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## 1. ' Group of Friends ' formed for UN peacekeepers under the leadership of India



External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Thursday attended the Trusteeship Council meeting after chairing the 'United Nations Security Council Meeting: Global Position Against Terrorism: Challenges and the Way Forward'. with India, Bangladesh, Egypt, France, Contributing countries such as Morocco and Nepal participated as co-chairs. S Jaishankar raised concerns about how the involvement of armed groups and terrorists has adversely affected peacekeeping operations globally, amid the ever-increasing challenges to UN peacekeeping missions. Launched a Friends group to promote accountability. At the launch of the Friends group, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar said that UN peacekeeping is more challenging than ever. It is carried out in ambiguous situations and in hostile areas. Peacekeeping operations have been adversely affected by the

involvement of armed groups, terrorists and transnational organized crime. He said that armed groups, The involvement of terrorists and transnational organized crime has adversely affected the operations of peacekeepers. The External Affairs Minister also noted the recent increase in crimes against peacekeepers. The External Affairs Minister further said that statistics show that in the last three years, 68 peacekeepers from 20 countries laid down their lives for the cause of peace. So far 177 Indian peacekeepers have sacrificed their lives. Jaishankar said that preventing crimes against peacekeepers is a multi-stakeholder task of the United Nations. He said it is also a fact that when crimes are committed against peacekeepers, host countries do not have the political will or necessary capacity to ensure such accountability. He said India has facilitated the launch of a database. which will record all crimes against UN peacekeepers. It will also be ready for launch soon. He said that India contributes the largest number of peacekeepers globally. It is worth mentioning that during India's presidency of the UN Security Council in August 2021, a resolution was unanimously adopted on ensuring accountability for crimes against UN peacekeepers.



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## 2. Joe Root became the third player in the world to score 50 wickets and 10,000 runs in Test career



In the Test match being played in Multan between Pakistan and England, Joe Root achieved a unique personal achievement. As soon as he dismissed Faheem Ashraf in Pakistan's second innings, his name joined the special club. Joe Root is the third cricketer in the world to have scored more than 10,000 runs and 50 or more wickets in a Test match. Joe Root came to bowl the 70th over of Pakistan's second innings. In front of him on the fifth ball of the over was Faheem Ashraf, the all-rounder of the host team. In the meantime, he tried to play a ball from Root. The ball went to Jack Crowley after being touched by the bat. Crowley took the catch without making a mistake. This was Root's 50th wicket in Test cricket. He is the third player in the world to score more than 10,000 runs and take 50 wickets in Test cricket. Root has scored 10629 runs in 126 Tests. The charisma of taking more than 10,000 runs and more than 50 wickets in Test cricket has been done by

Jacques Kallis of South Africa and Steve Waugh of Australia in the past. Former South African batsman Kallis scored 13289 runs in Test cricket and also took 292 wickets. He is on top of this list. At the same time, former Australian captain Steve Waugh also took 92 wickets in addition to scoring 10927 runs in Test cricket.

## 3. Dev Joshi the only Indian selected for Japanese businessman's 'Dearmoon' project



Japanese billionaire Yusaku Maezawa traveled 12 days in space last year. Only then it became clear that Yusaku's next flight would be to the Moon. This will be a private flight, which is set to be launched by next year. Yusaku has selected his crew for this flight. More than 1 million people from 249 countries and regions applied to fly with Yusaku. Yusaku has selected 8 people. Apart from these, 2 people have been kept in backup. They are all artists Which includes from YouTuber to DJ. An Indian actor has also got a place in Yusaku's

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crew. The proposed flight to the Moon next year has been named the DearMoon mission. Elon Musk's company SpaceX's Starship will be used to fly around the Moon. Regarding the flight, Yusaku Maezawa said that he hoped that every member of the crew would recognize the responsibility that would come after flying from Earth during the journey to the Moon. This flight of Yusaku is proposed next year, but it is delayed may, Because the SpaceX Starship has not yet been approved for orbital travel around the Earth. As we told you, an Indian actor is also among those who traveled to the moon with Yusaku. Let's know who he is. Indian actor Dev Joshi will also be among those who will fly to the moon with Yusaku Maezawa. Dev Joshi is best known for playing the character in SAB TV's popular shows Baal Veer and Baalveer Returns. Apart from them, DJ Steve Aoki, YouTube creator Tim Dodd of 'Everyday Astronaut' channel, choreographer Yemi A.D, photographer Karim Ilya, photographer Rhiannon Adam, filmmaker Brendan Hall, South Korean rapper TOP have been named finalists. Dancer Miyu and snowboarder Caitlin Farrington have been hired as backup. The name has been finalised. Dancer Miyu and snowboarder Caitlin Farrington have been hired as backup. The name has been finalised. Dancer

