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Important Days

- July 1 → Foundation Day of State Bank of India
- July 1 → National Chartered Accountants Day
- July 1 → National Doctors' Day
- July 1 → National Postal Worker Day
- July 1 → Digital India completes → 6th year as on 1st July 2021
- Goods and Services Tax Day → July 1
- World UFO Day → July 2
- World Sports Journalists Day → July 2
- International Co-operative Day → first Saturday in July → International Co-operative Alliance.
→ Theme 'Rebuild Better Together'.
- World Chocolate Day → July 07
- 63rd National Fish Farmers Day → 10th July every year → memory of scientists Dr K. H. Alikunhi and Dr H. L. Chaudhary.
- World Population Day → July 11 every year → Theme "Rights and Choices are the Answer: Whether baby boom or bust, the solution to shifting fertility rates lies in prioritising all people's reproductive health and rights."
- July 12 → National Simplicity Day → to commemorate Henry David Thoreau, an author, poet, and philosopher.
- World Malala Day → July 12
- World Youth Skills Day → Theme Reimagining Youth Skills Post-Pandemic
- July 16 → World Snake Day.
- World Day for International Justice → July 17 → Theme → social justice in the digital economy
- World Emoji Day → 17 July
- Nelson Mandela International Day → 18 July → Mandela's birthday → Theme "One Hand Can Feed Another"
- The International Chess Day → July 20 → FIDE's motto "Teach someone how to play chess."
- Science Exploration Day → July 20
- World Brain Day → July 22 → Theme: "Stop Multiple Sclerosis".
- National Broadcasting Day → 23rd July
- 24th July → Aaykar Diwas (Income Tax Day)
- July 25 → World Drowning Day

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- July 26 → Kargil Vijay Diwas
- July 26 → International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem
- July 27 → The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) celebrated its 83rd Raising Day
- July 28 → World Natural Conservation Day → Theme: Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet
- July 28 → World Hepatitis Day → Theme: "Hepatitis can't wait"
- July 29 → Global Tiger Day → Theme : Their survival is in our hands
- July 30 → World Day Against Trafficking in Persons → Theme: Victims Voices Lead the Way.
- July 3 → International Friendship Day → Theme : Sharing the human spirit through friendship
- July 31 → World Ranger Day

National

- INDIA → Asia's longest and world's fifth-longest High Speed Track → Pithampur, Madhya Pradesh
- "Enforcing Contracts Portal" → Shri Barun Mitra, Secretary (Justice) → Department of Justice, Delhi
- Shri Narendra Singh Tomar → Crop Insurance Awareness Campaign → Fasal Bima Yojana → Crop Insurance Week
- Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' → United Information System for Education Plus (UDISE+) 2019-20 → School Education in India.
- Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' → 'Financial Literacy Workbook' → Class 6th → CBSC Schools.
- 75th anniversary of its Independence → Ministry of Defence (MoD) → interactive virtual museum of the country's Gallantry award winners → honour the heroic deeds of the bravehearts of India.
- Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises → Shri Prakash Javadekar → six Technology Innovation Platforms development of technologies → globally competitive manufacturing India.
- President Ram Nath Kovind → foundation stone memorial and cultural centre → B.R. Ambedkar → Lucknow, Uttarpradesh
- Rajasthan Cricket Academy → world's third-largest cricket stadium → Jaipur → capacity 75,000 spectators → cost Rs.300 crore.
- The Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education → National Initiative for Proficiency in Reading with Understanding and Numeracy (NIPUN Bharat).
- Ayush Ministry → Ayurveda dataset → Clinical Trials Registry Portal

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- Union Health Ministry's → National Telemedicine Service – eSanjeevani 7 million (70 lakh) consultations milestone
- India G20-OECD → reform international tax rules and ensure that multinational enterprises pay their fair share wherever they operate.
- Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) → project 'BOLD' "Bamboo Oasis on Lands in Drought" → boost tribal income launched from the tribal village NichlaMandwa in Udaipur, Rajasthan.
- Union Minister Prakash Javadekar → Virtual India Pavilion → 74th Cannes Film Festival
- Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh Common → Eligibility Test → CET early 2022.
- New Ministry → Govt ministry of cooperation → Shri Amit Shah
- New Dept of Public Enterprises → under Finance Ministry → earlier under the Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises
- New Ministry → Govt ministry of cooperation → Shri Amit Shah
- The government → 25-member development council → cement industry → including Dalmia Bharat Group CMD Puneet Dalmia and UltraTech Cement MD K C Jhanwar, → suggest ways to eliminate waste, obtain maximum production, improve quality, reduce costs and promote standardization of products
- Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) → Chairman Shri M. Ajit Kumar → online filing of Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) T2 and T3 applications.
- KVIC → made trademark registrations → Bhutan, UAE, Mexico
- World Population Day → Uttar Pradesh government released the new population policy for 2021-2030 → Target has been set to bring the birth rate to 2.1 per thousand populations by 2026 and to 1.9 by 2030.
- India's first → cryptogamic garden with nearly 50 species of lichens, ferns, and fungi → Uttarakhand's Dehradun district.
- India Target → 100 billion "Blue Economy" → Deep Ocean Mission (DOM) and ocean resources.
- India's first → National dolphin research centre → Patna, Bihar
- Ladakh → 1st UT → 100% first dose coverage
- IIT Madras + Sony India → National-level hackathon 'SAMVEDAN 2021 – Sensing Solutions for Bharat'
- Home Minister Amit Shah → Centre of Excellence for Research and Analysis of Narcotics, Drugs and Psychotropic Substances → National Forensic Science University at Gandhinagar in Gujarat

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- National Research Centre on Yak (NRCY) at Dirang in West Kameng district of Arunachal Pradesh + National Insurance Company Ltd. (NICT) → Insure Himalayan Yaks
- National Thermal Power Corporation, NTPC → India's single largest solar park → Rann of Kutch in Khavada, Gujarat. → 4750 MegaWatt renewable energy park
- Jagannath Rath Yatra → Jagannath Temple in Puri, Orissa.
- Cabinet → continuation of the Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) for Development of Infrastructure Facilities for Judiciary → five years till March 2026
- Cabinet → continuation of centrally sponsored scheme National → AYUSH Mission
- Name change → North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine (NEIFM) → North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR)
- Union Cabinet → Extends → National AYUSH Mission → 5 Years → 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2026
- Union Cabinet → hike → Dearness Allowance → 17% to 28%
- Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) on "Atma Nirbhar Bharat - Self Reliance for Renewable Energy Manufacturing", the Union Minister of Power and New and Renewable Energy, Shri RK Singh → India had emerged as world leader in the Energy Transition.
- Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) → shifted to Finance Ministry
- Cabinet approves scheme to promote India-owned ships → A subsidy of Rs 1,624 crore → over five years → domestic shipping companies in global tenders floated by Ministries and central PSEs.
- Department of Biotechnology → (MoU) → Ministry of Earth Sciences → Set up DBT MOES Polar Research Centre.
- The Union Cabinet → extension of the Rebate of State and central taxes and levies (RoSCTL) for garments → until March 2024
- PM Modi addressed → 6th anniversary of Skill India Mission
- Government launched → digital platform → Kisan Sarathi → facilitate farmers to get the right information at the right time in their desired language.
- Peace in border areas essential: EAM S. Jaishankar → Chinese counterpart Wang Yi → Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Foreign Ministers' Meeting in Dushanbe
- Centre to states → Don't register cases under repealed Section 66A of IT Act → related to posting online comments:

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- Shri Arjun Munda, Minister of Tribal Affairs → virtually launched → the nationwide campaign “COVID Teeka Sang Surakshit Van, Dhan aur Uddyam” → accelerate the pace of COVID vaccination among tribals, in India.
- Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan and Tribal Affairs Minister Arjun Munda → launched → “School Innovation Ambassador Training Program” → 50,000 school teachers.
- Government → Indian Institute of Heritage at Noida → focus on conservation and research in India’s rich tangible heritage.
- 104 startups → from different sectors → Food-Tech, Green energy, Defence, Ed-Tech, Health-Tech, etc are currently on board → Startup India Showcase platform.
- Government → National Logistics Excellence Awards
- The 52nd International Film Festival of India (IFFI) → announced a call for entries for Indian Panorama, 2021.
- Chief Labour Commissioner of India → reviews implementation of Labour Laws and new Labour Codes with Project officials → Srinagar
- Lower stunting among children with mothers → who had access to midday meal scheme → Nature Communications Study
- Successful trial of movement of train → between Jaynagar in India and Kurtha in Nepal → 34.5 km-long rail section
- Government of India → extended → ‘Stand Up India Scheme’ → 2025, MoS for Social Justice and Empowerment Sushri Pratima Bhoumik
- The Indian Institute of Technology Delhi (IIT-D) → develops affordable COVID-19 testing kit → COVIHOME
- Chief Justice of India N.V.Ramana → launches → ‘FASTER’ (Fast and Secure Transmission of Electronic Records)
- No specific expert / inter-ministerial committee / research study / policy / plan / strategy for studying → evaluating and preparing → “Day Zero” roadmap/policy → water scarce regions of the country has been conducted.
- Tertiary value addition centres → set up in tribal areas of Jagdalpur(Chhattisgarh) and Raigad (Maharashtra) → under TRIFOOD
- MyGov platform → hosting the Online Competition → under PM’s Mentorship Scheme for Young Writers → seeking participation of young and aspiring Indian writers from across the globe.

