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US Open 2023 Winners Complete list

US Open 2023 came to an end on Sunday, September 10, with the champions of all 19 disciplines being decided. **Novak Djokovic** won his fourth title at the US Open and 24th Grand Slam title by beating Daniil Medvedev 6-3, 7-6(5), 6-3 in the final. **Coco Gauff** capped off her sensational American summer by winning her maiden Grand Slam title at the US Open by beating Aryna Sabalenka 2-6, 6-3, 6-2 in the final. This tournament is the **143rd edition**. The tournament is going to be held at **USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing Meadows, New York**. The 2023 US Open's overall player compensation will be **\$65 million**, an all-time high for the event, as it's an 8% increase from 2022's total of \$60 million.

Here is the Complete List of US Open 2023 Winners in Different Categories

S. No.	Category	Winner	Runner Up
1.	Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic	Daniil Medvedev
2.	Women's Singles	Coco Gauff	Aryna Sabalenka
3.	Men's Doubles	Rajeev Ram and Joe Salisbury	Rohan Bopanna and Matthew Ebden
4.	Women's Doubles	Gabriela Dabrowski and Erin Routliffe	Vera Zvonareva and Laura Siegemund
5.	Mixed Doubles	Harri Heliövaara and Anna Dalinina	Jessica Pegula and Austin Krajicek

Other champions at US Open 2023

- Wheelchair Men's singles: Alfie Hewett
- Wheelchair Women's singles: Diede de Groot
- Wheelchair quad singles: Sam Schroder
- Wheelchair men's doubles: Stephane Houdet and Takashi Sanada
- Wheelchair women's doubles: Yui Kamiji and Tgothats Montjane
- Wheelchair quad doubles: Sam Schroder and Niels Vink
- Boys' singles: Joao Fonseca
- Girls' singles: Katherine Hui
- Boys' doubles: Max Dahlin and Oliver Ojakaar
- Girls' doubles: Mara Gae and Anastasiia Gureva
- Wheelchair boys' singles: Dahnon Ward
- Wheelchair girls' singles: Ksenia Chasteau
- Wheelchair boys' singles: Dahnon Ward and Joshua Johns
- Wheelchair girls' singles: Ksenia Chasteau and Maylee Phelps

What India achieved in its G20 presidency?

India's presidency of the G20 has seen significant accomplishments and highlights, as it brought together member countries to address critical global issues, particularly the war in Ukraine, and amplified the voice of emerging markets as mediators. **The New Delhi Declaration**, issued during the two-day G20 Summit, outlined the direction for future negotiations on key economic matters.

India's G20 Presidency: Key Achievements and Initiatives

1. **New Delhi Declaration:** The G20 Summit's first day featured the issuance of the New Delhi Declaration, which set the stage for discussions on crucial economic topics. Notably, it introduced a groundbreaking figure of \$5.9 trillion for green financing requirements in developing nations, emphasizing climate financing.
2. **Geopolitical Diplomacy:** India played a pivotal role in facilitating consensus on geopolitical issues, particularly the Russia-Ukraine crisis. It engaged closely with Brazil, South Africa, and Indonesia, demonstrating the influence of emerging markets in shaping diplomatic outcomes.
3. **Inclusive Partnerships:** The declaration recognized the contributions of Turkey and the UN-brokered Istanbul Agreements in ensuring the unhindered delivery of grain, foodstuffs, and fertilizers between Russia and Ukraine.
4. **Diplomatic Endeavor:** India's diplomatic efforts during the G20 presidency were extensive, involving over 200 hours of non-stop negotiations, 300 bilateral meetings, and 15 drafts to achieve consensus.

Global Impact and Recognition

5. **Global Implications:** The decisions made at the G20 Summit were acknowledged to have far-reaching consequences for the future, given the current global challenges such as climate change, fragility, and conflict. The summit reaffirmed the G20's capacity to address pressing global issues.

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proress in bringing diverse nations together for constructive dialogue and collaboration.

Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Prize 2022 Winners Name

Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) has publicised the list of awardees for the **Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (SSB) awards for 2022**, considered among the prestigious prizes for science in India. After an unexplained delay of nearly a year in the announcement always made on September 26, the CSIR's foundation day. The CSIR had announced the Bhatnagar winners for 2021 nearly two years ago.

All the 12 winners for 2022 are men just as they were for 2021. The 2020 winners had included two women scientists.

This year's awardees constitute 12 scientists below the age of 45 and they include

Name	Affiliation	Field of Study
Ashwani Kumar	CSIR-Institute of Microbial Technology	Biological Sciences
Maddika Subba Reddy	Centre for DNA Fingerprinting Diagnostics, Hyderabad	Biological Sciences
Akkattu Biju	Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru	Chemical Sciences
Debabrata Maiti	Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay	Chemical Sciences
Vimal Mishra	Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar	Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
Dipti Ranjan Sahoo	Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi	Engineering Sciences
Rajnish Kumar	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Engineering Sciences
Apoorva Khare	Indian Institute of Science and	Mathematical Science
Neeraj Kayal	Microsoft Research Lab India	Mathematical Science
Dipyaman Ganguly	Indian Institute of Chemical Biology, Kolkata	Medical Sciences
Anindya Das	Indian Institute of Science, Bengaluru	Physical Sciences
Basudeb Dasgupta	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research	Physical Sciences

About the award Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar (SSB) awards

The Bhatnagar prizes are named after S.S. Bhatnagar, who was the CSIR's first director general from 1942 to 1954. The SSB Prize, instituted in the memory of the first Director General of the CSIR,

6. **Diplomatic Breakthrough:** The joint communique issued by the G20 leaders, amid intense negotiations, marked a substantial diplomatic breakthrough. It underscored the commitment of all states to refrain from the use of force for territorial acquisition and deemed the use or threat of nuclear weapons as unacceptable.

