

DAILY NEWS

TOP NEWS

The world is full of amazing things. In the morning, the sun rises and the world wakes up. In the afternoon, the sun sets and the world goes to sleep. In the evening, the stars come out and the world is full of light.

GOOD NEWS

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Q.1) What is India's rank in the '2022 Hurun Global 500 list' of valuable companies?

मूल्यवान कंपनियों की '2022 हुरुन ग्लोबल 500 सूची' में भारत का रैंक क्या है?

- (1) 5th**
- (2) 7th**
- (3) 9th**
- (4) 11th**

- According to the recently released **Hurun Global 500 list 2022**, India, with **20 most valuable companies** in the world, has moved into the **5th position** among countries that are home to the world's top 500 firms.
- Last year India was ranked **9th** with 8 companies.

- The **United States of America** with **260 companies** came at the top. It was followed by **China** with 35 companies, **Japan** with 28 companies, The **United Kingdom** with 21 companies, India and Canada were at the 5th position with 20 companies each.

- Of the 20 Indian companies featured on the list this year, 11 are based in Mumbai, four in Ahmedabad and one each in Noida, New Delhi, Bengaluru and Kolkata.

**Q.3) India's 1st Carbon Neutral Farm has been inaugurated in –
भारत के पहले कार्बन न्यूट्रल फार्म का उद्घाटन किया गया है -**

- (1) Maharashtra**
- (2) Karnataka**
- (3) Tamil Nadu**
- (4) Kerala**

- Kerala Chief Minister Pinnari Vijayan on 10 December 2022 inaugurated Kerala's State Seed Farm located in Aluva, Ernakulam district.
- It is the first farm in India which is carbon neutral.
- The farm practices carbon-neutral farming which involves absorption of all the carbon that gets released during various agriculture practices in the soil itself.

Q.4) Mopa Airport become the 2nd International Airport of which state/UT?

मोपा हवाई अड्डा किस राज्य / केन्द्र शासित प्रदेश का दूसरा अंतर्राष्ट्रीय हवाई अड्डा बन गया है?

- (1) Goa**
- (2) Odisha**
- (3) Bihar**
- (4) Manipur**

- **PM Narendra Modi has inaugurated Goa's 2nd international airport at Mopa on 11 December 2022.**
- **Mopa airport will be the first cargo carrying airport of Goa.**
- **The Mopa International Airport has been developed at a cost of around Rs 2,8700 crore by the GMR Infrastructure which also has the right to operate the airport for 40 years with an option of additional 20 years.**

Q.5) India's largest and 4th business jet terminal has been commissioned in –

भारत का सबसे बड़ा और चौथा बिजनेस जेट टर्मिनल कहाँ पर चालू किया गया है -

- (1) Tamil Nadu
- (2) Odisha
- (3) Kerala
- (4) Telangana

- Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan inaugurated the India's first and biggest charter gateway – the Business Jet Terminal — at the Cochin International Airport Limited (CIAL) on 10 December 2022.
- Cochin airport has become the 4th airport in India after Delhi, Mumbai and Ahmedabad with dedicated private Jet terminals.

Q.6) Who take the oath as the new Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh?

हिमाचल प्रदेश के नए मुख्यमंत्री के रूप में कौन शपथ लेता है?

- (1) Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu**
- (2) Sachin Pilot**
- (3) Harsh Mahajan**
- (4) Pratibha Singh**

- **Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu** has been unanimously elected as the **new Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh** and take the oath on 11th December 2022, succeeding **Jai Ram Thakur**.
- He served as the president of the **Himachal Pradesh Congress Committee** from 2013 to 2019.
- Apart from this, **Mukesh Agnihotri** (leader of the opposition in the outgoing Assembly) has been appointed as the **deputy chief minister** of Himachal Pradesh.

Q.7) Legendary Marathi Lavani singer Sulochana Chavan died. He was known as –

**प्रसिद्ध मराठी लावणी गायिका सुलोचना चव्हाण का निधन हो गया।
उन्हें इस रूप में जाना जाता था -**

- (1) Singer Swift**
- (2) Queen of Soul**
- (3) Singet Lavani**
- (4) Lavani Samradnyi**

- **Legendary Marathi Lavani singer Sulochana Chavan died in Mumbai on 10 December 2022.**
- **Known as ‘Lavani Samradnyi’ (Queen of Lavani), Sulochana Chavan was one of the most well-known singers in this traditional Maharashtra musical genre closely associated with the folk theatre form Tamasha.**

Q.8) Shenu Agarwal has been appointed as the MD and CEO of –
शेनु अग्रवाल को किस कंपनी का एमडी और सीईओ नियुक्त किया
गया है?

- (1) Maruti Suzuki
- (2) Ashok Leyland
- (3) Tata Motors
- (4) Honda Cars

• **Ashok Leyland**, the flagship company of the Hinduja group and India's leading commercial vehicle manufacturer, on 8 December announced the appointment of **Shenu Agarwal** as its new managing director and chief executive officer.

• Shenu joins Ashok Leyland from **Escorts Kubota Ltd**, where he was president.

Q.9) Who has won the S&P Platts Global CEO of the Year Award in 2022?

