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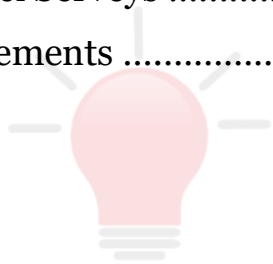
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National & States Affairs

201. On September 9, President Droupadi Murmu virtually launched the 'Pradhan Mantri TB Mukht Bharat Abhiyaan' to reinvigorate the mission of tuberculosis elimination from the country by 2025. The abhiyaan is a step towards garnering community support towards a patient-centric health system. India's target of ending TB is 5 years ahead of SDG (Sustainable Development Goal) target of 2030. President Murmu also launched "Ni-kshay Mitra" portal which forms a vital component of the campaign. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Droupadi Murmu – launched the 'Pradhan Mantri TB Mukht Bharat Abhiyaan' to elimination TB from India by 2025
- India's target of ending TB is 5 years ahead of SDG target of 2030
- Droupadi Murmu – launched "Ni-kshay Mitra" portal

202. On September 11, Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel launched state's first "Cinematic Tourism Policy 2022-27". At the event four MoUs were signed worth Rs 1,022 Crore with various entities. The new policy talks of a single window approval system. Under the policy, the state government has proposed a number of financial incentives for feature films, brand affiliated films, documentaries, web series, TV serials, mega film events. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Gujarat – launched its first "Cinematic Tourism Policy 2022-27" (4 MoUs were signed worth Rs 1,022 Cr)
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Bhupendra Patel | Governor – Acharya Dev Vrat

203. On September 6, Chief Justice of India Uday Umesh Lalit inaugurated the "National Legal Services Authority (NALSA) Centre for Citizen Services" in New Delhi. The space at Jaisalmer House which was provided to NALSA would be utilised for the establishment of Legal Assistance Centre for Citizens, Legal Assistance Centre for NRIs, Training Centre, and Digital Command Centre for providing futuristic legal services across the country. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- U. U. Lalit (CJI) – inaugurated the "NALSA Centre for Citizen Services" in New Delhi
- Delhi: CM – Arvind Kejriwal | Lt. Governor – Vinai Kumar Saxena | Chief Secretary – Naresh Kumar

204. Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW) plans to build a National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at the site of the Indus Valley civilisation in Lothal, Gujarat. A first of its kind complex in India, this centre will showcase India's rich and diverse maritime heritage. The foundation stone for the NMHC project was laid by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the consent for the master plan was given in March 2019. Total cost of the NMHC project is ₹3,500 Crore. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- MoPSW plans to build a 'National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC)' in Lothal, Gujarat
- The foundation stone for the NMHC project was laid by – Narendra Modi
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Bhupendra Patel | Governor – Acharya Dev Vrat

205. In Jammu and Kashmir, the Jammu & Kashmir Police launched online mobile application "JK Ecop", an easy way to use interface to facilitate common people. The Mobile App enables the citizens to use a host of services ranging from registering a complaint to downloading a copy of FIR. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- J&K Police – launched online mobile application “JK Ecop”
- J & K: Capital – Srinagar | Lt. Governor – Manoj Sinha

206. Ministry of Coal plans to enhance coal production to ambitious target of 1.23 Billion Tonne (BT) by FY 2024-25 (including CIL & Non-CIL coal blocks) to ensure energy security of India. At this level of production, it is expected that fuel imports may not be required and domestic production would become sufficient to meet all exigencies. Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) has projected production contribution of about 135 Million tonne by FY25, out of which about 85 MT is likely to be produced from North Karanpura Coalfield, a major coalfield in Jharkhand. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Ministry of Coal – plans to enhance coal production to ambitious target of 1.23 Billion Tonne (BT) by FY 2024-25
- CCL has projected production contribution of about 135 Million tonne by FY25
- North Karanpura Coalfield – a major coalfield in Jharkhand
- Ministry of Coal: Pralhad Joshi | Constituency – Dharwad, Karnataka
- MoS in Ministry of Coal: Danve Raosaheb Dadarao

207. On September 8, Bihar government decided to set up factories to make glass bangles out of seized liquor bottles through its Rural Livelihoods Promotion Programme, locally known as “JEEViKA”. In Bihar, liquor had been banned since April 5, 2016. Seized illegal liquor bottles during raids were earlier crushed and treated as garbage. The State Excise and Prohibition department has allocated Rs 1 Crore to set up a glass-making factory in Patna. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bihar Govt – decided to make glass bangles out of seized liquor bottles through its “JEEViKA” programme
- A glass-making factory is set up in Patna
- Bihar: Capital – Patna | CM – Nitish Kumar | Governor – Phagu Chauhan

