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## 1. Srinivasan K. Swamy elected Chairman of Audit Bureau of Circulation (ABC) for 2023-2024



R. Of. Swami Hansa Group Executive Chairman Srinivasan K. Swamy has been elected Chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulation (ABC) for the term 2023-2024. This important appointment reflects Mr. Swamy's extensive experience and leadership in the advertising and media industry. Along with Mr. Swamy, other prominent personalities were also selected for key positions within the Bureau for the coming year. Srinivasan K. Swamy is a renowned personality in the advertising and media world. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Asian Federation of Advertising Associations and has held important leadership roles in several major organizations. These include the International Advertising Association (IAA), IAA India Chapter, Confederation of Asian Advertising Agency Associations, Advertising Agency Associations of India, Advertising Standards Council of India, All India Management Associations, Madras Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and Madras Management Associations. Srinivasan K. Swamy's contribution to the industry has been recognized by the Advertising Agency Associations of India (AAAI) with the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award. Riyad Mathew, chief associate editor and director of Malayala Manorama, will act as the vice-chairman representing publisher members on the council. Mohit Jain, Executive Director, Bennett, Coleman & Co. Ltd., has been unanimously elected as the Secretary of the Bureau, representing publisher members on the Council. Vikram Sakhuja, Partner and Group CEO Media & OOH, Madison Communications Pvt Ltd, has been unanimously re-elected as Treasurer of the Bureau, which represents members of advertising agencies on the Council.

## 2. RBI's financial inclusion index reached 60.1 in March



The overall financial inclusion index of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) increased to 60.1 in March, 2023 showing an increase in all parameters. This index of RBI is based on compilation of data related to various aspects of financial inclusion. This index is prepared on the basis of a value range from zero to 100. RBI said in a statement that the financial inclusion index for the financial year ending March 2023 stood at 60.1 points while in March 2022 it stood at 56.4. During this period, growth has been recorded in all sub-indices. According to the statement, expansion of access and quality dimensions played an important role in improving the financial inclusion index. The Reserve Bank had introduced the concept of a composite index in August 2021 after consultation with the government and various regulators. It includes details related to banking, investment, insurance, postal service and pension sectors. The Financial Inclusion Index is based on three broad parameters. In this, the weightage of access is 35 percent, the weightage of utilization is 45 percent and the weightage of quality is 20 percent. The FI index provides a single numerical value on a scale from 0 to 100. In this scale, a score of 0 indicates complete financial exclusion, while a score of 100 indicates complete financial inclusion.

## 3. Rahul Naveen takes charge as Director of Enforcement Directorate



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Rahul Naveen will be the executive director of the Enforcement Directorate. Rahul Naveen will hold the post till the appointment of the new director of ED. The most senior officer is IRS officer Rahul Naveen. He is from the Income Tax cadre and is a 1993 batch Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officer. Along with this, he is also working as Special Director at Headquarters as well as Chief Vigilance Officer of ED. Rahul Naveen has been given the responsibility of the post of ED Director. Let us tell you that the tenure of current ED Director Sanjay Mishra is ending on September 15. Sanjay Kumar Mishra took over the post of ED Director in 2018. After this he was given extension. Sanjay Mishra is a 1984 batch IRS officer and his tenure was fixed till 18 November 2023. His third service extension was challenged in the Supreme Court. On July 11, the Supreme Court had reprimanded the Center and termed it illegal and had directed him to step down by July 31, but the Center had extended his tenure by giving an extension. However, the apex court had ordered termination of his tenure on September 15. Rahul Naveen is originally from Bihar. They are known for their efficient and calm behaviour. It is said about him in the investigating agency that he himself speaks very little. But he is said to be an expert in using the pen. They are very organized and work in a legal manner. He is considered a very sharp officer. It is said about him in the investigating agency that he himself speaks very little. But he is said to be an expert in using the pen. They are very organized and work in a legal manner. He is considered a very sharp officer. It is said about him in the investigating agency that he himself speaks very little. But he is said to be an expert in using the pen. They are very organized and work in a legal manner. He is considered a very sharp officer.