2022 में S&P प्लैट्स ग्लोबल CEO ऑफ द ईयर अवार्ड किसने जीता है?

- (1) Leena Nair**
- (2) Parag Agrawal**
- (3) Gurdeep Singh**
- (4) Ajay Banga**

- CEO of NTPC, **Gurdeep Singh** has been named the **S&P Platts Global CEO of the Year Award**.
- The 24th annual **Platts Global Energy Awards** which is also considered as the “**Oscars of the energy industry**” was held in **New York, United States of America**.

Q.10) Who has picked Indian TV actor Dev Joshi to accompany him for a trip around Moon?

चंद्रमा के चारों ओर एक यात्रा के लिए भारतीय टीवी अभिनेता देव जोशी को उनके साथ किसने चुना है?

- (1) Masayoshi Son**
- (2) Takemitsu Takizaki**
- (3) Tadashi Yanai**
- (4) Yusaku Maezawa**

- Japanese billionaire **Yusaku Maezawa** has picked Indian TV actor **Dev Joshi** to accompany him around for a **trip** around the **Moon** on a private **SpaceX** flight as early as next year.
- Dev Joshi is best known for portraying the role of Baal Veer in Sony Sab's Baal Veer and Baalveer Returns.
- Yusaku Maezawa has also picked American DJ **Steve Aoki**, Korean rapper **TOP**, YouTuber **Tim Dodd**, Irish photographer **Rhiannon Adam**, American documentary filmmaker **Brendan Hall**, UK photographer **Karim Iliya**, Czech dancer **Yemi AD** for his private SpaceX flight.

Q.11) Who has inaugurated the 1st phase of Mumbai-Nagpur Super Expressway?

मुंबई-नागपुर सुपर एक्सप्रेसवे के पहले चरण का उद्घाटन किसने किया है?

- (1) Narendra Modi**
- (2) Droupadi Murmu**
- (3) Eknath Shinde**
- (4) Jagdeep Dhankhar**

- **PM Narendra Modi** has inaugurated what would be **India's longest expressway** – the **Hindu Hrudaysamrat Balasaheb Thackeray Maharashtra Samruddhi Mahamarg**, also known as **Mumbai-Nagpur expressway**.
- The **520 km-long Phase I** is part of the **total 701 km Super Expressway** project linking the state capital **Mumbai** with **Nagpur**, passing through **10 districts**.
- Built at a cost of **around Rs 55,000 crore**, it is one of the longest **greenfield six-lane expressways** in the country.

Q.12) As per Government, How many pregnant women have comprehensive antenatal care under PMSMA?

सरकार के अनुसार, पीएमएसएमए के तहत कितनी गर्भवती महिलाओं की व्यापक प्रसव पूर्व देखभाल की जाती है?

- (1) 2 crore 40 lakh**
- (2) 3 crore 60 lakh**
- (3) 3 crore 80 lakh**
- (4) 4 crore 20 lakh**

- The Government of India has said that more than **3 crore 60 lakh pregnant women** have received comprehensive antenatal care under the **Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan programme** across all States and Union Territories.
- The Pradhan Mantri Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan has been launched by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (**MoHFW**), Government of India.

Q.13) Aam Aadmi Party has become the _____ “National Party” of India.

आम आदमी पार्टी भारत की _____ "राष्ट्रीय पार्टी" बन गई है।

(1) 6th

(2) 7th

(3) 8th

(4) 9th

- Within a decade of its formation, Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) becomes India's ninth national party with its performance in Gujarat elections.
- The Election Commission of India gives “national” and “state” tags to parties, which allows them to use their symbol across India or in a respective state.
- AAP was a state party in both Delhi and Punjab.

Q.14) Sports Ministry has announced that 1000 Khelo India Centers will be set up by –

खेल मंत्रालय ने घोषणा की है कि 1000 खेलो इंडिया केंद्र स्थापित किए जाएंगे -

- (1) August 2023**
- (2) December 2022**
- (3) 2024**
- (4) 2025**

•The Union Ministry for Youth Affairs and Sports, **Anurag Thakur** on 9 December 2022 informed the Lok Sabha that **one thousand Khelo India sports centers** will be set up in the country by **15 August 2023**.

•He said that the government has so far **approved 773 centers**.

**Q.15) Karnataka government to be renamed "Salaam Aarti" ritual to
कर्नाटक सरकार का नाम बदलकर "सलाम आरती" अनुष्ठान किया जाएगा**

- (1) Alpona**
- (2) Namaskara**
- (3) Chetna**
- (4) Prama**

- **Salaam Aarti**’ ritual was started during the time of Mysuru ruler **Tipu Sultan**. Tipu got the worship done on his behalf for the welfare of the **Mysuru kingdom**.
- The ruling BJP of Karnataka has decided to rename ‘Salaam Aarti’- a ritual started by Mysuru ruler Tipu Sultan in the state.
- Now, the ritual would be named as ‘**Aarti Namaskara**’.

Q.16) Who has been awarded with the “Don Award 2022” by Australia?

ऑस्ट्रेलिया द्वारा “डॉन अवार्ड 2022” से किसे सम्मानित किया गया है?