208. On September 10, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur and Sakti as the 32nd and 33rd districts of the State. Sakti is carved out from Janjgir-Champa while Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur has been demarcated from Koriya district. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Manendragarh-Chirmiri-Bharatpur & Sakti – inaugurated as the 32nd & 33rd districts of Chhattisgarh
- Chhattisgarh: Capital – Raipur | CM – Bhupesh Baghel | Governor – Anusuiya Uikey

209. On September 8, Bihar chief minister Nitish Kumar inaugurated India’s longest rubber dam ‘Gayaji Dam’ on the Falgu river and steel foot over bridge for the convenience of visitors who visit during Pitripaksha Mela. The dam has been built at an estimated cost of ₹324 Crore and it is 411 metre long. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India’s longest rubber dam ‘Gayaji Dam’ is inaugurated on Falgu river in Bihar (Length - 411m)
- Bihar: Capital – Patna | CM – Nitish Kumar | Governor – Phagu Chauhan



International Affairs

210. On September 7, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and Textiles, Piyush Goyal launched the “US Startup SETU (Supporting Entrepreneurs in Transformation and Upskilling)” programme in San Francisco, US. The initiative would connect start-ups in India to US-based investors and start-up ecosystem leaders with mentorship and assistance in various areas including funding, market access and commercialization. The interaction will be supported through the mentorship portal under the Startup India initiative “MAARG” (Mentorship, Advisory, Assistance, Resilience, and Growth) program, which is a single-stop solution finder for startups in India. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Piyush Goyal – launched the “US Startup SETU” programme in San Francisco, US
- SETU – Supporting Entrepreneurs in Transformation and Upskilling
- The interaction will be supported through the mentorship portal under the Startup India initiative “MAARG”
- MAARG – Mentorship, Advisory, Assistance, Resilience & Growth
- US – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | 46th President – Joe Biden | 49th VP – Kamala Harris

211. China has built its first solar-powered large unmanned aerial vehicle called “Qimingxing-50 (Morning Star)”. The drone successfully carried out its maiden flight in September 2022. It is China’s first major unmanned aerial vehicle platform that is all-electric and solely powered by solar energy. The Aviation Industry Corporation of China (AVIC) is the developer of the drone. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- China – built its first solar-powered large unmanned aerial vehicle called “Qimingxing-50 (Morning Star)”
- China – Beijing – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping

212. On September 9, the Biden Administration of the US approved the plan for Foreign Military Sales (FMS) worth USD 450 million for ‘F-16 fighter jet’ fleet sustainment programme of Pakistan. This is the first major security assistance to Pakistan after Trump in 2018 had announced to stop all defense and security assistance to Pakistan. Pakistan’s F-16 programme is an important part of the broader United States-Pakistan bilateral relationship. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- US approved the plan for Foreign Military Sales worth USD 450 million for ‘F-16 fighter jet’ sustainment of Pakistan
- US – Washington, D.C. – US Dollar | 46th President – Joe Biden | 49th VP – Kamala Harris
- Pakistan – Islamabad – Pakistani Rupee | PM – Shehbaz Sharif | President – Arif Alvi

213. In September 2022, China became the first country to approve a needle-free, inhaled version of a Covid-19 vaccine made by Tianjin-based CanSino Biologics Inc. China’s National Medical Products Administration approved CanSino’s ‘Ad5-nCoV’ for emergency use as a booster vaccine. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- China – became the first country to approve a needle-free, inhaled version of a Covid-19 vaccine
- Manufactured by – CanSino Biologics Inc
- China – Beijing – Renminbi | President – Xi Jinping



214. On September 9, the World Health Organisation (WHO) launched a USD 1.5 billion campaign to eliminate outbreaks of Bacterial Meningitis across Africa by 2030. The next generation vaccine against meningitis will be rolled out in 26 African countries most affected by the disease. Children are most threatened according to WHO data that shows about half of meningitis cases and deaths occur in children under 5 years of age. Bacterial meningitis is the most deadly, according to the WHO. Carriers can spread the disease through respiratory or throat fluids via close and prolonged contact. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- WHO launched a USD 1.5 billion campaign to eliminate outbreaks of 'Bacterial Meningitis' across Africa by 2030
- Half of meningitis cases and deaths occur in children under 5 years of age | Carriers – respiratory or throat fluids
- HQs of WHO – Geneva, Switzerland | DG – Tedros Adhanom | Member Countries – 194 | Founded in – 1948