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## 4. India to be first country to auction satcom spectrum \_



India will be the first country to auction spectrum for satellite communication. Giving this information on Tuesday, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) Chairman PD Vaghela said that it should be 'designed' with a view to attract investment in the sector. Vaghela said at the Broadband India Forum conference on SATCOM that TRAI It will soon recommend easing of approvals required for satellite communications from various ministries - information and broadcasting, space and telecommunications - for ease of doing business in the sector. He said that TRAI

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has received a reference from DoT regarding spectrum required for auction and related aspects of satellite based communication. Vaghela said, "I think India will be the first country to auction space-based spectrum. We are working on it. The country will be the first to auction space-based spectrum. "But this should not hurt the sector," Vaghela said. It is very important. Whatever mechanism we are bringing is really to encourage and promote investment in this sector and not to add any burden. I mean, this is the biggest challenge before us and we are aware of this fact. TRAI is yet to come out with a consultation paper on spectrum auction as per the standard procedure laid down for satellite communication. Ask about the status of this circular. On visiting, Vaghela said TRAI is in discussion with experts and regulators across the world for a suitable model and after that a consultation paper will be issued. Telecom operators have proposed to allot spectrum through auction for satellite communication, While satellite industry companies have opposed it. "But this should not hurt the sector. It is very important. Whatever mechanism we are bringing is really to encourage and promote investment in this sector and not to add any burden. I mean, this is the biggest challenge before us and we are aware of this fact. TRAI is yet to

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## 5. India's longest escape tunnel built on the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla rail link project



Another important milestone was achieved on Monday in the Udhampur-Srinagar-Baramulla rail link project. Both the ends of Tunnel No. 13, being built to connect Dugga and Savlakot railway stations in the district, were merged. It is the second largest tunnel of the project. The remaining five meter portion at the end was blasted open by SP Mahi, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) of Northern Railway. This explosion was done from a distance of about five hundred meters in the middle of the tunnel. After the explosion, all the officials went across the tunnel as soon as the clouds of dust and soil were dispersed in the tunnel. During this, the pride of success was visible on everyone's faces. Chants of Bharat Mata were also raised after the blast. 9. On the rail link project to connect Katra-Kazikund railway station. This is the second largest tunnel of 116 kilometers. The biggest tunnel is in Banihal whose construction has been completed. The construction of tunnel

number 13 will speed up further work. Hindustan Construction Company (HCC) got the work to build the tunnel, later it was given to Vensar Company. In the year 2017, the work of making the tunnel was started. Along with the main tunnel, the work of making the escape tunnel was also started simultaneously. The work of escape tunnel has been completed in the beginning of this month. On this occasion, apart from Northern Railway, officials of Vensar Company, which constructed Konkan Railway and Tunnel, were present. CAO SP Mahi described the matching of both the ends of the tunnel as a milestone in the path of success. The work of escape tunnel has been completed in the beginning of this month. On this occasion, apart from Northern Railway, officials of Vensar Company, which constructed Konkan Railway and Tunnel, were present. CAO SP Mahi described the matching of both the ends of the tunnel as a milestone in the path of success. The work of escape tunnel has been completed in the beginning of this month. On this occasion, apart from Northern Railway, officials of Vensar Company, which constructed Konkan Railway and Tunnel, were present. CAO SP Mahi described the matching of both the ends of the tunnel as a milestone in the path of success.

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## 6. Warship Mormugao to be commissioned into the Indian Navy by Defense Minister Shri Rajnath Singh



