

Sangeet Natak Akademi announces winners for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021

#### Sangeet Natak Akademi Award 2019, 2020 and 2021:

The Sangeet Natak Akademi has announced 128 winners of the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (Akademi Puraskar) for the years 2019, 2020 and 2021 for their significant contribution to the fields of music, dance, theatre, traditional/folk/tribal music/dance/theatre, puppetry and contribution/scholarship in the performing arts. The General Council of the Akademi also announced 10 eminent personalities in the field of performing arts as Akademi Fellows. While the winners of the Akademi Puruskar will receive a cash prize of Rs 1 lakh, Akademi fellows will get Rs 3 lakh each and both will also receive a tamrapatra and angavastram.

#### **<u>Click here for the complete list of awardees</u>**

#### Sangeet Natak Akademi Award:

- Among the Akademi Fellows are Bharatnatyam exponent Saroja Vaidyanathan, Kerala-based Kathakali dancer Sadanam Krishnan Kutty, Manipuri dancer Darshana Jhaveri, Banaras-based Hindustani classical vocalist Chhannulal Mishra, Carnatic music clarinet player A.K.C Natarajan, Hindustani classical singer of Gwalior gharana Malini Rajurkar, two-time Grammy nominee and tabla maestro Swapan Chaudhuri and Cochin-based Hindustani and Carnatic music vocalist T. V. Gopalakrishnan, among others. With these 10 new Akademi Fellows, the tally of fellows has increased to 39.
- Apart from these, the Akademi has also announced the names of 86 artists from the field of the performing arts who have won the one-time Sangeet Natak Akademi Amrit Award under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (AKAM), which commemorates 75 years of India's independence. These include artists above the age of 75 years who haven't been accorded any national honour in their career. These artists will receive a cash prize of Rs 1 lakh.
- Additionally, the Akademi also announced the names of 102 artists for the **Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar** for the years 2019, 2020, and 2021. These artists are below the age of 40 years. The Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar identifies and encourages outstanding young talents in diverse fields of performing arts and gives them national recognition so that they may work with greater commitment and dedication in their chosen fields. The Akademi seems to have ensured adequate representation in the winners' list with 19 artists from the North East. These artists will receive a cash prize of Rs. 25,000.

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# 53rd edition International Film Festival of India concludes

The **53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI)** came to an end at a ceremony held at the Dr Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Stadium near **Panaji** on 28 November 2022. The **53rd edition of International Film Festival of India (IFFI)** has concluded with Spanish film **'I Have Electric Dreams'** directed by Valentina Maurel winning the prestigious 'Golden Peacock' for the best film of the festival. The closing ceremony of IFFI was held at the Shyama Prasad Mukherjee indoor stadium in Taleigao, Goa.

#### Awardees in 53rd IFFI:

- Spanish film 'I Have Electric Dreams' directed by Valentina Maurel winning the prestigious 'Golden Peacock' for the best film of the festival.
- Vahid Mobasseri, lead actor of 'No End', was honoured with Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Male)
- Daniela Marin Navarro, lead Actor of Best Film 'I Have Electric Dreams' is honoured with Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Female).
- Iranian writer and director Nader Saeivar gets Silver Peacock for Best Director for No End,
- Filipino filmmaker Lav Diaz bagged Special Jury Award for 'When the Wayes are Gone'.
- Award for Best Debut Feature Film of a Director has been snatched by Asimina Proedrou for Behind The Haystack and Praveen Kandregula has received Special Mention for 'Cinema Bandi'.
- Celebrated Spanish film Director Carlos Saura was honoured with the prestigious Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement award.
- Actor Producer Chiranjeevi Konidela was conferred with the IFFI Indian Film Personality of the Year Award for 2022.



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#### **53rd IFFI: Key points**

- The nine-day festival featured 280 films from 79 countries opened with the Austrian film 'Alma and Oskar', directed by Dieter Berner, while Polish director Krzysztof Zanussi's 'Perfect Number' was the closing film. France was the 'Spotlight' country this year.
- As many as 25 feature films and 19 non-feature films from India were showcased in the 'Indian Panorama' section, while 183 films will be a part of the international section.
- The **opening film** of the festival was Austrian Director Dieter Berner's film Alma and Oskar and the closing film was the Polish film 'Perfect Number', directed by Krzysztof Zanussi.

#### International Film Festival of India (IFFI)

The first International Film Festival of India (IFFI) was held in the cities of Bombay (now Mumbai), Delhi, Calcutta (now Kolkata), Madras (now Chennai) from 24 January to 1 February 1952. The Delhi leg was inaugurated by Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. It was later held in different cities of the country. Since 2004, starting from the 35th edition, **Goa** has become the permanent venue of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI). It is held in the month of November -December every year.

# India's 100 Richest 2022: Gautam Adani tops **Forbes rich list**

#### India's 100 Richest 2022:

The world economy may be slowing but India's richest have grown even richer this year. The Forbes 2022 list of India's **100 richest** is finally here, according to which, the combined wealth of India's 100 richest grew by \$25 billion to touch a colossal \$800 billion. The top 10 richest Indians are worth a cumulative \$385 billion. Adani Group chairman Gautam Adani has bagged the top spot on the list with a net worth of \$150 billion. According to Forbes, the gain was largely due to a record-breaking feat by infrastructure tycoon, which changed the pecking order at the top for the first time since 2008.

