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## STATE NEWS IN SHORT

- **President Droupadi Murmu** presented the **Rajat Kamal Award** for the documentary film '**Naadada Navaneeta Pandit Dr. Venatesh Kumar**', produced by the Department of Information and Public Relations and directed by Girish Kasaravalli. The film has been adjudged the **best art and culture film in the non-feature film category** at the 68th National Film Awards for 2020. The award consists of a cash component of ₹50,000 each for the producer and the director.
- Taking forward the '**Beyond Bengaluru**' concept, a two-day event **Techceleration-2022**' initiated and coordinated by **Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM)** will be held in Hubballi to display the progress achieved so far and deliberate upon the way forward. 'Techceleration-2022' would bring together the entire ecosystem of industry leaders, start-ups and businesses to showcase the growth so far, the opportunities available and the road map ahead.
- The **Bangalore city** managed to secure the **43rd national rank** by scoring 2,892.98 out of 7500. Bengaluru was one among the 45 cities with a population of above 10 lakh that was surveyed for ranking.
- **The Karnataka Protection of Right to Freedom of Religion of Religion Bill, 2022**, has received the assent of Governor Thawarchand Gehlot. The Bill was passed a few days ago by the Karnataka State legislature. Now, the legislation provides for the protection of the right to freedom of religion and prohibition of unlawful conversion from one religion to another by misrepresentation, force, undue influence, coercion, allurement or by any fraudulent means.
- From a mere 124 verified healthcare professionals in its Health Professionals Registry (HPR) under **Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM)** in July, **Karnataka now stands first in the country** with 25,511 professionals registered in its HPR.
- **Kodagu district has won the first prize** for its tableau at the Dasara procession in Mysuru.
- **Tipu Express is renamed as Wodeyar Express**. It plies between Mysuru and Bengaluru. **Mysuru to Talaguppa express has been named after poet laureate Kuvempu**.
- **Kisan Swaraj Sammelan to be held in Mysuru**. The city will host the 5th Kisan Swaraj Sammelan of **Alliance for Sustainable and Holistic Agriculture (ASHA)** from November 11 to 13 in collaboration with the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU).
- **The Tele Mental Health Assistance and Networking Across States (Tele-MANAS)** initiative, which is based on Karnataka's initiative of the same name, was launched during the **26th Convocation of National Institute of Mental Health And Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)** by Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare and Chemicals & Fertilizers.
- Eight Karnataka-based **registered unrecognised political parties (RUPPs)** have been delisted while eight others have been notified as "**inactive**" by the Election Commission of India. The ECI can mark political parties as "**inactive**" in the register of RUPPs maintained by the Commission under **Section 29A of Representation of People Act, 1951**.

- A comprehensive report titled ‘**21 st Century Skills in India; State of the Sector Report 2022**’ brought out by **Mysuru-headquartered Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement (GRAAM) under UNICEF’s YuWaah project** was released in New Delhi.
- **Incidence of breast cancer** in Bengaluru, which was the third highest in the country after Hyderabad and Chennai till last year, jumped to the second highest at 40.5 per lakh (age-adjusted rate — AAR) this year. The highest incidence is in **Chennai at 42.2 per lakh**.
- The registration for the relaunched **Yeshasvini health scheme** in the State will commence from November 1. The scheme is set to become operational from January 1, 2023, and will cover 1,650 diseases. The cashless medical scheme for members of cooperative societies is up to ₹5 lakh per family per annum. There is no cap on age for becoming a beneficiary.
- **International Skill Development Corporation (ISDC)** headquartered in United Kingdom, has organised "**Karnataka Education Innovation Conference (KEIC 2022)**" in association with the State Higher Education Council.
- The **state government** has decided to **temporarily relax** the rules that any **child** entering **class 1<sup>st</sup>** should have **completed six years**
- **Karnataka Skill Development Corporation (KSDC)** and **non-profit organisation Quest Alliance** have announced an initiative aimed at providing employability skills to youth in Karnataka. Over 6,000 youth in 140 skills centres will benefit from the pilot phase of the initiative, which is **rolled out in seven districts of Kalyana Karnataka region - Kalaburagi, Raichur, Yadgir, Koppal, Ballari, Bidar, and Vijayanagara**
- **Land Grabbing Prohibition Bill:** The Karnataka Land Grabbing Prohibition (Amendment) Bill, 2022, which was passed in the Legislative Assembly in September, 2022, to avoid criminal proceedings against farmers who have encroached the government land in rural areas, received assent of Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot. The Act **excludes all the places** from the purview of the Karnataka Land Grabbing Prohibition Act **except within the limits of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike and the City Corporations**.
- An **Emirates Airbus A380** aircraft will land at **Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) for the first time in Bengaluru**. A380 is the **largest passenger aircraft** in the world. The landing would also mark the commencement of operations of **scheduled passenger services between Dubai and Bengaluru utilising the A380**. Bengaluru will become the **second Indian city to be served by the airline's A380 aircraft, after Mumbai**.
- **Dr Veerendra Heggade**, Rajya Sabha member and Dharmadhikari of Dharmasthala temple, to **inaugurate Maha Kumbh Mela at Triveni Sangama**
- **Mysuru’s solid waste handling** goes green as **electric vehicles (e-rickshaws)** are now **carrying garbage** collected from households.
- The **country’s 5<sup>th</sup> Vande Bharath Express** will ply on the **Mysuru –Bengaluru-Chennai**
- **Bharat Petroluem Corporation** would **set up two fast charging EV corriodor** , Bangalore – mysore –Coorg and Bengaluru Chennai

