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# **IMPORTANT DAYS**

#### **NATIONAL IMPORTANT DAYS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>
December 1	57th Raising Day of The Border Security Force (BSF)	-
	59th Statehood Day of Nagaland	-
December 2	National Pollution Prevention Day	-
December 4	Indian Navy Day	Swarnim Vijay Varsh
December 7	Armed Forces Flag Day	-
December 7	Mahaparinirvan Diwas	-
December 12	Manipur observes Nupee Lal Day	-
December 14	National Energy Conservation Day	-
December 16	50th Vijay Diwas	-
December 19	Goa Liberation Day	-
December 21	Indian Army celebrates 38th Corps Day of Judge Advocate General's Department	-
December 22	National Mathematics Day in India	-
December 23	National Farmer's Day	
December 24	Consumer Rights Day or Bharatiya Grahak Diwas	Tackling plastic pollution
December 25	Good Governance Day	-











#### **INTERNATIONAL IMPORTANT DAYS**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>
December 1	World AIDS Day	-
December 2	International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	-
December 3	International Day of Disabled Persons, also called the International Day of Persons with Disabilities	Leadership and participation of persons with disabilities toward an inclusive, accessible and sustainable post-COVID-19 world
December 4	International Day of Banks	-
December 5	International Volunteer Day	Volunteer now for our common future
	World Soil Day	Halt soil salinization, enhance soil production
December 6	Maitri Diwas	-
December 7	International Civil Aviation Day	Advancing Innovation for Global Aviation Development
December 8	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Charter Day	-
December 9	International Anti- Corruption Day	Your right, your role: say no to corruption
December 10	Human Rights Day	Equality, Reducing inequalities, advancing human rights
December 11	International Mountain Day	Sustainable mountain tourism
	UNICEF Day	-
December 12	International Universal Health Coverage Day	Leave No One Behind When It Comes to Health: Invest in Health Systems for All
	International Day of Neutrality	-
December 15	International Tea Day	-
December 17	International Day to End Violence Against Sex Workers	-

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Theme</u>
	International Migrants Day	Harnessing the Potential
	International Wilgrants Day	of Human Mobility
December 18	World Arabic Language	Arabic Language, a bridge
	Day	between civilisations
	Minorities Rights Day	1
December 20	International Human	
December 20	Solidarity Day	-
December 27	International Day of	
December 27	Epidemic Preparedness	-

# **SPORTS**

# RETIREMENT Cricket

- Harbhajan Singh Veteran spinner retires from all forms of cricket.
- Ross Taylor Retirement from International cricket.
- Quinton de Kock South Africa wicket-keeper batter announced his retirement from Test cricket with immediate effect.

# GRAND PRIX Saudi Arabian Grand Prix

Rank	Name	Country	Car company
1	Lewis Hamilton	UK	Mercedes
2	Max Verstappen	Netherlands	Red Bull
3	Valtteri Bottas	Finland	Mercedes

#### The Abu Dhabi Grand Prix

Rank	Name	Country	Car company
1	Max Verstappen	Netherlands	Red Bull
2	Lewis Hamilton	UK	Mercedes
3	Carlos Sainz Jr.	Spain	Formula One

### COMPETITION Cricket

- Virat Kohli first player to record 50 international wins in each format of the game
- Australia opener David Warner + West Indies all-rounder Hayley Matthews The men's and women's ICC Players of the Month of November after their superlative performances

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 Himachal Pradesh - beat Tamil Nadu to win maiden domestic title in Vijay Hazare Trophy

#### Hockey

- India win over Thailand in Women's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy
- Punjab beat Uttar Pradesh to clinch the 11th Hockey India Senior Men's National Championship 2021 title
- Asian Champions Trophy India beat Pakistan 4-3 to win bronze medal
- Uttar Pradesh Junior National Championship 2021

#### Shooting

- Haryana's Manu Bhaker the women's 10m air pistol champion for the second successive time, shooting 241.6 in the final of the ongoing 64th National Shooting Championship
- Divyansh Panwar Both senior and junior Air Rifle National titles.

#### **Athletics**

 Anju Bobby George - the Woman of the Year Award by World Athletics for grooming talent in the country and advocating gender equality

#### **Boxing**

 The International Boxing Association - a new era for the sport as the federation changed its acronym from AIBA to IBA

#### Rowing

 Asian Rowing Championships - Arjun Lal Jat and Ravi win Gold in Men's Doubles Sculls; Parminder Singh bags Silver in Men's Singles Sculls

#### Squash

Malaysia - the Asian Team Men's Squash Championships

#### Snooker

Pankaj Advani – 11th National Billiards title.









#### **Badminton**

TotalEnergies BWF World Championships 2021

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Men's	Loh Kean Yew	Srikanth Kidambi	Lakshya Sen ( India)
singles	(Singapore)	(India)	Anders Antonsen (Denmark)
Women's	Akane Yamaguchi	Tai Tzu-ying	He Bingjiao ( China)
singles	(Japan)	(Chinese Taipei)	Zhang Yiman (China)
Men's	Takuro Hoki (Japan)&	He Jiting (China)	Ong Yew Sin (USA) & Teo Ee Yi (USA)
doubles	Yugo Kobayashi (Japan)	oki (Japan)a   8.	Kim Astrup (Denmark) & Anders Skaarup Rasmussen (Denmark)
Women's doubles	Chen Qingchen(China) & Jia Yifan(China)	Lee So-hee (South Korea) & Shin Seung- Chianchan (South Korea)	Mayu Matsumoto (Japan)& Wakana Nagahara (Japan)  Kim So-yeong (South Korea) & Kong Hee-yong (South Korea)
Mixed doubles	Dechapol Puavaranukroh (Thailand) & Sapsiree Taerattanachai (Thailand)	Yuta Watanabe (Japan) & Arisa Higashino (Japan)	Kyohei Yamashita (Japan) & Naru Shinoya (Japan) Tang Chun Man (Hong Kong) & Tse Ying Suet (Hong Kong)

Haryana's Nitesh Kumar - doubled gold tally as the 4th Para-Badminton National Championship came to an end











#### **Events**

- Guangzhou, China The sixth edition of the World Athletics Relays 2023
- Odisha host Para-Badminton National championship
- Moodbidri The 81st All India Inter-University Athletics Championship will be held from January 4 to January 7

#### **Others**

- 16 medals the Asia Youth Para Games in Bahrain
- Neeraj mascot in the first ever 'Kerala Olympic Games', slated to be held in February 2022
- The National Dope Testing Laboratory (NDTL) regained the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) accreditation

# **OBITUARY**

#### Writer/Author

- Vinod Dua a Hindi broadcast journalism pioneer with stints in Doordarshan and NDTV.
- Politician
- Konijeti Rosaiah Former Governor of Tamil Nadu and former Chief Minister of the unified State of Andhra Pradesh.
- Karolos Papoulias Former Greek President.
- Mahendra Prasad Rajya Sabha MP from Bihar.