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- National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) (an autonomous body under this Ministry) + National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT) → conduction of "National Initiative of School Heads' and Teachers' Holistic Advancement" (NISHTHA) Capacity Building Program for → Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS) teachers and Principals.
- Khelo India' centres → opened for nurturing of athletes at grassroots level → wherein past "Champion Athletes" would become coaches and mentors → strengthen sports ecosystem in the country
- NSE Foundation, a subsidiary of the National Stock Exchange (NSE) + NITI Aayog and UNICEF → launched a programme to spread awareness on COVID-19 vaccination in India.
- Union Cabinet → approved the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for specialty steel → duration of the scheme will be five years, from 2023-24 to 2027-28.
- The Union Cabinet → approved the establishment of an Integrated Multi-purpose infrastructure Development Corporation → for the Union Territory of Ladakh.
- Government → receives 27 proposals from private entities → for undertaking various space activities in India
- Government → achieved its atomic energy generation target set for the current year → The target set for the current year 2021-22 is 41821 Million Units.
- Union Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Shri Narendra Singh Tomar → inaugurated the office of National Farmers Welfare Program Implementation Committee.
- Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shri Narendra Singh Tomar → laid the foundation stone of the Plant Authority building at Pusa, New Delhi.
- Government → implementing Bhartiya Prakritik Krishi Padhati (BPKP) as a sub scheme of Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) since 2020-21 → for the promotion of traditional indigenous practices.
- The Union Cabinet → approved Rs 6,322 crore production-linked incentive (PLI) scheme → speciality steel in a move that is expected to attract an additional investment of about Rs 40,000 crore and capacity addition of 25 million tonnes in the segment.
- The Government of India → Paramparagat Krishi Vikas Yojana (PKVY) → promote chemical free organic farming in the country in cluster mode.
- Govt Setting up of → Mobile Labs → Soil Testing
- NITI Aayog and IEA jointly launch → 'Renewables Integration in India 2021'

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- Union Minister of State for Culture and Parliamentary Affairs, Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal → inaugurated the exhibition “Azad Ki Shaurya Gatha” → focused on the life of immortal martyr ‘Chandrasekhar Azad’ as part of “Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav” at Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts (IGNCA), New Delhi.
- Ministry of Culture + International Buddhist Confederation → celebrates → Asadha Poornima Dhamma Chakra Day 2021
- Indian Council of Medical Research's (ICMR) → 4th national serosurvey → 67.6% population above 6 yrs found to have Covid antibodies
- Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan → set up a National Research Foundation NRF → strengthen the research ecosystem in the country → total proposed outlay of National Research Foundation is Rs 50,000 crore over a period of five years.
- The Ministry of AYUSH → AYUSH Sanjivani mobile application → generate data on the acceptance and usage of Ayush advocacies and measures among the population and its impact in the prevention of COVID-19.
- Government → identify effective medicines → under Ayush systems → cure patients with symptoms of COVID-19
- Dr. Virendra Kumar → virtually inaugurated → “5th North-East India Traditional Fashion Week (NEIFW) 2021” → enrich the ‘Make in India’ Movement by mainstreaming divyangjan along with promoting the indigenous culture and art-forms of North-East India.
- As part of ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ → 33/11kV 10 MVA Substation → inaugurated in Bandipora, J&K
- The Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah → inaugurated the Inter-State Bus Terminal → Maviyang, Shillong
- Union Home Minister, Shri Amit Shah → laid the foundation stone for the Multipurpose Convention Centre and Exhibition Facility of the North Eastern Space Applications Centre (NESAC) → Shillong
- The Ministry of Women and Child Development → pmcaresforchildren.in → facilitate submission of applications, identification of children eligible to receive support → under the 'PM CARES for Children' scheme and processing of applications for securing benefits to them.
- Union Power Minister and Minister of State for Power → release a report on Key Regulatory Parameters of Power Utilities → as part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav

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- KASEZ (Kandla SEZ) → First Green SEZ → achieve the IGBC (Indian Green Building Council) Green Cities Platinum Rating for Existing Cities.
- National web portal for sharing R&D facilities → Indian Science Technology and Engineering Facilities Map (I-STEM) → Phase II project launched
- Union Minister for Women and Child Development, Smt Smriti Zubin Irani → inaugurated the National Commission for Women's 24/7 helpline number → 7827170170.
- The Union Government → decided to set up → National Centre of Excellence for Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming and Comics → collaboration with Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay.
- Home Minister Amit Shah → launches → Green Sohra Afforestation Campaign at Sohra (Cherrapunji) and inaugurated the Greater Sohra Water Supply Scheme
- Parliament → passed → National Institutes of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management Bill, 2021.
- Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare → Shri Narendra Singh Tomar → virtually inaugurated → 28th Regional Workshop of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs)
- In a big boost to AgriBusiness → First consignment of vegetables exported → UAE from Uttarakhand
- Coal India Ltd. (CIL) → produce sand from overburden at a much cheaper price.
- Union Minister of State for Earth Sciences, Jitendra Singh → launched the MoES-ESSDP (Earth System Science Data Portal) → 15th foundation day.
- Geographical Indications (GI) product → King Chilli 'Raja Mircha' from Nagaland → exported to London for the first time
- Government plans → set up a National Farmers Database → Using Digitized Land Records
- The Geological Survey of India (GSI), part of the Ministry of Mines → taken up seven projects → lithium exploration across different states in India.
- The Election Commission of India held a review meeting → advance planning for forthcoming elections with the → Chief Electoral Officers of the five states namely Goa, Manipur, Punjab, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, at Nirvachan Sadan.
- The National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) and the Centre for Science and Environment (CSE) → launched a capacity-building initiative on 'making water sensitive cities in Ganga basin' → improving river health and flows.
- Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) → conducted by National Statistical Office (NSO) → stated that Unemployment rate for women fell to 4.2 per cent in 2019-20 from 5.1 per cent in 2018-19.

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- The Marine Aids to Navigation Bill 2021 → passed by the Parliament → replace the over 90-year-old Lighthouse Act of 1927.
- The Union Cabinet cleared → Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation (DICGC) Bill, 2021 → which will allow depositors to withdraw up to Rs 5 lakh in 90 days.
- The Lok Sabha passed → Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (Amendment) Bill, 2021 → which was introduced in the Lower House on July 26.
- Minister of State for Defence Ajay Bhatt → stated → Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) will get two per cent royalty from Dr Reddy's Laboratory (DRL) → on the sale of anti-Covid drug 2-DG.
- Union Minister for Social Justice & Empowerment → Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot → e-launched a 'National Portal for Transgender Persons' → e-inaugurated a 'Garima Greh: A Shelter Home for Transgender Persons' in Vadodara, Gujarat.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi → launched a new framework → SAFAL (structured assessment for analyzing learning levels) → assess students of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).
- COVID BEEP → India's first Physiological Parameters Monitoring System
- Govt declared → 27% reservation for OBCs, 10% quota for EWS → medical seats
- Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises Shri Prakash Javadekar → inaugurated NATRAX- the High Speed Track(HST) in Indore → which is the longest such track in Asia.
- Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) chief Jagat Prakash Nadda → launched Rashtriya Swasthya Swayamsevak Abhiyan (a health volunteers programme) → from the party headquarters in Delhi.
- The All India Council of Technical Education (AICTE) → creating a database of resources → allow colleges to offer more programmes in regional languages and developed a tool to translate engineering content into 11 languages.
- Kerala Government → announced a financial package of ₹ 5,650 crore in the state Assembly → assist small-scale traders and farmers of the state.
- The Centre announced → 780 new air traffic routes have been approved under the regional air connectivity scheme → UDAN.

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International

- FATF grey list → Philippines included in the list
- World's 2nd biggest hydropower dam in southwestern → China
- The World Bank (WB) → USD 300 million → Bangladesh → five-year project to improve livelihood.
- World Bank → COVID-19 vaccine purchases → \$20 billion → previous target \$12 billion
- China → malaria-free → World Health Organization
- Bangladesh → 2600 kilos of delicious mangoes → India → memento of Friendship
- 1st unit of the Rampal Maitree Power Project → India and Bangladesh → commissioned in Dec 2021 → 1,320 MW Maitree Power Project
- World's tallest sandcastle constructed in Denmark → height of 21.16 metres → standing 3.5m higher than the previous record holder
- Sweden Prime Minister → Stefan Lofven → re-elected
- All BRICS countries → STI-led BRICS Innovation Cooperation Action Plan (2021-24) → proposed by India → 12th meeting of the BRICS S & T Steering Committee.
- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) → global Mobility Aids Action Group → examine and improve the transport journey of mobility aids, including wheelchairs
- The 21st session → India-Italy Joint Commission for Economic Cooperation → virtually.
- China → 3-year action plan → cyber security sector → 250 billion yuan by 2023.
- Sher Bahadur Deuba as → New Prime Minister of Nepal
- G20 Finance Ministers → global corporate tax rate → at least 15% → two-day talks in Venice
- The Prime Minister has greeted the people on the special occasion of Ashadhi Bij, the Kutchi New Year.
- External Affairs Minister Dr S. Jaishankar → Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cyprus Nikos Christodoulides → developments in Cyprus
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi → Maldivian President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih → "took stock" of bilateral cooperation in a telephone conversation.
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar → statue of Mahatma Gandhi in Georgia at a prominent park.
- The United Arab Emirates (UAE) → embassy in Israel
- China → world's 1st commercial small modular reactor
- Britain → decarbonize its transport systems → 2050 net zero emissions target.
- UN-FAO → State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2021 Report

