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## INTERNATIONAL

### 1) A Long March 5B rocket

- China launched the second of the three modules needed to complete its new space station. This was the most recent development in Beijing's ambitious space programme.
- A Long March 5B rocket launched the unmanned spaceship with the call sign Wentian from the Wenchang launch facility on China's tropical island of Hainan.

### 2) Monkeypox

- Monkeypox satisfies the requirement of a Public Emergency of International concern under the WHO's International Health Regulations (IHR), 2005.
- Monkeypox is a viral disease that spreads via close contact and tends to cause flu-like symptoms and pus-filled skin lesion.

### 3) Cholera

- Researchers from India and UK studied the genome of 0139 responsible for Cholera.
- Cholera is an acute diarrhoeal infection caused by ingestion of food or water contaminated with the bacterium *Vibrio cholerae*.

## NATIONAL

### 1) Modhera Sun Temple

- Government is planning to develop Ahmedabad railway station on the theme of Modhera Sun Temple.
- Modhera Sun Temple is in Modhera village, Gujarat on the bank of River Pushpavati.
- Built in the 11th century by King Bhima I of Chalukya dynasty in honour of the Sun God.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

### 1) Golden Visa by the United Arab Emirates

- Kamal Haasan, a prominent figure in the Tamil cinema industry, has been given the prestigious Golden Visa by the United Arab Emirates.





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- The Golden Visa has been given to others besides actor Kamal Hasan. Actors Nasser, Mammooty, Mohanlal, Tovino Thomas, Parthiepan, Amala Paul, and Shah Rukh Khan all have received it before Kamal Hasan.

## APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

### 1) Akshay Moondra

- Vodafone Idea, a telecom Company, said that Akshay Moondra, who currently serves as chief financial officer, has been promoted to CEO with effect from August 19.
- Takkar was chosen as the organization's MD and CEO for a three-year tenure that will expire on August 18.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### 1) Income Tax Day

- The Central Board of Direct Taxes observed the 162nd Income Tax Day (also known as Aaykar Diwas) on 24 July 2022.
- On 24 July 1860, Income Tax was introduced for the first time in India by Sir James Wilson.

### 2) World Drowning Prevention Day

- World Drowning Prevention Day is observed every year on July 25 and was established by the UN General Assembly Resolution "Global drowning prevention" from April 2021.
- WHO suggests using the hashtag #DrowningPrevention for this occasion on social media.

## SPORTS

### 1) 2022 French Grand Prix

- Charles Leclerc of Ferrari crashed out of the race on lap 18 but was unharmed, and Max Verstappen of Red Bull took first place at Paul Ricard.
- Lewis Hamilton and George Russell of Mercedes finished third and fourth.

### 2) First Khelo India Fencing Women's League

- The first Khelo India Fencing Women's League, launched on 25 July, 2022, will





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be hosted by Talkatora Indoor Stadium in New Delhi.

- The first-of-its-kind national fencing competition for women will take place through the 29th of this month, according to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.