

29th November

INTERNATIONAL

1) Indonesia's Anak Krakatau volcano

• Indonesia's Anak Krakatau volcano, situated in the Sundra Strait, unleashed a powerful eruption on Tuesday morning, casting a volcanic ash cloud approximately 1 km high into the sky.

2) ASEAN India Grassroots Innovation Forum

• The 4th edition of the annual ASEAN India Grassroots Innovation Forum (AIGIF) took place in Langkawi, Malaysia, on November 28, 2023, showcasing the collaborative efforts of India and the 10 ASEAN Member States (AMS) in the fields of Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)

NATIONAL

1) Union Minister of Coal, Mines, Pralhad Joshi

- The Ministry of Mines has announced the initiation of the first tranche auction of critical and strategic minerals scheduled for today.
- The highly anticipated event will be inaugurated by Union Minister of Coal, Mines, Pralhad Joshi, marking a significant milestone in India's economic development and national security strategy.

2) Bengaluru, the bustling IT hub of India

- Bengaluru, the bustling IT hub of India, is poised to witness a groundbreaking development in its transportation infrastructure with the announcement of a 287-km circular railway.
- Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw disclosed this ambitious project during a press conference after a comprehensive review of railway projects in Bengaluru.







3) Silkyara-Barkot tunnel in Uttarakhand

- On November 23, 2023, after 17 harrowing days trapped underground, all 41 workers were successfully rescued from the collapsed Silkyara-Barkot tunnel in Uttarakhand, India.
- The rescue operation, which involved a combined effort of the Indian Army, the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), and local authorities, became a symbol of human resilience and determination in the face of adversity.

STATE NEWS

1) "AMA Bank" scheme

- Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik launched the "AMA Bank" scheme, a historic initiative aimed at providing banking services through CSP Plus banking outlets in all unbanked Gram Panchayats (GPs) of Odisha.
- This visionary project, unveiled in the first phase, marks Odisha as the pioneer state in India to conceptualize and implement such a comprehensive scheme for financial inclusion.

SPORTS NEWS

1) Rahul Dravid has accepted the Board of Control for Cricket in India's

• Rahul Dravid has accepted the Board of Control for Cricket in India's (BCCI) offer to extend his term as India's head coach, ensuring his continued leadership of the national team until at least the 2024 T20 World Cup in June.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) India's Moment: Changing Power Equations around the World

• The High Commissioner of India to the United Kingdom, Vikram K. Doraiswami launched the book titled India's Moment: Changing Power Equations around the World, by Professor (Dr.) Mohan Kumar, Dean, Strategic & International Initiatives, O.P. Jindal Global University last week.





AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) 54th International Film Festival of India

- The 54th International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa ended on November 28 with an award ceremony.
- The nine-day festival concluded at Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee Indoor Stadium in Panaji, Goa. For the prestigious Golden Peacock, a total of 15 films comprising 12 international and 3 Indian films competed. '

2) Indian Green Building Council

- The Vijayawada Railway Station has been awarded the prestigious platinum rating by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) for its commitment to environmental sustainability and eco-friendly practices.
- This is the highest recognition that can be bestowed by the IGBC, a leading certification body in India that promotes environmentally responsible construction.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) The Executive Centre

• Hong Kong-based flexible workspace provider, The Executive Centre (TEC), is strategically focusing on its fastest-growing markets, India and the Middle East, with plans to add approximately 500,000 sq ft.

2) Indian business leaders

- According to a survey conducted by IBM and Morning Consult, a staggering 82% of Indian business leaders express a strong intent to hire professionals with expertise in green and sustainability technologies.
- In a survey encompassing over 250 business leaders, the report reveals that 4 out of 5 Indian companies are actively seeking individuals with a background in sustainability.



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- 3) London-to-New York journey
- A Virgin Atlantic passenger jet, fueled entirely by sustainable aviation fuel (SAF), completed a London-to-New York journey, showcasing the aviation industry's commitment to low-carbon options.
- Despite challenges, the flight signifies a crucial step towards reducing emissions in an industry responsible for 2-3% of global carbon emissions.
- 4) Bharat Biotech International
- Bharat Biotech International, a leading vaccine manufacturer and the University of Sydney Infectious Diseases Institute (SydneyID) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

- 1) Agnilet engine, a single-piece 3D-printed marvel
- Chennai-based startup Agnikul is gearing up to launch its groundbreaking rocket, Agnibaan, featuring the world's first 3D-printed engine.
- Agnibaan boasts the pioneering Agnilet engine, a single-piece 3D-printed marvel, designed and manufactured entirely in India. This engine, successfully test-fired in early 2021, marks a significant milestone in 3D printing technology for the country.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- 1) International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People
- November 29th has held a significant place on the global calendar as the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.
- Turkey's unwavering commitment to the International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People is evident in its diplomatic efforts, financial support, and humanitarian aid.

