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## 30 June 2023 Daily Current Affairs

### Important Days

#### 30 June 2023 - World Asteroid Day

- ❖ “Asteroid Day” is an event observed on 30 June to provide online education about the asteroid. This event is held on the anniversary of the “Siberian Tunguska” event that took place on 30 June 1908.
- ❖ It is the most harmful known asteroid-related event on Earth in recent history. The United Nations passed a resolution for celebrating 30 June as Asteroid Day.



### Persons in News

#### Tamil Nadu Police Department new DGP Shankar Jiwaj

- ❖ Shankar Jiwaj has been appointed as the 31st Director General of Police (DGP) of Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ C. Shailendrababu, who was serving as Director General of Tamil Nadu Police Department, is retiring (June 30). In turn, Shankar Jiwaj was appointed to that position. The order to this effect was issued by the Chief Secretary of the Government of Tamil Nadu VE Rayyanpu.
- ❖ Shankar Jiwaj hails from Almora, Uttarakhand.
- ❖ B.E. A mechanical graduate, he passed IPS in 1990 and joined the Tamil Nadu Police Department as Assistant Superintendent of Police.
- ❖ He served as Superintendent of Police in Salem and Madurai districts. Also, Central Narcotics Control Unit Chennai Regional Director, Trichy Municipal Police Commissioner, Intelligence Division DIG. He served in various capacities including IG, Special Task Force ADGP, Armed Forces ADGP.
- ❖ He has received various medals including the President's Medal in 2007 and 2019 for his excellent police work.



#### Chennai Police Commissioner Sandeep Roy Rathore

- ❖ Tamil Nadu Home Principal Secretary B. Amuda ordered the appointment of Sandeep Rathore, who was the DGP of the Police Training College, as the 109th Chennai Metropolitan Police Commissioner.
- ❖ Sandeep Roy Rathore from New Delhi passed IPS in 1992 and joined Tamil Nadu Police. He started working





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as Assistant Police Inspector in Paramakkudy, Ramanathapuram District.

- ❖ Sandeep Roy Rathore was appointed as the first commissioner when Avadi Metropolitan Police Department was created in 2022 after splitting the Chennai Metropolitan Police. Sandeep Roy Rathore, who was promoted as DGP and transferred to Police Training College, has now been posted as Commissioner of Police, Chennai.
- ❖ Sandeep Rairathore has received various medals including the President's Medals in the years 2008 and 2015.

## Arun takes over as Additional DGP Law and Order

- ❖ Arun took charge as Additional DGP Law and Order of Tamil Nadu Police Department. A 1998 batch IPS officer, he completed BE Mechanical Engineering from Madras University and Diploma in Police Management from Osmania University.
- ❖ He was promoted as Deputy Commissioner of Police in 2012 and served as Deputy Commissioner of Trichy Cargo Police and Joint Commissioner of Traffic North Zone and Law and Order South Zone in Chennai.
- ❖ He was promoted as IG of Police in 2016 and served as Commissioner of Police, Trichy and Additional Commissioner of Police, Chennai.
- ❖ He has served as Trichy Metropolitan Police Commissioner for the 2nd time in 2021.
- ❖ Promoted as Additional DGP in 2022, he has also served as Commissioner of Police, Tamil Nadu Civil Supply Crime Investigation Division and Avadi. Currently, he has taken charge as Additional DGP, Law and Order.



## Reports and Indices

### Union Minister of Mines Prakalath Joshi released India's first report on important minerals for India.

- ❖ The report was prepared by an expert committee constituted by the Ministry of Mines.
- ❖ India has prepared a comprehensive list of important minerals for the first time.
- ❖ In the report, 30 essential minerals have been identified for sectors including defence, agriculture, energy, pharmaceuticals and telecommunications.
- ❖ India has become a new partner in the Mineral Security Partnership (MSP), which supports critical mineral supply chains.
- ❖ This list will serve as a framework to guide strategic planning, policy making and investment decisions in the mining sector.
- ❖ The Ministry will revise the list of important minerals from time to time.

### Mineral Security Partnership (MSP)

- ❖ The US announced the Minerals Security Partnership in June 2022 to strengthen critical mineral supply chains.
- ❖ It is also known as essential minerals alliance. It had 11 members as on 27 October 2022.
- ❖ These members are Australia, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Korea, Sweden, the United Kingdom, the United States and the European Union.



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- ❖ focuses on the supply chains of important minerals such as cobalt , nickel , lithium and 17 " rare earth" minerals .

## Awards & Recognition

### British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak honored the 101-year-old Sikh.

- ❖ Rishi Sunak of United Kingdom (Prime Minister) honored retired British Indian Sikh soldier Rajinder Singh Thatt (age 101) with Points of Lights award.
- ❖ He was awarded for his service in the British Indian Army and for organizing the "Undivided Indian Ex-Servicemen's Association" to unite British Indian war veterans.

