

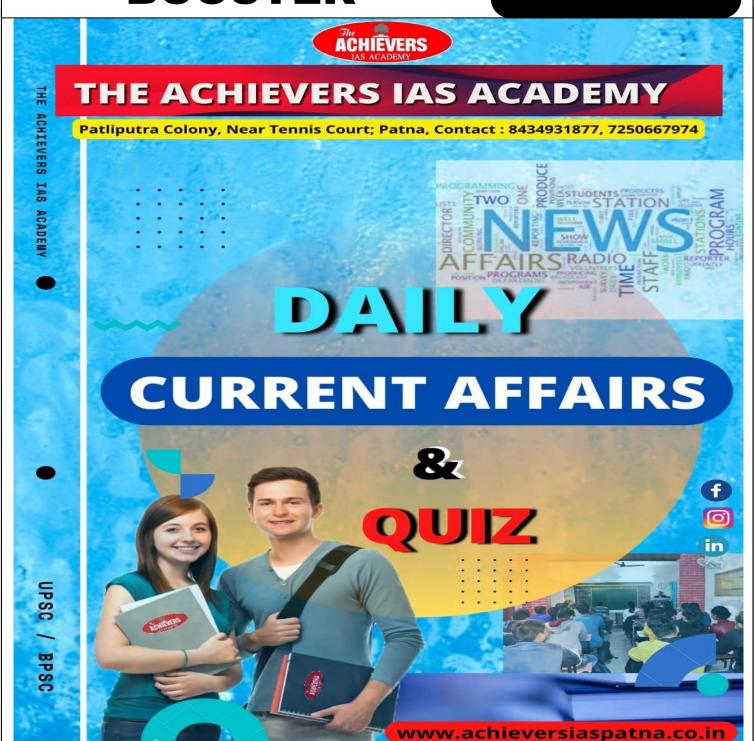
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1. Yogi Adityanath inaugurates UNESCO India - Africa Hackathon 2022 in Noida



UNESCO-India-Africa Hackathon 2022 was formally inaugurated by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath by lighting the lamp at Gautam Buddha University located in Gautam Buddha Nagar district of Uttar Pradesh and he also inaugurated the cultural parade of Indo-African countries, saw. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that India-Africa relations are a wonderful example of coincidental relations. Solidarity against colonialism, a true spirit of cooperation among developing countries has been the cornerstone of strong India-Africa relations. We know that the feelings of world welfare have always been expressed in the Indian mind. Even today he can become a medium of world welfare. The expression of Indian Manisha represents the expressions of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. India has always been following this and strengthening the spirit of world brotherhood. Hackathon is also a symbol of this public welfare policy of ours. While welcoming the delegates and students from many countries of Africa, Chief Minister Yogi said that India has never established dominance over anyone on the strength of the sword. Highlighting India's policy in the United Nations, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said in very clear words, India has not given war to the world but Buddha. India has given the message of peace to the whole world. The saga of Lord Shriram expresses the true ideals of human life before the world community. The worship of Lord Rama and the influence of Ramayana is well known in Mauritius of African continent. Uttar Pradesh is the land of Lord Shri Ram, Shri Krishna and Mahatma Buddha. While congratulating the students, Chief Minister Yogi said that India never established dominance over anyone on the strength of the sword. Highlighting India's policy in the United Nations, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had said in very clear words, India has

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2. Russia becomes India's top supplier of fertilizers



Russia has emerged as the largest supplier of fertilizers to India in the first half of the 2022-23 financial year, replacing China. According to a report by the news

agency Reuters, the Russians offered their fertilizers to India at a huge discount after the rise in global fertilizer prices during the Russia-Ukraine war and the refusal of Western countries to buy Russian fertilizers, due to which India had to buy Russian fertilizers. India's fertilizer imports from Russia increased by 371% to a record 2.15 million tonnes in the first six months of the year (April-September 2022). India's imports from traditional sources such as China, Jordan, Egypt and UAE have declined due to increase in Russian supplies. Russia's share in Indian imports in the 2021-22 financial year was about 6%, while China's was about 24%. India's total fertilizer imports in the first half of 2022-23 fell 2.4% to 10.27 million tonnes from a year ago done, However, in value terms, imports increased by 59% to \$7.4 billion during this period. India, which is a major importer of urea, aims to become self-sufficient by 2024 and has tried to increase its domestic production.

