

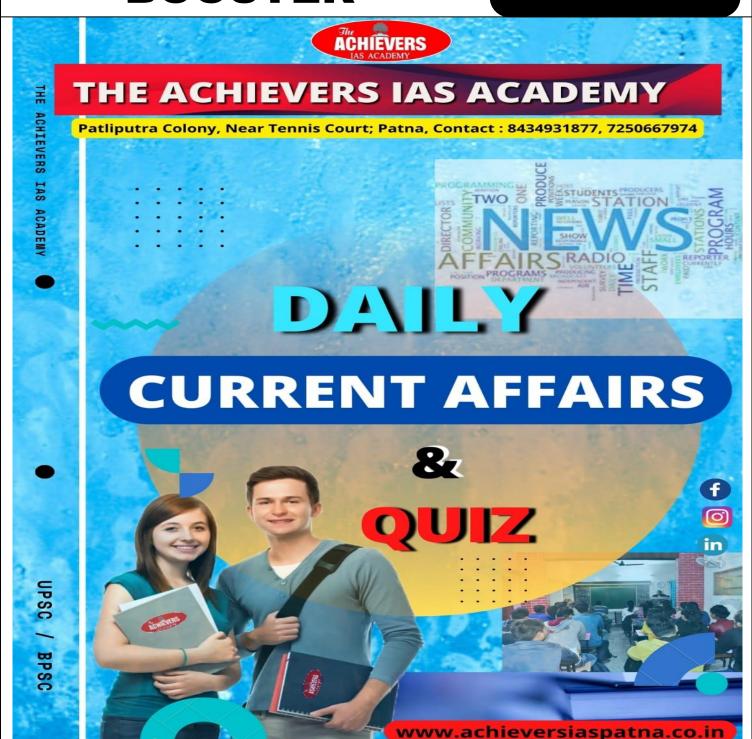
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CURRENT AFFAIR BOOSTER

06 - 07 - 2023 THURSDAY



1. UK 's King Charles III confers ' Elephant Family Environment Award 'to Kartiki Gonsalves



King Charles III and Queen Camilla of the United Kingdom recently presented the prestigious Hathi Parivar Environment Award to Indian conservationists. Filmmaker Kartiki Gonsalves, the creative mind behind Oscar-winning documentary 'The Elephant Whispers', and the Real Elephant Collective (TREC), a group of 70 tribal artists, were felicitated at the award ceremony. Both Gonsalves and TREC were acknowledged for their extraordinary storytelling, coexistence advocacy and dedication to preserving India's natural world. Karthik Gonsalves, the first director of the acclaimed documentary 'The Elephant Whispers', received the Tara Award from King Charles III and Queen Camilla. Tara Awards, inspired by the sacred bond between elephants and humans

2. All India Football Federation selected Lallianzuala Chhangte for 'AIFF Men's Footballer of the Year Award'



Indian football team midfielder Lallianzuala Chhangte was named the AIFF Men's Footballer of the Year for 2022-23, while Manisha Kalyan won her second Women's Footballer of the Year award for the second

time in a row. 26-year-old Lalianjuala Chhangte beat Nandkumar Sekar and Naorem Mahesh Singh of East Bengal to win the award. Lallianzuala Chhangte won the award after some stellar performances for the Indian national team and Mumbai City FC. The winger made 12 appearances for the national team during the 2022–23 season, scoring two goals and providing one assist. The Mizoram player was also the top scorer among Indians in the Indian Super League (ISL) 2022-23 season with 10 goals and six assists in 22 matches. He helped Mumbai make it to the semi-finals after topping the league stage. Lallianzuala Changte became only the second player from Mizoram after Jeje Lalpekhlua (2016),

3. New Zealand becomes first country to ban thin plastic bags



New Zealand became the first country in the world to extend the ban on plastic bags in supermarkets. The ban also includes thin bags used to keep fruits and vegetables. Which marks a significant progress in the government's massive campaign against single-use plastic. In 2019, the country introduced a preliminary ban on take-home plastic bags. Since then, most shoppers in New Zealand have agreed to carry their own bags when visiting shops. That consumers can resort to disposable paper bags, which are still available in supermarkets. Recognizing these concerns, Minister Brooking emphasized the overarching goal of reducing single-use packaging of any kind. The government encourages individuals to bring their own bags, while supermarkets have reintroduced them as an option. has responded by offering disposable produce bags. Countdown, a leading supermarket chain operating

more than 185 stores across the country, has taken a proactive step by introducing reusable polyester mesh bags for shoppers exclusively for use for fruits and vegetables.

