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1. Japanese private company ISpace Inc. 's attempt to land on the moon failed



The spacecraft of a Japanese company crashed while trying to land on the moon. More than six hours after contact was lost, Tokyo-based company Ispace confirmed that the vehicle had crashed while attempting to land on the lunar surface. This is very disappointing for Ispace, as it has been working on this mission for about four and a half months, which aims to successfully land a space ship on the surface of the Moon, Ispace founder and CEO Takeshi Hakamada Even after losing contact with the vehicle, it was expected to land safely on the moon.

2. World's second largest blue hole 900 feet deep discovered in Mexico



The world's second-deepest blue hole has been discovered off the coast of the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico. This huge underwater cave is about 900 feet deep and its area is said to be around 147,000 square feet. It is located in Chetumal Bay. Blueholes are ancient limestone caves carved into the ocean floor. Due to the accumulation of dead bacteria from fallen trees and leaves, these lesser known blue holes are dark in

appearance and devoid of light. From the surface they appear to be nothing more than swamps. There is very little oxygen in these blue holes and sunlight shines only on the surface. Even with these conditions, these huge holes are full of life, which has adapted to the low-oxygen environment.

3. National Technology Center for Ports, Waterways and Coasts inaugurated at IIT Madras



Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the National Technology Center for Ports, Waterways and Coasts (NTPWC) at the Discovery Campus of IIT Madras on Monday. NTPWC as the technology arm of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Will be expanded to include world class multi-purpose marine laboratories in the areas of climate change, marine robotics, marine informatics. That a marine innovation center will be set up at NTPWC. It will work to promote startups and innovation in the country. That in future Centers of Excellence will be set up on the lines of NTPWC. Sonowal said that in India's Amrit Kaal, we are moving ahead with Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of building a self-reliant India.

4. Shrikant Bhandiwad becomes the new chairman of KVGB

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Shrikant M Bhandiwad has been appointed as the new chairman of Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (KVGB). Bhandiwad had served as the head of Patna circle of Canara Bank prior to this appointment, and was working in the CMD's secretariat at the bank's headquarters. He started his career as Agricultural Extension Officer in rural branches of Canara Bank. He also worked as a Consultant in Agricultural Consultancy Services of Canara Bank Head Office. After working for 29 years in Canara Bank, Bhandiwad gained experience of working in different states like Haryana, Rajasthan, Bihar, and Karnataka. Besides this, he also worked for three years as Deputy Managing Director of Canfin Homes Limited.

5. Dalai Lama receives Ramon Magsaysay Award in person after 64 years __



Tibetan spiritual leader Dalai Lama was honored with the Ramon Magsaysay Award. He was given this award for fighting for the Tibetan community and inspiring Tibetan culture. Was selected for this award in 1959, but then due to China, he had fled from Tibet and came to India, due to which he could not go to receive the award. Now after 64 years, Ramon Magsaysay's team

reached the Dalai Lama at his home in Himachal to present this award. This was the first international award given to the Dalai Lama. The Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation of the Philippines was given to the Dalai Lama in recognition of his leadership in the heroic struggle of the Tibetan community in defense of sacred Buddhism.

6. Nasscom appoints Ananth Maheshwari as new chairperson



Microsoft India President Ananth Maheshwari has been elected as the next chairperson of NASSCOM, the national body of information technology (IT) companies. He will replace Krishnan Ramanujam on this post. Ramanujam is the president of business and technology services at Tata Consultancy Services. The association of software and IT services companies in the country also informed about the appointment of Rajesh Nambiar, chairman and managing director of Cognizant India, as its vice-chairperson for the 2023-24 session. His main focus will be on enhancing the impact and scale of innovation in India's domestic sector to foster sustainable growth, especially in the face of global economic uncertainties. The industry leadership aims to increase revenue in the domestic market and accelerate the implementation and widespread impact of deep technologies.

7. Mohammad Shahabuddin Chuppu became the 22nd President of Bangladesh

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Mohammad Shahabuddin Chuppu has become the 22nd President of Bangladesh, in the presence of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, politicians, judges and senior officials. The event was held at the historic Durbar Hall in Bangbaban, where Speaker Shireen Sharmin Chowdhury administered the oath to Shahabuddin as the President of Bangladesh. In connection with the preparations for the general election, disputes regarding the electoral system between the ruling Awami League and the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) have been increasing. He initially worked as a District Judge and later served as a Commissioner of the Independent Anti-Corruption Commission. He then entered politics and became a member of the Awami League Advisory Council.

8. Indo-Pacific cooperation will increase due to collusion of India, America, Japan and Australia in Quad Summit



The upcoming Sydney Quad Summit marks an important stage in the growing cooperation between the four democracies of the Indian Ocean region. The Quad comprises the United States, Japan, India and Australia, which seek to promote a free and open Indo-Pacific region, with a focus for maritime security,

infrastructure development and economic integration. The third Transparent Quad summit will be attended by United States President Joe Biden, Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese. Focusing on maritime security, infrastructure development and economic integration, a free And is trying to promote an open Indo-Pacific.

