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## 1. Indian film RRR 's song ' Naatu Naatu ' honored with ' Oscar Award - 2023 ' in ' Best Original Song Category '



The song Naatu Naatu from the Indian film RRR completely conquered the 95th Academy Awards in Los Angeles. Natu Natu has won the Oscar for Best Original Song. Music composer MM Keeravani and lyricist Chandrabose were awarded the Oscars. Directed by SS Rajamouli and starring Ram Charan and Jr NTR, the song has already created waves. Natu Natu had also won the Golden Globe Award earlier. Prior to Natu Natu, the Indian film The Elephant Whispers won the Academy Award for Best Documentary (Short). This documentary was released on Netflix. In this way, India has won two nominations for Oscars 2023. It is a big achievement for India's SS Rajamouli's RRR song to get the award. Other nominees in this category include Applause (Tell It Like a Woman), Hold My Hand (Top Gun Maverick), Lift Me Up (Black Pather Wakanda Forever) and This Is a Life (Everything Everywhere All at Once). However, Everywhere Everywhere All at Once was the frontrunner with eleven nominations. But Natu Natu got success. Live performance of this song also took place at the ceremony.

## 2. PM Modi inaugurates world's longest railway platform in Hubli, Karnataka



Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of several development projects in Hubli-Dharwad on Sunday. During this, he dedicated IIT Dharwad to the nation. Along with this, PM Modi also inaugurated the world's largest railway platform. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also dedicated to the nation the world's longest railway platform at Shri Siddharudha Swamiji Hubli station. This record has also been recently recognized by the 'Guinness Book of World Records'. The platform has been prepared at a cost of about Rs 20 crore. Its length is 1,507 meters. Prime Minister Narendra Modi also dedicated IIT Dharwad to the nation during his visit to Karnataka. He laid its foundation stone in February 2019. It has been developed at a cost of over Rs 850 crore. The institute is currently offering four year B. Tech programme, five year BS-MS programme, Offers M Tech and Ph D programmes. A new stream of development is emerging on this land of Dharwad. This stream of development will work to irrigate entire Karnataka along with Hubli-Dharwad.

## 3. Indian Navy participates in French Navy's 'Maritime Partnership Exercise-MPX'



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Indian Navy's indigenously built Guided Missile Frigate INS Sahyadri is undertaking Maritime Partnership Exercise with French Navy (FN) Mistral class amphibious assault ship FS Dixmuide and La Fayette class frigate FS La Fayette in the Arabian Sea on March 2023. MPX participated in. French-made weapons, including several indigenous guided missiles, were used in the two-day maritime partnership exercise. Marine safety has seen a great deal of development, including cross-deck landings, Boarding drills and seamanship development were included. During the joint exercise, the journey of successful operation of Guided Missiles was exercised with high level of interoperability and cooperation between the armies of both the countries. An indigenously built Guided Missile Stealth Frigate Ship of the Indian Navy. The vessel is equipped with state-of-the-art weapons and sensors. Through this, it is very easy to detect air, surface and sub-surface threats, as well as the ship is also capable of neutralizing those threats.

#### 4. First death due to seasonal viral 'H3N2' virus of influenza in Karnataka and Haryana



The subtype H3N2 virus of Influenza A seems to be proving dangerous. According to the official sources of the Ministry of Health, so far 2 people have died in the country due to H3N2 virus. After coming under the grip of this virus, one death occurred in Haryana, while the other death occurred in Karnataka. There are a total of 90 cases of H3N2 Influenza in India. According to a report, this figure is increasing rapidly. In such a situation, doctors are advising people to be cautious.

However, there is no panic situation regarding H3N2 influenza. People are considering it as a simple flu. 8 cases of H1N1 have been reported so far. There are three types of total influenza. H1N1, H3N2 and influenza B which is called Yama Gata. At present, the presence of two types of influenza virus H1N1 and H3N2 has been recorded in India. Regarding which the Indian Medical Association (IMA) has also issued an advisory. In this disease you have high fever, severe headache, There are problems like body pain, throat pain, strong cough, cold and congestion in the lungs. If you are also seeing such symptoms, then contact the doctor.

