

NATIONAL

1. "Maa Bharati Ke Sapoot" website

Why in news – Rajnath Singh launched the website for the Armed Forces Battle Casualties Welfare Fund (AFBCWF).

Key Points –

- Amitabh Bachchan is the "Goodwill Ambassador".

2. UN Global Compact Initiative

Why in news – JSW Steel has joined the United Nations Global Impact (UNGC) initiative.

Key Points –

- It is the 5th Indian company in the 'Industrial Mining and Manufacturing' category to join the initiative.
- UNGC – To encourage companies to conduct business responsibly by aligning their operations and strategies with the UN's 10 Principles.

- India has been ranked behind all south Asian countries except Afghanistan.
- Sri Lanka (64), Nepal (81), Bangladesh (84) and Pakistan (99).
- 17 countries, including China, Turkey, and Kuwait, shared the top rank with GHI score of less than 5.
- GHI scores are based on 4 indicators –
 - A. Undernourishment (India - 16.3%)
 - B. Child stunting (India - 35.5%)
 - C. Child wasting (India - 19.3%)
 - D. Child mortality (India - 3.3%).

INTERNATIONAL

1. Abdul Latif Rashid

Why in news – Iraqi Parliament elected Abdul Latif Rashid as Iraq's new President.

Key Points –

- He received 162 votes, defeating Barham Salih who gained 99 votes.
- He is an active member of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan (PUK).

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

1. National Conference on Skilling in Non-Traditional Livelihood (NTL) for girls

Why in news – It was organized by Ministry of Women and Child Development (WCD).

Key Points –

- The program is named "Betiyani Bane Kushal", under Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP).
- It was held on Oct 11, 2022 to mark the International Day of the Girl Child.
- Betiyani Bane Kushal – It focuses on the skill development of girl child with a special focus on non-traditional methods for livelihoods.
- BBBP is a flagship scheme of the M/o WCD, which comes under Mission Shakti.

REPORTS & INDICES

1. Global Hunger Index 2022

Why in news – The report prepared jointly by Concern Worldwide and World Hunger Relief was released.

Key Points –

- India's rank - 107th (score of 29.1), (2021 - 101st).



SECURITY

1. Exercise "Prasthan"

Why in news – Indian Navy conducted offshore security exercise "Prasthan".

Key Points –

- It was conducted by the Eastern Naval Command off Kakinada.
- It is conducted every 6 months.

IMPORTANT DATES

1. World Student's Day 2022

Why in news – It is celebrated Oct 15 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam.

Key Points –

- He served as the 11th President of India (2002 – 2007).
- He is known as the Missile Man of India.
- He was awarded Padma Vibhushan (1990) and the Bharat Ratna (1997).

2. 5th International E-Waste Day 2022

Why in news – It is observed on Oct 14 to reflect the impacts of e-waste.

Key Points –

- Slogan 2022 - Recycle it all, no matter how small!.
- Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) forum – It is an international association of 46 e-waste producer responsibility organisations.

SPORTS

1. Kamalpreet Kaur

Why in news - Indian discus thrower Kamalpreet Kaur banned for 3 years.

Key Points –

- Reason - Doping violation.
- She was tested positive for the banned substance stanozolol, an anabolic steroid.

STATES/UTS

1. Manipur State Population Commission

Why in news - Manipur Cabinet gave its nod to the establishment of the Commission.

Key Points –

- It would bring in the 4-child norm as eligibility for families to avail benefits of government schemes, including jobs.
- There was a population growth of 153.3% in the hill districts of Manipur (1971 – 2001), which went up to 250% (2001 – 2011).

2. Megha Kayak Festival 2022

Why in news - The 5th edition of the festival (Oct 13–16, 2022) began in Meghalaya.

Key Points –

- Venue - Whitewater Village on the Umtrew River in Umtham, Ri Bhoi district.
- It is an international whitewater kayaking competition.

BIHAR

1. Rice procurement

Why in news - Government would start procurement of paddy from Nov 1 (N. Bihar) and from Nov 15 (S. Bihar).

Key Points –

- Procurement target –
 - A. Paddy - 45 lakh metric tonnes.
 - B. Rice - 30 lakh metric tonnes.
- There would be an emphasis on buying Parboiled (usna chawal) and fortified rice.
- Fortified rice is rich in iron, vitamin B-12, folic acid compared to regular rice.





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POINTERS

- Who has been elected as a member of the Executive Committee of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) - **Aparajita Sarangi.**
- Which company has signed MoU with Coal India Limited (CIL) and NLC India Limited (NLCIL) for setting up coal gasification-based plants - **Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL).**
- Which country has successfully launched its first massive space-based solar telescope Kuafu-1 – **China.**
- What was the theme of World Sight Day in 2022 - **Love Your Eyes.**
- Which company has announced its empanelment by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), allowing it to apply cloud technology to solve complex problems for government organizations - **Google Cloud.**
- Recently, in which country the Google Play Points program has been launched - **India.**
- Who has been appointed as the new CEO of the Data Security Council of India (DSCI) recently - **Vinayak Godse.**
- In which country Gandhi Museum dedicated to the life of Mahatma Gandhi has been opened recently - **USA (New Jersey Atlantic City).**
- Recently, the World Bank has given a loan of 250 million for the SALT project in which state – **Andhra Pradesh.**
- RBI has recently cancelled the license of which co-operative bank - **Seva Vikas Co-operative Bank.**



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