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1. Private rail coach factory

Why in news - India's largest rail private coach factory was inaugurated in Telangana's Kondakal village (Rangareddy district) on June 22, 2023.

Key Points –

- Built by -Joint venture of Medha Servo Drives Pvt Ltd and Stadler Rai (Hq - Bussnang, Switzerland).
- It designs and makes electrical and electronic Railway products.
- Production capacity - 500 coaches and 50 locomotives annually.

Value Addition –

- Medha Servo Drives –
 - a) largest propulsion equipment supplier to the Indian Railways.
 - b) Only Indian firm having in-house research and development (R&D) facilities.

2. Largest yoga gathering

Why in news – Surat made a new Guinness World Record for the largest gathering of people for a yoga session in one place.

Key Points –

- Over 1.25 lakh people attended the International Yoga Day event at Vesu in Surat.

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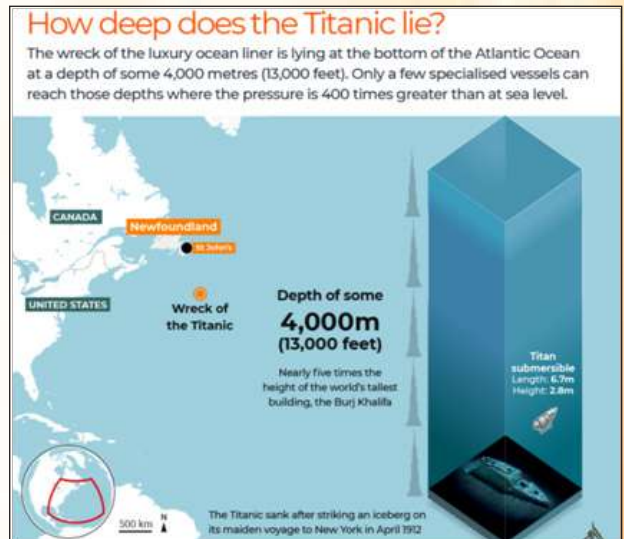
1. Implosion of Titan

Why in news – A catastrophic implosion is blamed for the deaths of all five people onboard a deep-sea submersible Titan.

Key Points –

- Titan was traveling to the wreckage of the Titanic at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean (depth - about 4,000 m or 13,000 feet).
- Implosion - An object collapses in on itself in milliseconds (opposite of an explosion).
- At sea level, atmospheric pressure is 14.7 pounds per square inch (psi), or 100 kilopascals.
- The water pressure at the site of the Titanic wreck is roughly 6,000 psi (more than 41,000 kilopascals).

- RMS Titanic was a British passenger liner that sank in the North Atlantic Ocean in the early morning of 15 April 1912.
- Titanic collided with an iceberg during her maiden voyage from Southampton to New York City.



2. Chashma-V nuclear plant

Why in news – Pakistan and China signed a \$4.8 billion deal to build a 1,200-megawatt nuclear power plant.

Key Points –

- Location –Mianwali district of Punjab.
- It would be Pakistan's 7th nuclear power plant

SCIENCE – TECH

1. Micron semiconductor plant

Why in news – Indian cabinet has given its approval to US chipmaker Micron Technology's plan to invest \$2.7 billion.

Key Points –

- Micron's Assembly Testing Marking and Packaging would be built in Sanand Gujarat.
- Government support–Rs 11,000 crore (\$1.34 billion) under production-linked incentives for the semiconductor plant.

2. Artemis Accords

Why in news – India has joined the Artemis Accords led by the United States.

Key Points –

- It is a collaborative effort aimed at promoting civil space exploration.
- India joined like-minded nations committed to the peaceful exploration and use of outer space.
- NASA and ISRO have announced a joint mission to the International Space Station (ISS) in 2024.

About Artemis Accords (2020)

- It is grounded in the Outer Space Treaty of 1967 (OST).
- Non-binding framework of principles that guide civil space activities.
- It outlines the “principles for cooperation in space exploration and the use of the moon, mars, comets, and asteroids for peaceful purposes.”
- There is a total of 28 nations so far including India.



