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National & States Affairs

151. On September 7, Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) extended the ceasefire agreement for a period of one year with the Niki Sumi faction of the National Socialist Council of Nagaland NSCN (K). The MHA first signed the agreement in 2021. Sumi is wanted by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) for allegedly planning the attack on an army convoy in Manipur's Chandel district on June 4, 2015. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MHA extended the ceasefire agreement for a period of 1 year with Niki Sumi faction of 'National Socialist Council of Nagaland NSCN (K)'
- Nagaland: Capital – Kohima | CM – Neiphiu Rio | Governor – Jagdish Mukhi (addi. charge)

152. On September 5, Tamil Nadu government inaugurated the "Schools of Excellence and Model Schools Scheme", which is broadly based on the Delhi Model School plan. Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal launched the scheme in the presence of his Tamil Nadu counterpart M. K. Stalin. As many as 26 Schools of Excellence and 15 Model Schools are covered under the scheme, apparently in the initial phase. 'Thagaisal Palligal' and 'Mathiri Palligal' are the official Tamil names for the SoE and Model Schools. Moreover, M. K. Stalin also launched the Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammayar memorial 'Puthumai Penn' (Modern Woman) Scheme, under which a monthly financial assistance of Rs 1,000 would be provided to girl students, who studied in government schools from classes 6-12, pursuing higher education. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Tamil Nadu – inaugurated "Schools of Excellence and Model Schools Scheme" (based on 'Delhi Model School' plan)
- Official Tamil names for the SoE & Model Schools – 'Thagaisal Palligal' and 'Mathiri Palligal'
- Tamil Nadu – also launched Moovalur Ramamirtham Ammayar memorial 'Puthumai Penn' (Modern Woman) Scheme
- Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin | Governor – Ravindra Narayan Ravi

153. On September 7, Union Cabinet approved the second phase of the Kochi Metro Rail project, which will have 11 stations covering a length of over 11 km and cost Rs 1,957 Crore. The second phase from JLN Stadium to Infopark will pass through Kakkanad. The first phase in Kochi from Aluva to Petta, covering a length of 25.6 Km with 22 stations at an estimated completion cost of Rs 5181.79 Crore, is fully operational. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Cabinet approved the second phase of the Kochi Metro Rail project | Length – 11 km | Cost – Rs 1,957 Crore
- 2nd phase – from JLN Stadium to Infopark | 1st phase – from Aluva to Petta (25.6 Km)
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

154. On September 8, a grand statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, was unveiled by PM Narendra Modi near India Gate in New Delhi. The jet black granite statue, measuring a total of 28 feet is placed under the Canopy near India Gate. The grand statue of Netaji has been carved from a monolithic block of granite weighing 280 MT. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PM Modi unveiled a 28-tall granite statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose under the Canopy near India Gate, New Delhi



155. As part of the financial inclusion drive, Public Sector Banks (PSBs) will open about 300 brick-and-mortar branches in the unbanked areas of various states by December 2022. These new branches will cover all remaining unbanked villages with a population of more than 3,000. A Maximum number of 95 branches will be opened in Rajasthan, followed by 54 in Madhya Pradesh & 38 in Gujarat. Banks have been asked to open branches at allocated locations by the respective State Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC). Bank of Baroda will open 76 branches, the highest. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PSBs will open about 300 brick-and-mortar branches in the unbanked areas of various states by December 2022
- Maximum number of branches will be opened in – Rajasthan (95 branches)
- Maximum number of branches will be opened by – BoB (76 branches)

156. On September 7, India's First RRTS Corridor, the 82 km long Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS (Regional Rapid Transit System) corridor, would incorporate a modern Automatic Fare Collection (AFC) system, a first-of-its-kind app-based ticketing system. The AFC system being implemented by NCRTC will be QR code-based ticketing (Digital QR and Paper QR) and Rupay-based open loop contactless cards, based on NCMC (National Common Mobility Card) standards. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 82-km 'Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS', India's 1st RRTS Corridor – would incorporate 'Automatic Fare Collection' system
- AFC system will be QR code-based ticketing & Rupay-based open loop contactless cards

