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BW Businessworld Awards Edutech 2022

BW Edutech Summit & Awards 2022: It is India's biggest gathering of Edutech stakeholders. The initiative calls out all of the edtech founders, institutional leaders, schooling publishers, and educators to take part and make a mark in the way forward for schooling know-how. Rewarding the excellence of edtech in India, in a day lengthy programme named 'Transformation In Training By way of Know-how & Skilling'. The winners were felicitated by **Dr Annurag Batra, Vinesh Menon and Harsh Wardhan.**

BW Edutech 2022 Winners:

Category	Name	Designation	Organisation
Best – AI-in-Education-Company-of-the-Year	Pritesh Chothani	Co-Founder & CEO	HiVoco Education and Learning
Best – Education-ERP-of-the-Year	Nishant Agarwal	Founder & CEO	Proctur – Your Pocket Classroom
Best-EduTech-Solution-for-Early-Childhood	Anshu Dhanuka	Co-Founder & CPO	Paper Boat App Pvt. Ltd.
Best-EduTech-Solution-for-Higher-Ed	Saurabh Arora	Founder & CEO	University Living
Best-EduTech-Solution-for-K12	Dharini Upadhyaya	Co-Founder and Co CEO	Furtados School of Music
Best-EduTech-Solution-for-K12	Sumeet Mehta	Co-Founder & CEO	Leadership Boulevard Pvt. Ltd.
Best-E-Learning-Company-of-the-Year	Ashutosh Kr Shandilya	Founder & CEO	TechBairn
Best-Exam-Prep-Company-of-the-Year	Anil Nagar	CEO	Adda247
Best-FinTech-Company-in-Education	Varun Chopra	CEO & Co-Founder	Eduvanz Financing Pvt Ltd
Best-Online-Tutoring-Company-of-the-Year	Sumesh Nair	Co-Founder	Board Infinity
Digital-Learning-Company-of-the-Year	Anurag Vaish	Founder CEO	mentza
Digital-Learning-Company-of-the-Year	Divya Lal	Founder and Managing Director	Fliplearn Education
EduTech CEO of the Year	Ravi Bhushan	Founder & CEO	BrightCHAMPS
Emerging-EduTech-Startups-of-the-Year	Ravi Bhushan	Founder & CEO	BrightCHAMPS
Emerging-EduTech-Startups-of-the-Year	Tarun Saini	(blank)	Vidyakul Learning Space
Game-Based-Learning-Company-of-the-Year	Anshu Dhanuka	Co-Founder & CPO	Paper Boat App
Learning App of the Year	Bilal Abidi	CEO	Wise App
Skill-Development-Company-of-the-Year	Siddharth Chaturvedi	EVP AISECT GROUP	AISECT
Woman-EduTech-Leader-of-the-Year	Anshu Dhanuka	Co Founder & CPO	Paper Boat App

Jury members in the summits:

- This year the summit obtained greater than 100 nominations out of which a panel of distinguished jurors chosen probably the most promising leaders.
- Padma Shri TV **Mohandas Pai**, Chairman, Manipal International Training, was the Jury Chair.
- Jury members constituted of Jaspreet Bindra, Founder, The Tech Whisperer; Virendra Okay Tiwari, Director, IIT Kharagpur; Abhishek Maheshwari, CEO, AESL; Dr Punam Sahgal, Administration Guide & Behavioural Science Coach & Former Dean, IIM Lucknow; Seema Jhingan, Co-Founder, LexCounsel; Sudhanshu Pant, Head-HR, The British Faculty, New Delhi; Vipul Singh, Divisional VP & Head-HR, ADP and Dr Annurag Batra, Chairman & Editor-in-Chief, BW Businessworld & exchange4media Group.

Former German chancellor Angela Merkel wins Unesco Peace Prize 2022

Former German chancellor **Angela Merkel** has been awarded the **Unesco Peace Prize 2022** for **“her efforts to welcome refugees”**. In the summer of 2015, as refugees were streaming into Europe, Merkel opened her country’s borders and famously declared to Germans “Wir schaffen das”, “We can do this.” She eventually pulled back on her pro-immigration stance as support eroded among the public and within her own conservative party. All the members of the jury were touched by her courageous decision in 2015 to welcome more than 1.2 million refugees, notably from **Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan and Eritrea**.

About the Unesco Peace Prize:

The honour, which is officially called **Felix Houphouet-Boigny-Unesco Peace Prize**, is named after the former president of Ivory Coast. It has been awarded each year since **1989** to individuals, organisations or institutions that have made a special effort to promote, research or secure peace. It is awarded annually. The prize includes a cheque of **USD 150,000**, a gold medal and a peace diploma. If there are multiple recipients, the cheque is shared equally.



Justice Uday Umesh Lalit takes oath as 49th Chief Justice of India

Justice Uday Umesh Lalit took oath as the 49th Chief Justice of India. Newly elected President of India Smt Droupadi Murmu administered the oath of office at a ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union ministers were present at the ceremony. Justice Lalit’s predecessor, Justice NV Ramana, was also present at the oath-taking ceremony.

About the Uday Umesh Lalit:

Uday Umesh Lalit (born 9 November 1957) is the **49th and current Chief Justice of India**. Previously, he has served as a Judge of the Supreme Court of India. Prior to his elevation as a judge, he practised as a senior counsel at the Supreme Court. Justice Lalit is one of the six senior counsels who have been directly elevated to the Supreme Court. He will retire on 8 November 2022 after assuming the office of Chief Justice of India for a period of seventy-four days as the 49th chief justice.