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- Singapore → one of world's largest floating solar panel farms
- American President Joe Biden → extended the "Child Tax Credit Programme" → this programme has potential to reduce child poverty in America.
- Ethiopia: PM Abiy Ahmed's Prosperity party → wins parliamentary election
- The United States, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Uzbekistan → new quadrilateral diplomatic platform → focused on enhancing regional connectivity.
- Leaders of the Asia-Pacific trade group APEC, including US President Joe Biden and Russia's Vladimir Putin → pledged to work to expand sharing and manufacturing of COVID-19 vaccines → fight the global pandemic.
- Lebanon's PM-designate → Saad Hariri → stepped down
- China → inaugurates → 600 kph maglev train makes public debut → Qingdao, East China's Shandong Province
- Ariel Henry → Haiti's new Prime Minister
- Liverpool → cleared of World Heritage status
- King Mswati III → appoints Cleopas Dlamini → Eswatini's new Prime Minister
- Peru: Pedro Castillo → declared as President-elect of the country
- World's first 3D-printed stainless-steel bridge → unveiled in Amsterdam → Designed by Joris Laarman and built by Dutch Robotics Company MX3D
- Indian Naval Ship Airavat → arrived at the Port of Jakarta, Indonesia → carrying essential COVID-19 relief supplies.
- The Bangladesh government → working to develop a social media platform named → 'Jogajog' as an alternative to Facebook.
- First time ever, Indian Railways' Oxygen Express → transport 200 MT Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) → Bangladesh in 10 containers.
- Madrid's tree-lined Paseo del Prado boulevard and the adjoining Retiro park → added to UNESCO's World Heritage list.
- Philippines → first country → approve Golden Rice for planting
- Singapore's Sunseap → \$2 billion floating solar project on a reservoir → Indonesia's Batam Island.
- Sweden → joins → International Solar Alliance
- BRICS countries → take ahead → Traditional Medicine System in the fight against Covid-19.

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- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh → attended a conclave → Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in Dushanbe, Tajikistan → extensively deliberated on regional security challenges as well as the situation in Afghanistan.
- Brazil landscape garden → Sitio Burle Marx → UNESCO World Heritage status
- Former PM Najib Mikati → appointed as Lebanon's prime minister-designate
- 19-year-old Pakistani Shehroze Kashif → youngest person to reach the summit of K2 with Supplemental oxygen.
- US → USD 25 million aid → support COVID-19 vaccination in India
- Global Education Summit → London
- National Gallery of Australia → return 14 Art Works to India → including Chola idols
- For the first time → Agri Exporters from the remote Districts of India → connected to the international buyers from USA, the UAE, and Japan

State

- Jammu and Kashmir, Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha → 'Special Assistance Scheme for COVID Mortalities - SASCM' → Scholarship and Pension certificates COVID-19 affected members.
- Jammu and Kashmir Jammu & Kashmir → Trade Promotion Organization (JKTPO) → initiative "HAUSLA" → women entrepreneurs of Jammu & Kashmir.
- West Bengal → 'Student Credit Card' → soft loan of up to Rs 10 lakh for higher studies.
- Chief Secretary, Arun Kumar Mehta → SDRF first Battalion's 24×7 mental health helpline → 'SUKOON'
- Andhra Pradesh CM YS Jagan Mohan Reddy → 'YSR Bima' scheme → government pay insurance amount to the family of deceased
- Uttarakhand Chief Minister → Tirath Singh Rawat → resigned.
- The Assam cabinet → one-month compulsory leave every year to police personnel
- Manipur Chief Minister → N. Biren Singh → cash reward of Rs. 20 lakh → first fully vaccinated assembly constituency.
- Two term MLA from Khatima in Uttarakhand → Pushkar Singh Dhama → 11th Chief Minister of the State
- Jammu and Kashmir Energy Development Agency (JAKEDA) → 5,000 Solar Power Pumps → Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha Evam Utthan Mahabhiyaan (PM-KUSUM) scheme in J&K
- J&K → Model Anti- Rabies Clinic → Govt Medical College, Doda

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- J&K → Geotagged photographs → 'PROOF' mobile app → Photographic Record of On-site Facility
- Odisha state govt → five major industrial projects → 1.4 lakh crore rupees
- Rajasthan → NTCA National Tiger Conservation Authority → conversion of Ramgarh Vishdhai Sanctuary → fourth tiger reserve
- J&K LG Manoj Sinha → online services → Shri Amarnathji Shrine Board
- Bengaluru City Railway Station → first railway station in India → movable freshwater tunnel aquarium.
- The Ernakulam District Library Council's → 'Books at Doorstep' → revive reading habits among school children
- The Kerala State Film Development Corporation (KSFD) → OTT platform exclusively for Malayalam movies.
- Karnataka's Revenue Minister → R Ashoka → introduce the Model Tenancy Act in the state, aimed at ending tenant-owner disputes.
- Union Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari → country's First Private LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) plant → Nagpur, Maharashtra
- Manipur → India's railway map → first passenger train reaches the state
- Karnataka → 46 Kempegowda heritage sites → Bengaluru to boost tourism
- Assam government → "department of indigenous faith and culture" → aim of this program is to protect demography and indigenous culture
- chief minister BS Yediyurappa → Karnataka Electric Bike Taxi scheme-2021 → Bengaluru.
- Assam CM → Declared the state govt → zero tolerance policy against drugs menace
- Haryana → India's first 'Grain ATM' → Gurugram, Haryana
- Uttar Pradesh → Manduadih railway station → renamed as → Banaras Railway Station
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi → inaugurated → Rudraksh International Cooperation and Convention → Varanasi, UP
- India's 1st national dolphin research centre → soon in Patna, Bihar.
- Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh → has decided to waive loans worth Rs 590 crore under the farm debt relief scheme for farm labourers and the landless farming community.
- MSME Minister Narayan Rane → two new Khadi Products → Khadi Babywear and Unique Handmade Paper Use and Throw Slippers → New Delhi.
- Maharashtra state govt → launches new EV Policy 2021

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- Karnataka CM → Event → to mark World Youth Skills Day → stated that skilling and livelihood assurance to the unemployed youth
- The Uttar Pradesh government → 'pod taxis' → Greater Noida to the Noida International Airport in Jewar → using the driverless mode of transport, popular in many western countries.
- Farmers in Rajasthan → monthly grant of Rs 1,000 → 'Kisan Mitra Urja Yojna' → launched by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot.
- Ministry of Law and Justice → 'long-winding and cumbersome' nomenclature 'Common High Court of UT of Jammu and Kashmir and UT of Ladakh' → Renamed to 'High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh'.
- Bonalu → the traditional folk festival of Telangana began at → Jagadambika Temple → at the Golconda Fort in Hyderabad.
- The Andhra Pradesh government → 10 per cent reservation for economically weaker sections (EWS) in education and employment → in accordance with the Constitution 103 Amendment Act.
- Haryana govt → 'One Block, One Product' scheme → Encourage and promote small industries in the rural areas
- Meghalaya cabinet → Meghalaya Youth Policy 2021 → a framework that envisages towards achieving the government's vision
- The Assam Government → provide jobs to National Games medalists.
- Indian oil Corporation (IOC) → build the nation's first 'green hydrogen' plant → Mathura refinery, Uttarpradesh → aims to prepare for a future catering to the growing demand for both oil and cleaner forms of energy.
- Maharashtra → first state in the country → issue educational documents → blockchain technology.
- The Supreme Court → lifted a blanket ban imposed on disc jockeys by the Allahabad High Court in Uttar Pradesh two years in the past.
- PM Modi → inaugurates → Redeveloped Gandhinagar railway station and a newly-build five-star hotel → Gujarat
- First elections of Balika Panchayat → successfully held at Kunariya village in Kutch District Gujarat
- Perumkulam → named as Kerala's first 'Book Village'
- Rajasthan govt → develops mobile app "Raj Kisan Organic" → purchase, sale of organic products
- Chief Minister K Chandrashekhara Rao → launched → Telangana Dalit Bandhu scheme → aimed at benefitting Dalits was politically motivated.