215. On September 11, Google temporarily replaced its vibrant logo on its homepage with grey monochrome text to pay tribute to Queen Elizabeth II, Britain's longest-standing monarch. Its logo usually appears in bright red, yellow, blue and green colours. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Google – replaced its vibrant logo on its homepage with 'grey monochrome text' to pay tribute to Queen Elizabeth II
- HQs of Google – California, US | CEO – Sundar Pichai | Founded in – 1998

216. On September 9, North Korea passed a law enshrining/preserving the right to 'automatically' use preemptive nuclear strikes to protect itself. According to North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un, this new law makes the country's nuclear status 'irreversible' and bars any talks of denuclearisation. This move comes as Pyongyang is seemingly preparing to resume nuclear testing for the first time since 2017, according to the Reuters report. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- North Korea – passed a law preserving the right to 'automatically' use preemptive nuclear strikes to protect itself
- North Korea – Pyongyang – North Korean won | President – Kim Jong-un

Banking, Finance, Insurance & Economic Affairs

217. On September 7, Max Life Insurance Company Ltd launched 'Smart Flexi Protect Solution', a three-in-one plan that provides health and enhanced life cover, along with market-linked investment returns. 'Smart Flexi Protect Solution' is a combination of Max Life Flexi Wealth Plus, and Max Life Critical Illness and Disability Secure Rider. It offers wealth creation along with comprehensive protection against death, disability and critical illness. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Max Life Insurance – launched a three-in-one plan 'Smart Flexi Protect Solution'
- The plan is a combination of Max Life Flexi Wealth Plus, and Max Life Critical Illness and Disability Secure Rider
- HQs of Max Life Ins. – New Delhi | MD & CEO – Prashant Tripathy

218. On September 12, HDFC Bank, India's largest private sector bank, became the first bank in India to issue an Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG) in partnership with National E-Governance Services Limited (NeSL). This is a transformational change to eliminate paper based, time-consuming process, and the Bank will migrate to e-BG to benefit all its customers. e-BG has been developed in consultation with NeSL, CVC-CBI committee and IBA to simplify the process and eliminate the possibility of fraud and manipulation. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- HDFC Bank became the first bank in India to issue an Electronic Bank Guarantee (e-BG) in partnership with NeSL
- HQs of HDFC Bank – Mumbai, MH | MD & CEO – Sashidhar Jagdishan | Tagline – “We understand your World”
- HQs of NeSL – Bengaluru, Karnataka | Chairman – R. Gandhi

219. On September 10, DBS Bank, a leading financial services group in Asia, partnered with The Sandbox, a leading decentralised gaming virtual world and a subsidiary of Animoca Brands, to create “DBS BetterWorld”. It is an interactive metaverse experience showcasing the importance of building a better, more sustainable world, and inviting others to come alongside. The partnership makes DBS the first bank in Singapore to make a foray into the metaverse. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DBS Bank + The Sandbox = partnership to create an interactive metaverse experience called “DBS BetterWorld”
- HQs of DBS Bank – Singapore | CEO – Piyush Gupta

220. On September 10, largest private lender HDFC Bank signed an MoU with the Institute of Economic Growth (IEG) to fund a chair to carry out independent research. It would be known as ‘HDFC Bank Chair of Banking and Finance’ and would be housed at the IEG campus, New Delhi. The bank will support IEG for this chair for over 5 years with a funding support of ₹6.75 Crore. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- HDFC Bank + IEG = to fund ‘HDFC Bank Chair of Banking & Finance’ to carry out independent research
- HQs of HDFC Bank – Mumbai, MH | MD & CEO – Sashidhar Jagdishan | Tagline – “We understand your World”
- Location of IEG – Delhi | Chairman – Prof. Ramesh Chand



Sports & Games

221. On September 10, Australian limited overs skipper Aaron Finch announced retirement from the One-Day International (ODI) Cricket. Finch played his 146th and final ODI in Cairns against New Zealand. He will continue to lead the team in the T20 format. Australia won the T20 World Cup for the first time in 2021. He led Australia to the 2019 ODI World Cup. His retirement also came at a time when the ODI World Cup 2023 is scheduled for next year in India. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Aaron Finch (Australia) – announced retirement from the One-Day International (ODI) Cricket
- He will continue to lead the team in the T20 format
- Australia – Canberra – Australian Dollar | PM – Anthony Albanese

