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# National & States Affairs

**51.** On September 1, Delhi chief minister Arvind Kejriwal launched India's first virtual school - "Delhi Model Virtual School", affiliated with the Delhi Board of School Education. The platform has been developed by Google and School Net India. The facility will also be used for preparing students for competitive exams like JEE, NEET and CUET. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- Arvind Kejriwal – launched India's first virtual school "Delhi Model Virtual School", affiliated with DBSE
- The platform is developed by = Google + School Net India
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Lt. Governor – Vinai Kumar Saxena | Chief Secretary – Naresh Kumar
- HQs of Google – California, US | CEO – Sundar Pichai | Founded in – 1998

**52.** On September 2, Institute of Integrated Learning in Management (IILM) University, with the approval of the government of Uttar Pradesh and the recognition of the Bar Council of India (BCI), launched India's first "National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) Compliant Law School" with the aim of elevating the Legal Education System of India. The IILM Law School, known for its state-of-the-art infrastructure, is located in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- IILM University – launched India's first "National Education Policy 2020 Compliant Law School"
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel
- HQs of BCI – New Delhi | Chairperson – Manan Kumar Mishra

**53.** On September 2, Thai Trade Center, Chennai, launched the first of its kind "Thai Trade Expo 2022" in Hyderabad. The main idea of the event is to create a strong trading connection between the State of Telangana and Thailand. During these 3 days, the event was filled with Muay Thai boxing show and authentic Thai cuisine live cooking show where the common public experienced the culture and taste of Thailand. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- Thai Trade Center, Chennai – launched the first of its kind "Thai Trade Expo 2022" in Hyderabad
- Thailand – Bangkok – Thai Baht | PM – Prayut Chan-o-cha
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin | Governor – Ravindra Narayan Ravi
- Telangana: Capital – Hyderabad | CM – K. Chandrashekar Rao | Governor – Tamilisai Soundararajan

**54.** On September 5, the government has decided to rename the historic Rajpath and Central Vista lawns in New Delhi as 'Kartavya Path'. With the latest move, the entire road and area from the Netaji statue to the Rashtrapati Bhavan will be known as Kartavya Path. Rajpath was known as 'Kingsway', named after King George V, during British Rule. In this year's Independence Day speech, Prime Minister Narendra had stressed the abolition of symbols relating to the colonial mindset. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- Rajpath & Central Vista lawns (New Delhi) – renamed as 'Kartavya Path'
- Rajpath was known as 'Kingsway' during British Rule – named after King George V
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Lt. Governor – Vinai Kumar Saxena | Chief Secretary – Naresh Kumar



**55.** On September 1, in the backdrop EV fire incidents in different parts of India, the Ministry of Road Transport & Highway (MoRTH) constituted an Expert Committee (Tata Narasimha Rao Committee), chaired by Tata Narsingh Rao (Director of ARCI) to recommend additional safety requirements in the existing battery safety standards notified under the “Central Motor Vehicles Rules (CMVR), 1989”. The proposed regulation will be applicable with effect from 1 October, 2022. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- MoRTH – constituted an Expert Committee to recommend additional safety requirements notified under the “Central Motor Vehicles Rules (CMVR), 1989”
- The committee will be chaired by – chaired by Tata Narsingh Rao (Director of ARCI)
- [Ministry of Road Transport & Highways: Nitin Gadkari](#) | [Constituency – Nagpur, Maharashtra](#)
- [MoS in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways: V. K. Singh](#)

**56.** On September 3, Bhartaul in Bareilly district has achieved the distinction of becoming the first village in Uttar Pradesh to supply RO water to every household. Bhartaul village is being equipped with 20 ROs (water purifiers) with Gram Nidhi (Village Allowance). Installation of each RO has cost Rs 75,000. The village has also won the awards like Central government’s “Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Panchayat Sashaktikaran Puraskar” and “Chief Minister Panchayat Encouragement Award”. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Bhartaul (Bareilly district) – first village in Uttar Pradesh to supply RO water to every household
- [UP: Capital – Lucknow](#) | [CM – Yogi Adityanath](#) | [Governor – Anandiben Patel](#)

**57.** On September 4, Tripura has been recognised for having India’s first modified Bio-Village, ‘Daspara village’ (in Sepahijala district) with the use of eco-friendly technology and assembling livestock, agri and agri-allied, aqua support and maximum use of non-renewable sources of energy. A London-based international non-government research organisation, Climate Group, recognised the eco-friendly technology used in the bio-village as one of the 10 best practices in the world. The village was converted to a nature-based lifestyle and livelihood and reduced the use of chemical fertiliser. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Tripura – recognized to have India’s first modified Bio-Village - ‘Daspara village’ in Sepahijala district
- Climate Group (UK) – recognised eco-friendly technology used in the bio-village as one of the 10 best practices globally
- [Tripura: Capital – Agartala](#) | [CM – Manik Saha](#) | [Governor – Satyadev Narayan Arya](#)