#### Top 10 names in the list:

RANK	NAME	NET WORTH (in Rupees)
1	Gautam Adani	Rs 1,211,460.11 crore
2	Mukesh Ambani	Rs 710,723.26 crore
3	Radhakishan	Rs 222,908.66 crore
	Damani	
4	Cyrus Poonawalla	Rs 173,642.62 crore
5	Shiv Nadar	Rs 172,834.97 crore
6	Savitri Jindal	Rs 132,452.97 crore
7	Dilip Shanghvi	Rs 125,184.21 crore
8	Hinduja Brothers	Rs 122,761.29 crore
9	Kumar Birla	Rs 121,146.01 crore
10	Bajaj Family	Rs 117,915.45 crore

#### New Faces on India's 100 richest list:

- Falguni Nayar: With a net worth of \$4.8 billion, as per the Forbes data, Nayar is on the 44th spot in the list.
- Rekha Jhunjhunwala: The wife of Rakesh Jhunjhunwala, who is fondly remembered as India's very own Warren Buffet. At the 30th spot, Rekha Jhunjhunwala, 59, has replaced her husband on the list. She has a net worth of \$5.9 billion.
- Nehal Vakil: The representative of the third generation of the Vakil family that is running Asian Paints, which was founded in 1942. The family's total worth is \$.52 billion.
- Venu Srinivasan: The founder of the TVS group, one of the largest two-wheeler manufacturers in the world, is also a new entrant on the list this year. He is also the recipient of Padma Bhushan, the third-highest civilian award in the country.
- Ravi Modi: The owner of Vedant Fashions, named after his only son. The manufacturer of Indian ethnic wear known for the Manyawar brand — went public in 2022. His total worth is about \$3.6 billion.
- Nirmal Minda: The Chairman and MD of UNO Minda (formerly Minda Industries), has the net worth of \$2600 crore.
- Rafique Malik: Having listed Metro Brands last December, Rafique Malik figures on No. 89 with \$2.22 billion. The privately held company is known for its brands such as Mochi, Metro and Walkway.

#### The returnees on India's 100 richest list:

- Among the four returnees on the list is Anand Mahindra with a net worth of \$2.2 billion or Rs 17,768.08 crore. Bhadresh Shah (Rs 15,345.16 crore), Anu Aga (Rs 18,010.37 crore) and Joy Alukkas (Rs 25,036.84 crore) are also among the returnees on the rich list.
- Paytm CEO Vijay Shekhar Sharma was a notable name among the drop-offs, who saw shares of his One97 Communications tank amid the global tech rout. The cutoff for the top 100 was \$1.9 billion this year.

# Vijay Hazare Trophy Final: Saurashtra beat Maharashtra by 5 wickets

#### **Vijay Hazare Trophy Final**

Saurashtra beat Maharashtra by 5 wickets in the final to win the Vijay Hazare Trophy at the Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. They restricted Maharashtra at 248/9 in 50 overs as captain **Ruturaj Gaikwad** hit a century, scoring 108 off 131 balls after a slow start. Saurashtra bowler Chirag Jani claimed a hat-trick in the match. Man of the moment is Sheldon Jackson.





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Chasing the target of 249, Saurashtra started off cautiously before the openers sitiched a 125-run partnership. Batter Shledon Jackson held one end as wickets tumbled around him. He scored a match-winning 133 off 136 balls to help Saurashtra chase down the target in 46.3 overs, with five wickets to spare. It was Saurashtra's second title triumph in history.

**Notably:** The win enhanced Jaydev Unadkat's credentials as captain, he had led Saurashtra to their first Ranji Trophy title in 2019-2020. He also finished at the top of the wicket-taking charts in the Vijay Hazare Trophy with 19 strikes to his name.

#### Full List of Award Winners:

- Player of the match in the final: Sheldon Jackson (133 runs in 135 Balls)
- Player of the tournament: Ruturaj Gaikwad (Games: 5; Runs: 660; Avg: 220)
- Most Runs: N Jagadeesan (Tamil Nadu): 830runs, 8 innings
- Highest Score: N Jagadeesan 277 off 141 balls vs Arunachal Pradesh
- Most Fours: N Jagadeesan 73 in 8 innings
- Most Sixes: Ruturaj Gaikwad 34 in 5 innings
- Most Wickets: Vasuki Koushik (Karnataka) 18 wickets in 9 matches

## Reserve Bank of India implements 4 tiered regulatory norms for UCB

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has announced a fourtiered regulatory framework for categorisation of Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs). Besides, the central bank has come out with norms pertaining to the net worth and capital adequacy of these banks.

The Reserve Bank of India had constituted the Expert Committee on Urban Co-operative Banks, under the Chairmanship of **Shri N. S. Vishwanathan**, former Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank to examine the issues in urban cooperative banking sector and to review regulatory/ supervisory approach for strengthening the sector. Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, RBI had released the Revised Regulatory Framework for Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs) on July 19, 2022. The four-tiered regulatory framework, based on size of deposits of the UCBs, will come into force with immediate effect.

# RBI has now categorized Urban Co-Operative Banks in India into four tier depending upon the deposit with the bank:

- Tier 1: UCB are those banks having deposits up to **Rs 100** crore operating in a single district or having branches in contiguous districts.
- Tier 2: UCBs with deposits more than **Rs.100 crore and up to Rs.1000 crore.**

- Tier 3 UCBs with deposits more than **Rs.1000 crore** and up to **Rs.10, 000 crore**.
- Tier 4 UCBs with deposits more than **Rs.10, 000 crore.**

#### Minimum Net worth Requirement of the banks

• The minimum net worth (have a minimum capital and reserves) requirement for the Tier 1 UCBs operating in single districts shall be Rs 2 crore.

#### For other UCB it shall be Rs 5 crore.

• Those UCBs which do not meet the requirement, have to achieve the minimum net worth of ₹2 crore or ₹5 crore in a phased manner in five years. The banks will have to achieve the 50% minimum net worth requirement in three years and the remaining 50% in next two years.

#### What is Urban Cooperative Banks?

Urban Cooperative Banks (UCBs) are registered as cooperative societies under the provisions of, either the State Cooperative Societies Act of the State concerned under the provisions of the or the **Multi State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002.** There is a duality of control over the UCB. It is regulated by the **Registrar of Cooperatives and also by the RBI.** UCB registered under the State Cooperative Societies Act are regulated and supervised by the Registrar of Cooperative Societies (RCS) of the State concerned. UCB which are set up under the Multi State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002 are regulated by the **Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies (CRCS).** 

#### **Regulation of banking function**

The Banking Regulation Act 1949 was made applicable on these banks from 1 March 1966. The Reserve Bank regulates and supervises the banking functions of UCBs under the provisions of **Banking Regulation Act, 1949**.