222. On September 11, Carlos Alcaraz won the men’s singles title at the “2022 US Open” tennis grand slam in New York, defeating Casper Ruud to claim his first major title and the world number one ranking in Men’s Singles Tennis. 19-year old Carlos Alcaraz became the youngest World No. 1 in ATP Rankings history (since 1973). Iga Swiatek won the women’s singles title at the “2022 US Open”, defeating Ons Jabeur. In men’s doubles, Rajeev Ram and Joe Salisbury defeated Wesley Koolhof and Neal Skupski in the final. While Barbora Krejckova and Katerina Siniakova won the women’s doubles title, defeating Caty McNally and Taylor Townsend. Storm Sanders and John Peers defeated Kirsten Flipkens and Edouard Roger-Vasselin, becoming the first Australian pair to win the mixed doubles. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- “2022 US Open” – held in New York (played on acrylic Hard Courts)
- Men’s Singles title – Carlos Alcaraz (Spain)
- Women’s Singles title – Iga Swiatek (Poland)
- Men’s Doubles title – Rajeev Ram (US) & Joe Salisbury (UK)
- Women’s Doubles title – Barbora Krejckikova & Katerina Siniakova (Czechia’s pair)
- Mixed Doubles title – Storm Sanders & John Peers (Australia’s pair)
- Carlos Alcaraz (19 years) – became the youngest World No. 1 in ATP Rankings history

223. The World Youth Chess Championships U14, U16, and U18 took place from September 5-17, 2022 in Mamaia, Romania. The 11-round Swiss System tournament was organized by International Chess Federation or World Chess Federation (FIDE) and Romanian Chess Federation together. India’s 76th Grandmaster Pranav Anand won the U-16 Open title with 9 points and India’s A. R. Ilamparthi claimed the U-14 Open with 9.5 points. While Canada’s Shawn Rodrigue-Lemieux won U-18 Open title with 9 points. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “World Youth Chess Championships” (U14, U16 & U18) – took place in Mamaia, Romania
- U-14 Open – A. R. Ilamparthi (India) | U-16 Open – Pranav Anand (India) | U-18 – Shawn Rodrigue-Lemieux (Canada)
- [Romania – Bucharest – Ieu](#) | [PM – Nicolae Ciuca](#) | [President – Klaus Iohannis](#)

224. On September 12, the International Cricket Council announced Zimbabwe batter Sikandar Raza and Australia all-rounder Tahlia McGrath as the Player of the Month for August in Men’s and Women’s cricket respectively. Raza became the first Zimbabwean player to win the award. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Sikandar Raza (Zimbabwe) – named “ICC Men’s Player of the Month for August 2022” (1st Zimbabwean player)
- Tahlia McGrath (Australia) – named “ICC Women’s Player of the Month for August 2022”

225. On September 9, Tokyo Olympics javelin throw champion Neeraj Chopra achieved another first spot for India by winning the “Zurich Diamond League Final 2022” in Switzerland. Neeraj Chopra’s second throw, measuring 88.44m, won him the Diamond League trophy, a first for an Indian. Chopra achieved this feat after winning the Lausanne Diamond League in August & finishing second at the Stockholm Diamond League in June. Earlier, at the 2017 Diamond League Final, Neeraj Chopra had finished seventh with an 83.80m throw. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Neeraj Chopra – finished 1st at the “Zurich Diamond League Final 2022” in Switzerland (His throw - 88.44m)

226. On September 11, India’s Jehan Daruvala raced to his maiden feature race win in the “FIA Formula 2 Championship” at Monza, Italy. Prema Powerteam’s driver, Jehan finished 3rd in the race. While Felipe Drugovich was crowned 2022 Formula 2 Champion. Prema Powerteam is a motorsport team from Italy. The FIA Formula 2 Championship is a second-tier single-seater championship organised by the Federation Internationale de l’Automobile (FIA) based in Paris, France. Moreover, Red Bull’s Max Verstappen won the F1 “Italian Grand Prix 2022” at Monza. [{Read more}](#)



Key Points:

- Jehan Daruvala (India - Prema Powerteam) – finished 3rd at “FIA Formula 2 Championship” (F2 Italian GP) in Monza, Italy
- Felipe Drugovich (Brazil-Italy - MP Motorsport) – won the “2022 Formula 2 Champion” (F2 Italian GP)
- Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch - Red Bull) – won the F1 “Italian Grand Prix 2022”

227. Leg-spinner Rahul Sharma announced to retire from all formats of Cricket in order to take part in the 2nd edition of the “2022 Road Safety World Series”, an international T20 cricket league that will feature former international cricketers. Sharma will play for India Legends after Sachin Tendulkar - who is the brand ambassador for the tournament. The second season of the Road Safety World Series is set to be played from September 10 to October 2 in Lucknow, Jodhpur, Cuttack and Hyderabad. It will feature a total of 8 teams. Rahul represented India in 4 ODIs & 2 T20Is. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rahul Sharma – announced to retire from all formats of Cricket
- 2nd edition of the “Road Safety World Series 2022” – took place in Lucknow, Jodhpur, Cuttack & Hyderabad (8 teams)
- Brand Ambassador of the ‘Road Safety World Series 2022’ tournament – Sachin Tendulkar

