

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

1) Iraq has been officially recognized by the World Health Organization

- Iraq has been officially recognized by the World Health Organization (WHO) as the 18th country to successfully eliminate trachoma as a public health concern.

- This achievement also marks Iraq as the fifth nation within the WHO's Eastern Mediterranean Region to accomplish this milestone.

- Additionally, the WHO has acknowledged Iraq as the 50th country to eliminate at least one Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD) on a global scale.

- This accomplishment signifies a significant step towards the goal of having 100 countries achieve similar milestones by 2030, as outlined in the 2021-2030 NTD roadmap.

- This roadmap aims to address and combat 20 different diseases and disease groups through prevention, control, elimination, and eradication efforts.

NATIONAL NEWS

1) Amrit Bharat Station Scheme

- On Sunday, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme (ABSS) via video link to initiate the rejuvenation of 13 railway stations across the country.

2) Chandrayaan-3

- Chandrayaan-3, the country's lunar mission, has successfully entered the lunar orbit after a journey of twenty-three days.

- This milestone marks a significant step in India's endeavor to become the first nation to achieve a soft landing on the moon.

- In this article you will get to know about the recent developments of Chandrayaan-3 and it's exciting journey.



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3) Copparam Shreyas Hareesh

- Copparam Shreyas Hareesh, a 13-year old racing prodigy from Bengaluru, died after suffering grievous injuries in a fatal crash on the Madras International Circuit during the third round of the MRF MMSC FMSCI Indian National Motorcycle Racing Championship in Chennai on 4th August.

BANKING NEWS

1) Sashidhar Jagdidhan, the CEO of HDFC Bank

- In the fiscal year 2023, Sashidhar Jagdidhan, the CEO of HDFC Bank has taken the top spot as the highest paid bank CEO.

- With an overall package of Rs.10.55 crore, Jagdishan's compensation stands out among his peers in the banking sector.

2) 'Rhino Task Force'

- The Bihar government to constitute 'Rhino Task Force' for suggesting measures for the reintroduction of rhino conservation scheme in 'Valmiki Tiger Reserve' in West Champaran district.

- The state's wildlife authorities have observed a substantial increase in the tiger population in VTR, prompting them to focus on reviving the rhino population in the region.

- Currently, there is only one rhino in VTR and 14 in Patna Zoo, but with the establishment of the 'Rhino Task Force', the authorities aim to bring back more rhino to the reserve.

SPORTS NEWS

1) 3rd Javelin Throw Day

- On August 7th, a remarkable chapter in Indian athletics history was etched into the annals of time. \

- The Athletics Federation of India, the apex governing body for athletics in the nation, made a resounding decision to mark this day as National Javelin Day.

- This auspicious occasion is dedicated to celebrating the awe-inspiring achievement of Neeraj Chopra, a true champion who made an indelible mark on the global stage.

- This year nations observed 3rd Javelin Throw Day.



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2) 132nd edition of Asia's oldest football tournament, the Durand Cup 2023

- The 132nd edition of Asia's oldest football tournament, the Durand Cup 2023, commenced on August 3. This year's tournament is unique as it includes 24 teams from the Indian Super League, I-League, and the Armed Forces.

- This number of teams is an increase from last year's 20, and they have been distributed into six groups, each consisting of four teams.

- Among these groups, three will compete in matches held in Kolkata, two in Guwahati, and one in Kokrajhar, Assam.

3) 31st installment of the World University Games

- The 31st installment of the World University Games, previously known as the Universiade, is currently taking place in Chengdu, People's Republic of China, from July 28th to August 8th, 2023.

- This prestigious event brings together over 9,500 talented student-athletes from universities around the world, competing in 18 different sports, and vying for a total of 269 medals.

- Originally slated for 2021, the World University Games had to be rescheduled twice due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- The previous edition, held in Naples in 2019, saw Japan emerge as the dominant nation, securing the highest position on the medal table.

- Japan clinched an impressive total of 82 medals, which included 33 gold, 21 silver, and 28 bronze.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) National Handloom Day

- The Indian government has chosen August 7 as the annual National Handloom Day, with the key objective of fostering the handloom industry and acknowledging the dedication and expertise of the weaving community.

- This sector's artisans, weavers, and producers have been instrumental in safeguarding the rich cultural and traditional legacy of the nation.

- Additionally, the occasion aims to enhance the visibility and economic well-being of craftsmen and weavers by encouraging their active participation and support.

- This year nation celebrates 9th National Handloom Day.



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2) Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore

- August 7 marks the death anniversary of Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore.

- He was a Bengali poet, novelist, musician, painter, and playwright who significantly transformed Bengali literature and music.

- Suffering from acute uraemia and a blockage in his urinary bladder, he passed away at the age of 80 on August 7, 1941.

OBITUARY NEWS

1) Renowned folk singer and activist Gaddar has passed away.

- Renowned folk singer and activist Gaddar, who had been battling severe heart disease, passed away at the age of 74.

- He had been undergoing treatment at the Apollo Hospital in Hyderabad for the past 10 days following a cardiac arrest.



