

# Sam-Samayik Ghatna Chakra

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## National

-Lal Bahadur Shastri National Academy of  
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- ➔ Where was the 40<sup>th</sup> Coast Guard Commanders Conference held? (30 November, 2023)  
-New Delhi
- ➔ Who inaugurated this conference?  
-Rajnath Singh, Defense Minister
- ➔ Where was the 10000th Jan Aushadhi Center inaugurated? (30 November, 2023)  
- AIIMS Deoghar, Jharkhand
- ➔ Who inaugurated this centre?  
-Prime Minister Narendra Modi
- ➔ Which portal has been launched to make city data easily available?(November, 2023)  
-AMPLIFI 2.0 Portal
- ➔ Which ministry launched this portal?  
-Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- ➔ What is the full form of AMPLIFI?  
-Assessment and Monitoring Platform for Liveable, Inclusive and Future-Ready Urban India
- ➔ Where was the 9th India Food Expo-2023 held?(1-3 December, 2023)  
-Lucknow
- ➔ This food expo was organized by  
- The India Industries Association
- ➔ Partner Country  
-Vietnam
- ➔ Where was the 7th Military Literature Festival 2023 organized? (2- 3 December, 2023)  
- Chandigarh
- ➔ Theme  
- World in Turmoil
- ➔ Where was the guide on 'Gender-Inclusive Communication' launched? (28 November 2023)  
- New Delhi
- ➔ This guide was launched by  
- Smriti Irani, Union Minister of Women and Child Development
- ➔ This guide was prepared by
- ➔ Where was Asia's largest open-air annual trade fair 'Bali Jatra' held?(27 November-4 December, 2023)  
-Cuttack, Odisha
- ➔ Where is India's largest circular railway network projected? (27 November, 2023)  
- Bengaluru, Karnataka
- ➔ What will be the length of this network? -287 km
- ➔ Which series was awarded the 'Best Series Award' at the 4th Filmfare OTT Awards 2023? (26 November, 2023)  
-Scoop
- ➔ Best Series Critics  
-Trial by Fire
- ➔ Best Director Series  
- Vikramaditya Motwane (Jubilee)
- ➔ Best Actor Series (Male) Drama  
- Surinder Vicky (Kohrra)
- ➔ Best Actor Series (Female) Drama  
- Rajshree Deshpande (Trial by Fire)
- ➔ Which photo journalist passed away at the age of 97? (27 November, 2023)  
-Zaverilal Mehta
- ➔ Zaverilal Mehta was related to which state?  
-Gujarat
- ➔ Who was awarded the Golden Peacock Award for Best Film at the 54th IFFI?(28 November 2023)  
- Endless Borders (Persian Language)
- ➔ Who is the director of Endless Borders?  
-Abbas Amini
- ➔ Who was awarded the Silver Peacock Award for Best Director? -Stephan Komanderev (Bulgaria)
- ➔ For which film was this award been given to Stephan Komanderev?  
-Blaga's Lessons
- ➔ Who was awarded the Silver Peacock Award for Best Actor (Male)?  
-Pouria Rahimi Sam

- Pouria Rahimi Sam was given this award for which film? **-Endless Borders**
- Who was awarded the Silver Peacock Award for Best Actress? **-Melanie Thierry**
- Melanie Thierry was given this award for which film? **-Party of Fools**
- Which Indian filmmaker has been honoured with the Special Jury Award? **-Rishab Shetty**
- Rishab Shetty was given this award for which film? **-Kantara**
- Who has been awarded for the Best Debut Feature Film of a Director? **-Regar Azad Kaya**
- Regar Azad Kaya was given this award for which film? **-When the Seedlings Grow**
- Which web series won the Inaugural OTT award for Web series at the 54th IFFI?(28 November 2023) **-Panchayat-2**
- What is the new name given to Ayushman Bharat - Health and Wellness Center?(26 November, 2023) **-Ayushman Arogya Mandir**
- When was the Ayushman Bharat Yojana started? **-2018**
- Ayushman Bharat scheme known as **- Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana(PM-JAY)**
- When will the second phase of Kashi Tamil Sangamam be held? **-17-30 December 2023**
- Where will this Sangamam be organized? **-Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh**
- Where was the first phase of this Sangamam organized? **-Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh**
- When was the first phase held? **-November-December 2022**
- Where was Hamfest India 2023 organized? (25- 26 November, 2023) **- Ahmedabad, Gujarat**
- Who inaugurated this conference? **-Minister of State for Communications Devusinh Chauhan**
- Where was the second floating mobile re-fuelling (MRU) CNG station for boats inaugurated? (26 November, 2023) **- Ravidas Ghat, Varanasi.**
- Who inaugurated MRU CNG station? **-Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri**
- Which state has approved the construction of the country's first Telecom Centre of Excellence? (November, 2023) **- Uttar Pradesh**
- In which district of Uttar Pradesh will this centre be established? **-Saharanpur**
- Telecom Centre of Excellence in Saharanpur will be built in campus of which IIT? **- IIT Roorkee**
- When will the foundation stone of this centre be laid? **-5 December, 2023**
- Which ministry presented National Metallurgist Award 2022? (22 November 2023) **- Ministry of Steel**
- In how many categories was this award conferred? **-4**
- How many people were conferred with this award? **-5**
1. Lifetime Achievement Award **-Dr Kamachi Mudali Uthandi**
  2. National Metallurgist Award **-Dr Debashish Bhattacharjee**
  3. Young Metallurgist (Environment) Award **-Dr Niloy Kundu**
  4. R&D in Iron & Steel Sector **-Dr Rameshwar Sah**
  5. Award Young Metallurgist (Metal Science) Award **-Agilan Muthumanickam**
- Who has been honored with Dr. Pritam Singh's Transformational Leader Award 2023? (20 November, 2023) **-C Raj Kumar**
- Who is C Raj Kumar? Founder Vice **-Chancellor of OP Jindal Global University**
- When is Constitution Day observed every year in India? **-26 November**
- When was the Constitution of India (partially) adopted? **-26 November 1949**
- Which film won the Best Short Film Award in the 75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow category at the 54th International Film Festival of India?(24 November 2023) **- Odh**
- Which state will launch 'Mission Daksh' to improve the academic performance of government school children?(1 December, 2023) **- Bihar**
- Who won the Booker Prize 2023?(26 November, 2023) **- Paul Lynch**
- Paul Lynch has been given this award for which of his novels? **- Prophet Song**
- Paul Lynch belongs to which country? **-Ireland**