Science & Technology

228. On September 9, the Foundation for Innovation and Technology Transfer (FITT) at IIT Delhi partnered with the UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) and launched a mobile application ‘IITD Aab Prahari’ to solve the water logging issues in urban areas in India. For this, they have launched a project named ‘Water Security Hub’, which was started in the Department of Civil Engineering (IIT Delhi) to develop new approaches to tackle the challenges and barriers to water security and sustainable development in the National Capital Territory (NCT) of Delhi. This project is funded by the UKRI through the Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF). This mobile app will help by reporting the real-time incidence of flooding, in and around their surroundings. Additionally, a website named “Jalsuraksha” was also launched by IIT Delhi on the occasion.

[{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IIT Delhi (FITT) + UKRI = launched a mobile app ‘Aab Prahari’ to solve the water logging issues in urban areas
- IIT Delhi – launched a project named ‘Water Security Hub’
- IIT Delhi – also launched a website named “Jalsuraksha”
- [Director of IIT Delhi – V. Ramgopal Rao](#)

229. In September 2022, Europe unveiled “MTG-I1” satellite to speed up extreme weather warnings. The satellite is developed by European Space Agency (ESA) and 30-nation EUMETSAT and it will be launched by the end of this year on an ‘Ariane 5’ rocket and put sharper eyes in space over Europe and Africa. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Europe unveiled “MTG-I1” satellite to speed up extreme weather warnings
- The satellite is developed by = ESA + EUMETSAT | It will be launched aboard ‘Ariane 5’ rocket
- [HQs of ESA – Paris, France](#) | [DG – Josef Aschbacher](#)
- [HQs of EUMETSAT – Darmstadt, Germany](#) | [DG – Phil Evans](#) | [Members – 30 countries](#)



230. The “MOXIE” (Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment) was launched as part of NASA’s Perseverance rover mission to the Mars and has been successfully making oxygen from the planet’s carbon-dioxide-rich atmosphere since it landed there in February 2021. MOXIE’s oxygen production on Mars also demonstrates success in being able to harvest and using a planet’s materials (in this case, carbon dioxide on Mars) to make resources (such as oxygen) that would otherwise have to be transported from Earth. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “MOXIE” was launched as part of NASA’s Perseverance rover mission to the Mars in February 2021
- MOXIE – **Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment**
- HQs of NASA – Washington D.C., US | Administrator – Bill Nelson | Founded in – 1958

Appointments & Resignations

231. Angola’s MPLA party was declared as the winner of Presidential Elections, making Joao Lourenco the President of Angola for the second term. People’s Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) won 51.17% of the ballots against 43.95% for the main challenger. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Joao Lourenco – re-elected as the President of Angola (2nd term)
- Angola – Luanda – Kwanza | PM – Joao Lourenco

Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

232. On September 8, the winners of “Miss Divine Beauty pageant 2022” were revealed. Miss Earth India 2021 Rashmi Madhuri passed her crown to the winner of “Miss Earth India 2022” Vanshika Parmar and Mansi Chourasiya won “Miss Global India 2022” title and was crowned by Nimisha Saxena. Miss Divine Beauty 2022 was organized by Divine Group Foundation in collaboration with Colonel Ajay Ahlawat of Rissala Polo Club at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium Weight lifting auditorium in New Delhi. 3700 girls from all over India applied in this program and only 27 were selected as finalist. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Miss Divine Beauty pageant 2022” – organised at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi
- Vanshika Parmar (Himachal Pradesh) – crowned as “Miss Earth India 2022”
- Mansi Chourasiya (Madhya Pradesh) – crowned as “Miss Global India 2022”
- Divine Group Foundation – a Non-profit organization in New Delhi





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Schemes & Initiatives

233. On September 10, Chhattisgarh government launched 'Mukhyamantri Govansh Mobile Chikitsa Yojana' to provide medical aid to livestock by launching mobile veterinary units with veterinarians in each district. The state government has been running 'Mukhyamantri Slum Swasthya Yojana' in urban areas and 'Mukhyamantri Haat-Bazaar Clinic Yojna' in rural areas to ensure that all citizens have access to affordable and quality healthcare facilities through mobile medical units. Moreover, Healthcare services for livestock are being provided at government-run veterinary hospitals and 'gauthans' established under the 'Suraji Gaon Yojana'. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Chhattisgarh – launched 'Mukhyamantri Govansh Mobile Chikitsa Yojana' to provide medical aid to livestock
- Other schemes launched by Chhattisgarh:
 - 'Mukhyamantri Slum Swasthya Yojana'
 - 'Mukhyamantri Haat-Bazaar Clinic Yojna'
 - 'Suraji Gaon Yojana'
- Chhattisgarh: Capital – Raipur | CM – Bhupesh Baghel | Governor – Anusuiya Uikey

