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1. Kashi - Tamil Sangamam started in Varanasi



'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' is being organized by the Union Ministry of Education from 17 November to 16 December. During the month-long 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam', a total of 13 trains will operate from Tamil Nadu to Kashi, Uttar Pradesh. The first rake carrying 216 delegates for Kasi Tamil Sangamam is starting from Rameshwaram, Tamil Nadu. Kasi Tamil Sangamam aims to bring the two knowledge and cultural traditions closer, understand our shared heritage and deepen the people-to-people bond. Around 35 delegates from Rameswaram, 103 from Tiruchirappalli and 78 from Chennai Egmore will board the train to take part in the first train leaving from Milnadu. The Governor of Tamil Nadu will interact with the representatives in Chennai on November 17 and flag off the train. According to the Union Ministry of Education, a month-long 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' program is being organized in Varanasi from November 17 to December 16 to rediscover the age-old bond of knowledge and ancient civilizational links between Kashi and Tamil Nadu. As part of the IIT and BHU's programme, academic exchanges, seminars, and discussions between scholars on various aspects of the two ancient expressions of Indian culture will focus on bringing forth shared values. These train services will cover 2592 trains to Tamil Nadu. Representatives will attend. The delegates will start their journey from Rameshwaram, Coimbatore and Chennai. These trains will stop at 21 stations on the way. Each rake will have 216 passengers. Kashi Tamil Sangam 2022 is an initiative of the Government of India as part of the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence. It will be a celebration of the

spirit of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' and will celebrate the Tamil language as well as the culture. That about 2500 delegates from Tamil Nadu will come to Kashi in a month for Kashi Tamil Sangamam and will return from here after enriching experiences and memorable stay. Twelve groups with about 200 members from different regions will reach Kashi. In these groups there will be representatives of teachers, students, arts, literature, business, culture etc.

2. Assam government started millet mission



Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma launched the 'Assam Millet Mission' here on Wednesday to expand and increase millet cultivation in the state. Addressing a program here, Sarma said the millet mission aims to double the nutrition quotient and farmers' income in Assam. The mission will also enhance crop productivity and contribute to crop diversification. He said that farmers can now diversify their cropping practices and apart from traditional crops, they can expand their cultivation to grow millets. Initially, the Assam Millets Mission will be practiced in 25,000 hectares of cropped land. After this it will be extended to 50,000 hectares of agricultural land in the state. Some knowledge centers were also inaugurated on Wednesday, which will help and help the farmers of the state to acquire knowledge about the cultivation of millets. That from next year, the Assam government will increase the MSP for paddy by 2, 040 per quintal has been fixed. He asked the farmers to sell their paddy to the government. The

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Chief Minister said that the state government was helping the local youth by providing subsidies to set up mills and other agricultural infrastructure. CM Sarma also inaugurated six soil testing and quality control laboratories at Bongaigaon, Morigaon, Udalguri, Golaghat, Karimganj and Darrang and two knowledge centers at Dhemaji and Titabor in the same event. Assam Agriculture Minister Atul Bora, Panchayat and Rural Development Minister Ranjit Kumar Das and others were also present on the occasion. He also inaugurated six soil testing and quality control laboratories at Karimganj and Darrang and two knowledge centers at Dhemaji and Titabor. Assam Agriculture Minister Atul Bora, Panchayat and Rural Development Minister Ranjit Kumar Das and others were also present on the occasion. He also inaugurated six soil testing and quality control laboratories at Karimganj and Darrang and two knowledge centers at Dhemaji and Titabor. Assam Agriculture Minister Atul Bora, Panchayat and Rural Development Minister Ranjit Kumar Das and others were also present on the occasion.

