

Important Weekly Current Affairs PDF 01 to 10 November

Dear Readers, Here we have given the list of Important Weekly Current Affairs 1st week of November 2020. Candidates those who are preparing for Upcoming SBI Clerk, RBI Assistant and other competitive exams can make use of it.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: DAYS

World Vegan Day 2020

- **World Vegan Day** is celebrated on **November 1** annually by vegans across the globe. It is observed to motivate people to follow a vegan lifestyle, which is beneficial for animal welfare and the environment. The day marks the founding day of The Vegan Society in the **United Kingdom**.

International Day to End Impunity for Crimes Against Journalists

- The **International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists** is a UN-recognized international day observed annually on **2 November**.

Army Aviation Corps Day

- The **Army Aviation Corps (AAC)**, the youngest Corps of the Indian Army, celebrated its **35th Corps Day** on **November 1**. The Corps was raised as a separate formation on **November 1 in 1986**.

National Stress Awareness Day

- **National Stress Awareness Day**, marked on the **first Wednesday in November**, aims to identify and reduce stress factors in our lives. This year it falls on **4th of November**.

International Stress Awareness Week

- As **International Stress Awareness Week** takes place on **first week of November (2 – 6 November 2020)**.

World Tsunami Awareness Day

- After the 2004 Tsunami, the **United Nations General Assembly** allocated **November 5** as **World Tsunami Awareness Day**.

International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict- 6 Nov

- On **5 November 2001**, the UN General Assembly declared **6 November** of each year as the **International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict**.

National Cancer Awareness Day

- **National Cancer Awareness Day** is observed on **November 7**.

International Day of Radiology

- The **International Day of Radiology** is an annual event promoting the role of medical imaging in modern healthcare. It is celebrated on **November 8** each year. IDoR 2020 Theme: 'Radiologists and radiographers supporting patients during COVID-19'.

World Urbanism Day

- World Urbanism Day, also known as **World Town Planning Day**, is celebrated in more than 30 countries on four continents on **November 8** every year.

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National Legal Services Day

- **National Legal Services Day (NLSD)** is celebrated on **9th November** every year across India.

Lung Cancer Awareness Month

- **Lung Cancer Awareness Month**, Lung cancer is the most common **cancer** worldwide, and is observed during the entire month of **November** every year.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: NATIONAL

AYUSH Ministry and Invest India to jointly set up "Strategic Policy & Facilitation Bureau" for planned and systematic growth of Ayush sector

- The **Ministry of AYUSH** and **M/s Invest India** will form a collaboration to set up a "**Strategic Policy & Facilitation Bureau**" to facilitate planned and systematic growth of the Ayush sector.

Govt set to divest 10% in GIC Re, New India Assurance

- **Government** is set to offer **10% shares** in the country's largest non-life insurance company **New India Assurance** through an offer for sale to the public. The Centre may also do a similar dilution in the **General Insurance Corporation (GIC Re)**. However, the timing is not decided.

NITI Aayog, QCI Launch National Program and Project Management Policy Framework Initiative to Transform Infrastructure Sector in India

- **NITI Aayog** and **Quality Council of India** launched the '**National Program and Project Management Policy Framework**' (NPMPF), envisaged to bring radical reforms in the way infrastructure projects are executed in India.

Mansar Lake Project in Jammu to attract 20 lakh tourists every year: Jitendra Singh

- **Union minister Jitendra Singh** inaugurated the **Mansar Lake Project in Jammu** which will attract 20 lakh tourists every year once completed. It is e-foundation stone laying ceremony of the **Comprehensive Mansar Lake Rejuvenation/Development Plan**.

TransUnion CIBIL, MoSPI launch MSME Credit Health Index

- **TransUnion CIBIL** in partnership with **Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation (MoSPI)** has launched **MSME Credit Health Index**.

Centre releases Rs 2,200 cr as first installment to 15 states for improvement of air quality

- The Centre has released **2,200 crore rupees** as the **first installment** to **15 states** for the improvement of air quality measures in their million-plus cities. The amount has been released based on the recommendations of the 15th Finance Commission.

Ganga Utsav-2020 begins virtually with COVID-19 precautions

- The much-awaited **Ganga Utsav-2020** began virtually amidst COVID-19 precautions. The festival will continue till **4th of November**.

FIP organises virtual version of Delhi Book Fair this year

- The **Federation of Indian Publishers (FIP)** has organised a **virtual version of Delhi Book Fair** this year in light of the Corona pandemic. The book fair organised in partnership with **PragatiE** is a two day online event.

30 Indian cities to face increasing 'water risks' by 2050: WWF report

- About 30 Indian cities will face increasing “**water risks**” in the next few decades according to a new report released by **World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)**.
- According to the scenarios in the WWF Water Risk Filter report, nearly 30 Indian cities, including Jaipur, Indore, Amritsar, Pune, Srinagar, Kolkata, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Kozhikode and Visakhapatnam will face acute “**water risks**.”

India's Unemployment Rate Rises to 6.98%: CMIE

- **Unemployment rate** for October rose to **6.98%** comparing to **6.67%** in **September**, according to latest data by **Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy CMIE**.

FinMin releases Rs 6,000 Cr to states under special window for meeting GST compensation shortfall

- The Ministry of Finance is releasing **Rs 6,000 crore** as the **second tranche** to **16 States** and 3 Union Territories under the special window to states for meeting the GST compensation cess shortfall. 21 States and 3 UTs have so far opted for the Special Window under Option I and the finance ministry has facilitated loans of Rs 12,000 crore to date under the special window, stated a statement by the Ministry of Finance.

Hardeep Singh Puri launches 'Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge'

- Housing and Urban Affairs Minister Hardeep Singh Puri launched **Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge** focusing on shaping cities for young children and their families. The challenge is conducted with the support of the Bernard van Leer Foundation, Netherlands with technical support from WRI India.
- **President Kovind promulgates Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020**
- President Ram Nath Kovind promulgated the **Arbitration and Conciliation (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020** to further amend Arbitration and Conciliation Act 1996.

79% of Indians would adopt a 'robot nanny' to help care for children while WFH: Survey

- IEEE, a global technical professional organisation for advancing technology, unveiled its survey report titled '**Generation AI 2020: Health, Wellness, and Technology in a Post-COVID World**.'

I&B Ministry sets up committee to review norms on TV ratings

- The Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, decided to set up a committee to review its existing guidelines for **Television Rating agencies** and look into various evolving dynamics concerning the television rating system.
- **Prasar Bharti CEO Shashi S Vempati** has been appointed as **the Chairman** of the committee. Other members include IIT Kanpur's **Dr Shalabh**; **Dr Rajkumar Upadhyay, ED, C-DOT**; and **Pulak Ghosh** of the Centre for Public Policy .

Prahlad Singh Patel virtually inaugurates "Tourist Facilitation Centre" facility at Guruvayur, Kerala under PRASHAD Scheme

- Union Minister of State (IC) for Tourism & Culture **Shri Prahlad Singh Patel** inaugurated the “**Tourist Facilitation Centre**” facility constructed under the project “**Development of Guruvayur, Kerala**” under PRASHAD Scheme of the Ministry of Tourism through Virtual Platform.

CCEA approves Rs.1,810-crore investment for 210 MW Luhri Stage-I hydel project

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- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved the investment of **Rs.1,810.56 crore** for the **210 MW Luhri Stage-I Hydro Electric Project** located on the Sutlej river. The project will be situated in Shimla and Kullu districts of Himachal

Airports Authority Of India Signs MoU With NTPC To Set Up Solar Power Plants At Airports

- The **Airports Authority of India** signed a **Memorandum of Understanding** with an **NTPC Ltd.**, subsidiary to promote usage of electric vehicles and set up **solar power plants** at its **airports**.

PM announces change of name of Shipping Ministry to Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways

- The Prime Minister stated, Government is changing the name of the **Ministry of Shipping** and it will be known as the **Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways**. Mr.Modi has stated that to reduce the expenditure on logistics, India is fast developing multimodal connectivity.

FASTags to be mandatory for all four wheelers from 1st January, 2021

- Ministry of Road Transport and Highways** has issued a notification making **FASTags** mandatory for all four wheel vehicles from **1st January 2021**. This will apply to old vehicles as well as M and N category of motor vehicles sold before 1st December, 2017.

Railways to implement artificial intelligence, data analytics for better operational efficiency

- The railways is set to go big with **artificial intelligence** and **data analytics** to improve its operational efficiency and has tied up with **the Indian School of Business in Hyderabad** to analyse the data generated by the national transporter, Railway Board Chairman V K Yadav stated.

Vice President launches 'International Satavadhanam' event, a unique literary feat

- The 'International 'Satavadhanam" program, launched virtually by the Vice President, was organized by Dr. **Medasani Mohan** under the auspices of Sri Krishnadevaraya Satsang in Tirupati.

