



# CURRENT AFFAIRS

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## NATIONAL

### 1. Kashi Tamil Sangamam

**Why in news** - Month-long Kashi Tamil Sangamam would be held in Varanasi from Nov 16 to Dec 19, 2022.

**Key Points** –

- Aim - to rediscover the links between the two ancient knowledge, culture and heritage centres.
- It was suggested by High Powered Committee for Promotion of Indian Languages, headed by Chamu Krishna Shastry.
- IIT-Madras and Banaras Hindu University are the knowledge partners.

### 2. Women-Only digital centre

**Why in news** - HDFC Securities announced the opening of the first-ever Women-Only Digital Centre (DC) in Bengaluru.

## INTERNATIONAL

### 1. Pakistan taken off FATF

**Why in news** - The Financial Action Task Force (FATF) freed Pakistan from its “grey list”.

**Key Points** –

- The decision was taken by the FATF in its plenary session held in Paris on October 20-21.

- This development comes after more than four years (2018).
- FATF president - T Raja Kumar (Singapore).

## AWARDS & HONOURS

### 1. Sakharov Prize 2022

**Why in news** - The European Parliament awarded its top human rights prize to the people of Ukraine.

**Key Points** –

- Other nominees included - Julian Assange (Wikileaks founder) and Truth Commission (Colombia).
- It is named after the late Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov.

### 2. Theodor Herzl Medallion honour

**Why in news** - The Zionist Organization of America (ZOA) announced to honor Donald Trump with the award.

**Key Points** –

- Trump is honoured “for being the best friend Israel ever had in the White House.”
- Trump's pro-Israel steps - Abraham Accords, relocating U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem, recognizing Israel's sovereignty over the Golan Heights etc.

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- He became the first U.S. president to pray at the Western Wall in Jerusalem.

### 3. PMAY-U Awards 2021

**Why in news** - Hardeep Puri congratulated the winners of Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Urban (PMAY-U) Awards 2021.

**Key Points** –

- Top 3 - Uttar Pradesh (1<sup>st</sup>), Madhya Pradesh (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Tamil Nadu (3<sup>rd</sup>).
- Best Performing UT - Jammu and Kashmir, alongside Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman & Diu.
- Odisha won for the best policy initiative under a special category.

## REPORTS & INDICES

### 1. “Using Technology to Improve a Billion Livelihoods” report

**Why in news** –The report was recently released by World Economic Forum in partnership with the Adani Group.

**Key Points** –

- Putting drones at the centre of Indian agriculture can enhance the nation's GDP by 1–1.5% (\$100-bn GDP boost).
- India is to become the world's drone hub by 2030.

### 2. EdelGive Hurun India Philanthropy List 2022

**Why in news** – The list has been released by Hurun India and EdelGive.

**Key Points** –

- HCL founder Shiv Nadar earned the 'India's most generous' title.

- Top 3 (Donation in cr) –
  - A. Shiv Nadar & family (Rs 1,161).
  - B. Azim Premji & family (Rs 484).
  - C. Mukesh Ambani & family (Rs 411).
- India's richest man Gautam Adani ranked 7<sup>th</sup> (Rs 190 crores).

## SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

### 1. Tribal Youth Exchange Programme

**Why in news** – Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports organised 14<sup>th</sup> edition for the development of Tribal Youth in New Delhi.

**Key Points** –

- As per the 2011 Census, the Schedule Tribes account for 8.6% of the country's population.
- It is being organized since 2006.

## IMPORTANT DATE

### 1. World Osteoporosis Day 2022

**Why in news** –It is observed every year on Oct 20 to promote the early diagnosis of osteoporosis and its treatment.

**Key Points** –

- Theme - “Step Up For Bone Health”.
- Osteoporosis makes your bones weak and fragile which leads them to break easily.

## SPORTS

### 1. Khelo India Youth Games

**Why in news** – Anurag Thakur said that the 5<sup>th</sup> edition would be held in Madhya Pradesh (Jan 31 to Feb 11, 2023).

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### Key Points –

- It would feature a total of 27 disciplines.
- Water sports are being included for the first time in the history of the games. E.g., Kayaking, Canoeing and Rowing.
- It would take place across 8 cities - Bhopal, Indore, Ujjain, Gwalior, Jabalpur, Mandla, Khargone (Maheshwar) and Balaghat.

## 2. FIFA Women's World Cup 2023

**Why in news** – Tazuni, a football-loving penguin, is unveiled as the Official Mascot of the Women's World Cup.

### Key Points –

- It is being held in Australia & New Zealand in 2023.
- Tazuni is a fusion of the Tasman sea (home of penguins) and Unity.

## STATES/UTs

### 1. Mission Schools of Excellence

**Why in news** - PM Modi launched Mission Schools of Excellence at Trimandir, Gujarat.

### Key Points –

- Total outlay of ₹10,000 crore.
- Aim - To strengthen education infrastructure in Gujarat by setting up smart classrooms, computer labs and overall upgradation.
- It is partially supported by the World Bank.

## BIHAR

### 1. Shri Krishna Singh Jayanti

**Why in news** –The 135<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Shri Krishna Singh was celebrated on Oct 21, 2022

### Key Points –

- He was born on Oct 21, 1887 in Maur village of Sheikhpura district.
- He was the first Chief Minister of Bihar.
- He was elected a member of the central assembly in 1939.
- Mahatma Gandhi called him the first Satyagrahi of Bihar.
- He is also called Bihar Kesari.



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- Who has recently become the first Indian to win a medal in the Under 23 World Championship Wrestling – **SajanBhanwal**.
- Recently who has released his book “A Confused Mind Story” – **Sahil Seth**.
- Who has been appointed as the CMD of India Trade Promotion Organization recently - **Pradeep Kharola**.
- Who has been appointed as the Defense Secretary by the Government of India recently – **AramaneGiridhar**.
- Which state will launch a common app for the entire taxi industry in India – **Goa**.
- Who has inaugurated the Tehkhand Waste to Energy Plant, which generates electricity from waste, in New Delhi - **Amit Shah**.
- In which Indian city, the first case of Omicron subvariant BQ.1 has been found – **Pune**.
- Which oil company has launched Project 'Vayu Amrit' with CII in Sangrur, Punjab to reduce stubble burning - **Indian Oil Corporation**.
- India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) have tied up with organisation for innovations in financial products and services - **Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH)**.
- Recently who has started the new Dhanvarsha Yojana - **Life Insurance Corporation (LIC)**.

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