- **Karnataka's beloved 'water sage' Kalmane Kamegowda passed away.** In Karnataka, he was revered as the "pond man" for being the person behind more than 15 man-made ponds. He even received accolades from Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his contribution to the environment.
- **Mr.Justice Prasanna B. Varale**, who was **Judge of Bombay High Court**, was **appointed as Chief Justice of Karnataka High Court** by the President
- Karnataka's **'Grama One'** project logs one crore transactions within nine months of launch
- **Dr. Lokesh** is appointed as **director for Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology**
- **IISc., C-CAMP** incubated **startup steps** in to **control lumpy skin disease** in cattle
- **Dr K P Ashwini** of Kasaba Kurubarahalli village in the district Kolar has been appointed as a **special rapporteur** of the **United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC)**.
- **Bengaluru will host the 'Wildscreen Festival'**, a leading biennial international festival on natural history and wildlife, on October 21 and 22. The festival, which is in its 40th year, is organised by **UK-based conservation charity Wildscreen** and **Bengaluru based wildlife film production and visual arts company Felis Creations**.
- Despite a recommendation to the contrary of **M.R Srinivasa Murthy committee**( Reject the idea of merger) , the state government has decided to merge all four state-run road transport corporations "to plug operational losses and increase efficiency"
- **International millet mela** would be organised in **Bengaluru** for three days from January **2023**, following the **declaration of International Year of Millets by the United Nations**.
- The **indigenous medium altitude long endurance (MALE) unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) developed** by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (**DRDO**) and **production partner HAL**
- The **Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM)**, an initiative of Government of Karnataka, has organised a two-day second edition of the **Big Tech Show-2022** at **Mysore**
- **Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (KVGB)**, a Regional Rural Bank, signed an MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) **with Piaggio Vehicles** for extending **financial**





**assistance for vehicles** run on diesel, CNG and electricity under the bank's Small Road Transport Operators (SRTTO) Scheme

