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Russia Approves 2nd Coronavirus Vaccine "EpiVacCorona"

Russia has given regulatory approval to a second **Covid-19 vaccine**, named '**EpiVacCorona**', after early-stage studies. The new coronavirus vaccine comes two months after a similar move for Russia's first vaccine **Sputnik V** prompted widespread criticism from scientists both at home and abroad.

Russia became the first country to give regulatory approval to a Covid-19 vaccine in August when Sputnik V was officially registered ahead of the large-scale clinical trial. Russian President **Vladimir Putin** announced that the country has registered the second Covid-19 vaccine.

About EpiVacCorona:

- The second Russian vaccine to receive regulatory approval was developed by the Vector **State Research Centre of Virology and Biotechnology**.
- The two-shot vaccine, 'EpiVacCorona', was tested among **100 volunteers** in early-stage, placebo-controlled human trials, which lasted more than two months and were completed two weeks ago.
- The volunteers were between **18 and 60 years old**.
- Vector's vaccine EpiVacCorona relies on chemically synthesized peptide antigens of SARS-CoV-2 proteins, conjugated to a carrier protein and adsorbed on an aluminium-containing adjuvant, according to details posted at **ClinicalTrials.gov**, a database of privately and publicly funded clinical studies conducted around the world.

Rafael Nadal wins French Open 2020

Rafael Nadal beats **Novak Djokovic** to win the **men's 2020 French Open Title**. This is his **13th French Open men's singles title** and **20th Grand Slam title**. In Women's single, **Iga Swiatek** of Poland, claimed a historic win, by becoming the youngest women to win the title in the history of the championship. She defeated **Sofia Kenin**, of the United States and became the first Polish tennis player to win the singles' Grand Slam.

Winners of French Open Tennis 2020:

Category	Name of the Sportsperson
Men's Single	Rafael Nadal (Spain)
Women's Single	Iga Swiatek (Poland)
Men's Double	Kevin Krawietz & Andreas Mies (Germany)
Women's Double	Tímea Babos (Hungary) & Kristina Mladenovic (France)

PM Modi to Release Commemorative Coin to Mark 75th Anniversary of FAO

Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** will release a commemorative coin of **Rs 75** denomination on the occasion of **75th Anniversary of Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)** on **16 October 2020**. PM Modi will also dedicate to the Nation 17 recently developed biofortified varieties of **8 crops**.

The event marks the highest priority accorded by the government to agriculture and nutrition and is a testament of the resolve to completely eliminate hunger, undernourishment and malnutrition. Anganwadi centres, Krishi Vigyan Kendra, organic and horticulture missions across the country will be part of the event. India's proposals for declaring **2016** as the **International Year of Pulses** and **2023** as the **International Year of Millets** have also been endorsed by the FAO.

FM Nirmala Sitharaman Announced LTC Cash Voucher Scheme

Finance Minister **Nirmala Sitharaman** has announced **leave travel concession (LTC) cash voucher scheme** and special festival advance scheme for government employees with an aim to increase consumer spending. She announced proposals regarding consumer spending and capital expenditure. Under consumer spending, she announced proposals within two components: **LTC cash voucher scheme and special festival advance scheme**.

About the leave travel concession (LTC) cash voucher scheme:

- Central government employees get leave travel concession in a block of four years—one each to a destination of choice and home town or two for home town.

- Under this, the air or rail fare is reimbursed as per pay scale/entitlement. Also, leave encashment of ten days (**pay+dearness allowance**) is paid.
- However, employees will not be able to avail the LTC in the 2018-21 year block due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. This is where the LTC will benefit government employees.
- In lieu of one LTC during 2018-21, employees will receive a cash payment. There will be full payment on leave encashment and fare will be paid as per three slabs depending upon the class of entitlement. Further, there will be **no tax on fare payment**.
- An employee opting for this scheme will have to buy goods and services worth three times the fare and one time leave encashment, and do so before **March 31, 2021**.
- The money is to be spent on goods attracting GST of **12%** or more and only digital payments will be allowed. Also, employees will have to provide a GST invoice.
- The finance minister said the scheme would cost **Rs 5,675 crore** if central government employees opt for it. However, for PSB and PSU employees, its cost would be **Rs 1,900 crore**.
- Sitharaman further projected that with even **50% states** opting for this scheme, the government expects to infuse **Rs 9,000 crore** into the economy.