#### **National Affairs**

- India has invited Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi as the chief guest for the **Republic Day in 2023**, reflecting New Delhi's continuing focus on the Arab world as it prepares for a year of high-profile diplomatic engagements. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- **Parliamentary Affairs Minister** Pralhad Joshi virtually launched portals for Online reading of the preamble and quiz on the Constitution of India. The portal was launched on the occasion of **National Constitution Day**. (Click here to read the article)
- KVIC Chairman Shri Manoj Kumar inaugurated the ambitious Reducing Human Attacks using Honey Bees (Re-Hab) Project. Re-Hab Project was inaugurated under the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (Ministry of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises, Government of India). (Click here to read the article)

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   As part of the National Milk Day celebrations, Animal Quarantine Certification Services was organized in Bengaluru by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairying. Department of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Fisheries Animal Husbandry
- Husbandry, and Dairying. Department of Animal Husbandry, Ministry of Fisheries Animal Husbandry and Dairying celebrated National Milk Day on 26th November 2022. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- India will formally take over the G-20 presidency from 1st December 2022. Several events are to take place across the country including the lighting of 100 monuments with the G-20 logo to mark the occasion. (Click here to read the article)

#### **States in the News**

- In a bid to ensure complete eradication of anaemia problem among women and children in **Odisha**, Chief Minister **Naveen Patnaik** has launched **AMLAN**-'Anaemia Mukta Lakhya Abhiyan' in the state. The state has formulated a multi-pronged approach for accelerated reduction of anaemia among targeted groups. The programme will be rolled out in **55,000 government and government aided schools and 74,000** Anganwadi Centres across the state. (Click here to read the article)
- Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar launched the Har Ghar Gangajal Project in Rajgir. The Har Ghar Gangajal Project is a unique and ambitious initiative to provide Ganga water on tap in the parched areas of the state. The Har Ghar Gangajal Project will help to harvest the excess water of the Ganga during the monsoon season. The water will be stored in reservoirs in **Rajgir and Gaya** before being channeled to three treatment-andpurification plants. (Click here to read the article)
- Indore with a strong environmental record is planning to issue the nation's first local government bond targeting individual investors, with proceeds used to fund a solar power project. (Click here to read the article)



- CEO & CCO of McCann Worldgroup India, Prasoon Joshi has been appointed by Uttarakhand Government as the state's brand ambassador. Padma Shri awardee Prasoon Joshi is currently the Chairman of the Central Board of Film Certification (Censor Board). (Click here to read the article)
- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M K Stalin has inaugurated an industrial park at Eraiyur in Tamil Nadu's Perambalur district. He also laid the foundation stone for the Phoenix Kothari Footwear Park. The inauguration of the 243.39-acre park of the State Industries Promotion Corporation of Tamil Nadu (Sipcot) followed an announcement in the 2022-23 budget session that new parks would be set up in Coimbatore, Perambalur, Madurai, Vellore and Tiruvallur districts. (Click here to read the article)
- Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) in partnership with Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR) and the Goa government will organize the International Lusophone Festival in Goa from 3-6 December. It will be inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Goa, Pramod Sawant at Durbar Hall in Raj Bhavan. (Click here to read the article)
- 23rd Hornbill Festival 2022 begins at Naga Heritage Village Kisama in Nagaland. Nagaland's famous Hornbill Festival is scheduled from 1st December to 10th December 2022. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar graced the inaugural function of the festival as the Chief Guest. (Click here to read the article)
- The **Meghalaya cabinet** has approved a policy aimed at addressing the issues of mental health and social care through collaborative engagement with communities. The **Meghalaya Mental Health & Social Care Policy** was approved at the cabinet meeting, chaired by the Chief Minister. In **2014**, the Centre launched the first-ever **National Mental Health Policy** in an attempt to provide universal psychiatry care. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- A polling booth located in a remote forest area of **Gir Somnath district in Gujarat** recorded 100 per cent voting after its lone voter cast his vote in the first phase of the state Assembly elections. The area is part of Una Assembly constituency, which went to polls along with 88 other seats in the state. **The Election Commission (EC)** had set up a polling booth at Banej village located inside Gir forest so that the only voter there can exercise his franchise. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)

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- China organized the first high-level China-Indian Ocean Region Forum on Development Cooperation, with 19 countries from the region except for India. The event was quietly held along with many other events including the 6th China-South Asia expo, and the China-Indian Ocean region thinktank forum in a hybrid format in Kunming, showcasing China's continuing quest for a larger presence and role in the strategically important Indian Ocean. (Click here to read the article)
- The **Biden administration** has banned approvals of new **telecommunications equipment from China's Huawei Technologies and ZTE** because they pose "an **unacceptable risk**" to **U.S. national security.** (Click here to read the article)
- India has decided to send a utility helicopter unit to the Multidimensional Integrated Stabilisation Mission in Mali (MINUSMA). Bangladesh and Pakistan, each, will also send an armed helicopter unit to this operation. (Click here to read the article)
- UN panel has recommended that Australia's Great Barrier Reef should be listed as a World Heritage site that is in danger. The UN also informed that the world's biggest coral reef ecosystem was significantly impacted by climate change and the warming of oceans. (Click here to read the article)
- Indian Army is training dogs and Kites (Cheel), to identify and destroy the drones. Hostile elements from **Pakistan** are sending drugs, arms, and ammunition to India through drones which are creating a security problem for India. Jammu and Kashmir police recovered a consignment of weapons and Indian currency that were dropped by a Pakistani drone in the Samba district of Jammu on 24th November 2022. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Agreements/MoUs Signed**

- The **Bureau of Indian Standards** (BIS) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the top six **engineering institutes of India** for introducing **Indian standards** as an integral part of the curriculum. This initiative is towards institutionalizing engagement of BIS with eminent institutes to secure active participation of academia. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- Yes Bank has signed a Share Purchase Agreement (SPA) with JC Flowers Asset Reconstruction Company (ARC), acquiring a 9.9 percent stake in the ARC at Rs 11.43 per share on 28th November 2022. A subsequent acquisition of the additional shareholding of 10 percent is subject to requisite regulatory approvals. (Click here to read the article)

• A book on the popular forest conservation campaign Chipko Movement, written by historian-activist Shekhar Pathak, was named the winner of the Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay NIF Book Prize 2022. Translated from Hindi by Manisha Chaudhry, "The Chipko Movement: A People's History" was selected from a diverse shortlist of five books covering a wide expanse of modern Indian history and encompassing distinct topics and perspectives. (Click here to read the article)

