	597 K.M	Nandi Hills	Bay of Bengal
Brahmani	Odisha	480	Bay of Bengal	Ganga
Periyar	Kerala, Tamil Nadu	244 K.M	Cardaman Hills	Bay of Bengal
Mahanada	West Bengal, Bihar	360 K.M	Lakshadweep Sea, Vembanad Lake	Bay of Bengal
Benas	Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh	512 K.M	Rohtang Pass	Chambal
Vaigai	Tamil Nadu,	258 K.M	Periyar Plateau	Bay of Bengal
Sharda	Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh	350 K.M	Ganga	Ghaghra River

Longest River (Length Wise) of the World	Nile (Egypt) Africa
Biggest River (Flow of Water Wise) of the world	Amazon (South America)
Longest River of Europe	Volga (Russia)
Longest River of Asia	Yangtze (China)
Longest River of India	Ganga
Longest River of South India	Godavari (Also Called Dakshina Ganga)
River which makes estuary in India	Narmada and Tapti
Sorrow of Bengal	Damodar River

Chapter 14: Stadiums in India

Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Wankhede Stadium (Cricket stadium, Mumbai) • The Maharashtra Cricket Association Stadium or Subrata Roy Sahara Stadium (Cricket stadium, Pune) • The DY Patil Sports Stadium (Cricket/football stadium, Mumbai) • The Vidarbha Cricket Association Stadium (Cricket stadium, Nagpur) • Nehru Stadium (Multi-purpose stadium in Pune) • The Brabourne Stadium (Cricket stadium, Mumbai) • Mahindra Hockey Stadium (Hockey stadium at Mumbai) • The Dadaji Kondadev Stadium called SR Bhosle Krida Sankul Stadium (Thane)
Himachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Himachal Pradesh Cricket Association Stadium (cricket stadium, Dharamshala)
Delhi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Feroz Shah Kotla Ground (Cricket stadium) • Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium (National stadium of India) • The Major Dhyhan Chand National Stadium (Hockey stadium)
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. A. Chidambaram Stadium or Chepauk Stadium (cricket stadium in Chennai)
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eden Gardens (cricket ground, Kolkata)
Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jharkhand States Cricket Association International Cricket Stadium, (Also known as JSCA International Stadium Complex, Ranchi) • Keenan Stadium (Cricket and football, Jamshedpur) • Birsa Munda Athletics Stadium (football, Ranchi)
Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium, Also known as the Khandheri Cricket Stadium (Cricket stadium in Rajkot) • Reliance Stadium or Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Ltd Sports Complex Ground (Cricket stadium, Vadodara) • Madhavrao Scindia Cricket Ground (Municipal Ground or Racecourse Ground Corporation Ground, Rajkot) • Motera stadium, also known as Sardar Patel stadium is now the world's largest cricket stadium and the second largest sports stadium (Ahmedabad)
MP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holkar Cricket Stadium (Cricket stadium, Indore) • Captain Roop Singh Stadium (Cricket stadium, Gwalior)
Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium (Hyderabad) • The Lal Bahadur Shastri Stadium (Cricket, Hyderabad)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visakhapatnam ACA-VDCA Cricket Stadium (Cricket stadium, Visakhapatnam) • Indira Gandhi Stadium (Cricket, Vijayawada) • Indira Priyadarsini Stadium (Cricket stadium, Visakhapatnam)

Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barkatullah Khan Stadium (Cricket ,Jodhpur) • The Sawai Mansingh Stadium (Cricket ,Jaipur) • Fort Maidan (a multi-purpose stadium, Kota)
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jawaharlal Nehru International Stadium (Cricket/football stadium, Kochi) • Kerala University Stadium (Football and also for athletics, Thiruvananthapuram)
Goa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Fatorda, officially known as the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, is a multi-purpose stadium.
Jammu & Kashmir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Maulana Azad Stadium (Cricket ,Jammu)
Haryana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Nahar Singh Stadium (Cricket ,Faridabad)
Punjab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Gandhi Stadium (Cricket, Amritsar) • Guru Nanak Stadium (Football stadium in Ludhiana)
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The iconic Barabati Stadium (Indian sports stadium, Cuttack) • Dilip Tirkey Stadium (Hockey stadium, Rourkela) • The Kalinga Stadium (Multi-purpose stadium, Bhubaneswar)
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The M. Chinnaswamy Stadium (Cricket, Bengaluru)
UP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The K D Singh Babu Stadium (Multi-purpose stadium, in Lucknow) • Green Park Stadium (Cricket, Kanpur)