234. As part of the 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' initiative, an Empowered Committee headed by NITI Aayog CEO (in September) approved 32 beneficiaries under the production linked incentive (PLI) scheme for Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing, including 10 for mobile manufacturing. This scheme extends an incentive of 4% to 6% on net incremental sale of manufactured goods covered under the 'Target Segment'. More importantly, the total outlay under the scheme is ₹38,645 Crore. The Empowered Committee (EC) approved the first disbursement of ₹53.28 Crore under PLI Scheme for Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing to Noida-based M/s Padget Electronics Private Limited. The government has already rolled out the PLI scheme with an outlay of about ₹2 lakh Crore for as many as 14 sectors. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Empowered Committee approved 32 beneficiaries under the PLI Scheme for 'Large Scale Electronics Manufacturing'
- EC approved the first disbursement of ₹53.28 Cr under PLI Scheme for mobile manufacturing to – Padget Electronics
- Empowered Committee is headed by NITI Aayog CEO | Total outlay of PLI scheme – ₹2 lakh Cr (for 14 sectors)
- HQs of NITI Aayog – New Delhi | CEO – Parmameswaran Iyer | Chairperson – Narendra Modi | VC – Suman Bery

235. On September 10, the 2nd Anniversary of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) was celebrated on September 10, 2022. To commemorate the auspicious day, Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, held an event in New Delhi. Parshottam Rupala, Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry was Chief Guest at the event. The event witnessed the launch of Booklet on PMMSY & its achievements namely "Matsya Sampada: 3rd edition of DoF Newsletter", Tilapia Action Plan as a part of Export Diversification, Scampi Action Plan, and National Seed Plan: 2022-2025. The PMMSY was introduced with investments of Rs 20,050 Crore, highest ever investment in the sector. The main motto of PMMSY is 'Reform, Perform and Transform' in the fisheries sector. The PMMSY is being implemented from FY 2020-21 to FY 2024-25. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- 2nd Anniversary of Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) – celebrated on September 10, 2022
- Parshottam Rupala – launched a booklet on PMMSY namely "Matsya Sampada: 3rd edition of DoF Newsletter"
- PMMSY was launched in – May 2020 | Investment – Rs 20,050 Cr | Main motto – 'Reform, Perform & Transform'



Important Days & Dates

236. World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) is commemorated every year on September 10 with the aim of creating awareness among people to avoid committing suicide and prevent it at any cost. The triennial theme for World Suicide Prevention Day from 2021 - 2023 is "Creating hope Through Action". The WSPD was first observed in 2003. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 10 – World Suicide Prevention Day (since 2003)
- Theme for 2021-2023 (triennial) – "Creating hope Through Action"

237. The United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation was marked in Bangkok, Thailand, on September 12 during the "Global South-South Development (GSSD) Expo 2022". The event aimed to bring together leaders from countries of the Global South and other partners to discuss issues related to climate change, poverty, and recovery from the pandemic. The Global South is a conventional term used to refer to developing countries in Latin America, Asia, Africa, and Oceania. This year, the day was observed under the theme "Key Priorities and Future Directions in Advancing South-South and Triangular Cooperation for Sustainable COVID-19 Recovery: Towards a Smart and Resilient Future". The day was first observed in 2003. GSSD Expo 2022 was co-hosted by the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and the Government of Thailand. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 12 – United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation (since 2003)
- Global South-South Development (GSSD) Expo 2022 – held in Bangkok, Thailand (co-hosted by – UN ESCAP & Thailand)
- Thailand – Bangkok – Thai Baht | PM – Prayut Chan-o-cha

238. Every year Uttarakhand celebrates Himalaya Diwas on September 9 to mark the importance of the Himalayas. In 2015, September 9 was officially declared as Himalaya Day by the then Chief Minister of Uttarakhand Harish Rawat. Himalaya Day 2022 was observed under the theme "Himalayas will be safe only when the interests of its residents are protected". Himalayan Range is over 2400 km long. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 9 – Himalaya Diwas by Uttarakhand (since 2015)
- Theme – "Himalayas will be safe only when the interests of its residents are protected"