PM Modi virtually inaugurates several developmental projects in Varanasi

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of various development projects in **Varanasi** via video conferencing. The total cost implication of these projects is **Rs. 614 crores**.

Working On Aviation Fuel From Gadchiroli Bamboo Plan: Nitin Gadkari

- Union minister **Nitin Gadkari** was working on an idea to set up a refinery for the production of **aviation fuel** from bamboo grown in Maharashtra's **Gadchiroli district**.

Govt approves 21 projects under Scheme for Integrated Cold Chain & Value Addition

- Government** has approved **21 projects**, leveraging investment worth **443 crore rupees** supported with a grant of **189 crore rupees** under the Scheme for **Integrated Cold Chain and Value Addition**. The approval in this regard was given during the inter-Ministerial Approval Committee meeting chaired by Minister for Food Processing Industries **Narendra Singh Tomar**.

MNRE scales up PM-KUSUM scheme goal to 30.8 GW of solar capacity by 2022

- The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has issued an order for the scale-up and expansion of **the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthan Mahabhiyan (PM-KUSUM) Scheme**. The target now is to achieve enhanced solar capacity of 30.8 gigawatt (GW) by **2022** with revised Central financial support of Rs.34,035 crore.

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Ministry of AYUSH:

- Shripad Naik, Minister of State (Independent charge)
- Constituency: North Goa

Niti Aayog:

- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Narendra Modi, (Chairperson)
- Rajiv Kumar, (Vice Chairperson)
- Amitabh Kant, (CEO)

J&K

- Capitals: Jammu (Winter), Srinagar (Summer)
- Lt. Governor: Manoj Sinha

MoSPI

- Minister of State for Statistics and Programme Implementation: Rao Inderjit Singh
- Constituency: Gurgaon, Haryana

Ministry of Jal Shakti:

- Gajendra Singh Shekhawat, Cabinet Minister
- Constituency: Jodhpur
- Rattan Lal Kataria, Minister of State

WWF:

- Headquarters: Gland, Switzerland
- President Emeritus: Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

CMIE

- Headquarters location: Mumbai
- Founded: 1976
- Managing Director and CEO: Mahesh Vyas

MoF:

- Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs of India: Nirmala Sitharaman
- Constituency: Karnataka

MoHUA:

- Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs and Civil Aviation: Hardeep Singh Puri
- Constituency: Amritsar

Ministry of Information and Broadcasting of India:

- Prakash Javadekar, Minister of Information and Broadcasting
- Constituency: Maharashtra
- Amit Khare, IAS, Information and Broadcasting Secretary

MoC&T:

- Minister of Culture and Minister of Tourism: Prahlad Singh Mulayam Singh Patel
- Constituency: Damoh, Madhya Pradesh

AAI

- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Founded: 1 April 1995
- Arvind Singh (Chairman)

NTPC

- Founded: 1975
- Headquarters: New Delhi, India
- Chairman and Managing Director: Gurdeep Singh

Minister of Shipping:

- Minister of State for Shipping and Union Minister of State for Chemical and Fertilizers: Mansukh Laxmanbhai Mandaviya
- Constituency: Gujarat

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways:

- Nitin Gadkari, Cabinet Minister
- Constituency: Nagpur
- General (Retd.) V. K. Singh, Minister of State

Indian Railways:

- Headquarters: New Delhi, India
- Piyush Goyal (Minister of Railways)
- Vinod Kumar Yadav (Chairman, Railway Board)

Minister of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare:

- Narendra Singh Tomar, (Cabinet Minister)
- Constituency: Morena, Madhya Pradesh

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- Parsottambhai Rupala, (Minister of State)

Ministry of New and Renewable Energy:

- Raj Kumar Singh: Minister of State (Independent Charge)

- Constituency: Arrah

CURRENT AFFAIRS: INTERNATIONAL

India, Mexico Hold Joint Commission Meeting, Review Bilateral Cooperation

- **India** and **Mexico** held their **eighth joint commission** meeting and reviewed cooperation in several areas including trade, investment, agriculture, health and education.
- External Affairs Minister **S Jaishankar** co-chaired the meeting with his Mexican counterpart **Marcelo Ebrard**.

206th Session of Governing Council of the IPU to be held from 1st to 4th November

- The **206th Session** of the **Governing Council** of the **Inter-Parliamentary Union, IPU** will be held from **1st to 4th November** this year. It will be an Extraordinary Virtual Session, which is being organised in place of a full-fledged in-person Statutory Assembly of IPU due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic.

Super Typhoon Goni, world's most powerful storm in four years, smashes into the Philippines

- **Super Typhoon Goni**, the **world's most powerful storm in four years**, crashed through the **Philippines**, smashing buildings, toppling trees, and causing floods and mudslides.

USAID provides \$3 m to COVIDActionCollab to mitigate effects of Covid-19 in India

- **Catalyst Management Services (CMS)**, a part of Catalysts Group, has ideated COVID Action Collaborative, partnered with the **United States Agency for International Development (USAID)**, to support India's response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

India, GCC Troika hold annual Political Dialogue in virtual mode

- **India** and the **GCC Troika** held their annual Political Dialogue in virtual mode. External Affairs Minister **Dr. S. Jaishankar** led the Indian delegation.

UNGA adopts two India sponsored resolutions on Nuclear disarmament

- The first committee of the **United Nations General Assembly** has adopted **two India-sponsored resolutions on nuclear disarmament** which aim to reduce risk of nuclear accidents and call for a prohibition on the use of nuclear weapons.

World's Biggest Pink Diamond Mine in Australia Stops Production

- The **world's largest pink diamond mine** has shut its doors after exhausting its reserves of the expensive gems.
- The Argyle mine, in the remote Kimberley region of Western Australia, churned out more than 90 percent of the world's pink diamonds -- sought after for their incredible rarity.

India and Italy sign 15 agreements in various sectors; Reaffirm commitment to strengthen cooperation against common global challenges

- India and Italy signed **15 agreements** in various sectors following a **Virtual Bilateral Summit** between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Italian counterpart Giuseppe Conte. The agreements signed will provide for cooperation in a diverse range of areas including energy, green energy, shipbuilding and media sector.

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Joe Biden announces 12 member task force to deal with COVID-19; Former Surgeon General Vivek Murthy to co-chair group

- US President-elect **Joe Biden** has announced a **12-member coronavirus task force** to mount an effective response to the pandemic that has infected millions and damaged the US economy.
- The task force will be co-chaired by former Surgeon General **Vivek Murthy**, former Food and Drug Administration Commissioner David Kessler and Marcella Nunez-Smith, a professor of public health at Yale University.

Interpol creates cybercrime-related communication services

- The **Interpol** has created **two secure** and flexible services to facilitate cybercrime related communication among law enforcement agencies and other stakeholders to ensure more effective and coordinated action based on timely intelligence.

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Mexico:

- President: Andrés Manuel López Obrador
- Capital: Mexico City
- Currency: Peso (MXN)

Inter-Parliamentary Union:

- Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland
- President: Gabriela Cuevas Barron
- Founded: 1889

Philippines

- Capital: Manila
- Currency: Philippine peso
- President: Rodrigo Duterte

United States Agency for International Development:

- Headquarters: Washington, D.C.
- John Barsa, Acting Administrator

Gulf Cooperation Council:

- The Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, originally known as the Gulf Cooperation Council, is a regional intergovernmental political and economic union consisting of all Arab states of the

Persian Gulf - Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates - except Iraq.

- Headquarters: Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

United Nations General Assembly:

- President: Volkan Bozkır
- Headquarters: New York, United States

Australia

- Prime minister: Scott Morrison
- Capital: Canberra
- Currency: Australian dollar

Italy:

- President: Sergio Mattarella
- Capital: Rome
- Currency: Euro

USA:

- President: Donald Trump
- Capital: Washington, D.C.

Interpol:

- Headquarters: Lyon, France
- Kim Jong Yang, President

CURRENT AFFAIRS: BANKING AND FINANCE

HDFC ERGO implements AI enabled solution to automate motor claim settlements

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- **HDFC ERGO General Insurance**, India's third-largest non-life insurance company in the private sector, announced the launch of the AI tool **IDEAS (Intelligent Damage detection Estimation and Assessment Solution)** for motor claim settlements.

ICICI Lombard, FreePaycard offer bite-sized, convenient health insurance solutions

- **ICICI Lombard** in partnership with **Freepaycard**, an online pre-paid card trading platform, has launched **Group Safeguard Insurance**. The plan will be offered to the members of Freepaycard, allowing them to receive an assured amount in case of any injury or hospitalization for treatment.

RBI imposes monetary penalty on DCB Bank, Jio Payments Bank for rule violations

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** imposed monetary penalty on **DCB Bank** and **Jio Payments Bank** for various rule violations.
- The central bank has imposed a penalty of **Rs 22 lakh** on DCB Bank for non-compliance with certain provisions on marketing/distribution of mutual fund/insurance etc.
- In the case of **Jio Payments Bank**, the RBI imposed a penalty of **Rs 1 crore** for non-compliance with RBI directions on timely submission of application in the case of reappointment of Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer under Section 35B of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (the Act), the RBI stated.