#### **Sports**

- Eileen Esh World's oldest former Test cricketer
- Kanai Sarkar Former India International goalkeeper.

#### **Others**

- Sarada Menon India's first woman psychiatrist and Founder of the Schizophrenia Research Foundation.
- Bipin Rawat Chief of Defence Staff General.
- GT Nanavati Justice (retd), who headed Gujarat riots panel.
- K.P. Geethakrishnan Former Union Finance Secretary and India's representative at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) in the 1990s.
- Desmond Tutu Anti-apartheid icon who won the Nobel Prize.









# **RANKING**

#### **NATIONAL RANKING**

- IFFCO 'number one Cooperative' among the top 300 cooperatives in the world
- Maharashtra topped the list of States with maximum number of beneficiaries under the Atmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana (ABRY)

# Most employable talent in 2022 State Wise High Employability:

Rank	State
1	Maharashtra
2	Uttar Pradesh
3	Kerala
4	West Bengal
5	Karnataka

#### **City wise High Employability:**

Rank	City	State
1	Pune	Maharashtra
2	Lucknow	Uttar Pradesh
3	Trivandrum	Kerala
4	Kolkata	West Bengal
5	Bangalore	Karnataka

# Most innovative institutions as selected by CII

Rank	Institution
1	IIT Roorkee
2	IIT Madras
	Indian National Centre for Ocean
3	Information Services, Hyderabad
	(INCOIS)

# 2021 Wizikey News Score ranking as India's most visible corporate in the media

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Rank	Company
1	Reliance Industries
2	State Bank of India
3	Bharti Airtel
4	Infosys
5	Tata Motors

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#### **Good Governance Index 2021**

# Released By: NITI Aayog

Rank	State
1	Gujarat
2	Maharashtra
3	Goa

Sectors	Group A	Group B	NE & Hill States	UTs
Agriculture & Allied Sector	Andhra Pradesh	Madhya Pradesh	Mizoram	D & N Haveli
Commerce and Industry	Telangana	Uttar Pradesh	J&K	Daman & Diu
Human Resource Development	Punjab	Odisha	Himachal Pradesh	Chandigarh
Public Health	Kerala	West Bengal	Mizoram	A & N Island
Public Infrastructure and Utilities	Goa	Bihar	Himachal Pradesh	A & N Island
Economic Governance	Gujarat	Odisha	Tripura	Delhi
Social Welfare and Development	Telangana	Chhattisgarh	Sikkim	D & N Haveli
Judiciary and Public Safety	Tamil Nadu	Rajasthan	Nagaland	Chandigarh
Environment	Kerala	Rajasthan	Manipur	Daman & Diu
Citizen Centric Governance	Haryana	Rajasthan	Uttarakhand	Delhi
Composite	Gujarat	Madhya Pradesh	Himachal Pradesh	Delhi

# The implementation of the Shyama Prasad Mukherji Rurban Mission

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Rank	State
1	Telangana
2	Tamil Nadu
3	Gujarat









# **Atal Innovation Rankings 2021**

Institute of National Importance, Central Universities & CFTIs:

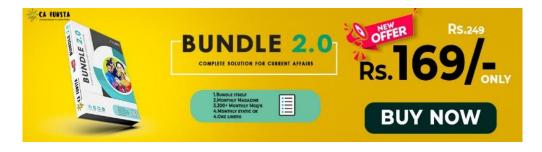
Rank	Institute	
1	IIT-Madras	
2	IIT-Bombay	
3	IIT-Delhi	
4 IIT, Kanpur		
5	IIT-Roorkee	
6	IISc	
7	IIT-Hyderabad	
8 IIT-Kharagpur		
9 NIT-Calicut		
10	Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology	

# In government and government-aided universities:

Rank	Institute			
1	Panjab University			
2	Delhi Technological University			
3	Netaji Subhas University of Technology			
4	Chaudhary Charan Singh Haryana Agricultural University			
E	Avinashilingam Institute For Home Science And Higher			
5	Education For Women			
6	Institute of Chemical Technology			
7	Gujarat Technological University			

# Govt. and Govt. Aided College/Institutes:

Rank	Institute		
1	College of Engineering Pune		
2	PSG College of Technology		
3	L. D. College of Engineering		
4	Thiagarajar College of Engineering		
5	Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute		











#### **Private or Self-Financed Universities:**

Rank	Institute			
1	Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology Khordha			
2	Chitkara University			
3	Lovely Professional University			
4	S.R.M. Institute of Science And Technology			
5	Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University			

# **Private or Self-Financed College/Institutes:**

Rank	Institute			
1	G H Raisoni College of Engineering, Nagpur			
2	R.M.K. Engineering College			
3	KIET Group of Institutions			
4	Sri Krishna College of Engineering And Technology			
5	Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology			

### Institute of National Importance, Central Universities & CFTIs (non-technical):

Rank	Institute			
1	Indira Gandhi National Open University			
2	Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode			

# General (Non-Technical): Top 5 Ranks

Rank	Institute		
1	Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India		
2	Sree Narayana College		
3	Mahatma Gandhi University		
4	PSG College of Arts And Science		
5	Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli		

# INTERNATIONAL RANKING World's most expensive city to live in

### Released by: EIU

Rank	City	Country
1	Tel Aviv	Israel
2	Zurich	Switzerland
3	Hong Kong	Hong Kong

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# 100 global companies to have gone public

#### Fastest:

Company	Sector	Mcap (\$ bn)	Founded in	IPO in	Gap (yrs)
HDFC Bank	Banking	133.70	1994	1995	1
Kweichow Moutai	Beverage	327.55	1999	2001	2
Texas Instruments	Tech	176.04	1951	1953	2
Amazon	E- Commerce	1.69	1994	1997	3
AMD	Tech	127.53	1969	1972	3
AMGEN	Health	121.29	1980	1983	3
Intel	Tech	213.80	1968	1971	3
The Home Depot	Retail	349.04	1978	1981	3

# Slowest:

Company	Sector	Mcap (\$ bn)	Founded in	IPO in	Gap (yrs)
Hermes	Luxury Goods	156.36	1837	1999	162
Philip Morris	Tobacco	156.07	1847	2008	161
Goldman Sachs	Investment	131.47	1869	1999	130
Berkshire Hathaway	Insurance/Investment	618.28	1839	1965	126
Linde	Chemicals	154.90	1879	2002	123
Bank of China	Banking	129.29	1912	2006	94
PFIZER	Health	246.49	1849	1942	93
United Parcel	Logistics	163.55	1907	1999	92
Merck & Co.	Health	181.71	1891	1980	89
Honeywell	Holding Company	148.66	1906	1993	87

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# Air Quality Index (AQI)

# **Most Polluted City Ranking:**

Rank	City
1	Lahore
2	Ghaziabad
3	Delhi

# 100 global arms manufacturers in 2020

Released By: SIPRI

Company		
Lockheed Martin		
Raytheon Technologies		
Boeing		
Northrop Grumman		
General Dynamics		
Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)		
Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)		
Indian Ordnance Factories		

# Forbes' rankings of 100 most powerful women of the world

Rank	Person	
1	Mackenzie Scott	
2	Kamla Harris	
3	Christine Lagarde	
37	Nirmala Sitharaman	
52	Roshni Nadar Malhotra	
72	Kiran Mazumdar Shaw	
88	Falguni Nayar	

#### **Asia Power Index 2021**

Released by: Lowy Institute.