- ➔ Which institute published Network Readiness Index 2023? (November, 2023) **-Portulance Institute**
- ➔ How many countries (Economies) are included in the index? **-134**
- ➔ **Top 3 countries in the index**
- ➔ USA (Score-76.91)
- ➔ Singapore(Score-76.81)
- ➔ Finland(Score-76.19)
- ➔ **The bottom 3 countries in the index**
- ➔ 134.Burundi(Score-20.62)
- ➔ 133.Chad (Score-20.82)
- ➔ **Democratic Republic of Congo (Score-21.09)**
- ➔ What is India's rank in the index? **-60(Score 49.93)**
- ➔ What was India's rank in the index for the year 2022? **- 61**
- ➔ How many Indian women have been included in the BBC 100 Inspiring and Influential Women list? (21 November, 2023) **-4**
- ➔ **1. Harmanpreet Kaur (Entertainment and Sports Category)**
- ➔ **2. Dia Mirza(Entertainment and Sports Category)**
- ➔ **3. Jetsunma Tenzin Palmo (Culture and Educational Category)**
- ➔ **4. Aarti Kumar Rao (Climate Pioneers Category)**
- ➔ When is International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women observed every year? **-25 November, 2023**
- ➔ Theme: **- Unite! Invest to Prevent Violence Against Women and Girls**
- ➔ When is World Heritage Week observed? **-19- 25 November**
- ➔ What is its purpose? **-To spread awareness about traditions and culture**
- ➔ When is Lachit Diwas observed every year? **-24 November**
- ➔ Birth anniversary of Which great personality is observed this day? **- Lachit Borphukan**
- ➔ When was Lachit Borphukan born? **-24 November, 1622**
- ➔ Where was he born? **-Charaideo, Assam**
- ➔ Who was Lachit Borphukan? **-General of the Ahom Empire**
- ➔ In which battle did Lachit Borphukan defeat the Mughals? **-Battle of Saraighat**
- ➔ When was the battle of Saraighat fought? **-1671**
- ➔ Where were Gopal Ratna Awards-2023 presented?(26 November, 2023) **- Guwahati, Assam**
- ➔ In how many categories is this award given? **-3**
- ➔ 1. Best Dairy Farmer Rearing Indigenous Cattle/ buffalo Breeds
- ➔ 1st **- Ram Singh, Karnal, , Haryana.**
- ➔ 2. Best Dairy Cooperative/ Milk Producer Company/ Dairy Farmer Producer Organization).
- ➔ 1st **- Pulpally Ksheerolpadaka Sahakarana Sangam D Ltd, Wayanad, Kerala.**
- ➔ 3. Best Artificial Insemination Technician (AIT)
- ➔ 1st **- Suman Kumar Sah, Araria, Bihar,**
- ➔ When is National Dairy Day observed? **-26 November**
- ➔ Where was the Hot Cooked Meal Scheme launched in Uttar Pradesh?(24 November, 2023) **- Ayodhya**
- ➔ Where will this scheme be implemented? **-Anganwadi Center**
- ➔ This scheme is for children of which age group? **-3- 6 years**
- ➔ Where was the first Global Professional Accountants Convention (GloPAC) held? (24- 26 November, 2023) **- Gandhinagar, Gujarat**
- ➔ The convention was organised by **- Institute of Chartered Accountants (ICAI)**
- ➔ Theme : **- Connecting the Globe, Creating Value**
- ➔ The convention was inaugurated by **-Vice President, Jagdeep Dhankhar**
- ➔ A coin and commemorative stamp of Rs 525 were unveiled on the occasion of the 525th birth anniversary of-(23 November, 2023) **- Sant Mirabai**
- ➔ The coin and commemorative stamp were unveiled by **-Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
- ➔ The composition of the coin is **-Quaternary Alloy**
- ➔ Silver **-50%**
- ➔ Copper **-40%**
- ➔ Nickel **-5%**
- ➔ Zinc **-5%**
- ➔ What is the weight of the coin? **-35 Grams**
- ➔ Where was the SantMirabaiJanmotsav program organized? **-Mathura, Uttar Pradesh**