RBI to extend trading hours to 3:30 pm from 2 pm starting November 9

- **The Reserve Bank** announced **phased restoration of trading hours** for various debt as well as currency market from **Nov. 9**.
- The market opening time was revised to 10 a.m. instead of 9 a.m. for all segments. Closing timing too was revised to 2 p.m.
- From Nov. 9, 2020, the trading hours have been extended by 90 minutes till 3:30 p.m. for most of the segments. In case of 'market repo in government securities' the timing will be **10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**, and 'tri-party repo in government securities' **10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

RBI temporarily postpones circular on current account till December 15

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) allowed banks time **till 15 December** to comply with its guidelines on **opening of current accounts**. The earlier deadline was **5 November**.

ICICI Lombard gets CCI nod to acquire Bharti AXA's non-life insurance business

- **The Competition Commission of India (CCI)** has given its nod for the merger of **Bharti AXA's non-life insurance business** with **ICICI Lombard General Insurance**, paving the way for creating the country's third-largest non-life insurance company.

Axis Bank revises stake acquisition agreement with Max Life

- **Axis Bank** will acquire **upto 9%** of the equity share cap of **Max Life**. The bank's subsidiaries **Axis Capital Limited** and **Axis Securities Limited** (together 'Axis Entities') will together acquire **upto 3% of equity of Max Life**. **Axis Entities** will have a right to acquire an **additional stake of upto 7%**.

Centre extends Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme till Nov 30

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- Union Government has extended the **Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS)** by one month till **30th of November** or till an amount of **Rs. three lakh crore** is sanctioned under the scheme, whichever is earlier.

ADB approves USD132.8 million loan to improve power distribution network in Meghalaya

- The **Asian Development Bank** has approved **USD 132.8 million loan** to improve and upgrade the power distribution network in **Meghalaya**, Power Minister James PK Sangma stated. The project fully supports Meghalaya's initiative in improving the distribution system & financial sustainability of the Department," the power minister stated.

AU Bank enters into agreement with Care Health

- **AU Small Finance Bank** entered into agreement with **Care Health Insurance Company** for health insurance products as Corporate Agent.

Visa Partners With DigitSecure, HDFC Bank For Global-First Live Deployment Of PCI Certified Tap To Phone Card Acceptance Solution

- **Visa** has announced the **first successful live deployment** of a **PCI certified Tap** to Phone card acceptance solution, in partnership with **DigitSecure** and **HDFC Bank**.

Bank of Baroda launches employee-assistance programme

- **Bank of Baroda (BoB)** has introduced a new employee-centric initiative, called the **Employee Assistance Programme**, aimed at helping employees deal with personal and professional issues through **psychological counselling and consulting**.

Paytm ties up with SBI Card to launch co-branded credit cards

- Financial services platform **Paytm** has partnered with credit card company **SBI Card** to launch **Paytm-SBI Card co-branded credit cards**.

ICICI Bank launches banking stack for millennial customers

- **ICICI Bank** has launched a banking stack for millennial customers which offers an instant savings account, a feature driven **iMobile application** that offers investment guidance, curated credit and debit card, instant personal loans and overdrafts, and an experiential branch with social engagement space, Called **ICICI Bank Mine**.

Reserve Bank to evaluate impact of 'RBI Kehta Hai' campaign

- The Reserve Bank will evaluate the impact of multi-media public awareness campaign '**RBI Kehta Hai**', which was launched in **14 languages** to educate the public about safe banking and financial practices.

RBI announces co-lending scheme for banks, NBFCs

- The **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** issued guidelines under the **co-origination model** so that non-banking finance companies (NBFCs) and banks can jointly lend. The model envisages a joint lending process such that risks and rewards are shared. As per the guidelines, NBFCs need to retain a minimum of **20% share** of the loans on their books.

WhatsApp's payments service gets NPCI nod

- The **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)** finally allowed **Facebook-owned** messaging platform WhatsApp to roll out its payments service in the country in a "**graded**" manner.

Whatsapp Partners with 5 Banks for UPI Payment

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- WhatsApp had partnered with five Indian banks, ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank, Axis Bank, the State Bank of India, and Jio Payments Bank, for the payments service.

SEBI increases overseas investment limits for mutual funds

- The market regulator, Securities & Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has increased the limits of overseas investment per fund house. This limit was enhanced from the existing USD 300 million to USD 600 million. Whereas, the overall limit of the mutual fund industry would stand at USD 7 billion.

Fitch Solutions Revises India's Fiscal Deficit Forecast To 7.8% From 8.2% Earlier For FY21

- Fitch Solutions revised its forecast for central government's fiscal deficit for the financial year (FY) 2020-21 to 7.8 per cent from its earlier projection of 8.2 per cent.

Karnataka Bank launches National Common Mobility Debit card

- Karnataka Bank Ltd has launched National Common Mobility Debit Card. This Rupay card is a contactless debit-cum-prepaid and interoperable transport card.

Airtel Payments Bank ties up with Bharti AXA General for car insurance

- Airtel Payments Bank has partnered with Bharti AXA General Insurance to offer comprehensive car insurance to the payments bank's customers.

Indian Overseas Bank seeks about Rs 1,000 crore capital support from govt

- Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has sought a capital support of about Rs.1,000 crore from the government in order to create buffer for any exigency, a top official of the bank stated.

IFFCO Bazar partners with SBI YONO Krishi App to boost accessibility of quality agri-products

- IFFCO Bazar, the e-commerce wing of IFFCO, announced its integration with the State Bank of India (SBI) YONO Krishi, a dedicated portal catering to farmer's needs, a company statement stated.

SEBI introduces Flexi-Cap Fund category for MFs

- Capital market regulator Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) introduced Flexi- Cap Fund category, providing relief to mutual funds after issuing new rules for Multi-Cap funds in September.

KfW lends EUR 545 million to MMRDA for infra projects

- The German state-owned development bank KfW has extended two loans totaling over EUR 545 million or Rs 4,767 crore to the Mumbai Metropolitan Region Development Authority (MMRDA) for infrastructure projects.

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HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company:

- CEO: Ritesh Kumar
- Headquarters: Mumbai

ICICI Lombard:

- CEO: Bhargav Dasgupta
- Headquarters: Mumbai

RBI:

- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Governor: Shaktikanta Das
- Deputy Governor: Shri M. K. Jain, Shri B.P. Kanungo, Michael Debabrata Patra

Competition Commission of India:

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- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Ashok Gupta, Chairman
- P K Singh, Secretary

Axis Bank

- CEO: Amitabh Chaudhry
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Founded: 1993, Ahmedabad

Max Life Insurance

- CEO: Prashant Tripathy
- Headquarters location: New Delhi

ADB:

- Headquarters: Mandaluyong, Philippines
- President: Masatsugu Asakawa

Meghalaya:

- Capital: Shillong
- Governor: Satya Pal Malik
- Chief minister: Conrad Sangma

AU SFB

- Headquarters: Jaipur
- MD & CEO: Sanjay Agarwal

Care Health

- Headquarters: Gurugram
- MD & CEO: Mr. Anuj Gulati

VISA

- CEO: Alfred F Kelly Jr
- Headquarters: San Francisco, California, United States

HDFC

- CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan
- Headquarters: Mumbai

BOB

- Headquarters: Vadodara
- MD&CEO: Sanjiv Chadha
- Tagline: India's International Bank

SBI Card

- CEO: Ashwini Kumar Tewari

- Headquarters: Gurugram

Paytm

- CEO: Vijay Shekhar Sharma
- Headquarters: Noida, Uttar Pradesh

ICICI Bank:

- CEO: Sandeep Bakhshi
- Headquarters: Mumbai

NPCI:

- Founded: 2008;
- Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- (Non-Exe Chairman): Biswamohan Mahapatra
- (MD & CEO): Dilip Asbe

SEBI

- Founded: 12 April 1992
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Ajay Tyagi (Chairperson)

Fitch Solutions:

- Headquarters: New York City, New York, U.S.
- Paul Taylor, CEO of Fitch Group

Karnataka Bank:

- Headquarters: Mangalore
- CEO: Mahabaleshwara M. S

Airtel Payments Bank:

- CEO: Anubrata Biswas
- Headquarters location: New Delhi

Bharti Axa General Insurance:

- CEO: Sanjeev Srinivasan
- Headquarters: Mumbai

Indian Overseas Bank:

- Headquarters: Chennai
- CEO: Partha Pratim Sengupta

SBI:

- Chairperson: Rajnish Kumar
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Founded: 1 July 1955

KfW

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- Headquarters: Frankfurt, Germany
- CEO: Günther Bräunig

CURRENT AFFAIRS: BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

Tech giant IBM, Indian Oil Corporation collaborate for digital services

- Tech giant IBM stated it has collaborated with Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL) to transform the latter's customer experience using digital tools.

