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## INTERNATIONAL

### 1) Gender Snapshot 2022 report

- The Gender Snapshot 2022 report was launched by UN Women, which works for gender equality and UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs.
- As per the report, it will take 286 years to achieve full gender equality at current rate of progress.

## NATIONAL

### 1) India's first National Electric Freight Platform

- NITI Aayog and World Resources Institute, launched India's first National Electric Freight Platform- E-FAST India (Electric Freight Accelerator for Sustainable Transport-India).
- The National Electric Freight Platform brings different stakeholders together with the support of the World Economic Forum, CALSTART, and RMI India.

### 2) Supporting Entrepreneurs in Transformation and Upskilling

- Commerce and industry minister has launched SETU to connect start-ups in India to US-based investors and start-up ecosystem leaders with mentorship and assistance in various areas including funding, market access etc.
- SETU is designed to break the geographical barriers between mentors based in US that are willing to invest in entrepreneurship and sunrise startups in India.

## STATE NEWS

### 1) Community Harnessing and Harvesting Rainwater Artificially from Terrace to Aquifer

- Odisha government has launched a rainwater harvesting scheme named 'Community Harnessing and Harvesting Rainwater Artificially from Terrace to Aquifer (CHHATA).
- The State sector scheme will work towards conserving rainwater and improving water quality in urban local bodies and water scarce blocks.

### 2) India's longest rubber dam - 'Gayaji Dam'

- Bihar Chief Minister, Nitish Kumar has inaugurated India's longest rubber dam





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'Gayaji Dam' on the Falgu River in Gaya. The dam has been built at an estimated cost of Rs 324 crore.

- Experts from IIT (Roorkee) were involved with the project. There will be enough water in the dam round the year for the convenience of pilgrims.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

### 1) Fortune India's list of 'India's Richest' for 2022

- According to Fortune India's list of 'India's Richest' for 2022, the wealth of 142 billionaires based in India is collectively worth USD 832 billion (Rs 66.36 trillion).  
- According to Forbes realtime billionaires list, Asia's richest man Gautam Adani has overtaken Amazon founder Jeff Bezos to become the 3rd richest person in the world.

### 2) Pingat Jasa Gemilang Medal

- Former India Chief of Naval Staff, Admiral Sunil Lanba has been conferred Singapore's prestigious military award, the Pingat Jasa Gemilang (Tentera) or Meritorious Service Medal, by President Halimah Yacob.  
- Admiral Lanba has been conferred the award for his outstanding contributions in enhancing the strong and long-standing bilateral defence relationship between the Indian Navy and the Republic of Singapore Navy.

## APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

### 1) Volker Türk

- The United Nations (UN) General Assembly approved Volker Türk of Austria to be the global body's Human Rights Chief by UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres. Volker Turk replaces Verónica Michelle Bachelet Jeria.

## SPORTS

### 1) Aaron Finch

- Australia's captain Aaron Finch announced his retirement from one-day international cricket after Australia's third and final ODI against New Zealand.  
- Finch will continue to be the captain of the Australian cricket team for T20. Finch has scored 5,401 runs in the ODI format with an average of close to 40, and 17 centuries.





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## BOOKS AND AUTHORS

### 1) 'Forging Mettle: Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story'

- Pavan C Lall, a senior journalist has authored a new book 'Forging Mettle: Nrupender Rao and the Pennar Story', which is set to be released in September 2022.

- The book is focused on how a business is built into a large organisation on the foundations of values and sustainability.

- The book will be published by Harper Collins Publishers India.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### 1) World Suicide Prevention Day

- World Suicide Prevention Day, is observed on 10 September. It is organized by the International Association for Suicide Prevention (IASP) and endorsed by the World Health Organization (WHO).

- The overall goal of this day is to raise awareness about suicide prevention worldwide.

- Theme of 2022: "Creating hope through action".

### 2) Himalayan Diwas

- The National Mission for Clean Ganga organized Himalayan Diwas on September 09, in association with Naula Foundation.

- The day is celebrated with an aim to preserve the Himalayan ecosystem and region.

- Theme of 2022: "Himalayas will be safe only when the interests of its residents are protected".