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## 1. India unveils draft and roadmap for green hydrogen ecosystem \_



The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Sources has unveiled a draft and roadmap to outline research and development priorities for manufacturing and storage of green hydrogen . This roadmap and draft outlines research and development priorities for manufacturing and storing green hydrogen . Issued for underlining . The main objective of this roadmap is to promote efficient , safe and cost - effective hydrogen storage , thereby paving the way for its widespread adoption as a clean energy source . This is the future of the automobile industry . Highlights the importance of combining hydrogen fuel cells , advanced batteries and super - capacitors as key technologies . Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Sources by Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas , Scientists and Principal Scientist , Indian Council of Research , Government of India The Roadmap and Draft for the Green Hydrogen Ecosystem has been unveiled by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy Sources at a conference organized in partnership with the Office of the Adviser and the Confederation of Indian Industry .

## 2. Peru declares emergency due to eruption of Ubinas volcano



According to the Peruvian Institute of Geophysics , the volcano is spewing ash and gas , reaching about 5,500 meters ( 1,800 feet ) into the atmosphere . According to the institute , the plume of smoke spread to cities 10 kilometers ( more than 6 miles ) from the volcano is. Ubinas is in Moquegua , a region located 1,200 kilometers or 746 miles southeast of the capital Lima and is the most active volcano in the country . A state of emergency has been declared in the area around the volcano . It from activity in volcanoes to government Allows for " extraordinary measures and actions " to be taken to counter the risks that may arise . About 2,000 people live in the affected areas . The region is part of the " Ring of Fire " along the Pacific Ocean known for volcanic activity and earthquakes . goes Local officials have not ordered residents to evacuate , but federal agencies are preparing shelters . Hundreds of people were evacuated when the volcano erupted in 2019 . Since 1550 , about 25 eruptions have been recorded at Ubinas . There are about 40 volcanoes in Moquegua and the neighboring regions of Arequipa and Tacna , most of which are inactive .

## 3. Syria loses media accreditation to BBC for spreading fake news



Syria 's Ministry of Information has revoked the BBC 's media accreditation , accusing it of adopting a biased approach to coverage in the country and spreading fake news . British Broadcasting Corporation ( BBC ) - Arabic on the illegal drug trade in Syria Investigative documentary , which outlines the alleged multibillion - dollar business and links between the Syrian government and the family of President Bashar al - Assad . Syria 's information ministry said the channel was warned twice It broadcast misleading news based on statements and testimonies from terrorist groups and enemies of Syria . Syria has canceled the BBC Radio

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, TV and Videography licenses in the country . In a statement emailed to The Associated Press, the BBC said: “We speak to people from a range of political groups to establish the facts . , He does “fair and independent journalism. “ We will continue to provide unbiased news and information to Arabic-speaking viewers. .

#### 4. Neeraj Prabhakar became the chairman of the Research Advisory Committee of ICAR



In July 2023 B. Neeraj Prabhakar has been appointed as the chairman of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR). The appointment of Ms. Prabhakar as RAC Chairperson is deemed to be effective from June 13. Ms. Prabhakar will head the ten-member committee in this position for three years. Ms. Prabhakar, Vice-Chancellor of Sri Konda Laxman Telangana State Horticultural University, has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) for ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research (IIOPR) at Pedavegi, Andhra Pradesh. In addition, Ms. Prabhakar has also served as a member of the Telangana Oil Palm Advisory Committee, which advises the state government on various issues for the cultivation and promotion of oil palm. Telangana, The oil palm produced in all the states of India claims the highest oil extraction from the bunches. The ICAR-Indian Institute of Oil Palm Research (IIOPR) at Pedavegi (Andhra Pradesh) is the only dedicated institute in India dedicated to research on oil palm and develop technologies applicable to all oil palm growing states.

#### 5. World's first human-robot press conference held in Geneva



The most advanced humanoid robot participated in the United Nations' two-day AI for Good Global Summit in Geneva. AI robots said that they can run the world better than humans. However, they admit that they have not yet been able to get a good grip on human emotions. These robots have also given advice to humans. Robots said he thinks humans should be careful when embracing the rapidly developing capabilities of artificial intelligence. For the first time, a press conference of the world's smartest robots took place at this global summit held in Geneva, Switzerland. In this summit, 51 artificial intelligence ie AI operated robots and about 3000 experts came together. These were assembled to serve as the world's first press conference with a packed panel of AI-enabled humanoid social robots.