Key Transformations and Commitments

- African Union's Inclusion:** One of the significant outcomes of India's G20 presidency was the African Union joining the G20 as a permanent member, signifying a milestone in global diplomacy.
- Enhanced Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs):** The G20 Independent Expert Group recommended strengthening MDBs, with a focus on enhancing the World Bank's financing capacity. Additionally, a roadmap for implementing capital adequacy framework recommendations for MDBs was endorsed, potentially unlocking \$200 billion in lending capacity over the next decade.
- Crypto Regulation:** A global consensus on the need for clearer policies and regulations for cryptocurrencies gained momentum under India's leadership.
- Debt Relief Framework:** India facilitated a consensus on a debt relief framework for Zambia, Ghana, and Ethiopia, addressing their financial challenges.
- Sustainable Cities:** The financing of sustainable and resilient cities for the future was integrated into the framework, making it accessible to MDBs.
- Unanimous Agreement:** All 83 paragraphs of the joint declaration enjoyed 100% consensus among all countries, exemplifying India's ability to foster unity and cooperation on the global stage.
- Inclusive G20 Declaration:** The G20 Declaration, without any footnotes or chair's summary, demonstrated India's

is usually announced on the foundation day of the institution on September 26. Bhatnagar Award, each of the value of Rupees five lakh, are awarded annually for notable and outstanding research, applied or fundamental, in the following disciplines:

- **Biological Sciences:** This is jointly awarded to Dr. Ashwani Kumar of CSIR-Institute of Microbial Technology and Dr. Maddika Subba Reddy of Centre for DNA Fingerprinting Diagnostics
- **Chemical Sciences:** This is jointly awarded to Dr. Akkattu T Biju of the Indian Institute of Science and Dr. Debabrata Maiti of the Indian Institute of Technology (Bombay)
- **Earth, Atmosphere and Planetary Sciences:** This is awarded to Dr. Vimal Mishra of the Indian Institute of Technology (Gandhinagar)
- **Engineering Sciences:** This is jointly awarded to Dr. Dipti Ranjan Sahoo of the Indian Institute of Technology (Delhi) and Dr. Rajnish Kumar of the Indian Institute of Technology (Madras)
- **Mathematical Sciences:** This jointly awarded to Dr. Apoorva Khare of the Indian Institute of Science and Dr. Neeraj Kayal of Microsoft Research Lab
- **Medical Sciences:** This is awarded to Dr. Dipyaman Ganguli of CSIR- Indian Institute of Chemical Biology
- **Physical Sciences:** This is jointly awarded to Dr. Anindya Das of the Indian Institute of Science and Dr. Basudeb Dasgupta of Physics Tata Institute of Fundamental Research.

Switzerland Ranked No. 1 In The World Best Countries Report 2023

Switzerland has once again claimed the title of the **world’s best country**, according to the latest **U.S. News & World Report’s annual Best Countries rankings**. This marks Switzerland’s second consecutive year at the pinnacle and its **sixth time overall** as the No. 1 nation on the list.

Switzerland excels particularly in entrepreneurship (No. 6), quality of life (No. 6), social purpose (No. 8), and cultural influence (No. 8). It also claims the top spot for being open for business.

The 2023 Rankings: Switzerland Leads the Way

The rankings, released recently, reaffirm Switzerland’s supremacy, closely followed by **Canada** at No. 2, **Sweden** at No. 3, **Australia** at No. 4, and the **United States** at No. 5. The United States has slipped one spot compared to its 2022 ranking. In the 2023 rankings, European countries dominate the top tier, securing 16 of the top 25 spots. Notable shifts include **Germany**, which has fallen five spots since 2022, and **Australia** and **New Zealand**, both climbing three places year over year. The Middle East is represented by the **United Arab Emirates**, while Asia boasts Japan, Singapore, China, and South Korea within the top 25.

Top 10 countries globally, as ranked by the U.S. News & World Report:

Rank	Country
1	Switzerland
2	Canada
3	Sweden
4	Australia
5	United States
6	Japan
7	Germany
8	New Zealand
9	United Kingdom
10	Netherlands

India Ascends to 30th Place with an Overall Score of 40.8 in 2023, Up from 31st in 2022

In 2023, India’s ranking improved by one position, securing the **30th spot** with an **overall score of 40.8**. In the previous year, in 2022, India held the 31st position out of 85.

India achieved its most remarkable performance in the **“Movers” category**, securing the **5th position**. This category evaluates countries based on their potential for future growth and their readiness to face challenges presented by the global economy. In the realm of **cultural influence** and **heritage**, India attained the 29th and 10th positions, respectively. In the **power category**, India claimed the 12th spot.

The Methodology Behind the Rankings

The rankings are developed in collaboration with global marketing communications company **WPP** and the **Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania**. Based on a global survey encompassing **87 countries** and more than 17,000 respondents, these rankings evaluate countries based on **73 attributes** such as dynamism, safety, economic stability, and commitment to social justice. Notably, Cyprus, Honduras, and Zimbabwe have made their debut in the rankings, while **El Salvador** rejoins the list after being absent in 2022.

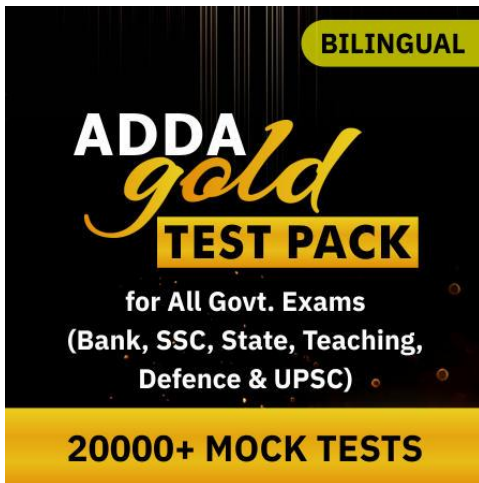
RBI (Classification, Valuation and Operation of Investment Portfolio of Commercial Banks) Directions, 2023

The **Reserve Bank of India** had issued a Discussion Paper (DP) on January 14, 2022 proposing revisions to the current norms for the classification, valuation, and operation of investment portfolios of commercial banks. After considering the feedback received on the DP, the **Reserve Bank of India (Classification, Valuation and Operation of Investment Portfolio of Commercial Banks) Directions, 2023** has been issued.

Revised norms

1. The revised Directions include principle-based classification of investment portfolio, tightening of regulations around transfers to/from **held to maturity (HTM) category** and sales out of HTM, inclusion of non-SLR securities in HTM subject

to fulfilment of certain conditions and symmetric recognition of gains and losses.