National Affairs

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has launched the programme of physical distribution of **Property Cards** under the **SVAMITVA scheme** through video conferencing. The **Survey of Villages and Mapping with Improvised Technology in Village Areas (SVAMITVA)** is a Central Sector Scheme, which was launched in April 2020 to provide the 'record of rights to document the residential properties' to village household owners in rural areas and issue Property Cards.
- The **Export-Import Bank of India** (Exim Bank) on behalf of the Government of India has extended a Line of Credit (LoC) of **USD 400 million** (about Rs 2,932 crore) to the **Maldives**. The soft loan will be used for financing the **Greater Male Connectivity Project (GMCP)** in the Maldives, which is the single-largest connectivity and infrastructure project in the island nation.
- Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister, **Narendra Modi** has approved the implementation of the **Strengthening Teaching-Learning and Results for States (STARS)** project. The total project cost is **Rs 5718 crore** with the financial support of World Bank amounting to the USD 500 million (approximately **Rs. 3700 crores**). The project will cover 6 states namely **Himachal Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Kerala and Odisha**.
- **India and France** were re-elected as the **president and co-president** of the **International Solar Alliance (ISA)** for a term of **two years** at the virtual meeting of the third assembly.
- **India** has contributed **one million dollars** to the **United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA)** for **Palestine Refugees** in Near East. This aid will support the Agency's programmes and services, including education, health care, relief and social services.
- Union Education Minister, **Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank'** has virtually launched the campaign '**KAPILA**', which stands for **Kalam Program for Intellectual Property Literacy and Awareness campaign** on 15th October 2020. The day was launched in honour of 89th birth anniversary celebration of former President **Dr APJ Abdul Kalam**.

SC Appoints Former Judge to Monitor Steps to Prevent Stubble Burning

The **Supreme Court** has appointed Justice **Madan B Lokur**, a former judge of the apex court, as a one-man monitoring committee to prevent stubble burning in the states of **Punjab, Haryana and Uttar Pradesh**, amid rising levels of pollution in the national capital and adjoining regions.


The bench also directed court-appointed **Environment Pollution Control Authority (EPCA)** and chief secretaries of Haryana, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh to help the Lokur panel with physical surveillance of fields to check instances of stubble burning and other related matters.

The new committee will monitor the stubble burning and take preventive steps. It will get assistance from chief secretaries of all states as well as **National Cadet Corps (NCC), National Service Scheme** and **Bharat Scouts**. The panel shall submit its report on stubble burning within **15 days** to the apex court.

States in the News

- According to the data provided by the **Ministry of Jal Shakti**, **Goa** has become the first “**Har Ghar Jal**” State in the country by providing tap water connection to every rural household. The state provided tap water connection to **2 lakh 30 thousand rural households** in all the **191 Gram Panchayats** of the state.
- **Andhra Pradesh** Chief Minister, **YS Jagan Mohan Reddy** has launched a new scheme named the ‘**Jagananna Vidya Kanuka**’ scheme to distribute school kits among the poor children of the state. The state shall spend around **Rs 650 crore** towards the scheme. **42,34,322 kits** will be distributed across the state under the scheme.
- Chief Minister, **Pinarayi Vijayan** has declared the state public education sector **completely digital** as **Kerala** has become the first state in the country to have **high-tech classrooms in all its public schools**.
- **Haryana government** has launched a **mobile water testing laboratory van**, fully equipped with a multi-parameter system containing analysers, sensor, probes and instruments meant for assessing water quality.
- The **Goa Government** has tied up with **India Post** to get **11,000 farmers** enrolled in the **Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sanman Nidhi scheme**. This is the first such exercise in India to enrol farmers in the PM Kisan Samman Nidhi scheme, whereby the postman will be utilised to benefit farmers.
- Chief Minister of Odisha, **Naveen Patnaik** has inaugurated “**Sujal**”, ‘**Drink from Tap Mission**’ scheme, to provide round the clock supply of quality tap drinking water in all urban areas of the state.

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- **Gujarat government** has signed a pact with **Vedanta Group firm Hindustan Zinc Ltd (HZL)** to set up a **greenfield zinc smelter in the state**. This facility will entail an investment of **Rs 5000- 10,000 crore** in phases, creating more than 5,000 direct and indirect jobs and will be operational by **2022**. The proposed **300 (kilo tonnes per annum)** production capacity project would provide big employment opportunities to the local youths in this tribal area.