RANKS & INDICES

1. Global Liveability Index 2023

Why in news – The Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) released the Global Liveability Index 2023.

Key Points –

- Top 3 –
 - a) 1st - Vienna, Austria
 - b) 2nd – Copenhagen, Denmark
 - c) 3rd - Melbourne, Australia.
- From Asia, Osaka (Japan) ranked number 10. (1st in Asia).

- Average index score - 76.2.
- Bottom 3 –
 - a) 173rd - Damascus, Syria
 - b) 172nd - Tripoli, Libya
 - c) 171st - Algiers, Algeria.
- Evaluates 5 metrics - Healthcare, culture, environment, education, and stability (declined in 2023).

IMPORTANT DAYS

1. International Day of Women in Diplomacy (IDWID) 2023

Why in news – It is observed on June 24 to celebrate inspiring women in field of diplomacy.

Key Points –

- Theme - Breaking Barriers, Shaping the Future: Women in Diplomacy for Sustainable Development.
- Diana Abgar (Armenian ambassador)- first female diplomat of the 20th century.
- IDWID resolution was adopted by the UNGA on June 20, 2022.
- SDG 5 – Gender equality.

2. Olympic Day 2023

Why in news – It is celebrated on June 23.

Key Points –

- Theme - Let's Move.
- First ever Olympic Day celebration – June 23, 1948.
- 23 June 1894 - International Olympic Committee (IOC) was founded by Baron Pierre de Coubertin.
- IOC was founded at the Sorbonne in Paris.

Value Addition –

- April 6, 1896 - The inaugural Olympic Games kicked off in Athens, Greece.
- Father of modern Olympics - Pierre de Coubertin (French Baron).

3. World Hydrography Day (WHD) 2023

Why in news – It is observed annually on June 21.

Key Points –

- Theme - Hydrography – Underpinning the



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- WHD was celebrated by the Indian Naval Hydrographic Department at National Hydrographic Office, Dehradun.
- International Hydrographic Organisation (Hq - Monaco) was established in 1921.

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1. Best legislator

Why in news – Congress MLA in Bihar Legislative

Assembly Dr. Shakeel Ahmed Khan has been honored among the best legislator of the country.

Key Points –

- He was honored at the National Legislators Conference held in Mumbai.
- He was honored in the category of raising the most voice in the house for progressive works.
- He was elected from Kadwa assembly constituency of Katihar.

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- Which institute has extracted cellulose nanofibers from seaweed and reduced them into graphene oxide and zinc oxide - **Gujarat Energy Research and Management Institute (GERMI)**.
- The central government has introduced a face authentication feature in which appmaking it the first welfare program to adopt this technology - **PM Kisan Mobile app**.
- Which state has launched "Women Safety Scheme", where women travelling alone between 10 pm and 7 am can avail of free drop facility in a patrol vehicle in case they feel unsafe - **Tamil Nadu**.
- Which state has unveiled the first ticket for the first race of the world's fastest motorbike race 'Moto GP' 2023, to be hosted by India for the first time - **Uttar Pradesh**.
- Which state government has recently launched the "Vitthal Rukmini Warkari Bima Chhatra Yojana" – **Maharashtra**.
- Which two Indian company is included in the list of 100 most influential companies released by 'Time' magazine - **Meesho and National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**.
- According to the latest Randstad Employer Brand Research (REBR) 2023, which company has emerged as India's most attractive employer brand - **Tata Power**.
- Fitch Ratings has raised India's GDP forecast for the financial year 2023-24 to what percentage - **6.3%**.
- As per the recent judgment of the Supreme Court, which company would come under the purview of the Competition Act, 2002 despite being a Public Sector company - **Coal India Ltd**.
- Which state Assembly passed a bill that aims to empower the state government to appoint a Director General of Police (DGP) of its own choice by circumventing the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) – **Punjab**.