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1. SAFF U-16 Championships: India gave a crushing defeat to Bangladesh in the final



India Under-16 team won the SAFF U-16 Championship by defeating Bangladesh 2-0 in a thrilling final and lifted the trophy. Bharat Larenjam scored in the first half, and Lewis Jangminlun scored in the second half to seal the victory, ensuring India's comfortable victory. Under the guidance of head coach Ishfaq Ahmed, the Indian team performed brilliantly throughout the championship and did not concede a single goal in the entire tournament. In the final match against Bangladesh, India displayed excellent gameplay and control to win. India got the initial success in the eighth minute of the match itself. Indian Under-16 football team had a great performance in the SAFF Championship. The team secured its place in the final by winning one-sided 8-0 against Maldives in the semi-final match. In this match, Ebrolang and Mohammad Arbash had scored two goals each. These tournaments were being played in Thimphu, hosted by Bhutan. The Indian team was part of Group-A in the SAFF Under-16 Championship. In this, they competed against the teams of Bangladesh and Nepal and won against both of them by 1-0 and finished at the first position. After this they defeated Maldives in the semi-finals. Whereas Bangladesh team had to face defeat in both the matches against India in the tournament.

2. Dennis Austin, software developer who created PowerPoint, dies at 76



Dennis Austin, co-creator of Microsoft's tool PowerPoint, has died. He was 76 years old. Austin served as the primary developer of PowerPoint from 1985 to 1996 until his retirement. Austin studied engineering at several universities, including the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and the University of California, before working as a software developer. After completing his studies, he joined software company Forethought and helped develop PowerPoint. The company released the software in 1987 and a few months later, tech giant Microsoft purchased Forethought. PowerPoint remains an important part of Microsoft Office tools today. Recently the company has also started adding Artificial Intelligence (AI) to PowerPoint using Copilot, which is a type of AI assistant for Microsoft 365. AI assistants can be used to create presentations or create images and tone or format text within a presentation. Austin's career in software began in the computer division of General Electric in Arizona, followed by positions with Honeywell in Massachusetts and Burroughs in California. After exposure to graphical user interfaces and broader graphical approaches to computing at Xerox PARC, he became a software developer for Gavilan Computer before joining Forethought, Inc. in late 1984. This was followed by positions with Honeywell in Massachusetts and Burroughs in California. After exposure to graphical user interfaces and broader graphical approaches to computing at Xerox PARC, he became a software developer for Gavilan Computer before joining Forethought, Inc. in late 1984.

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3. Asia Cup 2023 : Virat Kohli becomes fastest player to reach 13,000 runs in ODIs



India's Virat Kohli during the Asia Cup Super 4 against Pakistan at the R.K. Stadium in Colombo, Sri Lanka. Premadasa became the fastest player to reach 13,000 ODI runs at the stadium. He accomplished this feat in just 267 innings, breaking 34-year-old senior Indian player Sachin Tendulkar's record of 321 innings. Kohli also completed his 47th ODI century on this occasion. With this century, Kohli has now scored four consecutive centuries at this stadium, joint-most with South African great Hashim Amla at one venue. The other three centuries were against Sri Lanka – two of which came in 2017 And one came in 2012. Kohli completed 13,000 ODI runs and became the fifth player to achieve this feat in men's ODIs. Before him Sachin Tendulkar, Ricky Ponting, Sanath Jayasuriya and Mahela Jayawardene have achieved this feat. Ponting (341) and Sangakkara (363) also played more than 300 innings while Jayasuriya achieved this milestone in 416 innings.