ONE LINER

RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das has addressed the Global Conference on Financial Flexibility in which city - **Mumbai**

Recently in which country the India Pavilion is inaugurated at the Global Education and Training Exhibition - **UAE**

Recently which player has become the youngest bowler to take 200 T20 wickets - **Shaheen Afridi**

Recently the Ministry of Health of which country has approved the country's first abortion pill - **France**

Who has recently launched "Brand 9 tractor" to protect against phishing attacks - **Akamai**

Recently appointed as Chairman of NISCOM - **Ananth Maheshwari**

Recently, the world's largest cyber defense exercise has been organized in the country of Estonia - **Locked Shield**

Who has recently conducted the first flight test of BMD interceptor missile - **DRDO**

Recently, the world's second - deepest blue hole above 900 feet has been revealed in - **Mexico**

Recently Manamadurai pottery of which state has got GI tag - **Tamil Nadu**

QUIZ

1. Who has become the fastest pacer to take 200 wickets in T20 cricket ?

(a) Kagiso Rabada

(b) Mitchell Starc

(c) Shaheen Afridi

(d) Bhubaneswar Kumar

EXPLANATION:- Pakistani fast bowler Shaheen Afridi has become the fastest pacer to take 200 wickets in

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T20 cricket. He left South African fast bowler Kagiso Rabada behind in this matter. Shaheen achieved this feat in the 143rd T20 match. Rabada achieved his 200 T20 wickets by playing 146 T20 matches.

2. Which country has recently honored Ratan Tata with its highest civilian honour ? _

- (a) USA
- (b) France
- (c) UK
- (d) Australia

EXPLANATION-: The Government of Australia has honored Ratan Tata, Chairman Emeritus of Tata Sons, with the 'Order of Australia' (AO), the country's highest civilian honour. Ratan Tata has been a supporter of the India-Australia Economic Cooperation and Trade Agreement, which was to be finalized in 2022.

3. Which country will host the third in - person Quad Summit ?

- (a) Australia
- (b) India
- (c) USA
- (d) Japan

EXPLANATION-: Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese told that his country will host the third in-person Quad Summit on 24 May in Sydney. This high-level meeting will be attended by US President Joe Biden, Japanese PM Fumio Kishida and Prime Minister Narendra Modi. The Australian PM has spoken of working closely with several partners, including the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Pacific Islands Forum.

4. Which country has recently become the world 's largest ' Narco State ' ? _

- (a) Syria
- (b) Bangladesh
- (c) Sri Lanka
- (d) Pakistan

EXPLANATION- : Syria has become the world 's largest narco - state . Narco - state refers to a country that is dependent on the export of narcotics to run its economy . _ Its economy runs on drugs . _ Syria mainly exports tablets such as Amfatin . _ _ It is also called Captagon or Coke of the poor .

Revenue from drug exports accounts for 90 percent of Syria 's foreign exchange . _ _ _ Captagon is a tablet , which is made from amphetamine and caffeine .

5. Recently who has been named in the 'US India Task Force ' ?

- (a) Pooja Hegde
- (b) Avni Chaturvedi
- (c) Blue Bendapudi
- (d) Sherya Dutta

EXPLANATION- : Indian - origin academic Neeli Bendapudi has been appointed as one of the five co - chairs of the Association of American Universities task force focused on expanding research and academic partnerships between higher education institutions in the US and India . _ pennsylvania state Seen as a natural fit for the task force , said a university release .

6. Who has been sworn in as the 22nd President of Bangladesh ? _

- (a) Mohammad Shahabuddin Chuppu
- (b) Sheikh Hasina
- (c) Sheikh Russell
- (d) Sheikh Salahuddin Jewel

EXPLANATION-: Mohammad Shahabuddin Chuppu was sworn in as the 22nd President of Bangladesh. Bangladesh Parliament Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chowdhury administered the oath of office to Shahabuddin. He was elected unopposed on 13 February. Outgoing President Mohammad Abdul Hamid congratulated the newly-elected President. Mohammad Shahabuddin, who was born in 1949 in the north-western Pabna district.

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7. Who has recently been awarded the ' Prestigious Goldman Environment Prize ' ?

- (a) Crystal Ambrose
- (b) Cheema Williams
- (c) Alessandra Korap
- (d) Diane Wilson

EXPLANATION:- The Goldman Environment Prize is an award given annually to grassroots environmental activists, one from each of the six geographic regions of the world: Africa, Asia, Europe, Islands and Island Nations, North America, and South and Central America. The award is given by the Goldman Environmental Foundation

8. Former Chief Minister of which state Parkash Singh Badal has passed away at the age of 95?

- (a) Punjab
- (b) Karnataka
- (c) Telangana
- (d) Maharashtra

EXPLANATION:- Former Chief Minister of Punjab and patron of Shiromani Akali Dal Parkash Singh Badal passed away at Fortis Hospital in Mohali. Parkash Singh Badal was admitted to the hospital in Mohali for a long time. The senior Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) leader was admitted to Fortis Hospital a week ago after he complained of breathing problems.