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INTERNATIONAL

1) Shijian-6 05

China successfully launched a new group of satellites Shijian-6 05 into space from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center in northwest China for space exploration and new technology tests. The satellites were launched by a Long March-4B rocket which marked the 400th mission of Long March series carrier rockets.

NATIONAL

1) Supersonic Missile Assisted Torpedo

India has successfully test-fired a long-range Supersonic Missile Assisted Torpedo (SMART) off the Balasore coast in Odisha. The weapon system is being developed by the DRDO for the Indian Navy. The system has been designed to enhance anti-submarine warfare capability far beyond the conventional range of the torpedo.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Dhan Rekha

The Life Insurance Corporation of India has launched a new non-linked, non-participating, individual savings life insurance plan called Dhan Rekha, it offers special premium rates for female lives. The plan is also allowed for the third gender. There are special premium rates for female lives.

2) bob World Wave

Bank of Baroda has launched a solution for digital banking payments, named bob World Wave. Wearable technology is witnessing the rise of tremendous interest across the world and lenders are using this opportunity to adopt the more convenient and cashless digital payments systems. It is designed to ensure convenient and seamless digital payments by customers.

3) BPCL has tied up with BARC

Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited has tied up with Bhabha Atomic Research Centre to scale-up Alkaline Electrolyze technology for Green Hydrogen production. This is a first of its kind initiative to support India's commitment to achieve renewable energy targets and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

4) ET BFSI Excellence Awards 2021

DBS Bank India's persistent efforts to drive digital transformation for its customers have been awarded at the ET BFSI Excellence Awards 2021. An initiative of The Economic



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Times, ET BFSI Excellence Awards honours the best innovations & practices implemented by the BFSI industry in a dynamic and competitive environment.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

1) Stand-off Anti-tank Missile

Defence Research and Development Organisation and Indian Air Force successfully flight-tested the indigenously designed and developed Helicopter launched (air-launched) Stand-off Anti-tank (SANT) Missile from the Pokhran range in Rajasthan. For the first time that this was launched from a Russian origin Mi-35 helicopter gunship.

SPORTS

1) David Warner

Australia opener David Warner and West Indies all-rounder Hayley Matthews have been voted the ICC Players of the Month for November. Warner, nominated for the ICC Men's Player of the Month award alongside Pakistan's Abid Ali and New Zealand's Tim Southee, emerged victorious with the most votes, following his crucial role in Australia's triumph in the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2021.

2) AIBA changed itself as IBA

The International Boxing Association has changed its acronym from AIBA to IBA, promising to adopt a set of governance reforms so as to keep the sport's inclusion at the 2028 Olympics.

3) '#Care4Hockey' Campaign

Bajaj Allianz General Insurance has started its '#Care4Hockey' Campaign to elevate field Hockey's recognition in India. The company has partnered with Padma Shri (2020) Rani Rampal, Indian Women's Hockey Team Captain, who will be the face of the campaign.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Elon Musk

The prestigious TIME magazine has named Elon Musk, the CEO of Tesla, as the "2021 Person of the Year. In 2021, US-based electric-vehicle startup Tesla became \$1 trillion company as Musk became the world's richest person with an estimated net worth of around US \$255 billion. Musk is also the founder and CEO of rocket company SpaceX.

OBITUARY

1) Varun Singh

Group Captain Varun Singh, who was rescued after the helicopter crash that killed Chief of

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Defence Staff General Bipin Rawat and 12 others, has passed away. He was being treated for severe burns at a Bengaluru military hospital after he was moved from Wellington in Tamil Nadu's Coonoor.