**Books and Authors** 

British writer Katherine Rundell's biography "Super-Infinite: The Transformations of John Donne" was named winner of the 50,000 pound (\$59,000) Baillie Gifford Prize at a ceremony in London. Rundell's book was a unanimous choice by the six judges from among 362 books submitted for the prize. The book argues that Donne, best known four centuries after his death for a poem that begins "No man is an island" – is "a writer perhaps as great as Shakespeare, and a writer we should all read for his writing on love, sex and death." (Click here to read the article)

#### **Banking/Economy/Business News**

- Over seven years since launch, borrowers of Mudra loans essentially micro and small enterprises have paid their EMIs (equated monthly instalments) to banks. Non-performing assets of banks for Mudra loans including those extended during the Covid-19 pandemic when small enterprises were the worst hit are lower than the average NPAs of the sector as a whole, data obtained under the Right to Information Act reveals. (Click here to read the article)
- Mutual funds (MFs) have to pay dividend to unitholders in seven working days after declaration of record date. In a circular issued, SEBI said the record date will be two working days from the issue of public notice on dividend payment. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- Risk and vulnerability management company TAC Security announced that it is the official cyber security partner for the stock exchange-BSE. (<u>Click here to read</u> the article)
- S&P Global Ratings cut India's economic growth forecast for the current fiscal year ending March to 7 per cent as against 7.3 per cent projected earlier. S&P has also cut the growth forecast for 2023 to 6 per cent from 6.5 per cent as projected earlier. Subsequently, for FY24, GDP growth was downgraded by 50 basis points to 6%. The Indian economy grew 8.5 per cent in 2021. (Click here to read the article)





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- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has for now declined to entertain Paytm Payments Services' (PPSL), a wholly owned subsidiary of Paytm, application for an authorisation to provide payment aggregator services for online merchants. The central bank has advised PPSL to resubmit its application within 120 days after taking certain steps. (Click here to read the article)
- India's milk production has registered a monumental growth in the last eight years as it has increased by 83 Million Tonnes. In 2013-14, the production was 138 Million Tonnes which increased to 221 Million Tonnes in 2021-22. (Click here to read the article)
- Capital markets regulator SEBI came out with a uniform format for reporting over-the-counter (OTC) trades in listed non-convertible securities. The development comes after Sebi observed that information on OTC trades in listed non-convertible securities provided to the stock exchanges by the investors is incomplete and inaccurate. (Click here to read the article)
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs 1.25 crore on Zoroastrian Cooperative Bank, Bombay, for non-compliance with RBI directions on 'Discounting of Bills by UCBs Restricted Letters of Credit' and the provisions of the Co-operative Banks Rules, 1985. This penalty had been imposed in the exercise of powers vested in RBI, the central bank said in a statement. (Click here to read the article)
- Singapore Airlines (SIA) and Tata Sons announced that they have agreed to merge Air India and Vistara, with SIA getting a 25.1 per cent stake in the merged entity at an investment of Rs 2,058.5 crore (\$250 million) in Air India as part of the transaction. (Click here to read the article)
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) announced a trial for retail digital rupee (e ₹-R) beginning 1 December, with four banks in as many cities participating in the pilot programme, a month after testing the wholesale central bank digital currency (CBDC). While it has identified eight banks for gradual participation in the pilot, the first phase will begin with four: State Bank of India, ICICI Bank, Yes Bank and IDFC First Bank. (Click here to read the article)
- Tamilnad Mercantile Bank has entered into bancassurance partnerships with Cholamandalam MS General Insurance Company Ltd, part of the Chennaibased Murugappa Group, and Max Life Insurance Company to provide general insurance products and life insurance schemes respectively to TMB's customers. (Click here to read the article)

- State Bank of India plans to raise Rs 10,000 crore worth of infrastructure bonds during the current financial year. SBI confirmed the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Central Board of State Bank of India to seek approval for raising infrastructure bonds to Rs 10,000 crore through public issues or private placement. (Click here to read the article)
- News Broadcaster New Delhi Television Ltd (NDTV) promoter firm RRPR Holding announced that it has transferred shares constituting 99.5 percent of its equity capital to Adani group-owned Vishvapradhan Commercial (VCPL). The transfer of shares will give Adani Group control over a 29.18 percent stake in NDTV. They are also open to offer for another 26 percent stake in the media film. (Click here to read the article)
- **TurtleFin**, India's leading insurtech platform, has partnered with **YES BANK**, one of the leading private sector banks in India, to create a comprehensive technology platform **EasyNsure**. Turtlefin's distinctive API will power the platform to offer a bouquet of holistic insurance solutions on a single platform. (<u>Click here to</u> <u>read the article</u>)
- Goods and Services Tax (GST) collections for the month of November 2022 stood at Rs 1,45,867 crore, according to the data shared by finance ministry. The revenue for the month of November are 11% higher than the GST revenue in the same month last year, which itself was Rs 1,31,526 crore. The gross GST revenue collected in November 2022 came in at Rs 1,45,867 crore of which CGST is Rs 25,681 crore, SGST is Rs 32,651 crore, IGST is Rs 77,103 crore (including Rs 38,635 crore collected on import of goods) and Cess is ₹10,433 crore (including Rs 817 crore collected on import of goods). (Click here to read the article)

### **Appointments/Resignations**

- Union Health Ministry designated Padma Shri, Khel Ratna Arjuna Awardee and the President of the Paralympic Committee of India, **Dr. Deepa Malik** as **Nikshay Mitra** ambassador in New Delhi. It is an initiative under Pradhan Mantri TB Mukt Bharat Abhiyaan. (<u>Click here to</u> <u>read the article</u>)
- **PT Usha** was elected to become the president of the **Indian Olympics Association** (IOA). The **Minister of Law and Justice of India** announced on Twitter to congratulate the legendary Indian athletes. PT Usha becomes the first woman president of the IOA. (Click here to read the article)



 Indian-origin German citizen, Gurdeep Singh Randhawa has been appointed to the Thuringia state Christian Democratic Union (CDU) party presidium in Germany. Randhawa has been an active member of the CDU and has served in the party for several years now. Earlier in August, Gurdeep Singh Randhawa was elected as the first representative of the Indian community in Germany. (Click here to read the article)