Walmart Vridhhi starts digitally enhanced learning process to train MSMEs

- With Walmart Vridhhi Supplier Development Program, India's micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) now have an opportunity to embark on interactive online training experiences and personalised mentoring, with access to resources and experts to support growth, a company statement stated.

Software Technology Parks of India to launch a VC fund to support start-ups

- Software Technology Parks of India (STPI), an Autonomous Society set up by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), will float a venture capital fund to support startups & entrepreneurs from the tier II and III cities to launch new technology products.

L&T bags construction order of bullet train project

- L&T has bagged another construction package of the bullet train project for an estimated value of Rs.7,000 crore.

AAI hands over Lucknow airport to Adani group on lease for 50 years

- The Airports Authority of India (AAI) handed over the Lucknow airport to the Adani group on lease for a period of 50 years.

Twitter launches ArtHouse to support brands to create engaging Twitter-first content

- Twitter India has introduced ArtHouse, a creative suite of services to assist brands in creating and optimising Twitter-first content.

Amazon India launches first all-women virtual customer service in Bengaluru

- Amazon India announced the launch of its first all-women Virtual Customer Service (VCS) site in Bengaluru with 60 women.

PIF invests Rs.9,555 crore in RIL's retail arm

- Saudi Arabia's Public Investment Fund (PIF) will invest Rs.9,555 crore for 2.04% in Reliance Industries Ltd's (RIL) retail unit, taking total investments into India's largest retailer to about Rs.47,265 crore.

NPCI imposes 30% cap on transaction volumes of UPI payment apps

- The National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) announced a cap of 30 percent of total volume of transactions processed in UPI by a Third Party App Provider (TPAP).

MobiKwik partners Amex for 'MobiKwik Blue American Express Card'

- MobiKwik, a leading fintech platform, has entered into a strategic partnership with American Express to launch "MobiKwik Blue American Express Card", a digital prepaid Card.

TCS to buy Postbank Systems from Deutsche Bank

- Tata Consultancy Services will acquire 100 per cent stake in Postbank Systems AG (PBS) from Deutsche Bank AG.

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Tata Steel, Hindustan Zinc ink pact

- **Tata Steel** has decided to procure **zinc** required for its plant from the domestic market rather than importing it. The company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding to secure zinc from Anil Agarwal-owned Hindustan Zinc.

NGI-TBI inks pact with KPIT Technologies for 'KPIT Sparkle 2021'

The **Nehru Group of Institutions Technology Business Incubator (NGI-TBI)** has joined hands with **KPIT, Pune**, to motivate young innovators to design and develop indigenous solutions for **KPIT Sparkle 2021** in the **mobility and energy space**. (KPIT Sparkle is KPIT's innovation platform)

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IBM:

- CEO: Arvind Krishna
- Headquarters: Armonk, New York, United States

Walmart:

- CEO: Doug McMillon
- Headquartered: Bentonville, Arkansas

STPI

- Headquarters: New Delhi
- Director General: Omkar Rai

MEITY

- Union Minister of the Law and Justice, Electronics and Information Technology and Communications: Ravi Shankar Prasad
- Constituency: Patna sahib, Bihar

Larsen & Toubro:

- CEO: S N Subrahmanyam
- Headquarters: Mumbai

Twitter:

- Headquarters: San Francisco, California United States
- Executive Chairman: Omid Kordestani
- Jack Dorsey :CEO

Amazon:

- CEO: Jeff Bezos
- Headquarters: Seattle, Washington, United States

RIL

- CEO: Mukesh Ambani
- Head quarters: Maharashtra

MobiKwik:

- Headquarters: Gurugram, India
- CEO: Bipin Preet Singh

Tata Consultancy Services:

- CEO: Rajesh Gopinathan
- Headquarters: Mumbai

Deutsche Bank AG:

- CEO: Christian Sewing
- Headquarters: Frankfurt, Germany

Tata Steel Ltd:

- CEO: T. V. Narendran
- Headquarters: Mumbai

CURRENT AFFAIRS: STATES

8000MW renewable park to light up India-Pak border areas in Rajasthan

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- India's border areas with Pakistan in **Rajasthan** would soon be illuminated with renewable energy as the state government will soon ink an MoU with **National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC)** and **Solar Energy Corporation of India (SECI)** to establish **Ultra Mega Renewal Energy Power Park**, government officials stated.

Chhattisgarh celebrates its foundation day

- Chhattisgarh** is celebrating its foundation day on **1st November**. On this occasion a '**Rajyotsav programme**' was organized at the Chief Minister's official Residence.

Telangana gov't's Rythu Vedika scheme to address farmers' issues all set to be launched

- The **Telangana government's Rythu Vedika** initiative to address the **issues faced by farmers** will be launched. Chief Minister K Chandrasekhar Rao will inaugurate the Rythu Vedika at Kodakandla mandal headquarters town in **Jangaon district**.

Maharashtra Schools to celebrate November 8 to 14 as Children's week

- Ahead of Children's Day on **November 14**, the Maharashtra state education department has asked schools in the state to celebrate **Children's week** between **November 8 and 14**.

Chhattisgarh CM launches scheme for distribution of fortified rice

- Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel** launched a scheme for distribution of fortified rice through **Public distribution System (PDS)** and other welfare initiatives for the people of Kondagaon district of the state on a pilot basis.

From Waste to Art: In Kolkata, a park decked up with used tyres

- Kolkata** is set to get a **unique art installation** – a park decked up with used tyres at Esplanade area of the city. The '**Tyre Park**' has been conceived and developed by the West Bengal Transport Corporation.

CJI inaugurates e-resource centre, virtual court in Nagpur

- Chief Justice of India **S.A. Bobde**, along with Justice **D.Y. Chandrachud** of the Supreme Court, inaugurated the first ever **e-resource centre** and virtual court for traffic and transport to enable speedy justice for litigants, called '**Nyay Kaushal**', at Nagpur.

India's first solar-powered miniature train launched at Veli Tourist Village in Kerala

- A **solar energy-driven miniature train**, billed as the country's first of its kind, was inaugurated at the **Veli Tourist Village** by Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.

Tamil Nadu fisherman starts India's first radio channel exclusively for fisherfolk

- A **fisherman from the Ramanathapuram district's Pamban town** has started '**Kadal Osai FM 90.4**', India's first and only radio channel for fisherfolk.

Assam CM lays foundation stone of Indo-Israeli Centre of Excellence for Vegetables Protected Cultivation near Guwahati

- In **Assam**, Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone of **Indo-Israeli Centre of Excellence** for Vegetables Protected Cultivation near Guwahati in presence of Israeli Ambassador Dr. Ron Malka.

Dehradun Municipal Corporation launches Plastic Lao MASK LE JAO initiative

- In **Dehradun**, the Municipal Corporation has launched an initiative named **Plastic Lao MASK LE JAO** to fight against the menace of plastic waste and contain the spread of Covid-19. It has distributed **Five thousand face masks** in exchange for plastic waste.

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AP plans to set up 400 EV charging stations

- **Andhra Pradesh Government** plans to set up **electric vehicle infrastructure** by setting up **400 charging stations** across the State in the first phase.

Assam Education Dept launches toll free tele-education helpline number for govt school students

- In **Assam**, the Education department has launched a **toll free tele education helpline number** for government school students.

COVID-19 testing laboratory inaugurated at Rajiv Gandhi Intl Airport in Hyderabad

- In **Telangana**, a **COVID-19 testing laboratory** has been set up at the **Rajiv Gandhi International Airport** in **Hyderabad**. State Health Minister E. Rajender inaugurated the lab.

Tamil Nadu, HCL to set up disaster management analytics centre

- **Tamil Nadu government** and **HCL** will set up a **Disaster Management – Data Analytics Centre** to strengthen the **State's disaster management efforts** in the face of the Covid-19 pandemic, stated Industry Minister MC Sampath.

Chhattisgarh govt constitutes State Task Force Committee for COVID-19 vaccination

- In **Chhattisgarh**, primary preparations for COVID-19 vaccination have started. The **State Task Force Committee** has been constituted for better interdepartmental coordination for **COVID-19 vaccination**.

Bongaigaon District Administration initiates Mission Sampurna to improve health of malnourished children

- In **Assam**, **Bongaigaon District Administration** has initiated **Mission Sampurna** in a bid to improve the health condition of the malnourished children.

PM to flag off Ro-Pax ferry service between Hazira-Ghogha in Gujarat

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will virtually inaugurate the **Ghogha-Hazira Ro-Pax ferry service** in **Gujarat**. This will be the second such ferry service to be launched by the PM after the Ghogha-Dahej route three years ago, which is now dysfunctional.

