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#### INTERNATIONAL

# 1) "State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World" Report

2022 "State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World" Report is a joint publication by Food and Agriculture Organization, International Fund for Agricultural Development, UNICEF, UN World Food Programme and WHO.
In 2021, 828 million people are affected by hunger globally, an increase of about 46 million since 2020.

# NATIONAL

#### 1) Hariyali Mahotsav

- Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change will be organizing "Hariyali Mahotsav" on 8th July, 2022 at Talkatora Stadium, New Delhi in the spirit of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav".

- The mahotsav is being organized by Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

- Hariyali Mahotsav, the "Tree Festival" is being organized to create awareness about the importance of trees.

# 2) First India Animal Health Summit 2022

- Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Parshottam Rupala inaugurating First India Animal Health Summit 2022.

- 'India Animal Health Summit 2022' organized by Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture (ICFA) and the Agriculture Today Group.

- First India Animal Health Summit 2022 was held at NASC Complex, New Delhi.

#### 3) Wolbachia Bacteria

- Scientists at Vector Control Research Centre (Indian Council of Medical Research) have cross-bred local Aedes aegypti mosquitoes with mosquitoes that carry the Wolbachia bacteria from Australia's Monas University.

- Wolbachia bacteria blocks proliferation of harmful viruses but doesn't harm the mosquitoes themselves.

#### STATE NEWS

1) The South Indian Bank tie with Kerala's Forest and Wildlife Department

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- The South Indian Bank has signed an agreement with Kerala's Forest and Wildlife Department to enable digital collection of payments at eco-tourism centres, Vanasree shops, mobile Vanasree units and eco-shops across the State.

- It's objective is to market forest products, conserving and managing biodiversity, protecting the rich and sensitive ecosystem and uplifting the living standards of the tribals working in the area.

# **APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**

# 1) President nominated Ilaiyaraaja and others to Rajya Sabha

- Sports icon PT Usha, music maestro Ilaiyaraaja, spiritual leader Veerendra Heggade, and screenwriter KV Vijayendra Prasad were nominated to the Rajya Sabha.

- According to the rules, 12 MPs must be luminaries from the fields of literature, science, arts, sports or social service. These members are nominated by the President as per Article 80(3) of the constitution of India for six-year terms.

# 2) Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi and Ram Chandra Prasad Singh resigned

- Union Ministers Smriti Irani and Jyotiraditya Scindia have been assigned additional charges of Minority Affairs and Ministry of Steel respectively after Union Ministers Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi and Ram Chandra Prasad Singh resigned from the Union Council of Ministers, with immediate effect.

# **OBITUARY**

# 1) Sanusi Barkindo

- Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) Secretary-General, Mohammad Sanusi Barkindo, passed away.

- He was born in 1959 in northeast Nigeria's Adamawa state, Barkindo assumed the office of the OPEC Secretary-General in 2016.

- His tenure was scheduled to expire in July.