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1. 'Ektha Abhyas' started between the navies of India and Maldives



The 11th edition of Exercise EKUVERIN-21 between India and Maldives was held at Kadhdhoo Island, Maldives. Ekuverin means "Friends" in Dhivehi language. It is an Indo-Aryan language. It is spoken in India, Lakshadweep and Maldives. The exercise enhances synergy and interoperability between the armed forces of the two countries both on land and at sea in terms of understanding international terrorism, conducting anti-terrorist and counter-terrorist operations, and sharing best military practices and experiences. In addition to rigorous training, The joint military exercise will also include cultural and sports activities to enhance defense cooperation and bilateral ties. The exercise will go a long way in strengthening India's ties with Maldives amid the emerging security dynamics in the Indian Ocean region. The exercise is being conducted between India and Maldives since 2008. In 2019, the exercise was conducted in Pune, Maharashtra and in 2018, it was conducted in Maldives.

2. PM Modi launched 'Amrit Dharohar' and 'Mishti' schemes on World Environment Day



On World Environment Day, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched two schemes named Amrit Dharohar and Mishti (Mangrove Initiative for Marine Habitat and

Tangible Income). These schemes aim to regenerate and protect India's wetlands and mangroves, contributing to the drive for a green future and green economy. Conservation of Ramsar Sites AMRUT Dharohar Yojana focuses on conservation of existing Ramsar sites in India through active public participation. Ramsar sites are wetlands of international importance designated under the Ramsar Convention on Wetlands. With this plan, These sites will become centers of eco-tourism and a source of green jobs benefiting local communities. The scheme aims to achieve sustainable ecosystem development and will be implemented over the next three years. Restoring Mangrove Ecosystem The Mangrove Initiative for Shoreline Habitat and Tangible Income (Mishti) aims to restore and protect the mangrove ecosystem in India.

3. IMD predicts formation of Cyclone 'Bipajay' over Arabian Sea



There is a possibility of a cyclonic storm to the south of Porbandar in Gujarat. The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has reported a depression over southeast Arabian Sea (south of Porbandar), about 920 km west-southwest of Goa, 1,120 km south-southwest of Mumbai, Porbandar A depression has formed at 5.30 am 1,160 km south of Andhra Pradesh and 1,520 km south of Karachi. It is very likely to move northwards and intensify into a cyclonic storm over east-central Arabian Sea and adjoining southeast Arabian Sea during next 24 hours. The formation of a low pressure cyclone over the southeast Arabian Sea and its intensification could have a serious impact on the advance of monsoon towards the Kerala coast. That the onset of monsoon in Kerala may be on June 8 or June 9. Earlier, Skymet had predicted the onset of monsoon over Kerala on June 7.

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4. President Draupadi Murmu conferred with Suriname's highest civilian award 'Grand Order of the Chain of the Yellow Star'



Suriname President Chandrikaprasad Santokhi awarded President Draupadi Murmu with Suriname's highest civilian award 'Grand Order of the Chain of the Yellow Star'. Accepting the award, President Murmu thanked President Santokhi and the government of Suriname for the honour. This is his first visit after assuming the office of the President in July last year. He dedicated the award to different generations of the Indian-Surinamese community, who have played an important role in enriching the relations between the two countries. Suriname President Chandrikaprasad Santokhi honored President Draupadi Murmu with his country's highest civilian award, the Grand Order of the Chain of the Yellow Star. that the first ship carrying 452 Indian laborers on June 5, In 1873 Paramaribo, the capital of Suriname was reached. Most of the laborers aboard this ship were from eastern Uttar Pradesh and Bihar.

5. Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan launched the 'K-FON' project



During the event, the KFON commercial website and KFON mobile app will be launched by KN Balagopal, Finance Minister and MB Rajesh, Excise, Local Self-Government and Rural Development Minister, respectively. During the launch, the Chief Minister will

also interact with selected KFON customers from various backgrounds, including economically weaker families, residents of tribal settlements at Panthaladikkunnu in Wayanad, school students and a government institution. Based on the list submitted by the local self-government bodies, the project will initially provide internet access to 100 households in each assembly constituency of the state. KFON has established IT infrastructure capable of setting up 40 lakh internet connections across the state. One can avail high speed connection depending on individual requirements. Comprehensive, affordable rate with the ultimate goal of providing internet access to all individuals and government institutions

6. Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar co-chairs the first meeting of the India-Namibia Joint Commission in Windhoek, Namibia



that the time has come for countries like India and Namibia to work together for cooperation on the global stage amid a 'very challenging' international situation created by factors such as debt crisis with high interest rates and tense geopolitical situations. During the meeting, the two sides discussed the framework for the growing bilateral partnership, covering areas such as energy, infrastructure, wildlife conservation, trade and investment, food security, digital, capacity building, health, defense and art, culture, heritage, people-to-people ties, among others. There are interconnected regions between the two countries. That Namibia has a very special place in the hearts and minds of Indians. "And that is why we supported Namibian independence and we are very happy to see Namibia take its rightful place in the comity of nations and become a proud custodian of the international order," he said in his opening address.

7. Cash withdrawal facility through UPI at Bank of Baroda ATMs

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Bank of Baroda has launched an Interoperable Cardless Cash Withdrawal (ICCW) service that allows customers to withdraw cash using UPI. Debit card is no longer required, Bank of Baroda has become the first public sector bank to offer such a facility. In this, the customer has to select the UPI cash withdrawal option, enter the amount, scan a QR code with the UPI app and proceed with the transaction with his UPI PIN to withdraw cash from the ATM. In which customers can withdraw cash from bank's ATM using UPI. "The first public sector bank to launch this service, customers of Bank of Baroda as well as customers of other participating issuer banks who use BHIM UPI, Bob World UPI or any other UPI application enabled for ICCW to do on mobile phone

8. India's first international cruise leaves for Sri Lanka from Chennai



India launched the country's first international cruise ship from Chennai to Sri Lanka. Carrying 750 passengers, MV Empress will visit three ports of Sri Lanka on its five-day tour. Flagged off India's first international cruise ship - MV Empress from Chennai to Sri Lanka. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways has taken several commendable steps to develop cruise tourism opportunities in the country and increase maritime business opportunities. India has recently launched the first international cruise, which has been sent on a visit to Sri Lanka. This is being seen

as the beginning of a new era of cruise tourism and maritime trade in the country. MV Empress will visit three ports in Sri Lanka namely Hambantota, Trincomalee and Kankesanthurei after which it will return back to Chennai. If you want to ride it, tour packages are also available for you. Tour packages available here are for two nights, three nights, four nights and five nights, with prices starting from ₹ 86,383 (for two persons for three nights).

QUIZ

1 'Chairman of Central Board of Film Certification launches new mobile app Who is the chairman of CBFC?

- (a) Gajendra Chauhan
- (b) Mukesh Khanna
- (c) Udit Narayan
- (d) Prasoon Joshi

EXPLANATION -: Chairman of Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC) Prasoon Joshi launched the revised website and new mobile app of CBFC in Mumbai. With its help, CBFC officers will be able to work on their desks and mobile devices. CBFC website will also provide new and upcoming updates. CBFC is the statutory film-certification body under the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India.

2. Who was recently honored with the second highest honor of New Zealand ? _

- (a) Jacinda Ardern
- (b) Rahul Gandhi
- (c) Piyush Goyal
- (d) Joe Biden

EXPLANATION -: New Zealand's former Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern has been awarded New Zealand's second highest honor for leading the country during the coronavirus pandemic. Ardern received the Dame Grand Companionship, New Zealand's second highest honor, as part of the King Charles Birthday Honours. New Zealand is an island country in the South-Western Pacific Ocean, its capital is Wellington.

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3. President Murmu was recently honored with the highest civilian award of which country ?

