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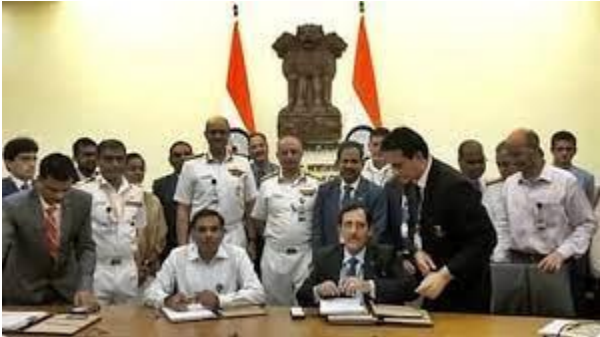


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## 1. Hindustan Shipyard signs contract worth ₹ 19,000 crore with Ministry of Defense



The Defense Ministry signed a Rs 19,000 crore contract with Hindustan Shipyard Limited (HSL) to acquire five Fleet Support Ships (FSS) for the Navy. Taking another step towards self-reliance in the defense sector with the increase in the strategic strength of the Navy, the Ministry of Defense has decided to indigenously build five Fleet Support Ships (FSS) for the Navy. This will also be a big boost towards achieving the goal of self-reliance in defense production as these ships will be built on the basis of indigenous design. The Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) had approved the proposal for the purchase of these ships on 16 August. Fuel, water, fuel to the FSS in naval ships deployed at sea. Will be used to refill ammunition and other items. This will enable Indian Navy fleets to operate for longer periods without returning to port. In addition, these ships will enhance the strategic reach and mobility of the fleet. The induction of these ships will significantly enhance the maritime capability of the Indian Navy. According to the Defense Ministry, these ships can also be deployed for evacuation, humanitarian assistance and disaster relief operations.

## 2. Veteran Marathi actress Seema Dev passes away at the age of 81



Veteran actress Seema Dev, best known for her stellar performances in films like 'Anand' and 'Kora Kagaz', passed away due to age-related ailments. She was 81 years old. Seema Dev passed away at her Bandra home. She was suffering from Alzheimer's disease for the last three years. The famous actress had acted in more than 80 Hindi and Marathi films in her film career. Seema Dev was considered a big face of the Marathi film industry. Apart from this, she was also seen in many TV serials. He started his film career in the year 1960 through the Marathi film 'Mian Biwi Raza'. After this, Seema also played an important role in Rajesh Khanna and Amitabh Bachchan's superhit film 'Anand'. He died on 27 March 1942 at Girgaum, She was born in Mumbai by the name of Nalini Saraf. He made his film debut in 1962 in the Marathi film "Jagachya Pathivar". He acted in over 90 Hindi and Marathi films, including "Anand" (1971), "Kora Kagaz" (1974), "Aparadh" (1975), "Janki" (1977), "Bezubaan" (1980), "Koshish" (1982), and "Sansara" (1987). She was married to actor Ramesh Dev from 1966 to 2021. They have two sons, actor Ajinkya Dev and director Abhinav Dev. He was honored with the Dadasaheb Phalke Award for Lifetime Achievement in 2022.

## 3. ICC joins hands with Mastercard



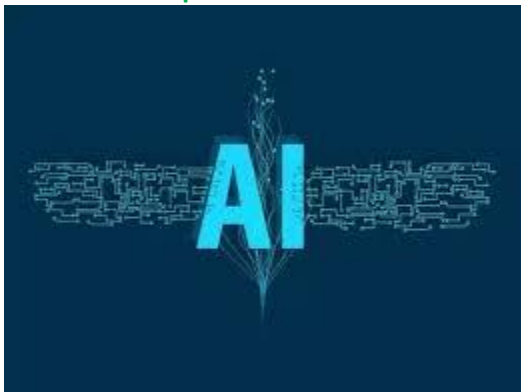
The International Cricket Council (ICC) has entered into a global partnership with Mastercard to provide an immersive experience for cricket fans during the Men's Cricket World Cup 2023. The ICC has expressed its enthusiasm to have Mastercard on board as the Worldwide Partner for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023. This underlines the considerable experience Mastercard brings to sports partnerships and its seamless alignment with the ICC's overarching goal of enhancing the cricket experience for all fans. Worldwide. This collaborative effort is set to connect customers, cardholders and avid cricket fans with a



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range of invaluable opportunities throughout the tournament. The International Cricket Council (ICC) serves as the global governing body for cricket, It oversees 108 members and manages the administration of the sport and major international tournaments. From the ICC World Test Championship Final to the ICC Men's and Women's Cricket World Cup and T20 World Cup, the ICC plays a vital role in promoting and developing the game around the world.