2. These Directions are expected to enhance the quality of banks' financial reporting, improve disclosures (disclosures of fair value of investments in HTM category, fair value hierarchy, sales out of HTM, etc.), provide a fillip to the corporate bond market, facilitate the use of derivatives for hedging, and strengthen the overall risk management framework of banks.
3. While the revised Directions align the accounting norms for banks' investment portfolios with global financial reporting standards, important prudential safeguards such as investment fluctuation reserve (IFR), due diligence/limits with respect to non-SLR investments, internal control systems, reviews and reporting etc. have been retained and prudential concerns on reliability of valuation have been addressed.
4. The revised Directions shall apply to all commercial banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks) from the financial year commencing on **April 1, 2024**.

Categorisation of Investments

The RBI's new directives require banks to classify their investment portfolios into three main categories:

1. **Held to Maturity (HTM):** Under this existing category, banks should hold securities with the intention of keeping them until maturity. These securities should provide regular principal and interest payments.
2. **Available for Sale (AFS):** Securities categorised as AFS are those acquired with the objective of collecting contractual cash flows while also having the option to sell them.
3. **Fair Value through Profit and Loss (FVTPL):** This is a new category introduced by RBI and includes securities that do not qualify for HTM or AFS. Securities in this category are valued at fair market value, and any gains or losses are directly reflected in the bank's profit and loss account.

It's important to note that the HTM category does not include certain securities, such as those with convertible features or loss absorbency features. Preference shares and equity shares are also excluded from HTM classification.

Initial Recognition

Under the new RBI guidelines, all investments must be measured at fair value upon initial recognition. The presumption is that the acquisition cost is the fair value unless specific circumstances suggest otherwise. For example, if transactions involve related parties, occur under duress, or take place outside the principal market for that class of securities, the presumption may be tested. Government securities acquired through auctions, switch operations, and open market operations conducted by the RBI will be recognised at the price at which they are allotted.

Subsequent Measurement

The treatment of securities varies depending on their categorisation:

1. **Held to Maturity (HTM):** Securities in the HTM category will be carried at cost and will not be marked to market after initial recognition. Any discounts or premiums on these securities will be amortised over the remaining life of the instrument.
2. **Available for Sale (AFS):** AFS securities will be fair-valued at least quarterly. Amortisation of discounts or premiums on debt securities in this category will be applied over the remaining life of the instrument.
3. **Fair Value through Profit and Loss (FVTPL):** Securities in the FVTPL category will be fair-valued, and any gains or losses from this valuation will be directly credited or debited to the profit and loss account.

Investments in Subsidiaries, Associates, and Joint Ventures

Investments in subsidiaries, associates, and joint ventures will be held separately from other investment categories. These investments will be initially recognised at their acquisition cost. If the investee entity later becomes a subsidiary, associate, or joint venture, the carrying value will be adjusted accordingly.

Impairment Evaluation

Banks are required to regularly assess the impairment of investments in subsidiaries, associates, and joint ventures. Various indicators, such as defaults in debt repayments, credit rating downgrades, and significant declines in fair value, will trigger the need for impairment evaluation. In such cases, banks must obtain an independent valuation and make provisions for impairment accordingly.

Infosys in TIME's 'The World's Best Companies of 2023' List

In a remarkable achievement, **Infosys**, the Bengaluru-headquartered IT services provider, has secured a coveted spot

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on TIME magazine’s ‘The World’s Best Companies of 2023’ list. Infosys stands out as the only Indian company to make it into the top 100 rankings, claiming the **64th position** with an impressive overall score of 88.38. Notably, the company has earned a ‘very high’ growth rate, a testament to its commitment to excellence. **On sustainability, Infosys ranked 135, and 103 for employee-satisfaction.**

About Infosys

Founded in 1981 by four engineers, including **NR Narayana Murthy**, Infosys has grown into India’s second-largest IT company in terms of revenue. The company’s illustrious history is marked by its dedication to technological excellence and innovation. Notably, Infosys has a prominent connection to the political landscape of the United Kingdom, as the son-in-law of NR Narayana Murthy is Rishi Sunak, who serves as the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.

About the TIME World’s 100 Best Companies List

TIME, in collaboration with Statista, conducted a comprehensive evaluation of 750 firms from around the world to compile this prestigious list. The rankings were determined through a rigorous assessment that considered several key factors, including revenue growth, employee-satisfaction surveys, and extensive analysis of environmental, social, and corporate governance data. Infosys’s remarkable performance across these dimensions propelled it to its well-deserved spot.

Here are the top 20 companies

Rank	Company	Country	Overall score
1.	Microsoft	United States	96.46
2.	Apple	United States	96.36
3.	Alphabet	United States	95.18
4.	Meta Platforms	United States	94.85
5.	Accenture	Ireland	94.43
6.	Pfizer	United States	93.75
7.	American Express	United States	92.46
8.	Electricite de France	France	92.40
9.	BMW Group	Germany	91.95
10.	Dell Technologies	United States	91.59
11.	Louis Vitton	France	91.35
12.	Delta Airlines	United States	91.13
13.	Enel	Italy	91.00
14.	Starbucks Corp.	United States	90.96
15.	Volkswagen Group	Germany	90.81
16.	General Motors	United States	90.78
17.	Elevance Health	United States	90.61
18.	Bosch	Germany	90.57

19.	Ford	United States	90.51
20.	Johnson & Johnson	United States	90.39
64.	Infosys	India	88.38



National Affairs

- Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the formation of the **Global Biofuels Alliance (GBA)** during the G20 Summit. The alliance includes more than 30 countries and international organizations, aimed at promoting the adoption of biofuels and expanding bioenergy access in emerging economies. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant event held on September 12, 2023, **President Droupadi Murmu** inaugurated the **First Global Symposium on Farmers’ Rights** in New Delhi. This symposium, organized by the Secretariat of the International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture (International Treaty) of the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) in Rome, was hosted by the Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- On the eve of the G20 leadership summit, the Ministry of Culture unveiled a remarkable online portal titled **“Bharat: The Mother of Democracy.”** This portal serves as a comprehensive digital exhibition chronicling the rich history of democracy in India, spanning an astonishing 7,000 years – from the Sindhu-Saraswati civilization to the year 2019. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **President Droupadi Murmu**, in a historic virtual ceremony, launched the **Ayushman Bhav campaign** and the **Ayushman Bhava portal** from the Raj Bhavan in Gandhinagar, marking a significant stride towards achieving **Universal Health Coverage (UHC)** in India. This campaign aims to enhance the accessibility and affordability of healthcare services, especially for underserved communities. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The Indian government has unveiled the **third phase** of its **Ujjwala scheme**. This initiative aims to provide **free gas connections**, along with a stove and a refill, to 7.5 million