- (1) Patrick Mills**
- (2) Kurt Fearnley**
- (3) Ashleigh Barty**
- (4) Jeff Horn**

• **Ashleigh Barty**, the winner of the **Australian Open women's singles title** in January, has been conferred with **The Don Award**, Australia's most prestigious annual sports award.

• The award is named after the country's legendary cricketer **Don Bradman**.

• Barty left the tennis world stunned in March when she announced her **retirement** at the **age of 25**. The triple Grand Slam winner was ranked **No. 1** in women's singles at the time of her retirement.

Q.17) Japan, Britain and which country jointly build sixth-generation fighter jets?

जापान, ब्रिटेन और कौन सा देश संयुक्त रूप से छठी पीढ़ी के लड़ाकू जेट का निर्माण कर रहे हैं?

- (1) Iran**
- (2) Iraq**
- (3) Italy**
- (4) India**

- British PM **Rishi Sunak** has announced a partnership between the **UK, Italy and Japan** to build the **fighter jet** of the future.
- It will be called the “**Tempest**”.
- It is conceived as a **sixth-generation stealth fighter** with multiple capabilities.
- It will have the ability to operate **manned or unmanned**.

Q.18) IIT Delhi has organised the 4th edition of "Industry Day", held

on –

IIT दिल्ली ने "उद्योग दिवस" के चौथे संस्करण का आयोजन किया है -

- (1) 9th December
- (2) 10th December
- (3) 11th December
- (4) 12th December

- **IIT Delhi's** flagship industry-academia partnership event, **Industry Day 2022**, held on December 10, 2022.
- **K Ananth Krishnan**, Executive Vice-President and Chief Technology Officer, Tata Consultancy Services, who is an IIT Delhi alum, was the **chief guest** on the occasion.

Q.19) "Nobel Prize Day" is observed every year on –
"नोबेल पुरस्कार दिवस" हर साल मनाया जाता है -

- (1) 9th December
- (2) 10th December
- (3) 11th December
- (4) 12th December

- **Nobel Prize Day** is observed every year on **10th December** to honor the achievements of **Alfred Bernhard Nobel**, a Swedish engineer, chemist, entrepreneur, and philanthropist.
- **Five Nobel Prize** in physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, literature, and peace are awarded annually on **10th December** since 1901.
- Every year, a ceremony is held in **Stockholm, Sweden** on **10 December** on the anniversary of Alfred Nobel's death.

**Q.20) "International Day of Neutrality" is observed every year on –
"तटस्थता का अंतर्राष्ट्रीय दिवस" हर साल मनाया जाता है -**

- (1) 10th December**
- (2) 11th December**
- (3) 12th December**
- (4) 13th December**

- **International Day of Neutrality** is a United Nations recognized day held on **December 12** each year.
- **Aim:** to raise public awareness of the value of neutrality in international relations
- It was officially declared by a **UN General Assembly** resolution adopted in **February 2017** and first observed on **December 12, 2017**.

Q.1) Who has been appointed as the Managing Director of National Dairy Development Board (NDDDB)?

राष्ट्रीय डेयरी विकास बोर्ड (NDDDB) के प्रबंध निदेशक के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (1) Manoj Malaviya**
- (2) Meenesh C Shah**
- (3) Suman Bala**
- (4) Herman Prit**

- The government of India in an order issued on 9 December 2022 has appointed **Meenesh C Shah** as the Managing Director of **National Dairy Development Board (NDDB)** with effect from 15 November 2022.
- There has been no regular chairman at NDDB since December 2020.
- Presently **Meenesh Shah** was also holding the additional charge of the **Chairman, NDDB**.

- **National Dairy Development Board (NDDB)**: It was set up in 1966 as a society under the Societies Act 1860.
- The first chairman of NDDB was Verghese Kurien. Kurien is also called as the father of White Revolution in India.
- NDDB was merged with Indian Dairy Corporation by the NDDB Act 1987 with effect from 12 October 1987.

Q.2) Who has become the first woman president of the Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI)?

टेबल टेनिस फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया (TTFI) की पहली महिला अध्यक्ष कौन बनी हैं?

- (1) Richa Ghosh**
- (2) Anjum Mou**
- (3) Meghna Ahlawat**
- (4) Sophiya Saik**

- **Meghna Chautala**, wife of Haryana Deputy Chief Minister Dushyant Chautala, has been elected president of the **Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI)** on December 5, 2022.
- Meghna Chautala has become the **first woman president** of the Table Tennis Federation of India.
- Earlier, her husband and Deputy Chief Minister **Dushyant Chautala** was also the president of TTFI.
- Significantly, national champion **Kamlesh Mehta** has been given charge as the **new General Secretary** of Table Tennis Federation of India and **Patel Nagendra Reddy** has been elected as **treasurer**.

Q.3) Who has been reappointed as the MD & CEO of Ujjivan Small Finance Bank?

उज्जीवन स्मॉल फाइनेंस बैंक के एमडी और सीईओ के रूप में किसे फिर से नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (1) Ittira Davis**
- (2) Raj Vikash Verma**
- (3) Pramod Kabra**
- (4) Madan G. Sharma**

- **Ujjivan Small Finance Bank (SFB)** on December 7 said it has received the approval of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) for reappointment of **Ittira Davis** as its managing director and chief executive officer for a **period of two years**.
- Davis has been associated with Ujjivan since **March 2015**.