Assam: Rupsi Airport at Kokrajhar all set to start commercial operation by January 2021

- In Assam, **Rupsi Airport** at **Kokrajhar district** is all set to start commercial operation under Regional Connectivity Scheme by January next year. The airport has been re-developed at an estimated cost of 69 crore rupees and has also received its license by Directorate General of Civil Aviation.

India's first solar-based water supply project launched in Arunachal Pradesh

- **India's first solar-based Integrated Multi-Village Water Supply Project (IMVWSP)** was dedicated to the people of **Arunachal Pradesh** by Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat.

Kerala launches "Parivarthanam" scheme for better livelihood of fisherfolk

- A pioneering eco-sustainable programme **Parivarthanam**, to help the **fishing community** was launched, aiming to improve the **livelihood skills of youngsters along the coastline** and also enable socio-economic uplift of the fishermen community.

Kottor Elephant Rehabilitation Centre Set To Become Largest Care Centre In The World

- The **Elephant Rehabilitation Centre** at **Kottor** in **Thiruvananthapuram** is set to become the **largest care and cure centre for elephants** in the world.

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NTPC shuts four units in Bihar plant after ash-mixed water reaches farmland

- State-run power **NTPC** shut down four of the **seven units** of its plant in **Bihar's Kahalgaon** as a preventive measure, after some problem in the system caused water mixed with ash to spread in nearby farmland.

Manipur introduces award for civil servants to promote good governance

- Manipur** introduced "**Scheme for Chief Minister's Award for Good Governance**" to recognise and reward innovative and extraordinary work done by government officials that promotes **good governance**.

Nagaland's Hornbill Festival to be celebrated virtually amid pandemic

- The **Nagaland government** has decided to celebrate the popular **Hornbill festival** virtually this year, amid the surge in COVID-19 cases in the country.

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Rajasthan:

- Governor: Kalraj Mishra
- Capital: Jaipur
- Chief minister: Ashok Gehlot

Chhattisgarh:

- Capital : Raipur
- Governor: Anusuiya Uikey
- Chief minister: Bhupesh Baghel

Telangana

- Capital: Hyderabad
- Governor: Tamilisai Soundararajan
- Chief minister: K. Chandrashekar Rao

Maharashtra

- Governor: Bhagat Singh Koshyari
- Capital: Mumbai
- Chief minister: Uddhav Thackeray

West Bengal:

- Chief Minister: Mamata Banerjee
- Governor: Jagdeep Dhankhar
- Capital: Kolkata

Kerala

- Governor: Arif Mohammad Khan
- Capital: Thiruvananthapuram
- Chief minister: Pinarayi Vijayan

Tamil Nadu

- Capital: Chennai
- Chief minister: Edappadi K. Palaniswami
- Governor: Banwarilal Purohit

Assam:

- Capital: Dispur
- Chief minister: Sarbananda Sonowal
- Governor: Jagdish Mukhi

Uttarakhand:

- Governor: Baby Rani Maurya
- Capitals: Dehradun (Winter), Gairsain (Summer)
- Chief Minister: Trivendra Singh Rawat

AP

- Capitals: Amaravati, Visakhapatnam, Kurnool
- Governor: Biswabhusan Harichandan
- Chief minister: Y. S. Jaganmohan Reddy

HCL Technologies:

- CEO: C Vijayakumar
- Headquarters: Noida

Gujarat:

- Capital: Gandhinagar
- Governor: Acharya Devvrat
- Chief minister: Vijay Rupani

Arunachal Pradesh

- Capital: Itanagar
- Chief minister: Pema Khandu

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- Governor: B. D. Mishra

Ministry of Jal Shakti

- Union Cabinet Minister of Jal Shakti: Gajendra Singh Shekhawat
- Constituency: Jodhpur, Rajasthan

Bihar

- Chief minister: Nitish Kumar
- Governor: Phagu Chauhan
- Capital: Patna

Manipur

- Capital: Imphal
- Governor: Najma Heptulla
- Chief Minister: Biren Singh

Nagaland:

- Capital: Kohima
- Governor: RN Ravi
- Chief minister: Neiphiu Rio

CURRENT AFFAIRS: MOU

MoU signed between SAI and Arunachal Pradesh government

- In order to develop the sports infrastructure at the **National Centre of Excellence** in Itanagar, an MoU was signed between the **Sports Authority of India (SAI)** and **Arunachal Pradesh government**.

IISc, IOCL sign MoU for hydrogen-generation technology

- The Bengaluru based **Indian Institute of Science** and **R&D Centre of Indian Oil Corporation** have signed an MOU to develop and demonstrate **biomass gasification** based **hydrogen generation technology** for producing fuel cell-grade hydrogen at an affordable price.

IREDA signs MoU with MNRE, setting key targets for year 2020-21

- **Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA)** has signed a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with the **Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE)**, for setting key targets for the year 2020-21.

Maha govt inks Rs 35,000-crore MoUs with 15 companies

- The Maharashtra government inked MoUs worth around **Rs 35,000 crore** with **15 companies** even as Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray called for attracting over Rs 1 lakh crore investments this year to the state.

Prasar Bharati signs MoU to launch 51 education TV channels

- India's public broadcaster **Prasar Bharati** entered into a Memorandum of Understanding, MoU with **Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications** and Geo-Informatics, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.

Bangladesh signs MoU with Indian Company for collecting 3 crore COVID 19 vaccine doses

- An MoU was signed between the government of **Bangladesh**, **Beximco Pharmaceutical Ltd** and the **Serum Institute of India (SII)** for priority delivery of 3 crore COVID 19 vaccine doses.

Karnataka govt signs agreement with Tata Technologies to upgrade 150 Govt ITIs

- The **Government of Karnataka** has entered into an agreement with **Tata Technologies** to upgrade **150 Government ITIs** at a cost of **4,636.50 crore rupees**. The agreement was signed in the presence of Chief Minister B. S. Yediyurappa in Bengaluru.

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Cabinet Approves Signing Of MoU Between India, Spain For Scientific And Technical Collaborations In Astronomy

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi was apprised of signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between **Indian Institute of Astrophysics (IIA), Bengaluru** and the **Instituto de Astrofisica de Canarias (IAC)** and the **GRANTECAN, S.A. (GTC), Spain** to develop scientific and technical collaborations in astronomy field.

Cabinet approves signing of MoU between India, UK for co-operation in telecom, ICT

- The Union Cabinet approved signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between India and **United Kingdom for co-operation in telecommunications and ICT**.

Cabinet Approves MoU Between India, Israel On Cooperation In Field Of Health And Medicine

- The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between **India and Israel** on cooperation in **the field of health and medicine**.

Atal Innovation Mission And Sirius (Russia) Launch 'AIM-Sirius Innovation Programme 3.0'

- Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)** and **Sirius, Russia**, launched 'AIM-Sirius Innovation Programme 3.0'- a 14-day virtual programme for Indian and Russian schoolchildren.

HIL signs MOU with Department of Chemicals & Petro Chemicals to achieve revenue target of 451 Crore rupees

- HIL (India) Limited**, a PSU under the Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the **Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals** recently to achieve the revenue target of **Rs 451 crore** in the current financial year (2020-21).

Dell, AIF and NSDC Collaborate to Launch 'Project Future Ready'

- Dell Technologies** in partnership with **American India Foundation (AIF), National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC)** and **University of Mumbai** has launched 'Project Future Ready' to equip the workforce with career skills.

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IOCL:

- Chairperson: Shrikant Madhav Vaidya
- Headquarters: New Delhi

Prasar Bharati:

- Dr. A. Surya Prakash, Chairman;
- Shri. Shashi Shekhar Vempati, CEO
- Headquarters: New Delhi

Bangladesh:

- President: Abdul Hamid
- Prime Minister: Sheikh Hasina
- Capital: Dhaka
- Currency: Bangladeshi Taka

Karnataka:

- Capital: Bengaluru

- Governor: Vajubhai Vala

- Chief minister: B. S. Yediyurappa

Spain:

- Capital: Madrid
- Currency: Euro

Israel:

- Prime minister: Benjamin Netanyahu
- Capital: Jerusalem
- Currency: Israeli Shekel

AIM

- The **Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)** is a flagship initiative set up by the **NITI Aayog** to promote innovation and entrepreneurship across the length and breadth of the country.

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Russia

- President: Vladimir Putin
- Capital: Moscow
- Currency: Russian ruble
- Prime minister: Mikhail Mishustin

Hindustan Insecticides:

- Headquarters: Kochi, Rasayani, and Bathinda

- Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) :Shri SP Mohanty
NSDC
- CEO: Manish Kumar
- Headquarters location: New Delhi
- Founded: 2008

CURRENT AFFAIRS: MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS

Pidilite Industries completes acquisition of Huntsman Group's Indian subsidiary for Rs 2,100 cr

- **Pidilite Industries**, the manufacturers of the popular Fevicol brand of adhesives, stated it has completed acquisition of the US-based Huntsman Group's Indian subsidiary for **Rs 2,100 crore**.