Education and Career: Uday Umesh Lalit

Uday Umesh Lalit is a law graduate from **Government Law College, Mumbai**. He enrolled with **Bar Council of Maharashtra and Goa** as an advocate in June 1983. He started his practice with advocate **M.A. Rane**, who was considered as a proponent of the radical humanist school of thought who believed that social work was as important as building a solid legal practice. On **3 May 1992**, Lalit qualified and was registered as an Advocate-on-Record at the Supreme Court. On **29 April 2004**, Lalit was designated as a senior advocate of the Supreme Court.

In 2011, a Supreme Court bench of Justices **G. S. Singhvi and Asok Kumar Ganguly** appointed Lalit as the special public prosecutor for the **Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)** in the 2G spectrum cases, stating that “in the interest of a fair prosecution of the case, the appointment of UU Lalit is eminently suitable”. His professional strengths are described as ‘thoroughness with the case, patience in explaining legal questions and a sober demeanour in presenting the case before the bench.

National Affairs

- According to External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Arindam Bagchi, the **17th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas 2023** will be held at **Indore** in January next year. Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is celebrated every year on the 9th of January to mark the contribution of the overseas Indian community to the development of India. It also commemorates the return of **Mahatma Gandhi** from South Africa to India on **9th January 1915**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- During the 9th general body meeting of the National Fisheries Development Board, **Shri Parshottam Rupala**, Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairy, introduced the “**Aqua Bazar**” online market place feature in the “**MatsyaSetu**” mobile app. The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana was used to fund the development of the **MatsyaSetu** app by the ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA), Bhubaneswar, with assistance from the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad (PMMSY). ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Union Government has launched **Rashtriya Puruskar Portal** to bring together all the awards of the various **Ministries, Departments, and Agencies** of the Government of India. The Rashtriya Puruskar Portal will make sure that all the awards are under one platform to ensure transparency and **public partnership or Jan Bhagidari**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Union Minister **Jitendra Singh in Pune**, unveiled the first **hydrogen fuel** cell bus made in India. Dr. Jitendra Singh referred to Green hydrogen as a superb clean energy vector that enables deep decarbonization of hard-to-abate emissions from the refining industry, the fertiliser industry, the steel industry, the cement industry, as well as from the heavy commercial transportation sector. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- A 2,600-bed **Amrita hospital**, Asia’s biggest hospital with state-of-the-art technology, including a centrally located, fully automated laboratory, was officially inaugurated by Prime Minister **Narendra Modi**. This will significantly improve the NCR region’s healthcare infrastructure. A 14-floor tower housing the primary medical services would be part of the 36 lakh square foot built-up area of the Amrita hospital complex. There is also a helipad on the rooftop. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Union Minister **Anurag Thakur** has launched “**Azadi Quest**”, a series of online educational games based on India’s freedom struggle, developed in collaboration with **Zynga India**. These games are an effort to tap into the huge market of online gamers and to educate them through games. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** inaugurated the 300-bed **Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Centre** at Mullanpur, Mohali in Chandigarh. The Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Centre has been built at a cost of over ₹660 crores by the **Tata Memorial Centre** which is an aided institute under the Union Department of Atomic Energy. **Chief Minister of Punjab Bhagwant Mann** was also present during the inaugural ceremony of the Bhabha Cancer Hospital. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister (**EAC-PM**) on the 30th of this month in New Delhi will be unveiling the Competitiveness Roadmap for **India@100**. The **India@100** document by the EAC-PM serves as a roadmap for India’s ascent to its centenary year and will inform and direct the country’s path to higher income status by 2047. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Recently, the **Anang Tal Lake** in **South Delhi** has been declared a **monument of national importance** through a gazette notification by the **Ministry of Culture**. The Anang Tal lake in South Delhi is believed to have been built a thousand years ago. As per the website of the National Mission on Monuments and Antiquities, Tradition ascribes this tank to a **Tomar King, Anang Pal II, the builder of Lal Kot**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- India’s first **3D-printed post office** is slated to come up in **Bengaluru, Karnataka** and will cost around one-fourth of the amount spent on a traditional building. The new post office building in **Cambridge Layout in Halasuru, Bengaluru** will be built using 3D printing and is likely to be completed within the next month. The Post Office building is being constructed by **Larsen & Toubro**, which is the only company currently in India utilising 3D printing technology for construction. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