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- Uttar Pradesh → set panchayat secretariat in all panchayats of the state → aimed at strengthening the rural democracy and providing employment to the rural youth.
- Uttarakhand → Shravan Harela → Festival celebrated
- In Madhya Pradesh, Gwalior and Orchha cities → selected by UNESCO → under 'Historic Urban Landscape Project'
- Madhya Pradesh, Gwalior and Orchha → cities have been selected by UNESCO → under 'Historic Urban Landscape Project'
- The Centre → approved the establishment → integrated multi-purpose infrastructure development corporation for the Union Territory of Ladakh → also central university in the union territory of Ladakh
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah → reaching Shillong → two-day visit to Meghalaya along with a few other Union Ministers handling portfolios for the Northeastern states.
- Punjab government → launched an automated auditory brainstem response system (AABR) → under universal newborn hearing screening programme.
- The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) → inscribed the 13th-century Ramappa in Palampet, Telangana → 'World Heritage Site'.
- Union Home Minister Amit Shah → laid the foundation stone of Tamulpur Medical College and Hospital → Guwahati, Assam
- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath → launched → 'MyGov-Meri Sarkar' portal → Enhance the engagement of common citizens with the state government.
- Karnataka → Basavaraj Bommai → 23rd Chief Minister
- Assam Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma → laid the foundation → Bamboo Industrial Park at Manderdisa in Dima Hasao.
- The Ministry of Science and Technology → first-of-its-kind Centre of Excellence in the Northeast.
- The Harappan city of Dholavira in Gujarat's Rann of Kutch → found a place in UNESCO's World Heritage list → making it the 40th world heritage property in the country.
- Indore → only city to be selected from India → International Clean Air Catalyst Programme.
- In order to promote → AYUSH in Madhya Pradesh and to link it with employment, the government has made → 'Devaranya' scheme → CM Shivraj launched the scheme.
- Odisha's Puri → first city in the state to have → drink-from-tap facility.
- Karnataka → 1st state to reserve jobs → transgender persons
- Rajasthan → introduces 'Niryatak Bano' mission → help local traders take businesses aboard
- Odisha govt → implements → One Nation One Ration card scheme across State

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- On World Hepatitis Day 2021 → Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh → launched Model Hepatitis B Treatment Centres → two hospitals in Manipur.
- The Kerala Police → launched a new initiative called → "Pink Protection" → project for the protection of women in public, private and digital spaces.

Business

- Flipkart → grocery service → Coimbatore
- Union Minister for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Nitin Gadkari → Udyam → Registration Portal with Common Service Centre Portal.
- Google India → first transparency report under the new IT rules
- Elon Musk's satellite network → Starlink → internet everywhere in the world except the polar regions → August.
- Union Minister Nitin Gadkari → retail and wholesale trade → under RBI guidelines.
- Fitch cuts GDP growth estimate → 10%
- Amazon → its first Digital Kendra → India in Surat, Gujarat
- Facebook → introduces newsletter platform → "Bulletin"
- All India Radio Live-streams on News On Air App → are most popular, Fiji has jumped from 5th position to 2nd, → US Tops
- Qatar Airways + International Air Transport Association (IATA) → Qatar Airways will become the first airline in the Middle East to join the IATA Turbulence Aware platform.
- Adani Group has taken over → Mumbai International Airport Limited (MIAL).
- Google Cloud → second 'Cloud Region' → Delhi-NCR
- The government may → hike foreign direct investment (FDI) limit → in the pension sector → 74 per cent
- With India's forex reserves at \$608.99 billion → India has emerged fifth largest foreign exchange reserves holder in the world → after China, Japan, Switzerland and Russia.
- Jewellers will have to pay → GST only on the profit earned on → resale of second-hand gold jewellery → Karnataka AAR has ruled.
- ADB → downgrades → India's economic growth forecast → 10% in FY22 and 7.5% in FY23

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- Mirae Asset Investment Managers (India), with an asset under management (AUM) of Rs 77,674 crore → launched → India's first ETF(Exchange-Traded Funds) tracking Nifty Financial Services Index.
- India has scored 90.32% in United Nation's Economic and Social Commission for Asia Pacific's (UNESCAP) latest Global Survey on Digital and Sustainable Trade Facilitation → The Survey hails this as a remarkable jump from 78.49% in 2019.
- India reach → 90.32 % in UNESCAP's latest Global Survey on Digital & Sustainable Trade Facilitation
- Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers (MoC&F) → stated After the National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) put a cap on prices → 91% of brands of five medical devices reported downward revision of prices up to 88%.
- The Indian Olympic Association → roped in the Adani Group → sponsor for the Indian contingent at the ongoing Tokyo Games.
- Cisco Networking Academy and the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) → announced a partnership that is aimed at → addressing the shortage of tech-proficient workforce in India and creating career opportunities for millions in the digital economy.
- Minister of State for Finance Bhagwat K Karad → Stated Non-performing assets (NPAs) of banks → declined by Rs 61,180 crore to Rs 8.34 lakh crore → end of March 31, 2021.
- The Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare → implementing a Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Sub-Mission on Agricultural Mechanization' (SMAM) developed → Farm Machinery Direct Benefit Transfer (FMDBT) portal → implementation of SMAM and the State Governments of Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Uttarakhand have on-boarded for implementation of SMAM through this portal.
- NITI AAYOG -TRIFED join hands → successful implementation of Van DhanYojana in Tribal Clusters of Aspirational Districts of India
- Care Ratings → India's GDP growth between 8.8-9% in FY22
- IMF Projects → India's economic growth for FY22 at 9.5% & FY23 at 8.5%
- IMF releases v World Economic Outlook report - global economy growth forecast → 6% for 2021
- With an aim to further improve ease of doing business → Centre launches → "Secured Logistics Document Exchange" along with a Calculator for GreenHouse Gas Emissions
- Three India-based enterprises → among UN's Best Small Business winners → "Edible Routes Private Limited", "Oorja Development Solutions India", and "Taru Naturals" are the winners from India.

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- Intel introduced → 'AI For All' initiative in collaboration → Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)

Banking

- State Bank of India (SBI) → dedicated counter 360 selected branches → current account customers.
- ICICI Bank → banking solution for doctors → Salute Doctors.
- HDFC Bank → 'Salaam Dil Sey' → gratitude to doctors
- World Bank → USD 800-million loan → Pakistan → clean energy and human capital development.
- World Bank → USD 500 mn loan → India → overcome the current pandemic distress
- The Reserve Bank of India → penalty of Rs 25 lakh → Punjab and Sind Bank → 'Cyber Security Framework in Banks'
- PayU + WooCommerce → digital payments infrastructure, and end-to-end digitalization of business processes.
- Paytm → 'Postpaid Mini' → small ticket loan product → Loan Amount lies between Rs.250- Rs.1000
- Aeldra → Zero Fee bank account → U.S. bound Indian students
- Razorpay + Mastercard 'MandateHQ' → cure recurring payments.
- SBM Bank India + Drip Capital → empower MSME Exporters
- The Delhi Metro → FASTag/UPI → cashless parking facility → Kashmere Gate Metro Station, Delhi.
- FREO + HDB Financial Services → lending solutions.
- Bajaj Allianz General + Bank of India → Bajaj Allianz General Insurance's products through the bank's network
- Maruti Suzuki → Maruti Suzuki Smart Finance → ARENA and NEXA customers.
- Axis Bank + Max Bupa Health Insurance → Bancassurance partnership
- RBI → monetary penalty → 14 banks
- Bhutan → first neighbouring country → BHIM UPI
- RBI → 'Retail Direct Scheme' → retail participation in government securities
- The Kerala State Cooperative Bank (Kerala Bank) → Covid-19 relief schemes → aid various sections of society.
- The International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) → framework for setting up and operating the International Trade Finance Services platform (ITFS).
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) → restrictions on Mastercard Asia Pacific Pte Ltd → (debit, credit or prepaid) onto its card network from July 22

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- RBI cancels the licence → Maharashtra based Dr Shivajirao Patil Nilangekar Urban Co-operative Bank
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) → extended the timeline for implementation of cassette swap in all ATMs → March 31, 2022.
- Given nod to set up small finance bank → to take over scam-hit PMC (Punjab and Maharashtra Cooperative) Bank → RBI to HC
- RBI to allow → retail investors → to open gilt accounts with the central bank → under Retail Direct Scheme
- India's wholesale price inflation → eased in June to 12.07% from a record 12.94% a month ago → as food and fuel prices fell while those of manufactured items accelerated.
- Maruti Suzuki India + Bank of Maharashtra → offering inventory financing to its dealer partners.
- APEDA (Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority) with Basmati Export Development Foundation (BEDF) → organizes an awareness creation programme → basmati rice growers.
- RBI → launched → Bad Bank → for stressed assets as a measure to clean up bank books
- Nearly 72% of financial transactions of PSBs done through → digital channels
- India → 5th largest forex reserves holder in the world with \$608.99 billion → after China, Japan, Switzerland and Russia.
- Government → sets up Dairy Investment Accelerator → promote or facilitate investments in the Dairy sector
- Bank of Baroda, U GRO Capital → jointly launch co-lending platform → 'Pratham' → micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME)
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India → amends the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) Regulations, 2016
- ICICI Bank and HPCL jointly launches → 'ICICI Bank Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) Super Saver' Credit Card
- Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) → Arogya Rakshak plan, a benefit-based, non-linked, non-participating, regular premium and individual health insurance policy → aims to provide people with timely financial support in case of medical emergencies.

