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NATIONAL

1) Recovery and Reconstruction (R&R) plan

- Joshimath, a town in Uttarakhand, faced severe challenges due to landslides and ground subsidence.
- The high-level central committee, led by Union Home Minister Amit Shah, approved a comprehensive recovery and reconstruction (R&R) plan amounting to ₹1,658.17 crore to address the aftermath of these natural disasters.

2) Amplifi 2.0

The Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs in India Launched as the Amplifi 2.0 (Assessment and Monitoring Platform for Liveable, Inclusive and Future-ready urban India) portal, this endeavor aims to facilitate data-driven policy-making, empower academics, researchers, and engage stakeholders in the urban development process.

3) Bharat Coking Coal Limited

- Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL), a key player under the Ministry of Coal, commercial operations at its state-of-the-art 5.0 MTPA Madhuband Washery.
- The washery was formally inaugurated by Union Minister of Coal, Mines, and Parliamentary Affairs, Shri Pralhad Joshi, marking a momentous occasion for the coal and steel sectors in India.

4) **Blod**+

- Blod.in has unveiled healthcare software and logistics platform, Blod+.
- This innovation aims to revolutionize blood management and delivery, addressing the alarming issue of blood wastage in healthcare facilities across the country.





















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5) Jan Aushadhi Kendras at AIIMS

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi marked a significant milestone in the healthcare sector by inaugurating the 10,000th Jan Aushadhi Kendras at AIIMS, Deoghar.
- This event also witnessed the launch of an ambitious program aimed at increasing the number of Jan Aushadhi Kendras in the country from 10,000 to 25,000.

STATE NEWS

1) 61st Statehood Day on December 1

- Nagaland, a vibrant state in the northeastern region of India, is jubilantly celebrating its 61st Statehood Day on December 1, 2023. Nagas, became the 16th state of the Union of India on December 1, 1963.
- Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio launched initiatives such as the launch of the Nagaland School Safety Policy Digital Training Platform and the Nagaland Disaster Risk Reduction Road Map.

BANKING NEWS

1) Reserve Bank of India

• The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) took regulatory action on Thursday, imposing penalties on Bank of America, N.A. and HDFC Bank Ltd. for violations of specific norms. Additionally, penalties were levied on five cooperatives banks for non-compliance with various regulatory requirements.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Arshia Sattar

 Renowned author and translator Arshia Sattar being honored with the Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters by the French government.

The prestigious award was presented by Thierry Mathou, the ambassador of France to India, in a ceremony held at the Consulate General of France in Bengaluru on

November 28.





















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2) Air Marshal Makarand Ranade

Air Marshal Makarand Ranade took over the esteemed position of Director General (Inspection and Safety) [DG (I&S)] at Air HQ New Delhi on December 1, 2023, succeeding the accomplished Air Marshal Sanjeev Kapoor, who retired after more than 38 years of distinguished service.

SPORTS NEWS

1) Shane Dowrich

- Shane Dowrich, the seasoned wicketkeeper-batsman, has announced his retirement from international cricket and subsequently withdrawn from the West Indies squad set to face England in the upcoming ODI series.
- The West Indies Cricket Board (CWI) confirmed the unexpected decision, marking the end of Dowrich's international cricket journey.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Suganthy Sundararaj

Suganthy Sundararaj, Regional Head of PR at Apollo Hospitals, was honored with the PRSI National Award for outstanding contributions to the Public Relations Society of India (PRSI) and the public relations industry.

2) Lalithambika VR

Lalithambika VR, a distinguished scientist and former Director of the Human Spaceflight Programme at the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), was honored with the prestigious 'Légion d'Honneur.' The award was conferred upon her by Thierry Mathou, the Ambassador of France to India, in a ceremony held in Bengaluru.





















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3) Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Environment Protection

- NTPC Bongaigaon, a key player in the power generation sector, has recently garnered significant acclaim for its exemplary contributions to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Environment Protection.
- The power station proudly received two prestigious awards from the Greentech Foundation, underscoring its commitment to sustainable practices and social responsibility.

4) India International Trade Fair

- The India International Trade Fair (IITF-2023) concluded on a triumphant note on November 27 at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.
- Among the standout highlights was the Odisha Pavilion, which not only captivated visitors from the outset but also clinched the prestigious gold medal for "Excellence in Display" in the State Pavilion category.

5) Guinness World Records

HDFC Life, a leading life insurance provider, proudly announced its achievement of a new Guinness World Records title. The accolade was earned through the creation of the largest online selfie mosaic, a remarkable compilation of 19,097 photos contributed by individuals as part of the 'Insure India' campaign.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Sixteenth Finance Commission

- The Union Cabinet greenlit the terms of reference for the Sixteenth Finance Commission (SFC).
- The SFC is slated to submit its comprehensive report by October 31, 2025, covering a five-year period set to take effect on April 1, 2026. The terms of reference also include a notable clause concerning the disaster management fund.





















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2) India's fiscal deficit

- India's fiscal deficit has reached standing at 45% of the annual target of Rs 17.87 trillion. This analysis delves into the key figures and trends shaping the country's fiscal health.
- During the period from April to October, the fiscal deficit amounted to Rs 8.04 trillion, reflecting a notable increase from Rs 7.57 trillion in the corresponding timeframe of the previous fiscal year.

3) Foxconn Technology, a major Apple supplier

- Foxconn Technology, a major Apple supplier, has unveiled plans to invest more than \$1.5 billion in India. This substantial infusion aims to cater to Foxconn's operational needs and marks a pivotal moment in the tech industry.
- The \$1.541 billion investment is channeled through a Foxconn subsidiary named Hon Hai Technology India Mega Development. This subsidiary, registered in Maharashtra since 2015, will allocate an equivalent amount in Indian rupees for an undisclosed construction project, vital for meeting Foxconn's operational requirements.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World AIDS Day 2023

- December 1, marks as the World AIDS Day 2023 which is observed annually since 1988, serving as a crucial occasion to raise awareness about HIV/ AIDS, commemorate those who have lost their lives to AIDS-related illnesses and show solidarity with people living with HIV.
- The theme for World AIDS Day 2023, "Let Communities Lead!"