impoverished households for three years. The move extends the program's total coverage to an impressive 103.5 million households. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **The Union Ministry of Home Affairs** has unveiled a noteworthy modification in the utilization of birth certificates for essential services, set to take effect on **October 1, 2023**. These alterations, driven by the **Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Act, 2023**, are designed to enhance the efficiency and transparency of public service delivery. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The Indian government has given the green light to **Phase III of the e-Courts project**, marking another significant step towards modernizing the country's judicial system. With a substantial budget allocation of **Rs 7,210 crore**, this initiative aims to leverage technology to enhance the efficiency and accessibility of the courts. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant development for India's agricultural sector, the government has unveiled the **UPAg (Unified Portal for Agricultural Statistics)**. This groundbreaking initiative is aimed at tackling the complex governance challenges that currently beset the country's farming industry. ([Click here to read the article](#))

States in the News

- In a groundbreaking move, the **Tamil Nadu** government is all set to launch the **Kalaignar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam**, the largest social welfare initiative aimed at providing monthly financial assistance. This scheme is set to benefit over **1.06 crore** eligible women who are the heads of their families. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant move, the **Madhya Pradesh (MP) cabinet**, under the leadership of Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, has given the green light to a series of transformative initiatives aimed at addressing critical issues within the state. These initiatives encompass compensation for **mob lynching victims**, housing schemes for homeless families, enhanced honorarium for guest faculty, flood relief packages, and the expansion of public services. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- President Droupadi Murmu officially unveiled the Gujarat legislative assembly's Digital House project, **National e-Vidhan Application (NeVA)**, in Gandhinagar. The launch ceremony was graced by the distinguished presence of Gujarat Governor Acharya Devvrat and Chief Minister Bhupendrabhai Patel. This endeavor draws inspiration from Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visionary concept of 'One Nation, One Application' and signifies a substantial leap towards achieving a **completely paperless Assembly** process. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- In a significant healthcare initiative, the State Health Minister of Punjab, **Balbir Singh**, inaugurated "**Mission Intensified IndraDhanush**" **5.0**. The launch took place at Dr. BR Ambedkar Medical College in Mohali, Punjab. This mission, initially scheduled for August but delayed due to flooding in the state, aims to provide vaccination against **12 Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (VPD)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a formal ceremony held in **Ferozepur**, Punjab, Chief Minister Bhagwant Singh Mann made a significant announcement that marks a profound tribute to the valiant Sikh warriors who gave their lives in the historic **Battle of Saragarhi**. A state-of-the-art monument, dedicated to commemorating the martyrdom of 21 brave Sikh soldiers, will grace the landscape of Ferozepur, with an ambitious timeline of completion within six months. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant development for the entertainment industry in **Haryana**, the state government has appointed renowned film actress **Mita Vashisth** as the chairperson of the governing council tasked with overseeing the implementation of the **Haryana Film and Entertainment Policy**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant move aimed at safeguarding the interests and well-being of platform-based **gig workers**, the **Karnataka government** unveiled a groundbreaking initiative that offers a comprehensive insurance package worth **Rs 4 lakh**, including Rs 2 lakh in **life insurance** and an additional Rs 2 lakh in **accidental insurance**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** is set to unveil a majestic 108-foot-tall statue of the revered philosopher **Adi Shankaracharya** in Omkareshwar on September 18. This monumental project, named "**Eaktmta Ki Pratima**" (Statue of Oneness), has garnered significant attention due to its grandeur and spiritual significance. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant move towards improving the overall health and well-being of its residents, Odisha's Chief Minister, Naveen Patnaik, unveiled the "**Mukhyamantri Sampoorna Pushti Yojana**." This initiative, along with the complementary "**Pada Pushti Yojana**," is a concerted effort to address the nutritional needs of mothers, adolescent girls, and children in the state. The launch of these programs demonstrates the government's commitment to enhancing the nutritional status of its citizens and fostering a healthier future. ([Click here to read the article](#))

International Affairs

- India and the United Kingdom have jointly announced the launch of the Infrastructure Financing Bridge during the **12th Economic and Financial Dialogue (EFD)**. This collaborative initiative signifies the continued commitment of both

nations to work closely together to unlock substantial infrastructure investment opportunities in India. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- In a significant announcement at the G20 Leaders Summit held in New Delhi, **Prime Minister Rishi Sunak** declared that the United Kingdom would allocate \$2 billion to the **Green Climate Fund (GCF)**. This commitment marks the largest single funding pledge made by the UK to address global climate change challenges, according to an official government statement. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **North Korea** has made headlines by launching its first operational “**tactical nuclear attack submarine**,” designated **Submarine No. 841** and named **Hero Kim Kun Ok**, an ex-commander of the North Korean navy. The launch ceremony took place with North Korean leader Kim Jong Un in attendance, where he highlighted the significance of this new addition to their naval force. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mayor Craig Greenberg** has declared **September 3** as **Sanatana Dharma Day** in **Louisville, Kentucky** in the United States emphasizing the significance of fostering peace, tolerance, and understanding within diverse communities. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant announcement during the **G20 summit**, **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** unveiled plans for the **India-Middle East-Europe economic corridor**, a ground-breaking initiative that promises to reshape global trade and connectivity. The corridor, which involves **India, UAE, Saudi Arabia, European Union, Italy, Germany and the United States**, is poised to be historic venture, surpassing even the legendary Silk and Spice routes of the past. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Eastern Libya** is in a state of emergency after a powerful **storm named Daniel** caused terrible damage. Thousands of people have been affected, with more than 5,300 lives lost and many still missing. Here’s what you need to know: During the storm, several dams broke, leading to severe flooding in neighborhoods. Many houses were washed away, and people had to search for their missing family members. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **NATO** member countries are gearing up to conduct their most extensive military exercise since the Cold War era. Set to commence in the spring of the following year, this ambitious undertaking is aimed at simulating various military scenarios, with a primary focus on defense against a hypothetical adversary resembling a **Russian-led coalition known as Occusus**. The overarching objective of this exercise, codenamed “**Steadfast Defender**,” is to refine NATO’s transformation from a crisis response organization into a robust war-fighting alliance. The scenario envisages repelling a hypothetical Russian-led attack on a NATO member state. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Agreements/MoUs Signed