**Countries: 26** 

Rank	Country	
1	USA	
2	China	
3	Japan	
4	India	









#### **List of Fortune India's Most Powerful Women**

Rank	Person	
1	Nirmala Sitharaman	
2	Nita Ambani	
3	Soumya Swaminathan	
4	Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw	
5	Suchitra Ella	

# **Burgundy Private Hurun India 500 companies list**

Rank	Company			
1	Reliance Industries			
2	Tata Consultancy Services			
3	HDFC Bank			
4	Infosys			
5	ICICI Bank			

#### **World Talent Ranking Report 2021**

Released by: International Institute for Management Development (IMD) World Competitive Centre.

Rank	Country
1	Switzerland
2	Sweden
3	Luxembourg
4	Norway
5	Denmark
56	India

#### 2021 Global Health Security Index

Released by: **The John Hopkins Centre for Health Security** at Johns Hopkins University and Nuclear Threat Initiative.

Rank	Country
1	USA
2	Australia
3	Finland
4	Canada
5	Thailand
66	India









#### World's Most Admired Men list for 2021

Released by: YouGov

Rank	Personality	
1	Barack Obama	
2	Bill Gates	
3	Xi Jinping	
4	Cristiano Ronaldo	
5	Jackie Chan	
8	Narendra Modi	
12	Sachin Tendulkar	
14	Shah Rukh Khan	
15	Amitabh Bachchan	
18	Virat Kohli	

#### World's biggest doping violators in WADA's latest report

Rank	Country	
1	Russia	
2	Italy	
3	India	

#### List of countries with the most number of unicorns

Released by: Hurun Research Institute

Rank	Country	
1	US	
2	China	
3	India	

# **BANKING AND FINANCE**

# **BANKING**

#### **RBI**

- RBI GDP growth at 9.5%, inflation at 5.3% for 2021-22.
- RBI Scheduled bank status for Paytm Payments Bank.
- RBI Come out with PCA framework for NBFCs, new norms kick in from Oct, 2022.
- RBI Authorises RBL Bank to collect indirect taxes
- RBI Empanel CSB Bank to undertake banking biz of central, state govts.
- RBI Extend card tokenisation deadline by 6 months till Jun-end
- RBI released the 2020-21 iteration of its report on 'Trend and Progress of Banking in India'

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- RBI Extend restrictions on PMC Bank for 3 months till March 2022.
- RBI Extends deadline for periodic KYC update till March 31.

#### **Penalty**

Organisation	Amount	Bank	Reason
	Rs 1 crore	One Mobikwik	non-compliance of
		Spice Money	norms
RBI	₹30 Lakh	MUFG Bank Ltd	non-compliance with its directions on 'Loans and Advances – Statutory and Other Restrictions'

# PUBLIC BANKS State Bank of India

- SBI + Usha International Empowering women entrepreneurs.
- State Bank of India + Adani Capital co-lending to farmers for purchase of tractor and farm implements, to increase efficiency in farm operations and productivity of crops
- SBI Contribute Rs. 10 Cr To Armed Forces Flag Day Fund.

# **Punjab National Bank**

 Punjab National Bank – Pnb Pride-Crmd Module Tool, An Android-Based Application For Differently-Abled Employees.

#### Bank of Baroda

- Ashok Leyland + Bank of Baroda Vehicle financing.
- Bank of Baroda bob World Wave, a wearable payment solution

#### **Bank of Maharashtra**

- Bank of Maharashtra + NPCI Launch Contactless Credit Card on RuPay Platform.
- Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) WhatsApp banking service for its customers as well as non-customers.















#### Central Bank of India

- Central Bank of India+ U GRO Capital Co-lending; aim to disburse Rs 1,000 cr to MSMEs.
- Central Bank of India + NPCI A tailor-made offering for firms/corporates 'Central Bank of India RuPay Business Platinum Debit Card'.

# PRIVATE BANKS Axis Bank

- Axis Bank + Swift digitise trade banking
- Paisabazaar.com + Axis Bank Pre-Qualified Program for Personal Loans.

#### **Bandhan Bank**

Tata Motors + Bandhan Bank - Passenger vehicle finance.

#### **Catholic Syrian Bank**

FSS + CSB Bank – Hyperlocal banking services to boost financial inclusion.

#### **City Union Bank**

• NPCI + CUB - 'On-the-Go' wearable keychain for debit card customers.

#### **Federal Bank**

 Federal Bank + Star Health and Allied Insurance Co Ltd - a corporate agent to provide health insurance products to the lender's 8.9 million customers spread over 1,291 banking outlets across the country

#### **HDFC Bank**

HDFC Bank + IPPB – Deliver banking services in semi-urban, rural areas.

#### **IndusInd Bank**

- IndusInd Bank + NPCI Simplify cross-border remittances through UPI.
- IndusInd Bank launch of 'Green Fixed Deposits' where the deposit proceeds will be used to finance projects and firms supporting the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

#### **Kotak Mahindra Bank**

- Kotak Mahindra Bank + Worldline enable EMIs on its debit cards
- Kotak Mahindra Bank + IndiGo offer co-branded credit cards









#### **RBL Bank**

RBL Bank – Extend co-branded credit cards partnership with Bajaj Finance for 5 years

#### **INSURANCE**

- Aditya Birla Health Insurance a new plan called Activ Health Essential, an affordable health solution plan for the special health needs of senior citizens
- Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Ltd + Vasai Vikas Sahakari Bank Ltd –
  Strategic alliance to provide the bank's customers access to a range of insurance
  solutions.
- Bajaj Allianz General Insurance '#Care4Hockey' campaign
- Liberty General Insurance + CSC e-Governance Services India Expand Rural Reach.
- Edelweiss General Insurance + PhonePe Offer quick and easy, digital motor insurance products to all its customers.
- ICICI Lombard + Clove Dental offer OPD, dental insurance
- Karnataka Gramin Bank + Care Health Insurance Ltd market health insurance products for customers of the bank across 22 districts of Karnataka
- Oriental Insurance Co Categorised as public shareholder in Axis Bank.