International Affairs

- As part of the **United Nations International Day of Girl Child** (11th October 2020), a 16-year old **Aava Murto** assumed the post of **Finland’s Prime Minister** for **one day** on 7th October 2020 to raise awareness about gender equality. It was done as part of the “**Girls Takeover**” Program.
- **Financial Action Task Force (FATF) Asia Pacific Group** has kept **Pakistan** in its ‘**Enhanced Follow Up**’ list. The organisation had downgraded Pakistan status from “**regular follow-up**” to “**enhanced follow up**”.
- Kyrgyzstan President, **Sooronbai Jeenbekov** has resigned from his post, following 10 days of unrest caused by protesters who have demanded his removal from office. On 4th October 2020, he was re-elected as the President in Parliamentary election, causing political turmoil throughout the country.

Agreements/MoUs Signed

- An online payment processing service, **Amazon Pay** and a technology company that offers vehicles for hire, **Uber**, announced a partnership to push digital payments in India. This Partnership will integrate Amazon Pay as a payment option on the Uber app.
- **Microsoft** and **All India Council For Technical Education (AICTE)** have partnered to empower students and educators in new-age technologies. This technology including **artificial intelligence (AI)**, **Internet of Things (IoT)**, **data science** and **cloud computing**.

Books and Authors

- Renowned Author and Politician, **Shashi Tharoor** is set to release his new book titled “**The Battle of Belonging**” is set to be released in November 2020. The book is published by **Aleph Book Company**. Shashi Tharoor described this book as his “**magnum opus**” on the Theory, evolution and practice of Nationalism across the globe and especially in India.

Banking/Economy/Business News

- **Axis Bank** has launched a new entry-level credit card named **Axis ACE Credit Card**, with a focus on increasing participation of users in the **digital economy**. It also aims to bring a seamless, digital experience to users from application to issuance. The card has been launched in collaboration with **Google Pay** and will run on **Visa (Signature) platform**.
- **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has raised the banks' maximum aggregate retail exposure limit to entities with turnover up to **Rs 50 crore** to **Rs 7.5 crore**. Earlier this limit was **Rs 5 crore**. The decision has been taken to increase credit flow to **small businesses**.
- India's leading private sector bank, **HDFC Bank** and **Apollo Hospitals** have collaborated to launch the "**HealthyLife Programme**", a holistic healthcare solution. This programme will be launched for HDFC Bank customers, to make healthy living accessible and affordable while making the process convenient and easy for the customers.
- According to 'World Economic Outlook' report, the **International Monetary Fund (IMF)** has projected the Indian economy to contract by **10.3 per cent** in 2020-21, from its earlier prediction of **4.5 per cent** due to rise in Covid cases. However, IMF estimates the GDP of India to grow at **8.8 per cent** in 2021-22, as compared to **6 per cent** predicted earlier, regaining the position of the fastest-growing emerging economy.
- **India** and the **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has signed a **300 million US dollar loan** to finance inclusive and sustainable water supply and sanitation infrastructure and services in 14 secondary towns of the state of Rajasthan. The project aims at providing better quality and more sustainable **Water Supply and Sanitation (WSS)** services in the project towns. It will improve quality of life in these towns, including for the poor and vulnerable after signing the loan agreement.
- The **central government** will borrow **Rs 1.1 lakh crore** under the special window to meet the shortfall of **Goods and Services Tax (GST) compensation**. Under the Special Window, the estimated shortfall of Rs 1.1 lakh cr (assuming all States join) will be borrowed by Government of India in appropriate tranches.

Appointments/Resignations

- **BharatPe** has announced the launch of its high impact TV campaign starring '**Team BharatPe**' with 11 Cricket stars as brand ambassadors. Team BharatPe includes **Rohit Sharma, Jasprit Bumrah, KL Rahul, Mohammed Shami, Ravindra Jadeja, Suresh Raina, Shreyas Iyer, Prithvi Shaw, Sanju Samson, Yuzvendra Chahal, and Shubhman Gill**.
- The **Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)** has extended the tenure of state-run **National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) Ltd**, chairman and managing director, **Gurdeep Singh** till 31 July 2025. He had first assumed the charge of utility's chairman and managing director in February 2016.
- **Vishal V. Sharma** has been appointed as the next Permanent Representative of India to the **Permanent Delegation of India** to United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (**UNESCO**), with the rank of Ambassador. He will replace **Jawed Ashraf**.
- **Dr Michael Irani** of Great Britain (GBR) has been appointed as the **Interim President** of the **International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)**, at the meeting of the IWF Executive Board, in accordance with the constitution of IWF. Michael Irani was appointed following the resignation of IWF President **Tamás Aján**.

