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1. Om Birla inaugurated the new Assam Assembly building



Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla said that the newly inaugurated building of Assam State Legislative Assembly is a wonderful synthesis of Assamese modernity and heritage and culture. Speaking at the inauguration ceremony of the new Assam Legislative Assembly building in Guwahati, Shri Birla said that the new building is a wonderful blend of modernity and heritage and the culture, arts and crafts of Assam can be seen in the building. The building has facilities for e-Vidhan, audio-visual and information technology. It houses the offices of the Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Chief Minister and other ministers, legislators, conference hall, meeting rooms, etc. The new building will become a symbol of a developed and self-confident Assam. The new Vidhan Sabha building will have the image of an ideal building. The new building has been constructed using the arts of classical and folk culture, Which represents the confluence of modern and traditional design. The various rooms in the building are designed using the rich and varied art forms of Assam.

2. Former minister Vakkom Purushothaman passed away at the age of 96



Vakkam Purushothaman, a two-time Speaker of the Kerala Legislative Assembly, passed away at the age of

96. Purushottam started his political career in 1952 as an activist of the Revolutionary Socialist Party (RSP). He won a seat in the Vakkom Panchayat Parishad on the party's ticket. Practicing as an advocate at the Thiruvananthapuram Bar, former Chief Minister R. Shankar saw Mr. Purushothaman's flair for politics and persuaded him to leave the RSP and join the Congress. Although, He was unsuccessful in his first election campaign. He was defeated in consecutive assembly elections in 1967 and 1969. In 1970, he won the Attingal assembly constituency for the Congress by defeating senior CPI(M) leader Kattaikonam Sreedharan. He was Minister of Agriculture and Labor in the Achyuta Menon government (1971–77) and wrote special sections for the welfare of farmers and headload labourers. Mr. Purushothaman fielded Attingal for the Congress in the 1977, 1980 and 1982 state elections. After an 'A' group departure from the Congress, in 1980 he joined E.K. Nayanar joined the government as the Minister for Health and Tourism. He showed himself to be associated with the Left Democratic Front (LDF) government. In 1984, he won the Alappuzha Lok Sabha constituency for the Congress by defeating CPI(M) leader Sushila Gopalan. Attingal in the 1980 and 1982 state elections.

3. Axis Bank partners with Kiwi to enhance 'Credit on UPI' access on RuPay credit cards



Axis Bank, one of the largest private sector banks in India, has partnered with Credit Kiwi, a revolutionary on the UPI platform, to enhance 'Credit on UPI' access on RuPay Credit Cards. This partnership enables Kiwi users to seamlessly access RuPay Lifetime Free Virtual Axis

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Bank KWIK Credit Card through the app. With its innovative features, users can make merchant payments within the Kiwi app using their credit cards through UPI, providing a virtual payment experience eliminating the need for physical cards. The end-to-end digital payment solution aims to enhance the payments experience for customers. With this partnership, customers can avail credit card rewards while experiencing the convenience of fast and secure UPI payments.

4. England opener Alex Hales has retired from international cricket



England cricketer Alex Hales announced his retirement from international cricket on 4 August. The 34-year-old put out a post on his official Instagram handle to put forth his decision. Hales made his debut for England in 2011 and played for 12 years. In 11 Tests, 70 ODIs and 75 T20Is, the right-handed batsman scored 573, 2419 and 2074 runs with seven hundreds and 31 half-centuries respectively. "Just a note to announce that I have decided to retire from international cricket," Hales wrote on his Instagram handle. "It has been an absolute privilege to represent my country on 156 occasions across all three formats. He said, "I have made some memories and some friendships to last a lifetime and I feel now is the right time to move on." Hales scored 2419 runs in 70 ODIs, with an average of 37.79 and a strike rate of 95. Was 72. He played 75 T20Is and scored 2074 runs at a strike rate of 138.35 and an average of 30.95. Hales last played an ODI in March 2019 and is not in contention to play in this year's World Cup.