#### SMALL FINANCE BANK

- Shivalik Small Finance Bank + Indiagold Launch India's First Loan Against Digital Gold.
- ESAF Small Finance Bank ESAF TReDS (Financing Trade Receivable Electronic Discounting System) for discounting bills using a TReDS platform.
- Equitas SFB Empanelled as Maharashtra govt banking partner.
- NSDL Payments Bank Limited + Indipaisa launch a new Fintech platform targeting India's flourishing 63 million SME sector

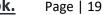
#### **WORLD BANK**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
93 Billion	support aid for poorest nation to recover from Covid-19 crisis

#### **ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
\$500 million	help India improve education quality
\$350 million	improve urban services in India
USD 291 million	Himachal Pradesh Project
\$112 million	skill development varsity in Assam
USD 1 Million	JFPR for Assam skill university

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#### **SEBI**

 SEBI – Sign enhanced multilateral MoU of International Organization of Securities Commissions.

#### SIDBI

• SIDBI + The Government of West Bengal – Develop the MSME ecosystem.

#### **European Investment Bank**

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Euro 250 million	Agra Metro Rail project

#### **OTHERS**

- Paytm + the Directorate of General Training (DGT) train 6,000 individuals over a period of three years in the rapidly growing fintech industry
- PhonePe Health insurance for first-time buyers.
- Worldline The launch of its 'Tokenisation Solution' to enable businesses to meet RBI norms on online card data storage.
- SBI Cards fitness-focused credit card that offers welcome gift and access to gyms
- PhonePe the first payments platform to tokenise cards on all three major payment networks – Visa, Mastercard and Rupay
- Paytm the launch of Wealth Academy, a tech-powered educational platform
- NIPL + Western Union Enable real-time cross-border money transfers
- India + Germany Development Bank 442.26 mn loan pact for Surat Metro Rail Project.
- Mastercard + Google Pay Tokenisation for card-based payments.
- NPCI + Udemy Business Upskill employees
- Pine Labs 'Plural Tokenizer' to help firms with RBI norms.
- National Stock Exchange 'NSE Prime' to raise corporate governance bar.
- SBI Cards and Payment Services + Paytm Card tokenisation to protect data of the cardholders.

# **BUSINESS AND ECONOMY**

#### **AIRTEL**

- Airtel + Invest India 'Innovation Challenge'; invite 5G, IoT solutions from start-ups.
- Bharti Airtel + TCS 5G-based remote robotic operations









#### **OTHERS**

- Meta + CBSE Provide training on digital citizenship to 10 mn students.
- CSC + Infosys Upskill 6 cr citizen in rural India.
- Adani Enterprises Ganga expressway project, India's largest, in UP.
- Tata Power contract from SECI for solar project in Chhattisgarh
- Tally Solutions + Amazon Web Services 'TallyPrime'.
- ITC + Invest India Crowdsource innovative ideas for single-use plastic substitution
- Cars24 + Bajaj Finance Provide financing to used car buyers.

# **ACQUISTION AND MERGERS**

<u>Company</u>	Acquire company	Percent stake	<u>Amount</u>
Adda247	StudyIQ Education	-	Rs 150 cr
Wipro	Edgile	-	\$230 million
IOCL	Indian Gas Exchange	4.93	-

 Competition Commission of India (CCI) - Tata Group's acquisition of Air India, Air India Express and Air India SATS Airport Services

# **BOOKS AND AUTHORS**

<u>Book</u>	<u>Author</u>	<u>Published</u>	Released by
Raj Kapoor: The	Rahul Rawail	_	
Master at Work	Natiul Nawali	_	Venkaiah Naidu
Gandhitopi	Shri Yarlagadda		venkalan Naluu
Governor	Lakshmi Prasad	-	
The Monk Who			
Transformed Uttar			
Pradesh: How Yogi			
Aditynath Changed	Shantanu Gupta	Garuda Prakashan	-
UP Waala Bhaiya'			
abuse to a Badge			
of Honour			
Gajapati: A king	Ashok Bal		Naveen Patnaik
without a kingdom	ASHOK Bal	-	inaveen Pathaik

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Barkat: The Inspiration and the Story Behind One of World's Largest Food Drives FEED INDIA	Vikas Khanna	Penguin Random House India	-
Spices Statistics at a Glance 2021	-	Directorate of Arecanut and Spices Development	Narendra Singh Tomar
Dr. V.L. Dutt – Glimpses of a Pioneer's Life Journey	V.L. Indira Dutt.	-	-

# **APPOINTMENTS**

#### **NATIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
Dr S Chandrashekhar	Secretary	Department of Science and Technology (DST)	-
Durga Shankar Mishra	chief secretary	Uttar Pradesh	Rajendra Kumar Tiwari
Harjinder Singh	India's Chef de Mission for Beijing Winter Olympics	-	-
Justice Sanjaya Kumar Mishra	acting chief justice of HC	Uttarakhand	Chief Justice Raghvendra Singh Chauhan
M M Naravane	Chairman	Chiefs of Staff Committee	Bipin Rawat
Mohit Jain	President	Indian Newspaper Society (INS)	Lakshmipathy Adimoolam
Pradip Shah	Chairman	National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARCL)	-





<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
	Member	Badminton World	
PV Sindhu		Federation's (BWF)	
PV Siliuliu		Athletes'	-
		Commission.	
Caniau Arara	Director Conoral	Sashastra Seema	
Sanjay Arora	Director General	Bal (SSB)	-
Sanjay Kumar Singh	Secretary	Steel	-
Sanjeev Kaushal	chief secretary	Haryana	Vijai Vardhan
Sanjiv Mehta	President	FICCI	Uday Shankar

#### **INTERNATIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>designation</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
Catherine Russell	Head	UNICEF	-
Chandra Pal Singh Yadav	President	International Cooperative Alliance Asia- Pacific (ICA-AP)	-
Dame Sandra Mason	President	Barbados	-
Dr. Anupam Ray	Ambassador and Permanent Representative of India	the United Nations Conference on Disarmament, Geneva	-
Gabriel Boric	President	Chile	-
Mohammed Ben Sulayem	President	Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA)	-
Naomi Kawase	Goodwill Ambassador for Cultural and Creative Industries	UNESCO	-
Rajnish Kumar	strategic group advisor	OYO	-
Xiomara Castro	President	Honduras	-

#### AMBASSADORS/HIGH COMMISSIONERS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	Country/ Organization
Pradeep Kumar Rawat	India's new envoy	China







