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1. Prime Minister Modi released a new series of coins with the design of Amrit Mahotsav, the visually impaired will be able to recognize the coins easily



New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Monday introduced a new series of coins, which are also "blind friendly".

These coins are in denominations of Re 1, Rs 2, Rs 5, Rs 10 and Rs 20 and bear the design of the Amrit Mahotsav of Azadi (AKAM). These are not specially issued coins, but will continue to be in general circulation.

Addressing the 'Iconic Week Celebration' of the Finance Ministry, Modi said, "This new series of coins will remind people of the goal of 'Amrit Kaal' and inspire people to work towards the development of the country."

On this occasion, Modi also launched 'Jan Samarth Portal', which is a credit-linked portal of 12 government schemes.

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said that each of these schemes will be displayed on the portal. "This portal will enhance the convenience and citizens will not have to ask the same question every time to avail the benefits of the government programme," he said.

2. In IIFA 2022, Vicky Kaushal was awarded the title of Best Actor for the film 'Sardar Udham Singh'.



The International Indian Film Academy Awards 2022 (IIFA 2022) has been held in Abu Dhabi this year. The Best Actor award went to Vicky Kaushal for Sardar Udham Singh. At the same time, Kriti Sanon has won the Best Actress Award for the film Mimi. However, the film Sher Shah won the most awards.

Sher Shah was a fan of the IIFA Awards 2022. Sher Shah got the Best Film Award. Apart from this, Asees Kaur got the Best Playback Singer Female for the song Rata Lambiya from the film, Jubin Nautiyal got the Best Male Playback Singer award for the same song.

The film's director Vishnuvardhan received the Best Director award. At the same time, Tanishk Bagchi, Jasleen, Javed Mohsin, Vikram Monterus, B Praak and Jani have won the Best Music Direction Award for Shershaah.

3. India successfully test-fired Agni-4 missile, capable of striking a distance of 400 km



India on Monday successfully test-fired a medium-range ballistic missile Agni-4 from APJ Abdul Kalam Island in Odisha. The successful test of this missile marks a significant increase in the country's military capabilities. The Defense Ministry said that the test was conducted at around 7.30 pm. The successful test of Agni-4

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reaffirms India's policy of 'reliable minimum deterrence'.

According to the ministry, 'Successful test-fire of medium-range ballistic missile Agni-4 was conducted on Monday at around 7.30 pm from APJ Abdul Kalam Island, Odisha.'

The ministry said that the test proved all operational parameters as well as the reliability of the system. "The successful test reaffirms India's policy of having a 'reliable minimum resistance' capability," the statement said.

4. Preparation for CDS appointment intensified, Ministry of Defense issued notification to amend the rules



For the new Chief of Defense Staff (CDS), the government can appoint both retired and serving officers. Significantly, in this regard, the Union Defense Ministry issued a gazette notification to amend the rules of 3 defense forces related to the appointment of Chief of Defense Staff (CDS).

For the appointment of CDS, the Central Government may consider officers who are serving as lieutenant general equivalent or general equivalent. Also officers who have retired in the rank of Lieutenant General or General but have not attained the age of 62 years on the date of appointment.

5. Bajram Begaj elected new President of Albania



Tirana, June 5 (IANS) Bajram Begaj, who held the post of Chief of General Staff of the Albanian Armed Forces (AAF), has been elected as the new President of the country of Albania.

A total of 103 MPs out of 140 were present at the start of Saturday's parliament session, but only 83 took part in the vote, Xinhua news agency reported.

Most opposition lawmakers, including the main opposition Democratic Party, boycotted the process.

On Saturday, in a letter to the media, Begaj announced that he had resigned from his military position as Major General to pave the way for lawmakers to continue with the election process.

On Saturday, outgoing President Ilir Meta signed a decree relating to the stepping down of Begaj as AAF's Chief of General Staff.

The Albanian parliament failed to elect a new president in the first three rounds because no candidate was proposed by any parliamentary group.

According to the country's constitution, a total of 84 votes are required to elect a proposed candidate as president in the first three rounds, and 71 votes in the fourth and fifth rounds.