3. Assam's Poornima Devi Barman honored with UN's highest environmental award



In India, Purnima Devi Barman of Assam has been awarded the United Nations' highest environmental award "Champions of the Earth 2022". The United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) has given this award to wildlife biologist Purnima Devi Barman for her contribution to the protection of the ecosystem. Dr. Poornima Devi Burman has been awarded in the Entrepreneurial Vision category. Poornima Devi Burman leads the Hargila Army, dedicated to saving the Greater Adjutant Stork from extinction. There is a movement in which only women are involved. Today Hargila Army consists of more than 10,000 women who protect stork nests, serve injured birds etc. With the help of Poornima Devi Barman, the women of the Hargila Army make and sell stork-like masks, helping to raise awareness about endangered species while also providing them financial

independence. According to the UNEP website, at the age of five Burman was sent to his grandmother living near the Brahmaputra river in Assam. While there he saw storks and many other species of birds. His grandmother taught him songs related to birds. While living among the heron and the crane, Purnima Devi Burman thought of working for their conservation. Purnima's PhD was also missed in an effort to save Hargila. Added women to the campaign, which was not easy. Celebrate cooking festival with the aim of increasing awareness. From religious functions to cooking competitions to engage people in conservation campaigns, Presenting conservation messages during street plays and community dances etc. Gradually Hargila Army grew and today more than ten thousand women are associated with this campaign. Burman has been awarded the 2017 Nari Shakti Puraskar (the highest civilian award for Indian women) presented by the President of India, Ram Nath Kovind.

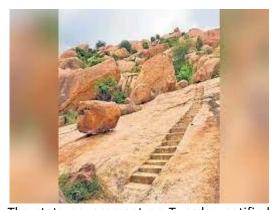
4. Australian Parliament approves Free Trade Agreement with India



The Australian Parliament on Tuesday approved the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with India. Now both the countries will decide with mutual consent from which date this agreement will come into force. Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese gave this information in a tweet. He wrote, "BIG NEWS: Our Free Trade Agreement with India has been passed by Parliament." The India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement (AI-ECTA) required approval by the Australian Parliament before it could come into force. In India, such agreements are approved by the Union Cabinet. Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said in a tweet, "Glad that the Australian Parliament has passed the India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement." He further wrote, "Due to our deep friendship, This sets the stage for us to pursue trade

relations to full potential and accelerate economic growth on a large scale. Apart from this, the ministry will have to take the green signal from the Union Cabinet here. He said that these approvals need to be obtained at the earliest. At the same time, he added that this agreement is fair and good for India. That now both the parties will decide by mutual consent from which date this agreement will come into force. The Customs authorities will issue a notification in this regard. Once the FTA comes into force, over 6.000 Indian products including textiles, leather, furniture, jewelery and machinery will get duty-free access to the Australian market. Said in a program that now the Australian government will take approval from its executive council. Apart from this, the ministry will have to take the green signal from the Union Cabinet here. He said that these approvals need to be obtained at the earliest. At the same time, he added that this agreement is fair and good for India. That now both the parties will decide by mutual consent from which date this agreement will come into force. The Customs authorities will issue a notification in this regard. Once the FTA comes into force, over 6,000 Indian products including textiles, leather, furniture, jewelery and machinery will get duty-free access to the Australian market. Said in a program that now the Australian government will take approval from its executive council. Apart from this, the ministry will have to take the green signal from the Union Cabinet here. He said that these approvals need to be obtained at the earliest. At the same time, he added that this agreement is fair and good for India. That now both the parties will decide by mutual consent from which date this agreement will come into force. The Customs authorities will issue a notification in this regard. Once the FTA comes into force, over 6,000 Indian products including textiles, leather, furniture, jewelery and machinery will get duty-free access to the Australian market.