- ➔ Which fish has been declared as the state fish by Gujarat?(21 November,2023) **-Ghol fish**
- ➔ What are its other names?  
**-Black-spotted croake and sea gold**
- ➔ Where was this announcement made?  
**-At the Global Fisheries Conference India 2023**
- ➔ Where was the Global Fisheries Conference India 2023 held? **-Ahmedabad**
- ➔ Which initiative has been launched for physicians practicing in the field of Ayurveda? **-AGNI**
- ➔ What is the full form of AGNI?  
**-Ayurveda GyanNaipunya Initiative**
- ➔ This initiative has been launched by  
**- Central Council for Research in Ayurvedic Sciences (CCRAS)**
- ➔ Where was the world's first 3D printed temple unveiled?(November,2023)  
**- Burugupally Siddhipet, Telangana**
- ➔ Which first woman judge of the Supreme Court died at the age of 96, what is her name? (23 November 2023) **- M.FatimaBeevi**
- ➔ When did Fatima Beevi become the judge of the Supreme Court? **-1989**
- ➔ When did she retire? **-1992**
- ➔ Her tenure as the member of National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) was **- 1993- 1997**
- ➔ She was the governor of which state? **-Tamil Nadu**
- ➔ Her tenure as Governor of Tamil Nadu was  
**-1997-2001**
- ➔ Who chaired the Virtual G-20 summit ? (22 November, 2023)  
**- Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
- ➔ What was the main objective of the conference?  
**-To discuss the implementation of the Delhi Declaration**
- ➔ Where was the eighth edition of the India Water Impact Summit (IWIS) held? (22- 24 November, 2023) **- New Delhi**
- ➔ Who inaugurated the Summit?  
**-Union Minister Nitin Gadkari**
- ➔ Who organized the Summit?  
**-National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) and Center for Ganga River Basin**
- Management and Studies (cGanga)**
- ➔ What is C Ganga? **-A think tank**
- ➔ What was the theme of the Summit?  
**-Development vis-a-vis Land, Water and Rivers**
- ➔ Where was the National SC-ST Hub Mega Conclave organized? (22 November, 2023)  
**- Jalaun, Uttar Pradesh**
- ➔ This conclave was organized by  
**- the Ministry of Micro,Small & Medium Enterprises (MSME)**
- ➔ Where was the 2nd CII India-Nordic Baltic Business Conclave 2023 held?(22- 23 November 2023)  
**- New Delhi**
- ➔ This conference was organized by?  
**-CII in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs**
- ➔ Who has been named the brand ambassador of West Bengal?(21 November, 2023)  
**- SouravGanguly, former Indian cricket captain**
- ➔ The national education campaign named New Education for New India was launched by- (22 November) **- President Droupadi Murmu**
- ➔ From where was this campaign launched?  
**-Brahma KumarisIshwariya University, Sambalpur, Odisha**
- ➔ Who released the list of 10 most popular Indian artists of the year 2023? (22 November, 2023)  
**- IMDB**
1. **Shah Rukh Khan**
  2. **Alia Bhatt,**
  3. **Deepika Padukone**
  4. **Vamiqa Gabbi**
  5. **Nayanthara**
  6. **Tamannaah Bhatia**
  7. **Kareena Kapoor Khan**
  8. **Sobhita Dhulipala**
  9. **Akshay Kumar**
  10. **Vijay Sethupathi**
- ➔ What is the full form of IMDB?  
**-Internet Media Data Base**
- ➔ The book 'Do Palkon Ki Chhavn Main' was released by- (November, 2023)  
**- Prasoon Joshi, poet, lyricist and CBIFC chief**
- ➔ Who is the author of this book?  
**-Dr.Hema Joshi, Noted Academician**



