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1. James Ferguson Elected New IPCC Chair in Nairobi



James Ferguson 'Jim' Skea has been elected as the new Chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), defeating United States Vice President Thelma Krug in a run-off. Skea won 90 votes while Krug won 69 votes. Krug, an IPCC vice-chair and former researcher at Brazil's National Space Institute, narrowly missed out on becoming the IPCC's first female chair. The election took place at the headquarters of the United Nations Environment Program in Nairobi, where the IPCC was holding its 59th session. Elections were also held for other positions in the IPCC Bureau, including co-chairs of IPCC working groups, the culmination of which will take place from 26 to 28 July. The election of the new IPCC Bureau to 34 members, including the Chair, has paved the way for work to begin on the IPCC's Seventh Assessment Report,

2. ISRO successfully launched 7 satellites of Singapore with PSLV-C56 rocket



India has written a new history in the field of space. The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has launched

7 satellites simultaneously on Sunday (July 30). These include 1 indigenous and six satellites of Singapore. These satellites were launched from Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh through PSLV-C56 rocket. PSLV-C56 rocket carrying Singapore's Earth observation satellite DS-SAR and 6 other satellites took off at 6.30 am on Sunday. After launching the much-awaited Chandrayaan-3 this month, now PSLV-C56 launch is another major achievement of ISRO within a month. Earlier on July 14, ISRO successfully placed the LVM-3 launch vehicle in orbit from the Satish Dhawan Space Center in Sriharikota. This is the third commercial mission of the Indian Space Agency this year. ISRO had earlier launched 36 satellites associated with Britain's One-Wave (ONE-WAVE) from the LVM-3 rocket in March. After this, in April, 2 satellites of Singapore were launched from PSLV rocket.

3. TV Narendran becomes CEO and MD of Tata Steel



Tata Steel has appointed TV Narendran as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the company for another term of five years. Narendran was appointed as the CEO and MD of the company in October 2017. Before that one November, In 2013, he was made the Managing Director (India and South-East Asia) of the company. Under the leadership of T V Narendran, the youngest MD of Tata Steel, Tata Steel has grown steadily as the company embarks on a transformational journey. In view of this, in the meeting of the Board of Directors, he was again appointed for five years. He has again been made MD cum CEO from 19 September 2023 to 18 September 2028. He was first

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appointed as Tata Steel India South East Asia on 1 November 2013. Subsequently, he was appointed MD cum CEO of Tata Steel Global in October 2017. He has been associated with Tata Steel for almost 35 years.

4. 'Machail Mata Yatra' festival started in Jammu and Kashmir



The annual pilgrimage to Machail Mata will begin. Devotees from all over the country have started coming to visit the Mata located in the Himalayan range of Padar Valley of Kishtwar. At the same time, the District Administration and Directorate of Tourism Jammu have completed the preparations. Devotees will also have darshan of Goddess Chandi Maa during the yatra. Machail Mata Yatra will continue till September 5. Travelers can get any travel related information by contacting the tourism department's toll free number 18008908457 or the district administration Kishtwar helpline number +91-1995259555. Devotees can book for helicopter or palanquin services by visiting it. Helicopter service will be available from Gulabgarh. Homestays, tents, toilets, 4G connectivity, solar power backup, health care, Accommodation has been arranged. The district administration and police have fixed the time limit for the journey from Kishtwar to Machail. The onward journey from Kishtwar will be till 6 pm. After that will not be allowed to go further. The journey beyond Gulabgarh Padar will be till 6.30 pm. Beyond Kundel and Chishoti, movement after 7 pm will be prohibited.

5. '100 Microsite Project' started under Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission



National Health Authority (NHA) has launched 100 microsites project under Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM). These microsites will be a cluster of small and medium scale clinics, nursing homes, hospitals with less than 10 beds, laboratories, pharmacies and other health facilities that are ABDM-enabled and provide digital health services to patients. These microsites will be set up in various States/UTs across the country, which will be primarily implemented by the State Mission Directors of Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission. The microsites aim to establish a small ecosystem within a particular geographical area where full ABDM adoption, and the entire patient journey is digitized.

6. - The newly constructed National Martyr's Memorial and National Railway Safety Museum were unveiled in Lucknow in the state.



