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1. President Draupadi Murmu approves 76 gallantry awards



President Smt. Draupadi Murmu has approved 76 gallantry awards to members of the Armed Forces and Central Armed Police Forces on the occasion of Independence Day 2023. These include four Kirti Chakra Awards (with approval), eleven Shaurya Chakra Awards (including five with approval), two Sena Medals (gallantry), 52 Sena Medals (gallantry), three Nao Sena Medals (gallantry) and four Vayu Sena Medal (Gallantry). Additionally, the President has approved 30 Mention-in-Dispatch awards for Army personnel, including one posthumous award for Army dog Madhu and one for a member of the Air Force. These recognitions are in recognition of the significant contributions that have been made in various military operations, such as Operation Rakshak, Operation Snow Leopard, Operation Casualty Evacuation, Operation Mount Chomo, Operation Pangsau Pass, Operation Meghdoot, Operation Orchid,

2. 20 thousand crore project related to Navy approved



The Central Government has now approved a Rs 20,000 crore project related to the Navy under Make in India, under which five fleet support ships will be built. The project will help the Navy support various fleet warships as the fleet support ships will provide them with food, fuel and ammunition during high seas deployments.

This project will also be beneficial for Hindustan Shipyard Limited as it is going to get mega orders. Which will be made with the support of many industries of small and medium scale enterprises. All five ships are expected to be ready by the next decade. Apart from this, President Draupadi Murmu will hand over the advanced stealth frigate prepared on a war footing by the Government Company Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited to the Indian Navy. Named after the 'Vindhyagiri' mountain in Karnataka, this is the sixth ship out of 7 under Project 17A. Officials said that large cranes are working to deliver goods to the deck of the ship,

3. Physicist Vikas Sinha passed away at the age of 78

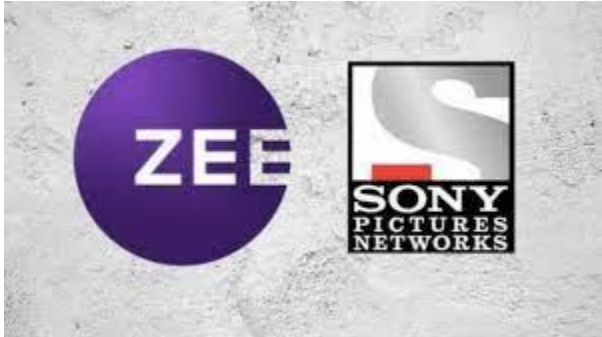


Physicist Vikas Sinha passes away Renowned nuclear physicist, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, age-related diseases, Padma Bhushan recipient, Indian Express News Sinha, 78, suffering from age-related ailments, his contribution to science and technology Was awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2010 for Sinha in nuclear physics, high energy physics, Specializes in quark gluon plasma and early universe cosmology. He led the Indian team for the first time to participate in experiments at the European Organization for Nuclear Research in Geneva. Sinha lived in England for about 12 years and after coming back to India he joined the Bhabha Atomic Research Center in 1976. In 1987, he was appointed director of the Variable Energy Cyclotron Center. He held the charge as the Director of the Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics till 2009. Bikash Sinha was born on 16 June 1945 in Kandi, Murshidabad. Sinha studied physics for his bachelor's degree at Presidency College, Kolkata, from 1961 to 1964, graduating with high honors. Then he went to King's College, Cambridge, for higher studies

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in his subject. I went to In 1994, he was honored with the S.N. Bose Birth Centenary Award.

4. NCLT seal on Zee-Sony merger, rush to buy shares, price rose by 16%



The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) on Thursday approved the merger of media and entertainment company Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited and Culver Max Entertainment (formerly Sony Pictures Networks India). On July 10, judicial member HV Subba Rao and technical member Madhu Sinha's division bench had reserved its order in the merger case. Amidst this positive news, the shares of Zee Entertainment started rising like a rocket. Shares of Zee Entertainment climbed 16 per cent. Company's shares 281. Trading at Rs.60. The Mumbai bench of NCLT has approved the merger of the two companies, paving the way for a \$10 billion media conglomerate to come into existence. It will be the largest company in the country in its field. The G-Sony merger was announced in 2021 but has been delayed due to various reasons. A bench of HV Subba Rao and Madhu Sinha also dismissed all the objections filed regarding the merger. The NCLT had on July 11 reserved its order on the merger after hearing objections from several lenders.