- **K C General Hospital** has received the **Centre's Labour Room Quality Improvement Initiative (LaQshya) certification** with a 98% score. It is a programme, **under the National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS)**, aims to improve the quality of care in labour rooms and maternity operation theatres.
- Roping in Indian Railways, the Karnataka government has announced a programme **"for strengthening cultural bonds" between Karnataka and Varanasi** under the **'Karnataka-Bharat Gaurav Kashi Darshan'**. Special trains will operate between Bengaluru and Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh
- **World poets' meet at Ballari**. Poets from across the world have gathered in Ballari for an event described **as the first of its kind in Karnataka**.
- Defence public sector undertaking **BEML Ltd** has bagged the **'Raksha Mantri's Award for Excellence'** under the **group award category for design and development** of 180 tonne class electric hydraulic excavator
- The Horticulture Department will soon set up its own nurseries in **Lalbagh Botanical Garden and Cubbon Park**. The nursery in Cubbon Park is already propagating a few varieties and will soon open its door to the public to buy saplings from.
- **K. Naganna Gowda** as the new chairperson of Karnataka State Commission for Child Rights (KSCPCR) for a term of three years.
- **Jamkhandi in Bagalkot district**, will get a **'flex fuel'** station that will be **India's first**. Flex fuel, or flexible fuel, is an alternative fuel in which gasoline is combined with methanol or ethanol.
- The **Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM)** and the **Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE)** have signed an **MoU** to establish a centre of excellence and train students at the **VVCE campus in Mysuru**.
- According to historians, the **Kushans, who hailed from the Central Asian region** and ruled till 3rd century AD, were the **first to use the image of Goddess Lakshmi on their coins**, along with Ardochsho, the Iranic Goddess of wealth
- **Walkaroo has renovated and expanded its plant at Dabaspeta in Karnataka** to manufacture **polyurethane (PU) footwear**. The plant in Karnataka would also function as Walkaroo's core PU footwear production house for **domestic and export markets**
- **Anand Mamani**, the **Deputy Speaker of the Karnataka Assembly** passed away
- The **Kannada Sahitya Parishat** has organized a two-day literary festival **Hoysala Sahityotsava** at Hassan
- The **JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research** has been featured within the **top 150 rank by Times Higher Education World University Rankings** by Subject for 2023, according to a release. The JSS AHER has been ranked in the band 126-150 in the subject Clinical and Health.
- **Actor late Dr. Puneeth Rajkumar** will be conferred with the **'Karnataka Ratna'** award **the highest civilian honour in Karnataka**

- **National Education society for tribal students** an autonomous organization under ministry of tribal affairs to launch the national EMRS cultural fest in Bengaluru Karnataka
- **Rajyotsava award 2022 has been announced:** Award-winning personalities include - **Soligara Madamma** who popularised cooperatives among Soliga community, **Saalumarada Ninganna** (environmentalist), **Yakshagana artiste Dr M Prabhakar Joshi**, writers **A R Mitra** and **professor Krishnegowda**, differently-abled swimmer **Raghavendra Anvekar**, **Former Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) chairman K Sivan**, Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM) **chairman BV Naidu**, **Veteran actors Avinash Yelandur and H G Dattatreya** will also be awarded the prestigious honour.
- On this occasion of Amrita Mahotsav (75 years) of Independence, the government of Karnataka has also decided to honour 10 organisations with 'Amrita Mahotsav State Award-2022'. including **Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, Nammane-Summane (working for transgender rights), Bengaluru** and the **Thalassemia and Haemophilia Society, Bagalkot**. **Pourakarmika Mallamma Hoovinahadagali** and **H L Manjunath , Madan Gopal** were awarded in the **administration category**

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## NATION NEWS IN SHORT

- The indigenously developed Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) '**Prachand**', meaning fierce was formally inducted into the Indian Air Force at the Jodhpur airbase.
- The Centre has appointed **Justice Dinesh Kumar Sharma** of the Delhi High Court as the **presiding officer of the tribunal for the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA)**, related to the ban on the Popular Front of India (PFI) and its associates. Once an organisation is banned under the provisions of UAPA, a tribunal is set up by the government to adjudicate whether there are sufficient grounds for the decision.
- Around **62% of rural households in India had fully functional tap water connections** within their premises, according to a survey commissioned by the Union Ministry of Water Resources to assess the functioning of the government's marquee Jal Jeevan Mission.
- **The country's first 4.20-MW wind turbine generator**, a single unit with the largest generation capacity, has been installed at **Vadalivilai near Valliyoor in Tirunelveli district**. The Brazil-based WEG, involved in a range of businesses, including power generation, mining, oil, gas and sugar industries and having its manufacturing unit at SIPCOT Industrial Estate, Hosur, has installed the state-of-the-art gearless wind turbine generator at a cost of ₹88 crore at Vadalivilai, which is close to the advantageous Aralvaimozhi Pass.
- The Government appointed former Eastern Army Commander **Lt. General Anil Chauhan (Retd)** as the next **Chief of Defence Staff (CDS)**. The post has been vacant since the untimely death of the **country's first CDS Gen. Bipin Rawat** in a helicopter crash in December 2021.
- Senior advocate **R. Venkataramani** has been appointed as the **new Attorney General (AG) of India** by President Droupadi Murmu for a **period of three year**. Mr. Venkataramani will succeed K. K. Venugopal
- **The Government of Odisha**, in collaboration with the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), hosted the **Odisha Investors' Meet in Bengaluru**.
- **The World Bank has estimated that India will grow 6.5%** in the current fiscal year (FY22-23), after having grown at 8.7% in the fiscal year ended March 31. The Indian economy is expected to speed up to 7.0% in the next fiscal year, before settling back down to 6.1% in FY24-25.
- **India's unemployment rate drastically dropped to 6.43%** in September due to an **increase in labour participation in the rural and urban areas**, according to data from the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE).
- Scientists from **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** have mapped out the **global distribution of sodium on the Moon's surface**. They used the **CLASS instrument (Chandrayaan-2 large area soft X-ray spectrometer)** carried by the second Indian Moon mission, Chandrayaan-2
- Modi inaugurated the **900-metre-long Mahakal Lok corridor** built at the Mahakaleshwar temple in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh.
- **MIDHANI – Mishra Datu Nigam's cyber security portal** was launched by Chairman and Managing Director S.K. Jha as part of the ongoing '**Cyber Jaagrookta Maah**' till October 31 as a mass awareness campaign