#### **BRAND AMBASSADORS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organisation</u>	
Smriti Mandhana	GUVI	
Jasprit Bumrah	UNIX	
Amitabh Bachchan	Legends League Cricket	
Rishabh Pant	Uttarakhand's brand ambassador	

#### **BANKING APPOINTMENTS**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Designation</u>	<u>Bank</u>	<u>Replaced</u>
Aarati Krishnan	Member	MF advisory panel	-
Atul Kumar Goel	MD & CEO	Punjab National	S. S. Mallikarjuna
Atui Kuillai Goei	IVID & CEO	Bank	Rao
Baldev Prakash	MD & CEO	Jammu & Kashmir	R K Chhibber
Daluev Flakasii	IVID & CLO	Bank	K K Cililibbei
H O Suri	MD & CEO	IFFCO-TOKIO	
H O Sull		General Insurance	-
Ittira Davis	MD & CEO	Ujjivan Small	_
Ittiia Davis	IVID & CEO	Finance Bank	-
Rajeev Ahuja	MD & CEO	RBL Bank	Vishawvir Ahuja
Rajiv Anand	Deputy MD	Axis Bank	-
Soma Sankara	MD & CEO	UCO Bank	Atul Kumar Goel
Prasad	IVID & CEU	OCO Balik	Atui Kuillal Goel

#### **COMMITTEE**

Person name	<u>Committee</u>	<u>Board</u>	<u>Members</u>
	Revisit Criteria For Determining Economically Weaker Sections	Government	3
Madhabi Puri Buch	detect early market anomalies	SEBI	7











# **AWARDS**

#### **NATIONAL AWARDS**

<u>Person</u>	Award Name	<u>Category</u>	Given by	<u>Details</u>
V Praveen Rao	Dr M S Swaminathan Award for the period 2017-19	-	-	-
Nizamuddin Basti project	Award of Excellence, and another award in the Special Recognition for Sustainable Development category	-	UNESCO	-
ESAF Small Finance Bank Limited	Honorable mention in the Global SME Finance Awards 2021	the Best Bank for Women Entrepreneurs category	US-based SME Finance Forum	-
Ratan Tata	Assam's highest civilian award 'Assam Baibhav'	-	-	-
Anu Malik + Udit Narayan	Bharat Ratan DR APJ Abdul Kalam Award 2021	-	-	-
Damodar Mauzo	57th Gyanpeeth Award for the year 2022	-	-	-
22nd Missile Vessel Squadron of the Indian Navy	President's Standard	-	-	-
Neena Gupta	'2021 DST-ICTP- IMU Ramanujan Prize for Young Mathematicians from developing countries'	-	-	-

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	Royal Gold			
Balkrishna	Medal 2022, one			
Doshi	of the world's	-	-	-
Boom	highest honours			
	for architecture			
Kumar	Global		The Indus	
Mangalam Birla	Entrepreneur of	-	Entrepreneurs	-
	the year		'	
N: Ob	SJFI Sportsman			
Neeraj Chopra	of the Year	-	-	-
	award			
	Industrial innovations at			
33 awards	DST CII			
33 dwdius	Technology	-	-	-
	Summit 2021.			
Pune	Raksha Mantri's			
Cantonment	Award for	_	_	_
Board	Excellence.			
Dodia	Agri-			
	Entrepreneur			
Haryana	Krishak Ratan	-	-	-
	Award-2021			
	Prestigious			
	Golden Peacock			
SAIL	Environment	-	-	-
	Management			
	Award 2021			
	Top position in			
Bank of Baroda	Digital	_	_	_
Dalik Of Daloua	Payments for	_	_	_
	2020-21			
GMR Hyderabad	National Energy			
International	Conservation	-	-	-
Airport Ltd	Award			
	'Most Effective			
	Bank-Fintech			
Vayana	Partnership' at			
Network +	IBSi-Global	-	-	-
Federal Bank	Fintech			
	Innovation			
	Awards-2021.			

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HDFC Life Insurance	21st ICSI National Awards for Excellence in Corporate Governance	The Best Governed Company Listed Segment Large Category	-	-
Dr Anil Prakash Joshi	The Mother Teresa Memorial Award for Social Justice 2021	-	-	-
HDFC Bank	CII award for 'Most Innovative Best Practice'	-	-	-
M.K. Stalin	Ambedkar Sudar Award	-	-	-
Dr Jitendra Matlani	Bharat Gaurav Award	-	-	-
Alia Bhatt	PETA India's 2021 'Person of the Year'	-	-	-

### **INTERNATIONAL AWARDS**

<u>Person</u>	Award Name	<u>Category</u>	Given by	<u>Details</u>
	BWF Male			
Viktor Axelsen	Player of the	-	-	-
	Year			
	BWF Female			
Tai Tzu Ying	Player of the	-	-	-
	Year			
Ash Barty	2nd WTA Player			
ASII Daily	of Year	-	-	-
India's Harnaaz	Miss Universe			
Sandhu	2021	-	-	-
Conchita	WTA Coach of			Spanish former
Martinez	the Year	-	-	tennis player
	Time			
Elon Musk	Magazine's			
	Person of the	-	-	-
	Year 2021			

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Emma Raducanu	BBC's sports personality of	-	-	-
Nauucanu	the year			

#### **2021 Paralympics Awards**

- Diede de Groot (Netherlands) Best Female Athlete.
- Marcel Hug (Switzerland) Best Male Athlete.
- Adam Peska (Czech Republic) Best Male Debut.
- Wheelchair Rugby (United Kingdom) Best Team.
- Viktoriya Potapova (Russia) BP Courage Award.
- Dr Anja Hirschmueller (Germany) Best Official
- Avani Lekhara Best Female Debut honour

#### Sahitya Akademi Award 2021:

- 1. Anuradha Sarma Pujari (Assamese)
- 2. Bratya Basu (Bengali)
- 3. Mwdai Gahai (Bodo)
- 4. Raj Rahi (Dogri)
- 5. Namita Gokhale (English)
- 6. Daya Prakash Sinha (Hindi)
- 7. DS Nagabhushana (Kannada)
- 8. Wali Mohd Aseer Kashtawari (Kashmiri)
- 9. Sanjiv Verenkar (Konkani)
- 10. George Onakkoor (Malayalam)
- 11. Kiran Gurav (Marathi)
- 12. Chhabilal Upadhyaya (Nepali)
- 13. Hrushikesh Mallick (Odia)
- 14. Khalid Hussain (Punjabi)
- 15. Meethesh Nirmohi (Rajasthani)
- 16. Vindeshwariprasad Mishr "Vinay" (Sanskrit)
- 17. Niranjan Hansda (Santali)
- 18. Arjun Chawla (Sindhi)
- 19. Ambai (Tamil)
- 20. Gorati Venkanna (Telugu)

The Yuva Puraskar for Tamil will be declared at a later date, and there will be no award in Rajasthani this year, the statement said.