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- BSE Ltd announced that the market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has approved Sundararaman Ramamurthy as the managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO) of the exchange. The top position was vacant since July when the then MD & CEO Ashish Kumar Chauhan resigned from the post to join the National Stock Exchange (NSE). (Click here to read the article)
- Andhra Pradesh cadre IAS officer and former health secretary, Preeti Sudan has took the oath of office and secrecy as Member, UPSC. The oath was administered to her by the UPSC chairman Dr Manoj Soni. (Click here to read the article)
- A senior journalist, Ravish Kumar has resigned from NDTV according to news sources. This comes just a day after the channel's founders and promoters Prannoy Roy and Radhika Roy resigned from their positions as directors on the board of RRPR Holding Private Limited (RRPRH). (Click here to read the article)
- **Prasanth Kumar,** CEO, South Asia of GroupM Media (India) Pvt Ltd, has been elected as the president of the **Advertising Agencies Association of India (AAAI).** He has an experience of over 25 years in the Industry. Before joining GroupM, he held positions at Pepsi, The Hindu, The Media Edge, and McCann Erickson. He has served as AAAI's vice president from 2020 to 2022. (<u>Click here to</u> <u>read the article</u>)
- IAS Sanjay Kumar took charge as Secretary of the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education in Shashtri Bhawan in New Delhi. Sanjay Kumar, a 1990-batch Bihar cadre IAS officer, was a former Secretary, Department of Youth Affairs, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. He replaced Anita Karwal IAS upon her superannuation. (Click here to read the article)
- The Institute of Cost Accountants of India said that **Vijender Sharma** has been elected as the **new president** and **Rakesh Bhalla** as **vice-president for 2022-23**. The institute, which is a statutory body set up under an Act of Parliament, comes under the administrative control of Union Ministry of Corporate Affairs. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)

Government of India had appointed Rajeeva Laxman Karandikar. Professor Emeritus at Chennai Mathematical Institute as the part-time (CMI), chairperson of the National Statistical Commission (NSC) of India for a period of three years. He will take up this role as an additional responsibility while continuing as Professor Emeritus at CMI. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Defence News**

- The **14th edition of Aero India** will be held from February 13-17, 2023 at the **Air Force Station in Yelahanka, announced the Ministry of Defence (MoD)**. The previous edition of the **biennial event** was held in a hybrid model in 2021 due to Covid as there were several restrictions in place. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- 'Ikshak' is the third of the four Survey Vessels (Large SVL) Project, being built by GRSE/L&T for the Indian Navy was launched on 26th November 2022 at Kattupalli, Chennai. Ikshak made her first contact with the water of the Bay of Bengal at 1040 hours. The launch ceremony was felicitated by VAdm MA Hampiholi, Flag Officer Commanding in Chief, Southern Naval Command. (Click here to read the article)
- The bilateral training exercise "AUSTRA HIND 22" between contingents of the Indian Army and the Australian Army begins at Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Rajasthan. The exercise will continue till 11th of December. This is the first exercise in the series of AUSTRA HIND with participation of all arms and services contingent from both armies. (Click here to read the article)
  - India Malaysia joint military Exercise "Harimau Shakti -2022" commenced at Pulai, Kluang, Malaysia on 28th November and will culminate on 12th December 22. The joint exercise schedule includes the establishment of a joint command post, joint surveillance centre, sharing expertise in employment of aerial assets, technical demonstrations, casualty management & casualty evacuation apart from planning logistics at the Battalion level. (Click here to read the article)





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- In a first, four US Army officers part of the 11th Airborne Division were promoted high up on Nanda Devi, India's second-highest Himalayan peak, during the 18th edition of India-US joint military exercise 'Yudh Abhyas' in Uttarakhand. Capt. Cerruti, Lt. Russell, Lt. Brown and Lt. Hack became the first four USArmy Officers to be promoted in the Himalayas during Yudh Abhyas Exercise. (Click here to read the article)
- Indian Army's Sudarshan Chakra Corps carried out Exercise Sudarshan Prahar in the deserts of Rajasthan. The exercise focussed on the synergised application of combat power through the integration of force multipliers & practising new battle techniques in an integrated all arms environment showcasing high level of professionalism and offensive spirit. (Click here to read the article)
- The 12th Edition of Exercise Agni Warrior, a bilateral exercise between the Singapore & Indian Army, which had commenced on 13 November 2022 concluded at Field Firing Ranges, Devlali (Maharashtra). Exercise Agni Warrior, involved showcasing joint firepower planning, execution and use of New Generation Equipment by the Artillery arm of both armies. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Awards and Recognitions**

- e-Panchayat Mission Mode Project (eGramSwaraj and AuditOnline) of Ministry of Panchayati Raj has won the GOLD AWARD under the category "Excellence in Government Process Re-engineering for Digital Transformation" of the National Awards for e-Governance. (Click here to read the article)
- Team Purple, with its newly minted "Dear Diary" was named the winner of the 75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow talent campus, a segment of the International Film Festival of India. The winning film "Dear Diary" told a story of a woman who is forced to confront her past trauma when she meets with her sister, who wants to visit the same venue where her abuse previously took place. (Click here to read the article)
- Union Minister of State for Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, and Dairying **Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan** conferred the **National Gopal Ratna Award** to the farmers, Cooperatives, and technicians involved in Artificial Insemination for their exemplary contribution towards milk production in **India**. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- The 5-day long Film Bazaar concluded at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa with Bangladesh feature film 'Agantuk' being named the winner of the Prasad DI award. The Biplob Sarkar-

directed movie was screened in the Viewing Room section, which presents Indian and South Asian films looking for film festivals, world sales, distribution partners and also finishing funds. (<u>Click here to read the</u> <u>article</u>)