157. Recently, a few history researchers urged the Kerala government to declare Thirunavaya (town in Kerala), in the present-day Malappuram district, a heritage village and protect the historical relics in the area. 'Mamangam', a 28-day-long trade festival, is celebrated once every 12 years on the banks of the Bharathappuzha river (also known as Nila or Ponnani or Kuttippuram river) in Kerala. Earlier, traders from various parts of India and as well as places such as China, Ceylon, Arabia and Europe used to arrive by ship at the Ponnani port and then move to Thirunavaya to participate in the trade fair held on the premises of the Navamukunda temple, believed to be around 5,000 years old now. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- History researchers urged the Kerala government to declare Thirunavaya (Malappuram) as a heritage village
- 'Mamangam', a 28-day-long trade festival, is celebrated once every 12 years in Kerala
- Bharathappuzha (Nila/Ponnani/Kuttippuram) River – Kerala
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

158. On September 8, Union Minister for Agriculture and Family Welfare (MoAFW), Narendra Singh Tomar, along with FICCI, launched the Project Management Unit (PMU) on Public-Private Partnership (PPP) in Agriculture. The government is undertaking continuous steps to strengthen the sector through various schemes such as the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund worth Rs 1 Lakh Crore, setting up of 10,000 Farmers Producers Organizations (FPO) and Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima scheme. PMU is a joint initiative of the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare and FICCI. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MoAFW + FICCI = launched the Project Management Unit (PMU) on PPP in Agriculture
- PMU = a joint initiative of Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare + FICCI
- Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare: Narendra Singh Tomar | Constituency – Morena, Madhya Pradesh
- MoS in Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare: Shobha Karandlaje & Kailash Choudhary
- HQs of FICCI – New Delhi | DG – Arun Chawla | President – Sanjiv Mehta | Founded in – 1927



159. On September 9, Meghalaya government launched a multi-purpose online portal for the “Meghalaya Residents Safety and Security Act (MRSSA), 2016” to ensure the safety and security of the residents, gathering intelligence inputs and to better the process of delivery of numerous government services. The digitisation process would connect more than 6,000 villages and localities across Meghalaya to the online system. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Meghalaya – launched a multi-purpose online portal for the “Meghalaya Residents Safety & Security Act (MRSSA), 2016”
- [Meghalaya: Capital – Shillong](#) | [CM – Conrad Kongkal Sangma](#) | [Governor – Satya Pal Malik](#)

International Affairs

160. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh was on a visit to Mongolia from September 5 to 7, the first-ever tour to Mongolia by an Indian defence minister. Rajnath Singh, during his visit to Mongolia, was gifted a majestic horse named ‘Tejas’ by President Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh. Similarly, in 2015, Prime Minister Narendra Modi received a special gift a brown racehorse named ‘Kanthaka’ from his then Mongolian counterpart Chimed Saikhanbileg during his historic visit to this country. Mongolia is known as the land of the horse, according to the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH). Mongolia is home to more than 3 million horses, making the horse population almost equal to the human population in the vast nation. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajnath Singh – visited Mongolia from September 5 to 7, the first-ever tour to Mongolia by an Indian Defence Minister
- Rajnath Singh – was gifted a majestic horse named ‘Tejas’ by President Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh
- Narendra Modi – was gifted a brown racehorse named ‘Kanthaka’ from then PM Chimed Saikhanbileg (in 2015)
- American Museum of Natural History: Mongolia is known as the ‘Land of the Horse’ (with more than 3 million horses)
- [Mongolia – Ulaanbaatar – Mongolian Togrog](#) | [President – Ukhnaa Khurelsukh](#) | [PM – Luvsannamsrain Oyun-Erdene](#)

161. In September 2022, Argentina’s mysterious Pneumonia outbreak, where 11 people have been infected and four have succumbed to the illness, was identified as “Legionellosis” by the country’s Health Ministry. However, this is not the first time Legionella cases have been reported from Argentina. The disease typically spreads via inhalation of contaminated aerosols from contaminated water. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Argentina’s mysterious Pneumonia outbreak – identified as “Legionellosis”
- [Argentina – Buenos Aires – Peso](#) | [President – Alberto Fernandez](#)

