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## 1. World 's largest safari park to be built in Haryana



The world's largest safari park will be set up in an area of about 10,000 acres falling in the Aravalli mountain range of Gurugram and Nuh districts of Haryana. This project will be the largest such project in the world. Currently the largest curated safari park outside Africa is in Sharjah, which opened in February 2022. Its area is spread over two thousand acres. The proposed Aravalli Park will be 5 times larger than Sharjah's safari area and will include a large herbarium, aviary/bird park, four zones for big cats, a large area for herbivores, an area for exotic animal birds, an underwater world, nature There will be trails/visitor/tourism zones, botanical gardens/biomes, equatorial/tropical/coastal/desert etc. In this regard, Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal has gone to visit Sharjah Jungle Safari with a delegation.

## 2. Kerala 's Pullampara is India 's first 100% Digital Literacy Panchayat



Pullampara has become the first Gram Panchayat in the country to achieve full digital literacy. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan made the official announcement at a function at Mamudu near

Venjaramoodu on Wednesday. Pinarayi said digital literacy is essential for the public to connect with government services as well as global knowledge networks. He said that the government is trying to make Kerala a knowledge society so that citizens can absorb and take advantage of information from any part of the world. The state government has made about 800 government services available online and the digitally literate population can make the most of them. He said that the government is trying to ensure connectivity through digital and online platforms at various levels.

The CM said that internet service can be provided to the public at a nominal rate on completion of the project. The public must be fully prepared to use the Internet and other new technologies. Minister MB Rajesh also attended the function. Digi Pullampara Project was launched on August 15, 2021 to provide digital education to the most deprived sections of the society in the Panchayat. The project was undertaken with the help of volunteers from five engineering colleges, Kudumbashree units and other self-help groups.

## 3. India Ranked 40th For The First Time In The Global Innovation Index Ranking



In its annual report released by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) on 29 September, it has been said that India has made tremendous progress in the Global Innovation Index Ranking 2022 for the first time and has made a place in the top 40. WIPO in its report said, "India is the innovation leader in the lower middle income

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segment. They are leading the way in ICT service exports, as well as in venture capital receipt value, finance, science and technology for startups and scaleups. Graduates in engineering hold top rankings in many other indicators like labor productivity, among others. According to the report, Switzerland, USA, Sweden, United Kingdom and Netherlands are the world's newest economies. Also, the report states that emerging economies continue to perform strongly, in which India has reached 40th place. While Turkey is in 37th place. Earlier in 2020, India entered the top 50 in 2020 and has made it to the top 40 this year. Windfall Tax: Government may reduce windfall tax on oil refining companies soon who drive new activities around the world. The boom continued in 2021, but the challenges in innovation investment are also looming. WIPO DG Darren Tang said in the report, "This year's GII found that innovation is at a crossroads as we emerge from the pandemic. While investment in innovation has increased in 2020 and 2021. The outlook for 2022 is not just global Not only affected by uncertainties, but also by persistently poor performance in innovation-driven productivity." They said, " This is why we need to focus more on not only investing in innovation, but also how it translates into economic and social impact. Quality and value will become as important to success as quantity and scale."

## 4. Right to abortion for all married and unmarried women



The Supreme Court gave a big decision in favor of women. Eliminating the distinction between

married and unmarried in the matter of abortion, the Supreme Court held that all women in India, whether married or unmarried, are entitled to a safe and legal abortion. The Supreme Court, while amending the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, said that unmarried women also have the right to have an abortion like a married woman. Actually, the Supreme Court has given this decision regarding the changes in the MTP Act and the rules related to it.

The Supreme Court held that the marital status of a woman cannot be made a ground to deprive her of the right to terminate an unwanted pregnancy. Single and unmarried women also have the right to abortion under the said law at 24 weeks of pregnancy. The Supreme Court, in an important decision regarding abortion, has said that even in the case of 'marital rape', rape by the husband, the wife can get an abortion within the prescribed limit of 24 weeks. This should be covered under the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act.