- Rashtrakavi Kuvempu Prathishtana Kuppali has selected Tamil poet V Annamalai aka Imayam for the Kuvempu National award for the year 2022 at the Kuvempu's 118th birth anniversary program on December 29 at Kuppali in Thirthahalli taluk. (Click here to read the article)
- Vice President Jagdeep Dhankar and Union Textile Minister Piyush Goyal honored Mohammad Yusuf Khatri with a gold medal and Tamra Patra at Vigyan Bhawan. Mohammad Yusuf Khatri of the Dhar district of Madhya Pradesh has been awarded the Shilp Guru Award for the year 3017 for the conservation of the legacy of Bagh Print handicrafts. (Click here to read the article)
- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Vastu Sangrahalaya (CSMVS) was conferred with the 'Award of Excellence' at the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) Asia-Pacific Awards for Cultural Heritage Conservation-2022. (Click here to read the article)
- Iranian film **Nargesi** by Director Payam Eskandari has won the **ICFT-UNESCO Gandhi Medal at the 53rd edition of International Film Festival of India**, given for a film that best reflects Mahatma Gandhi's ideals of peace, tolerance and non-violence. (<u>Click here to read the</u> <u>article</u>)
- Avani Lekhara, who won two medals at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympics, was recognized as the Para Sports Person of the Year, while Shrey Kadyan was recognized as the Special Sportsperson of the Year. Best Male Coach to R.B. Ramesh and Best Female Coach to Nonita Lal Qureshi. (Click here to read the article)
- South Korea's Mina Sue Choi was crowned Miss Earth 2022 during the pageant's coronation night on November 29 at Cove Manila, Okada Hotel, Parañaque City. There were 86 Eco-warriors, and only three queens were awarded the pageant's three elements titles. Miss Fire 2022 is Andrea Aguilera of Columbia, Miss Water 2022 is Nadeen Ayoub of Palestine, and Miss Air 2022 is Sheridan Mortlock of Australia. During the pre-pageant activities, Choi bagged a few medals too. She won resort wear, long gown, beach wear, and swimsuit competition. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Summit and Conference**

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- Udaipur is gearing up to host the first G20 Sherpa Meeting in India from 4 to 7 December. The meeting is aimed at fostering growth and building bonds amongst the member nations. Among the highlights will be the depiction of Indian culture with wall paintings and illumination of heritage sites across the city. (Click here to read the article)
- The seventh edition of the Global Technology Summit is to be held till the 1st of December in New Delhi in a hybrid format. The Global Technology Summit is India's annual flagship event on Geotechnology and is cohosted by the Ministry of External Affairs and Carnegie India. The inaugural session of the Summit would be a conversation with External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar on geo-digital and its effects. (Click here to read the article)
- India has assumed the Presidency of the UN Security Council for the month of December. It is the second time in its two-year tenure as an elected member of the UN Security Council that India has assumed the Presidency of the Council. India had earlier assumed the Presidency of the UNSC in August 2021. (Click here to read the article)

## **Ranks and Reports**

 A study report, titled 'Carbon Capture, Utilisation, and Storage Policy Framework and its Deployment Mechanism in India', was released. The report explores the importance of Carbon Capture, Utilisation, and Storage as an emission reduction strategy to achieve deep decarbonization from the hard-to-abate sectors. The report outlines broad level policy interventions needed across various sectors for its application. (Click here to read the article)



 Mumbai stood at 22nd rank in a global index that measures annual price appreciation of premium residential properties, according to Knight Frank. In its report on 'Prime Global Cities Index Q3 (July-September) 2022', Property consultant Knight Frank said that all three Indian cities: Mumbai, Bengaluru and New Delhi, registered an increase in average annual prices in the third quarter of 2022. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Sports News**

- Young Indian boxers Vishwanath Suresh, Vanshaj, and Devika Ghorpade recorded a commanding 5-0 win to bag gold at the IBA Youth Men's and Women's World Boxing Championships 2022 in La Nucia, Spain. Vishwanath won India's first gold at the championship after defeating Ronel Suyom of the Philippines in the men's 48kg final. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- Indian players won **men's and women's singles**, mixed doubles, doubles, and team titles in **USIC International Railway Sports Association Table Tennis Championship**. The Table Tennis Championship was organized by Northwestern Railway Sports Association under the aegis of the **Railway Sports Promotion Board** from 21st November to 25th November 2022 in Jaipur. (Click here to read the article)
- Canada won their first Davis Cup title after Felix Auger-Aliassime beat Australia's Alex de Minaur by 6-3, 6-4 in the second match of the finals. Felix Auger-Aliassime, who is world number six, had to guard against three break points in the first set but also found his rhythm in the eighth game. (Click here to read the article)
- The Madras Boating Club women won the 81st Annual Madras-Colombo Rowing Regatta, which was held in Colombo, Sri Lanka. The 81st Annual Madras-Colombo Rowing Regatta was held on 26th November 2022, and they were awarded the Adyar Trophy. The Men's category was bagged by Colombo Rowing Club, and they were awarded Deepam Trophy. (Click here to read the article)
- Ruturaj Gaikwad hit a world record seven sixes in the 49th over of Maharashtra's Vijay Hazare Trophy quarter-final against Uttar Pradesh in Ahmedabad, Gujarat. Rituraj Gaikwad, playing for Maharashtra, became the first batsman in List-A cricket to hit 7 sixes in an over in the quarter-finals. In the 49th over of the innings, he scored 43 runs including 7 sixes on left arm spinner Shiva Singh. (Click here to read the article)



- FIFA has announced that Stephanie Frappart of France will be the first woman to referee a men's' World Cup match. She will officiate the match to be played between Germany and Costa Rica in Group E on 2 December 2022. France's Frappart is one of three women referees among the 36 selected for the tournament in Qatar, alongside Rwandan official Salima Mukansanga and Japan's Yoshimi Yamashita. (Click here to read the article)
- National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA India) is hosts an Inclusion Conclave for the first time to sharpen the focus on anti-doping education and processes for athletes with disabilities. Secretary Department Sports Smt. Sujata Chaturvedi, UN Resident Coordinator Shombi Sharp and WADA Asia-Oceania Regional Office Manager, Kenny Lee will address the conclave. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- The third T20 World Cup Cricket Tournament for the Blind will be held from December 5 to 17, 2022 in India. The participating countries of the World Cup 2022 are Australia, Bangladesh, Nepal, Pakistan, South Africa, Sri Lanka and India. Around 150 players from all countries will participate in the tournament and there will be a total of 24 matches across nine cities in India. The tournament is being organised to mark the World Disability Day celebrations universally. The inauguration of the World Cup on December 5 at Tau Devi Lal Indoor Stadium, Gurugram. Former India batter Yuvraj Singh is the brand ambassador of the tournament. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Schemes and Committess News**