Defence News

- **Indian Army** and **Maharashtra Police** organised an anti-terror exercise "**Suraksha Kavach**" at Lullanagar, Pune, Maharashtra. The aim of the exercise was to harmonize the drills and procedures of both Army and Police for activating **anti-terrorist Quick Reaction Teams (QRTs)** to counter any terrorist actions in Pune.

Awards and Recognitions

- The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the **Sveriges Riksbank (Sweden's central bank) Prize in Economic Sciences** in Memory of Alfred Nobel 2020 to **Paul R. Milgrom** and **Robert B. Wilson** "for improvements to auction theory and inventions of new auction formats".

- Britain's **Prince William** and Naturalist **David Attenborough** have launched an "Earthshot Prize", with an aim to encourage change and support to repair the planet. The Earth shot Prize aims to "incentivize change and help to repair our planet over the next 10 years," and "turn pessimism into optimism" by rewarding innovative solutions to environmental problems.
- "**Bank of Ghana**" has won the **Central bank of the year award 2020**. Apart from this, **Mark Carney** (Governor of the Bank of England) has won the **Governor of the year** at the Central bank of the year award 2020.

Summit and Conference

- The **World Economic Forum (WEF)** will hold its **Annual Meeting 2021** in **Lucerne-Burgenstock, Switzerland**, from May 18 to 21, as against the traditional venue of the **ski resort town, Davos** in January-end. The change in schedule and venue was necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Annual Meeting 2021 in Lucerne-Burgenstock will be held around the theme of '**The Great Reset**'. The meeting will focus on the solutions required to address the world's most pressing challenges.

Ranks and Reports

- **India** has been ranked **129** among **158 countries** in the **2020 Commitment to Reducing Inequality (CRI) Index**. The third edition of the index focuses on Fighting Inequality in the time of **COVID-19**. The 2020 CRI index has been topped by **Norway**. **South Sudan** is the lowest ranking country in the index at 158th position.

Sports News

- **Lewis Hamilton** (Mercedes-Great Britain) has won the **2020 Eifel Grand Prix**, held at the **Nürburgring** in **Nürburg, Germany**. **Max Verstappen** (Red Bull – Netherlands) came second followed by **Daniel Ricciardo** (Renault, Australia) at third position.
- The **Los Angeles Lakers** defeated the **Miami Heat** to win the **National Basketball Association (NBA) Championship 2020**. This is the **17th** NBA title win for LA Lakers and also their first since 2010, after late Kobe Bryant's fifth and final title a decade ago. **LeBron James** of the Lakers' was named the NBA Finals **Most Valuable Player (MVP)** for the fourth time in his career.

- Romania's 2008 Olympic champion, **Constantina Dita** has been named an ambassador for the **World Athletics Half Marathon Championships Gdynia 2020**. The 2020 World Athletics Half Marathon Championships, originally scheduled for 29 March 2020 in **Gdynia, Poland**, was postponed until 17 October 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic.
- Commonwealth Games medallist in Badminton, **Chetan Anand** has been roped in as the brand ambassador for India's first-ever homegrown professional badminton brand "**Transform**".

Important Days

- **World Standards Day or International Standards Day** is observed globally on **14 October** every year. The day aims to raise awareness about the importance of standardisation to the global economy among the consumers, regulators and industry. World Standards Day 2020 theme is "**Protecting the planet with standards**".
- The **International Day of Rural Women** is observed globally on **15 October** each year. The day recognizes the crucial role of women and girls in ensuring the sustainability of rural households and communities, improving rural livelihoods and overall well-being. The theme for this International Day of Rural Women is "**Building rural women's resilience in the wake of COVID-19**," to create awareness of these women's struggles, their needs, and their critical and key role in our society.
- **World Food Day (WFD)** is observed globally on **16 October** every year. The day is celebrated to eradicate worldwide hunger from our lifetime. Theme 2020: "**Grow, Nourish, Sustain. Together**".