Q.4) Who has been appointed as the First Vice President of Federal Reserve Bank of New York?

न्यूयॉर्क के फेडरल रिजर्व बैंक के पहले उपाध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (1) Sushmita Shukla**
- (2) Anish Thoppani**
- (3) Sneha Jawale**
- (4) Sanskar Saraswat**

- The **Federal Reserve Bank of New York** has appointed Indian-origin, **Sushmita Shukla** (54) as First Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of bank, effective March 2023.
- It is the largest Reserve Bank in terms of assets and volume of activity.

**Q.5) Who has become the new Brand Ambassador of Pottery Barn,
a American furniture retailer?**

**अमेरिकी फर्नीचर रिटेलर पॉटरी बार्न का नया ब्रांड एंबेसडर कौन बना
है?**

- (1) Alia Bhatt**
- (2) Deepika Padukone**
- (3) Priyanka Chopra**
- (4) Huma Qureshi**

- American furniture retailer, Pottery Barn has signed **Deepika Padukone** as a brand ambassador, to promote the company's international expansion

- She will also work with the company's in-house design team in **San Francisco** to co-create a capsule collection, that will be launched in 'Fall 2023'.

- In July 2022, Pottery Barn launched its online retail website for India, in partnership with Reliance Brands.

- It has launched its **first retail store** in Ambience Vasant Kunj, **New Delhi**.

**Q.6) Who has launched the Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS) party?
भारत राष्ट्र समिति (BRS) पार्टी की शुरुआत किसने की है?**

- (1) Pema Khandu**
- (2) Bhupesh Baghel**
- (3) K Chandrasekhar Rao**
- (4) Basavaraj Bommai**

- The Telangana Chief Minister and president of the ruling Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS), **K Chandrasekhar Rao** formally launched the **Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS)** on 9 December 2022 in Hyderabad.
- The Election Commission of India (ECI) on 8 December 2022 had approved the change of name of the **Telangana Rashtra Samithi (TRS)** as **Bharat Rashtra Samithi (BRS)**.
- K Chandrasekhar Rao formed the TRS in 2001 to fight for the formation of a separate state Telangana out of undivided Andhra Pradesh.

**Q.7) As per Government, How many Indians have given up Indian
Citizenship since 2011?**

**सरकार के अनुसार, 2011 के बाद से कितने भारतीयों ने भारतीय
नागरिकता छोड़ी है?**

- (1) 16 lakh**
- (2) 18 lakh**
- (3) 21 lakh**
- (4) 24 lakh**

- According to the government of India over **16 lakh** Indians have given up Indian citizenship since 2011 including 183,741 in 2022.
- The information was given in the Rajya Sabha on 9 December 2022 by the Union Minister of State for External Affairs **V Muraleedharan**.
- The total number of Indians who gave up Indian citizenship since 2011 comes to **16,21,561**.

Q.8) Who represented India at the 24 Hour Ultra Marathon in Taiwan?

ताइवान में 24 घंटे के अल्ट्रा मैराथन में भारत का प्रतिनिधित्व किसने किया?

- (1) Avinash Sable**
- (2) Ram Singh Yadav**
- (3) Thonakal Gopi**
- (4) Amar Singh Devanda**

- Air Warrior Corp **Amar Singh Devanda** bagged sixth position by covering a distance of 204.47 Kms in 24 Hrs Ultra Marathon organised by Chinese Taipei Association of Ultra runners for 2022 at Soochow University, Taiwan.
- Cpl Amar Singh Devanda represented India in the event.
- A total of 31 runners comprising 21 males and 10 females from 5 countries participated in the event. The competition started on 3 December 22.

**Q.9) Who has approved a \$780 million loan for Chennai metro rail?
चेन्नई मेट्रो रेल के लिए 780 मिलियन डॉलर के ऋण को किसने मंजूरी दी
है?**

(1) World Bank

(2) AIIB

(3) ADB

(4) NDB

- The **ADB** has approved the financial aid of \$780 million to build new lines for **Chennai's metro rail**.
- Focus:** Improve the network's connectivity with bus and feeder services.

Q.10) Who has approved a \$250 million loan to strengthen logistics sector in India?

भारत में रसद क्षेत्र को मजबूत करने के लिए 250 मिलियन डॉलर के ऋण को किसने मंजूरी दी है?

- (1) ADB**
- (2) AIIB**
- (3) NDB**
- (4) World Bank**

- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** on 9 December 2022 has approved a USD 250 million loan.
- Aim:** to strengthen and modernize the country's logistics infrastructure, improve efficiency, and lower costs

Q.11) Government has extended the "Rooftop Solar Programme"

till

सरकार ने "रूफटॉप सोलर प्रोग्राम" को कब तक बढ़ाया है -

(1) 2023

(2) 2024

(3) 2025

(4) 2026

- The government on 8 December said the rooftop solar programme has been extended till March 31, 2026.
- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy is implementing the Grid Connected Rooftop Solar Scheme (Phase II) to generate solar power by installing solar panels on the roof of houses.
- Phase II aims to achieve a cumulative capacity of 40,000 MW from Rooftop Solar Projects by the year 2022.