**58.** On September 2, the Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS), has taken a unique initiative to support the research efforts of bright young minds of the Country by developing the “Studentship Program for Ayurveda Research Ken (SPARK)” for Ayurveda (BAMS) students studying in recognised Ayurveda colleges. The selected fellows will be offered a financial support of Rs 50,000 under the fellowship. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- CCRAS – introduced ‘SPARK’ program for Ayurveda (BAMS) students studying in recognised Ayurveda colleges
- SPARK – **S**tudentship **P**rogram for **A**yurveda **R**esearch **K**en
- The selected fellows will be offered a financial support of Rs 50,000 under the fellowship



**59.** On September 3, the National Green Tribunal (NGT) imposed a penalty of ₹3,500 Cr on the West Bengal government for the huge gap in solid and liquid waste generation and treatment. A panel headed by NGT Chairperson Justice A. K. Goel said the State government does not appear to be prioritising setting up of sewage and solid-waste management facilities though according to the State's Budget for 2022-2023, there is provision of ₹12,818.99 Cr on Urban Development and Municipal Affairs. The directions came while monitoring compliance of Municipal Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 and other environmental issues by States and Union Territories. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- NGT – imposed a penalty of ₹3,500 Cr on West Bengal for huge gap in solid & liquid waste generation & treatment
- [West Bengal: Capital – Kolkata | CM – Mamta Banerjee | Governor – La. Ganesan](#)
- [HQs of NGT – New Delhi | Chairman – Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel](#)

**60.** On September 3, Snehalaya Charitable Trust started its new “Snehalaya Deaddiction Centre” in Manjeshwar in Kasaragod district of Kerala to mark the 25<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of Mother Teresa. The deaddiction centre will function on the premises of the trust's Snehalaya Psycho Social Rehabilitation Center and Snehalaya Shanti Dhama Old Age Home. The new deaddiction centre will help to protect and preserve social and family dignity of individuals, who may become victims of physical and mental ill health because of addiction to narcotic and other substances. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Snehalaya Charitable Trust – started its new “Snehalaya Deaddiction Centre” in Manjeshwar, Kasaragod, Kerala
- It marks the 25<sup>th</sup> death anniversary of Mother Teresa
- It will function at ‘Snehalaya Psycho Social Rehabilitation Center’ & ‘Snehalaya Shanti Dhama Old Age Home’
- [Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan](#)



**61.** On September 3, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla unveiled a statue of Swami Vivekananda in Mexico. This is the first statue of Swami ji in Latin America. The statue will be a source of inspiration for people, especially for the youth of the region, to strive and bring the change which will take their country to new prime. Om Birla is leading an Indian Parliamentary delegation to Mexico. Om Birla also unveiled a statue of freedom fighter Dr Pandurang Khankhoje at Chapingo University in Mexico. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Om Birla – unveiled a statue of Swami Vivekananda in Mexico (first statue of Swami ji in Latin America)
- Om Birla – also unveiled a statue of freedom fighter Dr. Pandurang Khankhoje at Chapingo University in Mexico
- [Mexico – Mexico City – Peso | President – Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador](#)

## **Banking, Finance, Insurance & Economic Affairs**

**62.** On September 1, Muthoot FinCorp Ltd tied up with IME India Pvt Ltd (erstwhile IME Forex India) to expand its money remittance services between Indo-Nepal corridor. Muthoot FinCorp has been assisting the Nepali community in India in remitting money through their existing partner - Prabhu Money Transfer Pvt Ltd. Nepali migrants can now transfer money instantly from 3,600-plus branches of Muthoot FinCorp to their families in Nepal without opening any bank account in India. Moreover, IDFC First Bank, India and Global IME Bank Ltd., Nepal are the banking partners to facilitate Indo-Nepal remittance service. This facility is expected to benefit 5 million Nepalese migrants. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Muthoot FinCorp – tied up with IME India to expand its money remittance services between Indo-Nepal corridor
- Muthoot FinCorp – assists Nepali community in India in remitting money through ‘Prabhu Money Transfer’
- IDFC First Bank (India) & Global IME Bank Ltd (Nepal) – banking partners to facilitate Indo-Nepal remittance service
- Nepal – Kathmandu – Nepalese Rupee | President – Bidhya Devi Bhandari | PM – Sher Bahadur Deuba

**63.** On September 5, the RBI announced that HDFC Bank (in partnership with Sweden-based Crunchfish Aktiebolag) and Precision Biometric India Pvt Ltd have been selected for the ‘Test Phase’ of its ‘On Tap’ application facility for the theme ‘Retail Payments’ (1st cohort) under the RBI’s Regulatory Sandbox. HDFC Bank is selected for its product ‘Offline Retail Payments’ and Precision Biometric India is selected for its product ‘InnaIT Key Solution for Banking’. The RBI introduced a Regulatory Sandbox (RS) in 2019. Furthermore, the RBI also announced that the 5th cohort under the Regulatory Sandbox will be “theme-neutral”. In addition, the Second Cohort on ‘Cross Border Payments’ is now also open for ‘On Tap’ application. Moreover, the first, third & fourth cohort under RS were ‘Retail Payments’, ‘MSME Lending’ & ‘Prevention and Mitigation of Financial Frauds’ respectively. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- HDFC Bank + Precision Biometric India – selected for the ‘Test Phase’ of its ‘On Tap’ application facility
- These are selected for the theme ‘Retail Payments’ (1<sup>st</sup> cohort) under the RBI’s Regulatory Sandbox
- HDFC Bank is selected for – ‘Offline Retail Payments’ | Precision Biometric India – for ‘InnaIT Key Solution for Banking’
- The 5<sup>th</sup> cohort under the RBI’s Regulatory Sandbox (RS) will be “theme-neutral” | RS was introduced by RBI in 2019
- HQs of HDFC Bank – Mumbai, MH | MD & CEO – Sashidhar Jagdishan | Tagline – “We understand your World”