- **World Arthritis Day** is observed globally on **12th October** every year. The day is celebrated to raise awareness about arthritis, an inflammatory condition which causes pain and stiffness in joints which can worsen with age.
- **International Day of the Girl Child** is observed globally on **11 October** every year since 2012. The International Day of the Girl Child focuses attention on the need to address the challenges girls face and to promote girls' empowerment and the fulfilment of their human rights. The theme for 2020 International Day of the Girl Child is **"My voice, our equal future"**.
- The United Nations **International Day for Disaster Reduction** is observed globally on **13th October**.
- The **36th** Raising Day of **National Security Guard (NSG)** is observed on **16 October**. NSG plays a crucial role in India's security apparatus. It has been associated with the utmost courage and professionalism.
- **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty** is observed globally on **17 October** every year. The day aims to raise awareness of the need to eradicate poverty and destitution around the world, particularly in developing countries. 2020 Theme: **"Acting together to achieve social and environmental justice for all"**.

Obituaries

- Nagaland's environment minister, **C M Chang** passed away due to COVID-19. He was a retired IAS officer and former Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha (2009-13).
- Former Indian football captain, **Carlton Chapman** passed away. He was the captain of the Indian team when **India** won the **South Asian Football Federation Gold Cup** in 1997.
- Minister for Backward and Extremely Backward Classes in Bihar, **Vinod Kumar Singh** passed away due to **COVID-19**.
- The 400-meter hurdles champion at the 1952 Helsinki Olympics, **Charlie Moore** passed away.
- Renowned Kuchipudi dancer, **Shobha Naidu** passed away. Some of the famous awards won by her includes, **Padma Shri in 2001, Sangeet Natak Akademi in 1991**.
- Former New Zealand cricket allrounder, **John Richard Reid** passed away. He was also New Zealand's oldest surviving Test player.

- The first Indian to win the Oscar award, **Bhanu Athaiya** passed away. She won the Best Costume Design Oscar for her work in the 1982 film **Gandhi**, directed by Richard Attenborough. In 2012, Athaiya returned her Oscar to the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for safekeeping.
- Veteran sports journalist and Cricket commentator, **Kishore Bhimani** passed away.
- Legendary Malayalam poet and Jnanpith laureate, **Mahakavi Akkitham Achuthan Namboothiri** passed away. He has penned more than 46 literary works including poems, plays, essays and short stories. He was awarded **Padma Shri** in 2017.
- The "Nightingale of Gujarat", **Kaumudi Munshi** passed away due to COVID-19. During the early stage of her career, Munshi sang mostly in Gujarati, gaining fame with songs like **'Sachi re maari satre bhavani maa'**.
- The senior Janata Dal (United) leader **Kapil Deo Kamat**, who was serving as the Panchayati Raj Minister of Bihar, passed away due to COVID-19. He was a JDU MLA from **Babubarhi** assembly constituency in **Madhubani district, Bihar**.

Miscellaneous News

- Chief Minister of Delhi, **Arvind Kejriwal** has passed a first-of-its-kind in India **'Tree Transplantation Policy'** to preserve trees for **clean and green Delhi**.
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has released a commemorative coin of **Rs 100** to mark the birth centenary of **Rajmata Vijaya Raje Scindia**, one of the founder member of the ruling BJP, through a virtual ceremony.
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has released the autobiography of former Union Minister **Dr Balasaheb Vikhe Patil** through video conferencing. The autobiography of Dr Patil has been titled **'Deh Vechwa Karani,'** means **'dedicating one's life for a noble cause.'**
- The Central government has notified the **Directorate General of Shipping** as the **National Authority for Recycling of Ships**. The DG Shipping has been designated as the apex authority for the ship recycling industry of India under **Section 3** of the **Recycling of Ships Act, 2019**. The office of the National Authority of Ship Recycling will be set up in **Gandhinagar, Gujarat**.

- **Jammu and Kashmir** Lieutenant Governor, **Manoj Sinha** has announced that the government is coming up with a movement called "**My Town My Pride**" from October 19 to provide governance at the doorsteps in urban areas on the pattern of the "**Back to Village**" programme.