Banking, Finance, Insurance & Economic Affairs

162. In September 2022, Dalal Street’s star Fund Manager Samir Arora announced that his PMS firm Helios Capital Management (India) has received in-principle approval from the SEBI to start Mutual Fund business in India. Helios Capital Management Pvt Ltd is a Singapore-based company. Indian-American businessman and CEO of Kyro, Samir Arora is the main Founder & Fund Manager at Helios Capital. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- Helios Capital Management (India) – received in-principle approval from the SEBI to start Mutual Fund business in India
- Samir Arora (CEO of Kyro) – Main Founder & Fund Manager at Helios Capital (Singapore)
- Singapore – Singapore – Dollar | PM – Lee Hsien Loong | President – Halimah Yacob

Defence Affairs

163. In September 2022, 'INS Taragiri', the third stealth frigate of the Indian Navy's 'Project 17A', was launched. It is being built at Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders (MDL) in Mumbai. The ship is named by Charu Singh, President, Navy Wives Welfare Association (Western Region). The keel of 'Taragiri' was laid on September 10, 2020. The ship is expected to be delivered by August 2025. The total value of Project 17A is around Rs 25,700 Crore. The first ship of Project 17A, 'INS Nilgiri', was launched on September 28, 2019, and is expected for sea trials in the first half of 2024. The second ship is 'INS Udaygiri'. While the keel of the fourth and final ship at MDL was laid on June 28, 2022. While 3 frigates are under construction at Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE). Total 7 frigates will be built under the Indian Navy's 'Project 17A'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 'INS Taragiri', the 3rd stealth frigate of the Indian Navy's 'Project 17A', was launched
- It is being built at Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders (MDL) in Mumbai
- The ship is named by – Charu Singh, the President of Navy Wives Welfare Association (Western Region)
- 1st stealth frigate being built under 'Project 17A' – INS Nilgiri | 2nd stealth frigate – INS Udaygiri (Total 4 at MDL)
- Total 7 frigates will be built under the Indian Navy's 'Project 17A' (4 at MDL + 3 at GRSE)

Sports & Games

164. Ace Indian shuttler Prannoy H. S. has become the World's No. 1 player in the men's singles category in the "BWF World Tour Rankings" updated on September 6, 2022. Prannoy overtook the world champion Viktor Axelsen. While in Women's Singles category, Indian shuttler Anupama Upadhyaya topped the "BWF World Junior Rankings", replacing India's Tasnim Mir. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Prannoy H. S. – became World's No. 1 player in men's singles category in "BWF World Tour Rankings"
- Anupama Upadhyaya – became World's No. 1 player in women's singles category in "BWF World Junior Rankings"

165. In September 2022, the 61st edition of the "Subroto Cup", an International Football Tournament, was held after a gap of two years, at the BR Ambedkar Stadium in Delhi. The tournament was organised by the Subroto Mukherjee Sports Education Society (SMSES) along with the Indian Air Force. 15 matches were played across four stadiums - B.R Ambedkar, Tejas Park, Subroto Park and Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 61st "Subroto Cup", an International Football Tournament – held at BR Ambedkar Stadium, Delhi
- It was organised by = Subroto Mukherjee Sports Education Society (SMSES) + Indian Air Force





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Persons in News

166. Hyderabad's girl Chalamalla Ikshitha, who is pursuing her B.Tech at Amity University, has been chosen for "Erasmus Mundus SARENA Scholarship 2022". She is the only Indian student this year to have bagged the scholarship in this category. Amity Institute of Nuclear Science and Technology (AINST) is located in Noida, Uttar Pradesh. Erasmus Mundus SARENA aims to build scientific, technical, and management skills that enable engineers to work in all domains related to nuclear energy. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Chalamalla Ikshitha (Hyderabad) – chosen for "Erasmus Mundus SARENA Scholarship 2022" (the only Indian student)