**64.** On September 2, IndusInd Bank announced a strategic partnership with Asian Development Bank (ADB) to support and promoter Supply Chain Finance (SCF) solutions in India. The Bank has entered into a partial guarantee programme with ADB with an initial outlay of USD 70 million (Rs 560 Cr), exclusively towards promoting SCF solutions in India. IndusInd Bank recently launched a state-of-the-art digital portal for SCF called “earlyCredit” enabling 24\*7 seamless processing of SCF transactions for corporates, suppliers & dealers. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- IndusInd Bank + ADB = a strategic partnership to support & promoter Supply Chain Finance (SCF) solutions in India
- The Bank has entered into a partial guarantee programme with ADB with an initial outlay of USD 70 million (Rs 560 Cr)
- IndusInd Bank – also launched a digital portal for SCF called “earlyCredit”
- HQs of IndusInd Bank – Pune, MH | MD & CEO – Sumant Kathpalia | Tagline – “We Make You Feel Richer”
- HQs of ADB – Mandaluyong, Philippines | President – Masatsugu Asakawa | Members – 68 | Established in – 1966

**65.** The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) has directed the payment apps to stop charging platform fees for the Bharat Bill Payment System (BBPS) payments. NPCI’s directive came after PhonePe, one of the largest UPI payment platforms in India, started charging fees on some recharges and other payments. In July, Paytm also started charging Rs 1 for various bill payments. The number of UPI transactions crossed the 6 billion mark in July 2022. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- NPCI – directed the payment apps to stop charging platform fees for the BBPS payments
- The number of UPI transactions crossed 6 billion mark in July 2022
- HQs of NPCI – Mumbai | Chairman – Biswamohan Mahapatra | MD & CEO – Dilip Asbe | Established in – 2008







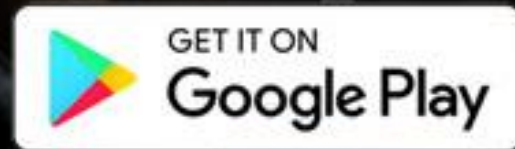
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## Defence Affairs

**66.** India and Tanzania agreed to set up a task force to prepare a five-year 'Future Road Map' to enhance Defence Cooperation between both the countries and to hold the next Joint Defence Cooperation meeting in Tanzania. This was agreed at the bilateral meeting between Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and the Tanzanian Minister of Defence Dr. Stergomena Lawrence Tax. Rajnath Singh also invited his Tanzanian counterpart to the 'India-Africa Defence Dialogue' and DefExpo which is scheduled to be held in Gandhinagar, Gujarat between October 18 to 22, 2022. The theme of DefExpo 2022 is "Path to Pride". [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- India + Tanzania = will set up a task force to prepare a five-year 'Future Road Map' to enhance Defence Cooperation
- Rajnath Singh – invited his Tanzanian counterpart to the 'India-Africa Defence Dialogue' & 'DefExpo' in Gandhinagar
- Theme of DefExpo 2022 – "Path to Pride"
- Tanzania – Dodoma – Tanzanian shilling | President – Samia Suluhu Hassan | PM – Kassim Majaliwa

## Sports & Games

**67.** On September 1, Apeksha Fernandes, the first Indian woman to reach the final of the "World Junior Swimming Championships", finished 8<sup>th</sup> in the 200m women's butterfly summit clash in Lima, Peru. The 17-year-old clocked 2:19.14 to finish last in the eight-swimmer final. In swimming, a timing is considered a national record only when it has been achieved at the National Aquatics Championships. [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- World Junior Swimming Championships – held in Lima, Peru
- Apeksha Fernandes – the first Indian woman to reach the final of the "World Junior Swimming Championships"
- She finished 8<sup>th</sup> in the 200m women's butterfly summit clash
- Peru – Lima – Sol | President – Pedro Castillo | PM – Anibal Torres

**68.** On September 5, the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) announced that Mastercard will be the Title Sponsor for all international cricket matches (both women and men) and domestic cricket matches (like Irani Trophy, Duleep Trophy & Ranji Trophy) to be held in India by the BCCI. Mastercard replaced Paytm & it is now the Title Sponsor for home cricket matches for the 2022-23 season. [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- Mastercard – will be the Title Sponsor for all international & domestic cricket matches to be held in India by the BCCI
- Mastercard – replaced Paytm as the Title Sponsor
- HQs of Mastercard – New York, US | CEO – Michael Miebach | Founded in – 1966