- In a significant stride towards advancing skill development and entrepreneurship in India, the prestigious **Indian Institute of Management Indore (IIM Indore)** has forged a strategic partnership with the **National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)**. This collaborative effort represents a shared commitment to fostering excellence and innovation in these crucial domains. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **India** and **Saudi Arabia**, two major players in the global energy landscape, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), paving the way for a stronger partnership between these nations in various aspects of the energy sector. This historic agreement was signed by Union Minister for New & Renewable Energy and Power, **R. K. Singh**, on behalf of India and by **Abdulaziz bin Salman Al-Saud**, representing Saudi Arabia. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Thomas Cook** (India) Limited, India’s leading omnichannel forex services company, has entered into a groundbreaking partnership with the **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)** to introduce a pioneering **RuPay prepaid forex card** tailored for Indian travelers visiting the **United Arab Emirates (UAE)**. This significant technological endeavor is being enabled by NPCI Certified Partner, **CARD91**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant development, the **United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)** India and the **National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Nabard)** have solidified their commitment to revolutionize Indian agriculture through data-driven innovations. Their collaborative effort is aimed at bolstering the agricultural and food systems to uplift the livelihoods of smallholder farmers. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant move towards promoting clean mobility and bolstering the commercial vehicle industry, **Ashok Leyland**, a flagship company of the Hinduja Group, announced on Friday, September 15, its plans to invest **₹1,000 crore** in **Uttar Pradesh**. This substantial investment is geared towards establishing a state-of-the-art bus manufacturing facility, marking the company’s maiden venture in the state. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Banking/Economy/Business News

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** is gearing up to launch a pilot program for the **Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC)**, commonly referred to as the Digital Rupee. This initiative is expected to facilitate interbank transactions, specifically in the call money market, and is set to kick off around October. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **ICICI Bank** has announced that it has secured approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to convert **I-Process Services (India) Pvt Ltd (I-Process)** into a wholly-owned subsidiary, subject to specific conditions, according to the Bank's latest regulatory disclosure. ([Click here to read the article](#))



- In a significant move aimed at enhancing **India's digital payment ecosystem**, RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das unveiled a slew of new UPI (Unified Payments Interface) features developed by the **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**. These introduced features are set to revolutionize the way Indians transact and manage their finances. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant development, **ICICI Bank**, the country's second-largest private sector bank, has announced that it has received approval from the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** for the re-appointment of **Sandeep Bakhshi** as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (MD and CEO) of the bank. This approval comes as a crucial step in ensuring the stability and leadership continuity of the bank. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **ITI Limited**, a premier telecom company and multi-unit central public sector undertaking in India, has made significant strides in the technology market by developing its own branded Laptop and Micro PC, branded as '**SMAASH**.' These products have taken the market by storm, competing successfully against well-established MNC brands like Acer, HP, Dell, and Lenovo. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In August, **India's retail inflation**, as measured by the **Consumer Price Index (CPI)**, showed signs of moderation, dropping to **6.83% from 7.44%** in July. However, it remained above the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) target range of 4+/-2%. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has issued guidelines for banks, **non-banking financial companies (NBFCs)** and other regulated entities to address the issues faced by the borrowers and towards promoting responsible lending

conduct among such entities. The REs shall release all the original movable / immovable property documents and remove charges registered with any registry within a period of 30 days after full repayment/ settlement of the loan account. In case where the delay is attributable to the RE, it shall compensate the borrower at the rate of **₹5,000/- for each day of delay**. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- The **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)** has introduced a groundbreaking contactless payment wearable ring known as the '**OTG Ring**.' This innovative device has been developed in collaboration with the Indian fintech startup **LivQuik**. Let's delve into the details of this exciting development. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Cashfree Payments, a prominent player in the payments and API banking solutions sector, has joined forces with the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) to unveil a groundbreaking solution called '**AutoPay on QR**.' This innovative offering is poised to empower subscription-based businesses, boosting their customer acquisition, retention, and overall growth prospects. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a recent update, **Fitch Ratings** decided to maintain its growth forecast for India for the fiscal year 2023-24 (**FY24**) at **6.3%**. Despite facing challenges such as tighter monetary policy and weakened exports, India's economy displayed remarkable resilience. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- On September 14, the Indian government unveiled the **Wholesale Price Index (WPI)** data for the month of August, revealing a persistent trend of declining wholesale inflation. In August, the wholesale inflation rate plummeted to **-0.52 percent**, marking the fifth consecutive month in which it has remained in the negative territory. Notably, in July, the wholesale inflation rate had been -1.36 percent, and in June, it had reached as low as -4.12 percent. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- LIC Chairman **Siddhartha Mohanty** presented a significant dividend cheque of ₹1,831.09 crore to Union Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister **Nirmala Sitharaman**. This dividend represents the Centre's share for the fiscal year 2022-23. It was officially approved by LIC's shareholders during the Annual General Meeting held on August 22 of the same year. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a groundbreaking collaboration, **BriskPe**, a pioneering cross-border payments FinTech company, has teamed up with **YES BANK** to introduce "**BriskPe A2A**," a cutting-edge suite of solutions designed to empower exporters and importers. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a recent announcement by the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)**, the **Financial Inclusion (FI) Index** has shown significant improvement, reaching a score of 60.1 in March 2023,

compared to its previous reading of 56.4 in March 2022. This noteworthy advancement in the FI Index is attributed to growth across all sub-indices. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- India's merchandise exports in August 2023 declined by 6.86% to \$34.48 billion compared to \$37.02 billion in August 2022. The decline is evident in key sectors like Non-petroleum and non-gems and jewellery. India's trade deficit for August 2023 narrowed to \$24.16 billion, showing a 2.8% improvement from the \$24.86 billion deficit in the same month last year. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a significant financial development, the Indian government has received a dividend tranche of ₹1,487 crore from the state-owned power corporation, NTPC. This follows NTPC's recent announcement regarding the payment of its Final Dividend for the financial year 2022-23. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Appointments/Resignations