Axis Bank to acquire shares in CSC e-Governance for Rs 36 cr

- **Axis Bank** has acquired over **57,700 shares** in **CSC e-Governance Services India Ltd** for Rs 36.38 crore, the lender stated

CURRENT AFFAIRS: APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

Harpreet A De Singh appointed CEO of Alliance Air; becomes first woman to head an Indian air carrier

- **Harpreet A De Singh**, the first woman pilot of **Air India**, has been appointed as the **chief executive officer (CEO)** of **Alliance Air**, a subsidiary of the national carrier. She has become the first woman ever to head an Indian carrier.

Former HDFC Bank CEO Aditya Puri to join private equity firm Carlyle as senior advisor

- **Aditya Puri** will be guiding global **Carlyle** on investment opportunities across Asia as a senior advisor, the global private equity major stated. The announcement has come within a week of Puri's retirement from HDFC Bank as the chief executive and managing director.

Rajiv Jalota appointed chairman of Mumbai Port Trust

- Maharashtra cadre 1988 batch Indian Administrative Services (IAS) officer **Rajiv Jalota** has been appointed as the chairman of **Mumbai Port Trust (MbPT)** under the Union ministry of shipping. The appointment committee of the Union cabinet issued the order for the central deputation.

Electronics Sector Skill Council of India appoints PVG Menon as CEO

- The **Electronics Sector Skill Council of India (ESSCI)** announced appointment of **PVG Menon** as its **chief executive officer**.

Keralite Priyanca Radhakrishnan sworn in as New Zealand Minister

- Labour Party's **MP Priyanca Radhakrishnan** has created history by becoming the **first-ever Kiwi-Indian** Minister in New Zealand government.

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Yashvardhan Kumar Sinha to be next Chief Information Commissioner

- Former diplomat and **Central Information Commissioner Yashvardhan Kumar Sinha** is tipped to be appointed as the country's **next Chief Information Commissioner (CIC)**, two months after the position at the top transparency watchdog fell vacant, sources stated.

Duarte Pacheco of Portugal elected as new President of Inter Parliamentary Union

- Duarte Pacheco of Portugal** has been elected as the **new President of Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU)** for the period 2020-2023.

AK Gupta takes over as MD and CEO of ONGC Videsh

- AK Gupta**, the new Managing Director and CEO of **ONGC Videsh Limited (OVL)** took charge. Before this, **Gupta** was Director (Operations) of the company.

Alassane Ouattara wins 3rd term as Ivory Coast president

- Ivory Coast's** electoral commission said that **President Alassane Ouattara** had overwhelmingly won a **third term in office** after his two main opponents **Henri konan Bedie and Pascal Affi N'Guessan** boycotted the election.

Citigroup names Anand Selva global head of consumer banking

- Citigroup Inc stated**, **Anand Selva** will become head of its **global consumer bank** in January, filling the spot left vacant by **Jane Fraser** when she becomes the first female CEO of a major Wall Street bank.

Syska Group announces Rajkummar Rao as its new brand ambassador

- Fast Moving Electrical Goods (FMEG) company **Syska Group**, has roped in actor **Rajkummar Rao** as the new face of the brand. Rao will work closely with the company to promote the Syska products across LED and fan segments.

NDDB Chairman Dilip Rath elected to International Dairy Federation board

- National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) **Chairman Dilip Rath** has been unanimously elected to the board of global dairy body **International Dairy Federation (IDF)**. The announcement came during the the General Assembly of the IDF held.

Magufuli wins second term in Tanzania presidential election

- John Magufuli** has won a second term as **president of Tanzania**, claiming 84 percent of votes cast.

Vodafone Idea appoints Jagbir Singh as CTO

- Vodafone Idea Ltd (VIL)**, the telecom operator providing services under the brand 'Vi', has appointed **Jagbir Singh** as **Chief Technology Officer (CTO)**. He will be replacing Vishant Vora, who quit in October citing personal reasons.

HDFC Bank appoints Ramesh Lakshminarayanan as Group Head – IT

- HDFC Bank has appointed **Ramesh Lakshminarayanan** as its new **Group Head – Information Technology**.

Former Delhi chief secretary MM Kutty to be chairperson of Air Quality Commission

- The Centre has notified the Commission for **Air Quality Management for the National Capital Region (NCR)** days after it issued an ordinance on October 29 to set up the new agency with sweeping powers to monitor and act against sources of air pollution across five north Indian states. The Centre stated former Delhi chief secretary **MM Kutty** will be the **Commission's first chairperson**. Kutty is also ex-secretary, ministry of petroleum and natural gas.

Chacha Chaudhary becomes the Brand Ambassador for Namami Gange Project

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- The iconic Indian superhero, **Chacha Chaudhary**, the man whose brain works faster than a computer has now has come forward to join hands with **Namami Gange Programme**, an Integrated Conservation Mission to accomplish the twin objectives of effective abatement of pollution, conservation and rejuvenation of National River Ganga.

Joe Biden becomes 46th US President; Kamala Harris Vice President

- **Joe Biden has defeated President Donald Trump** to become the **46th president of the United States**. He is from the Democratic Party and Trump is from Republican Party.

Manipur's Gyanendro becomes 1st president of Hockey India from Northeast

- **Manipur's Gyanendro Ningombam** was elected unopposed as the **President of Hockey India** while former President **Mohd Mushtaque Ahmad** is back in the Hockey India Executive Board after being Elected Unopposed for the **Senior Vice President** post.

Indian Diplomat Elected To UN Advisory Committee

- Indian diplomat **Vidisha Maitra** was elected to the **UN Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (ACABQ)**, a subsidiary organ of the General Assembly.

Kosovo President Hashim Thaci resigns to face war crimes charges in The Hague

- **Kosovo President Hashim Thaci resigned** to face **war crimes charges** in **The Hague**, becoming a high-profile target of international efforts to bring justice to victims of the two-decade conflict that led to Kosovo's independence.

IOC director A K Singh to head Petronet LNG

- Indian Oil Corp (IOC) director-pipelines **Akshay Kumar Singh** will be the new **managing director** and **chief executive of the country's** biggest gas importer, Petronet LNG Ltd. Singh replaces Prabhat Singh who completed his five-year term on September 13.

Aloke Singh takes charge as Air India Express new CEO

- **Aloke Singh**, the new **Chief Executive Officer** of **Air India Express**, has taken charge at the Airline's Corporate Headquarters in Kochi.

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Carlyle group:

- Headquarters: Washington, D.C., United States
- Daniel A. D'Aniello (chairman emeritus)

New Zealand

- Capital: Wellington
- Currency: New Zealand dollar

Inter-Parliamentary Union:

- Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland
- President: Gabriela Cuevas Barron
- Founded: 1889

Ivory Coast

- Capital: Yamoussoukro
- Currency: West African CFA franc

Citigroup:

- CEO: Michael Corbat
- Headquarters: New York, United States

Tanzania

- Capital: Dodoma
- Currency: Tanzanian shilling

Vodafone Idea Limited:

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- Headquarters: Mumbai
- (Chairman): Kumar Mangalam Birla
- (CEO): Ravinder Takkar

Hockey India

- Founded: 20 May 2009
- Headquarters location: New Delhi

United Nations:

- Headquarters: New York, United States
- Founded: 24 October 1945
- Secretary general: António Guterres

Kosovo

- Capital: Pristina
- Currency: Euro

Petronet LNG:

- CEO: Prabhat Singh
- Headquarters: New Delhi

Air India Express:

- Headquarters: Kochi, Kerala
- Rajiv Bansal (Chairman)
- Alok Singh (CEO)

CURRENT AFFAIRS: AWARDS AND HONORS

Writer Paul Zacharia selected for Ezhuthachan Puraskaram

- Noted Malayalam writer **Paul Zacharia** has been selected for this year's **Ezhuthachan Puraskaram**, the Kerala government's highest literary honour.

Hariharan bags JC Daniel award for lifetime contributions to Malayalam cinema

- **Noted filmmaker Hariharan** has been selected for the **JC Daniel Award**, the state government's **highest honour for lifetime contributions** to Malayalam cinema.

6 women led startups win COVID-19 Shri Shakti Challenge organized by MyGov in Collaboration with UN Women

- Six women led startups have won COVID-19 Shri Shakti Challenge organized by MyGov in collaboration with UN Women. With an objective to encourage and involve women led startups to come up with innovative solutions that can help in the fight against COVID19 or solve problems that impact a large number of women

Stanford University study names five from LVPEI among top 2% scientists of the world

- **L V Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI)** has had **five** of its **eminent senior scientists** listed among **the top Indian researchers** in a database of 100,000 scientists worldwide.
- This database of top-cited scientists has been created by a team of scientists at **Stanford University, USA**, and is published in the journal PLOS Biology.