**69.** On September 5, Union Home Minister Amit Shah launched the mascot and the anthem for the 36<sup>th</sup> National Games at Trans Stadia in Ahmedabad. The mascot is named as "Savaj" which means Lion's cub in Gujarati. The anthem is based on the theme of "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat". The tagline of the event is "Celebrating Unity Through Sports". The National Games will be organised between September 29 and October 12, 2022 in 6 cities of Gujarat. Devendrasingh Solanki is the President of Gujarat Olympic Association. There will be a total of 36 sports on the roster of the Games. Moreover, on this occasion, Amit Shah also announced that Ahmedabad will soon be developed as world's biggest Sports City. He stated that Ahmedabad has world's largest stadium, Narendra Modi Stadium. [{Read more}](#)



**Key Points:**

- Amit Shah – launched the mascot namely “Savaj” & the anthem for the 36<sup>th</sup> National Games
- Savaj – means Lion’s cub in Gujarati
- 36<sup>th</sup> National Games – will be organised in 6 cities of Gujarat
- Devendrasingh Solanki – President of Gujarat Olympic Association
- Ahmedabad – will soon be developed as world’s biggest Sports City | Narendra Modi Stadium – in Ahmedabad
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Bhupendra Patel | Governor – Acharya Dev Vrat

**70.** On September 4, Japan’s Kenta Nishimoto and Akane Yamaguchi won the Men’s and Women’s Singles titles at “Badminton’s Japan Open Super 750” tournament or “Daihatsu Yonex Japan Open 2022” in Osaka. Nishimoto defeated Taiwan’s Chou Tien-Chen, while Yamaguchi defeated South Korea’s An Se-Young. Moreover, South Korea’s Jeong Na-Eun and Kim Hye-Jeong won the Women’s Doubles title. While China’s Liang Wei Keng and Wang Chang won the Men’s Doubles title. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- “Badminton’s Japan Open Super 750” tournament or “Daihatsu Yonex Japan Open 2022” – held in Osaka
- Men’s Single – Kenta Nishimoto (Japan) | Women’s Single – Akane Yamaguchi (Japan)
- Jeong Na-Eun & Kim Hye-Jeong (South Korea) – won the Women’s Doubles title
- Liang Wei Keng & Wang Chang (China) – won the Men’s Doubles title
- Japan – Tokyo – Yen | PM – Fumio Kishida

**71.** On September 5, Red Bull driver Max Verstappen of the Netherlands won the “F1 Heineken Dutch Grand Prix 2022” at the Zandvoort racetrack, in Zandvoort, Netherlands. He was four seconds ahead of Mercedes’ George Russell. It was his second successive win for Red Bull in his home race. Verstappen has now won 10 out of 15 races of this season, and extended his lead to 109 points. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch - Red Bull) – won the “F1 Heineken Dutch Grand Prix 2022”
- Netherlands – Amsterdam – Euro | PM – Mark Rutte

**72.** On September 4, the 68<sup>th</sup> edition of the “Nehru Trophy Boat Race (NTBR)” was held on Punnamada Lake in Alappuzha, Kerala. The Nehru Trophy was also the first race of the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the “Champions Boat League (CBL)”. Both the NTBR and CBL are held after a gap of two years, due to the pandemic. A total of 77 boats, including 20 snakeboats, participated under 9 categories in the NTBR. The event was dubbed as ‘Olympics on Water’. Pallathuruthy Boat Club, captained by Santhosh Chakko, emerged as winner, clocking 4.30.77 minutes. With this, the club completed a hat-trick of Nehru trophy titles. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- 68<sup>th</sup> edition of the “Nehru Trophy Boat Race (Olympics on Water)” – held on Punnamada Lake in Alappuzha, Kerala
- Pallathuruthy Boat Club (Captain - Santhosh Chakko) – emerged as winner
- Nehru Trophy – the first race of the 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the “Champions Boat League (CBL)”
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan



**73.** On September 5, Grandmaster Aravindh Chithambaram emerged as Champion in the 22<sup>nd</sup> “Dubai Open Chess Tournament”, with 7.5 points. Chithambaram and R. Praggnanandhaa, settled for a draw in the ninth and final round, which enabled the former to finish with seven points, half a point ahead of the rest of the field. Aravindh remained unbeaten through the nine rounds, winning six games, and drawing three. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Aravindh Chithambaram (Grandmaster) – won the 22<sup>nd</sup> “Dubai Open Chess Tournament”
- UAE – Abu Dhabi – Dirham | President – Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan

**74.** England’s veteran Cricketer James Anderson became the first player ever to feature in 100 Test matches at home. He achieved this landmark during the ongoing second England-South Africa Test in Manchester. Off his 659 Test dismissals so far, Anderson has picked 421 at home that includes 24 five-wickets hauls. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- James Anderson (UK) – became the first player ever to feature in 100 Test matches at home
- UK – London – Pound Sterling | PM – Mary Elizabeth Truss (Liz Truss)