Q.12) Which state cabinet approved a bill to create 'Safai Karamchari Commission'?

किस राज्य के मंत्रिमंडल ने 'सफाई कर्मचारी आयोग' बनाने के लिए एक विधेयक को मंजूरी दी?

(1) Assam

(2) Bihar

(3) Karnataka

(4) Gujarat

- The **Assam Cabinet** on 7th Dec 2022 approved a bill to create a **Safai Karamchari Commission**.
- Aim:** to providing financial benefits to pregnant women, monitoring drug prices, protecting Safai Karmacharis' rights and filling up vacancies in the Forest Department were also taken in the meeting.

Q.13) ISRO has announced to develop 'Spatial Data Infrastructure Geoportal' for –

इसरो ने किसके लिए 'स्थानिक डेटा इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर जियोपोर्टल' विकसित करने की घोषणा की है -

- (1) Ladakh**
- (2) Chandigarh**
- (3) Delhi**
- (4) Puducherry**

•Ladakh has approached the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing (IIRS), a unit of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) for developing “Spatial Data Infrastructure geoportal ‘Geo-Ladakh’ for **UT-Ladakh**”.

•This portal will be used to find, access, distribute & contribute geospatial information and its associated geographic services such as navigation, buffer, measurements analysis, metadata catalogue, map catalogue and more.

**Q.14) UPI transactions has increased how much percentage in semi-urban and urban sectors in 2022?
2022 में अर्ध-शहरी और शहरी क्षेत्रों में UPI लेनदेन में कितने प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है?**

- (1) 560%**
- (2) 500%**
- (3) 100%**
- (4) 650%**

- The unified payments interface (UPI) transactions witnessed a meteoric **650 per cent rise** at the semi-urban and rural stores in India in 2022.

- However, there has been a slight dip in the average cash withdrawal per transaction, from Rs 2,620 in 2021 to Rs 2,595 in 2022.

Digital Rupee

- 1.A digital version of paper money is what the term “digital rupee” or “digital currency” refers to.
- 2.One digital rupee is equivalent to one rupee in currency.
- 3.Users must visit the official app or website of one of the four designated banks in order to purchase digital Rupee.
- 4.The exchange of digital rupees can take place between individuals and businesses.

UPI

- 1.UPI, in contrast to digital rupee, merely serves as an interface for financial transactions involving actual money.
- 2.The UPI interface enables consumers to conduct online transactions using their bank account.
- 3.Instantaneous money transfers on mobile devices every day of the year, 24/7.
- 4.Multiple bank accounts can be accessed using a single mobile application.

Q.15) Female umpires will officiate in which Trophy, for the first time in Indian cricket history?

भारतीय क्रिकेट इतिहास में पहली बार महिला अंपायर किस ट्रॉफी में अंपायरिंग करेंगी?

- (1) Nehru Trophy**
- (2) Santosh Trophy**
- (3) Deodhar Trophy**
- (4) Ranji Trophy**

- **Female umpires** will officiate in **Ranji Trophy** this season, for the first time in Indian cricket history.
- With Ranji Trophy, beginning December 13, the **three female officials** will only get to do select matches in the men's first-class competition.
- **VRINDA RATHI, Janani Narayanan and Gayathri Venugopalan** will be the trio who will be standing from the second-round onwards as India's domestic season reaches its peak in the coming weeks.

Q.16) Union Ministry has organised the “Universal Coverage Day (UHC) 2022” at –

केंद्रीय मंत्रालय ने "सार्वभौमिक कवरेज दिवस (UHC) 2022" का आयोजन किया है -

- (1) Lucknow**
- (2) Kanpur**
- (3) Varanasi**
- (4) Agra**

• **Union Ministry of Health & Family Welfare** has organised a two-days conclave commemorating the “**Universal Coverage Day (UHC) 2022**” on 10th and 11th December 2022 at **Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.**

• **Theme of UHC 2022:** “Build the World We Want: A Healthy Future for All”

Q.17) "International Mountain Day" is observed every year on –
"अंतर्राष्ट्रीय पर्वत दिवस" हर साल मनाया जाता है -

- (1) 9th December
- (2) 10th December
- (3) 11th December
- (4) 12th December

- **International Mountain Day** is observed globally on **December 11** every year.
- The day is celebrated to create awareness about the importance of mountains to life.
- **Theme 2022: “Women Move Mountains”**
- The day was established by the UN General Assembly in **2003** to encourage the sustainable development of mountains.
- United Nations had declared **2002** as the **UN International Year of Mountains**.
- **Mountains** are home to **15%** of the world’s population and host about half of the world’s biodiversity hotspots.

Q.1) What is India's rank in the Arton Capital's Passport Index 2022?

आर्टन कैपिटल के पासपोर्ट इंडेक्स 2022 में भारत की रैंक क्या है?

(1) 83rd

(2) 87th

(3) 89th

(4) 77th

- **Passport Index 2022** published by **Arton Capital** is the ranking of the world's strongest and weakest passports.
- **India** has ranked **87** in the world's strongest passport list.
- While **UAE** ranked **first**, it is followed by **Germany, Sweden, Finland, Luxembourg, Spain France**. While **Afghanistan** stood last, **Pakistan** stood at 94.