- **Sindhu Gangadharan**, who holds the position of **Senior Vice President and Managing Director at SAP Labs India** and is also responsible for SAP User Enablement, has been named the **Vice-Chairperson of The National Association of Software and Service Companies (Nasscom)**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Mastercard**, the global financial services corporation, has made a significant appointment in its Indian operations by naming **Rajnish Kumar** as the **Chairman of Mastercard India**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- IRS (Indian Revenue Service) officer **Rahul Navin** assumed the role of **In-Charge Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED)**, succeeding the outgoing Director **Sanjay Kumar Mishra**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- In a unanimous decision, **Srinivasan K. Swamy**, the Executive Chairman of R.K. Swamy Hansa Group, has been elected as the **Chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC)** for the term 2023-2024. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Defence News

- The **Border Roads Organisation (BRO)** is set to achieve a remarkable feat as it embarks on the construction of the **world's highest fighter airfield** at Nyoma in **Ladakh**. The foundation stone of this ambitious project is scheduled to be placed by Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** on September 12, 2023, at the Devak Bridge in Jammu. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Indian Coast Guard** participated in the **19th Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM)** from 05-08 Sep 2023 at **Istanbul, Turkey**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **Indian Navy** has taken a significant step towards enhancing the travel experience of its personnel and their families by collaborating with **Uber**, a leading global cab aggregator service. The Memorandum of Understanding

(MoU) was signed in the presence of **Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar** and senior officials from Uber, marking a milestone in providing reliable, convenient, safe, and economical mobility solutions for naval personnel and their families across the country. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- Raksha Mantri **Shri Rajnath Singh** has dedicated to the nation **90 infrastructure projects of Border Roads Organisation (BRO)**, worth over **Rs 2,900 crore**, spread across **11 States/Union Territories**. The projects were inaugurated by the Raksha Mantri at an event in **Jammu** on September 12, 2023. These include **Nechiphu Tunnel** in Arunachal Pradesh; **two airfields** in West Bengal; **two helipads; 22 roads and 63 bridges**. Of these 90 projects, 36 are in Arunachal Pradesh; 26 in Ladakh; 11 in Jammu & Kashmir; five in Mizoram; three in Himachal Pradesh; two each in Sikkim, Uttarakhand & West Bengal and one each in Nagaland, Rajasthan and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India reached a significant milestone with the arrival of the **first C295 aircraft**, marking a momentous achievement in the country's aviation history. This development is the result of a collaboration between **European aviation giant Airbus** and the Indian conglomerate **Tata Group**, marking the first instance of an Indian private company manufacturing an aircraft. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- A groundbreaking collaboration between global defense and security company **BAE Systems** and **India's Larsen & Toubro (L&T)** is set to revolutionize the Indian defense landscape. The partnership aims to introduce the world-leading **Articulated All-Terrain Vehicle (AATV)**, known as the '**BvS10**,' to the Indian armed forces. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Government of India took a significant step towards strengthening the country's defense capabilities by approving a series of proposals. The **Defence Acquisition Council (DAC)**, led by Defence Minister Rajnath Singh, gave the green light to **nine acquisition proposals**, amounting to a total of **Rs 45,000 crore**. These proposals encompassed various aspects of defense, from the Indian Air Force's modernization to improving the Indian Navy's capabilities and enhancing the overall indigenous content in defense projects. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Awards and Recognitions

- **Vijayawada Railway Station** was awarded the 'Green Railway Station' certification with the highest rating of **Platinum by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC)** for its efforts in improving the environmental standards and providing eco-friendly services to passengers. This is an upgradation of the station's ratings, from gold in 2019 to platinum in 2023. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- **RITES Limited** has been honoured with the ‘**Safety Innovation Award 2023**’, under the ‘Construction’ category, for implementing ‘Innovative Safety Management Systems’ in its operations. The award was presented to RITES’ officials during the inaugural function of the 20th Safety Convention organized by The Institution of Engineers (India), the largest multi-disciplinary professional body of engineers, at **Hotel Le Meridien, New Delhi**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Renowned ophthalmologist **Brig Sanjay Kumar Mishra** of Indian Army’s Research and Referral Hospital was conferred with the prestigious “**Dr AM Gokhale Award**” in Pune. The award was conferred to him at the Retina Conclave at Pune. Dr AM Gokhale was a renowned teacher of Ophthalmology and his students progressed to become the doyens of Ophthalmology in the country. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) Vice Chancellor, Professor **Najma Akhtar**, was recently presented ‘**Lifetime Achievement Award-Academia**’. The award was presented to her by **Dr Raghunath Anant Mashelkar (Padma Vibhushan)** at the Grand Conference and award function titled “Making India Employable” was organised by TeamLease EdTech. Akhtar was selected for the award by a jury panel comprising of educationists and industry experts. She has been awarded for her “great efforts to connect education to employment.”. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Erica Robin**, a model from Karachi has been crowned “**Miss Universe Pakistan 2023**”, becoming the first-ever woman from the country to win the title. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Summits and Conferences News

- In a symbolic ceremony, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi handed over the **G20 Presidency** gavel to **Brazil’s President**, marking the transition of leadership within the elite group. The transfer of power took place with warm diplomatic exchanges, emphasizing the importance of cooperation and shared priorities. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Ranks and Reports

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s ambitious plan to improve air quality in over 100 Indian cities through a holistic approach has taken significant strides towards fruition. The recently released **Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2023** (Clean Air Survey) report, conducted by the **Central Pollution Control Board**, reveals that **Indore, Amravati, and Parwanoo** boast the cleanest air in India. These cities have diligently worked towards improving their air quality and have emerged as leaders in the battle against air pollution. ([Click here to read the article](#))