## Science & Technology

**75.** On September 4, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) successfully demonstrated a new technology, “Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (IAD)”. Designed and developed by ISRO’s Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), IAD is a game-changer with multiple applications for future missions including to Mars and Venus. The IAD was successfully test flown in a ‘Rohini’ sounding rocket from Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launching Station. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- ISRO – successfully demonstrated a new technology named as “Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (IAD)”
- The technology is designed & developed by – ISRO’s Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre
- HQs of ISRO – Bengaluru, Karnataka | Director – S. Somanath | Formed on – August 15, 1969
- HQs of VSSC – Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala | Director – S. Unnikrishnan Nair

**76.** Fuelflip Energy became India’s first company to develop the Air-gas Mixer component in India with an aim of providing clean air. The product is Made in India after detailed research and development for over 6 years. Fuelflip Energy, a leading impact technology startup, has developed IoT-enabled Dual-Fuel solutions and RECD for Diesel Generators. Various components for the Dual-Fuel system are imported from Italy, Germany and USA. One such integral part of the system is an Air-gas Mixer which is developed in India. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- Fuelflip Energy – became India’s 1<sup>st</sup> company to develop Air-gas Mixer component in India provide clean air
- Fuelflip Energy (Noida, UP) – has developed IoT-enabled Dual-Fuel solutions & RECD for Diesel Generators

**77.** On September 5, during the inaugural session of the 7<sup>th</sup> “Bengaluru Space Expo 2022”, a Space Consortium formed by Hindustan Aeronautics (HAL) and Larsen & Toubro (L&T) was awarded a Rs 860 Cr contract for 5 Polar Satellite Launch Vehicles (PSLVs) over a period of 4 years. The contract was awarded from the NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), a commercial arm of the ISRO. NSIL is now an “A” category company under the Department of Space. [{Read more}](#)



### Key Points:

- A Space Consortium formed by HAL & L&T – awarded a Rs 860 Cr contract for 5 PSLVs from NSIL (ISRO)
- HQs of NSIL – Bangalore, Karnataka | CMD – Radhakrishnan D. (an arm of ISRO)
- HQs of HAL – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Amitabh Bhatt | Chairma & MD – C. B. Ananthakrishnan (addi. charge)
- HQs of L&T – Mumbai, Maharashtra | CEO & MD – S. N. Subrahmanyam

## Appointments & Resignations

**78.** On September 5, Veteran banker Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam has taken over as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank with immediate effect. Sankarasubramaniam succeeds K V Rama Moorthy and his term would be for a period of 3 years, which has been approved by the RBI. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam – appointed as MD & CEO of Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (succeeding - K V Rama Moorthy)
- HQs of TMB – Thoothukudi, Tamil Nadu | CEO – Krishnan Sankarasubramaniam

**79.** On September 6, Binesh Kumar Tyagi took over as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the Shipping Corporation of India (SCI). Tyagi is an IIM-A alumnus and also member of various professional bodies. The SCI is the largest shipping company in India under the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Binesh Kumar Tyagi – appointed as the CMD of the Shipping Corporation of India (SCI)
- HQs of SCI – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman & MD – Binesh Kumar Tyagi took

**80.** On September 2, President Droupadi Murmu appointed Justice D. Y. Chandrachud as the Executive Chairman of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA). Justice Chandrachud takes up the position that became vacant after Justice U.U. Lalit was elevated as the 49<sup>th</sup> Chief Justice of India (CJI). The NALSA has been constituted under the “Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987” to provide free Legal Services to the weaker sections of the society. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Justice D. Y. Chandrachud – appointed as the Executive Chairman of the NALSA (succeeding - Justice U.U. Lalit)
- NALSA – constituted under the “Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987”
- HQs of NALSA – New Delhi | Executive Chairman – Justice D. Y. Chandrachud | Founded in – 1995

**81.** On September 1, Ravi Capoor was relieved of his duties from the post of the Chief executive officer (CEO) of Sansad TV. Rajya Sabha Chairman and Lok Sabha Speaker jointly decided that Utpal Kumar Singh, currently holding the post of Secretary General of Lok Sabha, will additionally take charge the functions of CEO of Sansad TV. Sansad TV was launched in September 2021 after merging the Lok Sabha TV and Rajya Sabha TV channels. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Utpal Kumar Singh – appointed as CEO of Sansad TV (additional charge) | succeeding - Ravi Capoor
- Lok Sabha TV + Rajya Sabha TV = Sansad TV (in Sep 2021)
- HQs of Sansad TV – New Delhi | CEO – Utpal Kumar Singh (additional charge)



# Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

**82.** On September 5, Telugu actor Tanikella Bharani was presented with the annual Sahitya Puraskar of the Lok Nayak Foundation (18<sup>th</sup> Loknayak Foundation Sahitya Puraskar) at the award function held at Kalabharathi Auditorium, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh. Mizoram Governor Kambhampati Haribabu, who participated as the chief guest, handed over the award to him. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- Tanikella Bharani (Telugu Actor) – received 18<sup>th</sup> ‘Loknayak Foundation Sahitya Puraskar’ – at Visakhapatnam
- Kambhampati Haribabu (Mizoram Governor) – handed over the award to him