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- India's largest lender State Bank of India → selected Paisalo Digital → its National Corporate Business Correspondent for boosting its financial inclusion drive with the help of kiosk-based banking services.
- RBI → decided to introduce digital currency → Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs)
- Max Bupa Health Insurance → renames itself → Niva Bupa
- Dvara e-Dairy Solutions Pvt. Ltd → announced its partnership with IFFCO Tokio General Insurance → providing artificial intelligence (AI) powered digital cattle identity solution for cattle insurance.
- Magma Fincorp Limited → rebrands its name → Poonawalla Fincorp Limited
- Indian Bank → launched its CASA (current account, savings account) campaign on the 53rd Bank Nationalization day → expected to 'inject confidence' in customers and to bring new customers into their fold to improve the CASA of the Bank.
- HDFC ERGO → introduces Optima Secure indemnity-based → health insurance policy
- SMC Global Securities limited → announced a strategic alliance with Dhanlaxmi bank → offering online trading services to the bank customers.
- International Finance Corporation (IFC) → \$250 million (₹1,875 crore) → HDFC → promote affordable green housing finance for low and middle income borrowers.
- The Union Government → fixed norms for implementation of Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) in the country to enable state-specific reforms.
- Government has taken a number of measures → bring back the black money stashed abroad → 'The Black Money (Undisclosed Foreign Income and Assets) and Imposition of Tax Act, 2015'.
- Government identified → 2,38,223 companies as shell companies → between 2018-2021
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) → informed that the total amount of unclaimed deposits of Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs) → Rs. 24,356 crore, as on 31.12.2020.
- The 'Dukandar Overdraft Scheme' by HDFC Bank → up to Rs 10 lakh overdraft facility → shopkeepers, merchants to ease cash crunch
- Indian startup ecosystem is widely recognized → 3rd largest start up ecosystem → total 52,391 entities are recognized as start-ups by Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) → imposed monetary penalty of Rs 5 crore → Axis Bank → contravention of certain provisions of directions issued by the RBI
- RBI → Digital payments grew 30.19% → during the financial year ended March 2021

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- Paytm Payments Bank → first bank in the country → achieve the milestone of issuing 1 crore FASTags.
- The finance ministry → invited entries from citizens for name, tagline and logo → Development Financial Institution (DFI)
- The Reserve Bank of India → cancelled the licence → Madgaum Urban Co-operative Bank Limited, Margao, Goa
- Three of India's biggest private lenders → ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank and Axis Bank → have taken stakes in the blockchain financial technology firm IBBIC.

Appointments/ Resignations

- Senior IPS officer Anil Kant → Kerala new chief of the state police.
- US → Indian-American Atul Keshap → interim envoy to India
- Niti Aayog Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Amitabh Kant → one-year extension → June 2022.
- Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari → Vice Chief of the Air Staff
- Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) → Prathmesh Mishra → New Chairman
- Titan Company → Ashok Sonthalia → chief financial officer (CFO) & Swadesh Behera → chief people officer
- Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari → Vice Chief of the Indian Air Force.
- N Venudhar Reddy, IIS Officer → Director General of All India Radio.
- Ashok Leyland → chief Andy Palmer EV arm → former Aston Martin head
- ICICI-Securities → Nilotpal Gupta → Head of its Data Science Unit
- Satish Agnihotri → New Managing Director → National High Speed Rail Corporation Ltd (NHSRCL)
- Blackstone backed EPL (formerly known as Essel Propack) → Anand Kripalu → MD and Global CEO.
- Crystal Palace Football Club → Patrick Vieira → Club's new manager
- The government has extended → age of IPO-bound LIC Chairman 62 years → Life Insurance Corporation of India (Staff) Regulations, 1960.
- Lt Gen Madhuri Kanitkar → new Vice-Chancellor MUHS → Maharashtra University of Health Sciences (MUHS), Nashik.
- Road Transport and Highways and MSME Nitin Gadkari → Brand Ambassador → Khadi Prakritik Paint → India's first and only paint made from cow dung, in Jaipur
- Neha Parikh → CEO of 'Waze' → navigation app and a subsidiary of tech giant Google.
- 43 new members sworn → Prime Minister Modi's new cabinet

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- Jim Whitehurst → step down → IBM president
- ICC → Manu Sawhney as CEO
- Twitter → Vinay Prakash as Resident Grievance Officer → India
- Union minister Piyush Goyal → leader of the house in Rajya Sabha replaces Thawar Chand Gehlot
- Bandhan Bank → Kamal Batra → Executive President and Head – Assets.
- Suman Mishra → new CEO → Mahindra Electric Mobility
- Unibic Foods → Naveen Pandey → chief executive officer.
- Industrialist N.S.Srinivasa Murthy → Honorary Consul General of Vietnam
- Coal India + Accenture → digitalization of mine process
- TCG Group → appointed → B Anand → head polymer projects business
- Pidilite → appointed → Sudhanshu Vats → deputy managing director
- Isobar India → appointed → Pragati Rana → senior vice president, strategy
- Deepinder Goyal → Magicpin Board → independent director
- Shiv Nadar → steps down as HCL Tech MD → appointed as Chairman Emeritus
- Union Minister Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi → appointed as Deputy Leader of House → Rajya Sabha
- Odisha FC → appointed Kiko Ramirez → head coach
- Kerala govt → appointed → dowry prohibition officers in all districts
- B K Sinha → appointed → Press Attache of India's Olympic contingent at Tokyo Olympic
- Citi India → appointed Rahul Saraf as Head of Investment Banking
- Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) Secretary Aramane Giridhar (IAS) → additional charge of the Chairman of the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)
- Rasmi Ranjan Das, a Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Finance → among a distinguished group of 25 tax experts from around the world appointed as members of the UN tax committee for the 2021 to 2025 term.
- Digital broker Upstox → appointed Thippesha Dyamappa → Chief Technology Officer (CTO).
- Dr Sharad Kumar → named → new director of Chennai airport
- Trinamool Congress member MP → Shantanu Sen → suspended from the Rajya Sabha for the remaining period of the monsoon session.
- BS Yediyurappa → Resigns as Karnataka CM
- Indian Naval Ship Talwar → participating in Exercise Cutlass Express 2021 along the East Coast of Africa → conducted to promote national and regional maritime security in East Africa and the Western Indian Ocean.

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- Nasir Kamal → appointed → Director General of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) in the Ministry of Civil Aviation.
- Rakesh Asthana → appointed → Delhi Police Commissioner
- Manipur Chief Minister N Biren Singh → weightlifter Saikhom Mirabai Chanu, who won Silver at the Tokyo Olympics → appointed → Additional Superintendent of Police in the state police department.
- Uber → appointed → Ameya Velankar → head of marketing for India, South Asia
- Foreign Minister of Maldives Abdulla Shahid → won the Presidency → 76th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)
- Social Entrepreneur → Sanjay Rai Sherpuria → honoured as National Brand Ambassador for SDG Choupal
- Bharat BillPay → appoints → PayU's Noopur Chaturvedi as new CEO
- Colliers → appointed → Ramesh Nair as CEO for India
- Former India off-spinner M. Venkataramana → appointed as Tamil Nadu senior team coach for the coming season.

Awards & Honours

- Bisathi Bharath → Diana Prize → youth development → District of Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh
- Odia poet → Dr. Rajendra Kishore Panda → Kuvempu Rashtriya Puraskar.
- The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) 'Invest India' 2020 United Nations Investment Promotion Award Geneva.
- Korean Air → "2021 Airline of the Year" Award
- Indian Army → names firing range → Gulmarg → honour Vidya Balan
- Indian economist → Kaushik Basu has → Humboldt Research Award for Economics.
- Zaila Avant-garde → a 14-year-old from New Orleans, Louisiana, → winner of the 2021 Scripps National Spelling Bee.
- Journalist and playwright Omchery N N Pillai → Selected for → Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam (BKS)'s Literary Award for 2021.
- ICCR (Indian Council for Cultural Relations) to set up a Bangabandhu Chair → Delhi University → honour Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman
- Telangana State Cooperative Apex Bank (TSCAB) → best state cooperative bank (SCB) in the country → National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (Nabard).

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- United Nations Development Fund (UNDP) → mentioned Aadhimalai Pazhangudiyinar Producer Company Limited and Snehakunja Trust → prestigious Equator Prize → for their work in the field of conservation and biodiversity.
- Director Payal Kapadia's → A Night of Knowing Nothing → won the Oeil d'or (Golden Eye) award for best documentary → 74th Cannes Film Festival.
- Nobel Peace Prize awardee Muhammed Yunus of Bangladesh → receive Olympic Laurel in Tokyo
- Senior India defender Sandesh Jhingan → AIFF men's Footballer of the Year & midfielder Suresh Singh Wangjam → Emerging Player for 2020-21 season.
- The Cachar district of Barak Valley in South Assam → got the prestigious National Silver SKOCH award → under health category on the project called "Pushti Nirbhor".
- Former Indian Footballer → Shibaji Banerjee → honoured with Mohun Bagan Ratna Award 2021 Posthumously
- UST, a leading digital transformation solutions company → announced that it has been awarded as one of the 'Best Places to Work in India 2021', in the country's first employee choice awards by AmbitionBox.com, a rapidly growing career advisory platform.
- India's chief hydrographer Vice Admiral Vinay Badhwar → conferred with the prestigious Alexander Dalrymple award by the British government → recognition of his works in areas of hydrography and nautical cartography.
- A total of 27 government hospitals, community health centres (CHCs) and primary health centres (PHCs) of the district → selected for the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare's prestigious Kayakalp Award → under National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS) certification scheme for 2018-19 and 2019-20.
- Sunjeev Sahota → among 13 contenders → prestigious fiction's Booker Prize
- The Maharashtra Bhushan Selection Committee chaired by Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray → unanimously selected legendary playback singer → Asha Bhosle for the prestigious award.
- Vaidehi Dongre, a 25-year-old girl from Michigan → crowned Miss India USA 2021 → beauty pageant held over the weekend.
- Satpura Tiger Reserve of Madhya Pradesh → bags NatWest Group Earth Heroes Award
- Ngangom Bala Devi → All India Football Federation (AIFF) Women's Footballer of the Year 2020-21.
- Manisha Kalyan → All India Football Federation (AIFF) Women's Emerging Player of the year awards.