Tamil Nadu issues notification of its first and India'sBiodiversity Heritage Site



The state government on Tuesday notified an area of 193.215 hectares spread over Arattapatti and Meenakshipuram villages in Madurai district as 'Arattapatti Biodiversity Heritage Site' under the Biological Diversity Act, 2002. It is the first Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS) notified in Tamil Nadu. Biodiversity Heritage Sites are well-defined areas characterized by high diversity of wild and domesticated species, presence of rare and threatened species, and unique, ecologically distinct ecosystems with keystone species. There are fragile ecosystems. Aritapatti village consists of a chain of seven barren granite hills. The distinctive landscape of rocky hills acts as a watershed and supports 72 lakes, 200 natural springs and three check dams. One of the water bodies, the Enaikondan Lake, It was built during the reign of Pandyas in the 16th century. The hills in Aritapatti village have rich biological and historical significance with the presence of about 250 bird species, including three major raptor species the lugger falcon, the Shaheen falcon, and the Bonelli's eagle—and wildlife such as the Indian pangolin, python, and slender loris. The site also has various megalithic structures, Tamil Brahmi inscriptions, Jain beds and 2,200-year-old rock-cut temples, giving it historical significance." and other stakeholders. This notification will strengthen efforts for biodiversity conservation with the participation of local communities. It will also help in preserving the rich biological and historical storehouse of the region, "Environment, The future of conservation lies in saving micro-habitats like Arittapatti which are not protected areas. I visited the site a month ago and saw nests of pied owls, a near-threatened species. A total of 36 biodiversity rich sites have been identified in Tamil Nadu and I am personally visiting each of them to prepare a priority list. We sent three proposals to the state government and Arittapatti was

declared first. The other two are Vaigaikulam in Tirunelveli and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in Coimbatore. The future of conservation lies in saving micro-habitats like Arittapatti which are not protected areas. I visited the site a month ago and saw nests of pied owls, a near-threatened species. A total of 36 biodiversity rich sites have been identified in Tamil Nadu and I am personally visiting each of them to prepare a priority list. We sent three proposals to the state government and Arittapatti was declared first. The other two are Vaigaikulam in Tirunelveli and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in Coimbatore. which was a nearthreatened species. A total of 36 biodiversity rich sites have been identified in Tamil Nadu and I am personally visiting each of them to prepare a priority list. We sent three proposals to the state government and Arittapatti was declared first. The other two are Vaigaikulam in Tirunelveli and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in Coimbatore. which was a near-threatened species. A total of 36 biodiversity rich sites have been identified in Tamil Nadu and I am personally visiting each of them to prepare a priority list. We sent three proposals to the state government and Arittapatti was declared first. The other two are Vaigaikulam in Tirunelveli and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in Coimbatore.

6. Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicates the Kameng Hydroelectric Project in Arunachal Pradesh to the nation



Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday inaugurated the Doni Polo Airport which is the first greenfield airport in Arunachal Pradesh. This airport located at Hollongi, about 15 kilometers from Itanagar, the capital of Arunachal Pradesh, will connect this border state with other cities of the country through commercial flights and helicopter services to other parts of Arunachal Pradesh. Prime Minister Modi also dedicated to the

nation the 600 MW Kameng Hydroelectric Project in West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh state. The Kameng Hydroelectric Project has been developed at a cost of over Rs 8,450 crore over an area of over 80 square kilometres. This is expected to make Arunachal Pradesh a power surplus state and benefit the national grid in terms of stability and integration. Addressing a gathering at the airport, Modi said, 'The connectivity and energy infrastructure will bring a new dawn of development for the North Eastern region.' The Prime Minister said that his government works 365 days, seven days and 24 hours for the development of the country. He said, 'I inaugurate those projects, whose foundation stone has been laid by me. Gone are the days of nonchalant attitude. 'He said,' Political commentators had claimed (in 2019) that laying the foundation stone of the airport was an election gimmick. However, today when there is no election, we are starting this airport. Modi said that the Northeast has been neglected for a long time, while today this region is given top priority in terms of development. . The Prime Minister said that earlier the settlements in the border areas were considered as the 'last village', but now they are considered as the 'first village'. He said that seven airports have been built in the Northeast in the last eight years. He said that this sector gets top priority, be it tourism or trade, telecom or textile. Modi said, 'Policy makers earlier only wanted to win elections while we only work for the development of the nation. that it will cater to the needs of around 2 million people in the region and help boost connectivity, trade and tourism. Modi said, 'I work all day