- **International workshop on disaster risk reduction** to be held in Thiruvananthapuram
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi declared **Modhera, a village in the Mehsana district of Gujarat as India's first solar-powered village**
- The Union Cabinet approved a proposal to develop a container terminal at **Tuna-Tekra, Deendayal Port**, in Gujarat under the public-private partnership mode. Deendayal Port is one of the 12 major ports in India and is located on the **west coast in the Gulf of Kutch** in Gujarat.
- **Tamil Nadu** has emerged as the **only State** which has **achieved the target** for 2022 Q1 and Q2 for **Jal Jeevan Mission**, with 69.57 lakh households provided with tap connections till date, according to official data.
- **Gujarat conducted 36<sup>th</sup> National Games** across six cities of the state reiterated India's organisational skills . **Services continued its dominance** as it topped the medals table with 61 gold, 35 silver and 32 bronze medals to claim the **prestigious Raja Bhalendra Singh Cup for the fourth consecutive time. Maharashtra was placed second** and secured the top position among the States. Karnataka secured fourth place
- **Swimmers Sajan Prakash and 14-year-old Hashika Ramachandra** were named the **best male and female athletes in national games**
- **Haryana-based Maiden Pharmaceuticals Limited** has manufactured cold and-cough syrup exported to **The Gambia** were marked out by the World Health Organization (WHO) as being linked to the **deaths of 66 children** there
- **Captain Ibrahim Traore**, who led the **latest coup in Burkina Faso**, was named **interim President** until elections are held in July 2024
- **Rudranksh( Air rifle )** wins **World Championship gold and Olympic quota** for Paris 2024 Games
- Badminton legend **Prakash Padukone** was awarded the **Sports Journalists' Federation of India (SJFI) medal** for 2019 at a warm ceremony at the Karnataka State Cricket Association
- **Tamilnadu and Uttar Pradesh** has **Highest Number of UG medical colleges** in the country
- Scientist from Zoological survey of india ,Kolkata found a **new species of shrew on the island of Narcondam** ,a part of Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar island
- **Justice DY Chandrachud**, the **new Chief Justice of India**, will succeed outgoing CJI UU Lalit. He will be **sworn in as India's 50th CJI**
- **India** to host global meet on **G20 investors conference on tourism for 2023**
- **12<sup>th</sup> edition of DefExpo** is held at **Gandhinagar**
- **Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)** introduced **Dhan Varsha**, a non-linked, non-participating, individual, savings, single premium life insurance plan offering a combination of protection and savings.
- **Boxing Federation of India** Appoints **Irish Great Bernard Dunne** as Director of High Performance





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- **National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at Lothal** is being developed as a one of its kind project to not only display India's rich and diverse maritime heritage and also help Lothal to emerge as a world class international tourist destination.