239. National Forest Martyrs Day 2022 is observed on September 11 every year to honour those who gave their lives to preserve India's forests, jungles, and wildlife. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) officially declared the day in 2013. The ministry selected 11 September because, on this day in 1730, the "Khejarli massacre" took place in Rajasthan. Bishnoi community people protested against the order of Maharaja Abhay Singh of Rajasthan for cutting down the Khejarli trees in the forest. The villagers were led by Amrita Devi Bishnoi. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 11 – National Forest Martyrs Day – by MoEFCC (since 2013)
- The day marks "Khejarli massacre" that took place in 1730 in Rajasthan (It is related to Bishnoi community in Rajasthan)
- Rajasthan: Capital – Jaipur | CM – Ashok Gehlot | Governor – Kalraj Mishra



240. World First Aid Day is celebrated every year on the second Saturday of September. This year, the day falls on 10 September, 2022 and was celebrated under the theme “Lifelong First Aid”. World First Aid Day was introduced first by the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC). In the year 2000, the IFRC officially declared the second Saturday of September as the World First Aid Day. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 10 (2nd Saturday of Sep) – World First Aid Day 2022 (since 2000)
- 2022’s Theme – “Lifelong First Aid”

Obituaries

241. On September 10, Archaeologist Braj Basi Lal passed away. He led an excavation at the Ramjanmabhoomi site in the mid-1970s and was honoured with the Padma Vibhushan in 2021. He was the Director General of the Archaeological Survey of India between 1968 and 1972. He has also served on several UNESCO committees and was awarded the Padma Bhushan by the president of India in 2000. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Braj Basi Lal – Former DG of the ASI – passed away (Padma Bhushan in 2000)
- [HQs of ASI – New Delhi](#) | [Director General – V. Vidyavathi](#)

242. On September 11, Dwarka Peeth Shankaracharya Swami Swaroopanand Saraswati passed away at Narsinghpur in Madhya Pradesh at the age of 99. Swami Sadanand Maharaj is the second-in-command (known as Dandi Swami) of the Dwarka Peeth. Swaroopanand was born as Pothiram Upadhyay at Dighori village in Seoni district of Madhya Pradesh in 1924. In 1982, he became the Shankaracharya of Dwarka Sharada Peetham in Dwaraka, Gujarat and the Jyotir Math in Badrinath. His guru was Shankaracharya Brahmananda Saraswati. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dwarka Peeth Shankaracharya Swami Swaroopanand Saraswati – passed away (born in Seoni, Madhya Pradesh)
- He became the Shankaracharya of Dwarka Sharada Peetham in Dwaraka, Gujarat in 1982
- Second-in-command of the Dwarka Peeth – Swami Sadanand Maharaj (known as Dandi Swami)

243. On September 9, former Chief Justice of India Kamal Narain Singh, who remained Chief Justice of India (CJI) for the shortest period of 18 days in 1991, passed away at the age of 95. Justice KN Singh was the 22nd Chief Justice of India. A Chief Justice of India is the highest post in the Judiciary in India. Currently, Justice U U Lalit is the CJI after he took over charge from NV Ramana. Moreover, Justice Yeshwant Vishnu Chandrachud, who was the 16th Chief Justice of India, had the longest tenure as CJI till today. [{Read more}](#)

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- He remained CJI for the shortest period of 18 days in 1991
- Yeshwant Vishnu Chandrachud (16th CJI) had the longest tenure as CJI till today



244. On September 11, a well-known Telugu actor and former Union Minister of State for Defence and External Affairs, U. V. Krishnam Raju (Uppalapati Venkata Krishnam Raju), passed away at the age of 83. He was known as 'Rebel Star' for his rebellious acting style. Krishnam Raju was elected to Lok Sabha in 1998 and again in 1999 on a BJP ticket from Kakinada and Narsapur constituencies. Raju was Union Minister of State for four years during A. B. Vajpayee's last term as Prime Minister from 1999-2004. Raju won 5 Filmfare awards and 3 Nandi awards from the Andhra Pradesh State government. Raju won his first Filmfare award for "Tandra Paparayudu" in his debut year. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- U. V. Krishnam Raju – a Telugu Actor & Politician – passed away (known as 'Rebel Star')
- He served as MoS in Ministry of Defence and Ministry of External Affairs | His constituencies – Kakinada & Narsapur
- Awards: 5 Filmfare Awards & 3 Nandi Awards (from Andhra Pradesh)