Army Chief General MM Naravane conferred honorary rank of General of Nepali Army by Prez Bidya Devi Bhandari

- **Army Chief General MM Naravane** has been conferred the **honorary rank of General of the Nepali Army** by President **Bidya Devi Bhandari** in Kathmandu. He was honoured at a special ceremony at the President's official residence '**Shital Niwas**' in Kathmandu.

2nd National Water Awards 2019 Distribution Ceremony to be held on 11-12 Nov

- Ministry of Jal Shakti, Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation is organising the **2nd National Water Awards (NWAs) 2019 Distribution Ceremony** on 11th & 12th November 2020 (11 am to 1 pm) through a virtual platform.

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Ministry of Water Resources to award Maharashtra villager

- The Union Ministry of Water Resources has declared an award for a villager of **Sangli Sampatrao Pawar** for his contribution to the revitalization of the **Agrani River**. Mr. Pawar was the first person to come up with the idea of re-circulating the river which had disappeared due to mud, soil and bushes.

Dr. Dinesh Katre, Senior Director & HOD at C-DAC Wins 2020 Emmett Leahy Award

- **Dr. Dinesh Katre**, Senior Director & HOD at C-DAC Wins 2020 **Emmett Leahy Award** for his outstanding contributions Accomplishments that Have a Major Impact on the digital information and records management.

Vidya Balan's Short Film Natkhat Becomes Eligible for Oscar Nomination

- **Natkhat**, starring and co-produced by **Vidya Balan**, has won top prize at the third edition of **Best Of India Short Film Festival 2020**, which makes it eligible for Oscar nomination.

Malayalam author S Hareesh wins the JCB Prize for Literature 2020

- The winner of the **JCB Prize for Literature 2020** has been announced. And this year **S Hareesh** has won for his novel, **Moustache** which been translated into English by Jayasree Kalathil and published by HarperCollins India.

Marathi film Karkhanisanchi Waari only Indian entry at Tokyo International Film Festival

- **Marathi film, Karkhanisanchi Waari** (Ashes on a Road Trip), the **149-minute film** tells the story of the Karkhanis, the last joint family of Pune. The movie was directed by **Mangesh Joshi**. The movie will have its world premiere at the 33rd Tokyo International Film Festival. It is the only Indian entry at the festival.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: SUMMITS AND CONFERENCE

8th meeting of India-UAE High Level Joint Task Force on Investments held in virtual format

- **The eighth meeting of the India-UAE High Level Joint Task Force on Investments** was hosted by India in virtual format due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.
- The meeting was co-chaired by Commerce and Industry Minister **Piyush Goyal** and **Sheikh Hamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan**, Member of the Executive Council of Abu Dhabi.

PM Modi to chair Virtual Global Investor Roundtable

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will chair the **Virtual Global Investor Roundtable** on **5th November**.
- The Roundtable is being organized by the Finance Ministry and National Investment and Infrastructure Fund.

PM Modi will lead Indian delegation to 20th Summit of SCO Council of Heads of States on Nov 10

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lead the Indian delegation to the 20th Summit of SCO Council of Heads of States, which will be held virtually on 10th of this month. The meeting will be chaired by **President of Russia Vladimir Putin**.

India hosts 5th Joint Working Group on Coal between India and Indonesia through video conference

- India successfully hosted **5th Joint Working Group (JWG)** on Coal between India and Indonesia through video conference due to travel restrictions on account of Covid-19 pandemic. The JWG was co-chaired from the Indian side by **Vinod Kumar Tiwari**, Additional Secretary.

OPEC holds 4th High-Level Meeting of the OPEC-India Dialogue

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- The OPEC Secretariat hosted the **4th High-Level Meeting** of the **OPEC-India Dialogue** via videoconference.
- The Meeting was co-chaired by HE **Mohammad Sanusi Barkindo**, Secretary General of OPEC and the Honourable **Dharmendra Pradhan**, India's **Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas and Minister of Steel**.

PM Narendra Modi chaired Virtual Global Investor Roundtable 2020

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** chaired the **Virtual Global Investor Roundtable (VGIR) 2020** which will be attended by heads of **20 top institutional investors** from the US, Europe, Canada, Korea, Japan, Middle East, Australia and Singapore.

Union Minister Prakash Javadekar chairs 'India CEO Forum on Climate Change'

- Union Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, **Prakash Javadekar** virtually chaired "**India CEO Forum on Climate Change**".
- A '**Declaration of the Private Sector on Climate Change**' is slated to be signed and released during the high-level virtual event.

FM Nirmala Sitharaman attends 1st BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting

- Finance Minister **Nirmala Sitharaman** participated in the **1st BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors' Meeting** under the Russian Chairmanship to discuss the BRICS Economic and Financial Cooperation agenda for 2020.

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UAE:

- President: **Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan**
- Capital: **Abu Dhabi**
- Currency: **United Arab Emirates dirham**

Indonesia:

- President: **Joko Widodo**
- Capital: **Jakarta**
- Currency: **Indonesian rupiah**

OPEC

- Headquarters: **Vienna, Austria**
- Secretary general: **Mohammed Barkindo**

MOEF&CC

- Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Minister of Information and Broadcasting and Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises: **Prakash Javadekar**

- Constituency: **Maharashtra**

Nepal:

- Capital: **Kathmandu**
- Prime minister: **K. P. Sharma Oli**

President: **Bidhya Devi Bhandari**

CURRENT AFFAIRS: RANKING

PAC Report Finds Kerala, Goa Best Governed States, UP Ranks Lowest

- A report by Public Affairs Centre (PAC) released named **Kerala** as the **best governed state** in the country and placed **Uttar Pradesh** at the bottom of the list.

Tamil Nadu tops Indian states in new investments in H1FY21: CARE Ratings

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- **Tamil Nadu leads** Indian states in **attracting investments** during the **first half of FY21**, having managed to **grab 16 per cent** of the funds that came into India during the period, according to **CARE Ratings**. **Andhra Pradesh** garnered **11 per cent**, Maharashtra, Rajasthan and Karnataka have garnered seven per cent each, while the balance went to the other states.

Uttar Pradesh among Top 5 in MSME employment generators amid Covid-19

- **Uttar Pradesh** has found place **among top five states** of the country for providing employment under the **Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)** during Corona pandemic. Top 4 states are **Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra**.

Telangana top performing state with maximum functional drinking water tap connections

- Over 2.5 crore rural households have been provided tap connections under the **Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM)** since it started in 2019, with **Telangana and Bihar** emerging as **leading states**, shows data available with the **Jal Shakti Ministry**.

Body mass index of Indian 19-year-olds among lowest in 200 countries

- **India** ranks **third** and **fifth** from the bottom respectively among countries where 19-year-old girls and boys have a **low body mass index**, according to a study in The Lancet to be published. The study provides new estimates for height and **BMI trends in 2019** across 200 countries after analysing data from 2,181 studies.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: BOOKS AND AUTHORS

'Till We Win': Book on Covid-19 by AIIMS Director to hit stands this month

- A new book by **AIIMS Director Randeep Guleria** and **two other doctors** will give a **definitive account of India's fight against Covid-19** and **how to deal with the pandemic** in the days to come.

Pandemonium: The Great Indian Banking Tragedy by Tamal Bandyopadhyay

- **Tamal Bandyopadhyay** has authored a book titled **"Pandemonium: The Great Indian Banking Tragedy"**. This book is a bird's eye view of Indian banking and also a fly-on-wall documentary. Published by **Roli Books**.

Age Of Pandemics (1817-1920): How they shaped India and the World

- **Chinmay Tumble's** Book titled **"Age Of Pandemics (1817-1920): How they shaped India and the World"** published by **Harper Collins**.

Rachna Bisht Rawat's 'Insomnia' is an engaging collection of tales about the Indian Army

- **Rachna Bisht Rawat's** collection, titled **'Insomnia: Army Stories'** captures the emotions of men who guard the nation. It is different from other army books which tell tales of valour. Rachna's characters are from real life, moulded with creative licence

Anupam Kher unveils cover of his new book "Your Best Day Is Today!"

- Veteran actor **Anupam Kher** unveiled the cover of his latest book **"Your Best Day Is Today!"**.

Vice President of India launches the book titled "Thavaasmi: Life and Skills through the lens of Ramayana"

- The Vice President of India, **Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu** Launched the book titled **"Thavaasmi: Life and Skills through the lens of Ramayana"** virtually.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

ISRO to launch Indian earth observation satellite EOS-01, nine international customer spacecraft on November 7

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- India would launch its latest earth observation satellite **EOS-01** and **nine international customer spacecraft** onboard its Polar rocket **PSLV-C49** from the spaceport of **Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh** on November 7, ISRO stated.

IIT Madras students' create online game to spread Coronavirus awareness

- **Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT-M)** researchers have developed a digital game '**IITM Covid Game**' to create **awareness about Covid-19 virus** among the general public, particularly children.