Chapter 15: Famous Temple in India: State wise

State	Temple and Location
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meenakshi Temple at Madurai • Ramanathaswamy Temple at Rameshwaram • Ranganathaswamy Temple at Tiruchirapalli • Brihadeshwara Temple at Thanjavur • Suchindram Temple at Kanyakumari • Airavateswara Temple at Darasuram • Nataraja Temple at Chidambaram • Kanchipuram Temples at Kanchipuram
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virupaksha Temple at Hampi • Vitthala Temple at Hampi • Gomateshwara Temple at Shravanbela Gola (Rural)
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lord Venkateswara Temple at Thirumala

Gujarat	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Somnath Temple at Saurashtra • Dwarakadhish Temple at Dwarka
Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • KashiVishwanath at Varanasi
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ShirdiSai Baba Temple at Shirdi • Siddivinayak Temple at Mumbai
Jammu and Kashmir	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaishno Devi Temple at Katra • Amarnath Cave Temple
Uttarakhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Badrinath Temple • Yamunotri Temple at Uttarkashi • Gangotri Temple at Uttarkashi • Kedarnath Temple at Garhwal area
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jagannath Temple at Puri • Lingaraja Temple at Bhubaneswar • Konark Sun Temple at Konark
Punjab	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golden Temple at Amritsar
Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ranakpur Jain Temple at Pali
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SanchiStupa at Raisen • Khajuraho Temple at Khajuraho
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Padmanabaswamy Temple at Thiruvananthapuram
Bihar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mahabodhi Temple at Bodh Gaya
Assam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kamakhya Temple at Guwahati

Chapter 16: List of Tiger Reserve in India: State-Wise

State	Reserve
Uttarakhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jim Corbett Tiger Reserve • Rajaji National Park
Uttar Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dudhwa Tiger Reserve • Pilibhit Tiger Reserve • Ranipur Tiger Reserve
Telangana	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kawal Tiger Reserve • Nagarjunsagar • Srisaillam Tiger Reserve
Madhya Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve • Satpura Tiger Reserve

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kanha Tiger Reserve • Panna Tiger Reserve • Pench Tiger Reserve • Sanjay-Dubri Tiger Reserve
Tamil Nadu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anamalai Tiger Reserve • Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve • Mudumalai Tiger Reserve • Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve
West Bengal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Buxa Tiger Reserve • Sunderbans Tiger Reserve
Rajasthan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mukundara Hills Tiger Reserve • Ranthambore Tiger Reserve • Sariska Tiger Reserve • Ramgarh Visdhari • Vishdhari
Odisha	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Satkosia Tiger Reserve • Simlipal Tiger Reserve
Mizoram	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dampa Tiger Reserve
Kerala	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Periyar Tiger Reserve • Parambikulam Tiger Reserve
Karnataka	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bandipur Tiger Reserve • Nagarhole Tiger Reserve • Bhadra Tiger Reserve • Anshi Dandeli Tiger Reserve
Jharkhand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palamau Tiger Reserve
Chhattisgarh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indravati Tiger Reserves • Udanti & Sitanadi Tiger Reserve • Achanakmar Tiger Reserve • Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary as a Tiger Reserve.
Bihar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valmiki National Park
Maharashtra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Melghat Tiger Reserve • Pench Tiger Reserve • Tadoba Andhari Tiger Project • Sahyadri Tiger reserve • Nagzira-Navegaon Tiger Reserve • Bor Tiger Reserve
Assam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kaziranga Tiger Reserve • Manas Tiger Reserve • Nameri Tiger Reserve • Orang Tiger Reserve
Andhra Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nagarjunsagar-Srisaillam Tiger Reserve
Arunachal Pradesh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Namdapha Tiger Reserve • Pakhui Tiger Reserve