# International

- ➔ When is International Jaguar Day observed every year? **-29 November**
- ➔ When is the Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare observed? **-30 November**
- ➔ Who has been named the winner of UNHCR Nansen Refugee Award 2023? (28 November, 2023)  
**- Abdullahi Mire**
- ⊖ Why has Abdullah Mire been given this award?  
**-For providing 100,000 books to children in Dadaab refugee camps in Kenya.**
- ⊖ Who is Abdullah Mire? **-A journalist and former refugee from Somalia**
- ➔ Which American diplomat and Nobel laureate passed away at the age of 100?(29 November, 2023)  
**-Henry A. Kissinger**
- ⊖ In which year was Henry Kissinger awarded the Nobel Peace Prize? **-1973**
- ⊖ Who was jointly presented Nobel Peace Prize with Henry Kissinger in 1973? **- Le Duc Tho (Vietnam)**
- ➔ Name the first country in South Asia to register same-sex marriage? (29 November, 2023) **- Nepal**
- ➔ Who is third time re-elected as President of Madagascar? (November, 2023)  
**-Andrey Rajoelina**
- ⊖ His previous terms as President were  
**- 2009-2014 and 2019-2023**
- ➔ Which city is the host of the World Climate Action Summit 2023 or COP 28? (30 November,2023)  
**- Dubai, UAE**
- ⊖ What is the duration of COP 28?  
**- 30 November 2023 – 12 December 2023**
- ⊖ Where was COP 27 held?  
**- Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt**
- ➔ Where was the 11th edition of the WISE Summit(WISE 11)held?(28-29 November,2023)  
**- Doha, Qatar**
- ⊖ What is the full form of WISE?  
**-World Innovation Summit for Education**
- ⊖ Theme  
**-Creative Fluency : Human Flourishing in the Age of AI**
- ⊖ Which Indian was awarded the WISE Prize for Education?  
**-Safeena Hussain (first Indian woman)**
- ⊖ Who is Safeena Hussain?  
**-Founder of Educate Girls (NGO)**
- ➔ Which word has been chosen by Merriam Webster Dictionary as the Word of the Year, 2023? (November, 2023) **-Authentic**
- ➔ Where was the Hump World War II Museum inaugurated? (29 November, 2023)  
**-Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh**
- ⊖ It was inaugurated by?  
**-Eric Garcetti (US Ambassador to India) and Pema Khandu (Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh)**
- ⊖ When was World War II fought? **-1939-45**
- ➔ Who has been awarded France's highest civilian award 'Legion d 'honour '(28 November, 2023)  
**- V.R. Lalithambika**
- ⊖ Who is Lalithambika?  
**-Former Director of Human Spaceflight Program Directorate, ISRO**
- ➔ Which countries have agreed to start the Trilateral Leaders Conference? (26 November, 2023)  
**- South Korea, Japan and China**
- ➔ Who was sworn in as the Prime Minister of New Zealand? (27 November, 2023)  
**- Christopher Luxon**
- ➔ Where was the 19th Working Party on Data Collection and Statistics (WPDCS 19) of the Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) held? (28 November – 2 December, 2023)  
**- Mumbai, Maharashtra**
- ⊖ This meeting was organized by  
**- Indian Ocean Tuna Commission (IOTC) and Department of Fisheries, Government of India**
- ⊖ Where is headquarter of IOTC situated?  
**-Victoria, Seychelles**
- ⊖ What is scientific name of 'Tuna' Fish? **- Thunnini**
- ➔ Where was the 4th edition of ASEAN India Grassroots Innovation Forum (AIGIF) launched? (28 November,2023) **-Langkawi, Malaysia**
- ➔ Where was the APG Annual Typologies Workshop organized? (28 November – 1 December, 2023)  
**- New Delhi**

- Organized by
  - **The Department of Revenue, Ministry of Finance in collaboration with the World Bank and the Asia Pacific Group on Money Laundering**
- Focus Streams
  - **Virtual Assets, Illegal Phishing and Tax Crimes**
- What is the full form of APG?
  - **Asia Pacific Group on Money Laundering**
- Where was the 63<sup>rd</sup> Council Meeting of the International Sugar Organization (ISO) held? (November, 2023)
  - **London, UK**
- Which country was elected as chair of the International Sugar Organization (ISO) for the year 2024?
  - **India**
- When was the International Sugar Organization (ISO) established?
  - **1968**
- Where is the headquarters of International Sugar Organization (ISO) located?
  - **London, UK**
- What is the number of members of the International Sugar Organization (ISO)?
  - **87**
- The World Coal Association (WCA) has rebranded itself as-(November ,2023)
  - **FutureCoal -The Global Alliance for Sustainable Coal**
- When was WCA established?
  - **1985**
- Where is its headquarters located?
  - **London, UK**
- How many days of ceasefire agreement have Israel and Hamas agreed to? (22 November,2023)
  - **4**
- When did the conflict between Israel and Hamas begin?
  - **7 October, 2023**
- Where was the world's largest single-site solar power plant inaugurated? (November 2023)
  - **Abu Dhabi, UAE**
- What is the name of this project?
  - **AI Dhafra Solar Photovoltaic Power Project**
- What is the capacity of this project?
  - **2 GW**
- Where was the ASEAN-India Millet Festival 2023 held?(22- 26 November, 2023)-
  - **Jakarta, Indonesia**
- Who organized this festival?
  - **The Indian Mission to ASEAN in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**
- Where was the 63<sup>rd</sup> session of the Panel of External Auditors held? (20-21 November, 2023)
  - **New York (United Nations Headquarters), USA**
- Who has been elected as the Vice-Chair of the UN Panel of External Auditors?
  - **Girish Chandra Murmu**
- Who is Girish Chandra Murmu?
  - **Current Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG)**
- Who became the first woman to be honored with the Dhahan Prize for Punjabi Literature?(16 November, 2023)
  - **Deepti Babuta**
- Deepti Babuta won this prize for which Work?
  - **Bhukh Eon Sah Laindi Hai (Hunger Breathes Like This)**
- When was this prize awarded for the first time?
  - **2014**
- Whom did Joseph Boakai defeat and win this presidential election?
  - **George Weah**
- Which country has listed Lashkar-e-Taiba as a terrorist organization? (21 November 2023)
  - **Israel**
- Where was the 9<sup>th</sup> Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) held by India and Lithuania?(21 November 2023)
  - **New Delhi**