3. Switzerland won the title of 'Billie Jean King Cup Championship' for the first time



Switzerland has won the women's professional tennis tournament Billie Jean King Cup title. Switzerland has won this title for the first time. Switzerland won the tournament by defeating Australia 2–0. In the first match of the day, Jill Teckman defeated Storm Sanders 6-3, 4-6, 6-3 in a match that lasted two hours and 18 minutes. Olympic champion Belinda Bencic then clinched the trophy with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Ajla Tomljanovic.

Seven-time champion Australia has not won the title since 1974. The WTA quoted Bencic as saying, We were finalists last year and we were very sad. But the techs came up to me in the locker room and said next year, we're going to win it and we did, I'm so proud. The draw for next year's Billie Jean King Cup qualifiers took place on Sunday. The tournament will be held on April 14-15, 2023.

4. Sharath Kamal becomes the first Indian to be elected to the Athletes Commission of the International Table Tennis Federation



Star Indian paddler Achanta Sharath Kamal has become the first player from the country to be elected to the Athletes Commission of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF). Sharath got 187 votes, followed by Romania's Elizabeth Samara with 212 votes. Their continents - Asia and Europe - accounted for 8.83 percent of the votes respectively. Eight athletes (four men and as many women) were elected from Asia, Africa, the Americas, Europe and Oceania and serve on the Athletes' Commission for a four-year term from 2022 to 2026. Speaking of international honours, the 40-year-old India - a multiple medalist at the Commonwealth Games - was humbled and happy to learn that she received the most votes from Asia ahead of other candidates from the continent. Liu Shiwen, elected from the women's quota, is the other Asian on the commission, but the Chinese managed only 153 votes. Sharath said, I am overwhelmed by this honour. I thank the whole of Asia and all the voters for showing affection with

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faith and for the COA (Committee of Administrators) recommending my name to ITTF. The Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI) informed about this on Wednesday. "If the Asian Table Tennis Union (ATTU) decides to pursue their case, the Indian can also become the vice-chairman of the Athletes Commission of ITTF. This month Sharath, who received the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna award from President Draupadi Murmu at the end of 2016, is also the Vice-Chairman of the Athletes Commission of the Indian Olympic Association. Elections to be held include. In the November 7 to 13 poll, 283 athletes voted to elect eight candidates from various fields, Which shows an increase of 18 percent as compared to 240 in 2018 and the growing popularity and relevance of the commission. Apart from the eight athletes, two para-athletes will also serve four-year terms.

5. Sandhya Devanathan appointed as Vice President of Meta India



Two weeks after the departure of former Meta India chief Ajit Mohan, the company has appointed Sandhya Devanathan as its new top executive for the country. Meta said in a statement that Devanathan will transition to her new role as Country Head of Meta India from January 1, 2023. Devanathan currently serves as Vice President of Gaming for Meta's Asia-Pacific (APAC) division. In her new role, she will report to Dan Neary, vice president of Meta's overall APAC business. Prior to the current role, Devanathan served as Country Managing Director for Singapore and Business Head for Vietnam. Devanathan's appointment follows high-profile exits from the company's

Indian ventures. Significantly, on November 3, Meta announced the resignation of the then country head Ajit Mohan with immediate effect. On 15 November, The company announced the departure of WhatsApp India country head Abhijit Bose and Meta India public policy director Rajeev Agarwal. The resignations by the top heads came amid the biggest single layoff phase for Meta. On November 9, Meta CEO Mark Zuckerberg announced that the company would lay off 11,000 employees, or about 13 percent of its workforce, and freeze all hiring until at least March next year. Zuckerberg wrote in a blog post announcing the company's decision, 'At the beginning of Kovid-19, the world increasingly went online and the rise of e-commerce led to an increase in revenue.' Or will lay off about 13 percent of the employees and will stop all appointments till at least March next year. Zuckerberg wrote in a blog post announcing the company's decision, 'At the beginning of Kovid-19, the world increasingly went online and the rise of e-commerce led to an increase in revenue.' Or will lay off about 13 percent of the employees and will stop all appointments till at least March next year. Zuckerberg wrote in a blog post announcing the company's decision, 'At the beginning of Kovid-19, the world increasingly went online and the rise of e-commerce led to an increase in revenue.'