#### **Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2021:**

- 1. Mrinal Chandra Kalita (Assamese)
- 2. Sunirmal Chakraborty (Bengali)
- 3. Ratneshwar Narzary (Bodo)
- 4. Narsingh Dev Jamval (Dogri)
- 5. Anita Vaccharajani (English)
- 6. Devendra Mewari (Hindi)
- 7. Basu Bevinagida (Kannada)
- 8. Majeed Majazi (Kashmiri)
- 9. Sumedha Kamat Desai (Konkani)
- 10. Anmol Jha (Maithili)
- 11. Raghunath Paleri (Malayalam)
- 12. Ningombam Jadumani Singh (Manipuri)
- 13. Sanjay Wagh (Marathi)
- 14. Sudarsha Ambatey (Nepali)
- 15. Digaraj Brahma (Odia)
- 16. Kirti Sharma (Rajasthani)
- 17. Asha Agarwal (Sanskrit)
- 18. Sova Hansda (Santali)
- 19. Kishin Khubchandani "Ranjayal" (Sindhi)
- 20. Mu. Murugesh (Tamil)
- 21. Devaraju Maharaju (Telugu)
- 22. Kausar Siddiqui (Urdu)

# Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2021:

- 1. Abhijit Bora (Assamese)
- 2. Gourob Chakraborty (Bengali)
- 3. Gautom Daimary (Bodo)
- 4. Arun Akash Dev (Dogri)
- 5. Megha Majumdar (English)
- 6. Drashti Soni (Gujarati)
- 7. Himanshu Vajpai (Hindi)
- 8. L.Lakshmi Narayan Swamy (Kannada)
- 9. Razi Tahir Bhagat (Kashmiri)
- 10. Sharddha Garad (Konkani)
- 11. Amit Mishra (Maithili)
- 12. Mobin Mohan (Malayalam)
- 13. Lenin Khmancha (Manipuri)
- 14. Pranav Sakhadeo (Marathi)









- 15. Mahesh Dahal (Nepali)
- 16. Debabrata Das (Odia)
- 17. Veerdavinder Singh (Punjabi)
- 18. Swetapadma Satapathy (Sanskrit)
- 19. Kuna Hansdah (Santali)
- 20. Rakesh Shewani (Sindhi)
- 21. Thagulla Gopal (Telugu)
- 22. Umar Farhat (Urdu)

# **SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY**

# IIT IN NEWS IIT MADRAS

Tata Power + IIT Madras - Collaborate on R&D, training, tech solutions.

#### **IIT KANPUR**

IIT-Kanpur – Portable device for soil testing.

#### **IIT DELHI**

 IIT Delhi + Indian Air Force - find indigenous solutions towards various defenserelated projects.

#### **SPACEX**

- SpaceX Rocket carrying 48 Starlink Internet, 2 BlackSky satellites.
- SpaceX 52 Starlink satellites from California base.

#### **NASA**

- NASA Indian-origin physician Anil Menon as one of astronauts for future missions.
- NASA revolutionary space telescope to give glimpse of early universe.

#### **Others**

- India Launch its maiden human space mission 'Gaganyaan' in 2023.
- China New camera satellite with high resolution to find resources.
- OneWeb 36 satellites into orbit from Kazakhstan.
- Iran Satellite-carrying rocket into space.









# **INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS**

#### Russia

- Russian navy Hypersonic missile capable of flying at nine times the speed of sound
- India + Russia 2+2 Ministerial dialogue begins in Delhi.
- Russia New nuclear-powered icebreaker 'Sibir'.
- Russia Test-fires new hypersonic Tsirkon missiles from frigate, submarine.

#### **Slovenia**

India, Slovenia – 8th Foreign Office Consultations

#### **UAE**

- Dubai world's first govt to become 100% paperless
- UAE \$100 Billion for investment and infrastructure creation in India.

#### **Vietnam**

India + Vietnam – 12 MoUs to strengthen trade, investment ties.

#### **Pakistan**

Pakistan – Successfully test-fires 'enhanced range version' of Babar cruise missile.

#### <u>Japan</u>

Japan – World's first dual-mode vehicle.

#### **Egypt**

Egypt – Member of New Development Bank of BRICS.

#### **Exercises**

 Kadhdhoo Island, Maldives – The 11th edition of Exercise EKUVERIN between India and Maldives.

#### Sri Lanka

Sri Lanka – Partner countries at Vibrant Gujarat Summit.









#### **India related News**

- India joins G20 Troika, to assume presidency in December 2022
- India co-chairs Global Methane Initiative Steering Leadership Meeting
- India Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters between India and Poland.

#### <u>Others</u>

- UN General Assembly Observer Status to International Solar Alliance
- UNESCO 'Durga Puja in Kolkata' on intangible heritage list.
- Chief of Air Staff (CAS) Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari A four-day visit to South Korea to further enhance bilateral military ties.

# **NATIONAL AFFAIRS**

Prime Minister and also in-charge of Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space, All important policy issues and All other portfolios not allocated to any Minister - Narendra Modi

- PM Modi InFinity Forum a thought leadership Forum on FinTech.
- PM Modi Aiims, Fertiliser Plant In Up's Gorakhpur.
- PM Modi Saryu canal project in UP's Balrampur.
- Narendra Modi Addressed a function on "Depositors First: Guaranteed Time-bound Deposit Insurance Payment up to Rs. 5 Lakh".
- Narendra Modi first phase of Kashi Vishwanath Dham in Varanasi
- Narendra Modi foundation stone laying of MaaUmiya Dham Development Project in Gujarat
- Narendra Modi Foundation stone of 594-km long Ganga Expressway in UP's Shahjahanpur district.
- PM Modi Inaugurate, lay foundation stone for development projects worth Rs 870 cr in Varanasi.
- PM Modi Kanpur Metro Rail and Bina-Panki Pipeline projects.
- PM Modi Inaugurate and lay foundation stone of 23 projects worth over Rs 17500Cr in Uttarakhand.









# <u>Defence - Rajnath Singh</u>

- Ministry of Defence + IITE, Gandhinagar Training of 800 Sainik School teachers.
- Rajnath Singh GIS-Based automatic water supply system for Cantonment Boards.
- Rajnath Singh Multi-agency HADR exercise PANEX-21 in Pune.
- Rajnath Singh Brahmos missile manufacturing unit in Lucknow.
- Rajnath Singh 27 infra projects built by BRO in four States, two UTs.
- Home Affairs and Cooperation –Amit Shah
- Road Transport and Highways Nitin Jairam Gadkari

The Union Road transport ministry + IIT Madras + MapmyIndia – Driver and road safety technologies space, and jointly launched free-to-use-navigation app service for people.