States in the News

- **The Punjab and Haryana governments** have agreed to name the **Chandigarh International Airport in Mohali** after **Shaheed Bhagat Singh**. The decision was taken during a meeting between Punjab **CM Bhagwant Mann** & Haryana deputy CM **Dushyant Chautala**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma** has launched the ‘**Vidya Rath -School on Wheels**’ project. This project aims at providing economically challenged underprivileged children to access elementary education for a period of 10 months. The project was launched at a function held at the premises of **Gauhati High Court in Assam**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **Uttar Pradesh government** is planning to build an **education township in the state**. As per the Yogi Adityanath government, the education township will be developed on the idea of ‘**Single Entry, Multiple Exit**’. The move will provide high-quality education to the youth and equip them with a variety of professional skills in a single place. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- The **Chhattisgarh government** will set up **rural industrial parks in the state**. In the first year of the project, there will be **300 such parks**. This move aimed to strengthen the rural economy and make the “**gauthan**” (**cattle shed**) a centre of livelihood. The project will be launched on Gandhi Jayanti, October 2. The first such park in Chhattisgarh came up in Kulgaon, Kanker district, which has been named Gandhi Gram. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister **Yogi Adityanath** approved the proposal of the **Uttar Pradesh Tourism Department** to start the country’s **first night safari** in the capital **Lucknow**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- According to its founder **Jaggi Vasudev (Sadhguru)**, the **Isha Foundation** will sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Karnataka** government to enhance soil health, as part of its “Save Soil” campaign. In addition to other ministers, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will be visiting the Palace Grounds on Sunday to sign an MoU on “Save Soil.” ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- North-east state, **Nagaland** got its second railway station after a gap of more than **119 years** with the commissioning of a new facility at Shokhuvi. **Dimapur Railway Station**, in the heart of the commercial hub of the state, was inaugurated in 1903. Chief Minister **Neiphiu Rio** flagged off the Donyi Polo Express from Shokhuvi Railway Station during the day.
- **South Korea** and the **United States** began their largest joint military drills in years with a resumption of field training. This year, the annual summertime exercise has been renamed ‘**Ulchi Freedom Shield**’ and it is scheduled to end on **1st September 2022**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- In Mali, the military has appointed **Colonel Abdoulaye Maiga** as **interim Prime Minister** after the country’s civilian **PM Choguel Kokalla Maiga** was admitted to hospital. Before this appointment, Colonel Maiga was working as a Government Spokesman and Minister of Territorial Administration and Decentralisation. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **world’s first fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trains** was launched by **Germany**. The first fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trains has replaced **15 diesel trains** that were previously operated on nonelectrified tracks in Lower Saxony, Germany. The engine of the trains is powered by electricity generated using hydrogen fuel cells. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **South Korea** has once again shattered its own record for the **world’s lowest fertility rate**. South Korean women were estimated, based on 2021 data, to have an average of just **0.81 children** over their lifetimes, down from **0.84 a year earlier**. The number of newborns declined in 2021 to 260,600, which equates to about **0.5% of the population**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

International Affairs

- External affairs minister **S Jaishankar** unveiled a bust of **Mahatma Gandhi in Paraguay** and visited the historic Casa de la Independencia, from where the South American country’s independence movement started more than two centuries ago. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Greece’s** exit from the **EU’s** enhanced surveillance framework for **Greece’s** economy, ending 12 years of suffering and giving it more flexibility to make its own policies. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Scotland’s** largest-ever repatriation of items from a single collection, **Glasgow’s museums** have returned seven artefacts to India, including a stone door jamb stolen from a **Hindu temple in Uttar Pradesh**. The transfer of ownership was formalised at a ceremony held at the **Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum**, Scotland in the presence of Acting Indian High Commissioner to the UK Sujit Ghosh. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Agreements/MoUs Signed

- The Mahatma Phule Renewable Energy and Infrastructure Technology Ltd. (**MAHAPREIT**), a fully owned subsidiary of MPBCDC (49% owned by the Government of India and 51% owned by the Government of Maharashtra), and the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (**IREDA**) signed a memorandum of understanding. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Godrej Agrovet, a diversified agribusiness conglomerate, announced that it has signed an MoU with the governments of **Assam, Manipur, and Tripura** to advance and promote oil palm growth in the area under the National Mission on Edible Oils-Oil Palm initiative. The partnership between Godrej Agrovet and the state governments will create new chances for expansion of oil palm plants in these states as well as support for farmers. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- In order to build 1,000 green energy businesses across the nation, the **Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI)** and **TP Renewable Microgrid Ltd (TPRMG)**, a fully owned subsidiary of Tata Power, have teamed up to launch green energy businesses programme. The project will promote sustainable business models across the country, resulting in the empowerment of rural entrepreneurs. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Royal Enfield** has partnered with **UNESCO (the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation)** to promote and safeguard the 'Intangible Cultural Heritage of India, beginning with the Himalayas. The programme is curated as an experiential and creative showcase of the **Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH)** practices in the **Western Himalayas and the North Eastern region**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)** the 100% subsidiary, **Bharat Gas Resources Ltd (BGRL)**, has merged with the parent company. The Corporate Affairs Ministry (MCA) issued the decree authorising this merger. On August 16, the merging plan went into force. According to the terms of the merger proposal, the authorised share capital of BOCL is combined with the authorised share capital of BGRL as of today. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Hero Electric**, an Indian electric scooter maker announces a partnership with **Jio-BP** to provide **EV charging and battery swapping** solutions in India. The partnership between Hero electric and Jio-BP will allow the automaker's customers access to the latter's charging and battery swapping infrastructure. In 2020, a joint venture between **Mukesh Ambani-led Reliance Industries** and **British oil giant BP**, called **Jio-BP**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))



Books and Authors

- Former Vice President, **M Venkaiah Naidu** has released a book titled "**A New India: Selected Writings 2014-19**", a compilation of selected articles of former Union Minister and Padma Vibhushan **Arun Jaitley** on his death anniversary. The event was also attended by Jammu & Kashmir Lieutenant Governor **Manoj Sinha**, and Union civil aviation minister **Jyotiraditya Scindia**, who also released the book along with Naidu. The book has been published by Juggernaut. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Banking/Economy/Business News

