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November 1st

INTERNATIONAL

1) Canada bans WeChat app and Kaspersky

Canada banned Chinese messaging app WeChat and Russian platform Kaspersky from government smartphones due to "Unacceptable level of risk to privacy and security."

2) China set to build new Sri Lanka refinery

- Sri Lanka is set to award a multi-billion dollar oil refinery project to a Chinese stateowned company.
- The government would shortly enter into an investment agreement with "Sinopec" to build the refinery next to the Chinese-run port in Hambantota.

NATIONAL

1) "One nation, one registration platform"

- The National Medical Commission, is set to launch "One nation, one registration platform".
- It is a platform of doctors across the country to eliminate duplication and red tape and allow the public to access information on any physician working in India.
- The NMC is also set to launch a National Medical Register (NMR) in the next six months where doctors will be allotted a unique identification number and then can also apply for their licence to work in any State depending on where they are.

2) MiG-21 fighter squadron

The Indian Air Force (IAF) phased out one more MiG-21 fighter squadron, the No. 4 squadron based at Uttarlai, and is reequipping it with SU-30MKIs.





















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3) October rainfall in southern India sixth lowest since 1901

- According to the statement released by India Meteorological Department, October rainfall in southern India sixth lowest since 1901.
- In September, the IMD had forecast 'normal' rainfall for Tamil Nadu, coastal Andhra Pradesh and Kerala, however October rainfall saw a 60% rainfall deficiency in these regions.

4) LCH Prachand successfully carries out inaugural firing

- The Army's Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) Prachand successfully carried out inaugural firing of 70 mm rockets and 20 mm turret guns both by day and night.
- Both the Army and the Air Force have inducted the indigenous LCH in small numbers and a bigger deal for 156 LCH is awaiting the government approval.
- The contract for 156 indigenous LCH, 90 for Army and 66 for the Air Force, is estimated to cost \$45,000 crore.

5) "Mera Yuva Bharat" platform

- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched the 'Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)' platform.
- Aim: It is dedicated to the youth of India and aims to empower and uplift the country's youth.
- In October 2023, the union cabinet approved the establishment of an autonomous body named "Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat)".
- The platform includes physical activities complemented by digital connectivity, creating an engaging and comprehensive experience.





















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BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Jio World Plaza

- Reliance Industries Ltd.inaugurated the "Jio World Plaza" a retail destination for top end, shopping and entertainment experience at the Bandra-Kurla Complex in Mumbai.
- The plaza is designed as an exclusive hub for retail, leisure, and dining, spanning across 7,50,000 sq.ft.

2) IKS Health acquires AQuity Solutions

- IKS Health, a solutions provider for the healthcare sector announced the acquisition of AQuity Solutions, which is into tech-enabled clinical documentation, medical coding, and revenue integrity solutions.
- AQuity will become a wholly owned subsidiary for \$200 million.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1) Matsya 6000

- The Matsya6000 is India's flagship deep-ocean human submersible.
- Aim: To reach the ocean bed at a depth of 6,000 m. Accompanied by three crew members.
- Constructed from a titanium alloy, the sphere is engineered to withstand pressures of up to 6,000 bar.
- It is equipped with propellers enabling movement in all six directions and features three viewports that allow the crew to observe its surroundings.

GEOGRAPHY & ENVIRONMENT

1) Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary

The Bombay High court (Goa High Court) ordered the Goa state government to set up a tiger reserve in the Mhadei Wildlife Sanctuary and neighboring regions.





















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AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

1) Rohini Nayyar Prize

- Deenanath Rajput, an engineer-turned-social worker, was awarded the Second Rohini Nayyar Prize for his outstanding contribution to rural development.
- The award came with a trophy, a citation, and a cash prize of Rs 10 lakh.
- He focuses on empowering tribal women in Bastar, Chhattisgarh, a region known for its challenges, including Naxalite activities.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Vegan Day

- Every year, world Vegan Day is observed on November 1st since 1994.
- It aims to protect the rights of vegans and promote a greater understanding of their dietary choices.
- Theme of 2023: "Celebrating for a Good Cause".

SPORTS

1) 2034 Men's FIFA World Cup

- Saudi Arabia is set to host the 2034 Men's FIFA World Cup. The Football Australia federation stated that after careful consideration, they had decided not to bid for the 2034 competition.
- Spain, Portugal, and Morocco are set to co-host the 2030 tournament.

MISCELLANEOUS

1) Kozhikode (Kerala) named India's first 'City of Literature' by UNESCO. Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh, was recognized as a "City of Music".