## 5. Chief Minister Dairy Plus Scheme in Madhya Pradesh



After interacting with Ramkishore Ahirwar and other livestock owners, inquired about their well being and their business. Chief Minister Chouhan also interacted with the beneficiaries in the camp and inquired about the benefits of the scheme. He also got to know about the redressal of the applications that came to the camp and the eligible beneficiaries deprived of the schemes by doing a quiz on the platform. Chief Minister Chouhan also directed to organize special revenue camps in

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Talpura and other four gram panchayats to get 100 percent settlement of revenue related cases. He also gave instructions to open a new fair price shop in Talpura Gram Panchayat. The Chief Minister said that the eligible farmers should be ensured under the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Kalyan Yojana and Chief Minister Kisan Samman Nidhi. Dr. Prabhuram Choudhary, in-charge of Sehore district and Minister of Public Health and Family Welfare,

Chief Minister Dairy Plus Scheme has been launched for increasing the income of the farmers of the state through dairy business and so that they can earn maximum income by doing animal husbandry. As a pilot project, three districts of the state, Sehore, in Vidisha and Raisen. Two Murrah buffaloes are being provided to the cattle owners already doing the work of animal husbandry under the Chief Minister Dairy Plus Yojna. Their milk production capacity is 10 liters per day. The cost of Murrah buffaloes will be two lakh 50 thousand rupees. Under the scheme, 75 percent grant will be given by the state government to the cattle farmers of scheduled castes and tribes and 50 percent to the backward class and general category cattle farmers. In this way, the cattle farmers of scheduled castes and tribes will have to deposit Rs 62 thousand 500 as contribution and one lakh 50 thousand rupees for the backward class and general category people. It also includes the cost of commuting and insurance of livestock owners.

## 6. RBI hikes interest rate for the fourth time in a row, 50 basis points in repo rate



The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has increased the repo rate for the fourth time in a row. The central bank has increased the policy interest rate by 50 basis points. Now the repo rate of RBI has increased from 5.4% to 5.9%. Earlier in August, RBI had increased the repo rate by 50 basis points. In the MPC meeting held in May also, the repo rate was increased by 50 basis points to 4.90%.

Repo rate is the rate at which RBI gives loans to banks. Due to this increase, all types of loans including home loans will become expensive.

The decision to increase the repo rate was taken in the meeting of the Central Bank's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC). RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das informed about the decisions taken in this meeting. The repo rate has been increased by 1.90 percent since May. Das said five out of six MPC members supported the hike in the repo rate. At the same time, the committee has also decided to continue focusing on withdrawing the soft policy stance to bring inflation under control.

The RBI governor said, 'We are facing a new 'storm' caused by aggressive rate hikes of central banks of various countries after the Kovid pandemic crisis, Russia-Ukraine war.

RBI has retained the inflation forecast for the financial year 2022-23 at 6.7 per cent. It is expected to be around 6 per cent in the second half. Inflation based on the Consumer Price Index stood at 7 per cent in August, which is above the RBI's satisfactory level.

## 7. PM Modi flags off the third Vande Bharat train



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KAVACH (Train Collision Avoidance System) technology is being launched for the first time in this Vande Bharat train running in Gujarat. With the help of this technology, accidents like head-on collision of two trains will be prevented.

The country has got its third indigenously manufactured high speed Vande Bharat Express train today. Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off this train from Gandhinagar station on Friday. This train will run between Gandhinagar to Mumbai Central. State Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel, Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav and Minister of State for Railways Darshana Jardosh were also present during this.

Vande Bharat Express has a total seating capacity of 1,128 passengers. The first Vande Bharat Express train ran on the New Delhi-Varanasi route on February 15, 2019. At the same time, the second train was run from New Delhi to Shri Vaishno Devi Mata, Katra route. The third Vande Bharat train will be different from the earlier Vande Bharat trains. In view of the passenger amenities in this new train, many changes have been made. Special arrangements have also been made regarding Covid in the new train.