- The United Nations, in its latest report titled “**The Gender Snapshot 2023**,” sheds light on the somber reality surrounding progress towards achieving gender equality by 2030, as stipulated in the **U.N.’s Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**. The report underscores that deeply entrenched biases against women, prevalent across various sectors such as health, education, employment, and politics, threaten to derail this ambitious goal. It identifies active resistance to gender equality and chronic underinvestment as pivotal roadblocks, even leading to reversals in some instances. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- A recent report by the **Union Environment Ministry** has shed light on the state of elephant corridors in India. According to this comprehensive report titled “**Elephant Corridors of India**,” the country boasts at least 150 elephant corridors, spread across 15 range-states, and encompassing four major elephant-bearing regions. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India’s Union Consumer Affairs Ministry has announced that the country is now the 13th nation authorized to issue International Organisation of Legal Metrology (OIML) certificates. In a significant development, India has joined the ranks of countries authorized to issue **International Organisation of Legal Metrology (OIML) certificates**. The announcement was made by the Union Consumer Affairs Ministry on September 14 in New Delhi, marking a pivotal moment in India’s metrological capabilities. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Sports News

- At the 2023 Tata Steel Chess India tournament held in Kolkata, **R Praggnanandhaa** from India achieved an impressive **third-place finish**, establishing himself as the leading Indian contender. In the Open Blitz category, world champion **Alexander Grischuk** exhibited his dominance by securing the top position, while **Arjun Erigaisi** secured the second-best position among Indian participants, securing **fourth place** in the Chess tournament. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- During the **2023 Archery World Cup Final** held in Hermosillo, Mexico, **Prathamesh Jawkar**, the Indian compound archer, embarked on a memorable journey in his first-ever World Cup Final appearance. He clinched a **silver medal** as Jawkar’s incredible run in the competition concluded with a thrilling face-off against **Denmark’s Mathias Fullerton**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India secured the championship title by triumphing over Bangladesh with a 2-0 victory in the final match of the **SAFF U-16 Championship 2023**, which took place on September 10 at the **Changlimithang Stadium** in Thimphu, Bhutan. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Germany beat Serbia** 83-77 to lift basketball’s **2023 FIBA World Cup**. Germany went 8-0 in the tournament, becoming

the fifth consecutive World Cup champion to go unbeaten. The tournament most valuable player Dennis Schroder carried Germany with a game-high 28 points, way above his average of 17.9 points per game, and added two rebounds and two assists. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)

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- India's **Virat Kohli** became the fastest batter to reach **13,000 ODI runs** during the Asia Cup Super 4 against **Pakistan** at the **R. Premadasa Stadium in Colombo, Sri Lanka**. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- Indian captain **Rohit Sharma** completed **10,000 ODI runs** during the **Asia Cup 2023 Super Four match** against Sri Lanka in Colombo. Rohit Sharma has crossed the landmark after reaching 23 with a six during his 241st innings in the format. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- Indian badminton player **Kiran George** secured a remarkable victory at the **Indonesia Masters 2023**, held in Medan, North Sumatra. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- The **Subroto Cup International Football Tournament**, India's oldest national inter-school football competition, is set to make history in its **62nd edition**. **Bengaluru**, the Silicon Valley of India, has been added to the list of host cities for this prestigious event. Previously held in **Delhi** and **Gurugram**, the tournament is scheduled to take place from September 19 to October 23, 2023, across three venues. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- **Maharashtra** clinched the title of champions in the **5th National Wheelchair Rugby Championship 2023** by securing a convincing victory over **Karnataka**, concluding with a final score of 31-10. This championship, which took place at Balewadi in **Pune** from September 10 to September 11, 2023, was marked by intense competition and served as a testament to the impressive development of wheelchair rugby in India. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)

Schemes and Committees News

- The Indian government has initiated the **2023-24 Series II** of the **Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB) Scheme**, which has begun its subscription phase today and will remain open until **September 15**. This scheme offers a secure alternative for

investing in gold, diverging from physical gold ownership, while also presenting an opportunity for additional income. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)

- On the 15th of September, Tamil Nadu Chief Minister **MK Stalin** marked the birth anniversary of Dravidian icon C N Annadurai by unveiling a groundbreaking initiative aimed at uplifting women across the state. The initiative, aptly named the "**Kalaignar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam**" scheme, holds the potential to bring about a significant positive change in the lives of countless women in **Tamil Nadu**. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)

Science and Technology News

- A newly discovered **green comet** is zipping by Earth and is now visible for the first time in more than **400 years**. Comet Nishimura was discovered by amateur Japanese astronomer **Hideo Nishimura** on August 11 and named after him. Nishimura first spotted it by taking long exposure shots using a Canon digital camera and a telephoto lens. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- The Mars Oxygen In-Situ Resource Utilization Experiment, commonly referred to as **MOXIE**, has achieved a remarkable feat by producing a substantial 122 grams of oxygen, a quantity sufficient for sustaining a small dog's breathing for approximately 10 hours.. This compact device, roughly the **size of a microwave**, possesses an extraordinary capability: it can convert the tenuous and inhospitable Martian atmosphere into vital, life-sustaining oxygen. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- **Amazon Web Services (AWS)**, a major player in the cloud computing industry, has entered into a strategic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)** and the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe). This collaboration aims to support space-tech innovations through cloud computing, opening up exciting possibilities in the space sector. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- Apple's **iPhone 15 Pro** and **iPhone 15 Pro Max** are the company's latest flagship smartphones, and they come with a number of notable upgrades, including a new brushed titanium frame, a powerful **A16 Bionic chip**, and a more advanced camera system. However, one of the most significant changes under the hood is the integration of precision dual-frequency **GPS, including support for NavIC, the Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS)**. [\(Click here to read the article\)](#)
- The **Geological Survey of India Training Institute (GSITI)**, located in Hyderabad, recently forged a significant collaboration with the **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)**, headquartered in Bengaluru. This momentous partnership was sealed through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed on September 11, marking the initiation of a **five-year partnership** under the National Natural Resources Management System (NNRMS)

programme. The MoU signing event was attended by key representatives from both organizations, emphasizing the commitment to enhancing expertise in critical areas. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Important Days News