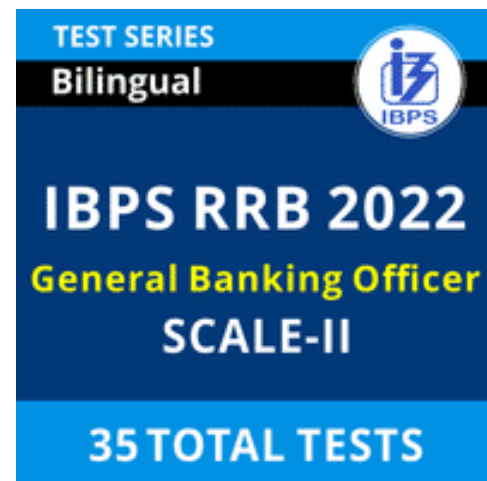
- **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**, which is the world's largest real-time payment solution, the Unified Payments Interface, and the RuPay card scheme has signed an MoU through their subsidiary corporation **NPCI International Payments Limited (NIPL)**, with the **PayXpert**, the payment solutions to establish and internationalize the acceptance of its payment solutions in the UK. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Asset management firms (AMCs) and depositories are examples of stock market intermediaries that have been instructed by the **Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi)** to join the **account aggregator framework** put forward by the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**. Additionally, the market regulator, **Sebi** established regulations that will only apply to participants in the stock market ecosystem who join the aggregator framework. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI's) **liberalised remittance scheme (LRS)** made a strong comeback in the first quarter of FY23 as Indians increased spending on international travel, maintenance of close relatives, and gifts. The latest data for Q1-FY23 released by the RBI shows that remittance by Indians under the scheme **jumped 64.75 per cent** to over **\$6.04 billion** from \$3.67 billion in Q1FY22. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **HDFC** has launched India's first one-stop solution portal for **Electric Vehicles Ecosystem**, "**All things EV**". HDFC EGRO, General Insurance Company, which is a leading **private sector general insurance company** has claimed that the "All things EV", fulfills the needs of the existing and **potential Electric Vehicles** or **EV users**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- Adani Group founder, **Gautam Adani** has set the ball rolling to acquire a controlling stake of **55.18%** in **New Delhi Television (NDTV)**. With a concept to carry 55.18 per cent stake in NDTV, the Adani group has issued an open provide for a **26 per cent** stake within the information channel at **Rs 294** for a share with a face worth of **Rs 4**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **HPCL Compressed Biogas Project**: HPCL's uses first of its kind Waste-to-Energy portfolio, uses 100 tonnes of dung per day to make **biogas**, which may be used as vehicle fuel. In a year, the HPCL Compressed Biogas Project project is expected to be put into operation. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Global escrow banking solution provider, **Castler** has partnered with **Yes Bank** to offer digital escrow services for the bank's customers. The firm is a global digital escrow platform for individuals and enterprises, offering domestic and cross-border escrow solutions. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The Reserve Bank of India (**RBI**) will very likely introduce its digital rupee, the **Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC)**, in this fiscal year itself. Talks of a **digital rupee** in the country have been swirling since Finance Minister **Nirmala Sitharaman** announced it during her **Budget 2022** speech back in February. At the time, she had said that the digital rupee would be launched in 2022-2023. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Rating agency **ICRA** (Investment and Credit Rating Agency of India Limited) predicted that the Indian economy will grow **12-13%** in the first quarter (Q1) of the new fiscal year, i.e. FY23. ICRA gave this rating citing the second-highest reading of the business activity index in 13 months in April. However, **ICRA** has kept its annual GDP prediction at 7.2% for this fiscal year, citing concerns over inflation and the ensuing tightening of RBI policy. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **American Express** Banking Corp. praised the Reserve Bank of India's (**RBI**) decision to ease restrictions on the firm so that it may accept new domestic clients as the consequence of the company's large local investments in technology, infrastructure, and resources. American Express applauded RBI's choice to remove the limitations on it. **American Express** will now be able to add new Indian clients to its card network thanks to the easing of the embargo. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **Bank credit growth** increased from 6% in the quarter that ended in June 2021 to 14.2% in the quarter that concluded in June 2022 as per the data released by the **Reserve Bank of India**. The **Bank credit** has increased by 10.8% in the three months that ended in March 2022. The last five quarters have seen a consistent 9.5 to 10.2% annual growth in aggregate deposits. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- **BOB** Finance launched a **Yoddha** co-branded RuPay credit card for Indian Army troops by Bank of Baroda-backed BOB Financial Solutions in collaboration with National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI). The new co-branded credit card will be made available on the RuPay platform and have contactless characteristics. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Appointments/Resignations

- Indian philanthropist **Ashish Dhawan** has been named to the board of trustees of the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**. The foundation announced the appointment of two new members to its board of trustees. **Ashish Dhawan** is the founder and CEO of Convergence Foundation, and along with him, **Dr Helene D Gayle**, President of Spelman College, US, has also been appointed. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Adidas** CEO, **Kasper Rorsted** will step down next year, the sports apparel maker. Rorsted, who has been CEO since 2016, and its supervisory board mutually agreed that he will hand over during the course of **2023**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Odia scientist, **Debasisa Mohanty** was appointed as **Director of the National Institute of Immunology (NII)**. He is currently working as a staff scientist at NII. The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved the appointment, with effect from the date of assumption of charge of the post and up to the age of his superannuation. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Odisha cadre 1987-batch IAS officer, **Rajesh Verma** has been appointed as the Secretary to President **Droupadi Murmu**. He replaces the incumbent **Kapil Dev Tripathi**, a 1980-batch IAS officer. ([Click here to read complete article](#))