**Q.2) Who has become the 77th chess Grandmaster of India?
भारत के 77वें शतरंज ग्रैंडमास्टर कौन बने हैं?**

- (1) Pranav Anand**
- (2) V Pranav**
- (3) Aditya Mittal**
- (4) Mitrabha Guha**

- **Aditya Mittal** (16, Mumbai) has become the 77th chess **Grandmaster of India**, during an ongoing Ellobregat Open tournament, Spain.
- He had secured three GM norms, crossed live rating of **2,500 ELO points mark** during the sixth round of the ongoing tournament.

Q.3) Dina Boluarte has assumed the charge as the first Female

President of –

दीना बोलुआर्टे ने किस देश की पहली महिला राष्ट्रपति का पदभार ग्रहण किया है -

(1) Peru

(2) Brazil

(3) Colombia

(4) Chile

- Former Vice President, **Dina Boluarte** has assumed the charge as the **first female and sixth president of Peru.**
- **Dina Ercilia Boluarte Zegarra** (born 31 May 1962) is a Peruvian lawyer and politician who has become as the **64th president of Peru** since 7 December 2022.
- Her term has been extended to **July 2026.**

Q.4) Who has been honored with the men's 2022 World Athletes of the Year?

पुरुषों के 2022 विश्व एथलीट ऑफ द ईयर से किसे सम्मानित किया गया है?

- (1) Kevin Durant**
- (2) Nathan Chen**
- (3) Mondo Duplantis**
- (4) Roger Federer**

• **Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone** from USA and **Mondo Duplantis** from Sweden have been honored with the **2022 World Athletes of the Year** at the World Athletics Awards.

• **McLaughlin-Levrone**: She had broken the world women's 400m hurdles record twice.

• She became the **first American** to win Athlete of the Year since fellow 400m hurdler Dalilah Muhammad in 2019.

Q.5) How many Indian women have been listed in 2022 Forbes' list of The World's 100 Most Powerful Women?

2022 फोर्ब्स की विश्व की 100 सबसे शक्तिशाली महिलाओं की सूची में कितनी भारतीय महिलाओं को सूचीबद्ध किया गया है?

- (1) 2 women**
- (2) 4 women**
- (3) 6 women**
- (4) 8 women**

- **Six** Indian women Top: Ursula von der Leyen (Belgium), European Commission President
- **Indian women who made it to the list:**
- Union Finance Minister **Nirmala Sitaraman**, who is ranked 36, is on the list for the fourth time in a row.
- **Roshini Nadar Malhotra**, Chairperson of HCLTech, has been ranked 53rd.
- **Madhabi Puri Buch**, Chairperson of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), is ranked 54th on the list.
- **Soma Mondal**, Chairperson of the Steel Authority of India, is ranked 67.
- **Mazumdar-Shaw**, executive chairperson and founder of Biocon Limited and Biocon Biologics Limited is ranked 72.
- **Falguni Sanjay Nayar**, the founder and CEO of the beauty and lifestyle retail company Nykaa, is ranked 89th.

Q.6) India will host 17th Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas in January 2023 at
भारत जनवरी 2023 में 17वें प्रवासी भारतीय दिवस की मेजबानी करेगा

—

- (1) Kolkata
- (2) Lucknow
- (3) Jaipur
- (4) Indore

- India will be hosting the 17th Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas in **Indore** from 8-10 January 2023.
- President of the Cooperative Republic of Guyana **Mohamed Irfaan Ali** will be the **Chief Guest** at the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD).
- Australian Member of Parliament (MP) **Zaneta Mascarenhas** will be the **guest of honour** at the Youth Pravasi Bharatiya Divas which will be held on 8 January 2023.
- The Convention was held in a virtual format.
- The theme of the 16th PBD Convention 2021 was “**Contributing to Aatmanirbhar Bharat**”.

Q.7) RBI has extended the Trading Hours from 3pm to –
RBI ने ट्रेडिंग का समय दोपहर 3 बजे से बढ़ाकर –

- (1) 4pm
- (2) 5pm
- (3) 6pm
- (4) 7pm

- The RBI has extended the trading hours to **5pm** (Present) for various markets regulated by it.
- At Present extant timings **9am to 3pm**.
- According to the RBI release, the new timings will come into effect from **December 12, 2022**.
- The call/notice/term money market will close at 5 pm.
- The market for Commercial paper and Certificates of Deposit will close at 5 pm.

Q.8) Eden Hazard announced his retirement from international football. He was captain of –

RBI ने ट्रेडिंग का समय दोपहर 3 बजे से बढ़ाकर –

- (1) Belgium**
- (2) Brazil**
- (3) Netherlands**
- (4) France**

- **Eden Hazard** has announced his **retirement** from international football after **Belgium's** early exit from the FIFA World Cup 2022.
- He was the captain of Belgium in the 2022 FIFA World Cup.
- He made his debut against Luxembourg in 2008
- He moved to **Real Madrid** from **Chelsea** for an estimated £150m in 2019.
- In 2018 World Cup, he helped Belgium to reach semi-finals, where they lost to eventual champions France
- He made **126 appearances** and scored **33 goals**.

Q.9) ISRO has signed with which private space firm to build private space "Capsules"?