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## 8. Reliance Jio chairman Akash Ambani included in Times '100 Next' list



Reliance Jio Chairman Akash Ambani has been included by Time magazine in its 'Time 100 Next' list. He is the only Indian in this list. However, the list also featured Amrapali Gunn, the Indian-origin CEO of social media platform OnlyFans. It is noteworthy that the 'Time 100 Next' list is inspired by the 'Time 100' list showing the world's most influential people. 'Time 100 Next' ranks 100 rising stars from across industries and around the world who make extraordinary strides to better the world and define the future.

Akash, the son of Reliance Industries chairman Mukesh Ambani and Reliance Foundation's founding chairperson Nita Ambani, has been included in this list under the 'leader' category. Thirty-year-old Akash was promoted as the chairman of India's largest telecom company Jio in June this year. The company has more than 426 million customers. Apart from this, American singer SZA, actress Sydney Sweeney, basketball player Ja Morant, Spanish tennis player Carlos Alcaraz, actor and television personality Keke Palmer and environmental activist Farviza Farhan are also included in the list of 'Time 100 Next'.

About Akash Ambani, Time magazine says, 'He is working hard to grow the business. He has been instrumental in completing billion-dollar investment deals with Google and Facebook. Let us tell you that the 5G rollout of Reliance Jio is being done under the supervision of Akash Ambani. The company plans to launch 5G in some other metro cities including Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata and Chennai by the upcoming Diwali. Jio is the only company to have bought the 700 MHz spectrum

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band. This is the only spectrum band on which stand-alone 5G network i.e. True 5G can run.

For your information, let us tell you that the 700 MHz band is considered a premium band for 5G networks in America and Europe. In this context, in the case of 5G, Jio has an edge over other companies. Time Magazine publishes the list of TIME100 Next every year. In this list, apart from the country and the world, 100 rising stars of the industry are given a place. The TIME100 list for 2022 includes musicians as well as professional doctors, government officials, agitators, high-profile whistle-blowers and top CEOs. These celebrities have not only reshaped the world but have tried to redefine the future.

## ONE LINER

Which country tops the Global Innovation Index for the year 2022, released by the World Intellectual Property Organization - **Switzerland**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged off Vande Bharat Express train between which two cities - **Gandhinagar - Mumbai**

Which former Air Chief Marshal of the Indian Air Force has been elected as the Chief Nodal Officer of the Uttar Pradesh Defense Industrial Corridor - **RKS Bhadauria**

In which state of India the world's largest safari park will be established - **Haryana**

Who has honored the winners of the 68th National Film Awards in New Delhi - **President Draupadi Murmu**

Who has inaugurated the Nutrition Utsav at Kartvypath, New Delhi from today to 2nd October to mark the conclusion of the 5th National Nutrition Month - **Smriti Zubin Irani**

What is the rank of India in the Global Innovation Index for the year 2022 - **40th**

## QUIZ

1. What is the rank of India in the Global Innovation Index 2022?

- a) 38th
- b) 40th
- c) 55th
- d) 45th

2. Which state has won the 'Ayushman Excellence Award 2022'?

- a) Madhya Pradesh
- b) Gujarat
- c) Maharashtra
- d) Uttar Pradesh

3. Who has been appointed as the Prime Minister of Saudi Arabia?

- a) Mohammed bin Salman
- b) Al Waleed bin Talal Al Saud
- c) Khalid bin Faisal Al Saud
- d) Mutaib bin Abdullah

4. Who has been elected as the President of Hockey India?

- a) Ramandeep Singh
- b) Bharat Chhetri
- c) Dilip Tirkey
- d) PR Sreejesh

5. Which state of India has announced to set up the world's largest jungle safari park?

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- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Himachal Pradesh
- c) Rajasthan
- d) Haryana

6. Which gram panchayat of Kerala has become the first fully digitally literate panchayat in India?

- a) Kunnathukal
- b) Pullampara
- c) wail
- d) Kallar

