

NATIONAL

1. Dawki land port

Why in news - India inaugurates Dawki land port in Meghalaya-Bangladesh border to boost trade and tourism.

Key Points –

- The corresponding land port in Bangladesh is Tamabil in Sylhet district.



2. Air Force Heritage Centre

Why in news - Rajnath Singh inaugurated the country's first Air Force Heritage Centre in Chandigarh.

Key Points –

- It houses 5 vintage aircraft and will provide visitors with cockpit exposure and an experience with flight simulators.
- It also houses the first IAF-made patent aircraft Air Force 'Kanpur-1 Vintage Prototype Aircraft'.

INTERNATIONAL

1. 78th 'Victory Day'

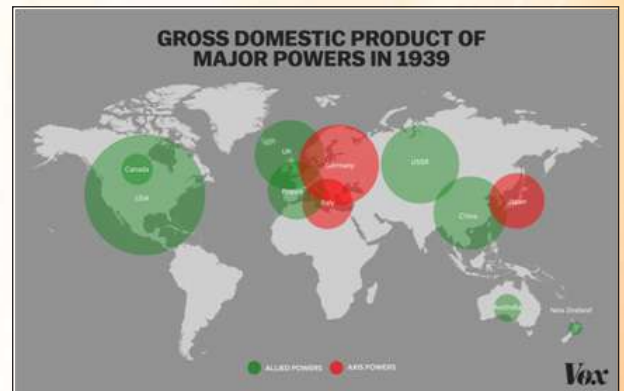
Why in news - Russia commemorated its 'Victory Day' marking the 78th anniversary of the end of World War II.

Key Points –

- Russian soldiers marched in Red Square in Moscow.
- Adolf Hitler had shot himself on April 30, 1945.
- On May 7, German troops surrendered, which was formally accepted the next day, and came into effect on May 9.

About World War II –

- World war II started on September 1, 1939 when German troops invaded Poland.
- It was fought between Allied and Axis powers.
- Axis powers - Germany, Italy, Japan.
- Allied powers - Britain, the United States, and the Soviet Union.



GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

1. START scheme

Why in news - ISRO has announced an online training program called Space Science and Technology Awareness Training (START).

Key Points –

- For postgraduate and final-year undergraduate students of Physical Sciences and Technology.
- Application used - Jigyasa portal.
- Aim - to build human capacity for future Space Science and research.
- ISRO (August 15, 1969) Hq – Bengaluru.

Value addition –

- Launch Vehicles - Built at Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC), Thiruvananthapuram.
- Satellites - Designed and developed at U R Rao Satellite Centre (URSC), Bengaluru.
- Integration and launching of satellites and launch vehicles - Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC), Sriharikota.
- Development of liquid stages including cryogenic stage - Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre (LPSC), Valiamala (Kerala) and LPSC Bengaluru.

- Sensors for Communication and Remote Sensing satellites - Space Applications Centre (SAC), Ahmedabad.
- Remote Sensing satellite data reception and dissemination - National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC), Hyderabad.

ECONOMY

1. RBI's gold reserves

Why in news - Reserve Bank's gold reserves rose 4.5% to 794.64 tonnes in 2022-23.

Key Points –

- RBI added 34.22 metric tonnes of gold in the fiscal year that ended March 31, 2023.
- India's total foreign exchange reserves on March 31, 2023 - \$578.449 billion (gold reserves - \$45.2 billion, 7.81%).

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

1. 42nd ASEAN Summit

Why in news - The 42nd ASEAN summit and related meetings took place in Labuan Bajo, Indonesia on 9-11 May, 2023.



Key Points –

- Theme - "ASEAN Affairs: Epicenter of Growth".
- In 2022, East Timor was admitted "in principle" as the organization's 11th member, with full membership pending.

About ASEAN –

- Founded on - August 8, 1967 through Bangkok Declaration.
- 10-nation regional organisation.
- Founding members - Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Singapore, and the Philippines.
- Headquarters - Jakarta, Indonesia.
- The India-ASEAN Strategic Partnership was finalized in 2012.

AWARDS & HONOURS

1. Carol Shields Prize

Why in news - Fatimah Asghar has won the first-ever Carol Shields Prize for Fiction.

Key Points –

- For their debut novel When We Were Sisters.
- Published by - One World/Random House
- The prize for women and non-binary writers in Canada and the United States celebrates creativity and excellence in fiction.

2. Laureus Sports Award 2023

Why in news - Lionel Messi was named Sportsman of the Year by the Laureus World Sports Award in Paris.

Key Points –

- Messi was a joint winner alongside Lewis Hamilton in 2020.
- Sportswoman of the Year - Shelly Ann Fraser-Pryce (athletics).
- Team of the Year - Argentina (football).
- Action Sportsperson of the Year - Eileen Gu (freestyle skiing).

IMPORTANT DAYS

1. Maharana Pratap Jayanti 2023

Why in news – It is celebrated on the 3rd day of the Jyeshtha month of Hindu calendar.

Key Points –

- In 2023, it would be celebrated on May 22.

About Maharana Pratap –

- Born - May 9, 1540 (Julian calendar).

- Hindu Rajput King who belonged to the Sisodiya clan of Rajputs.
- In the battle of Haldighati (June 18, 1576) he fought alongside Akbar.



SECURITY

1. Battlefield Surveillance System (BSS)

Why in news - A new Battlefield Surveillance System (BSS) under Project Sanjay is in the process of being deployed.

Key Points –

- Aim - to have surveillance centres for all field formations by December 2025.
- It would integrate thousands of sensors which would enable provision of an integrated surveillance picture.
- System integrator - Bharat Electronics Ltd. (BEL), Ghaziabad.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

1. Book “Droupadi Murmu: From Tribal Hinterlands to Raisina Hills”

Why in news - The book titled “Droupadi Murmu: From Tribal Hinterlands to Raisina Hills” is written by Kasturi Ray.

Key Points –

- It tells the inspiring story of a tribal girl who overcame obstacles to become a symbol of resilience, determination, and perseverance.





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- Which country has recently adopted the “Basic Plan On Ocean Policy” – **Japan**.
- Who has become the fastest player to score 5000 runs in ODI cricket - **Babar Azam**.
- Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone Ltd (APSEZ) has concluded the Myanmar Port sale for a total consideration of what amount - **USD 30 million**.
- How many Indian engineers will be trained by Japan for the Mumbai-Ahmedabad Bullet Train Project - **1000 Indian engineers**.
- Which becomes first Indian airline to operate commercial, wide-body aircraft flight using Sustainable Aviation Fuel – **Vistara**.
- Who has won the Formula 1(F1) Miami Grand Prix (GP) 2023 title - **Max Verstappen of Red Bull**.
- “My Life as a Comrade” is an autobiography of which personality - **KK Shailaja**.
- Who has been appointed as new Chief Secretary of Manipur - **Vineet Joshi**.
- Which became the first state to make digital health cards for children - **Uttar Pradesh**.
- India and which country have signed MoU on industrial research and development cooperation – **Israel**.