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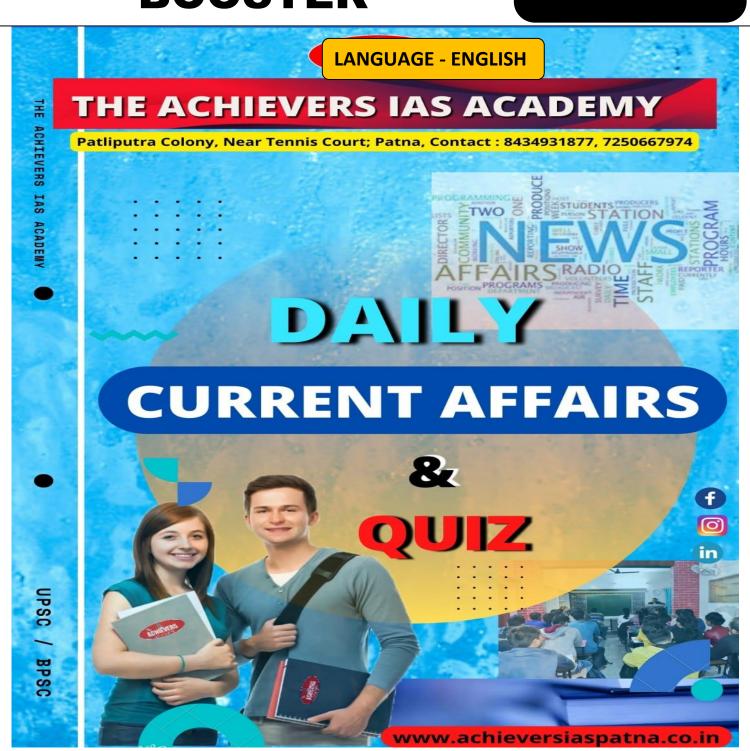
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# CURRENT AFFAIRS BOOSTER

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**FRIDAY** 



# 1. Gujarat becomes first state to launch Gati Shakti portal



Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel today launched the Gujarat Gati Shakti Portal at GIFT City.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that Gujarat has become the first state to launch Gati Shakti Portal at the state level. He said that this portal will facilitate investors to do business with more transparency in governance. This will reduce time, money and logistics cost.

The Chief Minister said that more than 500 types of data of 21 departments and 52 sub-divisions of the state government will be compiled from the Gati Shakti Portal.

Our correspondent reports that this portal will help in speedy execution of infrastructure projects in the state. Through this, the processing of applications, grant of permissions and progress of projects will be monitored faster.

The portal is developed by Gujarat Infrastructure Development Board in collaboration with Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo-informatics.

2. International Hockey Federation selected India 's Sreejesh, Savita as the best men 's and women 's goalkeepers of the year



India's PR Sreejesh and Savita Poonia were on Wednesday named the men's and women's goalkeepers of the year for the second time in a row at the International Hockey Federation (FIH) awards.

Sreejesh has been an integral part of the team representing India for the last 16 years. He took the field in all 16 matches of the team's Hockey Pro League last year. India finished third in this league.

Sreejesh was also a member of the Indian team that won the silver medal in the Commonwealth Games. He represented the team on the field in all six of its matches in Birmingham. Praising Sreejesh in a statement issued from FIH, it was said, "The length of PR Sreejesh's career continues to defy age. This 34-year-old player of India is constantly raising the level of his game.

Sreejesh got a total of 39.9 marks in the election for this award. Belgium's Loik van Dooren (26.3 points) finished second and Netherlands' Primin Blak (23.2 points) third. This percentage of votes was based on voting by experts (40%), team (20%), fans (20%) and media (20%).

Sreejesh is the third player to win the FIH Goalkeeper of the Year award twice in a row. Prior to this, David Hurt (Ire) has won it three times in a row from 2015 and 2016 and Vincent Vanash (Belgium) from 2017 to 2019.

During the season, Sreejesh became India's first goalkeeper and eighth player overall to play 250 international matches.

Sreejesh, who attended the ongoing team camp at the Sports Authority of India in Bengaluru, said, "No doubt, it is a special award because hockey fans are voting for us. It is a great honor for me and a testament to my hard work.

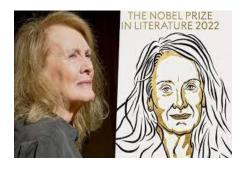
"At whatever stage of your career you are in, winning an award is always a motivating factor. This award will definitely motivate me to improve the game more in the times to come where the team is to play FIH Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 in Bhubaneswar-Rourkela.

Thirty-two-year-old Savita topped the poll with 37.6 per cent marks. Argentine legend Belen Susi finished second with 26.4 per cent while Australian legend Jocelyn Bartum (16 percentage points) was third.

Savita is only the third player to win the Goalkeeper of the Year (Female) award for two consecutive terms, starting in 2014.