First indigenous Petcoke-based high energy supercapacitor developed by ARCI would benefit EV industry

- The **first indigenous Petcoke-based 1200 F supercapacitor** device has been developed with the help of high performance porous activated carbon electrodes, a move that would be commercially attractive for **Electric Vehicles (EVs) industry**.

Rare metallic asteroid Psyche may be worth \$10,000 quadrillion

- Hundreds and thousands of asteroids are floating in space, but there's one unique metal asteroid, rich enough to fetch up to ten thousand times the **global economy in 2019**. It's worth a whopping \$10,000 quadrillion (\$10,000,000,000,000,000,000), reports stated.

IIT Bombay to launch website for students' emotional needs

- **IIT Bombay** announced its plans to release a **self-help website** for students to elevate their emotional well-being. Titled '**Bandhu**', the website will allow for self-exploration through quizzes, stories, and other elements, stated director Dr Shubhasis Chaudhuri.

IIT Roorkee develops biosensor to detect harmful detergent pollutant

- A **five-member team** from the **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Roorkee** have developed the **world's first specific reliable bacterial biosensor** that can detect the presence of common environmental pollutant: Sodium Dodecyl Sulphate (SDS).

IIT-Kharagpur to set up Centre of Excellence for Indian knowledge system, says education minister

- The **Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur**, will set up a **Centre of Excellence for the Indian knowledge system**, the Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank announced while inaugurating the international webinar called '**Bharata Tirtha**' organised by the institute.

ISRO successfully launches EOS01, 9 customer satellites from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota

- India's **PSLV-C49** carrying its latest earth observation satellite **EOS-01** and **nine customer satellites** lifted off from the spaceport in Sriharikota.

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NASA:

- Headquarters: Washington, D.C., United States
- NASA Administrator :Jim Bridenstine

ISRO

- Director: Kailasavadivoo Sivan

- Headquarters: Bengaluru

Satish Dhawan Space Centre

- Director: Arumugam Rajarajan
- Headquarters: Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh

CURRENT AFFAIRS: DEFENCE

India Test-Fires Air-Launched Version Of BrahMos Missile

- In a display of its growing combat prowess, the **Indian Air Force** successfully test-fired an air launched version of the **BrahMos supersonic cruise** missile from a **Sukhoi fighter aircraft** in the Bay of Bengal, official sources stated.

First phase of four-nation Malabar naval exercise kicks off from Nov 3 to 6

- The **24th edition** of the **Malabar naval exercise** is scheduled to be held in two phases in November 2020.
- **Phase 1** of the exercise **Malabar 20** involving participation by **Indian Navy (IN)**, United States Navy (USN), Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF), and Royal Australian Navy (RAN) is set to commence off Visakhapatnam in Bay of Bengal from 3-6 November, 2020

Indian Naval Ship Airavat reaches Port Sudan as part of 'Mission Sagar-II'

- Indian Naval Ship, **Airavat** reached **Port Sudan** as a part of **Mission Sagar-II**.
- Indian government is providing assistance to Friendly Foreign Countries to overcome natural calamities and COVID-19 pandemic, and towards the same INS Airavat is carrying a consignment of **100 Tonnes of food aid for the people of Sudan**.

Indian Coast Guard Ship C-452 To Be Commissioned

- **Rajan Bargoitra**, Additional Director General (Western Seaboard), will commission **Indian Coast Guard's (ICG) ship C-452** through video conference in **Ratnagiri, Maharashtra**.

Australia to join Malabar naval exercise involving India, US, Japan

- **Australia** will join Malabar naval exercise involving India, US and Japan. The Annual Naval Exercise Malabar-2020 is expected to be held in the **Bay of Bengal** and the Arabian Sea later this year. This year, the exercise has been planned on a 'non-contact-at sea' format.

Advanced version of Pinaka Rocket System successfully test-fired; 6 rockets launched

- **Pinaka missile** was successfully flight testfired from Integrated Test Range at **Chandipur off the coast of Odisha**. The indigenous Pinaka missile has been developed by **Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)**.

Bangladesh, US launch joint naval exercise 'CARAT Bangladesh 2020'

- The **Bangladesh** and **US Navies** launched the '**Cooperation Afloat Readiness and Training (CARAT) Bangladesh-2020**' to expand relationships and broaden maritime awareness between the two countries.

India's special forces carry out a 'Bull Strike' in Andaman Nicobar Islands

- A **Military exercise** involving **special forces** was carried out in the **Andaman and Nicobar Islands** between November 3 and 5 as the **Army, Navy and Air Force** got together for the war games amid the India-China standoff to test synergy in joint operations.
- **Andaman and Nicobar Command (ANC)** conducted a joint services exercise code-named '**Bull Strike**'.

Two-day joint coastal security exercise 'Sagar Kavach' begins at Odisha

- A two-day joint coastal security exercise, "**Sagar Kavach**" was launched at **Paradip Coast**.

CURRENT AFFAIRS: SPORTS

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BCCI announces Jio as title sponsor of Women's T20 Challenge 2020

- Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has announced **Reliance Jio** as the title sponsor of the Women's T20 Challenge 2020.

Shane Watson to announce retirement from all forms of cricket

- **Shane Watson**, the former **Australia all-rounder** and Chennai Super Kings (CSK) opener, announced his **retirement from all forms of cricket**.

Rublev Claims Fifth Title Of 2020 In Vienna

- The red-hot **Russian Andrey Rublev** beat **Lorenzo Sonego** to win the **Erste Bank Open**, lifting his **ATP Tour-leading fifth title of the season**.
- The 23-year-old is now **tied with World No. 1 Novak Djokovic** atop the 2020 match wins leaderboard with **39**.

Lewis Hamilton wins Emilia Romagna Grand Prix, earning Mercedes the Constructors' Championship

- **Lewis Hamilton** has won yet another race. **Formula 1** returned to the **Italian town of Imola** to race at the Autodromo Internazionale Enzo e Dino Ferrari. This race was added to the 2020 calendar in order to replace cancellations due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Ritu Phogat Wins Third Straight MMA title at ONE Championship Inside the Matrix Event

- **Former Indian wrestler** and now a **Mixed Martial Arts star**, **Ritu Phogat** won her **third consecutive MMA championship title** in Singapore.

Indian boxers Amit Panghal, Sanjeet and Ashish Kumar win gold at the Alexis Vastine International

- Indian boxers **Amit Panghal**, **Sanjeet** and **Ashish Kumar** have **won gold medals** at the recently concluded **Alexis Valentine International Boxing Tournament** held in Nantes, France.

West Indies all-rounder Marlon Samuels announces retirement from all forms of cricket

- **West Indies all-rounder Marlon Samuels** has announced his **retirement from all forms of professional cricket**.

Daniil Medvedev defeats Alexander Zverev in Paris Masters final to clinch his 8th ATP title

- In Tennis, world number five **Daniil Medvedev** defeated **Alexander Zverev** in the Paris Masters final to clinch his eighth ATP title. World number seven, Zverev of Germany, who beat World number two Rafael Nadal in semi-finals, took an early advantage.

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BCCI:

- Location: Churchgate, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India
- President: Sourav Ganguly
- Secretary: Jay Shah

Sudan

- Capital: Khartoum
- Currency: Sudanese pound

CURRENT AFFAIRS: OBITUARY

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Tamil Nadu Agriculture Minister R. Duraikannu passes away at 72

- **Tamil Nadu Agriculture Minister R. Duraikannu** passed away. He was 72. He was confirmed with Covid-19 infection and was put on maximal life support. However, he failed to respond to the treatment.

Sean Connery, James Bond actor, dies aged 90

- **Sean Connery**, the Scottish actor best known for his portrayal of **James Bond**, has died aged 90.. Scottish movie legend Sean Connery, who shot to **international stardom** as the suave and sophisticated British agent **James Bond** and went on to grace the silver screen for four decades. Connery will be remembered first as **British agent 007**.

Violin maestro TN Krishnan passes away at 92

- **Legendary violinist T N Krishnan** died in Chennai. He was 92. He was also honoured with many titles and awards, including Sangeetha Kalanidhi, Padma Bhushan and Padma Vibhushan.

Satish Prasad Singh, Former Bihar CM For Just Five Days, Passes Away

- **Former Bihar Chief Minister Satish Prasad Singh** passed away in Delhi. He was the **CM of Bihar in 1968 for only five days**.

Actor Faraaz Khan passes away

- **Actor Faraaz Khan** has passed away. He was 50.

Veteran author & Gujarati columnist Father Carlos Gonzalez Valles SJ passes away

- **Veteran author and Gujarati columnist of Father Carlos Gonzalez Valles SJ**, popularly known as **Father Valles** passed away. He was 95 and breathed his last in Spain.

Filmmaker Sudarshan Rattan passes away due to COVID-19

- **Filmmaker Sudarshan Rattan**, who directed Madhuri Dixit in the 1986 release, Manav Hatya, reportedly **succumbed to Covid-19**.