167. On September 8, Google celebrated the 96th birth anniversary of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika, an Assamese-Indian singer, composer and filmmaker, with a dedicated doodle. The doodle, featuring Hazarika playing the harmonium, was illustrated by Mumbai-based artist Rutuja Mali. Dr. Bhupen was honoured posthumously with the 'Bharat Ratna', India's highest civilian award, in 2019. Hazarika won other prestigious awards, including 'Sangeet Natak Akademi Award', the 'Dadasaheb Phalke Award', 'Padma Shri' and 'Padma Bhushan', for his outstanding contribution to music and culture. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Google celebrated the 96th birth anniversary of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika with a dedicated doodle on September 8
- He was an Assamese-Indian Singer, Composer & Filmmaker
- He was honoured posthumously with the 'Bharat Ratna' in 2019
- Other Awards: 'Sangeet Natak Akademi Award', the 'Dadasaheb Phalke Award', 'Padma Shri' & 'Padma Bhushan'



168. On September 5, the NASA updated its 3D visualization tool, 'Eyes on the Solar System'. The new and improved system makes interplanetary travel easier and more interactive than before. It took the Visualization Technology Applications and Development Team at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory and Caltech more than two years to develop this system. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NASA – updated its 3D visualization tool, 'Eyes on the Solar System'
- HQs of NASA – Washington D.C., US | Administrator – Bill Nelson | Founded in – 1958

169. On September 7, the Air Force Global Strike Command, a major command of the US, launched an unarmed 'LGM-30G Minuteman III' intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) from Vandenberg Space Force Base in California. It will be the second such US nuclear defense drill in less than a month. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Air Force Global Strike Command (US) – launched an unarmed 'LGM-30G Minuteman III' ICBM
- US – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | 46th President – Joe Biden | 49th VP – Kamala Harris



170. On September 8, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and Indian Army have successfully completed 6 flight tests of Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile (QRSAM) system from Integrated Test Range (ITR), Chandipur, off the Odisha coast, as part of its evaluation trials. The QRSAM is a short-range Surface to Air Missile (SAM) system, primarily designed and developed by the DRDO. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DRDO + Indian Army = completed 6 flight tests of 'QRSAM' system from ITR, Chandipur, off the Odisha coast
- 'QRSAM', a short-range Surface to Air Missile system – designed & developed by DRDO
- HQs of DRDO – New Delhi | Chairman – Samir V. Kamat | Established in – 1958
- HQs of Indian Army – New Delhi | Chief – Lt. Gen. Manoj Pande | Vice Chief – Lt. General Baggavalli Somashekar Raj

Appointments & Resignations

171. On September 5, Homegrown superfood brand Pintola appointed the Captain of the Indian Football team Sunil Chhetri as its brand ambassador. This is going to be Chhetri's first ever collaboration with a FMCG brand in India. Launched in 2012, Pintola has become one of the leading nut butters' brand in India. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sunil Chhetri – appointed as brand ambassador of Homegrown superfood brand 'Pintola'

172. On September 9, the UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres nominated Austrian Volker Turk to replace Michelle Bachelet of Chile as the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, based in Geneva, Switzerland. The 193-member UNGA also approved the appointment by consensus. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Volker Turk (Austria) – appointed as UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (succeeding - Michelle Bachelet)
- HQs of UNGA – New York, US | President – Csaba Korosi (Hungary) | Member Countries – 193

173. On September 6, Sanjay Kumar Verma (IFS: 1988), presently Ambassador of India to Japan, has been appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to Canada. Mr. Sanjay succeeds Anshuman Gaur. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sanjay Kumar Verma – appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to Canada
- Canada – Ottawa – Canadian Dollar | PM – Justin Trudeau

174. On September 7, Gervais Ndirakobuca, previously Minister for Security and Internal Affairs, is appointed as new Prime Minister of Burundi by President Evariste Ndayishimiye. Ndirakobuca, who replaces Alain Guillaume Bunyoni, is under EU sanctions for his role in quashing demonstrations during political unrest in 2015. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Gervais Ndirakobuca – appointed as new Prime Minister of Burundi (succeeded - Alain Guillaume Bunyoni)
- Burundi – Bujumbura & Gitega – Franc | PM – Gervais Ndirakobuca | President – Evariste Ndayishimiye