- PM Narendra Modi launches **Indian Edge, an e-magazine on fertilizer** It will provide information on domestic and international fertilizer scenarios, including recent developments, price trends analysis, availability and consumption, and success stories of farmers, among others'
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated a two-day event titled "**PM Kisan Samman Sammelan 2022**" at **Mela Ground, IARI, Pusa, New Delhi**.
- **NTPC, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and MPI Limited** sign **MoU** for demonstrating **Hydrogen co-firing in Auraiya Gas Power Plant**. Hydrogen co-firing in gas turbines play key role in reducing CO2 emissions
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** launched the '**One Nation, One Fertiliser**' .
- Prime Minister dedicated **75 digital banking units (DBU)** across 75 districts to the nation via video conferencing
- The **Maratha Light Infantry (MLI)** of the Indian Army celebrated the 17th post-war reunion by conducting a spectacular commemoration parade involving **personnel from all affiliated units of the Indian Armed forces and Indian Coast Guard** at its regimental centre in **Belagavi**
- The **Indo-Russian joint venture at Korwa in Uttar Pradesh** will start manufacturing **AK-203 assault rifles by 2022** end
- Defence industry organisations from **India and the U.K.** have decided to create a **new Defence Industry Joint Working Group (JWG)** for more effective cooperation
- Former Indian cricket team star and member of the 1983 World Cup-winning team **Roger Binny** was named as the **36th president** of the **Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)**
- Arachnologists from the Centre for Animal Taxonomy and Ecology (CATE), Christ College, Irinjalakuda in Kerala have **discovered six new species of spiders from across the country**. The **new species of spiders** were found from the **Garo hills in Meghalaya, the Thar desert of Rajasthan, Wayanad Wildlife Sanctuary, Kottappara hills**
- The **Justice Arumughaswamy Commission**, constituted to probe the circumstances surrounding late **Tamil Nadu Chief Minister J Jayalalithaa's death**
- **Justice D.Y Chandrachud** will have the **longest tenure** in the last decade. He will also be **youngest CJI of the last 10 years**
- Micro, small and medium enterprises will continue to receive non-tax benefits for three years despite moving above the investment and turnover threshold.
- The **Tamil Nadu Government** formed a State-level Committee to set up an institutional framework for the effective **conservation of vultures**, which almost went extinct in the country at the beginning of the 21st century.
- **Prayagraj, Chitrakoot, and Gwalior** are among the cities identified in 15 States across the country to be promoted as part of India's new domestic tourism policy which moves away from **theme-based tourist circuits and focuses on revving up destination tourism at Swadesh Darshan 2.0**
- **Tamil Nadu government** increases **spot fines** for traffic violations in pursuance of amendment made by Motor vehicles Act

- The **'honesty shops'** opened in nearly 15 schools in **Kerala's Ernakulam district as part of the Student Police Cadet (SPC)** project have gifted some valuable lessons on trust, truth and integrity for students
- The **Interpol** unveiled the **first-ever 'metaverse'** specifically designed for law enforcement worldwide, at its ongoing **90th General Assembly in Delhi**. It allows the registered users to take a **virtual tour of its General Secretariat headquarters in France's Lyon, interact with other officers via their avatars**, and even take training courses in forensic investigation and other policing skills
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi is expected to be the chief guest at a Ram Leela celebration in Ayodhya**, which will feature a **special Russian version of the epic** to be performed by a team from Moscow. **Padma Shree Gennadi Pichnikov Memorial Russian Ram Leela Team has been carrying forward** his legacy of Ram Leela performances that have been modified to appeal to the Russian audience
- **HCL founder Shiv Nadar** was named as the most generous person in the country with an annual donation of Rs 1,161 crore, the **EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2022 followed by Azim Premji**
- **Vikas (72kg) and Nitesh (97kg)** won their **bronze medal play-offs** with ease as **India's Greco Roman wrestlers** cherished their **best ever show at a global event** by winning three medals at the **U-23 world championship at Pontevedra, Spain**.
- **Hyderabad won 'World Green City Award'** at the **International Association of Horticulture Producers (AIPH) 2022** which was **held in Jeju, South Korea** recently. Hyderabad managed to beat other popular international cities including **Paris, Bogota, Mexico City, Montreal and Fortaleza in Brazil**.
- The **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** imposed a **penalty on Google** for "abusing its dominant position in multiple markets in the Android mobile device ecosystem".
- Launch of Integrated Pensioners' Portal aimed at **"Ease of Living"** for the **Central Government Pensioners with State Bank of India**, first **pension disbursing Bank**, to **integrate its Pension Seva Portal with BHAVISHYA** in record time. Integration of **BHAVISHYA portal with State Bank of India** and the **commencement of process to further integrate the same with all Pension Disbursing Bank portals** - a milestone **development which shall enable Pensioners to get all information and services at one place with single login**
- A **pilot project in the Eastern Himalayas** is set to usher in **smarter facilities for raising the living standards of troops** posted along the border with China in the **Tawang sector of western Arunachal Pradesh**
- **India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)** and **Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH)** Collaborate for innovations in Financial Product and Services that will plan, design and **execute innovative products and offerings to bridge the existing gap** by bringing digitalised services at the customer's doorstep.