Nitin Gadkari – 'Rozgar Sarathi online job portal', promoted by NGO Sarthak, which promises to provide private as well as government jobs for persons with disabilities (PwD's).

# Finance & Corporate Affairs - Nirmala Sitharaman

 Ministry of Corporate Affairs + Financial Intelligence Unit-India – Data exchange between the two organisations.

# <u>Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and Textiles</u> <u>Piyush Goyal</u>

Piyush Goyal – 'Meghalayan Age' store in New Delhi.

# Ports, Shipping and Waterways and AYUSH - Sarbananda Sonowal

Sarbananda Sonowal – The River Cruise Services at the Marmugao Port in Goa.

# Social Justice and Empowerment - Dr. Virendra Kumar

- Dr Virendra Kumar Scheme for Residential Education for Students in High Schools in Targeted Areas (SRESHTA) for socio-economic upliftment and overall development of Scheduled Castes students.
- Virendra Kumar National Helpline Against Atrocities in New Delhi









#### Rural Development and Panchayati Raj - Giriraj Singh

- Giriraj Singh National Generic Document Registration System and Banadhikar mobile app in Tripura.
- Giriraj Singh The Report titled 'Localization of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through Panchayati Raj Institutions'
- Ministry of Rural Development + Flipkart Empower SHGs producers through Flipkart Samarth programme.
- Shri Giriraj Singh MIS portal for rankings of States/UTs in Land Acquisition Projects.

#### **Minister of State for Communications**

 Devusinh Chauhan – release a commemorative postage stamp on the Mahindra group to mark 75 years of the company

#### Minister of Law and Justice of India

Kiren Rijiju – The Parliamentarian sports competition.

#### Power and New and Renewable Energy - Raj Kumar Singh

- Petroleum and Natural Gas and Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri
- MoHUA + UNDP Strengthening Waste Management Sector in India under Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0.
- Housing and Urban Affairs the 'Azadi@75 Star Rating Protocol of Garbage Free Cities- Toolkit 2022', the most important governance tool of waste management – the Star Rating Protocol for Garbage Free Cities.

# Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying - Parshottam Rupala

 The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying + Startup India - the second edition of 'Animal Husbandry Startup Grand Challenge' at an event celebrating 'National Milk Day' in Anand, Gujarat

# <u>Information and Broadcasting & Youth Affairs and Sports – Anurag Singh Thakur</u>

• Anurag Singh Thakur - the first-ever national-level Khelo India Women's Hockey League (Under 21) at the Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium in New Delhi









#### MINISTERS OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE)

Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Science and Technology;
Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Earth Sciences; Minister of
State in the Prime Minister's Office; Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel,
Public Grievances and Pensions; Minister of State in the Department of Atomic
Energy; and Minister of State in the Department of Space – Dr. Jitendra Singh

- Dr Jitendra Singh 7th India International Science Festival in Goa.
- Dr. Jitendra Singh Good Governance Week (20-25 December, 2021) to showcase and replicate the best governance practices at Grassroots level.

# **STATES**

#### **Andhra Pradesh**

- Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy 'Jagananna Sampoorna Gruha Hakku' scheme on his 49th birthday
- YS Jagan Mohan Reddy The Jagananna Palavelluva- AP Amul project in Krishna district virtually.

#### Goa

- Goa Electricity Mobility Promotion Policy to promote e-vehicle usage.
- Pramod Sawant Pink Force of State Police for enhancing safety and security of women and children.

### **Gujarat**

- Ajol village in Gujarat India's first 5G technology trials for rural broadband.
- Gujarat 'Nadi Utsav' to honour rivers, raise awareness about their protection.

# <u>Haryana</u>

- Haryana Khel Nursery Scheme to promote sports in state.
- Haryana Drive to prevent drug consumption across state.

#### **Himachal Pradesh**

Himachal CM – Kullu 'Atal Gyan Kendra'.

#### **Jharkhand**

- Hemant Soren "Hamar Apan Budget" and a mobile application prepared by the state finance Department.
- Jharkhand + ISB Empower state's forest economy.









#### Madhya Pradesh

Walmart + Flipkart + Madhya Pradesh govt – Support MSMEs.

#### Maharashtra

- Mahindra group + Maharashtra government Set up multiple vehicle-scrapping units.
- Maharashtra Chalo mobile application as well as Chalo smart cards.

#### **Nagaland**

Nagaland govt – Create three new districts.

#### Odisha

- The country successfully test-fired a long-range Supersonic Missile Assisted Torpedo (SMART) off the coast of Balasore in Odisha
- Naveen Patnaik 'Mukhyamantri Vayu Swasthya Seva' (Air Health Services).
- Naveen Patnaik the state's longest bridge over Mahanadi river at Gopinathpur in Cuttack district.
- Odisha Livelihood assistance to beneficiaries of Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana.
- Odisha Digital life certificate mechanism for pensioners.
- Punjab

#### **Rajasthan**

- Rajasthan government 'Back To Work' scheme for women who have had to quit their jobs due to family reasons.
- Ashok Gehlot Three-year action plan to strengthen farmer producer organisations in the state.

#### **Tamil Nadu**

- The Tamil Nadu Government Two MoUs with TANSIDCO and TAICO bank for colending activities to support the MSMEs.
- Kazhuveli wetland in Tamil Nadu Declared bird sanctuary.
- The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) + Tamil Nadu Health and Family Welfare Department - a Record of Discussions (RoD) for Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases in that project
- Tamil Nadu Free treatment initiative to save lives of road accident victims
- Tamil Nadu 'Meendum Manjappai' campaign against plastic use.









#### **Uttar Pradesh**

- UP Cabinet Atma Nirbhar Krishak development scheme.
- Haiderpur wetland in Uttar Pradesh Ramsar Site
- Yogi Adityanath Free double food grains distribution scheme in UP.
- Yogi Adityanath "Free tablets and laptops distribution scheme" for one crore youths of the state.
- Yogi Adityanath Housing scheme on land freed from mafia.

#### Uttarakhand

- Uttarakhand CM 'Milk Price Incentive Scheme' to Benefit over 50,000 People.
- Uttarakhand Askot wildlife sanctuary declared eco-sensitive zone

# <u>UT</u> Delhi

Delhi – the "Dilli Ki Yogshala" programme that aims to help the city residents
 37ractice yoga regularly under the guidance of trained teachers

#### **NITI Aayog**

- NITI Aayog 'e-Sawari India E-Bus Coalition' in tie-up with CESL.
- NITI Aayog + Bharti Foundation Launch Convoke 2021-22.
- NITI Aayog Sol with WFP to strengthen climate-resilient agriculture.
- AIM, NITI Aayog Vernacular Innovation Program in 22 languages.
- NITI Aayog Fourth Edition of State Health Index.
- AIM + NITI Aayog 2nd edition of 'Innovations for You' and 'The Ingenious Tinkerers'.
- Atal Innovation Mission Compendium of innovations in agriculture, technology.