Chapter 17: List of Indian National Trophies and Cups associated with sports

Sports	Trophies
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Hockey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aga Khan Cup • All India Maharaja Ranjit Singh Gold Cup • Beighton Cup • Mumbai Gold Cup • Chakola Gold Trophy • Dhyan Chand Trophy • Gurmit Trophy • Jawaharlal Nehru Cup • Kuppuswamy Naiduu Trophy • Lady Ratan Tata Trophy (Women) • Maharaja Ranjit Singh Gold Cup • MCC Trophy • Murugappa Gold Cup • Nehru Trophy • Obaidullah Gold Cup • Rangaswami Cup • Rene Frank Trophy • Scindia Gold Cup • Settu Cup • Shani Trophy • Surjeet Singh Cup • Tommy Emar Gold Cup (Women)
Cricket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coach Bihar Trophy • Deodhar Trophy • Duleep Trophy • Irani Cup • Moin-ud-Dowlah Gold Cup • Rani Jhansi Trophy • Ranii Trophy • Viay Merchant Trophy • Vizzy Trophy • Wills Cup
Football	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ashutosh Trophy • Begum Hazrat Mahal Trophy • Chakola Gold Trophy • DCM Trophy • Dr B.C. Roy Trophy • Durand Cup • F.A. Cup • G.V. Raja Memorial Trophy • I.F.A. Shield • Mis Iqbal Hussain Trophy • Nagjee Trophy • Nizam Gold Cup • Raghbir Singh Memorial Cup • Rovers Cup • Saniay Gold Cup • Santosh Trophy • Sir Krishna Gold Cup • Stafford Cup • Subroto Mukerji Cup • Todd Memorial Trophy • Vittal Trophy

Badminton	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Amrit Diwan Cup • Hiralal Cup • Vikas Topiwala Challenge Cup • Yonex Cup
Basketball	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bangalore Blues Challenge Cup
Polo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EZAR Cup • Prithi Singh Cup • Radha Mohan Cup • Winchester Cup
Rowing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wellington Trophy
Weightlifting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burdwan Trophy
Tennis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Rajindra Prasad Cup
Table Tennis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ramanujan Trophy • Rajkumari Challenge Cup • Jayalakshmi Cup

Chapter 18: Capital & Currency

List of Countries having Rupee/Rupiah as their Currency

Country	Capital	Currency
India	New Delhi	Rupee
Indonesia	Jakarta (Old), Island of Borneo (New)	Rupiah
Nepal	Kathmandu	Nepalese Rupee
Sri Lanka	Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte	Sri Lankan Rupee
Seychelles	Victoria	Seychellois Rupee
Pakistan	Islamabad	Pakistani Rupee
Maldives	Male	Maldivian Rufiyaa
Mauritius	Port Louis	Mauritian Rupee

List of Countries having Dinar/Dirham as their Currency

Country	Capital	Currency
Algeria	Algiers	Algerian Dinar
Bahrain	Manama	Bahraini Dinar

Iraq	Baghdad	Iraqi Dinar
Jordan	Amman	Jordanian Dinar
Kuwait	Kuwait City	Kuwaiti Dinar
Libya	Tripoli	Libyan Dinar
Macedonia	Skopje	Macedonian Denar
Serbia	Belgrade	Serbian Dinar
Tunisia	Tunis	Tunisian Dinar
UAE	Abu Dhabi	UAE Dirham

List of Countries having Euro as their Currency

Country	Capital	Country	Capital
Andorra	Andorra la Vella	Latvia	Riga
Austria	Vienna	Luxembourg	Luxembourg
Belgium	Brussels	Malta	Valletta
Cyprus	Nicosia	Monaco	Monaco
Estonia	Tallinn	Montenegro	Podgorica
Finland	Helsinki	Netherlands	Amsterdam
France	Paris	Portugal	Lisbon
Germany	Berlin	San Marino	San Marino
Greece	Athens	Slovakia	Bratislava
Ireland	Dublin	Slovenia	Ljubljana
Italy	Rome	Spain	Madrid
Lithuania	Vilnius	Vatican City	Vatican City

List of Countries having Dollar as their Currency

Country	Capital	Currency
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Antigua and Barbuda	Saint John's	Eastern Caribbean Dollar
Australia	Canberra	Australian Dollar
Bahamas	Nassau	Bahamian Dollar
Barbados	Bridgetown	Barbadian Dollar
Belize	Belmopan	Belize Dollar
Brunei	Bandar Seri Begawan	Brunei Dollar
Bermuda	Hamilton	Bermudian Dollar
Canada	Ottawa	Canadian Dollar
Dominica	Roseau	Eastern Caribbean Dollar
Fiji	Suva	Fijian Dollar
Grenada	Saint George's	Eastern Caribbean Dollar
Guyana	Georgetown	Guyanese Dollar
Jamaica	Kingston	Jamaican dollar
Kiribati	Tarawa	Kiribati dollar
Liberia	Monrovia	Liberian dollar
Namibia	Windhoek	Namibian Dollar
Nauru	Yaren District	Australian Dollar
New Zealand	Wellington	New Zealand Dollar
Palau	Ngerulmud	United States Dollar
Panama	Panama City	United States Dollar
Singapore	Singapore	Singapore Dollar
Taiwan	Taipei	New Taiwan Dollar
Trinidad and Tobago	Port of Spain	Trinidad and Tobago Dollar
Tuvalu	Funafuti	Australian dollar, Tuvaluan dollar