- The **Competition Commission of India (CCI)** has imposed monetary as well as **behavioral sanctions on MMT-Go (MakeMyTrip and Golbibo)** for abusing its dominant position and also for having **anti-competitive arrangement with OYO (Oravel Stays Limited)**. **Monetary penalty is also imposed on OYO** for its anti-competitive arrangement with MMT-Go vide which MMT-Go delisted the competitors of OYO from its online portals in 2018.
- **Madhya Pradesh** as venue for **next Khelo India Youth Games**. Water Sports to be introduced for the first ever time in the event
- **'Maa Bharati Ke Sapoot'** is a website for **contribution to Armed Forces Battle Casualties Welfare Fund**. The AFBCWF is a **Tri-Service fund**, which is utilised for grant of **immediate financial assistance** to the families of **soldiers/sailors/airmen** who lay down their lives or get grievously injured in active military operations.
- **Shri Jaxay Shah**, former **Chairman of CREDAI** and **founder Chairman of Savvy Group** has been appointed as the **Chairman of Quality Council of India (QCI)** for a period of three years
- **A rather frail-looking plant spotted** on the granite hillocks of **Palakkad** has been identified as a new species of the genus **Allmania**. Named **Allmania multiflora**, the species is quite special from both the botanical and conservation points of view
- The **Tamil Nadu state government** has set up a **22-member Governing Council on Climate Change (GCCC)**, headed by Chief Minister MK Stalin.
- The **new Deesa air field** to be **constructed in Gujarat** close to the **western border** fills a huge gap between air bases in Gujarat and Rajasthan
- **Universal Service Obligation Fund (USOF)**, a body under the Department of Telecommunications, officially launched **Telecom Technology Development Fund (TTDF)**.

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- The **heaviest rocket of the Indian Space Research Organisation**, the **LVM3-M2 OneWeb India-1**, with **36 satellites** on board took off from the second launch pad (SLP) of the **Satish Dhawan Space Centre**
- The **BSE** has launched **electronic gold receipt (EGR)** on its platform, a move that will help in **efficient and transparent price discovery of the yellow Metal**.
- The **India's antitrust regulator** has **fined Alphabet Inc's Google** for "**abusing**" its **dominant position** on its **Android mobile app store**, the second such penalty for the tech giant.
- **Genetic Engineering Appraisal Committee (GEAC)** has approved the "**environmental release**" of indigenously developed genetically modified (GM) Mustard Seeds. This paves the way for **possible 'commercial use'** of the country's first indigenously developed GM food crop.
- Two more Indian beaches **Minicoy Thundi beach and Kadmat beach**, both in Lakshadweep have been accorded the coveted International eco-label '**Blue Flag**', taking India's **tally to 12** in the list of the world's cleanest and most eco-friendly "beaches, marinas, and sustainable boating tourism operators
- **Mangarh Dham** is known for the **massacre of tribals** by the british Indian Army in 1913. It is considered a pilgrimage site for **Bhil tribals** situated near the Rajasthan Gujarat border
- The **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** is working on a series of improvements to the **NavIC**, or India's equivalent of the Global Positioning System (GPS), so that more people are motivated to install it and use it. Plans are also afoot to make its reach global rather than circumscribe it to India and a limited territory
- **Ayush Utsav** was **inaugurated at the Ganderbal, Kashmir**
- **Indian Air Force (IAF) and French Air and Space Force (FAF)** are participating in a **bilateral exercise**, named '**Garuda VII**', at Air Force **Station Jodhpur**.
- Union Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change inspected the "**Swachhata**" **Special Campaign 2.0 at the Salim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History under the MoEF&CC**.
- **Indian Agriculture Research Institute** has successfully tested **two new dwarf** varieties of paddy in Uttar Pradesh that **give double the yield** . They have been named **Pusa Narendra Kalanamak 1638 and Pusa Narendra Kalanamak 1652**