#### 6. New evidence has shown that the Indus Valley was in Tamil Nadu during the Kansyugin civilization Iron Age



Iron tools excavated in a small village called Mayiladumparai have shown that the Iron Age in Tamil Nadu is 4,200 years old, possibly making it the oldest in India. Earlier, the Iron Age burial site of Adichanallur in southern Tamil Nadu revealed an impressive collection of iron tools, currently housed at the Egmore Museum

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in Chennai, dated between 1000 BCE and 600 BCE. This is the earliest of the 28 Accelerator Mass Spectrometry-based (AMS) dating sites in India, said Chief Minister MK Stalin while addressing the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly. The 28 sites include sites in Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh. Through the findings, it has been established that the Tamil people who lived 4200 years ago knew about iron. It was only after mankind realized the use of iron that dense forests were converted into fertile lands.

## 7. India allows import of potatoes from Bhutan till June 2024



The Central Government has allowed import of potatoes from Bhutan without license for one more year till June, 2024. Earlier this year it was allowed only till June 30. The Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) said in a notification that import of potatoes from Bhutan is permitted without any import license till June 30, 2024. In the year 2022-23, the import of fresh or cold potatoes was 10.2 million dollars. In a separate notification, the DGFT said that import of 17,000 tonnes of fresh (green) arecanut from Bhutan without Minimum Import Price (MIP) condition will also be allowed through LCS (Land Customs Station) Chamurchi (INCHMB). Chamurchi is a small village in Jalpaiguri district. It is close to the Bhutan border. Under the previous import policy, import of potatoes was allowed from Bhutan without any import license till June 30, 2023. However, as per recent developments, The Ministry of Commerce and Industry has extended the period for importing potatoes from Bhutan without any import license. The ministry's notification outlines specific changes in the import policy for potatoes. As per the amendment, the revised policy now allows import of potatoes from Bhutan without any import license till June 30, 2024. This detail provides clarity and

eliminates the need for additional documentation and requirements.

## 8. Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah presented 'Guarantee Budget'



Karnataka CM Siddaramaiah presented the state budget in the assembly. He announced in the budget that the total expenditure is estimated to be Rs 3,27,747 crore. This includes revenue expenditure of Rs 2,50,933 crore, capital expenditure of Rs 54,374 crore and loan repayment expenditure of Rs 22,441 crore. Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah presented the state budget, the first since the Congress came to power in the state following its landslide victory in the assembly elections on 10 May. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah arrives at the Legislative Assembly in Bengaluru to present the state budget. Karnataka minister HK Patil said, 'People have a lot of hope and trust in us. Congress party has built its credibility in Karnataka and in the country. I am sure we will be able to accomplish this. People will appreciate the budget. This is the seventh budget of Siddaramaiah as Chief Minister. Earlier he had presented six budgets during his tenure as the Chief Minister of Karnataka from 2013 to 2018. Earlier this month, CM Siddaramaiah had announced that all the 'five guarantees' would be implemented in the current financial year at a cost of about Rs 50,000 crore every year. He said, 'We had a long discussion. It will be given in this financial year.'" A meeting of the Congress Legislature Party was held before the presentation of the budget. CM Siddaramaiah, Deputy CM DK Shivakumar and other ministers were also present in the meeting. 'We had a long discussion. It will be given in this financial year.'

### QUIZ

1. In which state the pilot project of 'Antyodaya Shramik Suraksha Yojana' has been launched.

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- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Kerala
- (d) Gujarat

Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel and Union Minister of State for Communications Devusingh Chauhan launched the pilot project of 'Antyodaya Shramik Suraksha' accident insurance scheme to ensure social security of workers. Under the Antyodaya Shramik Suraksha Yojana, for a premium of Rs 289 and Rs 499, workers will get assistance in case of death or partial disability. In case of death of a laborer in an accident, an assistance of Rs 10 lakh will be given to his successor.

**2. External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has nominated from which state for the upcoming Rajya Sabha elections?**

- (a) Uttar Pradesh
- (b) Tamil Nadu
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Kerala

External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar filed his nomination papers for the upcoming Rajya Sabha elections in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. The Election Commission of India had recently announced the schedule of elections to be held on July 24 on 10 Rajya Sabha seats in Goa, Gujarat and West Bengal. Ten members from these states are retiring in July and August. The last date for filing nominations for the vacant seats of Rajya Sabha is 13 July. The counting of votes will be done on July 24.