United States	Washington, D.C.	United States Dollar
Zimbabwe	Harare	Zimbabwe Dollar

Countries having Peso as their Currency

Country	Capital	Currency
Argentina	Buenos Aires	Argentine peso
Chile	Santiago	Chilean peso
Colombia	Bogotá	Colombian peso
Cuba	Havana	Cuban convertible peso
Dominican Republic	Santo Domingo	Dominican peso
Mexico	Mexico City	Mexican peso
Philippines	Manila	Philippine peso
Uruguay	Montevideo	Uruguayan peso

Countries having Rial/Riyal as their Currency

Country	Capital	Currency
Cambodia	Phnom Penh	Riel
Iran	Tehran	Rial (New currency – Toman)
Oman	Muscat	Rial
Qatar	Doha	Riyal
Saudi Arabia	Riyadh	Saudi Riyal

Countries having Pound as their Currency

Country	Capital	Currency
United Kingdom	Landon	Pound sterling
Egypt	Cairo	Egyptian pound
Lebanon	Beirut	Lebanese pound
South Sudan	Juba	South Sudanese pound

Sudan	Khartoum	Sudanese pound
Syria	Damascus	Syrian pound

Countries having Currency same as their Country name

Country	Capital	Currency
Afghanistan	Kabul	Afghan Afghani
Bangladesh	Dhaka	Bangladeshi taka
Georgia	Tbilisi	Georgian lari
Israel	Jerusalem	Israeli new shekel
Japan	Tokyo	Japanese yen
Kazakhstan	Astana	Kazakhstani Tenge
Kyrgyzstan	Bishkek	Kyrgyzstani Som
Laos	Vientiane	Lao kip
Malaysia	Kuala Lumpur	Malaysian ringgit
Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar	Mongolian Togrog
Myanmar (Burma)	Naypyidaw	Burmese kyat
North Korea	Pyongyang	North Korean won
South Korea	Seoul	South Korean won
Tajikistan	Dushanbe	Tajikistani Somoni
Thailand	Bangkok	Thai baht
Türkiye	Ankara	Turkish lira
Turkmenistan	Ashgabat	Turkmenistan Manat
Uzbekistan	Tashkent	Uzbekistani Som
Nicaragua	Managua	Nicaraguan Cordoba
Bolivia	Sucre La Paz	Bolivian boliviano

Paraguay	Asunción	Paraguayan Guarani
Venezuela	Caracas	Venezuelan bolivar
Albania	Tirana	Albanian Lek
Belarus	Minsk	Belarusian Ruble
Bulgaria	Sofia	Bulgarian lev
Croatia	Zagreb	Croatian Kuna
Czech Republic	Prague	Czech koruna
Denmark	Copenhagen	Danish krone
Hungary	Budapest	Hungarian forint
Iceland	Reykjavik	Icelandic krona
Norway	Oslo	Norwegian krone
Poland	Warsaw	Polish zloty
Romania	Bucharest	Romanian Leu
Russia	Moscow	Russian Ruble
Sierra Leone	Freetown	Sierra Leonean Leone
Rwanda	Kigali	Rwandan Franc
Madagascar	Antananarivo	Malagasy Ariary
Kenya	Nairobi	Kenyan shilling
Ghana	Accra	Ghanaian cedi
Gambia	Banjul	Gambian dalasi
Ethiopia	Addis Ababa	Ethiopian birr
Angola	Luanda	Angolan kwanza

Countries having Different Currencies

Country	Capital	Currency
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China	Beijing	Renminbi
Peru	Lima	Sol
Mozambique	Maputo	Metical
Mali	Bamako	West African CFA franc
Bhutan	Thimphu	Bhutanese ngultrum

