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## 1. Prime Minister Inaugurates the Headquarters of the Indian National Center for Space Promotion and Authorization



Prime Minister Narendra Modi inspected after inaugurating the headquarters of the Indian National Center for Space Promotion and Authorization (IN-SPACe) in Ahmedabad on Friday. Earlier he met his school teacher from Vadnagar in Navsari.

PM Modi also inaugurated AM Naik Healthcare Complex and Nirali Multi-Specialty Hospital. Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said, "The Central Government has emphasized on a holistic approach to improve the health sector of the country. Efforts have been made to modernize the facilities in the last 8 years.

He said that we have tried to modernize the treatment facilities and also focused on topics related to better nutrition, hygienic lifestyle and preventive health.

## 2. Thailand becomes first Asian country to legalize cannabis consumption



Thailand on Thursday legalized the cultivation of cannabis, becoming the first country in Asia to make it illegal. However, Thai Health Minister Anutin Charanveerakul said that if a person is found to be using this drug for excessive intoxication, then there will still be a provision of harsh punishment against him.

## Decision taken to boost economy

In an interview, Anutin Charanveerakul said that the move to make cannabis production legal and crime-free has been taken to boost the economy, but he also cautioned that its use for entertainment or intoxication is still illegal. .

Approval for use in hotel, restaurant and restaurant with 0.2 quantity

Under decriminalization, it would not be an offense to grow and trade marijuana and cannabis products or to use parts of the plant to treat diseases, he said.

He also pointed out that cafes and restaurants may also serve food and drinks containing cannabis, but products must only contain less than 0.2 percent tetrahydrocannabinol (THC), the plant's main psychoactive compound. At the same time, if someone goes against the rules and uses it, then the provision of harsh punishment under the Public Health Act, imprisonment of up to three months and a fine of \$ 800 for drinking cannabis in public will still apply.

## 3. Tomar Releases India's First Anti-Covid Vaccine 'Anokovax' Developed for Animals



Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar on Thursday released the country's first anti-Covid vaccine 'Anokovax' developed for animals. This vaccine has been developed by ICAR-National Research Center on Equines (NRC) based in Haryana.

The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) said in a statement that enokovax is an inactivated SARS-Cov-2 delta (Covid-19) vaccine for animals and that the immunity from enokovax can protect both the delta and oomicron forms of SARS-Cov-2.

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neutralizes. It said the vaccine contains inactivated SARS-Cov-2 (delta) antigen with alhydrogel as an adjuvant and is safe for dogs, lions, leopards, rats and rabbits.

Tomar said after digitally releasing the vaccines and diagnostic kits developed for animals by ICAR-NRC, "Due to the tireless contribution of scientists, the country is self-sufficient in developing its own vaccines instead of importing them. This is indeed a great achievement.

ICAR is the country's premier agricultural research institute which works under the Union Ministry of Agriculture. According to media reports, the Union Minister also launched Equine DNA Parentage Testing Kit, a powerful genomic technique for parentage analysis among horses.

## 4. Five countries including Japan elected as non-permanent members of UNSC



Thursday was a very special day for Japan. In fact, Japan has been elected to a non-permanent member of the United Nations Security Council to succeed India as a non-permanent member for a two-year term starting next year. Apart from Japan, 4 other countries were also elected through secret ballot on Thursday.

Let us tell you that these seats are allocated on the basis of region and Japan was the unopposed choice of Asia Pacific group without any formal rival.

### 184 votes fell in favor of Japan

According to the report, Japan got 184 votes out of 192 while Mongolia got 3 votes, which was not even a candidate.

It was a passive-aggressive gesture of opposition to Japan. Also Switzerland, which joined the United

Nations only in 2002, has been elected to the council for the first time. Apart from these two, Malta from the Western European group, Mozambique from Africa and Ecuador from Latin America are included.

## 5. North-West Delhi District Administration started Little Pari Program



Girl children born in government hospitals in west Delhi will be sent home from Friday with birth certificates, Aadhar cards and bank accounts. The district administration will also gift a souvenir to the parents, which will contain the child's footprints and a photograph.

District Magistrate (DM) Cheshta Yadav said that the objective of the 'Little Pari' initiative is to provide all the necessary documents to the parents in one go so that they do not have to make rounds of different offices to get the documents. Yadav told PTI-language, "A lot of parents run here and there to get the Aadhaar and birth certificate of their girl child. We wanted to decentralize the document generation mechanism so that they do not face any problem."

The official said he discussed the idea with Aadhaar officials and the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD) and they agreed. The initiative will start from Friday at Sanjay Gandhi Memorial Hospital, while three other hospitals in the district - Bhagwan Mahavir Hospital, Babasaheb Ambedkar Hospital and Deep Chand Bandhu Hospital - will start the scheme next week. Most children are born in Babasaheb Ambedkar Hospital where 50-60 children are born every day.