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Economy

- Square's hardware head, Jesse Dorogusker, announced → hardware wallet and accompanying service → cryptocurrency, Bitcoin.
- The World Gold Council (WGC) + Gems and Jewellery Export Promotion Council (GJEPC) → promote gold jewellery in India.

MoU's & Agreements

- Cabinet approved MoU → India, Gambia → Refurbishing Personnel Administration and Governance Reforms.
- Reliance Industries (RIL) & Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) → New petrochemical complex Ruwais, Abu Dhabi produce chlor-alkali, ethylene dichloride, and polyvinyl chloride (PVC).
- Singapore & Bhutan → Model Technical Training Centres (MTTC) → growth between the two countries.
- The Central Reserve Police Force, CRPF & Centre for Development of Advanced Computing C-DAC → train the manpower of the force in advanced technologies and undertake joint projects.
- Agreement → global digital tax → to boost → India-US trade negotiations
- Union Territory of Ladakh + Himalayan Forest Research Institute (HFRI) → (MoU) → forest cover development in the region.
- Axis Bank MOU with the Indian Army → to offer a defence service salary package with best-in-class benefits and features → 'Power Salute' initiative.
- Exports → potential of agricultural and processed food products of cooperatives → Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) → MoU → National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd (NAFED).
- Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam (SJVN) Central Public Sector Enterprise under Ministry of Power, Government of India + Investment Board of Nepal (IBN) in Kathmandu Nepal → MoU → 679 MW Lower Arun Hydro Electric Project in Nepal
- The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi → (MoU) → India and Denmark in the field of health and Medicine.
- State-owned NTPC → memorandum of understanding (MoU) → UT of Ladakh + LAHDC → set up the country's first Green Hydrogen Mobility project
- Cambridge University chemists Shankar Balasubramanian and David Klenerman → winners of 2020 Millennium Technology Prize → development of revolutionary sequencing techniques

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- MoU signed between Institute of Teaching and Research in Ayurveda (ITRA) + Government of Gujarat → fields of education, research and medicine.
- The Ladakh → MoU → Sikkim State Organic Certification Agency (SOCCA) → Union Territory into an organic entity.
- The Indian Academy of Highway Engineers (IAHE), Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MORTH) → Agreement with University of New South Wales (UNSW), Australia → Centre for Advanced Transportation Technology and Systems (CATTs) at IAHE, Noida.
- The University of Rashtryaraksha (RRU) in Gandhinagar, Gujarat + Cambodian Police Academy (PAC) → support police training and capacity building.
- Union Cabinet → MoU on coking coal → with Russian Energy Ministry
- The Indian Government → (MoU) with Bangladesh → export 10 lakh bales of cotton every year.
- The Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University (DSEU) → MoU → train and place students in Japan.
- YSR Cheyutha scheme, the State government exchanged → MoUs with 14 companies → women empowerment and livelihood to six lakh women on a permanent basis.
- Bank of Maharashtra → (MoU) → Nationwide Financial institution for Agriculture & Rural Improvement (NABARD) → spice up ongoing developmental initiatives linked to precedence sector lending in Maharashtra.
- Web Werks → plans to build a data center in Bengaluru, India → Rs.750 crore (\$100m)
- MeitY → map services in UMANG App → through MoU with MapmyIndia
- The National Commission for Women → MoU → Bureau of Police Research and Development → gender sensitization of police personnel across the country.
- Prasar Bharati → MoU → Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur (IIT Kanpur) → a Center of Excellence for Media and Broadcasting Technologies will be established at IIT Kanpur.
- Industrial and logistics real estate platform ESR India → stated it has signed an agreement with the Tamil Nadu government to develop two industrial parks with an estimated investment of Rs 550 crore.
- Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited (MECL), under the aegis of Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India → signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Directorate of Mines & Geology (DMG), Government of Goa → offering integrated mineral exploration and consultancy services.
- The Indian Navy → (MoU) with Kotak Mahindra → salary accounts of all its personnel - both serving and retired.

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- Chennai-headquartered Indian Bank → agreement with IIT Guwahati Technology Incubation Centre (TIC) → financing start-ups under Bank's loan product "IND SpringBoard".
- The Arunachal government → memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Centre for Policy Research and Analysis-IIM here in Meghalaya for collaborating as a knowledge partner → build the capacity of the state government officers to set up a satellite centre of the IIM Shillong in Arunachal, and for necessary policy interventions.
- Central Reserve Police Force → Memorandum of Understanding with Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (CDAC) → train the manpower of the force in advanced technologies and undertake joint projects.
- The World Health Organization (WHO) and the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) → signed an agreement → work together to foster diversity and equity
- Department of MSME, Government of Uttar Pradesh, signed an MoU with government advisory firm Sapio Analytics → provide licenses of automation software Accloud, worth Rs. 72 crores, to 20,000 MSMEs of the state.
- National Fertilisers Limited (NFL) and Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilisers Ltd (RCF) signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) → 'transfer of technology' of a revolutionary and game changer fertiliser Nano Urea Liquid.
- Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) → signs a deal with IBM → To create a new 'Airport in a Box' platform

Defense

- Multinational maritime exercise → Sea Breeze 2021 (Ex-SB21) → Ukrainian Navy and U.S. Sixth Fleet → Black Sea region
- India's first indigenous drone defence dome → "Indrajaal" → Hyderabad-based technology R&D firm Grene Robotics.
- Israel's → Rafael Advanced Defense Systems → fifth-generation long-range autonomous precision-guided missile system → Sea Breaker.
- MTech programme in Defence Technology → Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) + All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE).
- Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) + Ministry of Defence → manufacture and supply of Akash missiles → Indian Air Force (IAF) → Rs 499 crore
- Indian Naval Ship → Tabar military exercise → with a frontline frigate → Italian Navy.

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- The Indian Navy → 10th anti-submarine warfare aircraft P-8I → US-based aerospace company Boeing.
- US Navy → hands over first two MH-60R helicopters → Indian Navy
- Defence Minister → AI-powered grievance management application → CPGRAMS (Centralized Public Grievance Redress & Monitoring System)
- India, Sri Lanka and Maldives → conduct trilateral tabletop exercise TTX-2021 → on maritime security
- INS Tabar → maritime partnership exercise with FNS Aquitaine, a French naval Frigate in the Bay of Biscay
- Ordnance Factory of Tiruchirappalli (OFT) → handed over the locally assembled → 12.7mm stabilised remote control gun (SRCG) system to the Indian Navy and Indian Coast Guard for enhanced surveillance and warfare.
- Exercise Shield TTX maritime exercise → India, Sri Lanka & Maldives
- New Sainik School → Karnataka
- Government → taken several policy initiatives and brought in reforms → promote indigenisation and self-reliance in defence manufacturing, under AatmaNirbhar Bharat Mission in the defence sector
- Government of India's → initiative of 'Atmanirbhar Bharat' → decided to earmark an amount of Rs 71,438.36 crore for domestic capital procurement out of the total allocation of Rs 1,11,463.21 crore for Capital Acquisition.
- Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) → successfully flight-tested the New Generation Akash Missile (Akash-NG), a surface-to-air Missile → Integrated Test Range (ITR) off the coast of Odisha
- In a major boost towards Atma Nirbhar Bharat and strengthening of Indian Army, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) → successfully flight-tested indigenously developed low weight, fire and forget Man Portable Anti Tank Guided Missile (MPATGM)
- The last blast of the escape tube of under-construction Sela Tunnel → conducted by Director General Border Roads (DGBR) Lt Gen Rajeev Chaudhry through video conferencing from New Delhi
- Indian Navy participated → two-day bilateral Passage Exercise (PASSEX) with Royal Navy Carrier Strike Group (CSG)-21 → led by HMS Queen Elizabeth in the Bay of Bengal
- INS Tabar reached → St Petersburg, Russia → participate in the 325th Navy Day celebrations of the Russian Navy.

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- 12th Edition of Indo-Russia joint military Exercise → INDRA 2021 → held at Volgograd, Russia
- The Indian Air Force formally inducted → Rafale aircraft into No. 101 Squadron at Air Force Station Hasimara in Eastern Air Command (EAC)
- The Department of Defence Production → approved for a central sector scheme → 'Innovations for Defence Excellence (iDEX)'
- Indian Naval Ship (INS) Saryu, an indigenously built Offshore Patrol Vessel → undertaking coordinated patrol (CORPAT) with Indonesian Naval Ship KRI Bung Tomo.
- The 12th edition of exercise → INDRA NAVY, a biennial (Every Two Years) bilateral maritime exercise between → Indian Navy and Russian Navy was held in the Baltic Sea.