4. India 's Sindhu Gangadharan appointed as vice - chairman of Nasscom



Sindhu Gangadharan of India was appointed as the Vice President of NASSCOM. NASSCOM, the apex body of IT industry, announced the appointment of Sindhu Gangadharan, SVP and MD, SAP Labs India, Head of SAP

User Enablement, as Vice Chairperson. In her new role, she will help shape India's TechEd by leveraging her extensive experience in technology and corporate leadership gained over decades in both India and Germany. As the first woman to lead SAP Labs India, SAP's largest R&D center globally, Gangadharan will lead all five centers – Bengaluru, Gurugram, Pune, She was responsible for overseeing product development and innovation in Hyderabad and Mumbai. Earlier this year, Gangadharan was appointed as the Chairman of the NASSCOM GCC Council for the period 2023-2025. She also serves on the boards of organizations such as Siemens India and Titan Company Limited. Additionally, she is a member of the steering committee of the Indo-German Chamber of Commerce, an industry association that promotes bilateral trade and discussion between India and Germany. NASSCOM has played a vital role in accelerating the transformation of India into an innovation hub for the world. National Association of Software and Services Companies (NASSCOM) is the apex body for the Indian technology industry. It is a non-profit organization established in 1988. NASSCOM's membership includes more than 3000 companies, Which includes both Indian and multinational organizations that have a presence in India. Membership spans the entire spectrum of industries from start ups to multinationals and from products to services, global service centers to engineering firms.

5. Simona Halep banned for 4 years on doping charges



ITIA (International Tennis Integrity Agency) has taken decisive action against two-time Grand Slam champion Simona Halep and banned her from professional tennis for four years for violating the sport's anti-doping program. Halep tested positive for roxastat at the US Open last year, leading to her temporary suspension. The integrity agency said Halep had committed a "knowingly anti-doping violation", a finding drawn from

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analysis of 51 blood samples collected as part of the Athlete Biological Passport (ABP) program. Halep's troubles began with her temporary suspension in October last year. The Romanian tennis star's trial was repeatedly delayed, leading to further speculation and concern about his case. Meanwhile, Halep turned to social media to express her dissatisfaction with the way her situation was handled by the ITIA and urged officials to expedite the announcement of the decision. Simona Halep is ineligible to participate in professional tennis until October 2026 after serving a four-year ban. However, there is still a ray of hope for Halep. She has the option to appeal the decision and plans to take her case to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

6. India and Saudi Arabia signed an agreement on cooperation in the energy sector



India and Saudi Arabia signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on cooperation in the field of energy to develop a stronger partnership between India and Saudi Arabia in the energy sector. The MoU between India and Saudi Arabia will enable cooperation between the two countries in renewable energy, energy efficiency, hydrogen, power and grid interconnection, petroleum, natural gas, strategic petroleum reserves and energy security. The agreement will also encourage bilateral investments in the fields of renewable energy, power, hydrogen and storage; and promote digital transformation, innovation and cyber-security and artificial intelligence in the oil & gas and energy sectors. Working on developing qualitative partnership between the two countries to localize materials, products and services related to all sectors of energy, supply chain and its technologies is also a part of this MoU. Both countries will use circular economy and its technologies to mitigate the impacts of climate change such as carbon capture, utilization and storage. Both countries

will make efforts to strengthen cooperation with companies specializing in the energy sector and other sectors related to the energy sector, as agreed by both countries. The memorandum will develop a strong partnership between India and Saudi Arabia in the energy sector. The MoU will support India's efforts towards energy transition and transformation of the global energy system towards combating climate change.

7. Asia Cup 2023: Rohit Sharma completes 10,000 ODI runs



Indian captain Rohit Sharma completed his 10 thousand runs in ODI cricket by hitting a six off Kasun Rajita. Before Rohit Sharma, Sachin Tendulkar, Sourav Ganguly, Rahul Dravid, Mahendra Singh Dhoni and Virat Kohli have scored 10 thousand runs. Rohit has so far scored more than 10 thousand runs in 241 ODI innings at an average of 49 and strike rate of 90. During this period, 30 centuries and 50 half-centuries have come from his bat. Rohit Sharma became the second fastest Indian batsman after Virat Kohli to complete the figure of 10,000 runs in ODI cricket. Kohli had achieved this feat in ODI against West Indies in Visakhapatnam in 2018. Kohli had completed his 10 thousand ODI runs in 205 innings. Rohit reached this milestone in his 241st innings. India had made only one change in the team. Akshar Patel was given a chance in place of Shardul Thakur. Whereas the Sri Lankan team had entered without any changes. Both the teams have won their first match in the second round of the tournament. Sri Lanka had defeated Bangladesh by 21 runs on Saturday in their last match in the ongoing tournament. On the other hand, the Indian team has registered a big win against Pakistan by 228 runs. Due to this the morale of the Indian team is high.