- **Vikram K. Doraiswami**, a seasoned diplomat appointed as India's new High Commissioner to the United Kingdom which is seen as a significant position given the two nations' expanding strategic alliance. **Vikram K. Doraiswami** is Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh currently. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Sajith Sivanandan** has been appointed as the **executive vice-president and head of Disney+Hotstar**. Disney's International Content and Operations is India's largest streaming service and Sajith Sivanandan has previously worked with Google. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- According to a Personnel Ministry order, Distinguished scientist **Samir V Kamat** was appointed as **Secretary of the Department of Defence Research and Development and Chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)**. Kamat, who is Director General, Naval Systems & Materials, at the DRDO will succeed **G Satheesh Reddy** who has been named as scientific adviser to **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Former Chief Economic Adviser, **KV Subramanian** was appointed as the Executive Director for India at the **International Monetary Fund (IMF)**. His term will begin from November and will continue for a period of three years or until further orders, whichever is earlier, by curtailing the tenure of eminent economist **Surjit S Bhalla as ED (India), IMF up to 31 October 2022**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The private sector lender **RBL Bank** has appointed **Gopal Jain and Dr Sivakumar Gopalan** as the non-executive directors. RBL Bank has been working on adding a diverse set of leaders with relevant experience to accelerate its **2.0 strategy**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **The IDFC Ltd board** has approved the appointment of **Mahendra N Shah** as **managing director-designate of the company** with effect from October 1, 2022, till September 30, 2023, subject to the approval of the shareholders. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **DreamSetGo**, a sports experiences and travel platform, has announced **Sourav Ganguly** as its first brand ambassador. Founded in 2019, DreamSetGo is solving a specific problem - access to worldwide sporting events and experiences for fans. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

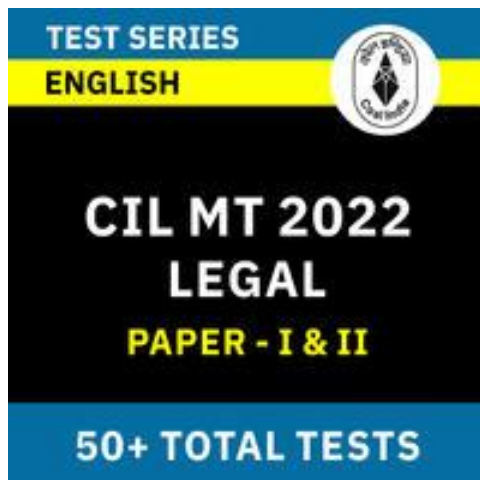
Defence News

- **India** is all set to join the elite global club, and the Indian Army will soon possess indigenous and more advanced **quantum communication technology** with equipped troops and a high-end secured defense system. With the support of **Innovation for Defence Excellence (iDEX)**, **Defence Innovation Organisation**, the QNu Labs which is a Bengaluru-based deep tech startup has innovated advanced secured communication through Quantum Key Distribution (QKD). ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The Centre has allowed them to purchase **critical weapon systems for their operational requirements** through an **emergency procurement route**. The approval was given in a meeting of the Defence Ministry which was headed by **Defence Minister Rajnath Singh**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **Vertical Launch Short Range Surface to Air Missile (VL-SRSAM)**, was successfully flight tested by the **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)** for Naval warships and the Indian Navy. The VL-SRSAM flight test was carried out from **Chandipur Coast**, in Odisha. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- A first-of-its-kind, **Composite Indoor Shooting Range (CISR)** was inaugurated by Vice Admiral **Biswajit Dasgupta** at **INS Karna**. The CISR is a state-of-the-art, self-contained, 25 m, six-lane, live firing range for all primary and secondary weapons in the Navy. With advanced target systems and associated control software, this range would enable personnel to hone their firing skills, enabling them to challenge and take on adversaries in demanding scenarios. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- India will commission its **first Indigenous aircraft carrier**. US aviation major **Boeing** has made a strong pitch for the Indian Navy to choose the **F/A 18 Super Hornet fighter jet**, claiming that it would bring a profit of \$3.6 billion in domestic manufacturing. Boeing has joined its offers with the Government scheme **Aatmanirbhaar Bharat**, before the commissioning of the indigenous aircraft carrier **Vikrant** which will operate the new fighters. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **first indigenous carrier** which has been constructed by **Cochin Shipyard Ltd**, will soon be commissioned as **INS Vikrant** on September 2. The warship will play the role of ensuring peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region. The aircraft landing trials on board INS Vikrant will begin in November and will be completed by **mid-2023**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- The **Pinaka extended range rocket** trials developed by the **Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO)** were carried out in firing ranges of **Pokhran, Rajasthan**. Multiple successful Pinaka extended range rocket trials firings were conducted in Pokhran. The Pinaka extended range is developed by the Defence Research and Development Organization, DRDO, and is produced by a **private sector firm**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi's** Make in India in the defence sector received a major boost as the Indian Navy received the first-ever completely **made-in-India 30mm ammunition**. The ammunition will be used in **AK-630 guns**, which is fitted on warships.
- Indian judoka **Linthoi Chanambam** scripted history by winning **India's first-ever medal in Judo World Championships** with a gold in the **Women's 57kg category** at the **World Judo Cadet (U18) Championships**. The 15-year-old judoka outclassed Brazil's Bianca Reis in the 57-kg category final.

Awards and Recognitions

- Bangladesh-born **Fahmida Azim** working for the Insider online magazine of the US has been selected for the **Pulitzer Prize 2022**. She will be awarded under the category of **Illustrated Reporting and Commentary**. She is among the four journalists including **Anthony Del Col, Josh Adams and Walt Hickey** of Insider being published from New York, selected for their work on the Chinese oppression of the Uyghurs. The work 'I escaped a Chinese internment Camp' has illustrations by Fahmida Azim. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **The Liberty Medal 2022** will be awarded this fall to Ukrainian President **Volodymyr Zelenskyy**. The National Constitution Center has announced that Zelenskyy will be honoured in a ceremony in October for what it called "his heroic defence of liberty in the face of Russian tyranny." ([Click here to read complete article](#))



- **Karim Benzema and Alexia Putellas** were rewarded for outstanding seasons by winning the **UEFA men's and women's player of the year prizes** at a ceremony in **Istanbul, Turkey**. France striker Benzema captained Real Madrid to victory over Liverpool in the Champions League final and scored 15 goals in the competition, while Putellas was the top scorer in the Women's Champions League, helping Barcelona reach the final which they lost to Lyon. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Summit and Conference