इसरो ने निजी अंतरिक्ष "कैप्सूल" बनाने के लिए किस निजी अंतरिक्ष फर्म के साथ हस्ताक्षर किए हैं?

- (1) Skyroot**
- (2) Vyom Space**
- (3) Pixxel**
- (4) AgniKul**

- **ISRO** has signed an MoU with Gurugram-based private space firm, **Vyom Space** Exploration and Services Private Limited.
- **Reason:** For its human and cargo transportation capsule program.
- It was facilitated by India's nodal space authorization body, Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Center (In-Space).
- In space mission, '**Capsule**' is the module inside which any cargo is placed for being carried to space.
- In manned missions, the capsule is **what hosts the astronauts**.

**Q.10) The Karthigai Deepam Chariot festival has been organized in
कार्तिगई दीपम रथ उत्सव का आयोजन किया गया है**

- (1) Maharashtra**
- (2) Tamil Nadu**
- (3) Gujarat**
- (4) Andhra Pradesh**

- The **Karthigai Deepam Chariot festival** has been organized at Tiruparangunram in Madurai, **Tamil Nadu** after a gap of two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- This festival is mentioned in the literature of Tamils known as **Ahananuru**, a collection of poems.
- It is one of the great books of Sangam literature that talks about the happenings **between 200 BC and 300 AD**.
- Avaiyyar**, renowned woman of Sangam age also mentions about **karthigai Deepam** in her poems

Q.11) FAO has organized an opening ceremony for the International Year of Millets 2023 in –

एफएओ ने 2023 के अंतर्राष्ट्रीय वर्ष के लिए एक उद्घाटन समारोह का आयोजन किया है -

(1) Paris

(2) Rome

(3) New York

(4) Singapore

- The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations, organized an opening ceremony for the International Year of Millets 2023 in Rome, Italy.
- An Indian delegation led by Sushri Shobha Karandlaje, Minister of State, Agriculture & Farmers Welfare along with Smt. Shubha Thakur, Joint Secretary (Crops), DA&FW, and other senior officials were present at the opening ceremony.
- India sponsored the proposal for the International Year of Millets 2023 which was accepted by the UN's General Assembly.

Q.12) Where did the 9th World Ayurveda Congress and Arogya Expo 2022 inaugurated?

9वीं विश्व आयुर्वेद कांग्रेस और आरोग्य एक्सपो 2022 का उद्घाटन कहाँ हुआ?

- (1) Hyderabad**
- (2) Bhopal**
- (3) Goa**
- (4) Pune**

•The 4-day (8-11 December) **9th World Ayurveda Congress (WAC)** was inaugurated on 8 December 2022 at Panaji, **Goa** in the presence of Union Minister of State for Tourism and Shipping, Ports and Waterways **Shripad Naik** and the Chief Minister of Goa **Dr Pramod Sawant**.

•‘**Ayurveda for One Health**’ is the theme of the event.

Q.13) Who has been officiated as the new chairman of the Rajya Sabha?

राज्य सभा के नए अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?

- (1) Jagdeep Dhankhar**
- (2) Piyush Goyal**
- (3) Virendra Kumar**
- (4) Giriraj Singh**

- **Jagdeep Dhankhar** has been officiated as the chairman of the Rajya Sabha on December 7, 2022, as the winter session of the Parliament commences.
- The winter session of Parliament which, will continue till **December 29**. The session was delayed by a month due to the Gujarat election schedule.
- PM Narendra Modi has expressed confidence that the Rajya Sabha will attain a new height under the leadership of new Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar.

Q.14) Tribal Ministry has organised a free One-Day Mega Health Camp – 'Abua Bugin Hodmo' in –
जनजातीय मंत्रालय ने एक निःशुल्क एक दिवसीय मेगा स्वास्थ्य शिविर - 'अबुआ बुगिन होदमो' का आयोजन किया है -

- (1) West Bengal**
- (2) Jharkhand**
- (3) Bihar**
- (4) Madhya Pradesh**

•The **Union Ministry of Tribal Affairs** organised a free One-Day Mega Health Camp – ‘**Abua Bugin Hodmo**’ (‘Our Better Health’), at Seraikela Kharsawan, **Jharkhand** on 4th December 2022.

•This is the **second successful health camp** organised in the state to offer improved healthcare services to the tribal people after the Khunti camp’s success in June.

Q.15) DGCI has approved the export of India's first vaccine for Ebola to –
DGCI ने इबोला के लिए भारत के पहले टीके के निर्यात को मंजूरी दी है -

- (1) Congo**
- (2) Sudan**
- (3) Uganda**
- (4) Liberia**

• **India's first vaccine for Ebola** manufactured by Serum Institute of India (SII) has been approved by the **Drugs Controller General of India** for export to **Uganda**, following an appeal by the World Health Organization (WHO) for cooperation to fight Ebola.

• The vaccine is developed by the **Serum Institute of India (SII)** in collaboration with **Oxford University** in the United Kingdom.