5. NAG and HELINA: Addressing the new power in the Indian Army



The Indian-made NAG Anti-Tank Guided Missile (ATGM) and the Helina (Dhruvastra) variant of the missile system will be transferred to the Indian Army and the Indian Air Force after completing the 'Dhruvastra' trials. Both the NAG ATGM and the Helina (Dhruvastra) missile have been developed by the Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) and manufactured by Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL). Nag is a surface-to-air missile and Dhruvastra is an air-to-surface missile. The NAG, also known as Prospina, is a third generation anti-tank guided missile with fire-and-forget top attack capability. The Nag ATGM has been developed under the Integrated Guided Missile Development Program (IGMDP), which includes Agni, Akash, Four other missiles like Trishul and Prithvi are included. Nag has an operational range of up to 4 km and carries a Tandulav High-Explosive Anti-Tank (HEAT) warhead. The Nag ATGM has a length of about 1.834 m, a diameter of 0.158 m, and weighs about 44 kg.

6. The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) announced the setting up of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF).



The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) announced the setting up of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF). This SEBI-regulated fund is

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designed to act as a 'backstop facility', providing support during stressed market conditions by purchasing investment-grade corporate debt securities. The Corporate Credit Guarantee Scheme (GSCD) aims to offer guarantee cover against debt raised or to be raised by the CDMDF, thereby bringing stability to the market in times of turbulence. The primary objective of the Corporate Debt Market Development Fund (CDMDF) is to instill confidence among market participants during periods of market stress. The Working Group responsible for setting up the CDMDF consisted of various mutual funds, Clearing Corporation of India Limited (CCIL), and representatives of the Association of Mutual Funds in India (AMFI). The group recommended the creation of a single 'entity' to purchase corporate debt reports from mutual fund schemes.

7. This Indian - origin writer may get Booker , debut novel included in possible list of award



London-based Indian-origin writer Chetna Maru's debut novel 'Western Lane' has found a place in the Booker Prize list. The list of awards for 2023 has been published on Tuesday. Maru's novel has made it to the list of 13 books. The context of the British Gujarati environment has been taken in the novel by Kenya-born Maru. At the same time, the way in which he has used the game of squash to show human emotions in this composition, the judges of the Booker Prize have praised it. Western Lane follows the story of an 11-year-old girl named Gopi and her relationship with her family. "'Western Lane' is a deeply emotional book, deftly using the sport of squash as context and metaphor. The book unfolds a family's heartbreak. 2023 Booker Prize winner

announced 26 November" will be done at an award ceremony in London.50 to the winner,

8. Moeen Ali retired from Test cricket after Ashes 2023



England all-rounder Moeen Ali has confirmed his Test retirement ahead of the Ashes series and will play in other cricket formats. He played the Ashes series at the request of England Test captain Ben Stokes, but retired from Test cricket in September 2021. He played for England in 68 Tests taking 204 wickets and scoring 3094 runs. He was awarded the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in June 2023 for his services to cricket. The Australia cricket team retained the 5-match Test series of 'Ashes 2023' after a 2-2 draw against England. The series was held in the United Kingdom (UK) from 16 June to 31 July. This is Australia's 4th consecutive win of the series. In the Ashes series so far, Australia has won 34 Ashes and England has won 33 Ashes, while 5 series have ended in a draw.

QUIZ

1. When is the death anniversary of Rabindranath Tagore celebrated ?

- (a) 05 August
- (b) 06 August
- (c) 07 August
- (d) 08 August

August 7 is celebrated as the death anniversary of Nobel laureate Rabindranath Tagore .He was a Bengali poet , novelist , musician , painter and dramatist who significantly changed Bengali literature and music .

2. Which has become the 18th country to be recognized by WHO for eliminating Trachoma ?

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- a) Iraq
- b) Malaysia
- c) Sri Lanka
- d) Singapore

The World Health Organization (WHO) has officially recognized Iraq as the 18th country to have successfully eliminated trachoma as a public health problem .WHO names Iraq as one of the 50 countries eliminating Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) globally They have also accepted as the country .

3. Which autonomous underwater vehicle has India launched for mine detection ?

- a) Nirakshi
- b) Rakshi
- c) Nilakshi
- d) none

The AAV (Self-Reliant Suburban Vehicle) named ' Nirakshi ' is a collaboration between a Kolkata - based warship builder Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) Ltd and MSME Unity AEPL . It is an independent underwater vehicle (AUV) designed to recognize minesand was the first of its kind to be launched in the country . Its name is " Neerakshi " , which means " eyes in water " .

