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INTERNATIONAL

1) Lancang-Mekong Cooperation

- Myanmar held its first multinational ministerial meeting, of Lancang-Mekong Cooperation countries, since military takeover.
- Lancang-Mekong Cooperation was formed in 2016 between the riparian states of Lancang/Mekong River to help ease tensions over development projects.
- Lancang is the Chinese name of the Mekong River.

NATIONAL

1) Femina Miss India 2022

- Sini Shetty has won the title of Femina Miss India 2022.
- She will now represent India at the 71st Miss World pageant. Shetty was crowned Femina Miss India World 2022 by her predecessor Miss India 2020, Manasa Varanasi at JIO World Convention Center in Mumbai.

2) States Start-up ranking, 2021

- Gujarat and Karnataka emerged the “best performers” in the third edition of States’ Start-up ranking, 2021, while Meghalaya bagged the top honour among Northeastern (NE) states.
- In the second edition of the survey, which was conducted in 2020, Gujarat was the best performer.
- Among smaller states and UTs, Jammu and Kashmir was adjudged the top performer.

3) Technology Innovation Hub on Autonomous Navigation

- TiHAN (Technology Innovation Hub on Autonomous Navigation), India's first Autonomous Navigation facility (for both ground and aerial vehicle testing), was inaugurated at IIT Hyderabad.
- TiHAN (by Ministry of Science & Technology) is a multidisciplinary initiative to make India a global player in futuristic and next generation 'smart mobility' technology.

4) Rare Earth Minerals

- India and Australia will strengthen cooperation in joint projects involving Rare





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Earth Minerals like lithium and cobalt.

- Rare Earth Minerals, a set of seventeen metallic elements, are actually more abundant than their name suggests but extracting, processing and refining are tricky.

STATE NEWS

1) 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme

- Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh, Jai Ram Thakur has launched 'Naari Ko Naman' scheme to provide 50 % concession on fares in Himachal Road Transport Corporation (HRTC) buses to women commuters within the state boundaries.
- Seema Thakur, the first woman bus driver in the state, drove him in a state transport bus to the event venue.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Shiromani Award

- Michelle Poonawalla has received the Shiromani Award at NRI World Summit 2022 in the United Kingdom for her contribution to the field of art.
- Poonawalla unveiled her artwork 'Reserve' at the JMS Foundation Charity Gala on 23 June. Her film 'Reserve' highlighted water scarcity as a global crisis and accentuated pollution and contamination of water reserves.

2) Ayurveda Ratna Award

- Tanuja Nesari, Director of All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) was awarded with the Ayurveda Ratna Award by the UK Parliament.
- The UK's All-Party Parliamentary Group on Indian Traditional Sciences (ITSappg) conferred the award recognising her contribution to promoting the growth of Ayurveda in India and abroad.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Shahid Kapoor

- PokerBaazi, a poker platform, has onboarded actor Shahid Kapoor as its brand ambassador. PokerBaazi has launched its new brand campaign 'You Hold the Cards' featuring brand ambassador, actor Shahid Kapoor.



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OBITUARY

1) EN Sudhir

- Former India international EN Sudhir, who played as a goalkeeper for India in the 1970s, died in Mapusa, Goa.
- Sudhir, who made his international debut against Indonesia in Rangoon (currently Yangon) in the Olympic qualifiers in 1972, represented India in 9 matches.

2) Peter Brook

- Peter Brook, a theatre director, who perfected the art of staging powerful drama in bizarre venues, has died aged 97.
- He brought a stunning nine-hour adaptation of the Sanskrit epic "The Mahabharata" from France to New York in 1987.

SPORTS

1) British Grand Prix 2022

- Ferrari's Carlos Sainz registered his first Formula One win at British Grand Prix 2022, with the Spaniard finishing ahead of the Red Bull driver Sergio Perez and Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton.
- Carlos Sainz claimed his first Formula One victory in his 150th race.