# Important Days & Dates

**83.** India observes “National Nutrition Week” in the first week of September from September 1 to September 7 every year since 1982. The theme of National Nutrition Week 2022 is to “Celebrate a World of Flavours”. The aim is to make people have adequate nutrition in food while enjoying the different flavours of Indian cuisine. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- September 1 to 7 – “National Nutrition Week” (since 1982)
- 2022’s theme – “Celebrate a World of Flavours”

**84.** The Centre has decided to celebrate “Hyderabad State Liberation Day” on September 17 in a big way this year. Moreover, the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of an event, that took place in 1948, will be marked as a yearlong event during which various events will be held across India till September 17, 2023. The inaugural event, being organised by the Union Ministry of Culture, will be held in Hyderabad and will be presided over by Union Home Minister Amit Shah. Meanwhile, the Telangana Government decided to observe September 17 as “Telangana National Unity Day”. However, Maharashtra and Karnataka already commemorate this day as Marathwada Liberation Day and Hyderabad-Karnataka Liberation Day, respectively. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- September 17 is celebrated as:
  - “Hyderabad State Liberation Day” by Central Government
  - “Telangana National Unity Day” by Telangana
  - “Marathwada Liberation Day” by Maharashtra
  - “Hyderabad-Karnataka Liberation Day” by Karnataka

**85.** The United Nations General Assembly in 2012 declared 5 September as the International Day of Charity. The day marks the death anniversary of Mother Teresa, who died on this day in 1997. The year 2022 marks here 25<sup>th</sup> death anniversary. This day is observed to spread awareness among people, NGOs, and stakeholders to assist those in need. Mother Teresa founded the “Missionaries of Charity” in 1950. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- September 5 – International Day of Charity – by UNGA (death anniversary of Mother Teresa)
- Mother Teresa – founded the “Missionaries of Charity” in 1950



## Obituaries

**86.** On September 4, former Tata Sons Chairman Cyrus Mistry died in a road accident in Maharashtra's Palghar at the age of 54. Cyrus became the 6<sup>th</sup> and youngest chairman of Tata Sons in 2012, succeeding Ratan Tata and served until 2016. Besides, he also served as the Managing Director of Shapoorji Pallonji Group. [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- Cyrus Mistry – former Tata Sons Chairman & MD of Shapoorji Pallonji Group – passed away
- He succeeded Ratan Tata and became the 6<sup>th</sup> & youngest chairman of Tata Sons in 2012
- HQs of Tata Sons – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Natarajan Chandrasekaran

## Meetings, Conferences & Summits

**87.** New Delhi, India hosted the Quad Senior Officers Meeting (SOM) on September 5-6, 2022, the first such meeting to be held since tensions with China over Taiwan have risen. Moreover, between September 5-10, Commerce Minister Piyush Goyal travelled to the the US to attend the 3<sup>rd</sup> “Indo-Pacific Economic Forum (IPEF) Ministerial Meeting” in Los Angeles, US. [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- New Delhi (India) – hosted the “Quad Senior Officers Meeting (SOM)” in Sep, 2022
- Piyush Goyal – attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> “Indo-Pacific Economic Forum (IPEF) Ministerial Meeting” in Los Angeles, US
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Lt. Governor – Vinai Kumar Saxena | Chief Secretary – Naresh Kumar
- US – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | 46<sup>th</sup> President – Joe Biden | 49<sup>th</sup> VP – Kamala Harris

**88.** On September 3, Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the 30<sup>th</sup> Southern Zonal Council Meeting of the south Indian states and Union Territories in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. The council meeting discussed matters of interest among the states and also between the states and the central government. [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- Amit Shah – inaugurated 30<sup>th</sup> Southern Zonal Council Meeting of south Indian states/UTs in Thiruvananthapuram
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

**89.** On September 4, Union Minister for Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri, participated in bilateral meetings with his foreign counterparts and CEOs of global energy companies at “Gastech 2022” or “Gastech Milan 2022”, a conclave focused on liquefied natural gas (LNG) in Milan, Italy. He also chaired the panel discussion on “India Spotlight: Powering India's Energy Industry - New Avenues for a Sustainable Future”. The ministry's flagship event, 'India Energy Week', scheduled for 5-8 February 2023 in Bengaluru, will be launched by Hardeep Singh Puri during this visit. [{Read more}](#)

### **Key Points:**

- Hardeep Singh Puri – participated in a conclave focused on LNG called “Gastech 2022” in Milan, Italy
- 'India Energy Week' – scheduled for 5-8 February, 2023 in Bengaluru
- Hardeep Singh Puri – chaired the panel discussion on “India Spotlight: Powering India's Energy Industry - New Avenues for a Sustainable Future”
- Italy – Rome – Euro | President – Sergio Mattarella | Caretaker PM – Mario Draghi