POINTS  
OF LIGHT

#### UK Points of Light

- ❖ UK Points of Light, inspired by US Points, was launched in April 2014 in partnership with the United States of America (USA).
- ❖ UK POINTS OF LIGHT First is the President
- ❖ Established in 1990 by George H. W. Bush.
- ❖ Every weekday, the Prime Minister presents the Points of Light Award to an inspirational volunteer.

## Sports

### FIFA Rankings: India at 100<sup>th</sup>

- ❖ India has moved up to the 100th position in the ranking list released by the International Football Federation (FIFA).
- ❖ The ranking list of teams has been published by FIFA. World champions Argentina are at the top. It is followed by France, Brazil and England. Belgium is 5th, Croatia 6th and Netherlands 7th.



### India at 100th position

- ❖ The Indian team won the Hero Intercontinental Cup last month. It has now progressed to the semi-finals of the Chaff Cup as well. In this case, it has advanced to the 100th position with 1204.9 points.

### Kolkata win Dubai Women's Kabaddi Final

- ❖ In a remarkable achievement for women's kabaddi, Dubai hosted the world's first international women's kabaddi final.
- ❖ Punjab Panthers and Uma Kolkata clashed in the final.
- ❖ Team Uma Kolkata emerged victorious in a thrilling match and bagged a prize of ₹10,000,000.





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- ❖ Showing a commendable performance, the Punjab team finished second and bagged a prize money of ₹5,000,000.
- ❖ Eight teams representing various states from India participated in the 12-day tournament.
- ❖ The eight teams include Delhi Dynamites, Gujarat Angels, Great Marathas, Haryana Hustlers, Punjab Panthers, Rajasthan Raiders, Uma Kolkata and Bengaluru Hawks.

## 2 women from Ramanathapuram in Asia Yoga Competition

### Achieved 2 gold and 2 bronze medals

- ❖ The Ramanathapuram Asian Yogasana Sports Cup Championship was held in Bangkok, Thailand from June 24 to 26.
- ❖ 125 yoga competitors from 30 countries including India, China, Thailand, Iran, Hong Kong and Vietnam participated in the Asian level competition. In this, Kamatshi from Bosukkutipatti village near Mudukulathur in Ramanathapuram district participated on behalf of India.
- ❖ He won 2 gold medals by winning 2 gold medals by topping 2 competitions in traditional yoga round for 24 to 28 years and group yoga round for 18 years and above.
- ❖ He placed third and won a bronze medal in the Yoga Artistic Fair.
- ❖ And in the yoga competition for 14 to 18 year olds, Vilva Mutheeswari, a Plus 2 student of Matriculation School, VVSM, Cuddaly, Malataru, came third and won a bronze medal.



## Geographical Indicators

### Handicrafts of Uttar Pradesh get Geographical Indication

- ❖ ' Amroha Tholak , Mahoba Gaura Bhattar Hasthashlib ', Mainpuri Darkashi , Sambal Harm Craft , Bagpat Home Furnishings , Barabanki Handicrafts and Kali Handmade Paper are get Geographical Indication .
- ❖ The Register of Geographical Indications (Chennai , Tamil Nadu-Tamil Nadu) under the Department of Industrial Development and Domestic Trade (DIPIT) , Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MOCI) has recognized 7 handicrafts from Uttar Pradesh with Geographical Indication (GI) tag .

7 products

1. Amroha Tolak.
2. Kalpi is handmade paper.
3. Bagpat Home Decorations.
4. Parabangi Handloom Manufacture.
5. Mahoba gaura butter hastashlip.
6. Mainpuri Darkashi.
7. Sumbal Horn Craft.



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- ❖ these 7 new products , the total number of geographical codes-certified products in Uttar Pradesh increased to 52 .

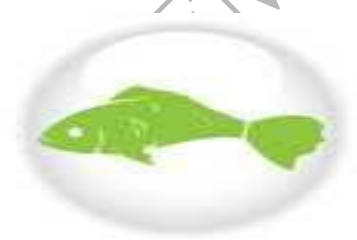
## Uttar Pradesh (UP)

- ❖ Chief Minister - Yogi Adityanath
- ❖ Governor - Anandiben Patel
- ❖ Bird Sanctuary- Parvati Arga Bird Sanctuary ; Lakh-Bahosi Bird Sanctuary
- ❖ Festival- Janmashtami ; Taj Mahotsava

## Science & Technology

### Union Minister Parshotham Rupala launched the "Fish Disease Report" app in New Delhi

- ❖ This app has been developed by ICAR (Indian Council of Agricultural Research)- NBFGR (National Bureau of Fish Genetic Resources) under National Surveillance Program for Aquatic Animal Diseases (NSPAAD), funded under Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sambhata Yojana.



## Background

- ❖ The Department of Fisheries has allocated \*33.78 crore for three years to implement the second phase of the National Surveillance Program for Aquatic Animal Diseases under the Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY).