Acquisition & Merger

- State-owned miner NMDC → 4 percent stake → offer for sale (OFS).
- Global Power Synergy Public Co Ltd, a unit of Thailand's state-owned utility major PTT → acquired 41.6% stake in Avaada Energy Pvt Ltd, an Indian renewable energy producer.
- Competition Commission of India (CCI) → acquisition of 23.5 percent stake in → ONGC Tripura Power Company Ltd by Summit India (Tripura).

Summits & Conference

- CII +Ministry of External Affairs → The Indo Pacific Business Summit → 6-8 July 2021 virtually.
- Union Minister for Labour & Employment Shri Bhupender Yadav → chaired the BRICS Labour & Employment Ministers' Meeting → under India's Presidency → enhance information sharing, discuss and agree upon specific areas of cooperation between BRICS Member countries.
- Vice-President Of India, M. Venkaiah Naidu → addresses → The World Universities Summit 2021 → Theme → "Universities of the Future: Building Institutional Resilience, Social Responsibility and Community Impact".
- Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shri Narendra Singh Tomar → virtually delivered the Ministerial Statement in the Pre-Summit of United Nations Food System Summit 2021
- The 5th National Geo-research Scholars Meet (NGRSM), based on the theme "Earth Sciences for Sustainable development" → organized through a webinar recently at the Wadia Institute of Himalayan Geology (WIHG), Dehradun, an autonomous institute of the DST.
- Uzbekistan hosted → two day high-level International Conference → "Central and South Asia: Regional Connectivity. Challenges and Opportunities" at Tashkent.

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- A two day G20 Environment Ministerial Meeting 2021 → organised at Naples, in Italy in virtual mode.

Science & Technology

- New plant subspecies → *Rungia longifolia* subsp. *keralensis* → Western Ghats
- Enforcing Contracts Portal” → Shri Barun Mitra, Secretary (Justice) → Department of Justice, Delhi.
- Two new insect species of snail Western Ghats → new genus, *Varadia*.
- Rare Species of black-bellied coral snake → Uttarakhand
- Richard Branson’s Virgin Orbit → 7 satellites from 747 jets from three countries → United States, Netherlands & Poland.
- China new Fengyun-3E (FY-3E) → meteorological satellite SLS-2 launch China’s Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre.
- The National Institute of Biomedical Genomics (NIBMG) in West Bengal’s Kalyani → database of genomic variations in oral cancer → first-of-its-kind in the world → Department of Biotechnology (DBT).
- Concentrated Solar Thermal (CST) based test rig facility → Hyderabad → test capability and performance of solar thermal components
- The Federal Aviation Administration of the US → Space Data Integrator → track rocket launches and Space vehicles returning to Earth in a better way.
- Tech Mahindra → Block chain based system → track vaccine supply
- Cuba → world’s first conjugate Covid-19 vaccine Soberana 2 (Sovereign 2).
- Rare superluminous supernova spotted → Indian researchers
- Virgin Galactic space tourism company → founder Richard Branson → conducts space flight → along with four other crewmates including Indian-origin woman Sirisha Bandla
- GAGANYAAN MISSION → ISRO → 3rd test on Vikas Engine
- Malaria and dengue → predicted to affect billions more people → global warming continues uncurbed
- A heat-tolerant COVID-19 vaccine formulation → developed by the Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bengaluru → proven effective against all current SARS-CoV-2 variants of concern
- Researchers at the Indian Institute of Technology Madras → developed a mathematical model → ‘NBDriver’ → identify cancer-causing alterations in cells.

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- Russian defense ministry → Successfully test fired → Zircon hypersonic cruise missile → fired from the Admiral Gorshkov, a warship in the White Sea → successfully hit a target more than 350 kilometers (about 217 miles) away.
- Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) → launched a new campaign → 'KALA VISHWA', from its Mumbai Centre → to present traditional folk arts of India to foreign students and also be of help to the neglected artists.
- Russia → successfully test-fired its new S-500 air defence missile systems, from a southern training range, Kapustin Yar & hit a high-speed ballistic target as planned.
- DBT-BIRAC-funded JeevtronicsPvt. Ltd. → developed SanMitra 1000 HCT → hand-cranked dual powered (grid+hand cranked) defibrillator.
- Indian Institute of Technology, Ropar → developed a first-of-its-kind → Oxygen Rationing Device → AMLEX.
- Billionaire Jeff Bezos → short journey to space, in the first crewed flight of his rocket ship, New Shepard.
- The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) → indigenously developed a High Strength Metastable Beta Titanium Alloy
- Satellite communication → used for beaming the educational contents in digital mode by 19 States and A&N Islands → under Tele-education Programme.
- Shri G Kishan Reddy, Union Minister of Culture, Tourism and Development of North East Region → stated that NESAC (North Eastern Space Applications Centre) → enabled the States to address issues and challenges of the North Eastern region with the support of space technology.
- Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur (IIT-K) → launched the first technology innovation hub to find cyber security solutions → anti-drones technologies, intrusion detection system, block-chain and cyber physical system.
- A veterinary-doctor-turned-inventor → John Abraham → received the patents for inventing biodiesel from slaughtered chicken waste.
- ISRO → signs on eight companies → begin work on its merchandise programme
- Google's Parent company → Alphabet → Launches New robotics software company → Intrinsic
- India → explore indigenous deposits of → Phosphatic rock

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- The Government → developed an indigenous climate model → predict the impact of climate change on monsoon in the country, informed Dr. Jitendra Singh, the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences.
- Department of Science and Technology stated, A scientist with the Mohali-based National Agri-Food Biotechnology Institute → developed an ultra-sensitive and easy-to-use sensor for detecting arsenic contamination in water and food → within 15 minutes.
- Group of Indian astronomers' spotting first short duration gamma-ray burst from a stellar collapse
- The 14 Tiger Reserves in India → received the accreditation of the Global Conservation Assured|Tiger Standards (CA|TS).
- India can potentially save Rs 8,940 crore (\$1.2 billion) a year → by shutting down some old coal-burning power plants and allowing newer ones to run for longer hours.
- Researchers from the Indian Institute of Science Education and Research (IISER) Kolkata collaborated with the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kharagpur → develop piezoelectric molecular crystals called bipyrazole organic crystals.
- The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) → launch a Geo-imaging Earth Observation Satellite (EOS-03)
- Malaysia → registered the world's first affordable & effective new drug for → hepatitis C.

Environment

- Researchers → two spider species → Assam's Chirang Reserve Forest
- Minister of State for Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Ashwini Kumar Choubey → informed → India generated 10,14,961.2 tonnes of e-waste, which is an increase of 31.6% when compared to the year 2019 to the Rajya Sabha.

Apps and Service

- Flipkart → Shopsy → Indians to start their online businesses without any investment.
- Union Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister Giriraj Singh → mobile app → 'Matsya Setu' → aqua farmers.
- The Defence Ministry → SPARSH → an integrated system for automation of sanction and disbursement of defence pension.
- CA Day → The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) will launch a mobile app → "ICAI-BOS" → students of Foundation, Intermediate and Final course students.

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Books & Authors

- India To The Rescue Authored by Sushant Singh & Shruthi Rao → published by Juggernaut Books.
- The Light of Asia: The Poem that Defined the Buddha → authored by Former Union minister Jairam Ramesh → published under Penguin's 'Viking' imprint in May 2022.
- The Struggle Within: A Memoir of the Emergency Authored → Ashok Chakravarti → Published By Harpercollins India.
- Operation khukri → The True Story behind the Indian Army's Most Successful Mission as part of the United Nations authored → major general rajpal punia & damini punia → release on July 15 → published by Penguin Random House India (PRHI).
- The Art of Conjuring Alternate Realities → Authored by Shivam Shankar Singh and Anand Venkatanarayanan → Published by HarperCollins.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi → first copy of the book → The Ramayan of Shri Guru Gobind Singh Ji → written by Late Baljit Kaur Tulsi.
- Actress Kareena Kapoor Khan → book → 'Pregnancy Bible'.
- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu → first copy of the English translation of Thummeti Raghothama Reddy's book- Terrace Garden: Midde Thota → Publisher of the book is Yadlapalli Venkateswara Rao.
- Vice President M. Venkaih Naidu → 'Urdu Poets and Writers – Gems of Deccan' → authored by senior journalist, J.S. Iftekhar.
- The Great Big Lion → child prodigy Chryseis Knight → Published by Penguin Random House India 's Puffin' imprint.
- A New Book Titled → India Versus China: Why They Are Not Friends → Authored by Kanti Bajpa → Published by the Juggernaut publishers.
- The Haryana Chief Minister → unveiled a Coffee Table Book titled → 'UNTOLD stories' of Haryana Police in Panchkula, Haryana.
- The India Story → Written by Former RBI governor Bimal Jalan → Published by Rupa
- Former cabinet minister Khem Lata Wakhlu → Authored a book titled 'A Kashmiri Century - Portrait Of A Society In Flux → published by Harper Collins India
- Science Journalist Hari Pulakkat → released his Debut Book titled SPACE. LIFE. MATTER : The Coming of Age of Indian Science → Published by Hachette India.