## Economy

- Which state has launched the 'Ammam Bank Scheme'? (28 November, 2023)
  - **Odisha**
- What is the objective of this scheme?
  - **To provide banking services in all the unbanked Gram Panchayats of the state**
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved USD 500 million loans to enhance tertiary health care and medical education in which state? (23 November,2023)
  - **Maharashtra**
- Which scheme has been approved by the Union Cabinet for tribes? (29 November, 2023)
  - **Pradhan Mantri Janman (PM- JANMAN ) Yojana**
- PM- JANMAN stands for
  - **Pradhan Mantri Janjati Nyaya Maha Abhiyan**
- What is the total outlay of this scheme?
  - **Rs 24104 crore**

- What is the Centre's share in this scheme? **-Rs.15336 crore**
- What is the share of states in this? **-Rs 8768 crore**
- Who will be provided with drones for agriculture purposes as per the approved Central Sector Scheme? (29 November, 2023) **-Women Self Help Groups (SHGs)**
- What is the name of the scheme? **-‘Namo Drone Didi’**
- What is the time period of this scheme? **-2024-25 to 2025- 26**
- What is the outlay of this scheme? **-Rs 1261 crore**
- What is the target year of this scheme? **-2023- 24 to 2025- 26**
- How many women's self-help groups have been targeted to provide drones under this scheme? **-15000**
- Who released basic Animal Husbandry Statistics 2023 (Milk, Egg, Meat and Wool Production 2022-23)? (26 November, 2023) **- Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying, Parshottam Rupala**
- What was the total milk production (estimated) in the country during the financial year 2022-23? **- 230.58 million Tonnes.**
- 3 top milk producing states
  1. **Uttar Pradesh (15.72%)**
  2. **Rajasthan (14.44%)**
  3. **Madhya Pradesh (8.73%)**
- What was the total egg production (estimated) in the country during the financial year 2022-23? **-138.38 billion nos**
- 3 top egg-producing states
  1. **Andhra Pradesh (20.13%)**
  2. **Tamil Nadu (15.58%)**
  3. **Telangana (12.77%)**
- What was the total meat production (estimated) in the country during the financial year 2022-23? **-9.77 million tonnes**
- 3 top meat-producing states
  1. **Uttar Pradesh (12.20%)**
  2. **West Bengal (11.93%)**
  3. **Maharashtra (11.50%)**
- What was the total wool production (estimated) in the country during the financial year 2022-23? **-33.61 million kilograms**
- 3 top wool-producing states
  1. **Rajasthan (47.98%)**
  2. **Jammu and Kashmir (22.55%)**
  3. **Gujarat (6.01%)**
- Which ASEAN country has allowed visa-free entry for Indians? (26 November, 2023) **- Malaysia**
- Apart from India, which country has been provided this facility? **-China**
- For how many days is this facility provided? **-30**
- From when will this facility become effective? **-1 December, 2023**
- Which ministry launched training program on Natural Farming for Krishi Sakhis? (24 November, 2023) **-Ministry of Development and Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare**
- Which scheme is this program associated with? Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana **- National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY -NRLM)**
- Where was the 4th Diversity and Inclusion Excellence Awards and Conclave organized?(23 November, 2023) **- New Delhi**
- Best Employer Award for Policies in Diversity and Inclusion was presented to-(23 November, 2023) **-REC Limited**
- Awarded by **-ASSOCHAM**
- What is the category of REC Limited? **-Maharatna**
- What is the number of Maharatna companies in India? **-13**
- Who has been appointed as the Managing Director of State Bank of India? (20 November ,2023) **- Vinay M Tonse**
- Who has been appointed as the Additional Director of South Indian Bank?(November,2023) **- Lakshmi Ramakrishna Srinivas**
- Saffron of which district of Jammu and Kashmir has been granted GI tag?(November 2023) **- Kishtwar**
- Where was the Rapid Innovation and Startup Expansion Program launched? (21 November,2023) **-New Delhi**
- By whom was this program launched? **-Atal Innovation Mission and NITI Aayog**
- For what purpose has this program been launched? **-To support Australian and Indian circular economy startups to rise**

