

30th & 31st July

NATIONAL

1) All-India Tiger Estimation 2022

- Recently, All-India Tiger Estimation 2022 was released. It is the 5th quadrennial tiger census published by Wildlife Institute of India.
- As per the report, India's tiger population increased to 3,682 in 2022.
- The numbers in the report, revised from 3167 earlier, reflect a commendable annual growth rate of 6.1% per annum.
- The largest tiger population of 785 is in Madhya Pradesh, followed by Karnataka (563) and Uttarakhand (560), and Maharashtra (444).
- Project Tiger was launched by the Central government on April 1, 1973, at the Jim Corbett National Park of Uttarakhand to promote the conservation of the tiger.

2) Urea Gold

- In Rajasthan, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched Urea Gold, a new variety of urea coated with sulphur.
- It is designed to address sulphur deficiencies in the soil, benefiting farmers by enhancing agricultural productivity.
- Sulphur-coated urea facilitates a gradual release of nitrogen, thereby enhancing its availability and uptake by crops.
- According to the report, 15 kg of Urea Gold provides comparable benefits to 20 kg of conventional urea.

3) "Meri Mati Mera Desh" campaign

• Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the launch of "Meri Mati Mera Desh" campaign. The campaign is to honor the martyred bravehearts of the country.





STATE NEWS

1) India's first Atal Incubation Centre in fisheries

- Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies received a grant of Rs.10 crore from NITI Aayog in order to set up India's first Atal Incubation Centre in fisheries.
- Fisheries Atal Incubation centre will act as a focal point to foster innovation and inspire young individuals to create technologies and solutions that will address the challenges faced by our marine ecosystem and fishing communities.

2) Rajasthan Secondary Towns Development Sector Project

- The Union Government has partnered with the Asian Development Bank to sign an agreement for an additional \$200 million loan, dedicated to the ongoing Rajasthan Secondary Towns Development Sector Project.
- It aims to support the expansion of water supply and sanitation systems, enhance urban resilience, and foster the preservation of heritage in specific towns.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

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1) Corporate Debt Market Development Fund

- Recently, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) announced the establishment of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund.
- It is designed to function as a 'backstop facility,' providing support during stressed market conditions by purchasing investment-grade corporate debt securities.



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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Tatler magazine's compilation of Britain's best dressed for the year 2023

- Akshata Murty has achieved the first position in Tatler magazine's compilation of Britain's best dressed for the year 2023.
- The accomplished businesswoman and fashion designer have received praise for her contemporary glamour, frequently embracing trendy and sought-after cult labels that resonate with the cool-girl vibe.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) James Ferguson

- James Ferguson of the United Kingdom was elected as the new chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.
- The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is a United Nations body established in 1988. It is a scientific organization responsible for assessing and providing objective information on climate change, its impacts, and potential adaptation and mitigation strategies.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) 'Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam: Memories Never Die'

• Union Home Minister Amit Shah released the 'Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam: Memories Never Die' book in Rameshwaram.



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- The book is an English translation of the Tamil book 'Ninaivugalukku Maranamillai', written by Dr. Nazema Maraikayar and the distinguished ISRO scientist Dr. Y.S. Rajan.
- The book gives a holistic and honest revelation of the life of Dr. Kalam from his early childhood till he breathed his last.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) International Friendship Day

• Every year on July 30th, people around the world celebrate International Friendship Day. It serves as a reminder of the importance of our best friends and the profound impact they have on our lives.

2) World Ranger Day

- Every year on July 31st, World Ranger Day is observed. The day is observed to honor and express our gratitude towards the brave individuals who dedicate their lives to safeguarding wildlife and preserving our precious natural resources.
- The theme of World Ranger Day 2023 is "30 by 30".



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