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INTERNATIONAL

1) 3rd Global Organic Expo 2022

- 3rd Global Organic Expo 2022 started in Delhi. It will be a platform for Organic Producers, Aggregators, Processors, Value Chain Integrators, and the Industry Partners by offering Global level conference.

- Theme "Profitability for Humanity".

2) The Reskilling Revolution initiative

- The Reskilling Revolution initiative was launched by the World Economic Forum at its 50th Annual Meeting in January 2020, is working to provide 1 billion people with better education, skills and economic opportunity by 2030.

- It aims to future-proof workers from technological change and help economies by providing new skills for the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

NATIONAL

1) "The Sela Macaque"

- Sela macaque (Macaca selai), the new-to-science primate was identified and analysed by a team of experts from the Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) and the University of Calcutta.

- Their study has been published in the latest edition of Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution.

2) 'Lavendar festival'

- Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh has inaugurated the country's first 'Lavendar festival' at Jammu's Bhaderwah where the cultivation of lavender has transformed the economy of the mountainous area.

- Bhaderwah in the Doda district is the birthplace of India's purple revolution.

3) 'NIGAH' project

- Chief Commissioner, Delhi Customs Zone, Surjit Bhujabal inaugurated project 'NIGAH' at ICD Garhi Harsaru, Gurugram.

- Project NIGAH is an initiative to track container by using ICTM (ICD Container Tracking Module) which will help in better visibility of the container movement inside the ICD.

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4) Thiruvananthapuram Declaration

- The first National Women Legislators' Conference in Kerala concluded with the adoption of Thiruvananthapuram Declaration.

- The Declaration laments the long-pending Women's Reservation Bill (since 1996) for 33% reservation for women in the Lok Sabha and State Legislatures.

5) Indian Business Portal

Minister of State for Commerce and Industry launched Indian Business Portal in New Delhi. It is an online global trade hub for exporters and foreign buyers.
It is Business to Business (B2B) digital marketplace to empower small medium enterprises (SMEs) exporters, artisans and farmers to identify new markets for their products and grow their sales globally.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Ecowrap report

- As per the Ecowrap research paper, published by State Bank of India's, India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth in FY22 is predicted to be in the range of 8.2 to 8.5 percent.

- Uncertainties abound in Q4FY22 GDP estimates, as normal quarterly data adjustments are tough to fathom, but the research produced by SBI's Economic Research Department predicts that it will meet the 3 to 3.5 percent mark.

2) HDFC Securities has launched "HDFC Money"

- HDFC Securities has launched "HDFC Money", a Robo-advisory investment platform that will offer mutual fund schemes and other financial products without the need of a Demat account.

- It's objective to achieve a financial goal, which could be as simple as a holiday trip to a complex retirement planning or child education/marriage."

APPOINTMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Lovlina Borgohain

- International Boxing Association announced that Indian boxer and Tokyo Olympics Bronze medallist Lovlina Borgohain has been elected as the chair and a



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voting member on the Board of Directors for the IBA's Athletes' Committee. - Indian boxer Shiva Thapa has also been elected as a member of the IBA Athletes Committee.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) International Booker Prize

- Renowned Hindi author Geetanjali Shree became the first Indian to win this award for 2022 for her book "Tomb of Sand (Ret Samadhi)".

- Her book is also the first Indian-language book to be recognised by the award.

- International Booker Prize constituted in 2005 to complement the Man Booker Prize which is for English novels and has been won by Indians in the past.

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