- 'Nai Chetna', is a month-long campaign envisioned as a 'Jan Andolan' or people's movement. The 'Nai Chetna' campaign is launched by the Ministry of Rural Development and involves sensitizing women, especially in rural areas. It seeks to enable women to acknowledge, prepare, and take support in situations of comprise. (<u>Click</u> here to read the article)
- Capital markets regulator Sebi has set up a high-level panel to review the takeover norms in a move to simplify and strengthen the current rules by adopting appropriate global practices. Also, the regulator will assess the current rules in the light of past judicial pronouncements and various informal guidelines issued by the capital markets regulator. (Click here to read the article)
- Ministry of Power has launched a scheme for procurement of aggregate power of 4500 MW for five years under SHAKTI Policy. The Ministry said that the scheme will help states that are facing power shortage and help generation plants to increase their capacities. (Click here to read the article)

- Union Minister of Power and New & Renewable Energy,
  R.K. Singh inaugurated REC's CSR initiative for procurement, operation and maintenance of 10 Mobile Health Clinics (MHC) 'Doctor Apke Dwar' at Sadar Hospital, Aarah, Bhojpur District Bihar. The project aims to facilitate operational expenditure for three years for smooth functioning. The total cost of the project is Rs. 12.68 crore. (Click here to read the article)
- The Central government on December 1 launched its facial recognition system DigiYatra at Delhi, Bangalore and Varanasi airports, which will allow domestic passengers to seamlessly travel without an identification card. The Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia launched the service at Delhi's Indira Gandhi International Airport. (Click here to read the article)

#### Science and Technology News

- Telangana's IT and Industries Minister K T Rama Rao on said the state will have the country's first integrated rocket design, manufacturing and testing facility in Hyderabad by Skyroot Aerospace. (<u>Click here to read</u> the article)
- India's first private launchpad and mission control center has been established within the ISRO campus at Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota. The launchpad is designed and operated by Chennai-based space-tech startup AgniKul Cosmos. The facility was inaugurated by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) Chairman and Secretary in the Department of Space, S Somanath, on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022. (Click here to read the article)
- The World Health Organisation has changed the name of the disease Monkeypox to Mpox, as they receive complaints about the word Monkeypox conjuring up racist tropes and stigmatizing patients. The recommendation follows outbreaks that began about six months ago in Europe and the United States. (Click here to read the article)
- NASA's Artemis 1 Orion Capsule has set a new space flight record for spacecraft designed to carry humans by traveling 4,01,798 kilometers from Earth. The record was previously held by Apollo 13 which logged the record on 14th April 1970 by traveling 400,171 kilometers. (Click here to read the article)
- Bharat Biotech International Limited (BBIL) announced that iNCOVACC (BBV154), has received approval from the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) under Restricted Use in Emergency Situations for ages 18 and above, in India, for heterologous booster doses. (Click here to read the article)



Three Indian-origin women are among 60 scientists, technologists, engineers, and mathematicians who have been selected as Australia's Superstars of STEM. This initiative aims to smash society's gender assumptions about scientists and increase the public visibility of females and non-binary people. This year among those recognised as Superstars of STEM include three Indianorigin women: Neelima Kadiyala, Dr Ana Baburamani, and Dr Indrani Mukherjee. Female scientists of Sri Lankan descent have also been chosen for distinction, in addition to Indians. (Click here to read the article)

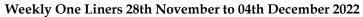
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## **Important Days News**

- National Cadet Corps (NCC), the largest uniformed youth organisation in the world raised in 1948, will celebrate its 74th anniversary on November 27, 2022. To mark the occasion, Defence Secretary Shri Giridhar Aramane laid a wreath and paid homage to the fallen heroes on behalf of the entire NCC fraternity at National War Memorial, New Delhi on November 26, 2022. NCC Day is observed on the fourth Sunday of November. (Click here to read the article)
- November 29 is marked as the International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People every year. Since 1978, the United Nations has commemorated the day as a way to express solidarity with the people of Palestine while the peace and resolution process remains stalled. (Click here to read the article)
- Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare is commemorated on November 30 every year. This internationally marked day was adopted by the United Nations to remember the victims of chemical warfare. (Click here to read the article)
- Commemorating the day one of the most significant space missions to Mars was launched, November 28 is marked as Red Planet Day. After 3 previous attempts, Spacecraft Mariner 4 became the first successful flyby of Mars. The spacecraft was launched on November 28, 1964, and reached Mars on July 14, 1965. (Click here to read the article)



- International Jaguar Day was created to raise awareness about the increasing threats facing the jaguar and the critical conservation efforts ensuring its survival. Observed annually on **November 29**, International Jaguar Day celebrates the Americas' largest wild cat as an umbrella species for biodiversity conservation and an icon for sustainable development and the centuries-old cultural heritage of Central and South America. (<u>Click</u> <u>here to read the article</u>)
- Every year, on **1 December**, the world commemorates **World AIDS Day**. People around the world unite to show support for people living with and affected by HIV and to remember those who lost their lives to AIDS. The World AIDS Day theme for 2022 is **"equalize"**. (Click here to read the article)
- India celebrates the 58th BSF Raising Day (1st December) in 2022. This is for the first time that the Raising Day Parade of India's first line of defense is being held in Punjab and the second time outside the national capital. (Click here to read the article)
- The International Day for the Abolition of Slavery is celebrated, each year, on December 2. The day is observed to remind us of the evils of enslavement, forced labour, child labour, and sexual exploitation and trafficking and to eliminate slavery practised in our time. (Click here to read the article)
- **December 2** is observed as **International Computer Literacy Day.** It was started in 2001 by NIIT, a worldfamous Indian computer firm. The day is entirely devoted to Computers and how they are a significant source of concern with the modernisation of the planet. (<u>Click here</u> to read the article)
- **National Pollution Control Day** is observed every year on 2 December in India. The day is recognized to commemorate the precious lives that were lost in the Bhopal Gas Tragedy, one of the greatest industrial disasters in the history of India. The incident happened on the night of **2 and 3 December 1984**, and that is why the National Pollution Control Day is observed annually on 2 December. (Click here to read the article)
- December 3rd is celebrated as the International Day of Persons with Disabilities, worldwide. The day is observed to highlight issues that affect people with disabilities and to champion their well-being, their dignity and fundamental rights. The theme of International Day of Persons with Disabilities, this year, is "Transformative solutions for inclusive development: the role of innovation in fuelling an accessible and equitable world". (Click here to read the article)