Chapter 19: Wildlife Sanctuary

State	National Parks
Andhra Pradesh	Coringa Wildlife Sanctuary, Kambalakonda Wildlife Sanctuary, Kaundinya Wildlife Sanctuary, Kolleru Bird Sanctuary, Krishna Wildlife Sanctuary, Nagarjunsagar-Srisailem, Nelapattu Bird Sanctuary, Pulicat Lake Bird Sanctuary, Rollapadu Wildlife Sanctuary, Sri Lankamalleswara Wildlife Sanctuary, Sri Venkateshwara National Park
Telangana	Kinnerasani Wildlife Sanctuary, Eturnagaram Wildlife Sanctuary, Kawal Tiger Reserve, Manjira wildlife sanctuary, Pocharam Wildlife Sanctuary, Pranahita wildlife sanctuary
Arunachal Pradesh	Daying Ering Memorial Wildlife Sanctuary, The Dibang Wildlife Sanctuary, Eaglenest or Eagle's Nest Wildlife Sanctuary, The Kamlang Wildlife Sanctuary, Kane wildlife sanctuary, Mehao Wildlife Sanctuary, Pakke Tiger Reserve, Pakhui Wildlife Sanctuary, Sessa Orchid Sanctuary, Talley Valley Wildlife Sanctuary, Yardi-Rabe Supse Wildlife Sanctuary
Assam	Amchang Wildlife Sanctuary, Borail Wildlife Sanctuary, Bornadi Wildlife Sanctuary, Bherjan-Borajan-Padumoni, Bura Chapori Wildlife Sanctuary, Chakrashila Wildlife Sanctuary, The Deepor Beel Wildlife Sanctuary, Garampani Wildlife Sanctuary, Dehing Patkai Wildlife Sanctuary, The Hoollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary, Laokhowa Wildlife Sanctuary, Nambor Wildlife Sanctuary, Nambor - Doigrung Wildlife Sanctuary, Pobitora or Pabitora Wildlife Sanctuary, Sonai Rupai Wildlife Sanctuary, Pani Dihing Wildlife Sanctuary
Bihar	Bhimbandh Wildlife Sanctuary, Gautam Budha Wildlife Sanctuary, The Kanwar Taal or Kabar Taal Kaimur Wildlife Sanctuary, Nagi Dam Bird Sanctuary, Nagi Dam Bird Sanctuary, Valmiki National Park and Wildlife Sanctuary, Vikramshila Gangetic Dolphin Sanctuary
Chhattisgarh	The Achanakmar Wildlife Sanctuary, Barnawapara Wildlife Sanctuary, Badakholsanctuary, Bhairamgarh Wildlife Sanctuary, Bhoramdeo Wildlife Sanctuary, Gomarda Wildlife Sanctuary, The Pamed Wildlife Sanctuary, Sitanadi Wildlife Sanctuary, Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary, Udanti Sanctuary