#### Days in news:

- **World Sight Day** on October 13. **Love Your Eyes**, is the theme of this year's World Sight day.
- **World Audiologists' Day**: October 10 is observed as the World Audiologists' Day to emphasis the need for identifying and rehabilitating people with speech and communication disorders.
- **October 15<sup>th</sup>** is celebrated as **International Day of Rural Women** and theme is "**Rural Women, key for a world free from hunger and poverty**"
- **World Food Day** is an international day celebrated every year worldwide on **October 16th** to commemorate the date of the **founding of the United Nations**

**Food and Agriculture Organization in 1945.** The theme for 2022 is “**Leave NO ONE behind**”

- The **7th National Ayurveda day** this year will be **celebrated on October 23, 2022.** It aims to **introduce Ayurvedic principles of healing to the younger generation** and to establish awareness among them. This year, India will celebrate Ayurveda Day under the **theme of “Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda”.**
- **World polio day** is celebrated on **October 24<sup>th</sup>** . This year's **theme** for the day has been “**A healthier future for mothers and children.**” and emphasis has been on how polio eradication efforts also play a key role in improving both children's and mothers' access to vaccines and other health and nutritional services.
- The **National Unity Day or Rashtriya Ekta Diwas** is celebrated every year on **October 31** to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's first Home Minister

#### Sports news:

- **Aman Sherawat** became the **first Indian wrestler** to be crowned champion at the **World under-23 championships** in Pontevedra, Spain
- **Vidarbha defeated Punjab** to win the title in the **Vinoo Mankad Trophy cricket tournament** at the Sports Hub, Thiruvananthapuram
- **Silver for Indian sports pistol women’s team** at the shooting World Championship in Cairo
- In a move to bring about pay parity, the **Board of Control for Cricket in India’s (BCCI)** reconstituted apex council has **decided to match the match-fees of international women cricketers** with that of **their male counterparts.**
- **Malaprabha Jadhav** of Turmuri village in **Belagavi district** won the **gold medal in Khelo India senior women’s judo national league** and ranking tournament held in Delhi
- **Spain** to emerge the winner of **FIFA under-17 Women’s World Cup**
- Indian pair of **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty** bagged the biggest title of their career, **claiming the French Open**
- **Ministry of Education** signed an **MoU in with FIFA and All India Football Federation** for the ‘**Football4Schools**’ initiative in India.

#### **INTERNATIONAL AND OTHER NEWS IN SHORT**

- **Hurricane Ian** made landfall in **southwest Florida** near Cayo Costa.it is regarded as a massive Category 4 storm.
- **Tropical storm Julia** turned into a hurricane as it passed the Colombian island San Andres and headed toward the Caribbean coast of Nicaragua with maximum sustained winds of 75 mph (120 km/hr)
- **Conference on Interaction and Confidence Building Measures in Asia (CICA)** held in **Astana, Kazakhstan** India terming Pakistan as epicentre of terrorism



- **G20 Common Framework** is the **Common Framework for Debt Treatments** beyond the **Debt Service Suspension Initiative (DSSI)**. It was announced in November 2020 to deal with the issue of unsustainable debts faced by various countries as an impact of COVID-19.
- **Mullaitivu, Paruthitheevu, Analaitheevu and Messalai** are places in **Srilanka** that has frequent Chinese troops movement



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- Centre is **considering Srilanka proposal** to translocate the gaur from India paving way for Zoological Diplomacy
- **Indian Women team** won Asia cup **against team Srilanka**
- **Esha Singh** won Junior events of 25 meter pistol in **world championship in Cairo**
- **Abdul Latif Rashid** is newly elected **president of Iraq**
- Astronomers have observed the brightest flash of light ever seen, from an event that occurred 2.4 billion light years from Earth and was likely triggered by the formation of a black hole the coming years
- The **Embassy of Japan, New Delhi**, has **filed an application seeking Geographical Indication (GI) tag** for nihonshu/Japanese sake, an alcoholic beverage.
- About 150 years ago, **British colonialists brought batches a single species** of the **northern giraffe to India**, from their other colonial possessions in Africa. They are mostly likely to be **Nubian giraffe( Critically endangered)** and **Rothschild giraffe ( endangered)**