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- The journalist-author → Sundeep Misra → 'Fiercely Female: The Dutee Chand Story' .
- Chief Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan → Janaksuta Sut Shaurya → written by Dr. Gauri Shankar Sharma.
- Indian Ambassador to China Vikram Misri → translated version of 10 peerless collections of Modern Indian Literature to Shanghai Cooperation Organisation Secretary General Vladimir Norov → SCO secretariat in Beijing.
- Shri. Duvvuri Subbarao, Former Governor, RBI → released → book titled 'Bank with a Soul: Equitas' → written by Dr. C K Garyali
- Filmmaker Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra → autobiography → "The Stranger In The Mirror".
→ Published by Rupa Publications
- 'An Ordinary Life: Portrait of an Indian Generation' → by Former election commissioner Ashok Lavasa.

Person in News

- Sirisha Bandla → 2nd Indian woman fly into space → part of Virgin SpaceShip Unity

Sports

- New Zealand weightlifter → Laurel Hubbard 87-kilogram category → worlds 1st ever transgender athlete picked to compete → Olympics
- Madhya Pradesh all-rounder → Anshula Rao → first women cricketer → four-year ban → failing the dope test.
- International Cricket Council → ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2021 → United Arab Emirates and Oman.
- 12-year-old Indian origin boy → Abhimanyu Mishra → youngest-ever Grandmaster in chess.
- 17 year old Nihal Sarin → gold medal → Silver Lake Open chess tournament → Serbia.
- 25-year-old Naval sailor from Kerala → MP Jabir → qualified Tokyo Olympics in 400m hurdles → Jabir first Indian male athlete 400m hurdles in Olympics.
- Indian wrestler → Sumit Malik (125kg freestyle class) → banned for two years.
- WAKO India → Kickboxing Federation → government recognition
- Indian Olympic Association (IOA) → Mary Kom boxing champion & Manpreet Singh, the men's hockey team skipper → India's flag-bearers → Tokyo Olympics.
- Grand Master Hou Yifan → FIDE Chess.com Women's Speed Chess Championship → 2nd GM Harika Dronavalli

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- Levon Aronian → winner of the Goldmoney Asian Rapid chess tournament
- 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup → Mumbai and Pune
- Germany's World Cup-winning midfielder → Toni Kroos → announced retirement from international football.
- Wimbledon 2021 → Men's Single → Novak Djokovic (Serbia) defeated Matteo Berrettini (Italy)
Women's Single → Ashleigh Barty (Australia) defeated Karolína Plíšková (Czech Republic)
- Pawan Singh former Indian rifle shooter and shooting coach of the Indian shooting team → selected as → first ever Indian juror for the upcoming Tokyo Olympic Games.
- Lionel Messi-led Argentina beat Neymar's Brazil 1-0 to win the Copa America final match → Maracana Stadium in Rio de Janeiro.
- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) → seven-member working group → domestic cricket.
- Haryana government → Khelo India Youth Games 2021 → February 2022.
- England left-arm spinner Sophie Ecclestone & New Zealand opening batsman Devon Conway → ICC Players of the Month in June.
- Senior Bangladesh all-rounder Mahmudullah → retirement from Test cricket.
- Indo-American tennis player Samir Banerjee → Wimbledon boys' singles title 2021 → against compatriot Victor Lilov → All England Club.
- Italy won → European Championship trophy → defeating England → Wembley Stadium in London.
- India and Rajasthan pacer Pankaj Singh → retirement from all forms of cricket.
- BWF → India will host the World Badminton Championships → 2026.
- West Indies Cricketer → Chris Gayle → 1st batsman to score 14,000 runs in T20 cricket.
- Deepak Kabra → first Indian to be selected for judging the gymnastics competition of the Olympic Games.
- Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur → India's official cheer song 'Hindustani Way' → Tokyo Olympics → composed by Grammy Award winner AR Rahman → sung by young singer Ananya Birla.
- Pakistan captain and star batsman → Babar Azam → fastest batsman to complete 14 ODI centuries → 81st ODI innings.
- AFC Women's Club Championship 2020-21 → Gokulam Kerala FC to represent India
- LA Polo Delhi + Himalayan sports and cultural development organization and Polo Promotion Committee Kargil → are working on a promotional documentary in Ladakh.

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- Lewis Hamilton (Mercedes-Great Britain) → won the British Grand Prix 2021 for a record-extending eighth time at the Silverstone Circuit in the United Kingdom.
- India's → GM Viswanathan Anand defeated Vladimir Kramnik of Russia → win the Sparkassen Trophy in his fourth and final round held in Dortmund, Germany.
- The International Cricket Council (ICC) → welcomed its newest member countries Mongolia, Tajikistan and Switzerland at the ICC's 78th Annual General Meeting held → ICC now comprises a total 106 Members including 94 Associates.
- The International Olympic Committee → approved → Australian city of Brisbane → host city for the 2032 Summer Olympics and Paralympic Games.
- 21-year-old Madhya Pradesh shooter Rubina Francis → won gold in the 10-metre air pistol para women's event → World shooting Para Sport Cup held in Lima, Peru
- Young wrestlers Aman Gulia 48kg (Sonepat wrestler) and Sagar Jaglan 80kg → crowned the new world champions → Cadet World Championship in Budapest, Hungary.
- India's ace weightlifter → Saikhom Mirabai Chanu won a silver medal → Women's 49 kg category, at Tokyo 2020 Olympics.
- Japanese Emperor Naruhito & IOC president Thomas Bach → officially opened → 32nd Summer Olympic Games → National Stadium Tokyo.
- The Advisory Committee of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) → recommended cash awards for Indian athletes participating in the Tokyo Olympics → gold medallist - ₹75 lakh → Silver medallist - ₹40 lakh, Bronze medallist - ₹25 lakh.
- Momiji Nishiya, a 13 years 330 days old Japanese skateboarder → won the gold medal at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics.
- The Tokyo Olympics → introducing four new sports → skateboarding, surfing, karate and sport climbing → With this, the Tokyo Games now has 339 medal events.
- Delhi's Vantika Agarwal → win the National women online chess title.
- 16-year-old Indian Wrestler Priya Malik → clinched gold at the 2021 World Cadet Wrestling Championships in Budapest, Hungary.
- Weightlifter Polina Guryeva → wins first-ever Olympics medal- silver medal → for Turkmenistan
- 22-year-old Yuto Horigome of Japan → won the gold medal in skateboarding → with a score of 37.18 points at the Olympic Games held at Ariake Urban Sports Center, in Tokyo.
- 21-year-old Chinese Shooter → Yang Qian won the first gold medal of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games in women's 10m air rifle with a score of 251.8.

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Ranking & Index

- ITU's Global Cybersecurity Index 2020 → US Ranks Tops → India 10th position
- Global Startup Ecosystem Index Report 2021 → US Ranks → Tops India Ranks 20th position
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- World Trade Organisation (WTO) report → world agricultural trade → India ranked ninth with 3.1% → Topped by The European Union (EU) – 16.1% share (ranked 2nd in 1995)

Obituaries

- Sudharma → Sanskrit Daily newspaper Editor → K V Sampath Kumar → Passes away
- Bollywood film producer → Raj Kaushal → Passed away.
- Donald Rumsfeld, former U.S. Defense Secretary → Taos, New Mexico.
- Former Indian national Football team midfielder → M Prasannan → passed away.
- Bollywood actor → Dilip Kumar → passed away → 98
- Director of 'Superman' → Richard Donner, → Passes away → 91
- Former Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister and senior Congress leader → Virbhadra Singh → 87
- Two-time Olympic gold medallist in hockey → Keshav Datt → 95.
- The president of Haiti → Jovenel Moïse → was assassinated in his private residence → age 53.
- Doyen of ayurveda medicine and managing trustee of Vaidyaratnam P S Varier's Arya Vaidya Sala → Dr Panayambally Krishnakutty Warriar → Passed away → 100
- Supreme Head of the Indian Orthodox church → Moran Mar Baselios Marthoma Paulos II → passed away.
- Former Indian batsman Yashpal Sharma, → Passed away → age 66.
- Former WWE Wrestler → Paul Orndorff → Passed Away → age 71.
- Tennis Hall of Famer & Grand Slam winner → Shirley Fry Irvin → Passed away → 94 →
- Former president of Pakistan & Muslim League-Nawaz's central leader → Mamnoon Hussain → passed away → 80.
- Veteran actress → Surekha Sikri → passed away → 75.
- Danish Siddiqui → Pulitzer Prize-Winning Photojournalist Passes away → 38 years old.
- National Award-winning writer, cartoonist, animation filmmaker → Gautam Benegal → passed away → age 56.
- Gira Sarabhai → co-founder of the renowned National Institute of Design (NID) → Ahmedabad passed away → 98.

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- Noted Carnatic Classical Violinist → 'Kalaimamani' Sikkil Shri R Bhaskaran → passed away → 85.
- Renowned Marathi poet → Satish Kalsekar → passed away → 78.
- Veteran multilingual actress → Jayanthi passed away → 76.
- Folk music legend and freedom fighter → Fakir Alamgir → passed away → He was 71.
- Former England bowler → Mike Hendrick → dies at 72
- Legendary badminton player → Nandu Natekar → Passed away at 88.

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