Static Takeaways

- Export-Import Bank of India CEO: David Rasquinha.
- Export-Import Bank of India Founded: 1 January 1982.
- Export-Import Bank of India Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- International Solar Alliance Headquarters Location: Gurgram, Haryana.
- International Solar Alliance Leader: Upendra Tripathy.
- United Nations Relief and Works Agency Headquarters: Amman, Jordan.
- United Nations Relief and Works Agency Commissioner-General: Philippe Lazzarini.
- The Prime Minister of Finland is Sanna Marin, Capital city is Helsinki and Currency is Euro respectively.
- The headquarters of FATF is in Paris, France.
- FATF was founded in July 1989.
- Prime Minister of Pakistan: Imran Khan.
- President of Pakistan: Arif Alvi.
- Capital of Pakistan: Islamabad.
- Russia President: Vladimir Putin.
- Russia Capital: Moscow.
- Russia Currency: Russian Ruble.
- Kyrgyzstan Capital: Bishkek
- Kyrgyzstan Currency: Kyrgyzstani som
- Goa Capital: Panaji.
- Governor of Goa: Bhagat Singh Koshyari.
- Chief Minister of Goa: Pramod Sawant.
- Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh: YS Jagan Mohan Reddy; Governor: Biswa Bhusan Harichandan.
- Chief Minister of Kerala: Pinarayi Vijayan; Governor: Arif Mohammad Khan.
- Governor of Haryana: Satyadeo Narayan Arya.
- Chief Minister of Haryana: Manohar Lal Khattar.
- Chief Minister of Odisha: Naveen Patnaik.
- Odisha Capital: Bhubaneswar.
- Odisha Governor: Ganeshi Lal.
- Gujarat Chief Minister: Vijay Rupani.
- Gujarat Governor: Acharya Devvrat.

- Uber Technologies Inc CEO: Dara Khosrowshahi.
- Uber Technologies Inc Headquarters: California, United States.
- Chief Executive Officer of Microsoft: Satya Nadella.
- Microsoft Founded: April 4, 1975; Headquarters of Microsoft: Washington, United States.
- Axis Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- Axis Bank MD and CEO: Amitabh Chaudhry.
- RBI 25th Governor: Shaktikanta Das; Headquarters: Mumbai; Founded: 1 April 1935, Kolkata.
- HDFC Bank CEO: Aditya Puri.
- The tagline of HDFC Bank: We Understand Your World.
- HDFC Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- IMF Headquarters: Washington, D.C. U.S.
- IMF Managing Director and Chairman: Kristalina Georgieva.
- IMF Chief Economist: Gita Gopinath.
- Chief Minister of Rajasthan: Ashok Gehlot; Governor: Kalraj Mishra.
- President of Asian Development Bank: Masatsugu Asakawa.
- Asian Development Bank Headquarters: Mandaluyong, Philippines.
- Asian Development Bank Founded: 19 December 1966.
- National Thermal Power Corporation Founded: 1975.
- National Thermal Power Corporation Headquarters: New Delhi, India.
- Governor of Bank of Ghana: Ernest Kwamina Yedu Addison.
- Bank of Ghana Headquarters: Accra, Ghana.
- Bank of Ghana Founded: 1957.
- World Economic Forum Headquarters: Cologne, Switzerland.
- World Economic Forum Founder and Executive Chairman: Klaus Schwab.
- World Economic Forum Founded: January 1971.
- National Basketball Association (NBA) Championship Founded: 6 June 1946, New York, United States.
- International Organization for Standardization Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland
- International Organization for Standardization Founded: 23 February 1947, London, United Kingdom.
- International Organization for Standardization President: Eddy Njoroge.
- Food and Agriculture Organization Head: Qu Dongyu

- Food and Agriculture Organization Headquarters: Rome, Italy.
- Food and Agriculture Organization Established: 16 October 1945.
- Chief Minister of Delhi: Arvind Kejriwal; Governor of Delhi: Anil Baijal.
- Food and Agriculture Organisation Headquarters: Rome, Italy.
- Food and Agriculture Organisation Head: Qu Dongyu.
- Food and Agriculture Organisation Founded: 16 October 1945.
- Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Shipping: Mansukh L. Mandaviya.
- National Security Guard Headquarters: New Delhi.
- DG of National Security Guard: Anup Kumar Singh.
- The motto of National Security Guard: Sarvatra Sarvottam Suraksha.
- UNESCO headquarters: Paris, France.
- UNESCO Head: Audrey Azoulay.
- UNESCO Founded: 16 November 1945.
- International Weightlifting Federation Headquarters: Budapest, Hungary.
- International Weightlifting Federation Founded: 1905.