Goa	Bondla Wildlife Sanctuary, The Cotigao Wildlife Sanctuary, The Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary, Bhagwan Mahaveer Sanctuary, Netravali Wildlife Sanctuary
Gujarat	BalaramAmbaji Wildlife Sanctuary, Barda Wildlife Sanctuary, Gaga Wildlife Sanctuary, Gir Forest National Park, Jambughoda is a Wildlife Sanctuary, Jessore Sloth Bear Sanctuary, Kutch Bustard Sanctuar, Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary, Marine National Park, Mitiyala Wildlife Sanctuary, NalSarovar Bird Sanctuary, Narayan Sarovar Sanctuary, Pania Wildlife Sanctuary, Porbandar Bird Sanctuary, Purna Wildlife Sanctuary, Rampara Wildlife Sanctuary, Thol bird sanctuary, Indian Wild Ass Sanctuary, Shoolpaneshwar Wildlife Sanctuary
Haryana	Abubshahar Wildlife Sanctuary, Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary, BirShikargah Wildlife Sanctuary, Chhilchhila Wildlife Sanctuary, Kalesar National Park, Khaparwas Bird Sanctuary, Khol Hi-Raitan Wildlife Sanctuary, Nahar Wildlife Sanctuary
Himachal Pradesh	Bandli Wildlife Sanctuary, Chail Wildlife Sanctuary, Churdhar Sanctuary, The Daranghati Sanctuary, Gamgul Wildlife Sanctuary, Kais wild life sanctuary, Kalatop Khajjar Sanctuary, Kanawar Wildlife sanctuary, Khokhan wildlife sanctuary, Kibber Wildlife Sanctuary, Lipa Asrang Wildlife Sanctuary, Majathal Sanctuary, Nargu Wildlife Sanctuary, Renuka Wildlife Sanctuary, Sainj Wildlife Sanctuary, Rupri Bhaba Sanctuary, Sangla Valley (Rakchham-Chitkul), Sechu Tuan Nala Wildlife Sanctuary, Shikari Devi Sanctuary, Water Catchment Sanctuary, Talra Wildlife Sanctuary, Tirthan wildlife sanctuary, Tundah Wildlife Sanctuary
Jammu And Kashmir/ Ladakh	Thajwas (Thajiwas) (Baltal), Changtang Wildlife Sanctuary, Hirpora Wildlife Sanctuary, Jasrota Wildlife Sanctuary, Karakoram Wildlife Sanctuary, Lachipora Wildlife Sanctuary, Kazinag National Park, Kazinag National Park, Nandini Wildlife Sanctuary, Rajparian Wildlife Sanctuary, Ramnagar Wildlife Sanctuary, Trikuta Wildlife Sanctuary
Jharkhand	Dalma Wildlife Sanctuary ,GautamBudha Wildlife Sanctuary ,Hazaribag Wildlife Sanctuary ,Koderma Wildlife Sanctuary, The Lawalong Wildlife Sanctuary , Mahuadanr (Wolf) Wildlife Sanctuary , Palkot Wildlife Sanctuary , Parasnath wildlife sanctuary , Udhwa Lake Bird Sanctuary
Karnataka	Adichunchanagiri Wildlife Sanctuary, Arabithittu Wildlife Sanctuary, Attiveri Bird Sanctuary, Bhadra Wildlife Sanctuary, Bhimgad Wildlife Sanctuary, Biligiriranga Swamy Temple Wildlife Sanctuary, Brahmagiri wildlife sanctuary, Cauvery Wildlife Sanctuary, Chincholi Wildlife Sanctuary, Daroji Sloth Bear Sanctuary, Ghataprabha Bird Sanctuary, Malai Mahadeshwara Wildlife Sanctuary, Melkote Temple Wildlife Sanctuary, Mookambika Wildlife Sanctuary, Nugu Wildlife Sanctuary, Pushpagiri Wildlife Sanctuary, Ranebennur Blackbuck Sanctuary, Sharavathi Wildlife Sanctuary, Shettihalli Wildlife Sanctuary, Someshwara Wildlife Sanctuary, Talakaveri Wildlife Sanctuary