# Ranks, Reports & Surveys

**90.** India's updated climate pledge to the Paris Agreement was ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in 'Compliance' and 4<sup>th</sup> in 'Ambition', according to a new study published in the scientific journal 'Nature Climate Change' on September 1, 2022. European Union (EU) topped in both categories, while the United States was ranked last in Compliance and second to last in Ambition. The study included 8 countries - India, the US, China, Australia, Saudi Arabia, Russia, Australia and Brazil, and the European Union too. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- India's updated climate pledge to the Paris Agreement was ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in 'Compliance' and 4<sup>th</sup> in 'Ambition'
- European Union – topped in both categories | US – ranked last in 'Compliance' & second to last in 'Ambition'
- HQs of EU – Brussels, Belgium | Member Countries – 27
- President of European Parliament – Roberta Metsola
- President of European Council – Charles Michel
- President of European Commission – Ursula von der Leyen

**91.** According to the figures till the end of August, Uttar Pradesh, with 9.12 million cases, ranks at the top in the number of disposal and entry of cases through "e-Prosecution portal" managed by the central government under its Digital India Mission. Madhya Pradesh stood at second spot with 2.31 million, followed by Bihar with 8,59,000 at third spot. Uttar Pradesh has also topped in convictions related to crime against women and in cases related to cybercrime as well as convictions of arrested people in cases related to Indian Penal Code (IPC) incidents, and in the seizure of illegal firearms, as per the latest data released by the National Crime Records Bureau. [{Read more}](#)

## **Key Points:**

- UP – tops in number of disposal & entry of cases through "e-Prosecution portal" | 2<sup>nd</sup> – Madhya Pradesh | 3<sup>rd</sup> – Bihar
- HQs of NCRB – New Delhi | Director – Vivek Gogia | Established in – 1986
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel

**92.** According to Swiss Re Institute's latest report on "Global Economic and Insurance Outlook", India will emerge the 6<sup>th</sup> largest insurance market by 2032. Currently, India is ranked 10<sup>th</sup> largest in the global listing of countries by insurance premium volumes. Total insurance premiums in India are expected to grow by an average of 14% compounded annual growth rate (CAGR) in nominal local currency. However, India's life insurance market is expected to be 5<sup>th</sup> largest by 2032. Indian life insurance industry will show resilience and grow at an exceptional rate of 6.6% (in real terms) in 2022. [{Read more}](#)

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  - Indian life insurance industry will grow at rate of 6.6% (in real terms) in 2022





**93.** On September 5, the External Debt Management Unit (EDMU) in the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, released 28<sup>th</sup> edition of the “Status Report on India’s External Debt 2021-22”. India’s external debt grew by 8.2% to US\$ 620.7 billion as of March 2022, as compared with March 2021. While 53.2% of it was denominated in US dollar. External debt as a ratio to GDP fell marginally to 19.9% as at end-March 2022 from 21.2% a year ago. Non-sovereign external debt, estimated at US\$ 490.0 billion as at end-March 2022, registered a growth of 6.1% over the level a year ago. Moreover, the debt service ratio fell to 5.2% during 2021-22 from 8.2% during 2020-21. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- 28<sup>th</sup> edition of “Status Report on India’s External Debt 2021-22” released by – External Debt Management Unit (DoEA)
  - India’s external debt grew by 8.2% to US\$ 620.7 billion as of March 2022 (compared with March 2021)
  - External debt as a ratio to GDP fell marginally to 19.9% as of March 2022 (from 21.2%)
  - Non-sovereign external debt estimated at US\$ 490.0 billion as of March 2022 (growth of 6.1%)
  - The debt service ratio fell to 5.2% during 2021-22 (from 8.2% during 2020-21)
- EDMU works under – Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance
- [Ministry of Finance: Nirmala Sitharaman](#) | [Constituency – Karnataka](#)
- [MoS in Ministry of Finance: Pankaj Chaudhary & Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad](#)

**94.** On September 2, NITI Aayog released the 4<sup>th</sup> progress report titled “Preserving Progress on Nutrition in India: Poshan Abhiyan in Pandemic Times”. The report covers the January 2020 to December 2020 period. Maharashtra, Andhra Pradesh and Gujarat have been ranked as the top three states among larger states in terms of the overall implementation of the Centre’s flagship “Poshan (Prime Minister’s Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment) Abhiyaan”. Sikkim was the best performer among the small states. While Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu topped among Union Territories (UTs). As per the report, 12 out of 19 large states had an implementation score of over 70%. Punjab and Bihar were the lowest performers among larger states. The report stressed the need of accelerating the use of funds released for Poshan Abhiyaan and ensuring an adequate number of health facilities and supplies. The Poshan Abhiyan was launched by the central government in 2018 to draw national attention to and take action against malnutrition in a mission mode. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- 4<sup>th</sup> “Preserving Progress on Nutrition in India: Poshan Abhiyan in Pandemic Times” report – released by NITI Aayog
- Top states/UTs in terms of implementation of “Poshan Abhiyaan”:
  - Large states: Maharashtra | Small states: Sikkim | UTs: Dadar & Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu
- Lowest among Large states – Punjab & Bihar
- ‘Poshan Abhiyan’ was launched by the central government in 2018
- [Sikkim: Capital – Gangtok](#) | [CM – Prem Singh Tamang](#) | [Governor – Ganga Prasad](#)