Q.16) 7th edition of 'Sangam Exercise' between India and US has been concluded in –

भारत और अमेरिका के बीच 'संगम अभ्यास' का 7वां संस्करण संपन्न हुआ है -

- (1) Goa
- (2) Uttarakhand
- (3) Kerala
- (4) Gujarat

- The 7th edition of **Exercise Sangam**, a joint Naval Special Forces exercise between **Indian Navy MARCOs** and **US Navy SEALs** commenced from 1 Dec 22 **at Goa.**
- Exercise Sangam was first conducted in **1994** and is an important military and diplomatic initiative between the two nations, reflective of the trust and friendship between them.
- It **aims** to exchange ideas and experiences on various aspects of Maritime Special Operations.

**Q.17) Who has been appointed as the new chairman of NABARD?
नाबार्ड के नए अध्यक्ष के रूप में किसे नियुक्त किया गया है?**

- (1) Achalender Reddy**
- (2) Manoj Kumar**
- (3) Prasoon Joshi**
- (4) KV Shaji**

- **K V Shaji** has been named **Chairman of the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)** on 7 December.
- He formerly served as NABARD's Deputy Managing Director (DMD) till May 21, 2020.
- Before joining NABARD, he worked in **Canara Bank** in various capacities for 26 years.
- He was earlier also the Chairman of India's largest Regional Rural Bank, **Kerala Gramin Bank**.

Q.18) Which Indian-American has received the US Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award?

किस भारतीय-अमेरिकी को यूएस प्रेसिडेंशियल लाइफटाइम अचीवमेंट अवार्ड मिला है?

- (1) Krishna Vavilala**
- (2) Priyank Kanungo**
- (3) Narasimha Reddy**
- (4) Suresh N. Patel**

- The United States of America President Joe Biden has conferred the **Presidential Lifetime Achievement (PLA) Award** on the Indian American **Krishna Vavilala**.
- The **Presidential Lifetime Achievement** is America's highest honour and is awarded to American citizens, who exhibit outstanding character, worth ethic, and dedication to their communities.

Q.19) Who has been chosen for the Jamnalal Bajaj award 2022 for Constructive Works?

रचनात्मक कार्यों के लिए जमनालाल बजाज पुरस्कार 2022 के लिए किसे चुना गया है?

- (1) Mansukhbhai Prajapati**
- (2) Nilesh Desai**
- (3) Sophia Saik**
- (4) Ogirat Younan**

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(3) Sophia Saik

(4) Ogirat Younan

- **The Jamnalal Bajaj Foundation** has on 8 December 2022 announced the winners of the **Jamnalal Bajaj award 2022**.
- The Jamnalal Bajaj Foundation was established in 1977, in the memory of **Jamnalal Bajaj**, a close associate and adopted fifth son of **Mahatma Gandhi**.
- It was inaugurated on 4th November, 1977 by **Morarji Desai**, Prime Minister of India.
- Each award carries a Citation, a Trophy and a **Cash Prize of Rs. 10, 00,000**.

**Q.20) Who is the author of the book “Miracles of Face Yoga“?
“मिरेकल ऑफ फेस योगा” पुस्तक के लेखक कौन हैं?**

- (1) Paval C. Lall**
- (2) Aradhana Johri**
- (3) Vikram Kirloskar**
- (4) Mansi Gulati**

- **Mansi Gulati**, the Founder of Manasvani, has released her book 'Miracles of Face Yoga'.
- It has been appreciated by the President of India **Droupadi Murmu**.
- **Face yoga** utilises a series of facial exercises to tone the muscles on the face.

Q.21) The first India-Central Asia meeting of the National Security Advisors (NSAs) was held in –
राष्ट्रीय सुरक्षा सलाहकारों (NSAs) की पहली भारत-मध्य एशिया बैठक आयोजित की गई थी -

- (1) Astana**
- (2) Tashkent**
- (3) New Delhi**
- (4) Mumbai**

- The first India-Central Asia meeting of the National Security Advisors (NSAs) was held in **New Delhi**.
- Top security officials of Central Asian countries including Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan participated in the conclave.
- NSA of India Ajit Doval said that connectivity with Central Asian countries is India's key priority. Also, he said that countering terror financing should be priority for all.

Q.22) Bangladesh-India 51st Friendship Day – “Maitri Diwas” was celebrated on –

बांग्लादेश-भारत 51वां मित्रता दिवस - "मैत्री दिवस" मनाया गया -

- (1) 1st December**
- (2) 6th December**
- (3) 8th December**
- (4) 10th December**

- The 51st anniversary of ‘Maitri Diwas’ marking the recognition of Bangladesh by the Government of India in 1971 was celebrated in the Bangladeshi capital Dhaka on **6th December 2022**
- The event was organized by the Indian High Commission in Bangladesh.
- Bangladeshi Minister for Liberation War Affairs of K.M Mozammel Haque was the Chief Guest on the occasion.

Q.23) "Human Rights Day" is observed every year on –
"मानवाधिकार दिवस" हर साल मनाया जाता है -

- (1) 8th December
- (2) 9th December
- (3) 10th December
- (4) 11th December

- **Human Rights Day** is celebrated on **10 December** annually across the world.
- **‘Dignity, Freedom and Justice for All’** is the theme for Human Rights Day 2022.
- This Day came into existence on **December 10, 1948**, when the **Universal Declaration of Human Rights** was adopted by the **United Nations**.