- Raksha Mantri (Defence Minister) **Shri Rajnath Singh** will open a national seminar entitled "**Introspection: Armed Forces Tribunal**" that the Armed Forces Tribunal (Principal Bench) Bar Association is hosting in New Delhi. In addition to serving members of the armed forces, the **Introspection: Armed Forces Tribunal** seminar is being held to evaluate how the Armed Forces Tribunal, which was formed to assure prompt and affordable justice for veterans, their families, and war widows, operates. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **65th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC)** will be led by Amos Masondo, the chair of the National Council of Provinces (NCOP), along with a distinguished team of MPs. The **65th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC)**, will be held in Halifax, Canada, from August 22 to 26, 2022. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah led the 23rd Central Zonal Council Meeting in Bhopal. **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**, the chief minister of Madhya Pradesh, and **Pushkar Singh Dhami**, the chief minister of Uttarakhand, attended the meeting. **Yogi Adityanath**, the chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, and **Bhupesh Baghel**, the chief minister of Chhattisgarh, participated virtually due to poor weather. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The 20th edition of **BioAsia 2023** will be hosted by the Government of Telangana, the premier event of BioAsia 2023 for the life sciences and health tech, on February 24-26, 2023. **BioAsia 2023's** logo and theme, "Advancing for ONE: Shaping the next generation of humanised healthcare," have been unveiled by Minister for Industries and Commerce **KT Rama Rao**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- The fourth edition of **India's Clean Air Summit (ICAS)** took place in Bangalore with global experts. With the help of India's Clean Air Summit, global experts are set to discuss an integrated approach to resolving **air pollution and increasing climate change**. India's Clean Air Summit will continue till 26th August 2022. The **Centre for Air Pollution Studies (CAPS)** and the **Centre for Study of Science, Technology, and Policy (CSTEP)**, think-tanks have organized the summit. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Ranks and Reports

- **Indian team** secured the **third rank** in the medal tally at the **15th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA)**. India held the third position jointly with **Singapore with students winning three gold and two silver medals**. In the medals tally, India was placed jointly in the third position along with Singapore, behind **Iran's official team (5 golds) and guest team (4 golds, 1 silver)**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Sports News

- Young striker **Manisha Kalyan** became the first Indian footballer to play at the **UEFA Women's Champions League** when she made her debut for **Apollon Ladies FC** in the European Club competition in Engomi, Cyprus. In November 2021, the 20-year-old had become the first ever Indian footballer to score a goal in the AFC Women's Club Championship. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Indian chess master **Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa** has defeated world champion, **Magnus Carlsen**, in the **FTX Crypto Cup** in Miami, an international chess Championship. Praggnanandhaa's winning run came to an end at the hands of China's Quang **Liem Le** in the fifth round. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Antim Panghal**, a 17-year-old wrestler from Haryana, defeated Kazakhstan's Atlyn Shagayeva 8-0 to win the title of Under-20 world champion, making her the first Indian woman to do so. The U-20 World Wrestling Championship was held in Sofia, Bulgaria. With an opening-round victory of 11-0 over German Amery Olivia, **Antim Panghal** prevailed because to her superior technical skills. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- **Indian men's volleyball team** has won the bronze medal by defeating **Korea 3-2** in the **14th Asian U-18 Championship** in Tehran, Iran. In the preliminary league match too, India defeated Korea but lost to **Iran** in the semifinal. The Indian U-18 team has qualified for the FIVB World U-19 Men's Volleyball Championship. **Japan** clinched the gold after beating Iran in the final match. **China finished fifth and Chinese Taipei** was placed sixth at the end of the competition. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- In the **28th Abu Dhabi, Masters Chess Tournament** Grandmaster **Arjun Erigaisi** defeated David Anton Guijarro from Spain in the ninth and final round. Grandmaster Arjun Erigaisi won the 28th Dhabi Masters Chess Tournament with 7.5 points. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Olympic champion and javelin thrower, **Neeraj Chopra** scripted history as he became the first Indian to clinch a **Lausanne Diamond League**. In his first attempt, he hurled the spear **89.08m** to seal his victory in his own style. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The Bureau of the **FIFA Council** has decided to lift the suspension that was imposed on the **All India Football Federation (AIFF)** due to undue third-party influence. The decision was taken after FIFA received confirmation that the mandate of the committee of administrators that was set up to assume the powers of the AIFF Executive Committee had been terminated and that the AIFF administration had regained full control of the AIFF's daily affairs. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Schemes and Committess News

- The **Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment** and the **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs** have started a joint initiative scheme called the **National Action for Mechanism Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE)**. National Action for Mechanism Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) aims to work in Urban India for the safety and dignity of sanitation workers. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- According to the government of India, **transgenders** will be brought under the ambit of **Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY)**. The National Health Authority (NHA) under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Department of Social Justice and Empowerment has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to provide inclusive and composite health package for transgenders under Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- **Village Defence Guards Scheme 2022 (VDGS-2022)**, is a programme with a defence component that was only recently introduced for the state of Jammu & Kashmir (J&K). The Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav has already started a number of initiatives, and this programme was also introduced at that time with the primary objective of enhancing security in Jammu's border regions. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Science and Technology News