Kerala	Aralam Wildlife Sanctuary, Chimmini Wildlife sanctuary, Chinnar Wildlife Sanctuary, Chulanur Peafowl (Peacocks) Sanctuary, Idukki Wildlife Sanctuary, Kottiyoor, Kurinjimala Sanctuary, Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary, Malabar Wildlife Sanctuary, Neyyar Wildlife Sanctuary, Parambikulam Tiger Reserve, Peechi-Vazhani Wildlife Sanctuary, Peppara Wildlife Sanctuary, Shendurney Wildlife Sanctuary, Thattekkad Bird Sanctuary
Madhya Pradesh	Bagdara Wildlife Sanctuary, Bori Wildlife Sanctuary, Gandhi Sagar Sanctuary, Ghatigaon Wildlife Sanctuary, Ken Gharial Sanctuary, Kheoni Wildlife Sanctuary, National Chambal Gharial Wildlife Sanctuary, Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary, Orchha Wildlife Sanctuary, The Pachmarhi Biosphere Reserve, Kuno Wildlife Sanctuary, Gangau is a mini wildlife sanctuary, Pench National Park, Phen Wildlife Sanctuary, Ratapani Tiger Reserve, Sailana Wildlife Sanctuary, Sanjay Dubri National Park, Sardarpur Wildlife SanctuarSinghori Wildlife Sanctuary, Son Gharial Wildlife Sanctuary, VeeranganaDurgawati Wildlife Sanctuary
Maharashtra	Tadoba Andhari Reserve, Anerdam Wildlife Sanctuary, Bhamragarh Wildlife Sanctuary, Bhimashankar Wildlife Sanctuary, Bor Tiger Reserve is a wildlife, Chaprala Wildlife Sanctuary, Dnyanganga Sanctuary, Gautala Autramghat Sanctuary, Jayakwadi Bird Sanctuary, Karnala, Katepurna Sanctuary, Koyna Wildlife Sanctuary, Malvan Marine Wildlife Sanctuary, Mansingh-Deo, Mayureswar Wildlife Sanctuary, Melghat was declared, Nagzira Wildlife Sanctuary, Mayureswar Wildlife Sanctuary, Nandur Madhmeshwar Bird Sanctuary, Karnala is a protected wildlife park, Navegaon National Park, Painganga Wildlife Sanctuary, Phansad Wildlife Sanctuary, Radhanagari Wildlife Sanctuary, Sagareshwar Wildlife Sanctuary, Tansa wildlife sanctuary, Tipeswar wildlife sanctuary, Yawal Wildlife Sanctuary
Manipur	Khongjaingamba Ching Wildlife Sanctuary, Yaingangpokpi Lokchao Wildlife Sanctuary
Meghalaya	Baghmara Pitcher Plant Wildlife Sanctuary, Nongkhylllem Wildlife Sanctuary, Siju Bird Sanctuary
Mizoram	Dampa Tiger Reserve, Khawnglung Wildlife Sanctuary, Lengteng Wildlife Sanctuary, Ngempui Wildlife Sanctuary, Pualreng Wildlife Sanctuary, Tawi Wildlife Sanctuary Thorangtlang Wildlife, Palak (Tokalo) Wildlife Sanctuary
Nagaland	Fakim Wildlife Sanctuary, The Pulie Badze Wildlife Sanctuary, Rangapahar Reserve Forest
Sikkim	Fambong Lho Wildlife Sanctuary, Kitam Bird sanctuary, Kyongnosla Alpine Sanctuary, Pangolakha Wildlife Sanctuary, Varsey Rhododendron Sanctuary
Tamil Nadu	Cauvery North Wildlife Sanctuary, Chitrangudi Bird Sanctuary, Indira Gandhi National Park, Kalakkad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve, Kanjirankulam Bird Sanctuary, Kanyakumari Wildlife Sanctuary, Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Palani Hills Wildlife Sanctuary, Koonthankulam Bird Sanctuary, Mudumalai National Park, Oussudu Lake Bird Sanctuary, Point Calimere Sanctuary, Vaduvur Bird Sanctuary, Vedanthangal Bird

	Sanctuary, Vellode Birds Sanctuary, Vettangudi Bird sanctuary, Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary
Tripura	Gumti Wildlife Sanctuary, Rowa Wildlife Sanctuary, Sepahijala Wildlife Sanctuary, Trishna Wildlife Sanctuary
UttarPradesh	The Bakhira Bird Sanctuary, The Katarniaghat Wildlife Sanctuary, The Chandra Prabha Wildlife Sanctuary, Kaimoor Wildlife Sanctuary, The Kishanpur Wildlife Sanctuary, Lakh Bahosi Sanctuary, Mahavir Swami Sanctuary, The Okhla Bird Sanctuary, The Parvati Aranga Bird Sanctuary, Patna Vihar Bird Sanctuary, Ranipur Wildlife Sanctuary, Saman Bird Sanctuary, Samaspur Sanctuary, Sandi Bird Sanctuary, Sohagi Barwa Wildlife Sanctuary, Suhelwa Wildlife Sanctuary, Soor Sarovar Bird Sanctuary, Jai Prakash Narain Bird Sanctuary, Kachhua Sanctuary, Vijai Sagar Sanctuary, Pilibhit Tiger Reserve
Uttarakhand	Nandhaur Wildlife Sanctuary, Askot Musk Deer Sanctuary, Askot Musk Deer Sanctuary, Govind Pashu Vihar National Park, Kedarnath Wild Life Sanctuary, Sonanadi Wildlife Sanctuary
West Bengal	Ballabhpur Wildlife Sanctuary, Bethuadahari Wildlife Sanctuary, The Buxa Tiger Reserve, Chapramari Wildlife Sanctuary, Chintamani Kar Bird Sanctuary, The Haliday Island Wildlife, Jore Pokhri Wildlife Sanctuary, Mahananda Wildlife Sanctuary, Raiganj Wildlife Sanctuary, Ramnabagan Wildlife Sanctuary, Sajnakhali Wildlife Sanctuary, Senchal Wildlife Sanctuary, The Sundarbans National Park

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