Savita, who is in Gujarat for the National Games, said, "It is definitely a big surprise and very enjoyable. I am sure many Indian hockey fans have voted for us and I thank each and every one of them.

# 3. French Writer Annie Enox Wins Nobel Prize for Literature 2022



The Nobel Prize in Literature 2022 has been awarded to French writer Annie Ernaux "for the courage and clinical acumen with which she explores the roots, systems and collective restrictions of individual memory". exposes". The

award was announced on 6 October 2022 by Matt Malm, Permanent Secretary of the Swedish Academy.

Enox, née Duchenne, was born in Lillebonne Normandy in 1940. More than thirty literary works have been published under his name.

The 82-year-old grew rapidly in popularity in the English-speaking world after Enox's book "The Years" was translated into English. His book was also shortlisted for the Man Booker International Prize.

Her book, 'Happening' (first published in 2001), on her illegal abortion in the 1960s, has also been in the limelight after abortion rights were curtailed in America. 'Happening', which is based on her abortion, states that blood and filth are common for women, but are always labeled "shocking" when writing about such experiences.

Her books have sought to explore how shame is built into the female consciousness, and how women censor themselves and judge themselves even in private spaces such as diaries.

# 4. Sandeep Kumar Gupta becomes the chairman of GAIL, the tenure will be till February 2026



Sandeep Kumar Gupta has taken over as the Chairman and Managing Director of GAIL India Limited, the country's largest gas company. Gupta was earlier the Director of Finance in Indian Oil Corporation. He will replace Manoj Jain, who retired on August 31. "Immediately after joining the company, he addressed the employees and

mentioned the balanced business portfolio of the company," GAIL India said in a statement issued on Monday. in which the share of natural gas in the energy mix will more than double to 15 percent by 2030.

A commerce graduate and chartered accountant, Gupta has over 31 years of work experience in the country's largest oil refining and fuel marketing company, IOC. Gupta was the Finance Director of the IOC since August 3, 2019. His tenure as Chairman and Managing Director will be till February 2026.

Sandeep Gupta said that he has full faith in the outlook of the company. In 1984, GAIL had a single pipeline. At present, GAIL India has a 14500 km long natural gas pipeline network. Apart from this, 14 metric tonnes of LNG is sourcing annually. The portfolio of the company is huge. GAIL India has gas processing unit, LPG transmission network. It produces LPG and also manufactures liquid hydrocarbon products. Talking about renewable energy, the company also has a presence in solar and wind energy. In future, the company plans to enter many new fields including hydrogen production, CBG, shipping.

# 5. Rest of India beat Saurashtra to win Irani Cup 2022



Mukesh Kumar, a resident of Kakarkund, a small village in Gopalganj, Bihar, has been selected for the upcoming ODI series (IND VS SA ODI) against South Africa. Let us tell you that the first ODI will be played on October 6. Playing for Rest of India in

the Irani Cup, Mukesh performed brilliantly. At the same time, Rest of India defeated Saurashtra by eight wickets to win the Irani Cup. The match has become very memorable for Mukesh Kumar.

On the one hand, Mukesh played an important role in winning the rest of India by taking four wickets in the first innings against Saurashtra. On the other hand, Mukesh was selected for Team India. While giving an interview to a newspaper, Mukesh said, 'A sudden message came in my mobile that you have joined the official WhatsApp group of Team India. After that I was congratulated on getting selected in Team India.

Mukesh said, 'As soon as I got to know that I got selected in Team India, I immediately told this to my mother. He blessed me. I got very emotional while telling this to mother. My mother also started crying because of happiness on the phone. Mukesh said that my mother has always helped me become a cricketer.

#### 6. Amit Shah announces ST status for hills in J&K



Union Home Minister Amit Shah, while addressing a mega rally in Rajouri, has announced reservation for Pahari, Gurjar and Bakarwal soon. Amit Shah said that people have started provoking Gurjar and Bakarwal brothers. During the rally in Rajouri, Amit Shah said that I promise that the hills will also come and not even one percent of Gurjar Bakarwal will be reduced.

The people of the Pahari community in Jammu and Kashmir have been demanding for a long time that

they should also be given the status of Scheduled Tribes in the remote and backward areas of Pir Panjal region, apart from Baramulla and Anantnag districts, on the lines of Gurjars and Bakarwals. However, the people of Gurjars and Bakarwals oppose the ST tag for the Pahari community. Its premise is that the Pahari communities are not a single ethnic group, but a group of different religious and linguistic communities.

The Pahari community has a large population in many areas of Jammu and Kashmir including Rajouri, Handwara, Poonch and Baramulla. The people of the Pahari community have influence in more than a dozen assembly seats in Jammu and Kashmir. The Gurjar-Bakarwals belong to the Muslim community, while the Pahari community has both Hindu-Muslims. In the border districts, 40 per cent of the population belongs to the Pahari community. Muzaffar Baig has been the Deputy Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir and is a hill leader. At the same time, Gujjar and Bakarwal community have got ST status in Jammu and Kashmir since April 1991. 10 percent reservation is available for Scheduled Tribes in government jobs and admission in educational institutions.

