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1. Bangladeshi Fahmida Azim Wins Pulitzer Prize 2022



Bangladesh-born painter and story writer Fahmida Azim has been selected for the 2022 Pulitzer Prize. Currently, she is working for Insider, an American online magazine. Fahmida is honored for an illustrated report entitled "How I Escaped a Chinese Internment Camp" with her winning team members Anthony Del Col, Josh Adams and Insider's Walt Hickey in New York.

Fahmida Azim was born in Bangladesh and settled in America. His work focuses on themes of identity, culture and autonomy.

His works have been published in many international magazines like NPR, Glamour, Scientific American, The Intercept, Vice, The New York Times.

The Pulitzer Prize is a prestigious award given for achievements in newspapers, magazines, music composition, online journalism and literature.

The award was established in the year 1917 by provisions written in the will of Joseph Pulitzer. Columbia University administers the award.

These awards are being given annually in 21 categories. In 20 categories, each winner receives USD 15,000 and a certificate. The winner receives a gold medal in the Public Service category of the award.

2. Indian youth Grandmaster Pragyanand defeated 5-time world champion Magnus Carlsen 4-2



India's young Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa has once again performed brilliantly. He defeated world number one Magnus Carlsen 4-2 in the final round of the FTX Crypto Cup. The young Grand Master of India has proved his talent by winning three consecutive matches from Carlson. Three consecutive wins also include two tiebreak games. However, even after the victory, this 17-year-old player of India has remained second on the points table. Carlsen has managed to win the title.

The match between Carlson and Praggnanandha was very interesting. The first two games were drawn while the third game was won by the Norwegian player. However, the Indian player again showed his cleverness and won the fourth game.

The match was then drawn to a tiebreaker and the young Indian Grand Master managed to beat Carlsen once again by winning both the games in the tiebreaker. Praggnanandhaa has been in excellent form this year and has beaten world champion Carlsen twice in online competitions earlier.

3. Angela Merkel Wins 2022 UNESCO Peace Prize



Former German Chancellor Angela Merkel has been awarded the 2022 UNESCO Peace Prize for her efforts to welcome refugees. All jury members

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were impressed by his courageous decision to welcome more than 1.2 million refugees from Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan and Eritrea in 2015, said jury chairman and 2018 Nobel Peace Prize laureate Denis Mukwege. This is the legacy he has left. The honor is named after the former President of Ivory Coast. Officially called the Felix Hauffouet-Bougain-UNESCO Peace Prize. It is awarded each year since 1989 to individuals, organizations or institutions that have made special efforts to promote, research or secure peace. It is not yet decided when the award will be given to Merkel, who left politics last year after serving four times as chancellor.

4. External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar Inaugurates Newly Constructed Indian Embassy Building in Paraguay



External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar inaugurated the newly constructed Indian Embassy building in the capital Asuncion during his official visit to Paraguay today. Dr. Jaishankar said that this is a symbol of the strong mutual ties and long-standing multilateral cooperation between India and Paraguay.

Earlier, the External Affairs Minister unveiled the bust of Mahatma Gandhi at Asuncion. He paid tributes to the national heroes who contributed to the building of Paraguay and the martyrs who made sacrifices for the nation. During this, Dr. Jaishankar met the President of Paraguay, Mario Abdo Benítez. He also held a meeting with Foreign Minister Julio Cesar Ariola there.

In a statement, the External Affairs Minister said that the two countries have agreed to enhance cooperation in various fields including trade, commerce, agriculture, pharmaceutical, traditional medicines and solar energy. They also exchanged views on regional and global issues.

5. First rail service of hydrogen train started in Germany



German authorities launched the world's first fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trains, replacing the 15 diesel trains that previously operated on non-electrified tracks in the state of Lower Saxony. Despite supply chain problems, Germany has taken a big step towards green rail service. The service has been introduced in the German state of Lower Saxony with 14 trains from the French company Alstom. Hydrogen-only train travel has been introduced on the 100 km long rail line from Cuxhafen near Hamburg to Bremerhafen, Bremerfjorde and Buxtehude.

Hydrogen train has brought huge potential in the direction of decarbonizing the rail sector. Through this, the diesel engines that pollute the climate can be got rid of. In Germany, 20 percent of all travel is still done by diesel engines. Hydrogen trains, which are said to be a zero-emission mode of transport, combine the oxygen present in the atmosphere with hydrogen through a fuel cell mounted on the roof. The electricity generated as a result of this pulls the train.

Hydrogen as a fuel is not just eyeing the rail service. From road vehicles, aircraft and heavy industries like steel or chemicals are also looking to

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hydrogen to reduce carbon emissions. Germany announced an ambitious 7 billion euro plan in 2020 to make the country a leader in hydrogen technology within a decade.