#### 4. Kerala's first AI school launched in Thiruvananthapuram



India has got its first AI school. This school has been started in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala. The school was inaugurated by former President Ram Nath Kovind. Shantigiri Vidya Bhavan is similar to other schools in India, but apart from human teachers, children will be taught with AI tools and they will be given information about many subjects. This AI school has been created in collaboration with iLearning Engine (ILE) USA and Vedic eSchool. With the help of AI tools, it will be used in various aspects of education including curriculum design, personalized learning, assessment and student support in the school. This AI school adheres to worldwide standards and matches the National School Accreditation Standards, which are based on the New National Education Policy (NEP 2020). In this school, apart from the traditional teaching method, children will be provided with advanced tools and resources with the help of AI, with the help of which they will be able to prepare for the challenges of the future. People like former Chief Secretary, DGP and Vice Chancellor are working in this project so that children get the best education. Vedhik eSchool says that this new way of learning powered by AI is going to provide really good education and children are going to learn a lot.

#### 5. Central government formed high power committee to review defense institute DRDO



The committee has been constituted under the directions of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and with a view to bring about changes in the Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO). India's Defense Minister Rajnath Singh appointed Professor K.K. A nine-member expert committee has been constituted under the leadership of Vijayraghavan. The committee has been tasked with proposing a revised structure for DRDO that is in line with contemporary defense research requirements. This involves revisiting the organisation's priorities, resource allocation and operational processes. Retention of skilled personnel is a major challenge before DRDO. The committee will formulate a strategy to attract top talent and create an environment conducive to innovation and research excellence. The committee will explore mechanisms to promote international cooperation, thereby allowing DRDO to take advantage of global expertise and technological advancement. The move can speed up the research and development processes. DRDO's vast network of over 50 laboratories across India will undergo a process of rationalization. The committee will recommend ways to optimize resources and increase collaboration between different research units.

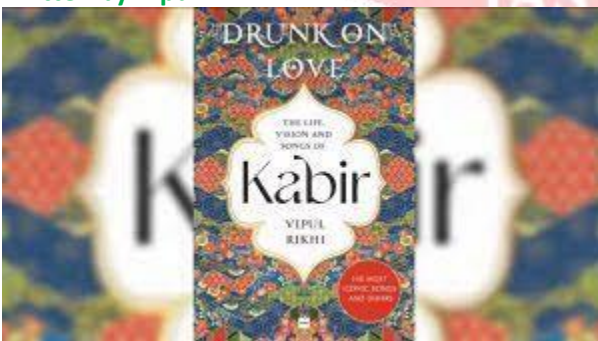
#### 6. Tejas successfully tests air-to-air missile

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The Beyond Visual Range (BVR) air-to-air missile Astra was successfully test fired from the indigenously built Light Combat Aircraft (LCA) Tejas off the coast of Goa. Officials said the missile was test-fired from an aircraft at an altitude of about 20,000 feet. The Ministry of Defense said that the test was monitored by Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA), Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO), Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. (HAL) and officials from Center for Military Airworthiness and Certification (CEMILAC) and Directorate General of Aeronautical Quality Assurance (DG-AQA). The launch will significantly enhance the combat capability of Tejas and reduce dependence on imported weapons. Tejas is a single engine multirole fighter aircraft capable of operating in high threat airspace. it's air defense,

## 7. Book titled "The Life, Vision and Songs of Kabir " written by Vipul Rikhi



The book, "Drunk on Love: The Life, Vision and Songs of Kabir", published by HarperCollins India and written by author-singer Vipul Rikhi, presents the 15th-century poet as he describes, quotes and loves in the popular imagination. A new book aims to depict the life of the mystic poet Kabir through popular legends, his vision and his poetry, which have been widely quoted and translated. The book brings together Kabir's biography, his most famous songs and stories of

"his sublime and inspirational outlook" in one place. Important sayings of Kabir for modern readers. He through the personality of Digambar wisdom helps us to re-acquaint ourselves with his fine understanding of the age-old verses, ideas which we can apply in our lives. This is Kabir for the modern mindset, from whom we can communicate and learn, Swati Chopra, Associate Publisher, HarperCollins. Drunken on Love argues that Kabir is not just a person but an idea that belongs to the people of India, who have preserved and nurtured it as a living tradition over an incredible amount of time.

## 8. PM Modi pays tribute at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier during his visit to Greece



During his visit to Greece, Prime Minister Narendra Modi paid homage at the 'Tomb of the Unknown Soldier' in Athens. The gesture came amid a series of diplomatic engagements during his European tour, highlighting India's commitment to global partnerships. Prior to his visit to Greece, Prime Minister Modi attended the 15th BRICS Summit held in South Africa. The summit served as a platform for bilateral discussions with various world leaders, thereby strengthening India's diplomatic relations with these countries. Following this, Modi's trip took him to Greece, where he began a packed schedule of diplomatic engagements. The 'Tomb of the Unknown Soldier' located in Syntagma Square in Athens stands as a poignant tribute to the Greek soldiers, who sacrificed their lives in various conflicts. Located opposite the Old Royal Palace, this monument holds deep historical significance. It commemorates the valor and sacrifice of the nameless soldiers who laid down their lives in the service of their nation during various wars.

QUIZ

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1. Which country's Wrestling Association has been suspended by United World Wrestling recently?