#### 5. Election Commission inaugurates 'Vote Fest 2023' in Bengaluru to create awareness on election process



The Central Election Commission has given the facility to people above 80 years and Divyang to vote from home. This decision has been taken in view of the upcoming Karnataka assembly elections. Where the vote-from-home facility will be available in the upcoming assembly elections in Karnataka. Chief Election Commissioner that for the first time the Election Commission is going to provide this facility to people above 80 years of age. Will pass We encourage people above 80 years of age and those who have not availed this facility to come to the polling booth. That a mobile application 'Saksham' has been launched for the differently-abled. In which they can 'log in' and select the facility to vote. "Candidates can also use the 'Suvidha' portal to seek permission for meetings and rallies," Kumar said. He said that the Election Commission has also started a campaign called 'Know

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Your Candidate' (KYC) for the benefit of voters. Kumar said, 'Political parties will have to inform voters on their portals and social media platforms.

## 6. 38th National Games to be organized in Uttarakhand – 2024



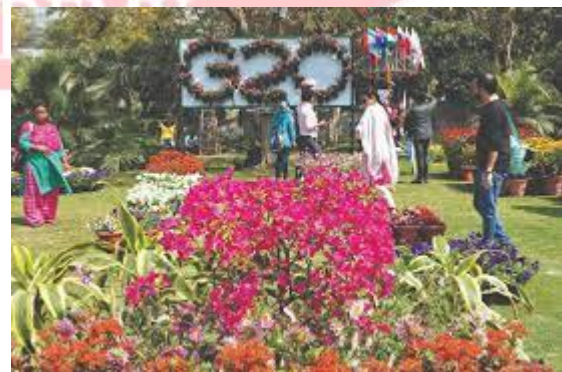
Uttarakhand has once again got to host the National Winter Games. National Winter Games will be organized in Chamoli's Auli from February 2 to 5. Apart from this, the International Ski Federation will also organize the Himalayan Trophy. The tourism department has made complete preparations for the said events. Teams from different states including Uttarakhand will participate in these games. There will be a total of four events in the National Skiing Championship 2023. Players of both male and female categories will participate in these. Apart from this, under the Himalayan Trophy 2023, there will also be FIS approved Giant Slalom Race for men and women on 7-8 February. That Uttarakhand is all set to host these events. It may be noted that Auli also has a mountaineering and skiing institute run by GMVN, where experts groom talents in skiing.

## 7. Nitin Gadkari unveils first buses to run on methanol in Bengaluru



The first methanol-powered buses in Bengaluru will be unveiled by Union Road and Transport Minister Nitin Gadkari. Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC), NITI Aayog, Indian Oil Company (IOC) and Ashok Leyland are working together to drive this initiative, which aims to reduce the level of pollutants. BMTC MD 15 (15% Methanol diesel) bus pilot trial will start at 5:30 pm from Vidhan Soudh. BMTC intends to launch 80 buses that will use methanol fuel as part of the trial project, and 20 Ashok Leyland buses will also be introduced in the first phases. Indian Oil Company will offer free fuel and methanol for three months as part of the experiment.

## 8. G20 Flower Festival begins in New Delhi



Connaught Plaza in Delhi will host a flower festival from March. It aims to emphasize the diversity of the G20 participants and invited nations. Union Environment Minister Bhupendra Yadav is going to inaugurate this festival being organized in Central Park today by the New Delhi Municipal Council. Japan, Singapore and the Netherlands are among the participating G20 countries. The objective of the festival is to showcase the vibrancy

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and colorful performance of the G20 members and guest countries. Flowering plants in various colors and types are displayed in various configurations and installations. In addition, paintings and photographs of flowers from G20 members and invited nations are displayed at the festival. The festival is open to all from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and admission is free. The venue will also host musical and cultural events.

## QUIZ

**1. In which category has Rajasthan been placed in the Social Nature Index 2022 released by the Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council?**

- A) first
- B) II
- C) III
- D) IV**

Explanation -: The Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council (EAC-PM) released a report on the Social Progress Index (SPI) of the states. In this report, while Puducherry, Lakshadweep and Goa have been the best performers, Jharkhand and Bihar have been rated the worst.