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8. World 's Best Countries Report 2023: Switzerland again wins the title of the world 's best country



Switzerland has once again claimed the title of the best country in the world. This marks Switzerland's second consecutive year at the top and sixth time overall as the No. 1 nation on the list. Switzerland particularly excels in entrepreneurship (No. 6), quality of life (No. 6), social purpose (No. 8), and cultural impact (No. 8). It also claims the top spot for being open for business. The recently released rankings confirm Switzerland's dominance, followed by Canada at No. 2, Sweden at No. 3, Australia at No. 4 and the United States at No. 5. The United States has slipped one place compared to its 2022 ranking. In the 2023 rankings, European countries dominate the top tier, securing 16 of the top 25 spots. Notable changes include Germany, which has fallen five places since 2022, And Australia and New Zealand are both climbing three places year-on-year. The Middle East is represented by the United Arab Emirates, while the top 25 in Asia includes Japan, Singapore, China and South Korea.

QUIZ

1. Which state government has recently announced the launch of ' Kalaingar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam ' initiative ?

- A- Tamil Nadu
- B- Orissa
- C- Karnataka
- D- Goa

According to the statement issued by the Tamil Nadu government, about 1 crore women of the state will get the benefit of this 'Kalaingar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam' scheme. Now this scheme is officially starting. The state government has said that this scheme has been started to remove the problems faced by women in their everyday life. A notification has been issued by the Stalin government regarding this scheme to

provide financial assistance to women. In this notification, it has been told how India is backward according to the Global Gender Gap Report. It is written in it that India is at number 127 in the list of 146 countries in the Global Gender Gap Report. Many more reports have also been mentioned by the government, in which women of India are economically backward.

2. Who has recently become the SAFF U-16 football champion ?

- A- Sri Lanka
- B- India
- C- Bangladesh
- D - none

India beat Bangladesh in the SAIF U - 16 football final to claim the trophy . Indian team has defeated Bangladesh 2-0 . This is the fifth time that the Indian U - 16 football team has named this title . Saif Under - 16 From the beginning of the final match of the football championship , India has kept a grip on the competition . India team scored the first goal in the 8th minute of the game . After this, the second goal in the title match was scored by Lewis Jangminalam in the 73rd minute .

3. Simona Halep is banned for how many years on doping charges ?

- A- 4 years
- B- 6 years
- C- 8 years
- D- 7 years

ITIA (International Tennis Integrity Agency) has taken decisive action against two-time Grand Slam champion Simona Halep and banned her from professional tennis for four years for violating the sport's anti-doping program. A panel concluded that Halep had " knowingly violated anti - doping rules . " Halep was provisionally suspended from October 2022 . Four years ban 6 October , will run until 2026 . Halep reached No. 1 in the WTA rankings in 2017 . She won Wimbledon in 2019 , defeating 23- time major champion Serena Williams in the final , a year after winning the French Open . Halep , who blamed a contaminated supplement , criticized the decision . She is planning to appeal against the decision in the Court of Arbitration for Sport .

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4. Who was Ajit Ninan who passed away recently ?

- A- Writer
- B- singer
- C- Cartoonist
- D - none

Famous political cartoonist Ajit Ninan passed away at the age of 68. Ninan was best known for India Today magazine's Centrestage series and The Times of India's Ninan's World. A popular political cartoonist, Ninan was equally known for his work in children's literature. One of his favorite creations was Detective Moochwala and his dog Pooch, which appeared in the youth magazine Target in 1980. His defiance in the form of political cartoons, satires on the ruling party as well as the opposition, cartoons and caricatures on the environment are happily remembered by all of his contemporaries.