175. On September 7, Suella Braverman, the Conservative Party Member of Parliament for Fareham in south-east England, was appointed as the UK's new Home Secretary, succeeding fellow Indian-origin colleague Priti Patel. Braverman was named as the Home Secretary by newly-appointed Prime Minister Liz Truss. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Suella Braverman – appointed as the UK's new Home Secretary (succeeding - Priti Patel)
- UK – London – Pound Sterling | PM – Mary Elizabeth Truss (Liz Truss)

176. On September 5, State-run city gas utility, Mahanagar Gas Limited (MGL), has appointed Mahesh Vishwanathan Iyer as the company's new Chairman. Iyer was director (Business Development) with GAIL (India) Limited till August 2022. GAIL is the promoter of MGL. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Mahesh Vishwanathan Iyer – appointed as Chairman of Mahanagar Gas Limited
- GAIL is the promoter of MGL
- HQs of GAIL – New Delhi | MD & Chairman – M. V. Iyer (addi. charge) | Established in – 1984
- HQs of MGL – Mumbai | Chairman – M. V. Iyer

Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

177. In September 2022, Veteran actor Kabir Bedi was honoured with the lifetime achievement award at “Venice Film Festival” in Italy. Veteran actor Kabir Bedi, known for his performances in Bollywood and Hollywood titles, has an extensive body of work in Italy including the all-time favourite TV series ‘Sandokan’. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kabir Bedi (Veteran Actor) – honoured with the lifetime achievement award at “Venice Film Festival” in Italy
- His well famous work includes all-time favourite TV series ‘Sandokan’

178. On September 9, Former India Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral Sunil Lanba has been conferred Singapore's prestigious military award, the “Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera)” or “Meritorious Service Medal (Military)” by President Halimah Yacob. Admiral Lanba was conferred the award for his outstanding contributions in enhancing the strong and long-standing bilateral defence relationship between the Indian Navy and the Republic of Singapore Navy. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Admiral Sunil Lanba – conferred with Singapore's military award “Meritorious Service Medal (Military)”
- Singapore – Singapore – Dollar | PM – Lee Hsien Loong | President – Halimah Yacob

179. In September 2022, Fatehgarh Central Jail in Uttar Pradesh's Farrukhabad district has received five-star rating from the Food Safety Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) for the quality of food it serves to its 1,100 inmates. A third-party audit, empanelled by the FSSAI, provided the five-star ‘Eat Right Certificate’ to the jail. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Fatehgarh Central Jail (Farrukhabad, UP) – received five-star rating from FSSAI for the quality of food it serves to inmates
- UP: Capital – Lucknow | CM – Yogi Adityanath | Governor – Anandiben Patel



180. In September 2022, Former Kerala Health Minister K. K. Shailaja rejected the 64th edition of “Ramon Magsaysay Award” which was conferred for her contributions to preventing COVID-19 and Nipah virus. She did not accept the award stating that it is always given to an individual and not any politician. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- K. K. Shailaja rejected “Ramon Magsaysay Award”, conferred for her contributions to preventing COVID-19 & Nipah virus
- K. K. Shailaja – Former Kerala Health Minister | It was the 64th edition of ‘Ramon Magsaysay Award’
- Kerala: Capital – Thiruvananthapuram | CM – Pinarayi Vijayan | Governor – Arif Mohammad Khan

Schemes & Initiatives

181. On September 9, Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot inaugurated the ambitious scheme, named after former Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, called “Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme” for providing economic support to the poor and needy families living in the cities through work to be provided on demand for 100 days in a year. More than 3.5 lakh people across the State got themselves registered under the scheme and the job cards were issued to 2.25 lakh of them. The state government, in its budget, has allocated Rs 800 Crore for the scheme for the year 2022-23. Those in the age group of 18 to 60 years residing within the limits of urban local bodies are eligible to demand and get employment in the identified segments. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajasthan – launched the “Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme”
- Scheme outlay – Rs 800 Crore | Work to be provided on demand for 100 days in a year | Age group – 18 to 60 years
- Rajasthan: Capital – Jaipur | CM – Ashok Gehlot | Governor – Kalraj Mishra