INS Mormugao is named after the historic port city of Goa on the west coast. One of the mighty warships built in India, INS Mormugao is 163 meters in length and 17 meters in breadth and weighs 7,400 tonnes. Defense Minister Rajnath Singh will dedicate the indigenously built P15B stealth guided missile destroyer warship 'Mormugao' to the Indian Navy on 18 December. It will be inducted into the Navy at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai. This will increase the Indian Navy's reach in the Indian Ocean and will further strengthen the security of the country's maritime borders. The Ministry of Defense gave this information on Friday. This destroyer warship has been designed by the 'Warship Design Bureau' of the Indian Navy and it will be built by Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited, done by Mumbai. INS Mormugao is named after the historic port city of Goa on the west coast. INM Mormugao put to sea for the first time on December 19 last year, the

day Goa completed 60 years of liberation from Portuguese rule. One of the mighty warships built in India, INS Mormugao is 163 meters in length and 17 meters in breadth And its weight is 7,400 tonnes. The ship is equipped with four powerful gas turbines and can reach speeds of over 30 knots. INS Mormugao is equipped with missiles like BrahMos and Barak-8. It is equipped with Israel's MF-STAR radar, which can detect long-range targets in the air. INS Mormugao, armed with a 127 mm gun, is capable of engaging targets up to 300 km away. It is fitted with an AK-630 anti-missile gun system. In addition, it is also equipped with an anti-submarine rocket launcher. On this day, 60 years of liberation from Portuguese rule were completed in Goa. INS Mormugao, one of the mighty warships built in India, is 163 meters in length and 17 meters in breadth and weighs 7,400 tonnes. The ship is equipped with four powerful gas turbines and can reach speeds of over 30 knots. INS Mormugao is equipped with missiles like BrahMos and Barak-8. It is equipped with Israel's MF-STAR radar, which can detect long-range targets in the air. INS Mormugao, armed with a 127 mm gun, is capable of engaging targets up to 300 km away. It is fitted with an AK-630 anti-missile gun system. In addition, it is also equipped with an anti-submarine rocket launcher. On this

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## 7. AIIMS, New Delhi declared 'Tobacco Free Zone'



The All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) in the national capital has been declared a tobacco-free zone and its violation will be considered a punishable offense with a fine of Rs 200. The hospital has said that action will be taken against doctors, permanent or contractual staff and security staff found smoking or chewing tobacco in the premises. The Regulation of Trade and Commerce and Production, Supply and Distribution) Act (COTPA) has been enacted to protect youth and public from the harmful effects of tobacco use and smoking. The official notification

states that in the interest of public health and with a view to keep the hospital buildings clean, thus contributing to the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, the campus of AIIMS, New Delhi has been declared a tobacco-free zone. The order further stated that tobacco, smoking and spitting is prohibited in the premises of AIIMS, Delhi and is an offense punishable with a fine of Rs 200. The hospital has requested all the HODs to inform the staff working under them to strictly follow the above guidelines. The security personnel have also been instructed not to allow the use of tobacco in any form by patients, attendants and staff members in the premises of AIIMS. Uma Kumar, head of the rheumatology department of AIIMS, told that we welcome this step. Tobacco harms in many ways. In addition, we are pushing hard for the COPTA amendments, which aim to ban designated smoking areas and advertising at the point of sale (POS). Smoking and spitting is prohibited and is a punishable offense with a fine of Rs 200. The hospital has requested all the HODs to inform the staff working under them to strictly follow the above guidelines. The security personnel have also been instructed not to allow the use of tobacco in any form by patients, attendants and staff members in the premises of AIIMS. Uma Kumar, head of



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## 8. Agni - 5 ballistic missile successfully test - fired from Abdul Kalam Island



India has successfully tested its most dangerous missile Agni-5 on Thursday (December 15) amid ongoing tension on the India-China border. Defense sources said that India today successfully conducted night trial of Agni-5 nuclear-capable Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM), which can hit targets more than 5,000 km away. There was a recent clash between Indian and Chinese soldiers in Tawang, Arunachal Pradesh. Tested from Abdul Kalam Island in Odisha. A dummy war-head was used in the test. This test was done with new techniques and equipment. This missile is lighter than before. Along with this, it has also been informed that this test has proved the ability to increase the range of Agni-5 missile if needed. After India's successful

test of this missile, China must have been in a panic. Agni-5 has been developed by the indigenous defense giant Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO). It was tested by the Strategic Forces Command of the Indian Army from Abdul Kalam Island off the Odisha coast. According to sources, before the test, the authorities issued a notification and the Bay of Bengal was declared a no-fly zone. India has been planning to test-fire the Agni-5 for a long time, as it would be the fifth missile in a series of intermediate and long-range nuclear-capable ballistic missiles developed from India. The missile was first tested in the year 2012, followed by tests in the year 2013, year 2015, year 2016, year 2018 and year 2021. This missile can also be launched from a submarine. Because it will be the fifth missile in the series of medium and long-range nuclear-capable ballistic missiles developed from India. The missile was first tested in the year 2012, followed by tests in the year 2013, year 2015, year 2016, year 2018 and year 2021. This missile can also be launched from a submarine. Because it will be the fifth missile in the series of medium and long-range nuclear-capable ballistic missiles developed from India. The missile was first tested in the year 2012, followed by tests in the year 2013, year 2015, year 2016, year 2018 and year