- A- America
- B-India
- C- Pakistan
- D- none

United World Wrestling (UWW) has canceled the membership of the Wrestling Federation of India (WFI). In fact, the World Wrestling Federation has suspended the Wrestling Federation of India for not conducting the elections on time. United World Wrestling had written a letter to the Wrestling Federation of India on May 30, saying that if the Indian Wrestling Federation is not elected in the next 45 days (by July 15), then United World Wrestling will cancel the membership of the Indian Wrestling Federation.

2. Where has Kerala's first 'AI School ' been launched recently ?

- A- Thiruvananthapuram
- B- Thrissur
- C- Kochi
- D- none

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3. Which country's Wagner chief Yevgeny Prigozhin has passed away recently?

- A- Ukraine
- B-Russia
- C- Belarus
- D-all

Wagner chief Yevgeny Prigozhin, who rebelled against Russian President Vladimir Putin, has reportedly died in a plane crash. Yevgeny Prigozhin was the founder of the Wagner Group. This group is an army of private hired soldiers. There was a time when Prigozhin was

very close to Vladimir Putin and was called his "personal chef". However, later he rebelled against Putin. He came into limelight for his group's close involvement in Russia's invasion of Ukraine and winning for the Kremlin.

4. Which state government has recently issued a notification to ban plastic water bottles?

- A- Odisha
- B- Rajasthan
- C- Assam
- D- none

The Assam State Government has announced a ban on single-use plastic water bottles of less than one litre. The ban will be effective from October 2 and will be an important step towards a green and healthy future of the state. Assam State has resolved to eliminate plastic waste and its ill effects on the environment and this ban is a part of that effort. On August 23, 2023, the Assam Environment and Forest Department has issued a notification. It has been said in the notification that single-use plastic (SUP) items, which have a high capacity to spread waste, are also not biodegradable, they will last for a long time. cause damage to the environment and are dangerous for the environment health. That's why they are banned, there is a ban on making, buying, selling and stocking them.

5. Recently the book 'Drunk on Love: The Life Vision and Songs of Kabir' authored by whom will be published?

- A- Atul Karwal
- B- Neelkanth Mishra
- C- Chetan Maru
- D- Vipul Rikhi

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6. Where has the Dancing Pikachu event been organized recently?

A- Japan

B- China

C- South Korea

D-all

Recently a Pikachu dance event was organized in Yokohama city of Japan. These adorable Pokemon Pikachus danced to draw a crowd. Pikachu is the most popular and loved cartoon character among kids. This year the Pokémon World Championship was held supported by Yokohama City. This includes Pokémon and Pikachu March, the Pokémon Card Game, Pokémon Go, and Pokémon Unite to designate a world champion. The World Championship was held in Japan this year after previously being held in the United States and the United Kingdom. Yokohama Museum near Pikachu marching charmed dance.

7. Recently 'Seema Dev ' has passed away, who was he?

A- Singer

B- Writer

C- Actress

D- none

Veteran actress Seema Deo, who performed brilliantly in films like Rajesh Khanna's famous film 'Anand' and 'Kora Kagaz', died on Thursday morning due to age-related ailments. She was 81 years old. Film producer and his son Abhinay Dev gave this information. Seema Dev passed away at her Bandra home. She was suffering from Alzheimer's disease for the last three years. The famous actress had acted in more than 80 Hindi and Marathi films in her film career. She was suffering from dementia and Alzheimer's disease for more than three years.

8. What is the inauguration of Shri Hanuman Lok by the Chief Minister of which state recently?

A-Madhya Pradesh

B- Chhattisgarh

C-Odisha

D-all

Hanuman Lok will now be seen in the world famous Jam Sanwali Hanuman Temple located in Saunsar. Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board is getting it

constructed on about 30 acres at a cost of 314 crores. Before the assembly elections, it is being described as a master stroke of the BJP. CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan laid the foundation stone of Hanuman Lok. Two major corridors will be constructed in the first phase itself. It will depict the child form of Hanuman ji. From Kishkindha to the stories related to Suryadev, it will be shown here with hi-tech technology. 9 fiber statues will be installed in Hanuman Lok Corridor. Apart from this, considering the number of devotees, the parking lot will also be expanded. Lakhs of devotees visit here during the festive season, due to which parking will be arranged in about 1.5 lakh square feet.

## ONE LINER

Who has recently become the brand ambassador of Infosys - **Rafael Nadal**

Becomes world's most watched live-stream on YouTube - **Chandrayaan-3**

Recently Prime Minister Modi has been awarded the Grand Cross of the Order of Honor by the President of which country – **Greece**

Recently Russia's Minin University will set up its study center in India - **CCHU (Chaudhary Charan Singh University)**

Which state has recently launched 'Mukhyamantri Sikho Kamao Yojana ' - **Madhya Pradesh**

Recently how many countries have been invited to join 'BRICS' - **6 (Egypt, Saudi Arabia, UAE, Ethiopia, Argentina and Iran are included)**

Recently which state government has unveiled additional books to add portions removed by NCERT – **Kerala**

Who has recently won the final of FIDE World Cup 2023 – **Magnus Carlsen**

Recently approved the first vaccine which is made for infants – **US Food and Drug Administration (FDA)**

Where has the Dancing Pikachu program been organized recently - **Japan**

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