**2. With whom Punjab National Bank has signed an MoU, under e-NWR?**

- (A) NITI Aayog
- (b) Central Warehousing Corporation**
- (c) Life Insurance Corporation of India
- (d) SEBI

Explanation -: Punjab National Bank has signed an MoU with Central Warehousing Corporation to facilitate financing under e-NWR (Electronic Negotiable Warehousing Receipt). According to the official statement, the objective of this partnership is to provide farmers/food processors/traders easy access to finance against pledge of agricultural commodities stored in CWC godowns.

**3. Who was recently appointed as the interim chairman of LIC ?**

- (a) Anubhav Agarwal
- (b) Siddharth Mohanty**
- (c) Vinod Awasthi

(d) Rajiv Kumar

Explanation -: Veteran insurance company LIC has recently appointed Siddharth Mohanty as the interim chairman of the company. Mohanty is the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of LIC, he will assume his post on March 14 and will remain in this post for three months. Mohanty on February 1, 2021 T.C. Sushil was appointed as the MD of LIC. Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) is an Indian public sector life insurance company

**4. Which actress won the best actress award at the Oscars 2023 ? \_**

- (a) Michelle Yeoh**
- (b) Jennifer Lawrence
- (c) Anne Hathaway
- (d) Emma Watson

Explanation -: Michelle Yeoh has won the Best Actress Oscar for 'Everything Everywhere All at Once'. Born in Malaysia, Yeoh became the first actress of Southeast Asian descent to win a Best Actress Oscar for her role as laundromat manager Evelyn Wang. Along with this, Hue Quan was given the Best Supporting Actor Award for this film.

**5. With whom Punjab National Bank has signed an MoU , under e - NWR ? \_ \_ \_ \_ \_**

- (a) Policy Commission
- (b) Central Warehousing Corporation**
- (c) Life Insurance Corporation of India
- (d) SEBI

Explanation -: Punjab National Bank has signed an MoU with Central Warehousing Corporation to facilitate financing under e-NWR (Electronic Negotiable Warehousing Receipts). The objective of this partnership is to facilitate farmers/food processors/traders in CWC warehouses To provide easy access to finance against the pledge of stored agricultural commodities.

**6. Mount Merapi volcano recently erupted. It is present in \_\_\_\_\_.**

- (a) Mexico
- (b) Australia**

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(c) Indonesia

(d) Papua New Guinea

Explanation -: Indonesia's Mount Merapi volcano erupted on Saturday. Ashes have rained over the surrounding villages. The plume of smoke and ash that came out after the explosion went up to a height of seven kilometers. At present, there is no news of any casualty. But people and tourists from nearby villages have been shifted to safer places.

**7. What is Unified Payments Interface (UPI)?**

**(A). A platform for digital transactions in India**

(B).an international agreement on data governance

(C).A tool to restrict access to digital technologies

(D).A system to promote digital exclusion

Explanation -: Unified Payment Interface (English: Unified Payment Interface or UPI, Devanagriti: Unified Payment Interface or UPI) is a new online payment system launched by the National Payments Corporation of India and the Reserve Bank of India to facilitate inter-bank transactions. Is.

**8. Which is the first government hospital in North India where robotic surgery has started?**

(a) Jaipuria Hospital, Jaipur

**(B) SMS Hospital , Jaipur**

(C) Fortis Hospital, Jaipur

(D. ALL OF THE ABOVE

Explanation -: Robot surgery started in Jaipur's SMS: North India's first government hospital; The doctor said - the disease will not repeat even the team that performed the surgery. SMS has become the first government hospital in North India where robotic surgery has started.

## ONE LINER

Which movie 's song has won the award in the Original Song category at the 95th Oscar Awards ceremony - **RRR**

Who chaired the first Supreme Audit Institution 20 meeting in Guwahati - **Girish Chandra Murmu**

PM Modi inaugurated world 's longest railway platform in which state - **Karnataka**

Job National Bank has signed an MoU with whom , under e - **NWR - Central Warehousing Corporation**

Union Territory Puducherry Chief Minister **N Rangasamy** presented the budget for 2023-24 in the territorial assembly of how many crore rupees ? - **11,600 crore rupees**

Which famous Hindi writer has been selected for the 32nd Vyas Samman ? - **Dr. Gyan Chaturvedi**

PM Modi inaugurated world 's longest railway platform in which state - **Karnataka**

Where has Indonesia shifted its capital from Jakarta ? - **Borneo**