## **Acquisitions & Mergers**

**95.** On September 6, Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) acquired a majority stake of 79.4% in US-based SenseHawk Inc through primary infusion and secondary purchase, for \$32 million. California-based SenseHawk, which was founded in 2018, is an early-stage developer of software-based management tools for the solar energy generation industry. RIL is committed to revolutionize the Green Energy sector and has a vision to enable 100 GW of solar energy by 2030. [{Read more}](#)



### Key Points:

- RIL – acquired 79.4% of stake in US-based SenseHawk Inc for \$32 million
- SenseHawk (founded in 2018) – a developer of software-based management tools for Solar Energy Generation Industry
- RIL – has a vision to enable 100 GW of Solar Energy by 2030
- [HQs of Reliance Industries Ltd – Mumbai, Maharashtra](#) | [Chairman – Mukesh Ambani](#) | [Founded in – 1973](#)

**96.** On September 5, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) approved acquisition of 100% of the equity share capital of BillDesk (IndiaIdeas.com) by PayU Payments Private Limited (PayU India). This brings PayU owner Prosus' total investments in India to \$12 billion. [{Read more}](#)

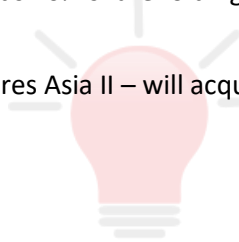
### Key Points:

- PayU Payments – to acquire 100% of the equity share capital of BillDesk (IndiaIdeas.com)
- [HQs of PayU Finance – Mumbai, Maharashtra](#) | [CEO – Prashanth Ranganathan](#)
- [HQs of PayU – Netherlands](#) | [CEO – Laurent le Moal](#)
- [HQs of BillDesk – Mumbai, Maharashtra](#) | [Co-Founder – Srinivasu MN](#)

**97.** On September 5, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) approved acquisition of additional 10% stake in Apraava Energy Private Limited by CDPQ Infrastructures Asia II Pte Ltd, under “Section 31(1) of the Competition Act, 2002”. The Acquirer currently holds 40% shareholding in the Target (Apraava Energy). [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- CDPQ Infrastructures Asia II – will acquire additional 10% stake in Apraava Energy (currently holds 40% shareholding)



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## MoUs, Collaborations & Partnership

**98.** On September 2, Japanese automobile giant, Suzuki Motor Corporation (SMC), signed an MoU with the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) to start a Biogas demonstration project to accelerate carbon neutrality in India. In a bid to establish a joint venture, Suzuki and NDDB will undertake joint studies to evaluate the business model for future commercialization of biogas and its potential for widespread use. The residue from biogas can also be used as an organic fertilizer, contributing to the organic fertilizer promotion policy by the Centre. [{Read more}](#)

### Key Points:

- Suzuki Motor (Japan) + NDDB = an MoU to start a Biogas demonstration project to accelerate carbon neutrality in India
- [HQs of NDDB – Anand, Gujarat](#) | [Chairman – Meenesh Shah](#) | [Established in – 1965](#)

**99.** On September 5, Bharti Airtel launched a pilot project in partnership with Tata Power Northern Odisha Distribution Ltd (TPNODL) to offer bill payment solutions to more than 2 million registered customers of the utility. The initiative will mobilise the 4,000 banking points of Airtel Payment Banks (APB) in north Odisha to facilitate bill payments. TPNODL is a joint venture between Tata Power and the Odisha government. [{Read more}](#)



**Key Points:**

- Bharti Airtel + TPNODL = launched a pilot project to offer bill payment solutions in Odisha
- TPNODL – a JV between Tata Power & Odisha Govt
- HQs of Bharti Airtel – New Delhi | MD & CEO – Gopal Vittal | Chairman – Sunil Bharti Mittal
- HQs of Tata Power – Mumbai | Chairman – N. Chandrasekaran | MD & CEO – Praveer Sinha

**100.** India's largest airline IndiGo signed a codeshare agreement with UK carrier Virgin Atlantic. This is the seventh codeshare partnership for IndiGo. IndiGo currently has codeshare partnerships with Turkish Airlines, Qatar Airways, Qantas, KLM, American Airlines, and Air France. Under a codeshare agreement, airlines agree to sell seats in each other's flights in order to provide their respective customers a wider network. [{Read more}](#)

**Key Points:**

- IndiGo + Virgin Atlantic (UK) = signed a codeshare agreement (7<sup>th</sup> codeshare partnership for IndiGo)
- IndiGo's 6 other codeshare partner – Turkish Airlines, Qatar Airways, Qantas, KLM, American Airlines & Air France
- HQs of IndiGo – Gurugram, Haryana | CEO – Pieter Elbers | Chairman – Meleveetil Damodaran
- HQs of Virgin Atlantic – Crawley, England | CEO – Shai Weiss





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