## 4. BAE Systems, L&T join hands to bring all-terrain vehicle in India



BAE Systems Inc. and Larsen & Toubro Ltd. (L&T) have partnered to bring the world-leading Articulated All-Terrain Vehicle (AATV), BVS10, to the Indian market, the company announced through an exchange filing. The two companies have signed an agreement to offer the BvS10 for the Indian Armed Forces programme. Under the agreement, L&T is the lead bidder for the Indian market, in collaboration with BAE Systems Haglunds, the Swedish manufacturer of the highly successful BvS10 family of vehicles. BAE Systems and L&T have upgraded the BVS10 to meet the specific requirements of the Indian Armed Forces. This new version will be known as "BVS10-Sindhu". The AATV program aims to equip L&T's Armored System Complex with Integrated Logistic Support (ILS), Vehicle has to be delivered from Hazira. "Our BvS10 all-terrain vehicle will demonstrate critical capabilities required by the Indian Army when it participates in trials later this month. Unmatched mobility, flexibility and the ability to operate in extreme climatic conditions are at the core of the BvS10 design," said Tommy Gustafsson-Rask, Managing Director of BAE Systems Hägglunds. "Our teaming with Larsen & Toubro gives us the opportunity to expand into the Indo-Pacific market."

## 5. NABARD and UNDP India join hands for data-driven agricultural innovation

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United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to co-create data-driven innovations in agriculture and food systems to support smallholder farmers. Under this MoU both organizations will work to improve the lives and livelihoods of smallholder farmers by sharing open-source data to support product development, technology transfer and formulation of agricultural policies. The MoU was signed by NABARD Chief General Manager Sanjeev Rohilla and UNDP Deputy Resident Representative Isabel San. Under the MoU, UNDP will leverage its expertise in open innovations, data collaboration, data science approaches and global information to support NABARD's agenda of data-driven decision making in agricultural investments. This includes enhancing and disseminating collaborative digital public goods such as DICRA (Data in Climate Resilient Agriculture). DICRA is a collaborative digital public good that provides open access to key geospatial datasets related to climate resilient agriculture. DICRA has been created by UNDP and partner organizations to inform public investment in agriculture. It already provides climate resilience information for India's 50 million hectares of agricultural land. Under this partnership, NABARD will maintain and maintain the DICRA platform with technical support from UNDP to enhance its use. It will also use its key geospatial datasets for policy making, research and development activities. This five-year technical collaboration is envisioned to promote collective climate action, provide a new platform to enhance economic empowerment in rural India, and introduce new product offerings.

**6. Aadhaar, driving license, birth certificate will be single document for jobs from next month**



The Union Home Ministry has unveiled notable amendments in the use of birth certificates for essential services, which will come into effect from October 1, 2023. These changes, driven by the Registration of Births and Deaths (Amendment) Act, 2023, are designed to enhance the efficiency and transparency of public service delivery. The Act establishes a national registry of births and deaths under the supervision of the Registrar General of India. State level Chief Registrars and Registrars will also maintain similar databases. Previously, specific individuals, such as medical officers, were responsible for reporting births and deaths. Now, the list of correspondents has expanded. This includes adoptive parents for non-institutional adoption, biological parents for birth through surrogacy, and single parents or unmarried mothers for the birth of their child. Act authorized authorities with the approval of the Central Government, Allows sharing of national databases such as population registers and electoral rolls. Similarly, state databases can be shared with state-sanctioned authorities. If anyone disagrees with the action or order of the Registrar or District Registrar, they can appeal to the concerned District Registrar or Chief Registrar within 30 days of receiving the order. A decision on the appeal must be made within 90 days.

**7. Brigadier Sanjay Kumar Mishra, a famous ophthalmologist in Pune, was named Dr. A.M. honored with Gokhale Award**



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Renowned Ophthalmologist Brigadier Sanjay Kumar Mishra of Indian Army Research and Referral Hospital was awarded the prestigious "Dr. A.M. Gokhale Award" in Pune. Dr. A.M. Gokhale was a renowned teacher of ophthalmology and his students progressed to become luminaries of ophthalmology in the country. Brigadier Mishra is one of the highest decorated officers of the Indian Armed Forces Medical Services. Sanjay Kumar Mishra has performed surgery on two serving Presidents of India. Brigadier Sanjay Kumar Mishra is a resident of Mau, Uttar Pradesh and has completed his tuition from Prayagraj. He has been awarded the Bar to Sena Medal (Distinguished) by the President of India just before 26 January 2021. Earlier he was awarded the Sena Medal and Bar to Vishisht Seva Medal (VSM). Establishing his residency at Command Hospital, Lucknow, he established the State of the Art Retina Center in 2018 keeping in mind the patients from different states. Brigadier Mishra is one of the highest decorated officers of the Indian Armed Forces Medical Services. Apart from this, it is also claimed about the military surgeon that he is the only ophthalmologist who has performed surgeries on two Presidents of India including Ramnath Kovind while in service. A release issued by Rashtrapati Bhavan said that the Medical Dialogues team had earlier informed that the cataract operation of the right eye of President Draupadi Murmu has been done at the Army Hospital (Referral and Research).