# Science

- ➔ Which international organization published World malaria report 2023? (30 November, 2023)  
- **World Health Organization**
- ➔ Name the parasite that causes malaria?  
- **Plasmodium**
- ➔ Which mosquito is the carrier of this parasite?  
- **Female Anopheles mosquito**
- ➔ On which day World AIDS Day is observed?  
- **1st December**
- ➔ What is the theme for World AIDS Day 2023?  
- **"Let Communities Lead"**
- ➔ What is the name of 1st edition of the high level virtual interaction hosted by the Indian Navy? (29 November, 2023)  
- **MAHASAGAR**
- ➔ What is the full form of MAHASAGAR?  
- **Maritime Heads for Active Security And Growth for All in the Region.**
- ➔ Which countries participated in this initiative?  
- **India, Bangladesh, Comoros, Kenya, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Mozambique, Seychelles, Sri Lanka and Tanzania.**
- ➔ What is the theme of MAHASAGAR's interaction?  
- **Collective Maritime Approach towards Countering Common Challenges**
- ➔ Defence Acquisition Council has approved Capital Acquisition Proposals worth how much? (30 November, 2023)  
- **Rs 2.23 Lakh Crore**
- ➔ What amount will be sourced from domestic industries?  
- **Rs 2.20 lakh crore (about 98%)**
- ➔ Who inaugurated Tele-Mental Health Assistance and Networking across States (Tele MANAS) Cell? (1 December, 2023)  
- **Chief of Defence Staff Gen Anil Chauhan**
- ➔ Where it was inaugurated?  
- **At the Armed Forces Medical College, Pune**
- ➔ Tele MANAS Cell will serve as a central psychological helpline for?  
- **All Armed Forces beneficiaries**
- ➔ What is the toll-free number for Tele MANAS Cell service?  
- **14416**
- ➔ Tele MANAS, an initiative of?  
- **Ministry of Health and Family Welfare**
- ➔ What is the name of new dinosaur species that has been identified in Brazil? (23 November, 2023)  
- **Farlowichnus rapidus**
- ➔ What was the size of this small carnivorous animal?  
- **about 60-90 cm tall**
- ➔ What is the name of India's 1st X-Ray Polarimeter Satellite to be launched by ISRO? (29 November, 2023)  
- **XPoSat**
- ➔ What is its expected mission life?  
- **5 years**
- ➔ It will be launched by which satellite?  
- **Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV)**
- ➔ What are the names of 2 payloads it will carry?  
- **POLIX And XSPECT**
- ➔ The Union Government has exempted which institution from the purview of the Right to Information Act, 2005? (24 November, 2023)  
- **Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In)**
- ➔ International Jaguar Day is celebrated on which day?  
- **November 29**
- ➔ What is the IUCN status of Jaguar?  
- **Near Threatened**
- ➔ Where are they found?  
- **In North and South America**
- ➔ Where was 'National Plant Computational Biology & Bioinformatics Facility' inaugurated? (29 November, 2023)  
- **National Institute of Plant Genome research (NIPGR), New Delhi**
- ➔ Who inaugurated it?  
- **Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh**
- ➔ NIPGR has completed how many years?  
- **25 years**
- ➔ What is the name of a new superior drought tolerant, climate smart chickpea variety announced for release?  
- **ADVIKA**
- ➔ Which three ships of 08 x ASW Shallow Water Craft (CSL) project were launched in Kochi? (30 November, 2023)  
- **INS Mahe, INS Malva and INS Mangrol**
- ➔ Which company built these ships?  
- **Cochin Shipyard Limited**
- ➔ Who launched these ships?  
- **They were unveiled in a ceremony attended by distinguished naval officials and their spouses.**



Mahe	Mrs Anjali Bahl and VAdm Puneet Bahl
Malva	Mrs Kangana Berry and VAdm Suraj Berry
Mangrol	Mrs Zarine Lord Singh and VAdm Sanjay J Singh

- ➔ Which telescope has captured the teenage galaxies?(November, 2023)  
- James Webb Space Telescope
- ➔ When Red Planet Day is celebrated every year?  
-28 November
- ➔ Generic medicines for how many rare diseases have been launched by the Ministry of health? (November, 2023) - 4
- ➔ These drugs will treat which diseases?  
-Tyrosinemia - type 1, Gauchers Disease, Wilson's Disease, and Dravet - Lennox Gestaut
- ➔ Which vaccine has been launched for measles and rubella in children (November 2023)-? -Mabella
- ➔ It has been developed by  
- Indian Immunologicals in partnership with Polyvac Institute Vietnam
- ➔ Where will South East Asia's first night sky sanctuary be opened? (26 November,2023) -Ladakh
- ➔ This sanctuary is being established with the help of  
-The Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bengaluru
- ➔ How many workers trapped in the Silkyara tunnel have been rescued safely? (28 November, 2023) - 41
- ➔ Where is the Silkyara Tunnel located?  
-Uttarkashi, Uttarakhand
- ➔ Which mining method was used to rescue the trapped workers?  
- Rat hole mining
- ➔ 12 member team of Rat hole miners belonged to which company?  
- Rockwell Enterprises
- ➔ Which machine was being used earlier for horizontal tunneling?  
- Auger machine
- ➔ What is the diameter for pipe used for the rescue?  
- 800 mm (32 inch)
- ➔ How many workers were trapped in the tunnel?  
- 41
- ➔ They were trapped from which date?  
- 12 November, 2023
- ➔ They were trapped in the tunnel for how many days?