6. International Tourism Mart started in Mizoram 's capital Aizawl



The 10th edition of International Tourism Mart has started in Aizawl, Mizoram. This international tourism mart in the North Eastern region will focus

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on 'G20 Priorities for Tourism Track' as India assumes the presidency of the influential grouping for a year from December 1 to November 30 next year. Commerce and Industry Minister Dr. R.K. Lalthallangaliana inaugurated this mega exhibition on Wednesday. This International Tourism Mart is situated in Assam Rifles Ground in Aizawl. This mega exhibition was a part of it. The 10th edition of the International Tourism Mart, a 3-day mega tourism event was inaugurated by Union Tourism Minister G. Kishan Reddy by R. Performed at Dengthuama Hall. The event is being jointly organized by the Union Ministry of Tourism and the Mizoram Tourism Department. State Sports Minister Robert Romawia Royte and Vice-Chairman of the Tourism Development Board TC Pachhunga also attended the opening ceremony of the state mega exhibition. That the mega tourism event will bring a new chapter in the tourism sector not only in Mizoram but in the entire North East region. He said that in the last few years significant progress has been registered in the tourism sector in the state with several projects. The minister said that the present Mizo National Front government headed by Chief Minister Zoramthanga has given industry status to tourism. Tourism is the main source of income in other countries. The present state government has also approved and granted industry status to tourism. Since then we have seen a lot of progress in this field. There are about 76 stalls in the mega exhibition. This Mart is organized to highlight the tourism potential of North East among the major source markets of India. The Union Ministry of Tourism is organizing it since 2013. These international programs are organized on rotation basis in the North Eastern states. Mizoram is hosting the Mart for the first time.

7. Indian - origin Nobel laureate Venky Ramakrishnan honored with UK 's ' Order of Merit



Indian-origin Nobel laureate Professor Venky Ramakrishnan has been awarded the 'Order of Merit' by King Charles III of Britain for his significant contribution in the field of science. This award is a special honor given by the King or Queen of Britain. Professor Venky was born in Chidambaram, Tamil Nadu. He was educated in America before going to Britain. He was awarded the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 2009. The 70-year-old Venky was among six people mentioned by Queen Elizabeth II in her historic order before her death last September. Buckingham Palace said, 'Her Majesty the King is pleased to make six new appointments to the Order of Merit. appointments in order to the armed forces, science, the arts, For having made a notable contribution to the promotion of literature or culture. These individuals were selected by Queen Elizabeth in early September. It is known that the Order of Merit, established in 1902 by King Edward VII, was established in the year 1902. It is awarded to exceptionally distinguished persons in the armed forces, science, arts and literature for the promotion of culture, based on the personal choice of the Maharaja. Along with Professor Venky Ramakrishnan, awardees include Sir David Attenborough, renowned British conservationist and artist David Hockney, former Speaker of the House of Commons Betty Boothroyd and computer scientist Sir Tim Berners-Lee, founder of the World Wide Web. Awarded to exceptionally distinguished persons in the arts and literature for the promotion of culture. Along with Professor Venky Ramakrishnan, awardees include Sir David Attenborough, renowned British conservationist and artist David Hockney, former Speaker of the

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8. For the first time six women officers selected for Defense Services Staff College



For the first time, six women officers have cleared the Defense Services Staff College (DSSC) exam. Indian Army official said that a lady officer has passed the exam along with her husband who is also an army officer. Two of these women officers are from the Military Intelligence Corps. For the first time in the history of the Indian Army, women officers have got admission in the prestigious DSSC. For the first time, six women officers have cleared the prestigious Defense Services Staff College (DSSC) and Defense Services Technical Staff Course (DSTSC) exams. This exam is conducted every year in September. He said four of these officers would undergo a one-year course at the Defense Services Staff College in Wellington, Tamil Nadu, along with their male counterparts from the three services. Of the remaining two women officers, one is on the reserve list for the Defense Services Technical Staff Course and the other for the Administration and