## Application of Fish Disease Reporting (RFD)

- ❖ It also provides advice to farmers involved in aquaculture and provides direct link to district fisheries officers and scientists.
- ❖ ii. It will help farmers to report diseases in fish, shrimp and molluscs in their farms and get scientific and technical assistance from scientists/experts.

## Economy & Banking

### UPI facility for credit cards Introducing Kotak Mahindra Bank

- ❖ Kotak Mahindra Bank has introduced the facility for customers to make UPI payments through their RuPay Credit Cards.
- ❖ A press release issued by the bank said: The bank has introduced the facility to make UPI payments at commercial centers such as shops and restaurants using Kotak Bank's Rs-Pay credit cards.
- ❖ Consequently, customers no longer need to carry such credit cards in person. With this new system, customers can easily make payments through credit cards just like paying from their regular bank accounts.





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- ❖ To that end, Kotak Mahindra's RuPay credit cards can be linked to UPI apps just like a bank account, the press release said.

## ICICI Lombard General Insurance

- ❖ ICICI Lombard General Insurance and ICICI Prudential Life Insurance have joined forces to launch 'iShield' health and life combi insurance solution, a two-in-one offering where customers can manage their health and life insurance needs together instead of purchasing separate products for each.
- ❖ Under 'EyeShield', the health insurance components cover hospitalization, day cares, pre- and post-hospitalization cares and tele-community etc.
- ❖ Life insurance under 'EyeShield' continues till the age of 85, which ensures adequate financial resources of the family to continue their life.

### ICICI Lombard General Insurance

- ❖ Established in 2001
- ❖ Chief Executive Officer – Bhargav Dasgupta
- ❖ Headquarters – Mumbai, Maharashtra

## Tamil Nadu News

### ' Drone Special Force ' has been created in the Chennai Police Department

- ❖ Adyar , Arunachalpuram , near Muthu Lakshmi Park, a separate branch office has been started for this purpose.
- ❖ DGP Sailendrababu inaugurated this drone unit yesterday morning in the presence of Chennai Police Commissioner Shankar Jiwai.
- ❖ " The project has been developed at a cost of Rs 3.6 crore. The drones in this category can operate up to a distance of 5 km. The drones also have artificial intelligence technology.
- ❖ This allows accurate determination of crowd size during festive and crowded events. Also , crowd control tactics can be implemented. During the day and night, the movement of people and those involved in thefts and robberies can be monitored from the sky and quick action can be taken.
- ❖ Apart from that, registration numbers of vehicles plying on the road can be accurately tracked and appropriate action can be taken by classifying the vehicles involved in crime.
- ❖ Also , it can be involved in the search of criminals, " police officials said about the specialty of drones.
- ❖ The Chief Minister's dream plan is to modernize the police department. He has prepared and presented 2 different schemes for it .
- ❖ One is technology. The future of policing will be based on technology.



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## State news

### Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister launched the 'Jagananna Amma Vodi' scheme

- ❖ Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister (CM) YS Jagan Mohan Reddy for disbursement of Rs 6,393 crore to around 43 lakh beneficiaries at Kurupam in Parvathipuram.
- ❖ Started 'Jagananna Amma Vodi' project for 4th year.
- ❖ In 10 days, the funds will be distributed across Andhra Pradesh in all zones to benefit more than 83 lakh students studying from class 1 to 12.
- ❖ Under the scheme, eligible mothers sending their children to schools will be given a financial assistance of Rs 15,000 to meet their educational expenses.



## National News

### Cabinet approval on June 28 , 2023

- ❖ On June 28 , 2023 , the Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister ( PM) Narendra Modi has approved several initiatives , which are as follows.
- ❖ approved the approval of the Headquarters Agreement ( HQA) between the Government of India (GOL) and the Alliance for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI) signed on 22 August 2022 .
- ❖ the National Research Foundation ( NRF) Bill , 2023 in Parliament.
- ❖ Continuation of Urea Subsidy Scheme approved by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs to ensure continued availability of urea to farmers.



## International Relation

### India-Philippines decision to engage in trade deal talks

- ❖ Philippine Foreign Minister Enrique Manalo is on a 4-day official visit to India. In this context, the 5th meeting of the Joint Commission for India-Philippines Bilateral Cooperation was held in Delhi. Philippine Minister Manalo, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and officials from both sides participated in it.
- ❖ In a tweet about the meeting, Minister Jai Shankar said, "Defence, Counter-Terrorism, Trade, Investment, Health, Pharmaceuticals, Agriculture, Financial Technology, Information-Technology, Space





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- ❖ He mentioned that there was a detailed discussion on strengthening bilateral relations in various fields.
- ❖ In a joint statement issued by the Ministry of External Affairs, 'Both sides are committed to strengthening the existing bilateral relations in the field of defence. India has also offered to provide loan waivers to the Philippines to meet its defense logistics needs.
- ❖ It has also been decided to expand bilateral joint exercises related to maritime security.
- ❖ It is worth mentioning that in January last year, Philippines signed an agreement to purchase Bramos missiles from India worth \$37.5 million.

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