#### **Armed Forces**

 The Indian Army – Contemporary messaging application named, ASIGMA (Army Secure IndiGeneous Messaging Application).

#### Missile

- India Successfully Test-Fired VI-Srsam From Coast Of Odisha.
- Chandipur off the coast of Odisha Air version of BrahMos supersonic cruise missile successfully test fired.
- DRDO Successfully tests extended range Pinaka at Pokhran Range.
- India Successfully tests nuclear-capable ballistic missile 'Agni P'.









- DRDO Flight demonstration of Controlled Aerial Delivery System.
- India Successfully tests new-generation 'Pralay' missile.
- DRDO Second flight test of Pralay missile.
- DRDO Successfully conducts flight test of indigenous expendable aerial target 'Abhyas'

# <u>FESTVALS</u>

# **Target years**

- Govt Increase 10,500 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras by March 2025.
- Govt Extend Deadline For Implementation Of Smart Cities Mission To June 2023
- 2024 India will have nine nuclear reactors.

#### **Government Related News**

- The government The plan for production of over five lakh AK-203 assault rifles with Russia at Korwa, Amethi in Uttar Pradesh.
- Cabinet Nod to extension of PMAY-G for another three years
- Cabinet Rs 76,000-cr PLI scheme for semiconductor manufacturing.
- Govt Set up 35 Multi Modal Logistics Parks in country at cost of Rs 50,000 crore.
- Union Cabinet Nod to raise women's marriage age to 21.
- Cabinet Memorandum of Understanding between Competition Commission of India and Competition Commission of Mauritius.
- Cabinet Memorandum of Understanding between Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) and The Polish Chamber of Statutory Auditors (PIBR)
- Cabinet Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Copra for 2022 season
- Centre Construction of 1.07 lakh houses in 5 states under PMAY(U).
- Govt Extends Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana till March 2022.
- Govt Project to upskill Nagaland artisans.
- Govt PLI Scheme for Textiles with an outlay of 10,683 crore rupees over 5 year period.
- Govt 19th tranche of electoral bonds; sale opens on Jan 1

#### **GI TAG**

Bihar - Mithila Makhana

#### Film Festival

Varanasi – The first Kashi Indian International Film Festival.

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#### **SUMMITS**

- K Rajaraman India-ITU Joint Cyberdrill 2021.
- Bhubaneswar 2-day Regional Conference on 'Replication of Good Governance Practices'.
- EAM S Jaishankar 5th Indian Ocean Conference in Abu Dhabi.
- NMCG + c-Ganga Organize 6th India Water Impact Summit in hybrid mode.
- India's Chairship BRICS Sherpas and Sous Sherpas held their fourth and concluding meeting.
- Narendra Modi The All India Mayors' Conference here via video conferencing.
- New Delhi Third edition of India Central Asia Foreign Ministers level dialogue
- Gujarat The 10th Vibrant Gujarat Global Summit 2022, from 10 -12 January 2022
- Piyush Goyal 3rd Meeting of National Startup Advisory Council.
- Amit Shah 3rd apex level Narco Coordination Centre meeting in Delhi.
- Defence Secretary BRO Annual Chief Engineers & Equipment Management Conference in New Delhi.
- Agriculture Minister 2nd Business Summit of National Mission on Edible Oils Oil Palm.
- Hardeep Singh Puri & Dr. Jitendra Singh Attend the first ever 'J&K Real Estate Summit- 2021-Unlocking Opportunities'.
- Conrad K. Sangma Heritage Conclave in Manipur
- Vessels
- Rajeev Chandrasekhar first indigenous server, Rudra, developed by the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) under the National Supercomputing Mission (NSM)
- Pushpa Bhatt GRSE made Large Survey Vessel 'Sandhayak'.
- INS Khukri Decommissioned after 32 years of service.
- INS Sharda Beypore International Water Fest.











#### **Airports**

 Visakhapatnam airport – An Anti-Hijack Mock Exercise along with a Mass Casualty Evacuation drill.

#### Rename

 The Uttar Pradesh government – Renamed Jhansi Railway Station as 'Veerangana Laxmibai Railway Station' after Rani Laxmibai.

#### Others

- RedBus + IRCTC Collaborate to launch rail ticketing service 'redRail'.
- 1 lakh 31 thousand 526 crore rupees The gross GST revenue collected in November 2021.
- CSC health services helpdesk on WhatsApp
- RailTel + CSC Increase broadband penetration in rural, semi-urban areas.
- IREDA + THDCIL Green energy collaborations.
- NCW Pan-India Capacity Building Programme 'She Is A Changemaker' For Women In Politics.
- RailTel + National Forensic Sciences University Undertake activities for mutual benefit in the areas of consultancy, collaborative R&D, and training to support 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' and 'Make in India' vision.
- NEDFi Atmanirbhar Hastshilpkar Scheme to artisans of the North Eastern region
- BPCL + Bhabha Atomic Research Centre green hydrogen production
- Pinaki Chandra Ghose Digital Platform for Management of complaints-'LokpalOnline'
- NTPC India's first green hydrogen-based microgrid project.
- Innoterra + NABFOUNDATION Provide services to 1 lac small farmers.
- Ashok Leyland + CVRDE To develop and manufacture 600-HP indigenous engine to power futuristic combat vehicles under Atmanirbhar Bharat mission.
- Ram Nath Kovind Dhaka's historic Kali Mandir destroyed by Pak Army in 1971
   DoP Special commemorative stamp to mark L&T's 75th anniversary.
- NSDC + Generation India Foundation Project Amber to empower youth with industry relevant skills.
- CJI India's first IAM Centre in Telangana.
- HAL Order for aerial target system from ADE
- NHAI + NCC Reuse plastic waste collected by cadets in building roads.
- Prasar Bharati + ICCR Promoting Indian culture.









- Indian Coast Guard Website for online recruitment of officers.
- Indian Navy The maiden sea trials for Mormugao, the second indigenous stealth destroyer of the P15B class.
- Bharati Pravin Pawar National Oxygen Stewardship Program to ensure rational utilization of oxygen.
- TRIFED + Industree Foundation Improving livelihood of tribal artisans.
- The Bhubaneswar Railway station Certified as "Eat Right Station" for providing high-quality, nutritious food to passengers.
- TRAI Extended the last date for receiving written comments on 5G spectrum auctions to January 10, 2022 and for counter to January 24, 2022.
- Kanpur Metro IGBC's platinum rating.
- NMCG + TERI Centre of Excellence on Water Reuse.
- NAREDCO + NULM + Jammu & Kashmir govt Agreement to train 10,000 construction workers.











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