6. Asia's first newsprint factory, Nepa Mill, refurbished and new plants launched



Nepa Mills Limited, once the largest paper factory in Asia, came alive again after 7 years. On Tuesday, Union Industries Minister Dr. Mahendra Nath Pandey started it by pressing the button. The program took place at 4 pm. The renovation of Nepa Mill has been done for 469 crores. With this mill, employment of one thousand families of Nepanagar will start again.

Union Minister of Heavy Industries Dr. Mahendra Nath Pandey came to Nepanagar. He was accompanied by other officials including the Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industries, Arun Goyal. From here he went straight to the venue of the ceremony held at the Nehru Stadium. After this, reaching Nepa Mill, he started new plants by pressing the button. Nepa Mill CMD Saurabh Deb, MP Dnyaneshwar Patil, Collector Praveen Singh and other leaders welcomed him at the helipad.

7. The country's first indigenously built aircraft carrier Vikrant will come into service from September 2



Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be the chief guest on the occasion. Talking to reporters in New Delhi, Vice Admiral SN Ghormade of the Navy said that Vikrant's equipment has been made in 18 states and union territories. These include Ambala, Daman, Kolkata, Jalandhar, Kota, Pune and New Delhi. Vice Admiral Ghormade said that Vikrant has two thousand two hundred coaches including separate accommodation for women officers and women Agniveer sailors.

With this, India has joined the club of select countries including USA, UK, Russia, China and France which manufacture aircraft carriers above 40,000 tonnes, he said. The complete cabling of about two thousand five hundred kilometers long INS Vikrant has been done in India, which is a big achievement.

With the help of Indian Navy, DRDO and SAIL, warship-grade steel has been made in India, which can now also be exported. He expressed hope that the research and development organization will now be able to develop the capability of manufacturing unmanned aerial vehicles.

8. Veteran filmmaker Abdul Ghaffar Nadiadwala passes away



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Veteran Bollywood producer of multi-starrer masala films Abdul Ghaffar Nadiadwala passed away after a prolonged illness. His son Mushtaq Nadiadwala gave information about this incident on Monday. He was 92 years old and was battling several ailments. He breathed his last at Breach Candy Hospital around 3 am on Monday.

He was popular as Ghaffarbai in the film industry. He has three sons, Firoz, Hafiz and Mushtaq, daughters and his nephew and renowned film producer Sajid Nadiadwala. His family informed that Ghaffarbai's funeral pyre would be taken to the Irla Masjid graveyard in Vile Parle at 4 pm, where he would be cremated.

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According to the data of 2021, who became the country with the lowest fertility rate in the world - **South Korea**

Where will the country's first Night Safari and Biodiversity Park be set up on the lines of Singapore - **Lucknow**

Where was the Asia's largest private 2600-bed "Amrita Hospital" inaugurated - **Faridabad, Haryana**

Where was the Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Center inaugurated - **Mohali, Punjab**

In which state the earthquake museum named "Smritivan" was built in the memory of the victims of the earthquake - **Bhuj, Gujarat**

What is the mascot of 'Rajiv Gandhi Rural Olympics' 2022 to be held in Rajasthan for the first time in the country from August 29 - **Sheru**

Who was honored with 44th Jamnalal Bajaj Award 2022 - **Nilesh Desai**

Who was appointed as the High Commissioner of India to England - **Vikram Doraiswam**

QUIZ

1. Researchers from which Institute of Technology have discovered a new way to find sugar substitute from sugarcane waste?

- a) IIT Delhi b) IIT Kharagpur
c) IIT Bombay d) IIT Guwahati

2. Which dance form has been nominated by India to be inscribed in the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage List?

- a) Ghoomar b) Garba
c) Bhangra d) Kathak

3. An MoU was signed between the National Health Authority and with whom to provide an inclusive and holistic health package for transgender persons under Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY?

- a) Ministry of Home Affairs
b) Ministry of Women and Child Development
c) Social Justice and Empowerment Department
d) Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship

4. In which city the 4th edition of 'India Clean Air Summit' (ICAS) is being held?

- a) Bangalore b) Bhopal
c) Indore d) Jaipur

5. Which state government has signed an agreement with the British High Commission to provide scholarships in 2022?

- a) Chhattisgarh b) Jharkhand
c) Kerala d) Goa

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6. With whom has India signed a \$96.3 million loan agreement to provide safe drinking water and improve water supply and sanitation services in Himachal Pradesh?

- a) State Bank of India
- b) Reserve Bank of India
- c) World Bank
- d) Asian Development Bank

