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1. RBI to start trading with Russia and Sri Lanka in Indian rupee for the first time



Now other countries are also taking interest in the mechanism of settlement of international trade in Indian Rupee. Tajikistan, Cuba, Luxembourg and Sudan have started talking to India to use the mechanism. This is being claimed in media reports by quoting official documents. Russia has already started using this mechanism following sanctions on Moscow following its war with Ukraine. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in July set up a mechanism to settle international trade in rupees instead of dollars. A government official and a source familiar with the development have said that the government is trying to bring into the system those countries which are short of dollars. Based on the documents, four countries have shown interest in opening special rupee accounts, called Vostro accounts. Although, Participating banks in India have not yet provided these facilities. Opening of these accounts requires approval from the Reserve Bank of India. Documents reveal that Mauritius and Sri Lanka have also shown interest in settling international trade in Indian rupee and have their special Vostro accounts approved by the RBI. have seen. According to the document, India's central bank has approved banks to open 12 vostro accounts for trading in rupees with Russia. Six other accounts have been authorized, including five for trade with Sri Lanka and one for trade with Mauritius, according to the documents. Federal Ministry of Finance,

2. New transgender law passed by Spain



According to the draft of this new law being brought by the Spanish government, citizens above the age of 14 will be allowed to change their name and gender. To do this, they will not have to give any evidence or bring any witnesses. Right now the concerned person has to submit some health related reports. In addition, minors also have to provide proof of consent from their medical and legal guardians. After the new law is implemented, the need for all these will end. The government has said that this step has been taken to enhance the rights of transgender citizens and to make their lives easier. Government spokeswoman Maria Jesus Montero said, "With this law we want to change some of the situations that existed historically." These include the historically invisible position of LGBTQ (lesbian-bisexual-transgender-queer) communities in society, The practice of stigmatizing them and not acknowledging their rights are included. The draft that the government has presented will now be tabled in Parliament. It cannot be said with certainty that it will be approved in the Parliament of Spain. According to observers, during the discussion of the Parliament, it is possible that the government may have to make changes in some provisions of the bill. On the other hand, if the bill is passed, Spain will join the few countries in the world, where there is freedom to decide their own gender identity without gender testing. In most countries, before such identification is made, the physical appearance of the person concerned is examined. But people of the LGBTQ community around the world are demanding that they be given the right to decide their own gender identity. This cannot be said for sure right now. According to observers, during the discussion of the Parliament, it is possible that the government may have to make changes in some provisions of the bill. On the other hand, if the bill is passed, Spain will join the few countries in the world, where there is freedom to decide their own gender

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3. 1st International Coastal Festival-2022 begins hosted by Kerala for the first time



Kerala's northern coast, popularly known as North Malabar, famous for its spices, will witness cultural diversity in the international beach festival 'Bekal International Beach Festival' from 24 December. Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan will inaugurate the 10-day

festival, which will showcase the rich cultural diversity and colors of the country with the flavor of the culture and unique art of the district, at the grand Bekal Beach Park. The organizers said that more than half a million people from across the world will participate. are likely to attend the festival which will be organized at Chandragiri, Tejaswini and Payaswini. The objective of this festival is also to give new momentum to the development of the district by showcasing its potential. During this, song-music, cultural programs will be organized. There will also be a food festival of delectable cuisine featuring dishes from Kasaragod. Apart from this, there will be exhibition and tourism programs. Games played on foreign shores will be the main attraction of the festival. Other events to be organized on other days include Helicopter Ride, Robotic Show, Kite Festival, Flower Show, Sand Art, Water Games, Bridal Fashion Competition, Beauty Cutie-Kids Fashion Show, National Business Trade Expo, B2C Flea Market, Education Expo , Automobile Expo and an Aqua Show.