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- ➔ Silkyara-Barkot tunnel in Uttarakhand is being constructed under which project?  
- Char Dham all-weather road project
- ➔ Which was the other similar type of rescue operation conducted in Thailand in 2018?  
-Tham Luang cave disaster 2018 that freed the trapped students.
- ➔ Who were the Australian tunneling experts involved in the rescue efforts?  
-Arnold Dix and Chris Cooper
- ➔ Which is the world's largest cryptocurrency exchange that was fined recently for \$4.3 billion by the US government? (22 November,2023) - Binance
- ➔ Why was it fined?  
- for violating anti money laundering norms
- ➔ Who was its former CEO? - Changpeng Zhao
- ➔ Cryptocurrency work on which technology?  
- Blockchain
- ➔ What is the name of one of the world's largest icebergs which is drifting beyond Antarctic waters? (26 November,2023) - A23a Iceberg
- ➔ What is its size? - Around 4,000 square kilometers
- ➔ Where it is presently located? - Weddell Sea
- ➔ How many countries are part of AI 'secure by design' agreement which is non-binding? (26 November, 2023) - 18
- ➔ What are their names?  
- US, Britain, Germany, Italy, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Poland, Australia, Chile, Israel, Nigeria and Singapore.
- ➔ Which startup has secured the second type certificate for medium category drones from the DGCA (28 November, 2023)? - Garuda Aerospace
- ➔ Who is the founder and CEO of Garuda Aerospace?  
- Agnishwar Jayaprakash
- ➔ In which year was Garuda Aerospace founded?  
- 2015
- ➔ Where are its headquarters located? - Chennai
- ➔ Where was 4th edition of ASEAN India Grassroots Innovation Forum (AIGIF) launched (28 November, 2023)? - Langkawi, Malaysia
- ➔ Who launched this event?  
- Mr YB Chang Lih Kang, (Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation, Government of Malaysia)

- ➔ When International Space Station (ISS) was launched which completed 25 years recently (November, 2023)? **- November 20, 1998**
- ➔ The ISS is a cooperative program between how many countries? **- 5**
- ➔ What are their names? **- Europe, United States, Russia, Canada, Japan**
- ➔ It is placed in which orbit? **-At Low Earth Orbit (430 kilometres)**
- ➔ Which country has launched its own space station called Tiangong? **- China**
- ➔ India plans to have its own space station by which year? **- 2035**
- ➔ What is the name of the 2nd most powerful cosmic rays detected recently (27 November, 2023)? **- Amaterasu**
- ➔ What is it named after? **- Japanese Sun goddess**
- ➔ What is the estimated energy level of the high-energy particle? **- 240 exa-electronvolts (EeV)**
- ➔ It was detected by? **- Telescope Array observatory in Utah (USA)**
- ➔ Telescope Array observatory is a collaboration of which countries to observe cosmic rays? **- United States, Japan, Korea, Russia, and Belgium.**
- ➔ What is the name of Pollution Response Exercise carried out by the Indian Coast Guard? (25 November, 2023) **- NATPOLREX-IX (9th National Level Pollution Response Exercise)**
- ➔ Where it was conducted? **- Vadinar, Gujarat**
- ➔ India has launched which two initiatives to advance Digital Public Infrastructure in Global South? (23 November, 2023) **- Global DPI Repository (GDPIR) and Social Impact Fund**
- ➔ Who developed Global DPI Repository (GDPIR)? **- Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)**
- ➔ Which is the first organization to obtain approval from IN-SPACe to launch commercial satellite broadband services in India (21 November, 2023)? **- OneWeb India**
- ➔ It is a subsidiary of which companies? **-Bharti Group (India) and Eutelsat Group (France)**
- ➔ Where will these satellites be deployed for providing commercial satellite broadband services? **- Low Earth Orbit**
- ➔ Where was the 9th National Level Pollution Response Exercise (NATPOLREX -IX) conducted? (25 November,2023) **-Vadinar, Gujarat**
- ➔ Which central agency organized this exercise? **-Indian Coast Guard**
- ➔ 14th Emission Gap Report 2023 released by **- UNEP**
- ➔ What is the full form of UNEP? **-United Nations Environment Programme**
- ➔ What is the famous Langlands program related to? **-Mathematics**
- ➔ Who started this program? **-Robert Langlands**
- ➔ When was this program started? **-1967**
- ➔ When was Robert Langlands awarded the Abel Prize? **-2018**
- ➔ Who will be conferred Pakistan's highest civilian honor Nishan-e-Pakistan?(22 November ,2023) **-Dr Syedna Mufaddal Saifuddin**
- ➔ Who is Dr. Syedna Mufaddal Saifuddin? **-Head of Mumbai-based Dawoodi Bohra sect of Islam**
- ➔ Where was the Carbon Neutral Presentation Ceremony held? (20 November,2023) **- London, UK**
- ➔ Which institute organised this event? **-Green Organization**
- ➔ How many awards has Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) been awarded at the Carbon Neutral Presentation Ceremony? **-2**
- 1. **CSR World Leader 2023'**
- 2. **'International CSR Excellence - 2023' Award**
- ➔ Who is the first Prime Minister to fly in a fighter plane? (25 November, 2023) **- Narendra Modi**
- ➔ In which fighter plane did the Prime Minister fly? **-Tejas**
- ➔ Where did the Prime Minister fly from? **-Aircraft Systems Testing Establishment, Bengaluru, Karnataka**
- ➔ Which railway station was given platinum certification?(23 November, 2023) **- Vijayawada**
- ➔ Given by **- Indian Green Building Council**