Important Days & Dates

182. On September 8, International Literacy Day is observed every year on September 8 to highlight the importance of literacy and to throw light on issues that exist and affect local communities around us. The day was proclaimed by the UNESCO in 1966. In 2022, the theme of the day is “Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces”. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 8 – International Literacy Day – by UNESCO (since 1966)
- 2022’s Theme – “Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces”
- HQs of UNESCO – Paris, France | Director-General – Audrey Azoulay | Founded in – 1945 | Members – 193 Countries

183. The 3rd United Nations “International Day to Protect Education from Attack” was observed on September 9, 2022. The day represents an important opportunity to galvanize political commitment to protect education during conflict. The day was proclaimed from Attack by an unanimous resolution of the UN General Assembly adopted at its 74th session. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 9 – 3rd UN’s “International Day to Protect Education from Attack”



184. The Multiplex Association of India (MAI) has announced a date change for celebration of the National Cinema Day. It will now be observed on September 23, instead of September 16. The Multiplex Association of India (MAI) and Cinemas across India, welcomed moviegoers to spend a day at the movies with celebratory admission price of ₹75 to mark National Cinema Day. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 23 – National Cinema Day (previously announced to be held on September 16)

185. World Electric Vehicle (EV) Day falls on September 9 every year, marking the celebration of e-mobility. The day was first observed in 2020. At COP26, India committed to reaching 500 GW non-fossil energy capacity by 2030 and pledged to source 50% of its energy requirements from renewable energy by 2030. [{Read more}](#)

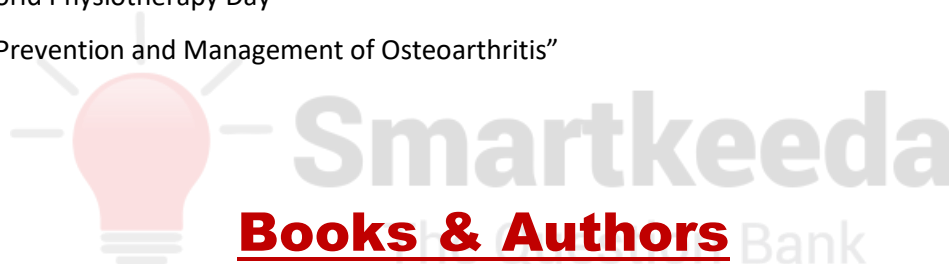
Key Points:

- September 9 – World Electric Vehicle (EV) Day

186. On September 8, World Physiotherapy Day is celebrated worldwide to highlight the importance of physiotherapists and their crucial work in assuring people's physical fitness. In 2022, the theme is "Prevention and Management of Osteoarthritis". The 8th of September 1951 is known for joining various physiotherapy bodies worldwide as a community. On the 8th of September 1996, for the first time, Physiotherapy Day was observed. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 8 – World Physiotherapy Day
- 2022's Theme – "Prevention and Management of Osteoarthritis"



187. Human beings are a reservoir of potential - a fact confirmed by Mumbai-based author and journalist Pavan C. Lall in his latest book titled "Forging Mettle: Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story". The book weaves Rao's personal trajectory with that of his company, and the excesses and intricacies of Indian society and culture. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Forging Mettle: Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story" book – authored by Pavan C. Lall

Obituaries

188. On September 8, Padma Shri awardee Ramchandra Manjhi, whose performance in Bhojpuri folk dance 'Naach' for 8 decades has helped the preservation of the ailing art form, passed away after a prolonged illness aged 97. Manjhi was a famous performer of 'Launda Naach', a sub-set of 'Naach'. He received many honours, including Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (2017) and Padma Shri (2021). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ramchandra Manjhi – Famous for his Bhojpuri folk dance 'Naach' (Launda Naach) – passed away
- Awards: Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (2017), Padma Shri (2021)