5. Who has recently written a novel called ' Ajay to Yogi Adityanath ' ?

- A- Vinod Mankara
- B- Sarika Bhardwaj
- C- Shantanu Gupta
- D - none

The recently launched graphic novel , ' Ajay to Yogi Adityanath ' has created history by making it to the Asia Book of Records for the most number of book launches . This remarkable novel written by the famous writer Shantanu Gupta is the Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Yogi Adityanath It is based on the life of A.K. , which traces his journey from humble beginnings to the pinnacle of political leadership . 'Ajay to Yogi Adityanath ' is not just a graphic novel ; It is a historical record of a remarkable journey . Yogi Adityanath 's life story , as That is vividly portrayed by Shantanu Gupta , serves as an inspiration to countless individuals attempting to overcome obstacles and make a significant impact on society .

6. Which railway station has recently received the ' Green Railway Station ' certificate ?

- A- Varanasi Railway Station
- B- Gorakhpur Railway Station
- C- Vijayawada Railway Station
- D- none of these

Vijayawada Railway Station was awarded the ' Green Railway Station ' certificate with the highest rating of Platinum by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) for its efforts in improving environmental standards and providing eco - friendly services to passengers . This is more than gold in 2019 The station 's rating is scheduled to be upgraded to platinum in 2023 . Some of these measures include use of star - rated electrical appliances , LED lights , installation of sewage treatment plants to recycle waste water , periodic monitoring of smoke emissions . These include testing , increasing green coverage , improving facilities for passengers , provision of medical facilities , proximity to bus stops , avoiding single - use plastics , effective waste segregation and use of extensive mechanized cleaning for its disposal .

7. Dennis Osteen has passed away recently . Who was he ?

- A- Writer
- B- Journalist
- C- Software Developer
- D - none

Dennis Austin , the co - creator of the tool PowerPoint of Microsoft , one of the world 's largest companies , has passed away in California , America . Austin , the creator of Power Point tool , dies at 76 after prolonged illness Died at the age of . Forethought was founded by two former Apple employees . Austin played a key role in the creation of PowerPoint after Microsoft acquired Forethought in 1987 . He retired from Microsoft in 1996 . birth of austin Born on May 28 , 1947 in Pittsburgh . He studied engineering at the University of Virginia .

8. Which country has recently signed an agreement with France to buy 10 Airbus aircraft ?

- A- Sri Lanka
- B- Bangladesh
- C- Afghanistan
- D - none

Bangladesh's leading airline Biman Airlines has signed an agreement to buy 10 Airbus A350 from France. Both the countries have expressed commitment on this. The value of this agreement is estimated to be around US \$ 3.2 billion. Biman Airlines earlier purchased planes from American manufacturer Boeing. The airline has

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more than 20 Boeing aircraft in its fleet. Biman is a 51 year old airline of Bangladesh.

ONE LINER

Who has become SAFF U-16 football champion – **India**
To which country has India handed over the presidency of G20 – **Brazil**
How many years is Simona Halep banned for doping - **4 years**
India and which country have signed cooperation agreement in energy sector - **Saudi Arabia**
Which country has once again claimed the title of the best country in the world - **Switzerland**
According to recent reports , who has been on top in criminal cases against MPs – **Kerala**
Which country has recently signed an agreement with France to buy 10 Airbus aircraft – **Bangladesh**
Social Welfare Initiative Kalaingar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam Scheme is being launched in which state - **Tamil Nadu**
How many billion US dollars has Britain committed to the ' Green Climate Fund ' - **two billion US dollars**
Which railway station has been awarded the ' Green Railway Station ' certificate with the highest rating of Platinum by the Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) - **Vijayawada Railway Station**