- ➔ Where was the Green Building Congress organized? (23 -25 November, 2023) **-Chennai, Tamil Nadu**
- ➔ Which Indian Naval ship reached Maputo Port in Mozambique with the aim of strengthening diplomatic cooperation and relations? (21 November,2023) **- INS Sumedha**
- ➔ Joint military exercise Austrahind-23 is being conducted between which countries?(22 November–6 December, 2023) **- India and Australia**
- ➔ Where is this exercise being conducted? **-Perth, Australia**
- ➔ Edition **- Second**
- ➔ A rare metal has been discovered in which river **- Satluj**
- ➔ Where did the researchers discover this metal? **-Punjab**
- ➔ Which institute discovered it? **-ITI Ropar**
- ➔ What is the name of this metal? **-Tantalum**
- ➔ What is the atomic number of Tantalum **-73**
- ➔ Who will be awarded the first Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award by the Goa Government? (November,2023) **-Dr.Mathavaraj S**
- ➔ When will this award be presented? **-13 December, 2023**
- ➔ Which field does this award belong to? **-Science and Technology**
- ➔ Who became the first woman to assume the role of the commanding officer at Armed Forces Blood Transfusion Centre, Delhi Cantt? (21 November, 2023) **-Colonel Sunita BS**
- ➔ Who is Colonel Sunita BS? **-Army Medical Corps officer**
- ➔ Which missile has been successfully tested by the Indian Navy from a warship?(22 November, 2023) **-BrahMos**
- ➔ This test was conducted by which warship? **-INS Imphal**
- ➔ INS Imphal is a stealth-guided missile destroyer of which class? **-Visakhapatnam**

## Sports

- ➔ 37<sup>th</sup> National Games 2023 was organised in which state? (26 October- 9 November, 2023) **- Goa (First time)**
- ➔ How many athletes have participated? **- About 10 thousands**
- ➔ How many sports were included in this editions? **- 43**
- ➔ Which sports were included as demonstration sports? **- Lagori and Gatka**
- ➔ How many teams have participated? **- 34**
- ➔ What is the mascot of the games? **- Moga (A bison)**
- ➔ What is the anthem of the games? **- Khel**
- ➔ What is the motto of the games? **- Get Set Goa**
- ➔ Who was chief guest at the opening ceremony of the games? **- Prime Minister Narendra Modi**
- ➔ Which team has topped the medal table? **- Maharashtra**
- ➔ How many medals have won by maharashtra? **- 228 (80 Gold, 69 Silver and 79 Bronze)**
- ➔ Which team has ranked at second place? **- Services Sports Control Board (SSCB)**
- ➔ How many medals were won by services? **- 126 (66 Gold, 27 Silver and 33 Bronze)**
- ➔ Uttar Pradesh was placed at which rank in the medal table? **- 15<sup>th</sup>**
- ➔ How many medals were won by Uttar Pradesh? **- 71 (11 Gold, 24 Silver and 36 Bronze)**
- ➔ Which team won 'Raja Bhalindra Singh Trophy' for Winning most number of gold medals? **- Maharashtra**
- ➔ Who was declared as 'Best Men Athlete'? **- Srihari Nataraj, Swimming (Karnataka)**
- ➔ Which women gymnasts were jointly declared as 'Best Women Athlete'? **- Sanyukta Prasen Kale (Maharashtra) and Pranati Nayak (Odisha)**
- ➔ Next edition (38<sup>th</sup>) of the National games will be organised in which state? **- Uttrakhand**

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