Shri Sanjay Chandra, Director General, Railway Protection Force (RPF) unveiled the recently constructed National Martyr's Memorial and National Museum for Railway Safety at Jagjivan RPF Academy, Lucknow. This martyr's memorial is spread over an area of 4800 square meters and on this memorial, since 1957, the names of 1014 martyred RPF jawans have

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been inscribed and tribute has been paid to them by the RPF. The guiding motto of this museum is 'Gyanvardhanayachasanrakshanaya' which serves as a constant motivation for RPF to promote knowledge and protect heritage. The Director General, Railway Protection Force also unveiled several other significant additions, including a war trophy T-55 tank received from the Central Armored Fighting Vehicle Depot Kirkee, Khadki, Pune, which now graces the Academy premises. Other than this,

7. Union Minister Amit Shah released a book titled 'Dr APJ Abdul Kalam: Memories Never Die' in Tamil Nadu



Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam's Yaadein Kabhi Nahi Marti book was released in Rameshwaram, Tamil Nadu. Union Home Minister Amit Shah also reached on this occasion. That opportunities are open in space science for our students and their startups under the leadership of PM Modi. APJ Abdul Kalam's dream of space science will be fulfilled by PM Modi's new inventions. India will lead the whole world in the field of space science. In the book 'Vision for the New Millennium', Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam highlighted the roadmap for India's development. Referring to three things written in Kalam's book, Amit Shah said that India should recognize its potential, Develop a technology-based economy and ensure balanced development between agriculture and industry and cities and villages. Kalam's house was established as a museum in 2011. On Friday, Amit Shah had flagged off the Tamil Nadu BJP's yatra from Rameshwaram. The six-month-long yatra will cover all 234 assembly constituencies across Tamil Nadu and end in January next year.

8.G. Kannabiran takes over as new director of NAAC



The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) recently announced the appointment of Professor Ganesan Kannabiran as its new director. According to the official statement of NAAC, the appointment took place on July 28. Professor Kannabiran brings with him a rich experience of over 30 years in the education sector, having served as Senior Professor of Information Systems at the National Institute of Technology (NIT), Tiruchirappalli. Throughout his career, he has held various leadership positions including Dean of Research and Consultancy and Director-in-Charge at NIT Trichy and NIT Puducherry. From 2018 to 2023, Professor Kannabiran served as the founding director of the Indian Institute of Information Technology, Andhra Pradesh. During his tenure, He was instrumental in implementing the National Education Policy at the institute and worked towards promoting community development by fostering linkages with neighboring villages. Professor Ganesan Kannabiran has earned recognition and appreciation for his contributions in the field. He has been a recipient of prestigious fellowships including Commonwealth Professional Fellowship, Fulbright Fellowship and British Council Study Fellowship.

R QUIZ R

1. In which state for the first time a ' certificate of birth ' has been given to a transgender ?

(A) Tripura

(B) Rajasthan

(C) Assam

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(D) Sikkim

EXPLANATION - : In Rajasthan , the Jaipur Greater Municipal Corporation issued the state 's first transgender birth certificate . Director of Economics and Statistics Department and Chief Registrar of Births and Deaths Bhanwarlal Bairwa presented the certificate to Noor Shekhawat . Noor Shekhawat 10 days ago _ Applied for birth certificate in corporation .

2. The world 's largest private communication satellite ' Jupiter 3 ' has been launched by which space agency ?

(A) NASA

(B) ISRO

(C) JAXA

(D) SpaceX

EXPLANATION -: On July 27 , 2023 , SpaceX launched the world 's largest private communication satellite ' Jupiter 3 ' using a Falcon Heavy rocket from NASA 's Kennedy Space Center Launch Complex - 39A in Florida . Developed by Maxar Technologies in Palo Alto , California ' The Jupiter 3 ' satellite holds the record as the largest commercial communications satellite ever built . _ This upcoming launch marks the seventh mission of SpaceX 's triple - booster rocket , the Falcon Heavy , which first attracted widespread attention during its debut in 2018 . _ was attracted _

3. Where has the Prime Minister inaugurated India's grand International Exhibition-cum-Convention Center 'Bharat Mandapam ' ?