- **Sri Lankan author Shehan Karunatilaka** won the Booker Prize for his novel, "**The Seven Moons of Maali Almeida.**"
- The **U.K** recently issued its **first open General Export License** in the **Indo pacific region to India**, shortening delivery time for defence procurement
- **2<sup>nd</sup> India –Africa Defence Dialogue at the DefExpo 2022** adopted a '**Gandhinagar declaration**' as outcome document to train defence forces of Africa
- **Swimmer Sandesh Thingalaya** selected for **Pan Pacific Master games** which will be held in Australia
- India's **Ramita Jindal** was crowned **world champion in the 10-meter Air Rifle Women Junior event** at the International Shooting Sport Federation, ISSF World Championship Rifle/Pistol in **Cairo, Egypt**
- **FATF as the international watchdog** on terror financing and money laundering agree to **remove Pakistan's name** from the list of countries under '**increased monitoring**
- The **Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Station** in **southeastern Ukraine** is the **largest nuclear power plant in Europe** and among the 10 largest in the world.
- **Rishi Sunak** took charge as Britain's first Indian-origin Prime Minister, the first person of colour in the chair.
- **Cyclone Sitrang** brewed in the Bay of Bengal that **lashed Bangladesh** left million without power across the delta nation.
- **Turkey's parliament** adopted the much-critiqued '**disinformation law**' that accords jail terms of up to three years to social media users and journalists for spreading 'disinformation
- **A manufacturing facility for C-295 transport aircraft** will be set up at **Vadodara** in Gujarat by **Tata Advanced Systems Ltd. (TASL)** in partnership with **European aviation major Airbus.**
- **Israel and Lebanon** separately signed a **U.S.-brokered maritime border deal** which paves the way for lucrative off shore gas
- **ASEAN and India celebrated 30 years** of relation with the **launch of the 1st ASEAN-India Start-Up Festival.** It is hosted by the ASEAN Committee on Science, Technology and Innovation (**COSTI**), in partnership with the Indian Department of Science and Technology (**DST**), through the National Research and Innovation Agency (**BRIN**) of Indonesia and Start-up Incubation and Innovation Centre (SIIC) IIT Kanpur at **in Bogor, Indonesia**
- **Tambo art** is an art form **originating in Japan** where people plant rice of various types and colors to create images in a paddy field.
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi and UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres** launched **Mission LiFE** at the **Statue of Unity**, a global plan of action aimed at saving the planet from the disastrous consequences of climate change

#### [Nobel prize-2022](#)

- **Nobel Peace Prize 2022:** The 2022 Nobel Peace Prize has been jointly awarded to **Belarusian human rights advocate Ales Bialiatski, the Russian human rights**

**organisation Memorial, and the Ukrainian human rights organisation Centre for Civil Liberties.** The award was announced by the Norwegian Nobel Committee in Oslo

- **The Nobel Prize for Physiology** this year has been awarded to **Svante Pääbo**, Swedish geneticist, who pioneered the field of **palaeogenomics**, or the study of ancient hominins by extracting their DNA.
- **Nobel Prize in physics: Alain Aspect** from the University of Paris-Saclay, France; **John F. Clauser** of John F. Clauser and Associates, California, U.S.; and **Anton Zeilinger**, University of Vienna, Austria. They have been awarded “for experiments with **entangled photons**, establishing the violation of Bell inequalities and pioneering **quantum information science**”
- **Nobel prize in chemistry** : A trio of chemists, **Carolyn Bertozzi, Morten Meldal and Barry Sharpless**, are this year’s Nobel laureates for Chemistry. They won it for pioneering ‘**click chemistry**’, which underpins green chemistry.
- **Economic Sciences Nobel**: The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the 2022 Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel to **Ben S. Bernanke, Douglas W. Diamond and Philip H. Dybvig** “for research on banks and financial crises.”The 2022 economic sciences laureates Douglas Diamond and Philip Dybvig developed theoretical models that explain why banks exist, how their role in society makes them vulnerable to rumours about their impending collapse and how society can lessen this vulnerability.