## 8. India gets its first Airbus C295 aircraft



The Indian Air Force has received its first C-295 transport aircraft from the European company Airbus Defense and Space. Now this aircraft is reaching India on 15th September. The first C 295 transport aircraft has been delivered to the Indian Air Force in Spain. For this, Indian Air Force Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhary has reached Spain. After taking delivery of the aircraft, the Air Force Chief also flew in the new aircraft. These aircraft can do short take-off and landing. According to experts, this aircraft can take-off at a distance of only 320 meters. It requires only 670 meters length for landing. In such a situation, this aircraft can take part in Air Force operations in hilly areas like Ladakh, Kashmir, Assam and Sikkim near the India-China border. The aircraft can carry a weight of 5 to 10 tonnes. The plane carried with it at one time 71 soldiers, 44 paratroopers, Can carry 24 stretchers or 5 cargo pallets. Along with this, this transport aircraft can fly for 11 hours at a speed of 480 kilometers per hour. During the meeting, matters related to strengthening bilateral relations between the two countries were discussed. The deal signed with Airbus Defense and Space is for 56 aircraft. Of these, 16 aircraft are being manufactured in Spain while the remaining 40 aircraft will be manufactured by Tata Advanced Systems Company in Vadodara, Gujarat. This aircraft is built at the Seville plant in Spain. It will be inducted into the Air Force on September 25 at Hindon Airbase. Manufacturing is taking place in Spain while the remaining 40 aircraft will be manufactured by Tata Advanced Systems Company in Vadodara, Gujarat. This aircraft is built at the Seville plant in Spain. It will be inducted into the Air Force on September 25 at Hindon Airbase. Manufacturing is taking place in Spain while the remaining 40 aircraft will be manufactured by Tata Advanced Systems Company in Vadodara, Gujarat. This aircraft is built at the Seville plant in Spain. It will be

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inducted into the Air Force on September 25 at Hindon Airbase.

## QUIZ

1. When was International Day of Democracy celebrated recently?

A- 15 September

B- 13 September

C- 14 September

D- 12 September

International Democracy Day, observed every year on 15 September, is a global observance that underlines the importance of democracy as a fundamental human right and the cornerstone of good governance and peace. Established in 2007 by a resolution passed by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), the day serves as a reminder of the essential role of democracy in shaping societies around the world. Democracy, derived from the Greek words 'demos' (meaning citizen of a city-state) and 'kratos' (meaning 'power' or 'rule' form of government), is a core value of the United Nations. It includes principles such as respect for human rights, fundamental freedoms, and the practice of holding periodic and genuine elections through universal suffrage. At its core, democracy gives citizens the right to elect their leaders and actively participate in the decision-making processes that affect their lives.

2. Recently the Chief Minister of which state has launched 'Griha Aadhar Yojana'?

A-Assam

B- Goa

C- Kerala

D-all

Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant distributed Home Aadhaar Sanction Orders to several beneficiaries at an event organized at Ravindra Bhawan, Sankhali. Organized by the Directorate of Women and Child Development, the initiative aims to support housewives financially, promote their independence and improve their quality of life. Chief Minister Pramod Sawant also launched Chavth e Bazaar, a digital initiative to empower entrepreneurs and self-help groups of Goa under the Swayampura Goa program organized by the Directorate of Planning, Statistics and Evaluation. The Chief Minister also

flagged off the Chavth e Bazaar vehicle, symbolizing a new era of empowerment for rural artisans and entrepreneurs in Goa.

3. Who has recently become the new chairperson of MasterCard India?

A- Sindhu Gangadharan

B- Rajneesh Kumar

C- Neeraj Mittal

D-none

Former State Bank of India (SBI) chairman Rajneesh Kumar has been appointed as the new chairperson of credit card company Mastercard India. The move reflects Mastercard's commitment to strengthening its presence in India and navigating the dynamic landscape of domestic payments. Kumar, former chairman of State Bank of India (SBI), brings a wealth of experience to the post. Rajneesh Kumar's career spans nearly four decades in India's largest bank, State Bank of India. During his tenure, he held various leadership positions and was instrumental in managing important operations not only in India but also in the UK and Canada. His contributions to the banking sector are well acknowledged, one of his notable achievements is leading the YONO platform, a groundbreaking digital banking initiative.

4. Recently the Chief Minister of which state has launched the Chief Minister Sampurna Pushti Yojana?

A-Karnataka

B- Odisha

C-Uttar Pradesh

D-none

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik launched 'Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pushti Yojana' in the state to meet the nutritional needs of people like mothers, teenage girls and children. Along with this, the Chief Minister also started the post confirmation scheme. Under this scheme, provision has been made to provide supplementary nutrition to all adolescent girls aged 15 to 19 years and dry food to pregnant women and expectant mothers. Besides, a provision has been made to provide complete food, vitamin rich Chhatua (roasted gram) to severely malnourished children and eggs to moderately malnourished children and underweight children.