- At 14,000 feet in **Ladakh**, ONGC is getting ready to pump **geothermal energy**. State-run explorer ONGC has set out on a mission to harness the steam streaming from the earth's core at **Puga**, a lonely valley off the road to Chumar on the de facto boundary with China, at a height of more than 14,000 feet. In India, **geothermal energy** is nothing new. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The 13 prospective landing locations for **NASA's Artemis III mission**, which would bring the first woman and person of colour to the Moon, have been revealed, as promised. The following 13 areas have been chosen by NASA as potential landing sites for the **NASA's Artemis III mission**: Peak Near Shackleton, Connecting Ridge, Connecting Ridge Extension, Haworth, Malapert Massif, Leibnitz Beta Plateau, Nobile Rim 1, Nobile Rim 2, and Amundsen Rim are some of the features that make up the Faustini Rim A. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **India's first commercial space situational awareness observatory**, to track objects as small as **10 cm** in size orbiting the earth, will be set up in the **Garhwal region of Uttarakhand by Digantara**, a space sector start-up. The **space situational awareness (SSA) observatory** will help India track any activity in space including that of space debris and military satellites hovering over the region. ([Click here to read complete article](#))



- **India** has developed the first indigenously-developed **RT-PCR kit** for testing **monkeypox** disease. The kit is developed by **Transasia Bio-Medicals**, the kit was unveiled by Principal Scientific Adviser to the Centre **Ajay Kumar Sood**. The kit would help in early detection and better management of the infection which the WHO declared a public health emergency of international concern. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Researchers at **IIT Guwahati** have created a fermentation process that uses ultrasound to safely generate **Xylitol** from sugarcane bagasse, the byproduct of crushing sugar cane. This approach gets over the operational constraints of chemical synthesis and the time lags of traditional fermentation. The use of ultrasound during the fermentation process not only reduced the time of fermentation to 15 hours, but also increased the yield of the product by almost 20%. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **The James Webb Space Telescope** recently captured new beautiful photos of Jupiter. The **James Webb Space Telescope**, which was launched in December 2021, has already captured amazing photographs of colourful galaxies, gorgeous nebulae, and other breathtaking celestial bodies in the furthest reaches of the universe. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **AirAsia India** becomes the first airline to use **CAE's artificial intelligence**-powered training system to train the airline's pilots. CAE is the leading provider of pilot training solutions that are based on simultaneous technology. The **CAE headquarters are in Canada**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- IT giants, **Google** has unveiled a programme to **upskill 100,000 Indian developers and researchers in cyber security**. The campaign will be part of the company's **Cyber Security Roadshow**, which will cover multiple cities across India and offer tools, tutorials, and mentorship on security practices for building consumer apps, as well as enterprise programmes.

Important Days News

- **International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief**, observed on **August 22**. On this day, the international community honours the survivors and victims of religious-based violence. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **World Senior Citizens' Day** is celebrated on **August 21** every year. It is also known as **National Senior Citizens' Day** in the United States (US). The day is observed with the intent to highlight the contributions of elderly people in human society and honour them. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- **International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism** is observed on **August 21** each year in memory of the victims of terrorism. The day is observed to show the victims of terrorism that they are not forgotten and they are respected and recognised across the world. The theme for 2022's International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism is **"memories,"** as mentioned in a United Nations (UN). ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The **International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition** is an international day celebrated on **August 23** of each year. The day was chosen by the **United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)** to memorialize the transatlantic slave trade. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **World Water Week 2022** takes place from **23 August to 1 September**. The World Water Week is an annual event organized by **Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI)** since 1991 to address the global water issues and related concerns of international development. The theme of the 2022 World Water Week is: **"Seeing the unseen: The value of water"**, which helps us view water in new and fascinating ways. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **World Gujarati Language Day 2022** is celebrated every year on **24 August**. This day is celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of the great writer of Gujarat **'Veer Narmad'**. **'Gujarati Diwas'** is celebrated because the poet Narmad was considered to be the creator of the Gujarati language. He has made Gujarati literature international. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **International Dog Day** is celebrated annually on **August 26** to promote the adoption of dogs instead of buying them from pet shops. The day was founded by Animal Welfare Advocate and Pet Lifestyle expert **Collen Paige**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Women's Equality Day 2022** is celebrated all over the world to celebrate **women's empowerment and equality**. This year, Women's Equality Day will be celebrated on 26th August 2022. In **1973**, the **first Women's Equality Day** was celebrated across the world. Women's Equality Day 2022 theme is **"Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow"**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Obituaries

- Kerala's first tribal novelist and short story writer **Narayan** has passed away at the age of 82 in Kochi. He was born in the Malayaraya community in **Kadayathur hills in Thodupuzha taluk** in 1940. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Former India football team captain, **Samar 'Badru' Banerjee**, who led the country to a historic fourth-place finish in the 1956 Melbourne Olympics, has passed away recently. He was 92. He was bestowed with the **Mohun Bagan Ratna in 2009**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Former Jharkhand Governor, **Syed Sibtey Razi** has passed away. He served as the Governor of Jharkhand from the year **2004- 2009**. He was associated with Congress. He was a member of **the Rajya Sabha thrice**. Later he was made the Governor of **Jharkhand and Assam**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- Veteran filmmaker, **Abdul Gaffar Nadiadwala** passed away at the age of 91. Abdul Gaffar Nadiadwala was known for backing over 50 Hindi films including 1965 film "Mahabharat" and hit comedies in the 2000s such as "Hera Pheri" and "Welcome". He had started his film production and media entertainment company in 1953. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **Internaut Day** is being celebrated around the world to mark the invention of the **World Wide Web**. An "internaut" is a person who possesses a thorough knowledge of how to use the Internet and its history. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Miscellaneous News