#### 7. SpaceX Launches NASA's Crew-5 Mission



Elon Musk's company SpaceX is making new history in space. SpaceX made another launch just hours after launching astronauts for the US space agency NASA to the International Space Station. On Wednesday evening it put 52 more of its Starlink Internet satellites into orbit. These Starlink satellites took off on Wednesday evening aboard a

Falcon 9 rocket from Vandenberg Space Force Base in California. The first stage of the Falcon 9 is safely back on Earth. About 8.5 minutes after the satellite was launched, the first stage of the Falcon 9 rocket made a landing at a pinpoint positioned in the Pacific Ocean. This was the fifth liftoff and landing for this particular booster. Such technology allows SpaceX to use the same rocket over and over again, reducing launch costs.

On the one hand, the first stage of the Falcon 9 rocket had landed on Earth. At the same time, the upper stage continued its journey to orbit. It put 52 Starlink satellites into orbit approximately 62 minutes after liftoff. SpaceX's Starlink is a satellite Internet service that is constantly expanding. To date, SpaceX has launched more than 3,400 Starlink satellites. The company has approvals to launch 12,000 spacecraft, but wants to take that to 30,000.

At the same time, the 'Crew-5 astronaut mission' launched by SpaceX for NASA was the company's 45th mission of the year 2022. It took off from the Kennedy Space Center in Florida. Under the mission, 4 astronauts have been sent to the International Space Station. All of them are going to reach there today. SpaceX plans to launch another mission today, which will take off from Cape Canaveral Space Force Station in Florida. Under this, two commercial communication satellites will be sent into space.

# 8. No charges will be levied on the use of RuPay Credit Card for transactions up to Rs.2000



There will be no charges for transactions up to Rs 2,000 on Unified Payments Interface (UPI) using RuPay credit cards. This instruction has been given in a recent circular of the Reserve Bank of India. Rupay credit card is in operation for the last four years and all major banks are connected to it. The circular issued on October 4 states that the process of linking the credit card on the app and generating the UPI PIN requires the consent of the customer to enable the credit card in all transactions.

NPCI said the existing process of the app for international transactions would be applicable to credit cards as well. It said that zero merchant concessional rate (MDR) will be applicable for this category up to transaction amount less than and equal to Rs 2,000. The notice said, this circular will come into force from the date of issue. Members are requested to take note of this and bring the contents of this circular to the notice of the concerned stakeholders. RBI Deputy Governor T Ravi Shankar had earlier said, the basic objective of linking credit cards with UPI is to provide a wider choice of payment options to the customer. Currently UPI is linked to savings accounts or current accounts through debit cards

#### ONE LINER

Who has been awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature 2022 - Annie Ernoux

Who has been appointed by the Central Government as the presiding officer of the Unlawful Activities ( Prevention ) Tribunal - Justice Dinesh Kumar Sharma

Who has recently become the first American woman to travel in space - Colonel Nicole Mann

Who among the winners of the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the year 2022 has received this award for the second time - K. Barry Sharpless

PM Modi recently laid the foundation stone of Rs 350 crore ' Medical Device Park ' in which state - Himachal Pradesh

Who has been honored with 'Global Indian Award 'by Canada - India Foundation - Anil Agarwal

After the completion of the term of Satyapal Malik , who has been given the additional charge of the Governor of Meghalaya - B. D Mishra

Recently , the two - day ' Swachhta Sarathi Samaroh ' has been organized where - IIT , Delhi

#### QUIZ

- 1. Who has been awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in the year 2022?
- a) Annie Arnoux
- b) Yasmina Reza
- c) Michelle Hollebeck
- d) Leila Slimani
- 2. When is World Cotton Day celebrated? \_\_
- a) 6 October
- b) October 9
- c) 7 October
- d) October 10
- 3. Who has won the UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award for the year 2022?
- a) Justin Trudeau
- b) Emmanuel Macron
- c) Joe Biden
- d) Angela Merkel

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- 4. Who has been appointed by the Government of India as the Presiding Officer of the UAPA Tribunal
- a) Pankaj Bhatia
- b) Dinesh Kumar Sharma
- c) Vivek Verma
- d) Rajiv Mishra
- 5. A new advanced supervisory monitoring system
- Daksh has been launched by whom?
- a) Reserve Bank of India
- b) State Bank of India
- c) Central Bank of India
- d) Union Bank of India
- 6. Which state has launched an anti dust campaign to control air pollution?
- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Haryana
- c) Delhi
- d) Punjab
- 7. Which company has got India 's first micro category drone certification?
- a) Shivayu Aerospace
- b) Throttle Aerospace Systems Pvt Ltd
- c) Adya Aerospace Pvt Ltd
- d) Asteria Aerospace Limited