189. In September 2022, Indian boxer Birju Sah, who won Bronze medals at the Commonwealth and Asian Games in 1994, died in Jamshedpur, Jharkhand at the age of 48. Birju Sah, born in 1974, was the first Indian boxer to win medals at both Asian Games and the Commonwealth Games. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Birju Sah – Indian Boxer – passed away
- He was the first Indian Boxer to win medals at both Asian Games & Commonwealth Games

190. On September 8, Queen Elizabeth II, the UK's longest-serving monarch, passed away at the age of 96, after reigning for 70 years. With the death of Queen, her 73-year old son Prince Charles (officially King Charles III) has become king of the UK. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Queen Elizabeth II – the UK's longest-serving monarch – passed away at the age of 96 after reigning for 70 years
- After her death, her son Prince Charles became the king of the UK
- UK – London – Pound Sterling | PM – Mary Elizabeth Truss (Liz Truss)

Meetings, Conferences & Summits

191. In September 2022, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar visited the UAE for the 14th “India-UAE Joint Commission Meeting (JCM)” held in Abu Dhabi. He also co-chaired the 3rd “India-UAE Strategic Dialogue” with his UAE counterpart Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan. During the 14th JCM, India and UAE signed an MoU to establish the ‘Cultural Council Forum’ to deepen the partnership and reinforce age-old people-to-people ties. Moreover, an MoU between the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and the International Fund for Houbara Conservation (IFHC), UAE for the Conservation of the Great Indian Bustard and the Lesser Florican. Both Ministers reiterated their commitment to achieving the goal of USD 100 billion in bilateral trade in the next 5 years. [{Read more}](#)

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- WII (India) + IFHC (UAE) = an MoU for the Conservation of Great Indian Bustard & Lesser Florican

192. On September 6, Union Minister for Road, Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari, inaugurated “Manthan” in Bengaluru. Manthan, a three-day conference-cum-public expo, organised by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, is aimed at anchoring discussions across multiple issues and opportunities in the roads, transport and logistics sector. The theme of Manthan is “Ideas to Action: Towards a Smart, Sustainable, Road Infra, Mobility and Logistics Ecosystem”. [{Read more}](#)

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- Ministry of Road Transport & Highways: Nitin Gadkari | Constituency – Nagpur, Maharashtra
- MoS in Ministry of Road Transport & Highways: V. K. Singh



193. On September 5, NITI Aayog and German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) held the inaugural “NITI-BMZ Dialogue of Development Cooperation” via video conferencing. On May 2, 2022, India and Germany signed a Joint Declaration of Intent on Partnership for Green and Sustainable Development (GSDP). The NITI-BMZ Dialogue focused on five core areas of cooperation: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Climate Action, Energy Transition, Emerging Technologies and Agro-Ecology. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- NITI Aayog + Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation & Development (Germany) = held the first “NITI-BMZ Dialogue of Development Cooperation”
- Germany – Berlin – Euro | President – Frank-Walter Steinmeier
- HQs of NITI Aayog – New Delhi | CEO – Parmameswaran Iyer | Chairperson – Narendra Modi | VC – Suman Bery

Ranks, Reports & Surveys

194. India ranked 132 out of 191 countries in the “Human Development Index (HDI) 2021”, after registering a decline in its score over two consecutive years for the first time in three decades. The Index is part of the “Human Development Report 2021-2022” released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) on September 8, 2022. The index is calculated using 4 indicators - life expectancy at birth, mean years of schooling, expected years of schooling, and the Gross National Income (GNI) per capita. India’s HDI score of 0.633 places it in the medium human development category. Switzerland topped the index with 0.962 HDI value, followed by Norway (0.961) & Iceland (0.959). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Human Development Index (HDI) 2021” – India ranked 132nd out of 191 countries (0.633 score)
- 1st – Switzerland, 2nd – Norway, 3rd – Iceland
- “Human Development Report 2021-2022” – released by UNDP