4. "Right To Repair" portal launched by Piyush Goyal



Many rules are going to change from next year. Some schemes and facilities are also being started by the Central Government. Meanwhile, on the occasion of National Consumer Day, a new portal named "Right To Repair" has been launched by Consumer Affairs Minister Piyush Goyal. This will help the customers of the country to repair their products and will not have to depend on the companies. Through this portal, information about the products of all the companies will be available to the customers. Not only this, information about their repair, rate and availability will also be found here. Details of electronics, vehicles, farm equipment and consumer durables will be available at one point address only. For this righttorepairindia.in

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address. Consumers can also register their complaints by visiting this address and can also request for repair. Due to this, companies will not be able to refuse for repairing. Its scope includes electronic gadgets to furniture. The central government has also introduced the NTF mobile app. The new premises of a National Consumer Helpline Center have also been inaugurated. On this special occasion, Goyal also said that the burden of consumer affairs may end soon. As per the vision of PM Narendra Modi, the Ministry of Consumer Affairs is working to make life easier for the consumer and make business even easier.

5. NHPC Ltd. received the award of India 's Best Globally Competitive Power Company



NHPC Limited was felicitated as the winner of 'India's Best & Globally Competitive Power Company - Hydro & Renewable Energy Sector' at Prakashmay's '15th Inertia Awards 2022'. Mr. U.S. Shahi, Executive Director (EMS/CC/CSR), NHPC received the award on behalf of NHPC at a grand function held at New Delhi Institute of Management, New Delhi on 22 December 2022. NHPC has a gross asset base of over 7000 MW. The award is presented for leadership in the hydropower sector with the highest renewable energy potential. The award is also an acknowledgment of the fact that NHPC has over 5000 MW of projects under construction and an ambitious plan to add over 7000 MW of solar power capacity. The award was given to Shri V.M. Bansal, Chairman, Provided by New Delhi Institute of Management. During the function Shri K. Vijayanand, Special Chief Secretary, Energy, Government of Andhra Pradesh and Shri A.K. Singh, Ex-CMD, NHPC were also present.

6. Sitwini Rabuka will be the new Prime Minister of Fiji



Sitwini Rabuka has been elected as the new Prime Minister of Fiji. Fiji is preparing to welcome its new Prime Minister after 16 years. The way for Rabuka's appointment was cleared after the election of a hung parliament. Rabuka is the leader of the People's Alliance, a political party in Fiji formed in 2021. Fiji's Social Democratic Liberal Party (SODELPA) voted on Friday to form a coalition with Rabuka's People's Alliance and the National Federation Party. In the secret parliamentary vote for prime minister, Rabuka received 28 votes, while 27 members of parliament voted for Fiji leader Vorake Bainimarama. Rabuka had twice staged a coup as head of the army in 1987 and became prime minister in 1992 before being ousted in elections in 1999. It is the first time in 16 years that three parties have come together to form a coalition government. The Pacific island country of 9 lakh people has a history of military coups before the constitutional reform in 2013. Prime Minister Narendra Modi congratulated Fiji's newly elected Prime Minister Rabuka. PM Modi tweeted that I look forward to working together to further strengthen the close and long-standing ties between India and Fiji.

7. Mickey Hothy becomes the first Sikh mayor of the city of Lodi, California



Mickey Hothy has been unanimously elected as the 117th mayor of the city of Lodi, Northern California. He

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has become the first Sikh to hold this post. Hothi, the son of Punjabi parents, previously served as Deputy Mayor under Mayor Mark Chandler. Hothi will serve a two-year term as the city's mayor. He will preside over Common Council meetings and serve as the city's executive officer. "Honoured to be sworn in as the 117th mayor of the City of Lodi," Hothi tweeted after being sworn in this month. The Lodi Times quoted Hothi as saying that everyone came to Lodi because they realized it was a safe family town. Great education, great people, great culture, great values and just hard working people in this city. I am proud to represent this community. Growing up in the city was a challenge, said Hothi, a 2008 graduate of Tokay High School. Especially after 9/11, when many Muslims and Sikhs experienced undue persecution. The Lodi Times reported that his family was also instrumental in the establishment of the Sikh Temple on Armstrong Road. He was first elected to the Lodi City Council from District 5 in November of 2020. Lodi is a city located in San Joaquin County, California with an estimated population of 67,021 as of the 2021 census data.