4. Haryana won the 6th Youth Women 's National Boxing Championship



In the 6th season of Youth Women's National Boxing Championship 2023, Asian Junior Champion Nikita Chand and Kirti have performed amazingly. Both women boxers have entered the finals of the tournament by winning the match. In the 6th season of Youth Women's National Boxing Championship 2023, Asian Junior Champion Nikita Chand and Kirti have performed amazingly. Both women boxers have entered the finals of the tournament by winning the match. In the 6th season of Youth Women's National Boxing Championship 2023, Asian Junior Champion Nikita Chand and Kirti have performed amazingly. Both women boxers have entered the finals of the tournament by winning the match. In the 6th season of Youth Women's National Boxing Championship 2023, Asian Junior Champion Nikita Chand and Kirti have performed amazingly. Both women boxers have entered the finals of the tournament by winning the match. In the 6th season of Youth Women's National Boxing Championship 2023, Asian Junior Champion Nikita Chand and Kirti have performed amazingly. Both women boxers have entered the finals of the tournament by winning the match. In the 6th season of Youth Women's National Boxing Championship 2023, Asian Junior Champion Nikita Chand and Kirti have performed amazingly. Both women boxers have

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5. Lt Gen MU Nair takes over as National Cyber Security Coordinator



The government has named Lieutenant General MU Nair as the newly appointed National Cyber Security Coordinator (NCSC). Lt Gen Nair, who took over as the 28th Signal Officer-in-Chief in July 2022, has a wealth of experience and expertise in the areas of cyber warfare, signals intelligence and communications and information technology. Prior to taking over as NCSC, Lt Gen Nair held the position of Commandant, Military College of Telecommunication Engineering. appointment follows in the footsteps of his predecessor, Lt Gen Rajesh Pant, a veteran of the Indian Army's Corps of Signals, who previously served as the NCSC chief. Lt Gen Nair has now become the third person to hold the post of cyber security chief after Lt Gen Pant and the inaugural Chief Gulshan Rai. In which Additional Director General, Head of Signal Intelligence, Consists of the Chief of Staff and Command of a Corps. He is also an alumnus of the National Defense Academy.

6. India beat Kuwait 5-4 in penalty shootout to win SAFF Bangabandhu Football Championship for the ninth time



Indian football history took place at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium in Bengaluru, when the Blue Tigers defeated Kuwait 5-4 in the penalty shootout to lift the Bangabandhu SAFF Championship 2023 title in Bengaluru. In the summit clash of the biggest and most competitive SAFF Championship ever, Gurpreet Singh Sandhu's triumphant defense sealed India's ninth subcontinental title, adding another chapter to the country's regional supremacy. The game ended 1-1 after 120 minutes; Shabab Al-Khaldi put Kuwait ahead early on and newly crowned AIFF Player of the Year Lallianzuala Changte equalized late in the first half. Igor Stimac became the first foreign head coach to win consecutive SAFF Championship titles. It was also the first time that after winning the semi-final against Lebanon, India defeated two West Asian nations in consecutive matches, that too on penalties. The game started cautiously, Both the sides were trying to hold on to the ball and take the lead from behind. India registered the first shot on target while Kuwait took the lead in the final third with a carefully crafted move.

7. European Space Agency launches ' Euclid Space Telescope ' mission to study dark energy and dark matter



A European space telescope is set to launch into space from Florida. This telescope will try to find the answer to the biggest question of science. The telescope is built to shed light on the mysterious cosmic phenomena known as dark energy and dark matter. According to scientists, invisible forces like dark matter make up 95 percent of our known universe. The name of this telescope is Euclid which is made by the European Space Agency. It is named after the ancient Greek mathematician known as the father of geometry. The mission is designed to last for at least six years. Cost of this mission 4 billion dollars. That might help them understand gravity. If everything goes according to plan, it will start working in a month. This telescope will be positioned in the solar orbit 16 lakh km away from the Earth. This place is a state of gravitational stability between the Earth and the Sun. The weight of this spacecraft is two tonnes. It is also equipped with instruments for viewing infrared light. The mission focuses on two fundamental components of our universe.

8. Power Minister R.K. Of. Singh inaugurated the first International Green Hydrogen Conference in New Delhi



India is the lowest carbon emitting country in the world and is leading the world in energy transition. Power Minister R.K. Singh while inaugurating the first International Conference on Green Hydrogen in New Delhi. The country had set a target of reducing carbon emissions by 30 per cent of GDP by 2030, which has been achieved nine years earlier. That the government is running various programs including the energy plan related to LED bulbs, which are major towards reducing carbon emissions in the world. That India has also achieved the COP-21 target of Nationally Determined Contributions nine years ahead of schedule. The threeday conference aims to deliberate and establish necessary mechanisms for setting up green hydrogen systems. It will consider developing a systematic approach to achieve carbon emission targets through green hydrogen.

QUIZ

- 1 Which country has become the new permanent member of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization?
- (a) Sri Lanka
- (b) Belarus
- (c) Mongolia
- (d) Iran

EXPLANATION - : Iran has formally become a full Shanghai member of the Cooperation Organization (SCO) . Prime Minister Narendra Modi, while presiding over the SCO summit on Tuesday, extended his best wishes to Iran. Till now SCO consisted of eight member states, in which China, Russia, India, Pakistan and four Central Asian countries Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan . The Shanghai Cooperation Organization was formed in the year 2001 with six member countries. India became its member in the year 2017.