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5. When is National Engineers Day celebrated every year?

A- 10th September

B- 13 September

C- 14 September

D- 15 September

National Engineers Day is celebrated every year on 15 September in India. 15th September is the birth anniversary of M Visvesvaraya. He was a great engineer. The full name of M Visvesvaraya was Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. He is also known as Sir MV. Sir MV is called the first civil engineer of India. In view of his contribution towards the country, the date of his birthday was chosen as Engineer's Day. Every year a new theme of Engineers Day is decided. This year in 2023, the theme of National Engineers Day 2023 has been decided as 'Engineering for a Sustainable Future'.

6. Recently, which state government is organizing Sanskrit talent search competition for language promotion?

A-Rajasthan

B-Uttar Pradesh

C-Orissa

D-Rajasthan

Uttar Pradesh government has decided to organize Sanskrit talent search competition to promote Sanskrit language in the state. This competition will serve multiple objectives, including promoting greater interest in Sanskrit among students, identifying exceptionally talented Sanskrit scholars and providing financial assistance to them to promote their academic activities. Students from class 6 to post graduation can participate. Currently, district level talent hunt competitions are going on in all the districts of the state, and an encouraging response has been seen from the students. The division level competition will be held between 20th to 29th September.

7. Recently 'Rio Kapadia' passed away. Who was he?

A-Writer

B-singer

C- Actor

D-none

Actor Rio Kapadia has passed away. Give them whatever you want! Known for films like! He was 66

years old. Kapadia played supporting roles in films and TV shows like Khuda Hafiz, The Big Bull, Agent Vinod, Kutumb and Sapne Suhane Ladakpan Ke. He was recently seen in Made in Heaven-2. In this series, he played the role of father of Mrinal Thakur's character. Apart from 'Happy New Year ', 'Mardaani ', 'Pradhanmantri ', 'Hum Hain Rahi Kar Ke ', 'Shri ', 'Ek Anthoni ', 'Mumbai Meri Jaan ' and 'Dil Chahta Hai ', Rio has done 'Chak De India'. ' Have also worked in. Apart from this, he was also very active in the TV world. He played the character of Pandu in Star Plus's popular historical serial 'Mahabharata '. Which came in the year 2013. Apart from this, he has also got a lot of recognition from 'Sapne Suhane Ladakpan Ke ' .

8. Recently, the Governor of which state has given the Gadchicherla Award to Mandali Buddha Prasad?

A- Madhya Pradesh

B-Andhra Pradesh

C-Orissa

D-none

Governor S. Abdul Nazeer presented the Gadcherla Award 2023 to Mandali Buddha Prasad, former chairman of the Andhra Pradesh Official Language Commission, at Krishna University in Machilipatnam. "Gadicherla Harisarvottam Rao was at the forefront of the freedom movement in Andhra Pradesh and was a nationalist, eminent freedom fighter, versatile talent, journalist, poet, playwright, legislator, social reformer. Freedom Movement at a Very Young Age Harisarvotham Rao was called the father of the library movement because he dedicated the latter part of his life to the library movement and wanted the youth of this country to develop the habit of reading, so that they would be equipped with knowledge. And become enlightened. He was a dedicated Gandhian and his life itself was a message and remains as an icon for the youth of today and will be remembered for generations to come.

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Where will the Divya Kala Mela be organized recently -

**Varanasi**

To which country has China recently appointed its ambassador – **Afghanistan**

What is the theme of National Engineers Day 2023-  
**'Engineering for a sustainable future'**

Recently the Transport Department of which state has decided to introduce National Common Mobility Card -  
**Haryana**

The Union Cabinet has recently approved the expansion of which scheme – **Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana**

In which state will the fourth edition of the World Trade Expo be organized – **Maharashtra**

Which state government has recently started an insurance cover of Rs 4 lakh for gig workers -  
**Karnataka**

Recently Obaidul Hasan has been appointed the Chief Justice of which country – **Bangladesh**

Which state government has recently signed an agreement with Spain's La Liga for the development of football - **West Bengal**

The logo for The Achievers IAS Academy is a large, light red oval. Inside the oval, the word "The" is written in a cursive font at the top. Below it, the word "ACHIEVERS" is written in large, bold, white, sans-serif capital letters. At the bottom of the oval, the words "IAS ACADEMY" are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. The entire logo is centered on the page.

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