4. Recently who has been appointed as the new CBIC chairman ?

- a) Savi Soin
- b) Sameer Saxena
- c) Sanjay Kumar Agarwal
- d) none

The government appointed Sanjay Kumar Agarwal as the chairman of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) . Aggarwal succeeds Vivek Johri , who retired on May 31 . “ The President of India is pleased to appoint Shri Sanjay Kumar Agarwal , IRS ,... Member CBIC as CBIC Chairman in the Revenue Department ... Special in the Government of India from the date of his assumption of office , ” the Finance Ministry said in an office order of the

Secretary will be rated . Agarwal was holding the charge of CBIC Member (Compliance Management) and was handling the investigation matters .In a separate order , the ministry said Surjit Bhujbal , presently Principal Director General of DGGI , has been appointed as CBIC member . in CBIC board There is a Chairman who is assisted by six members who look after tax policy , customs , income tax and taxpayer services , GST , compliance management and vigilance .

5. Recently which country has allowed four transit routes for India ?

- A- Nepal
- B- Bangladesh
- C- Pakistan
- D- all

The Bangladesh government has approved four routes for the transportation of goods for traders in Tripura and other northeastern Indian states. There are four routes Chittagong Port-Akhaura-Agartala Mongla Port-Akhaura-Agartala Chittagong-Bibirbazar-Srimantapur and Mongla Port-Bibirbazar-Srimantapur, Dhaka Tribune reported. Chakma said the Bangladesh government has notified four routes for transportation of goods by Tripura and other northeastern states.

6. Recently Gummadi Vitthal Rao ' Gaddar ' passed away . Who was he ?

- A- Writer
- B- Journalist
- C- Cricketer
- D- singer

Renowned folk singer 'Gadar' of Telangana passed away at the age of 77 due to ill health. Gadar's real name was Gummadi Vitthal Rao. The folk singer died due to old age as well as problems related to lungs and urine. He was admitted to Apollo Spectra Hospital here. The hospital said in a statement that Gadar was suffering from a serious heart condition and was admitted on July 20.

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7. Where has the National Handloom Day celebration been held recently ?

A- New Delhi

B- Kolkata

C- Mumbai

D- all

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the National Handloom Day celebrations at Bharat Mandapam , Pragati Maidan , New Delhi and launched the e - portal ' Indian Textile and Crafts Fund - Storehouse of Textiles and Crafts ' developed by the National Institute of Fashion Technology . The Prime Minister also observed the exhibition held on the occasion and interacted with the weavers present there .Addressing the gathering , the Prime Minister recalled that before the inauguration of the Bharat Mandapam , exhibitors used to display their products in tents at the exhibition held at Pragati Maidan . At the grand Bharat Mandapam , the Prime Minister highlighted the contribution of India 's handloom industry and said that the confluence of old and new defines today 's new India .

8. Which country in India has recently provided financial assistance of Rs 45 crore for digital identity project ?

A- Ukraine

B- Morocco

C- Sri Lanka

D- all

India has released the first installment of Rs 45 crore for the ' Unique Digital Identity Project ' , an Aadhaar - like scheme in Sri Lanka . This is an important scheme towards the digitization of Sri Lanka , which is being funded by the Government of India . Sri Lankan President This has also been confirmed by the office .Sagala Rattanayaka , Senior Advisor to the President on National Security and Chief of Presidential Staff , Sri Lankan Technical Minister Kanaka Herath , Indian High Commissioner to Sri Lanka in a key meeting at the Sri

Lankan President 's Office Gopal Bagley and First Secretary to the Indian High Commissioner Aldous Mathew and other officials attended . There was a lot of discussion on the project in this meeting .

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When is National Handloom Day 2023 celebrated - **7th August**

When is Rabindranath Tagore's death anniversary celebrated - **7 August**

Which state's 'Jalesar metal craft ' has received the GI tag - **Uttar Pradesh**

Who has been appointed as the interim chairman of Delhi Electricity Regulatory Commission (DERC) - **Former Delhi High Court Justice Jayant Nath**

SAI has launched a short movie series under the 'Cheer4India ' campaign called - **'Halla Bol '**

Recently which two companies have got the status of Maharatna and Navratna Company - **Oil India (13th Maharatna Company) and ONGC (14th Navratna Company)**

Where is the 31st edition of the World University Games being organized - **Chengdu, People's Republic of China**

At how many railway stations has the Prime Minister launched the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme - **13 railway stations**

Who has become the first player to score 500 runs in 'The Women 100 Tournament' - **Smriti Mandhana**

Who has become the first Indian to win an individual title at the World Archery Championships in Berlin - **Aditi Swami**

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