5. Atal Bihari Vajpayee's 5th death anniversary



August 16 was the 5th death anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. On this occasion, several leaders including President Draupadi Murmu, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar and Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid tribute at 'Sadaiv Atal', the memorial site of the former PM. Along with this, Defense Minister Rajnath Singh, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla were also present at the mausoleum. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, Ajatshatru of Indian politics, died on 16 August 2018 after a prolonged illness. PM Modi paid tribute to Atal Bihari Vajpayee on his fifth death anniversary. Remembering Atal Bihari Vajpayee, he wrote on his X (Twitter) handle, "Joining 140 crore Indians of India, I pay tribute to the incomparable Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji on his death anniversary. The country has benefited a lot from your leadership. You had an important role in taking the development of the country to new heights and taking the country forward in every sector in the 21st century. Atal Bihari Vajpayee's journey in Indian politics spanned decades, during which he became an important figure representing the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP). Under his leadership came an era of significant growth and development in various fields from economics to international relations.

6. Founder of Sulabh International Dr. Bindeshwar Pathak passed away



Bihar has lost one of its great sons on this auspicious festival of independence. Dr. Bindeshwar Pathak, the founder of Sulabh International, originally from Vaishali district of Bihar, passed away. Bindeshwar Pathak was born on 2 April 1943 in Rampur Baghel village. His primary education was done in the village itself. Later he graduated in Sociology from Banaras Hindu University in 1964. Received Patna Master's degree in 1980 from Patna University. In 1985, he also got the title of PhD. Bindeshwari Pathak founded Sulabh

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International in 1970. Influenced by the thoughts of Mahatma Gandhi, Bindeshwari Pathak considered the practice of manual scavenging as a curse for the society. For this, he not only resolved to eradicate this practice bypassing all social fabric, but also worked for it. Not only this, He also continued to discharge various types of social responsibilities. Along with the all-round development of women, he was constantly striving for the skill development of the youth and especially for the skill development of the girl child, and he did many things in this direction.

7. G20 Film Festival to open with Satyajit Ray's 'Pather Panchali'



The India International Center (IIC) and the G20 Secretariat of the Ministry of External Affairs will organize the festival, which will be inaugurated by veteran actor Victor Banerjee and G20 Sherpa Amitabh Kant. The film festival will be held at IIC here from August 16 to September 2. IIC director K. N. Srivastava said in a statement, "In line with India's theme sentence Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam (One Earth, One Family, One Future), these award-winning feature films reflect the issues and problems of each country, address questions of identity, link them to memories and reflect other things like social politics etc." The film festival will screen sixteen international award-winning feature films, including Australia's 'We Are Still Here', Brazil's 'Ana Untitled', Japan's 'The Aristocrats', Mexico's 'Mezquita's Heart' and South Korea's 'Decision To leaves' are included.

8. The government will open 25,000 Jan Aushadhi Kendras to make medicines available at affordable prices.



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during his Independence Day speech said that the government will increase the number of 'Jan Aushadhi Kendras' from 10,000 to 25,000. Jan Aushadhi Kendras will provide medicines at very affordable rates. With this saving of Rs 20,000 crore, the middle class of the country will get new strength. The government will also launch the Vishwakarma scheme with an initial allocation of ₹ 13000 - 15000 crores for people with traditional skills. This will help persons skilled in traditional craft skills, especially weavers, goldsmiths, blacksmiths, washermen, barbers etc. ₹50,000 crore has been distributed to street vendors under the PM Swanidhi scheme. ₹2.5 lakh crore has been deposited in the accounts of farmers through PM Kisan Samman Nidhi.

QUIZ

1. When has 'World Organ Donation Day' been celebrated recently?

A- 11 August

B- 12 August

C- 13 August

D- 14th August

World Organ Donation Day is observed globally every year on 13 August to raise awareness about the importance of organ donation and to make people aware of the misconceptions about organ donation. The sole aim of the organizations involved in these great events is mainly to encourage and educate people on the importance of organ donation after death in order to save more lives. Organ donation like kidney, heart, pancreas, eyes and lungs can save lives of people suffering from chronic diseases. Organ donation is the process of allowing a person to have their organs legally removed with their consent and transplanted into another person, where the donor may be a living or dead and close relative.

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2. ICC has changed the date of World Cup match between India and Pakistan from October 15 to what?

A- 14 October

B- 13 October

C- 18 October

D- 11 October

The International Cricket Council (ICC) has made a major change in the schedule of the ODI World Cup 2023. The ICC announced changes in the schedule of 9 matches from the total 45 league matches of the World Cup. At the same time, there has been a change in the schedule of two matches of India. India's matches against Pakistan and Netherlands have been rescheduled. India now has to face arch rival Pakistan on 14th October instead of 15th. The match will be played at the pre-determined venue, Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad.

3. Where has the Navy of India and UAE recently conducted a bilateral naval exercise?

A-Dubai

B-Delhi

C- Kolkata

D- none

The ships have entered Dubai with the aim of cooperative engagement and maritime cooperation with regional countries. Recently two Indian Navy ships- INS Visakhapatnam and INS Trikand visited Port Rashid, Dubai, UAE to participate in the bilateral exercise 'Zayed Talwar'. The objective of the exercise is to foster maritime partnership between the two navies and promote common understanding of security challenges in the region.