Logistics Management course. (ALMC)/ Intelligence Staff Course (ISC). Women officers will be provided training and guidance for operational, military intelligence, operational logistics and administrative aspects of staff appointments. The army official said that more than 1,500 officers of the Indian Army appear for the DSSC/DSTSC entrance exam. For the first time this year, 22 women officers of the Army (from Army Service Corps, Army Air Defence, Army Ordnance Corps, Corps of Signals, Corps of Intelligence, Corps of Engineers and Corps of EME) were granted Permanent Commission in the respective arms and services Gaya, all of them appeared in the examination. Officers are enrolled to attend the course on the basis of merit after qualifying the entrance test which also includes service profile and discipline. All of them appeared in the examination. Officers are enrolled to attend the course on the basis of merit after qualifying the entrance test which also includes service profile and discipline.

9. Dr. Vasudha Gupta given additional charge of Director General of All India Radio



Senior Indian Information Service (IIS) officer Vasudha Gupta took over as the Director General of News Services Division of All India Radio on Thursday. Gupta, a 1989 batch IIS officer, has held various positions in the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting during her career spanning over 32 years. Worked on. He served as Director General of Press Information Bureau (PIB) before his

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appointment as Director General of News Services Division of All India Radio. During his tenure at PIB, Gupta played a key role in implementing the government's communication strategies during the coronavirus pandemic and managed the fact-checking unit to counter the spread of misinformation surrounding the outbreak. Gupta attended the Delhi School of Economics MPhil from Indian Institute of Technology-Delhi and PhD in Banking and Financial Support Services from Indian Institute of Technology-Delhi. Post as Additional Director General in All India Radio (News)

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Which state government has announced to make the state slum free - **Odisha**

How many dollars has India saved in fuel cost - **4.2 billion dollars**

Who has announced BHIM app open source license - **NPCL**

With whom BSNL has made a deal of Rs 26821 crore - **TCS**

Feat India School Week Ki Shubhankar Toofan Ka Subharambh Kisane Kiya Hai - **PV Sindhu**

When is Children 's Day celebrated - **14 November**

Which year has been declared as ASEAN – India Friendship Year – **2022**

Who will host the IBSA Blind Football Women 's Asian Championship 2022 - **India**

Who has been honored with Britain 's Royal Order of Merito - **Venky Ramakrishna**

When is World Diabetes Day celebrated - **14 November**

QUIZ

1: When is World Tribal Pride Day celebrated every year ?

A) 13 November

B) 15th November

C) 14th November

D) 11th November

-: Lord Birsamunda was born on November 15 , that 's why Tribal Pride Day is celebrated on this day .

2. Where did the Kashi - Tamil Sangam begin on November 17 , 2022 ?

A) Jaipur

B) Patna

C) Mumbai

D) Varanasi

- : Tamil literature is called Sangam literature .

3. Who has become the first Indian to be elected in the Athletes Commission of the International Table Tennis Federation ?

A) Neeraj Chopra

B) Sharat Kamal

C) Dalip Singh

D) Dutee Chand

4. For the first time how many women have been selected for Defense Services Staff College (DSSC) ?

A) 05

B) 06

C) 08

D) 09

5. Who has recently won the title of Billie Jean King Cup , a women's professional tennis tournament ?

A) Switzerland

B) Australia

C) Japan

D) China

6. Which word has been chosen by the Cambridge Dictionary as the Word of the Year ?

A) Wax

B) Vaccine

C) Homer

D) Children

7. Which Indian - origin Nobel laureate was awarded the Order of Merit award of Britain ? __

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- A) Rishi Sunak
- B) Antonio Costa
- C) Parvind Jagannath
- D) Venky Ramakrishnan