8. Atal Memorial to be built in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh



A memorial for former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee will be built in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh. The state government has allotted land for this. The city of Gwalior is the birthplace of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. There was a demand for building his memorial here, now the government has given approval for it. Gwalior's Divisional Commissioner Deepak Singh said that as per the proposal, the Collector has allocated about 4,000 crores for the construction of the memorial of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee in Sirol area. 050 hectares of land has been allotted. The official said that the proposal for allotment of land was approved by the Divisional Level Nazul Committee with

the consent of Municipal Corporation and Town and Country Planning Department. Last year on August 16, on Vajpayee's death anniversary, Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan had announced the construction of a grand memorial for the former prime minister in Gwalior. Let us tell you that former PM Vajpayee was born on December 25, 1924 in Gwalior. He led the BJP at the center in the late 1990s and early 2000s and remained the Prime Minister of India for six years. His B.A. Till then studied at Victoria College, Gwalior. He got involved in social activities during his studies. In 1980, Vajpayee helped form the Bharatiya Janata Party and served as its president. Till then studied at Victoria College, Gwalior. He got involved in social activities during his studies. In 1980, Vajpayee helped form the Bharatiya Janata Party and served as its president. Till then studied at Victoria College, Gwalior. He got involved in social activities during his studies. In 1980, Vajpayee helped form the Bharatiya Janata Party and served as its president.

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Where will Prime Minister Modi inaugurate the ' National Youth Convention ' - **Karnataka**

Who has recently received the ' 30th Eklavya Award ' - **Swasti Singh _**

' PN Vasudevan ' has become the MD & CEO of which bank - **Equitas Small Finance Bank**

Who has won the ' Junior International Badminton Championship ' - **Gato Sora**

Who has been elected as the Fellow of UNESCO - TWAS – **Prof. K S Rangappa**

' Pushpa Kamal Dahal Prachanda ' has become the new Prime Minister of which country - **Nepal**

Who has unveiled the ' Right to Repair Portal ' - **Piyush Goyal _**

Which medal has been won by ' Mirabai Chanu ' in the 49 kg women 's category in the IWF World Championship - **Silver medal**

The ' International Space Registry ' has named a star after whom - **Atal Bihari Vajpayee _ _**

Who has been given the Sahitya Akademi Award for the year 2022 for ' Kala Pani ' - **M Rajendran**

QUIZ

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1. Recently Defense Minister signed an MoU with which bank to onboard as service centers under the System for Pension Administration Defense initiative ?

- a) Kotak Bank
- b) Axis Bank
- c) Bandhan Bank
- d) Yes Bank

Explanation : - Defense Minister signed an MoU with Bandhan Bank to onboard as service centers under the System for Pension Administration Defense (SPARSH) initiative .

It will provide services to defense pensioners through its 557 branches .

SPARSH is a web based system for processing pension claims of defense pensioners without any external intermediary .

2. Recently who has acquired the broadcast rights of 2024 Paris Olympics and 2024 Youth Olympics for the Indian subcontinent ?

- a) Viacom 18
- b) Jio T. V. _
- c) Eurosport
- d) Sports India

Explanation:- Viacom18 network has acquired the broadcast rights of 2024 Paris Olympics and 2024 Youth Olympics for the Indian subcontinent in December 2022. This includes the markets of India , Bangladesh , Bhutan , Maldives , Nepal , Pakistan and Sri Lanka .

This right is distributed to organize the Olympic Games , the worldwide development of sport and the promotion of the Olympic Movement .

3. Who released his book ' Fit at Any Age ' recently at India International Centre , New Delhi ?

- a) Tapan Kumar Paingadhi
- b) Radhakrishna Nair P
- c) P.S. V.S. _ Iyer
- d) Subrahmanyam Raman

Explanation: - Air Marshal P. V. _ Iyer (Retd) launched his book ' Fit at Any Age ' in December 2022 at India International Centre , New Delhi . _

He shared stories from his life that inspired him to exercise daily .