195. Only 24.4% of Indians are covered by at least one social protection benefit, according to a latest report titled “World Social Protection Report 2020-22: Regional companion report for Asia and the Pacific” released by the International Labour Organisation (ILO). This report is a companion to the ILO’s “World Social Protection Report 2021-22”. The report notes that Mongolia, New Zealand, Singapore and Australia have 100% social protection net. According to the report, as of 2020, only 46.9% of the global population was effectively covered by at least one social protection benefit, while the remaining 53.1% as many as 4.1 billion people were left wholly unprotected. [{Read more}](#)

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 - As of 2020, 46.9% of the global population was effectively covered by at least one social protection benefit
 - As of 2020, 53.1% of the global population (4.1 billion people) were left wholly unprotected
- HQs of ILO – Geneva, Switzerland | DG – Guy Ryder | DG – Gilbert Houngbo (from Oct 1, 2022) | Founded in – 1919



196. On September 7, Chennai-headquartered space technology start-up Agnikul Cosmos secured its first patent for the design and manufacturing of single-piece rocket engine named 'Agnilet'. It is the world's first single-piece 3D printed rocket engine. Agnikul showcased this engine at "International Astronautical Congress 2021" in Dubai. [{Read more}](#)

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- It is the world's first single-piece 3D printed rocket engine | 'International Astronautical Congress 2021' – held in Dubai
- HQs of Agnikul Cosmos – Chennai, Tamil Nadu | Co-Founder & CEO – Srinath Ravichandran

197. At the current pace of progress, it may take close to 300 years to achieve full gender equality, as per the "Progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG): The Gender Snapshot 2022" released by the UN Women and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA). The report highlights that, at the current pace of progress, "SDG 5: Achieving Gender Equality" will not be achieved by 2030. By the end of 2022, around 383 million women and girls will live in extreme poverty, compared to 368 million men and boys, as per the report. [{Read more}](#)

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- HQs of UN Women – New York, US | Executive Director – Ms. Sima Bahous
- HQs of UN DESA – New York, US | Under-Secretary-General – Li Junhua

198. 37% of students enrolled in Class III have limited foundational numeracy skills, such as identifying numbers, while 11% lack the most basic knowledge and skills, according to a nationwide study called "Foundational Learning Survey (FLS)" carried out by the Ministry of Education along with National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) between March 23-26. Samples of 86,000 students were taken from 10,000 schools across the nation. The survey also assessed the literacy skills of students in 20 languages including English. 15% lacked 'basic skills' in English, while 30% were found to have 'limited skills'. According to the report, the findings will set the baseline for "NIPUN (National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy) Bharat", the Centre's scheme to improve foundational learning. [{Read more}](#)

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- NIPUN – National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy
- HQs of NCERT – New Delhi | Director – Dinesh Prasad Saklani | Founded in – 1961

MoUs, Collaborations & Partnership

199. On September 7, the Union cabinet approved an MoU between India and the UK and Northern Ireland on mutual recognition of Academic Qualifications signed earlier this year. The Mutual Recognition of Qualifications between India and UK aims to promote academic collaboration and student mobility. Meanwhile the Cabinet also approved an MoU between India's Ministry of Education and UAE's Ministry of Education. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- India + UK + Northern Ireland = an MoU on mutual recognition of Academic Qualifications
- India + UAE = an MoU on cooperation in the field of Education
- UK – London – Pound Sterling | PM – Mary Elizabeth Truss (Liz Truss)
- Northern Ireland – Belfast – Pound Sterling | President – Michael D. Higgins
- UAE – Abu Dhabi – Dirham | President – Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan

200. On September 5, NITI Aayog, in collaboration with World Resources Institute (WRI), India, launched India's first national electric freight platform, "e-FAST India" (Electric Freight Accelerator for Sustainable Transport - India). Supported by the World Economic Forum, CALSTART and RMI India, the platform brings different stakeholders together, from across the freight ecosystem. The launch was followed with WRI India unveiling its "Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) Evaluator", an intuitive excel-based application. [{Read more}](#)

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- HQs of WRI – Washington, D.C., US | President & CEO – Ani Dasgupta
- HQs of NITI Aayog – New Delhi | CEO – Parmameswaran Iyer | Chairperson – Narendra Modi | VC – Suman Bery





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