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Why in news – Telangana and UNESCO joined hands to implement theUNESCO recommendation on the Ethics of AI.

Key Points -

- Aim to promote the ethical development of AI, capacity building, and contributions to UNESCO's Global Observatory on AI Ethics.
- 2. Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) microsite

Why in news – National Health Authority (NHA) announced 100 Microsites project for accelerated adoption of ABDM.

Key Points -

- 1ststate to operationalize ABDM Microsite – Mizoram (in Aizawl).
- Under this, all healthcare facilities including the private clinics, small hospitals and labs in the region shall be made ABDM-enabled and will offer digital health services to the patients.
- NHA had previously overseen microsite pilots in Mumbai, Ahmedabad and Surat.

INTERNATIONAL

1. Moon Sniper SLIM Project Why in news - Japan's moon mission launch was suspended for 3rd time due to bad weather.

Key Points –

- Mission name Smart Lander for Investigating Moon (SLIM) mission.
- Aim to demonstrate accurate lunar landing techniques.
- SLIM is a small scale exploration lander designed for pinpoint landings.

IeUNESCO landing, a series of missions has been planned next.

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Key Points -

ISRO future plans

• **Chandrayaan-4** - a sample return mission from Moon.

Why in news - After the success of its moon

SCIENCE – TECH

- Lunar Polar Exploration (LUPEX, 2024 - 25) –
 - a) Collaboration between ISRO and JAXA.
 - b) To explore the permanently shaded polar region of the Moon.
 - c) Explore the region for the possibility of locating a long-term station in the area.
- Aditya-L1–
- a) India's first mission to study the Sun's corona, solar emissions, solar winds and flares, and Coronal Mass Ejections.
- b) Spacecraft will be placed in a halo orbit around the Lagrange point 1 (L1) (1.5 million km from the Earth).
- c) Lagrange points are positions in space where objects sent there tend to stay put (gravitational pullequals the centripetal force).
- Trip to Venus (Evening Star)
 - a) The mission has been conceived, a project report is made and money identified.
 - b) Venusconditions are extremely inhospitable (intense heat and crushing pressure).
- Gaganyaan Project
 - a) To demonstrate human spaceflight capability.
 - b) To send a crewof 3 members to an orbit of 400 km for a 3-day mission, and bring them back safely to Earth.

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International Space Station (ISS) –

- a) ISRO and NASA agreed to send a joint human spaceflight mission to the ISS in 2024.
- b) India is planning to launch its own space station by 2030.

ENVIRONMENT

 State of India's Birds (SoIB) 2023 report Why in news - The report based on data from about 30,000 birdwatchers was released on August 25.

Key Points -

- Out of the 942 bird species assessed, 142 are diminishing and only 28 are increasing.
- Increasing trend Indian Peafowl, Rock Pigeon, Asian Koel, Alexandrine Parakeet and House Crow.
- India is home to 232 endemic species.
 E.g., White-bellied Treepie, Wayanad Laughingthrush, Great Grey Shrike etc.
- Duck species Baer's Pochard, Common Pochard, Andaman Teal.
- Waterbirds Glossy Ibis, Black-headed Ibis, Painted Stork, Spot-billed Pelican.
- Assessment was carried out by 13 partner organizations, including the Wildlife Institute of India (WII) and Zoological Survey of India (ZSI).

AWARDS & HONOURS

 Grand Cross of the Order of Honour Whyin news - The President of Greececonferred PM Narendra Modi with The Grand Cross of the Order of Honour.

Key Points –

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- India and Greece upgraded their relations to a strategic partnership and pledged to double two-way trade by 2030.
- PM Modi paid tribute to the "Tomb of unknown soldiers" in Athens.

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- This was the 1stvisit by an Indian Prime Minister to Greece after a gap of 40 years.
- Greece has traditionally backed India's position on the Kashmir issue.

2. Rafael Nadal

Why in news - Infosys signed Rafael Nadal (Spanish) as its ambassador for 3 years.

Key Points -

- Infosysis also a digital innovation partner for various tennis tournaments.
- 3. 4th India Smart Cities Awards Contest (ISAC) 2022

Why in news – President Droupadi Murmu willfelicitate the on September27, 2023 at Indore, Madhya Pradesh.

Key Points –

• It was organized under the Smart Cities Mission, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.

AWARD CATEGORY	WINNER
National Smart City Award (Top 3)	Indore (1st), Surat (2nd), Agra (3rd)
State Award (Top 3)	Madhya Pradesh (1st), Tamil Nadu (2nd), Rajasthan& Uttar Pradesh (tie, 3rd)
UT Award	Chandigarh
Water	Indore (1st), Agra (2nd), Rajkot (3rd)
Governance	Chandigarh (1st), PimpriChinchwad (2nd), Jabalpur& Udaipur (3rd)
Innovative Idea Award	Hubbali Dharwad (1st), Surat (2nd), Raipur (3rd)

SPORTS

 World Athletics Championships Why in news - Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra now world champ.



Key Points –

- Throw- 88.17m.
- It was Neeraj Chopra's andIndia's 1stgold medal at the World Athletics Championships.
- Venue Budapest, Hungary.
- Top 3 Neeraj Chopra (Gold), Arshad Nadeem (Silver), Jakub Vadlejch (Bronze).

BIHAR

 National Award 2023
 Why in news – 3 teachers nominated from Bihar to get National Awards on September 5.

Key Points –

- They are
 - a) Dwijendra KumarSuman (Sitamarhi)
 - b) Anil Kumar Singh (Kaimur)

- c) Kumari Guddi (Kishanganj).
- 3 teachers from Bihar are among the 50 teachers selected across the country for the award.
- Flood warning in north Bihar
 Why in news A flood alert was sounded in Bihar for catchment areas of Kosi.

Key Points -

- There was a heavy discharge of water from the Birpur barrage in Supaul.
- It was for the 2ndtime in this season when the Birpur barrage witnessed a flow of over four lakh cusecs of water from the Nepal side.
- There was also a marginal rise in the discharge of water from the Valmikinagar barrage in the Gandak River in West Champaran.





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- Centre adopted the Lucky Bill app of which state for GST compliance – Kerala.
- The Kozma Minin Nizhny Novgorod State Pedagogical University of Russia will establish its study centre inwhich Indian university -Chaudhary Charan Singh University (CCSU), Meerut.
- Which state has launched the second phase of breakfast scheme in government schools across the state - Tamil Nadu.
- Which state government has issued a notification banning plastic water bottles below 1 litre Assam.
- Which state has approved 18 'Atal Residential Schools' Uttar Pradesh.
- In which country was the Dancing Pikachu event organized Japan (Yokohama city).
- Which state's Chief Minister has laid the foundation stone of 'Hanuman Lok' on the lines of the Mahakal Lok corridor - Madhya Pradesh.
- Who became the first person to reach the 600-million followers mark on Instagram - Cristiano Ronaldo.
- Where has Federation of Economic Development Association (FEDA) hosted the International Education Summit & Conference 2023 - Dubai.
- Who was declared the winner of Bigg Boss OTT Season 2 Elvish Yadav.

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