He also writes about why it is important to exercise and why one 's journey towards fitness should start early .

The book is published by Bloomsbury India .

4. According to the Social Progress Index (SPI) released by the Prime Minister 's Economic Advisory Council , which country has the highest SPI score of 65.99 ?

- a) Aizawl
- b) Puducherry
- c) Solan
- d) Shimla

Ans:- Puducherry

Explanation:- The Prime Minister 's Economic Advisory Council (PMEAC) on 20 December 2022 released the Social Progress Index (SPI) for states and districts prepared by the Institute for Competitiveness and Social Progress Imperatives . Puducherry has the highest SPI score of 65.99 in the country . Aizawl (Mizoram) , Solan (Himachal Pradesh) , and Shimla (Himachal Pradesh) are the top 3 best performing districts .

5. Recently who launched a program to create Impact Leaders in the areas of Environment - Social - Governance (ESG) ? _

- a) Indian Astronomical Institute
- b) Survey Institute of India
- c) Indian Institute of Education
- d) Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs

Explanation:- The Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) has launched a program on 20 December 2022 to create impact leaders in the areas of Environment - Social - Governance (ESG) . The Impact Leader Program is designed as a comprehensive curriculum giving a holistic understanding of the philosophy of ESG . The six - month course consists of 8 self - paced learning modules , which will be delivered online .

6. Who has recently launched the investor education platform ' Roots ' ?

- a) SBI Life Insurance

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b) HDFC Securities

c) ICICI Bank

d) Kotak Bank

Explanation : - HDFC Securities has launched investor education platform ' Roots ' in December 2022. It offers multiple forms of valuable information , including articles on Indian financial markets , podcasts by experts , video tutorials and explainers and social media feeds . _ are.portal Also includes a UGC section (User Generated Content) where investors and traders can suggest topics they would like to learn about .

7. Which country has recently become the first carbon - neutral power exchange ?

a) Indian Carbon Energy

b) Indian Energy Exchange

c) Central Electricity Exchange

d) NTPC Limited

Explanation:- The Indian Energy Exchange (IEX) became the country 's first carbon - neutral power exchange in December 2022. The Indian Energy Exchange voluntarily set off certified emission reductions from clean projects . According to the UNEP 2022 report , limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees To do this , global greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions would have to be reduced by 45% by 2030 . Total global GHG emissions were projected to be around 53 GTCO₂eq in 2021 .

8. Recently how many Indian films have been shortlisted for the Oscars 2023 awards in various categories ?

a) 2 Indian films

b) 3 Indian films

c) 4 Indian films

d) 5 Indian films

Explanation: - Four Indian films have been shortlisted in various categories for the Oscars 2023 awards in December 2022. The shortlisted entries include RRR 's Naatu Naatu in Best Original Song category , Chhelo Show or The Last Show in English in International Feature Film , documentary feature All That Breathes in the Film

category and The Elephant Whisperers in the Documentary Short Film category .

9. What is the theme of National Consumer Rights Day 2022 ?

a) Tackling plastic pollution

b) Sustainable consumer

c) Reliable smart products

d) Fair Digital Finance

Explanation :- National Consumer Rights Day is celebrated on 24th December every year . The Consumer Protection Act , 1986 received the President 's assent on the same day . The theme of 2022 is “ Fair Digital Finance ” . It also provides awareness about consumer rights and responsibilities . While World Consumer Day is celebrated every year on 15 March .

10. Karim Benzema recently announced his retirement . Which sport is he related to ?

a) swimming

b) football

c) table tennis

d) cricket

Explanation: - French footballer Karim Benzema announced his retirement from international football on 20 December 2022. Karim Benzema finished his career in the French team with 37 goals in 97 matches . He made his debut for France against Austria in March 2007 . played first match , where he scored as a substitute . He was included in France 's squad for Euro 2020 , and became the third highest scorer with four goals .

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