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## 6. Sitharaman Inaugurates GST Museum in Goa's 400-Year-Old Building



Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday inaugurated the National Customs and GST Museum 'Dharohar' in Goa. This museum is built in a two-storey building which is 400-years old. The museum displays artifacts confiscated by customs, including the Ain-i-Akbari manuscript, a replica of the Amin Pillars, and astronomical instruments from the medieval period.

## 7. China released the world's most detailed map of the moon



China has released a new geological map of the Moon. China says that there is more information in its map than the pictures of the lunar surface released by the US in the year 2020.

According to Chinese state media, potholes and structures are visible in the new map of China, which has never been revealed before. This will help in further research on the moon. Let us tell you that the most detailed map of the Moon has been prepared by China's space agency CSNA.

### most detailed map of the moon

Chinese scientists have made the most detailed map of the moon. In this, every crater, crater, mountain present on the moon has been shown. This is the most detailed and fine map of the Moon present in the world. Earlier America had made such a map.

## 8. N. J. Ojha appointed as MNREGA Lokpal



N J Ojha has been appointed as the Lokpal for two years under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme. Ojha has the power to inquire into, consider the allegations made by MGNREGA employees, award them within 30 days of the receipt of the complaint.

An Ombudsman has the power to receive complaints from MGNREGA workers, consider such complaints, pass awards within 30 days from the date of receipt of the complaint and issue directions to conduct on-the-spot inquiry and also initiate 'suo moto' proceedings in case of any complaint including issues relating to delayed payment of wages or payment of unemployment allowance.

The National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005 or NREGA, later renamed as Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act or MGNREGA in 2009, is an Indian labor law and social security measure that aims to guarantee the 'right to work'.

## 9. Sagarmala Young Professional Scheme launched by Ministry of Ports and Waterways



Recently, the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has launched a scheme named 'Sagarmala Young Professional Scheme'. The scheme is to induct talented, dynamic and forward

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thinking young professionals in various divisions of the Ministry. The scheme focuses on active 'on-the-ground learning' for young professionals.

## 10. Industrialist Ratan Tata Conferred Honorary Degree Of D.Litt



Ratan Tata, Chairman of the Tata Group, was today conferred with the title of Honorary D.Litt. By HSNC University of Maharashtra, as an appreciation of his unparalleled contribution to the society.

Maharashtra Governor and University Chancellor Bhagat Singh Koshyari conferred the degree on him at the special convocation ceremony of the university held on Saturday.

In his speech at the convocation, Koshyari also said, "Ratan Tata is not just an industrialist or a corporate icon, he is a great human being. Those who nurture the values of humility, humanity and morality. Ratan Tata ji has honored all of us by accepting an honorary doctorate from HSNC University."

### QUIZ

1. Who among the following has been chaired the 25-members advisory committee on mutual funds, which was restructured by the market regulator, Securities and Exchange Board of India?

- (a) Neeraj Choksi
- (b) Sunil Gulati
- (c) Prathit D Bhobe
- (d) Usha Throat

2. After defeating which country, India has won the final of the inaugural FIH Hockey 5s championship in Lausanne in Switzerland?

- (a) Iceland
- (b) Canada
- (c) Bangladesh
- (d) Poland

3. Which of the following coastal state of India has launched a 'Beach Vigil App' to ensure the management of beaches and the security of tourists?

- (a) Kerala
- (b) Goa
- (c) Odisha
- (d) Tamil Nadu

4. Which of the following states have been ranked first in the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India's (FSSAI), 4th State Food Safety Index in the large state category?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Kerala
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

5. Which of the following Indian institutes have been ranked 155th in the QS World University Ranking 2023?

- (a) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore
- (b) Indian Institutes of Technology, Bombay
- (c) Indian Institutes of Technology, Delhi
- (d) Indian Institutes of Technology, Kharagpur

6. Who among the following has been appointed as a Director of the Asia and Pacific Department (APD), International Monetary Fund?

- (a) Changyong Rhee
- (b) Sanjaya Panth
- (c) Uma Ramakrishnan
- (d) Krishna Srinivasan

7. By which year, European Parliament Members have voted to ban the sale of new petrol and diesel cars?

- (a) 2030
- (b) 2035
- (c) 2027
- (d) 2040

8. Which of the country will receive the humanitarian assistance of \$48 million from United Nations in June 2022?

- (a) Ukraine
- (b) Afghanistan
- (c) Sri Lanka
- (d) Mexico

9. Who among the following Indian Women's cricketers has announced her retirement from all forms of international cricket on Jun 8, 2022?

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- (a) Smriti Mandhana
- (b) Shafali Verma
- (c) Harmanpreet Kaur
- (d) Mithali Raj

10. In which category, Indian shooter, Avani Lekhara has won the gold medal at the 2022 Para Shooting World Cup in France?

- (a) 10m air rifle standing SH1
- (b) R5 - Mixed 10m air rifle prone SH2
- (c) 25m Pistol Precision
- (d) 25m Pistol Rap. Fire