2. Who launched the 'India 6G Alliance 'in New Delhi?_

(a) Narendra Modi

- (b) Amit Shah
- (c) Ashwini Vaishnav
- (d) S Jaishankar

EXPLANATION -: Communications and IT Minister Ashwini Vaishnav has launched 'India 6G Alliance' in New Delhi. Speaking on the occasion, he said that India has made significant progress in the field of telecommunication by securing more than 200 patents for 6G technology. The purpose of this alliance is to understand the business and social needs of 6G technology by rising above the technical requirements.

- 3. Which Union Minister inaugurated the new campus of Canteen Store Department Depot in Ambala?
- (a) Rajnath Singh
- (b) Amit Shah
- (c) Piyush Goyal
- (d) Ajay Bhatt

EXPLANATION -: Minister of State for Defense Ajay Bhatt inaugurated the new campus of Canteen Stores Department (CSD) Depot in Ambala. This complex has been constructed by Dedicated Freight Corridor India Limited under the Ministry of Railways. The Canteen Stores Department was established in 1948. CSD has 34 regional depots across the country.

- 4. Who has been appointed as the chief selector of the Indian men 's cricket team?
- (a) Sourav Ganguly
- (b) Virender Sehwag
- (c) Ajit Agarkar
- (d) Venkatesh Prasad

EXPLANATION -: Former Indian fast bowler Ajit Agarkar has been appointed as the chief selector of the Indian men's cricket team. Shiv Sundar Das had become the interim chief selector after Chetan Sharma resigned from the post in February. The Cricket Advisory Committee consisting of Sulakshana Naik, Ashok Malhotra and Jatin Paranjpe unanimously recommended his

name for the post, which was approved. Ajit Agarkar was part of the Indian team in the 1999, 2003 and 2007 ODI World Cups.

5. Which country won the title of South Asian Football Federation Championship 2023?

- (a) India
- (b) Kuwait
- (c) Pakistan
- (d) Saudi Arabia

EXPLANATION -: India won the Asian Football Federation (SAFF) Championship title for a record 9th time by defeating Kuwait in the penalty shootout. Both the teams were tied at 1-1 in the stipulated time of the game. For India, Lalianjuala Chhangte equalized the score by scoring a goal in the 38th minute. India won the title by winning 5-4 in the penalty shootout.

6. Which state government has launched 'Operation Conviction ' against cow slaughter?

- (A) Uttar Pradesh
- (B) Rajasthan
- (C) Madhya Pradesh
- (D) Haryana

EXPLANATION -: The Uttar Pradesh Police has recently launched a massive program called 'Operation Conviction ' to combat criminals and organized crime in the state. The strategic initiative is aimed at speeding up the process of conviction, especially in heinous crimes like rape, murder, cow slaughter, religious conversion and cases registered under the POCSO Act.

7. Who has been given the Sahitya Akademi Award 2023 for Children 's Literature?

- (A) Zoya Mitra
- (B) Pracheta Gupta
- (C) Priya A S

(D) Balram Basak

EXPLANATION - : Talented writer Priya AS has been awarded the prestigious Sahitya Akademi Children's Literature Award 2023 in Malayalam language for her novel "Perumazhayathe Kunjithalukal". This honor is his winning the Kerala Sahitya Akademi Award for Children 's Literature in 2020 for the same novel Adds to previous achievement. With the Sahitya Akademi Children 's Literature Award 2023, Priya A S 's talent and creativity in children 's literature has been acknowledged once again.

8. Which country has launched ' Digital Nomad Strategy ' for foreign workers?

- (A) Denmark
- (B) Australia
- (C) Pakistan
- (D) Canada

EXPLANATION -: Canada has taken a proactive approach to addressing the shortage of skilled workers, particularly in the technology industry. During Collision 's technical conference in Toronto, the country 's immigration minister aimed to attract talented individuals from around the world _Announced the launch of the Digital Nomad strategy. Under the Digital Nomad Strategy, foreign workers are allowed to stay in Canada for up to six months.

ONE LINER

When has World Junoitis Day been celebrated recently -: 6 July

Who has recently inaugurated the waterway transport terminal in Assam - : Sarbananda Sonowal

Which actress has Asics recently made its brand ambassador -: Shraddha Kapoor

Recently India has won the 9th SAFF Championship by defeating which country - : Kuwait

Recently seven handicraft products of which state have got GI tag - : Uttar Pradesh

Currently, itwari railway station will be named after Subhash Chandra Bose -: Maharashtra

Where will the 132nd Durand Cup tournament be

organized recently -: Kolkata

Who has been named in the 2023 annual list of

Great Immigrants -: Ajay Banga

India has won the Asian Kabaddi Championship

2023 by defeating whom -: Iran

Where India ranks in Energy Transition Index 2023

-: 67th