6. 14 years five months Itu is the youngest Kabaddi player

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Jharkhand's Itu Mandal entered the record books even before playing the first game in the Khelo India Youth Games on Saturday. At just 13 years old, Itu is the youngest Kabaddi competitor to face Kabaddi players in this edition of the youth games.

Itu Mandal, the daughter of a tractor driver, fell in love with Kabaddi at the age of just eight. Impressed by all the powerful women around her, she has grown rapidly to be a part of the under-18 youth team.

7. Suryoday Small Finance Bank will shut down its ATM banking service from October 1



Suryoday Small Finance Bank stops ATM Service: There is big news for the customers of Suryoday Small Finance Bank. Suryoday Small Finance Bank is going to shut down its ATM service from October 1. The bank said that it is going to shut down its ATM service, citing operational problems.

Can use ATMs of other banks

According to the official website of Suryoday Small Finance Bank, the bank is going to shut down its ATM service from October 1 due to operational issues. However, customers of the bank can continue to take other services including cash withdrawal from ATMs of other banks. They will not have to pay any fee for this.

8. India ranks lowest among 180 countries in terms of environment



Talking about 180 countries in terms of environment, India is at the lowest rank in it. India is at the bottom of the Environment Performance Index in the year 2022. India's performance in the index of measuring the environment has been very disappointing.

New Delhi

India has reached the bottom of the list of 180 countries in the Environmental Performance Index (EPI) 2022. This EPI score of India is a matter of concern. India has been ranked 180th out of 40 parameters in 11 categories of the Environmental Performance Index, which comes every two years. These lists of EPIs are compiled by the World Economic Forum (WEF), the Yale Center for Environment Law and Policy, and the Columbia University Center International Earth Science Information Network (CIESIN).

9. RBI Monetary Policy: Reserve Bank increased the repo rate by 0.50% to 4.90%, the focus will be on rising inflation



The RBI on Wednesday increased the key policy rate repo by 0.5 percent to 4.9 percent to control rising inflation. Earlier, on May 4, the RBI had suddenly increased the repo rate by 0.4 percent. With this move

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of RBI, the loan will be expensive and the monthly installment of the loan ie EMI will increase.

RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said that the Reserve Bank raised the inflation forecast for the current financial year to 6.7 percent. Inflation was earlier projected to remain at 5.7 per cent. RBI has retained the economic growth forecast for the current financial year 2022-23 at 7.2 percent.

The decision to increase the policy rate by consensus

Giving information about the decision of the Monetary Policy Committee (MPC), Das said that the MPC has unanimously decided to increase the policy rate by 0.5 percent. He said inflation is expected to remain above 6 per cent in the first three quarters of the current financial year.

10. Indian Army Participates In Multinational Joint Exercise 'Ex Khan Quest 2022'



On June 06, 2022, a multinational peacekeeping exercise 'Ex Khan Quest 2022' involving troops of 16 countries has started in Mongolia. Mongolian President Ukhmagin Khuralsukh inaugurated the exercise at a grand ceremony held at the exercise site in Mongolia. The Indian Army was represented by a contingent of Ladakh Scouts.

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- The theme of World Brain Tumor Day 2022 is - **Together We Are Stronger**

- The state government which has announced to give Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award to the sportspersons of the state- **Rajasthan**
- The country which has been ranked at the bottom in the Environmental Performance Index-2022 - **India**
- A joint military training exercise 'East SAMPRITI-X' (EX SAMPRITI-X) is being organized between India and the country from June 05 to June 16, 2022- **Bangladesh**
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Shaktikanta Das has announced an increase in the repo rate by as much as 0.50 percent on June 08, 2022.
- Alok Kumar Choudhary has taken over as the new Managing Director of the bank- **SBI**
- World Oceans Day is celebrated on **8 June**
- The new President of International Aluminum Institute who has been appointed- **Satish Pai**

QUIZ

1. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Governor Shaktikanta Das has announced an increase in the repo rate by what percent on 08 June 2022?