# BANKERS Week Obituaries

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- Veteran Bollywood actor **Vikram Gokhale** passed away recently at the age of 77. He was seen in many popular Bollywood movies like Hum Dil De Chuke Sanam, Mission Mangal, Aiyaary, Bhool Bhulaiya, and others. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- India's automotive industry stalwart and **Toyota Kirloskar Motor** vice chairperson, **Vikram S Kirloskar** has passed away. He was 64. Toyota Kirloskar Motor (TKM), which sells a range of vehicles, is a joint venture between the Japanese auto major Toyota Motor Company and the Kirloskar Group. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- Jiang Zemin, former President of China who presided over more than a decade of economic growth after the 1989 Tiananmen crackdown against pro-democracy protester, passed away at the age of 96 in Shanghai, China. He died from leukemia and multiple organ failure. Jiang Zemin was born in 1926 in Yangzhou, Jiangsu province, China. (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)

## **Miscellaneous News**

- The Tamil Nadu Government, issued a notification declaring Arittapatti and Meenakshipuram villages in Madurai district the first biodiversity heritage site in the State. The site comprising 139.63 hectares in Arittapatti village (Melur block) and 53.8 hectares in Meenakshipuram village (Madurai East taluk) will be known as the Arittapatti Biodiversity Heritage site. (Click here to read the article)
- The world's largest active volcano erupted in Hawaii for the first time in four decades. Mauna Loa erupted at 11.30 pm according to the U.S. Geological Survey. It was the first eruption since 1984. The eruption began in Moku'aweoweo, the summit caldera of Mauna Loa, inside the Hawaii Volcanoes National Park. (<u>Click here to read</u> the article)
- 'Yaanam,' a non-feature film, was screened under the Indian Panorama section at the 53rd edition of the International Film Festival at Goa. It is based on the autobiographical book "My Odyssey: Memoirs of the Man Behind the Mangalyaan Mission" by former space chairman Padma Bhushan Dr K. Radhakrishnan. 'Yaanam' movie portrays India's dream project Mars Orbiter Mission (Mangalyaan). (<u>Click here to read the article</u>)
- The US dictionary publisher **Merriam-Webster** announced that their 2022 word of the year is "gaslighting" or as Merriam-Webster defines it, "the act or practice of grossly misleading someone especially for one's own advantage." (<u>Click here to read the</u> article)

- The Himalayan Yak has been approved as a 'food animal' by the Food Safety and Standard Authority of India (FSSAI). The move is expected to help slow the decline of the high-altitude bovine animal population by incorporating it into the conventional milk and meat industries, according to an official at the National Research Centre (NRC) on Yak in Dirang, West Kameng district, Arunachal Pradesh. (<u>Click here to read the</u> <u>article</u>)
- Airline EasyJet and Aircraft Engine maker Rolls-Royce announced that they have successfully tested a hydrogen-powered aircraft engine, which is described as the World's First for aviation. They had set a new aviation milestone with the world's first run of a modern aero engine on hydrogen in a test carried out on land earlier this month. (Click here to read the article)

#### **Static Takeaways**

- Christian Democratic Union Founder: Konrad Adenauer;
- Christian Democratic Union Founded: 26 June 1945, Berlin, Germany;
- Christian Democratic Union Headquarters: Berlin, Germany.
- Odisha Governor:Ganeshi Lal;
- Odisha Capital: Bhubaneswar;
- Odisha Chief minister: Naveen Patnaik.
- Malaysia Capital: Federal Territory of Kuala Lumpur;
- Malaysia Prime minister: Anwar Ibrahim.
- FICCI President: Sanjiv Mehta;
- FICCI Founded: 1927;
- FICCI Headquarters: New Delhi;
- FICCI Founder: Ghanshyam Das Birla.
- FSSAI Founded:5 September 2008;
- FSSAI Headquarters: New Delhi;
- FSSAI Chairperson: Rita Teaotia.
- UPSC Chairperson:Manoj Soni;
- UPSC Founded: 1 October 1926;
- UPSC Founder: Government of the United Kingdom.
- BSF Director General: Pankaj Kumar Singh;
- BSF Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Tamil Nadu Capital: Chennai;
- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister: M K Stalin;
- Tamil Nadu Governor: R N Ravi.
- Meghalaya Capital: Shillong;
- Meghalaya Chief Minister: Conrad Kongkal Sangma;
- Meghalaya Governor: B. D. Mishra (additional charge).
- Goa Capital: Panaji;
- Goa Chief Minister: Pramod Sawant;
- Goa Governor: S. Sreedharan Pillai.
- Nagaland Capital: Kohima;

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- Nagaland Chief Minister: Neiphiu Rio;
- Nagaland Governor: Jagdish Mukhi.
- Gujarat Capital: Gandhinagar;
- Gujarat Governor: Acharya Devvrat;
- Gujarat Chief minister: Bhupendrabhai Patel.
- National Anti-Doping Agency Headquarters: New Delhi;
- National Anti-Doping Agency Founded: 24 November 2005;
- National Anti-Doping Agency DG: Ritu Sain.
- United Nations Security Council Headquarters: New York, United States;
- United Nations Security Council Founded: 24 October 1945.
- United Nations Secretary-general: António Guterres;
- United Nations Headquarters: New York, United States;
- United Nations Founded: 24 October 1945.
- Institute of Cost Accountants of India Founded: 28 May 1959;

- Institute of Cost Accountants of India Headquarters: Kolkata, India.
- National Statistical Commission Formed: 1 June 2005;
- National Statistical Commission Headquarters: New Delhi.



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