(A) Chandigarh

(B) Jammu and Kashmir

(C) Ladakh

(D) New Delhi

EXPLANATION -: Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation the International Exhibition-cum-Convention Center (IECC) complex named 'Bharat Mandapam ' at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi on July 27, 2023. The G-20 coin and stamp were also released at the grand opening ceremony. During the inauguration, Prime Minister Modi emphasized on the

vision of 'think big, dream big, work big ' to propel progress and development in the nation.

4. Who has been awarded the Miles Franklin Literary Award for the novel "Tea Time at Cinnamon Gardens " ?

(A) Varsha Adalja

(B) Smita Agarwal

(C) Shankari Chandran

(D) Sameena Ali

EXPLANATION -: Sri Lankan-origin Australian author Shankari Chandran has been awarded the prestigious Miles Franklin Literary Prize in 2023 for the novel "Tea Time at Cinnamon Gardens " . Ten years ago, she faced difficulty publishing her first book, as publishers doubted its appeal to the local Australian market, as it was not "Aussie" enough .

5. Who has become the 83rd Chess Grandmaster of India?

(A) Prithu Gupta

(B) Adhiban Bhaskaran

(C) Aditya Samant

(D) Nihal Sarin

EXPLANATION -: Aditya S Samant became India's 83rd Chess Grandmaster. IM Samant, 17, became the GM as he started his ninth round game against compatriot Aryan Chopra in the Beelchess MTO 2023 tournament. He had drawn his eighth round game against Bu Xiangjie and had to play in the ninth round to reach his final GM norm.

6. Which bank has been the leading lender to State PSUs and corporations for the fifth consecutive year?

(A) Canara Bank

(B) Punjab National Bank

(C) State Bank of India

(D) Bank of India

EXPLANATION -: Canara Bank has once again emerged as the leading public sector bank in lending to state-owned corporations and public sector undertakings (PSUs) for the fifth consecutive year. Canara Bank's

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lending to government-backed entities reached an impressive ₹187,813 crore during the financial year 2022-23 (FY23), the finance ministry revealed in response to questions raised by MP Velusamy P.

7. World Hepatitis Day is observed on?

- (A) 25th July
- (B) 26 July
- (C) 27th July
- (D) 28 July

EXPLANATION -: Hepatitis is a serious disease related to the liver, which is celebrated every year on July 28 as World Hepatitis Day with the aim of making people aware. The day is celebrated to mark the birthday of Dr. Baruch Blumberg, the Nobel-prize winning scientist who discovered the hepatitis B virus (HBV) and developed a test and vaccine for the virus. Liver is an important part of our body. Apart from taking out toxins from the body, it also performs many important functions.

8. 'Meri Mati Mera Desh Abhiyan ' campaign is an initiative of which ministry?

- (A) Ministry of Panchayati Raj
- (B) Ministry of Rural Development
- (C) Ministry of Mines
- (D) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

EXPLANATION -: 'Meri Mati Mera Desh Abhiyan ' is an initiative of the Ministry of Rural Development. This campaign will be run across the country from 09 to 15 August. Youth selected from around 7,500 blocks across the country will assemble for the event at Delhi's 'Kartavya Path ' . This campaign has been started to conclude the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence. The Amrit Mahotsav of Independence was started on March 12, 2021.

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Which country has recently declared 'successful elimination of rubella'? -: **Bhutan**

Where did Prime Minister Modi inaugurate six ' EMRS ' recently - : **Rajasthan**

According to the recent report , the population of which country has decreased by 800000 in 2022 ? - : **Japan**

Who has recently chaired the 62nd session of the UN Social Development - : **Ruchira Kamboj**

Recently which country 's Jonas Wingeård has won the 110th edition of the Tour de France - : **Denmark**

Recently , where did Prime Minister Modi inaugurate SemiconIndia ? : **Gujarat**

Recently , he has appointed the captain of the junior Indian hockey team for the hockey tournament in Germany : **Uttam Singh**

In which state the Asian Youth Junior Weightlifting Championship is being organized recently - : **Uttar Pradesh**

Recently in which city the world 's largest museum ' Yuge Yugeen Bharat ' was constructed - : **New Delhi**

Recently who became the 83rd Grandmaster of India - : **Aditya Samant**