- a. 0.10 percent
- b. 0.50 percent
- c. 0.90 percent
- d. 0.20 percent

b. 0.50 percent

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently announced an increase in the repo rate once again. Now the repo rate has increased by 0.50 percent to 4.90 percent. This is the second consecutive hike in the repo rate in a span of almost a month. With this decision of RBI, bank customers can get a big setback, because soon banks can increase the EMI of personal loan, home loan and car loan.

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2. Alok Kumar Choudhary has taken over as the new Managing Director of which bank?

- a. SBI b. PNB
c. Bank of Baroda d. bank of india

a. SBI

Alok Kumar Choudhary has taken charge as the new Managing Director of State Bank of India (SBI). Alok Kumar Choudhary started his job in the bank in the year 1987 as a Probationary Officer. Before reaching the post of Managing Director, he has also held the responsibility of Deputy Managing Director Finance and HR. Prior to this, Alok Choudhary has also worked as Chief General Manager (CGM) of Delhi Circle of SBI for three years. During his career of 32 years with the bank, he has served in different positions.

3. World Oceans Day is celebrated on which of the following days?

- a. 10 January b. March 12
c. 8 June d. 14 April

c. June 8

World Oceans Day is celebrated every year on 8 June. This day is mainly celebrated to make people aware of the oceans. Ocean is not only a symbol of life on our earth but also plays a major role in environmental balance. The first World Oceans Day was celebrated in the year 2009 with the theme 'Our Oceans, Our Responsibility'. The main reason for celebrating World Ocean Day is to create awareness in the world about the importance of oceans in the world and the challenges they face.

4. Who among the following has been appointed as the new President of International Aluminum Institute?

- a. Satish Pai b. Rahul Tyagi

- c. Mohan Malhotra d. Ashok Agnihotri

a Satish Pai.

The International Aluminum Institute has announced the appointment of Satish Pai as its new President. He is the Managing Director of Hindalco Industries, one of the largest aluminum producers in the world. Prior to serving as Vice Chairman, he will succeed Ben Kahrs, Chief Innovation Officer of Alco Corporation.

5. What is the theme of World Brain Tumor Day 2022?

- a. Stop Multiple Sclerosis b. Stop Multiple Stronger
c. Together We Are Stronger d. none of these

c. Together We Are Stronger

World Brain Tumor Day is observed every year on 8 June across the world. This day is celebrated with the aim of creating awareness and educating people about brain tumours. A brain tumor occurs when abnormal cells in the brain grow on a large scale and can be both cancerous and non-cancerous. The theme of World Brain Tumor Day 2022 is 'Together We Are Stronger'.

6. Which state government has announced to give Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna award to the sportspersons of the state?

- a. Bihar b. Punjab
c. Tamil Nadu d. Rajasthan

d. Rajasthan

Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said that again Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna awards will be given to the players in the state. He said that the state government is taking major decisions for the development of sports in the state. Along with this, the incentive amount for the medal winners will continue to increase. Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot said that the Rajiv Gandhi Rural

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Olympics will start from August 29, 2022. More than 27 lakh players of all ages will participate in it. He said that this event would become a big platform for talent hunt in the state.

7. Which country has been ranked at the bottom of the Environmental Performance Index-2022?

- a. India
- b. China
- c. Russia
- d. Japan

a. India

India has been ranked at the bottom in the Environmental Performance Index-2022. The country has scored the lowest among 180 countries in an index that evaluates the environmental performance of these countries. India is ranked 180th in the Environmental Performance Index 2022 with an overall score of 18.9 and performance has declined by 0.6 points over the past decade. India's neighbors have fared better, with Pakistan at 176th and Bangladesh at 177th.

8. A joint military training exercise 'Purva SAMPRITI-X' (EX SAMPRITI-X) is being organized between India and which country from June 05 to June 16, 2022?

- a. China
- b. Russia
- c. Pakistan
- d. Bangladesh

d. Bangladesh

A joint military training exercise 'Ex SAMPRITI-X' (EX SAMPRITI-X) is being organized between India and Bangladesh from June 05 to June 16, 2022 at Jashor Military Station, Bangladesh. Exercise Sampreeti was conducted by both the countries alternately.