- The **Indian Railways** conducted a test run of its latest train called **Super Vasuki**. The Super Vasuki is operated by the South East Central Railway (SECR) zone of the Indian Railways. The SECR ran the record **long-haul freight trains Vasuki and Trishul last year and the 2.8 km long SheshNaag train before that**. The Super Vasuki was set up by amalgamating five rakes of goods trains as one unit. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- The Central government has awarded **Geographical Indication (GI) tag** to **Mithila Makhana**. With this move, growers will get the maximum price for their premium produce. Over five lakh farmers of the Mithila region of Bihar will be benefitted from this decision. Makhana registered with GI Tag, farmers will get profit and it will be easier to earn. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- **Anna Mani**, Known as the **Weather Woman of India**, was an Indian Physicist and India's one of the best Scientist. **Anna Mani** did research, wrote multiple publications, and made advances to the field of meteorological instrumentation by measuring solar radiation, ozone, and wind energy. Because of her significant contribution to the field of science and research, **Anna Mani** has earned the title of "**Weather Woman of India.**" ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- **India** has nominated the Indian dance form **Garba** to be inscribed on **UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list**. Last year, Durga Puja was included in UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list and for 2022, India has nominated 'Garba'. The next **UNESCO** meeting will be held in November. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- India is set to construct more **railways and motorways in 2025**. The length of all national highways in India is anticipated to reach **1.8 lakh kilometres** and the railway lines would be **1.2 lakh kilometres** by 2025 according to the **report of Bank of America Securities India**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))
- A 17-year-old pilot, **Mack Rutherford** became the **youngest person to fly solo** around the world in a small aircraft after he landed in **Bulgaria**, where his journey kicked off five months ago. Mack Rutherford, a Belgian-British dual national, landed on an airstrip west of Bulgaria's capital, Sofia, to complete his task and claim **two Guinness World Records**. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

- **The government of India** has approved a proposal to give specific names to all the AIIMS, based on regional heroes, freedom fighters, historical events or monuments of the area, or their distinct geographical identity. The majority of the **23 All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS)** has submitted a list of names. All the AIIMS are known by its generic name and distinguished only by their location. ([Click here to read complete article](#))

Static Takeaways

- Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying: Shri Parshottam Rupala
- Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry: Shri L. Murugan
- Minister of State for Fisheries Animal Husbandry: Shri Sanjeev Balyan
- UNESCO Founded: 16 November 1945;
- UNESCO Headquarters: Paris, France;
- UNESCO Members: 193 countries;
- UNESCO Head: Audrey Azoulay.
- Stockholm International Water Institute Executive Director: Torgny Holmgren;
- Stockholm International Water Institute Headquarters: Stockholm, Sweden;
- Stockholm International Water Institute Founded: 1991.
- Assam Capital: Dispur;
- Assam Chief Minister: Himanta Biswa Sarma;
- Assam Governor: Prof Jagdish Mukhi.
- Transasia Bio-Medicals Headquarters location: Mumbai;
- Transasia Bio-Medicals Founded: 1979.
- Adidas Founder: Adolf Dassler;
- Adidas Founded: 18 August 1949;
- Adidas Headquarters: Herzogenaurach, Germany.
- NDTV Founders: Prannoy Roy, Radhika Roy;
- NDTV Founded: 1988;
- NDTV Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Yes Bank Founded: 2004;
- Yes Bank Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra;
- Yes Bank MD & CEO: Prashant Kumar;
- Yes Bank Tagline: Experience our Expertise.
- Uttar Pradesh Capital: Lucknow;
- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister: Yogi Adityanath;
- Uttar Pradesh Governor: Anandiben Patel.
- Haryana Chief Minister: Manohar Lal Khattar
- Haryana Capital: Chandigarh



- Haryana Governor: Bandaru Dattatreya
- Chhattisgarh Capital: Raipur;
- Chhattisgarh Chief Minister: Bhupesh Baghel;
- Chhattisgarh Governor: Anusuiya Uikey.
- Godrej Agrovet CEO: Adi Burjorji Godrej
- CEO and MD, Tata Power: Praveer Sinha
- CMD SIDBI: Sivasubramanian Ramanan
- Mali Capital: Bamako;
- Mali Currency: Franc.
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- ICRA Chief Economist: Aditi Nayar
- Interim CEO and COO of the Indian arm of American Express: Sanjay Khanna
- RBI Governor: Shaktikanta Das
- IMF Formation: 27 December 1945;
- IMF Headquarters: Washington, D.C., United States;
- IMF Member Countries: 190;
- IMF MD: Kristalina Georgieva.
- RBL BANK Founded: 1943;
- RBL BANK Headquarters: Mumbai;
- RBL BANK MD & CEO: R Subramaniakumar;
- RBL BANK Tagline: Apno ka Bank.
- IDFC Ltd Headquarters: Mumbai;
- IDFC Ltd CEO: V. Vaidyanathan (19 Dec 2018-);
- IDFC Ltd Founded: October 2015.
- Royal Enfield CEO: B. Govindarajan (18 Aug 2021-);
- Royal Enfield Headquarters: Chennai;
- Royal Enfield Founded: 1955;
- Managing Director and CEO of Eicher Motors: Siddhartha Lal;
- Royal Enfield Parent organization: Eicher Motors.
- EAC- PM Chairman: Dr Bibek Debroy
- Current Chief Economic Advisor to Government of India: V Anantha Nageswaran
- Lieutenant Governor of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir: Manoj Sinha
- Capitals of the Union territory of Jammu and Kashmir: Srinagar (Summer) Jammu (Winter)
- Karnataka Chief Minister: Basavaraj Somappa Bommai
- Karnataka Capital: Bengaluru
- Isha Foundation founder: Jagadish Vasudev (Sadhguru)
- South Korea Capital: Seoul;
- South Korea Currency: South Korean Won;
- South Korea Prime Minister: Han Duck-soo;
- South Korea President: Yoon Seok-youl.