**3.. 'Lord Hanuman' has been declared as the official mascot of which championship?**

- (a) Asian Athletics Championship
- (b) Cricket Asia Cup
- (c) Davis Cup
- (d) World Athletics Championship

Lord Hanuman has been announced as the official mascot of the Asian Athletics Championships. It is being organized on the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the Asian Athletics Federation. The logo of the 25th Asian Athletics Championships 2023 depicts the dedication and sportsmanship displayed by the athletes participating in the Games. India is participating in the championship under the leadership

of shot putter Tajinderpal Singh Toor and long jumper Murali Sreesankar.

**4. With which country India has started bilateral trade in rupees?**

- (a) Bhutan
- (b) Sri Lanka
- (c) Nepal
- (d) Bangladesh

India and Bangladesh have started bilateral trade in rupees. It was launched at an event jointly organized by the Bangladesh Bank and the Indian High Commission in Dhaka. Indian High Commissioner in Dhaka Pranay Verma said that India and Bangladesh will conduct trade in Indian Rupee along with the normal transaction method in US Dollars. Bangladesh is India's largest trading partner in South Asia and India is Bangladesh's second largest trading partner in Asia.

**5. Who is the most valuable franchise of the Indian Premier League?**

- (a) Mumbai Indians
- (b) Chennai Super Kings
- (c) Royal Challengers Bangalore
- (d) Gujarat Titans

The stand-alone brand value of the Indian Premier League has now increased to US\$3.2 billion, up 80% from US\$1.8 billion in 2022. Global investment bank Houlihan Lokey has confirmed this in its IPL Brand Valuation Study 2023. Current IPL champions Chennai Super Kings have the highest brand value as compared to other IPL teams. CSK tops the list with a brand value of \$212 million. After this is the place of RCB and MI.

**6. In which country has National Health Emergency been declared due to 'Guillain-Barre Syndrome'?**

- (a) Cuba
- (b) Brazil
- (c) Chile
- (d) Peru

Peru has declared a 90-day national health emergency due to a rise in cases of the neurological disorder Guillain-Barre syndrome. Guillain-Barre syndrome is a rare neurological disorder in which the body's immune system attacks the nerves. Peru is a South American country, its capital is 'Lima'.

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**7. Which player has won gold medal in World Shooting Para Sports World Cup?**

- (a) Vaibhav Sinha
- (b) Rudransh Khandelwal
- (c) Nihal Singh
- (d) Mridul Saxena

India's para-shooter Rudransh Khandelwal won the gold medal in the P4 Mixed 50m Pistol SH1 category at the World Shooting Para Sports World Cup. And Nihal Singh won the silver medal in the same event. 16-year-old Rudransh also created a world record in the event by scoring 231.1 in the final, while Nihal finished second with a score of 222.2. Rudransh broke the world record held by Khel Ratna awardee Manish Narwal, who won the gold medal at the 2020 Tokyo Paralympic Games.

**8. Where will the third World Hindu Conference be organized?**

- (a) Canada
- (b) Sri Lanka
- (c) America
- (d) Bangkok

The third World Hindu Congress is going to be held in November this year. It will be attended by Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh Sarsanghchalak Mohan Bhagwat and Mother Amritanandamayi as well as representatives of Hindu organizations from all over the world. Along with this, prominent Buddhist gurus of the world have also been invited.

## ONE LINER

Who has recently launched the 'Euclid Space Telescope' to review solar bodies - **ESA**

Where will the third World Hindu Conference be organized - **Bangkok**

Who has been elected as the new chairman of the International Financial Services Centers Authority (IFSCA) - **K. rajaraman**

The central government has allowed the import of potatoes from which country without license for one more year till June 2024 - **Bhutan**

Which country will open its two new consulates in India - **America**

becomes the first PSB to allow credit card based UPI payments - **Canara Bank**

Who won the 6th Youth Women's National Championship - **Haryana**

The state governments of Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan have increased the Dearness Allowance (DA) for state government employees by how much percent - **5 percent**

Appointed Deputy CM of Chhattisgarh - **TS Singh Deo**  
Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of BRICS CCI Women Vertical - **Ruby Sinha**