4. Who has recently inaugurated the 9th India International MSME Expo and Summit 2023?

A- Amit Shah

B- Narendra Modi

C- Manoj Sinha

D-all

The Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir Shri Manoj Sinha organized the 9th India International MSME Expo & Conference 2023 in New Delhi. This prestigious conference, organized by the MSME Development Forum, provided a platform to serve as a catalyst for collaboration between policy makers and

entrepreneurs in the Small, Micro and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector, which is vital for the economic development of the nation. will help to move forward. More than 40 exhibitors supported by JKTPO (Jammu and Kashmir Trade Promotion Organisation) participated in the 9th India International MSME Expo & Summit 2023. These exhibitors showcased a diverse array of innovative products, services and solutions across diverse sectors.

5. DBT scheme has been launched in NAPS to strengthen the apprenticeship ecosystem?

A- Prahlad Joshi

B- Dharmendra Pradhan

C- Manoj Sinha

D-all

Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) scheme in the National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme (NAPS) by the Union Minister of Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, Dharmendra Pradhan to increase the participation of industry and youth in apprenticeship training across the country. Launched. The government has allocated around Rs 15 crore for this scheme. The National Apprentice Promotion Scheme was launched in 2016.

6. Recently, where will the Uttar Pradesh government make India's biggest IT hub?

A- Noida

B- Prayagraj

C- Lucknow

D- none

It has been confirmed by the officials of the Uttar Pradesh state government that preparations have been started to build a new IT hub of the state in the capital of the state, Lucknow. The Uttar Pradesh Rajkiya Nirman Nigam (UPRNN) has already prepared a blueprint for setting up an IT hub on 40 acres of land in the Nadarganj industrial area of Amausi on the Kanpur road. The IT hub will be divided into three parts, which include IT Park, Business Park and International Incubation Facility Centre. The proposed IT hub will be one of the biggest IT hubs in the country. As per the blueprint of the IT hub, the IT park is to be built on 11.47 acres, while the business park will be developed on 7.4 acres. At the same time, International

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Incubation Facility Center will be built on 6.9 acres. Along with this, 8.7 acres of land will be developed as green area for environment protection.

7. Where was a three-day celebration program organized recently on the 108th Foundation Day of the Zoological Survey of India?

- A- Mumbai
- B- New Delhi
- C- Kolkata
- D- Raipur

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) Bhupendra Yadav inaugurated the 108th Zoological Survey of India (ZSI) Day with special focus on 'Mission LiFE' (Lifestyle for Environment) at Nicco Park, Kolkata, West Bengal inaugurated the 3-day festival program of The Minister clearly stated that we must protect Indian Biodiversity for our own safety as climate change has broken the myth that humans are superior to nature. He cited an example presented by the famous anthropologist Eduardo Kohn, who said that forests can be thought of in the same way that trees interact with their environment because they have special characteristics of pest resistance.

8. Recently which state government has tied up with 3 Central Government PSUs?

- A- Arunachal Pradesh
- B- Haryana
- C- Punjab
- D- none

The Arunachal Pradesh government allocated 12 hydropower projects to three central government PSUs by signing a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with them at the State Banquet Hall in Itanagar. The MoA was signed in the presence of Union Power Minister RK Singh, Chief Minister Pema Khandu and Deputy Chief Minister Chowna Mein. Union Power Secretary, senior officials of Ministry of Power and CMDs of CPSUs were also present in the programme. Several ministers, legislators and senior officials of the state were also present on the occasion. The total operational capacity of these 12 projects will be 11,517 MW. The projects will be implemented by three Central PSUs - NHPC Limited, SJVN Limited and NEEPCO Limited.

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Recently which country has won the Asian Champion Trophy for the fourth time - **India**

Who has been selected by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to improve regulatory oversight using AI – **McKinsey & Company India LLP and Accenture Solutions Pvt Ltd India**

Who has recently launched the Traveller's Map of India micro site in collaboration with the Ministry of Tourism - **MMT**

Who has been awarded the Tech Startup of the Year at the 13th Annual Entrepreneur India Awards - **Jio Haptic**
Which company and ministry has recently launched a special microsite called 'Travellers Map of India' - **MakeMyTrip and Ministry of Tourism**

Who has been appointed as the sole head coach at Badminton Association's Guwahati National Center of Excellence - **Values Handoya**

Recently, which has been declared the world's most livable city for the fourth time - **Vienna**

Which insurance company has started premium payment through WhatsApp and UPI - **TATA AIA**

Recently, the Chief Minister of which state has urged the Center to amend the drug rules - **Karnataka**
One District One Product (ODOP) and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) together have launched – '**ODOP Wall**'

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