- Every year, **World Suicide Prevention Day** is celebrated on **September 10**. The day is dedicated to educate and aware people about the measures to prevent the suicides that are currently increasing at an alarming rate across the globe. The theme of World Suicide Prevention Day 2023 is “**Creating Hope Through Action**”. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **National Forest Martyrs Day** is observed on **September 11** in India. This day is a tribute to those who laid down their lives in the line of duty, defending the forests and wildlife that are important for the well-being of our planet. In 2013, the Ministry of Environment declared the day of the massacre **September 11 as National Forest Martyrs Day**. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- On **September 9**, as the global community and India celebrate ‘**World EV Day**’. The year 2023 has established a powerful message for India and the world, it is a message of sustainable transportation and a cleaner future, free of carbon emissions. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation, on **September 12** of every year, is celebrated by several countries around the world. The **United Nations’ Day for South-South Cooperation** celebrates the economic, social and political developments made in recent years by regions and countries in the South and highlights United Nations efforts to work on technical cooperation among developing countries. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- India, a diverse nation with a rich tapestry of languages, celebrates **Hindi Diwas** on **September 14th** each year. This significant occasion marks the adoption of Hindi in the Devanagari script as one of the official languages of the country. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **Engineers’ Day**, observed on **September 15th** each year in India, is a day dedicated to celebrating the remarkable contributions of engineers to society. It is also an opportunity to remember the visionary engineer, **Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya**, whose birth anniversary coincides with this special day. In this article, we will explore the history, significance, and the reason why Engineers’ Day is celebrated on September 15th. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **National Engineers’ Day** is a special occasion celebrated across India on **September 15th** each year. Each year, National Engineers’ Day embraces a theme that reflects the current challenges and aspirations of the engineering community. In 2023, the theme is ‘**Engineering for a Sustainable Future**.’ ([Click here to read the article](#))

- The **International Day of Democracy**, celebrated on **September 15th** each year, is a global observance that underscores the importance of democracy as a fundamental human right and a cornerstone of good governance and peace. The theme for the International Day of Democracy in 2023 is “**Empowering the next generation**.” ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Lymphoma Awareness Day (WLAD)** is an annual event observed on **September 15th**. It is dedicated to increasing awareness about lymphoma, a group of blood cancers that affect the lymphatic system, a crucial part of our immune system. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Ozone Day**, also known as the **International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer**, is observed annually on **16th September**. The theme for World Ozone Day 2023 is “**Montreal Protocol: Fixing the Ozone Layer and Reducing Climate Change**.” ([Click here to read the article](#))
- The **International Day for Interventional Cardiology**, celebrated annually on **16 September**, is a significant occasion dedicated to recognizing the crucial field of interventional cardiology and its impact on heart health worldwide. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- **World Patient Safety Day**, observed on the **17th of September** every year, serves as a global platform to emphasize the importance of patient safety in healthcare systems worldwide. The theme for World Patient Safety Day 2023 is “**Engaging patients for patient safety**.” ([Click here to read the article](#))

Obituaries News

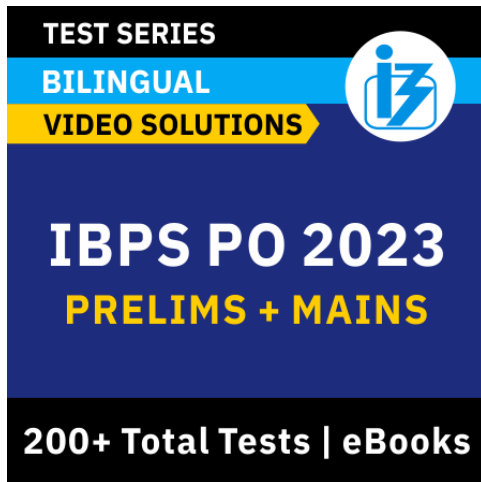
- Renowned political cartoonist **Ajit Ninan** passed away at the age of 68. Ninan was best known for the Centrestage series in India Today magazine and Ninan’s World in Times of India. A popular political cartoonist, Nina was equally well known for his work in children’s literature. ([Click here to read the article](#))
- Noted Rudra veena exponent, **Ustad Ali Zaki Hader**, passed away in New Delhi. He was 50. Disciple of Ustad Asad Ali Khan, Ali Zaki Hader was the last exponent of the Khandarabani (Khandaharbani) style of the Jaipur Beenkar gharana of Dhrupad. With his untimely demise, this ancient tradition of Rudra veena has come to an abrupt and tragic end. ([Click here to read the article](#))

Miscellaneous News

- In a significant development, **Jammu and Kashmir’s** Lieutenant Governor, **Manoj Sinha**, inaugurated the much-anticipated **Bangus Valley Festival** in the picturesque Kupwara district. The festival’s primary objective is to shed light on the untapped rural and adventure tourism opportunities within the Bangus Valley. ([Click here to read the article](#))

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- India's southern state of **Kerala** has once again found itself grappling with the ominous threat of the **Nipah virus**, a rare and deadly brain-damaging viral disease. In response to the deaths of two individuals from this infection, the state government has taken swift action by shutting down schools and offices and declaring containment zones in certain areas. ([Click here to read the article](#))



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- Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer of Thomas Cook (India) Limited: Mahesh Iyer
- North Korea marked its 75th founding anniversary on: September 11, 2023
- Chief Executive Officer of Uber: Dara Khosrowshahi
- NASSCOM Founders: Nandan Nilekani, Dewang Mehta;
- NASSCOM Founded: 1 March 1988;
- NASSCOM Headquarters: Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India & New Delhi.
- Chairman and Managing Director of ITI Limited: Shri Rajesh Rai
- CEO of the ITIA (International Tennis Integrity Agency): Karen Moorhouse
- President of the Indian Rugby Football Union: Rahul Bose.

- Captain of the Maharashtra team: Bhavesh Trivedi.
- Libya Capital: Tripoli;
- Libya Currency: Libyan Dinar.
- Principal Investigator of MOXIE: Michael Hecht
- Deputy Administrator of NASA : Pam Melroy
- RITES Limited Headquarters: Gurugram;
- RITES Limited Founded: 1974.
- Mastercard President: Michael Miebach;
- Mastercard Headquarters: Purchase, Harrison, New York, United States;
- Mastercard Established: 1966.
- Managing Director of BAE Systems Hagglunds: Tommy Gustafsson-Rask
- Executive Vice President & Head L&T Defence: Arun Ramchandani
- Country Head – Digital and Transaction Banking at YES BANK: Mr. Ajay Rajan.
- Co-founder & CEO of BriskPe: Mr. Sanjay Tripathy.
- MD & CEO of YES Bank: Prashant Kumar
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- Director of the Earth Observation Applications & Disaster Management Support Programme Office (EDPO), representing ISRO: Dr. J.V. Thomas
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