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## ONE LINER

The Indian shooter who was awarded the ' Best Female Debut ' at the 2021 Paralympic Awards - **Avni Lekhra**

Who broke 8 national records and won gold medal in Commonwealth Weightlifting Championship - **Purnima Pandey** \_\_

Recently , the Indian Space Research Organization ( ISRO ) has signed agreements with four countries to launch satellites - **six** . \_\_  
India , Iran and the country which held talks on joint use of Chabahar Port on 14 December 2021 – **Uzbekistan** \_\_

According to the central government , India 's current nuclear power capacity is **6,780 MW** .

Recently , the government of which country has decided to honor Prime Minister Narendra Modi with the country 's highest civilian honor ' Nagadag Pel Ji Khorlo ' - **Bhutan** \_\_

The England player who has become the 10th player in the world to play 150 Test matches - **Stuart Broad**

The man popularly known as Metroman has announced his retirement from politics - **E Sridhar**

## QUIZ

1. Which of the following airlines has been honored with the " Safety Performer of the Year " award by GMR Delhi Airport ? \_

A) Franklin

**B) SpiceJet**

C) Air India

D) Go first

Explanation - : Spicejet - Spicejet airline has recently been awarded the " Safety Performer of the Year " award by GMR Delhi airport for being the top performer among self - handling airlines and drastically reducing ground safety violations . \_ spicejet According to it , it has achieved this success by continuously improving its quality , innovation and hard work .

2. By which year India will start 20 new nuclear power plants ? \_

A) 2025

B) 2027

C) 2029

**D) 2031**

Explanation - : 2031 - Union Minister Jitendra Singh has said that India will start 20 new nuclear power plants by the year 2031 . From which about 15,000 MW of additional electricity can be produced . One unit with a capacity of 700 MW has been commissioned in these 20 plants . In 2023 , it can be held in Kakrapar , Gujarat .

3. The government has recently allocated Rs 1037.90 crore for the New

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**India Literacy Program for how many years ?**

- A) 2 years
- B) 3 years
- C) 4 years
- D) 5 years**

Explanation - : 5 Years - The Ministry of Education has approved a new scheme " New India Literacy Programme " for the next 5 years to cover all aspects of adult education to align with the new National Education Policy . \_ The goal of this plan The target is to cover 5.00 crore learners during five years under the foundational literacy and numeracy component . \_

**4. Why will International Science Festival be organized in Bhopal , Madhya Pradesh ? \_**

- A) fifth
- B) Seventh
- C) Eighth**
- D) ninth

Explanation - : Eighth - The 8th edition of International Science Festival " India International Science Festival " has been organized in Bhopal , Madhya Pradesh . In the International Science Festival , scientists , technologists , policy makers , craftsmen , startups , farmers , \_ Researchers , students and innovators are participating . \_ \_

**5. A statue of the great poet Subramanian Swamy has been unveiled in which state recently ?**

- A) Maharashtra
- B) Punjab
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Tamil Nadu**

Explanation - : Tamil Nadu - Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin has recently unveiled a statue of the great Tamil poet Subramanian Bharati . The function , which was attended by the Tamil community , was attended by a large crowd of people who paid their respects at the Mahakavi 's residence at Hanuman Ghat Be \_

**6. Which period film directed by SS Rajamouli has recently received 2 Golden Globe Award nominations ?**

- A) Bahubali
- B) RRR**
- C) Good News
- D) Khalibali

Explanation - : RRR - The period film " RRR " directed by SS Rajamouli has recently been nominated in two categories at the Golden Globe Awards to be held in January 2023 . This film was nominated in two categories for Best Non English Language Film and for the song ' Naatu ' . Natu ' has been nominated for Best Original Song . \_

**7. The government of which of the following countries has recently passed the world 's first tobacco law to ban smoking ? \_**

- A) England
- B) Australia



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C) Japan

D) New Zealand

Explanation - : New Zealand - The government of New Zealand has recently passed the world 's first tobacco law to ban smoking . \_ \_ Under which no person born on or after January 1 , 2009 shall ever buy or sell tobacco \_ Can go . \_ Under this law , the minimum age to buy cigarettes will also continue to be increased year after year .