- (a) Suriname
- (b) Sri Lanka
- (c) Maldives
- (d) Bangladesh

EXPLANATION :-President Draupadi Murmu has been conferred with the highest civilian award of Suriname. Suriname President Chandrikaprasad Santokhi announced this. Murmu has reached Suriname on a three-day state visit. India's Ministry of External Affairs tweeted that President Murmu was awarded the 'Grand Order of the Chain of the Yellow Star', the highest civilian award of Suriname. Suriname is a small country located on the northeastern coast of South America.

4. Who won gold medal in ISSF Junior World Cup 10m Air Rifle event?

- (a) Saurabh Chowdhary
- (b) Sanjeev Rajput
- (c) Anish Bhanwala
- (d) Dhanush Srikant

EXPLANATION :-Dhanush Srikanth has won the men's 10m air rifle event at the ISSF Junior World Cup in Suhl, Germany. This is India's third gold medal in this tournament. Dhanush captured gold by scoring 249.4 in the final of 24 shots. In this event, Pontus Kalin of Sweden got the silver medal. India's Skeet Mixed team won the bronze medal.

5. Which player of India won the gold medal in the Under -20 Asian Athletics Championship ?

- (a) Avinash Sable
- (b) Murali Srishankar
- (c) Siddharth Choudhury
- (d) Sandeep Kumar

EXPLANATION :-India's Siddharth Chowdhary won the gold medal in the men's shot put event of the Under-20 Asian Athletics Championships in South Korea. Siddharth won the gold medal in the men's shot put with a personal best throw of 19.52

metres. Shivam Lohakare (Javelin) and Sushmita (Long Jump) won silver medals in their respective events.

6. Which country has joined the Centralized Laboratory Network (CLN) for testing vaccines?

- (a) Pakistan
- (b) Israel
- (c) India
- (d) Sri Lanka

EXPLANATION :- India has recently become a member of the Centralized Laboratory Network (CLN), which is a part of the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI). CLN includes 15 partner facilities in 13 countries and aims to test vaccines for use during pandemic and pandemic disease outbreaks. It focuses on the testing of vaccines for epidemics and pandemic disease outbreaks. It is part of the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI).

7. In which state has Tata Group decided to set up a Gigafactory of Lithium Ion cells ?

- (a) West Bengal
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Karnataka
- (d) Tamil Nadu

EXPLANATION - : India 's leading business conglomerate Tata Group has decided to set up a Gigafactory of Lithium Ion Cells in Gujarat . This plant to be built by Tata Group in Gujarat will be India 's first lithium ion cell manufacturing plant . Tata group initially 13000 on this plant _ Is going to invest crores of rupees , the production capacity of this plant will be of 20 GW .

8. With which country is the Alstom company, which has won the tender to manufacture 100 Vande Bharat trains with sleeper coaches, belong to it?

- (a) Italy
- (b) Britain
- (c) Germany
- (d) France

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EXPLANATION - : Preparations have started to bring the country 's most modern train Vande Bharat in sleeper coach . French rail company Alstom will manufacture 100 aluminum bodied Vande Bharat trains with sleeper facility . Vande Bharat train to be converted into sleeper coach _ Two companies had bid . _ The first was Alstom and the second was Medha Servo Drives of Hyderabad .

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Who has recently become the new president of the World Meteorological Organization - **Abdullah Mandos** .

Recently , the book ' Kathakali Dance Theatre : A Visual Narrative of Sacred Indian Mime ' written by **KK Gopalakrishnan** has been launched .

Where has the pre - historic Dhalpur Shiva temple been inaugurated recently – **Assam** .

Where has CBFC recently launched a new website and a new mobile app – **Mumbai** .

Which country has recently conferred its highest civilian award on President Draupadi Murmu **Suriname** .

Which bank has recently launched Project Kuber in Bengaluru – **State Bank of India** .

Who recently became the new president of The Hindu Group – **Nirmala Laxman** .

Recently the government of which country has introduced digital birth certificate – **Israel** .

Which university has been on top in the recent Khelo India University Games – **Punjab University**

– Which medal has been won by Siddarth Chowdhary recently in the Asian Under - 20 Athletics Championship – **Gold** .