245. On September 10, Former Director General of the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) B. B. Lal passed away. A Padma Vibhushan awardee, Professor Lal's works formed the basis of the argument that a Ram Temple existed in the place where the Babri Masjid once stood. His contribution to archaeology was beyond measure. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- B. B. Lal – Former DG of ASI – passed away (Padma Vibhushan in Archaeology)
- HQs of ASI – New Delhi | Director General – V. Vidyavathi

Meetings, Conferences & Summits

246. On September 7, Union Minister of State (I/C) Science & Technology, Dr. Jitendra Singh, addressed the 14th CII Global MedTech Summit titled "Seizing the Global Opportunity" held in New Delhi. Healthcare sector in India is expected to grow to a size of \$50 billion by 2025. The prime objective of the government is to reduce import dependence from 80% to below 30% in next 10 years and ensure self-reliance quotient of 80% in Med-Tech through Make in India with SMART milestones. Moreover, India aims to achieve 10-12% of the global market share of the medical devices sector to arrive at a \$100-300 billion industry. [{Read more}](#)

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247. On September 12, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 4-day long International Dairy Federation's "World Dairy Summit 2022" organized at India Expo Centre & Mart, Greater Noida, National Capital Region (Delhi - NCR). The last World Dairy Summit was organised in 1974 in New Delhi. The theme of the event is "Dairy for Nutrition and Livelihood" and the sponsors are Amul and Nandini. Mother Dairy is the principal sponsor for the event. India is the world's largest milk producer, with 22% of global production, followed by the USA & China. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PM Narendra Modi – inaugurated the "World Dairy Summit 2022" in Greater Noida, NCR
- Theme of the summit – "Dairy for Nutrition & Livelihood" | Sponsors – Amul & Nandini
- India – the largest milk producing country in the world (followed by USA & China)
- HQs of IDF – Brussels, Belgium | Chairman – Meenesh Shah



Ranks, Reports & Surveys

248. In September 2022, the World Health Organisation (WHO) and the UNICEF (United Nations Children’s Fund) released a collaborative report “Progress on WASH (Water, Sanitation and Hygiene) in Healthcare Facilities 2000-2021: Special focus on WASH and infection Prevention and Control”. The report states that around half (51%) of the world’s healthcare facilities lack basic hygiene services with water and soap or alcohol-based hand rub where patients receive care and at toilets in 2021. Nearly 4 billion people are at risk since over 50% of health facilities in the world lack basic hygiene services. The report has established the global baseline on Hygiene services for the first time. Universal basic WASH services could be achieved in 46 least developed countries (LDCs) by 2030 for less than US\$10 billion, as per the report. The WHO and UNICEF release progress updates on WASH in households, WASH in schools and WASH in health care facilities every two years. The WHO’s WASH Strategy has been developed in response to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development (SDG 3: Good Health and Well Being, SDG 6: Clean Water And Sanitation). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Progress on WASH in Healthcare Facilities 2000-2021: Special focus on WASH and infection Prevention and Control” report = released by WHO + UNICEF
- 51% of the world’s healthcare facilities lack basic hygiene services
- Universal basic WASH services could be achieved in 46 least developed countries by 2030
- SDG 3: Good Health and Well Being | SDG 6: Clean Water And Sanitation
- HQs of WHO – Geneva, Switzerland | DG – Tedros Adhanom | Member Countries – 194 | Founded in – 1948
- HQs of UNICEF – New York, US | Executive Director – Catherine Russell | Established in – 1946

249. India’s industrial output grew by just 2.4% in July 2022 from 12.7% in June, as per the Index of Industrial Production (IIP) released in September 2022 by the National Statistical Office (NSO) under the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation. Manufacturing sector growth dropped to just 3.2%, while electricity output grew just 2.3%. Mining sector output contracted 3.3% during July. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Index of Industrial Production (IIP)” – released by the NSO (MoSPI)
- India’s industrial output grew by just 2.4% in July 2022 (from 12.7% in June)
- Growth in different sectors: Manufacturing – 3.2%, Electricity – 2.3%, Mining – 3.3%

Amount & Agreements

250. On September 9, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited (HSBC) committed Rs 125 Cr over the next 5 years to support green causes like wetland conservation and energy transition projects in India. Under the commitment, it has divided the works into two broad themes, including Energy Transition and Nature-based Solutions. HSBC has partnered with the non-profit WWF India and India Resources Trust (WRI India) to roll out actions across 8 states, focusing on energy transition in the healthcare and dairy cold chain sectors, conservation of wetlands and mangroves and landscape restoration. The bank has also launched a dialogue platform titled ‘CEOs on Sustainability’. [{Read more}](#)

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- HQs of HSBC India – Mumbai, Maharashtra | CEO – Hitendra Dave





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