7. Haryana won the 6th Indian Deaf T20 National Championship



The Haryana Deaf cricket team on Monday lifted the championship trophy by defeating Maharashtra by seven wickets in the final of the 6th Deaf T20 National

Championship 2022. The winners of the competition organized by the Indian Deaf Cricket Association (IDCA) and Villu Poonawalla Foundation at Eklavya Stadium here Team Haryana was felicitated with a trophy and a memento. Runner-up Maharashtra was awarded with trophy and medals. Haryana player Amit Yadav was named man of the match, while his teammate Akash Singh was adjudged the best batsman of the tournament. Kuldeep Singh was awarded the best bowler award. Mahant Nirmal Giri of Kailash Mandir registered his presence as the chief guest in the final match of the competition. MP Singh, a veteran coach of IDCA teams, was present as the guest of honor at the closing ceremony. IDCA President Sumit Jain said, "It was a big tournament. I am thankful to the host Uttar Pradesh Deaf Cricket Association president and managing committee members for organizing this tournament in Agra. Our sponsors have been our pillars of support. We are grateful to him for instilling faith in Deaf cricket. Gratitude to the administrations of 17 states of the country who supported their teams. Congratulations to the winning Haryana team and the runner-up Maharashtra team. Jaswinder Narang, Chief Executive Officer, Villu Poonawalla Foundation said, "We are delighted to collaborate with IDCA for the National Cricket Championship for the Deaf. Sports have the power to inspire and connect people. As a sponsor of the Deaf Cricket Association of India, we stand by our commitment to promote sports among youth with disabilities in the country. Roma Balwani, CEO, IDCA said, "I am impressed by the level of this huge tournament. Kudos to IDCA President Sumit Jain for providing this platform and bringing 350 talented deaf cricket players to play with each other. This tournament is more than winning and losing. Today every player is a hero and we are proud of all those who are trying to make their mark in the society. Many congratulations to the winning Haryana team and the runner-up Maharashtra team.

8. Bilateral Exercise Naseem Al Bahah 2022 between Navies of India and Oman begins _ _



The fourth edition of the exercise began on Monday at NED, Asia's biggest exercise. Contingents of the Indian Army and the Royal Army of Oman are participating in it. This joint exercise of the two countries will continue till August 13 at the foreign training node of the Mahajan Field Firing Range. 60 soldiers of the Royal Army of Oman contingent and 60 soldiers of the Indian Army's 18 Mechanized Infantry Battalion have landed in the ground for exercise with their respective national flags. The soldiers of the Sultan of Oman Parachute Regiment reached Mahajan on Sunday itself. While the soldiers of 18 Mechanized Infantry representing the Indian Army, were already present at the Mahajan Field Firing Range. Earlier, the previous edition of Al Najah was held in Muscat from 12 to 25 March 2019. Focused on neutralizing terrorist threats, the joint exercise between the armies of the two countries emphasizes professional interaction and mutual understanding among troops, joint command Installation, operation control and elimination of terrorist threats will be practiced. The joint exercise will counter terrorism. There comprehensive training program with continuous verification in the last 48 hours. Combat skills such as joint mobile vehicle check posts, joint cordon drills, conducting search operations will also be adopted. Bring your own military equipment as wellThe Royal Army of Oman has brought with it military equipment from its own country. He has reached here with his country's military aircraft. This exercise will end on 13 August. The soldiers will then proceed to Delhi and witness the Independence Day celebrations of India. Except for the two years of Corona in the Mahajan Field Firing Range, every year the army of another country conducts joint maneuvers with the Indian Army. Earlier, he has also practiced with America, Russia, France. Operation control and elimination of terrorist threats

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Who has won gold medal in ICQCC 2022 - NTPC team
The maximum tenure of the CEO of public sector banks
has been increased to how much - 10 years

Recently , who became India 's new ambassador to Comoros - Bandaru Wilson Babu

Recently , how many months has been announced to extend the Black Sea grain deal - 4 months

Which word has been declared by the Cambridge Dictionary as the Word of the Year? - Homer

Who has inaugurated the " Doni Polo " airport in Itanagar - Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Which country has won the Outstanding Excel Award in Family Planning Leadership – India

Army Chief Manoj Pandey has been honored with which award in Paris - Guard of Honor

Who has become the youngest World No. 1
Association of Tennis Professionals player - Carlos
Alcaraz

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- 1. Who has been named the new army chief of Pakistan?
- a) Lieutenant General Asim Munir
- b) Lieutenant General Sahir Shamshad Mirza
- c) Lieutenant General Azhar Abbas
- d) Lt. Gen. Faiz Hameed

Lieutenant General Asim Munir has been appointed as the new Army Chief of Pakistan. The Government of Pakistan has confirmed that they have received communication from the Ministry of Defense with a panel of names for the appointment of the new Chief of Army Staff.

2. Which village in Tamil Nadu has been notified as the first Biodiversity Heritage Site of the state?

- a) Navinipatti
- b) Keelavalu
- c) Aritapatti
- d) Kidripatti

The Tamil Nadu government issued a notification declaring Arattapatti village near Melur in Madurai district as a Biodiversity Heritage Site. This biodiversity heritage site is located in an area of 193.21 hectares and is the first site to be notified in the southern state. The village is surrounded by a range of seven barren granite hills that act as a watershed and is close to 72 lakes, 200 natural spring pools and three dams.

- 3. Sangai Festival is the cultural festival of which Indian state?
- a) Meghalaya
- b) Karnataka
- c) Assam
- d) Manipur

Union Minister G Kishan Reddy inaugurated the 'Manipur Sangai Festival 2022' at Sangai Ethnic Park at Moirang Khunau in Bishnupur district. The 10-day long festival will be organized at 13 places in 6 districts of the northeastern state till 30th November, 2022. Sangai Festival is celebrated as a festival of unity to encourage a sense of belonging.

- 4. Which union ministry is associated with the National Gopal Ratna Award?
- a) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
- b) Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- c) Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers
- d) Ministry of Rural Development

The Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying announced the National Gopal Ratna Awards 2022. The prizes will be given to the winners on 26 November, which will also be celebrated as National Milk Day. 5 lakh for the first rank. 3 lakh for second rank and Rs. Rs 2 lakh has been fixed for the third rank.

- 5. Which city is the host of Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2022?
- a) Delhi
- b) Lucknow
- c) Chennai
- d) Mumbai

Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2022 begins on November 23, 2022 in Delhi. It is a three-day top-level regional strategic dialogue of the Indian Navy. The conference seeks to promote exchange of ideas and discussions on maritime issues relevant to the Indo-Pacific.

- 6. Which country will host the first Olympic e-sports week in 2023?
- a) Japan
- b) Australia
- c) Singapore
- d) Italy

The International Olympic Committee has confirmed that Singapore will host its first e-sports week in 2023. According to the IOC, the event will take place between June 22 and June 25, 2023. The event is being jointly organized by the Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth, Sport Singapore and the Singapore National Olympic Committee.

- 7. When is the martyrdom day of Guru Tegh Bahadur celebrated every year?
- a) 22 November
- b) 20 November
- c) 19 November
- d) 24 November

The martyrdom day of Guru Tegh Bahadur is celebrated every year on 24 November. It is an auspicious occasion recognized by the Sikh community. Guru Tegh Bahadur is the 9th Sikh Guru who was a fearless leader. He fought for the rights of the people till his last breath. Guru Teg Bahadur was martyred during the reign of Mughal Emperor Aurangzeb.

