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Persons in the news

'Aswamedha Devi' has been appointed as the Chairperson of Bihar State Commission for Women.

- ❖ The appointment is for a maximum period of three years.
- ❖ The State Government has also appointed new members in the State Commission for Women.
- ❖ Other appointees on the panel include academicians Prof. Geeta Yadav, Prabhavathy Manjhi, Dr. Sujata Sumbrui, Rabia Khatoun, Sunita Kushwaha, Shweta Biswas and Sulochana Devi.
- ❖ 'Bihar State Commission for Women' is a statutory body constituted in 1993.
- ❖ It was set up to deal with problems related to crimes against women in the state of Bihar.
- ❖ The Bihar State Commission for Women's Welfare was set up by the Bihar Government as a 'quasi-judicial' body.



Sayazrul scored 7 wickets by giving only 8 runs

- ❖ The Asian Qualifiers for the T20 World Cup started yesterday in Malaysia. In the opening match, China-Malaysia teams clashed. Malaysian fast bowler Sayazrul Ithras bowled 4 overs and took 7 wickets for just 8 runs with a maiden.
- ❖ Through this in a match in international T20 cricket
- ❖ Sayazrul Ithras has created the record of being the first player to take 7 wickets.
- ❖ The previous record was set by Nigeria's Peter Aho in 2021 when he took 6 wickets for 5 runs against Sierra Leone.
- ❖ Sayazrul Idras has broken this and created a new record. He took all 7 wickets in a bold manner and was amazing.
- ❖ Sayazrul Ithras has played 23 - T20 matches and has taken 47 wickets.



Ritesh Chauhan (IAS)

- ❖ Ritesh Chauhan, a 2005 batch IAS officer of Himachal Pradesh (HP) cadre has been given "additional charge of the post of Managing Director(MD)", National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Ltd(NAFED) under "Department of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (DAC & FW)"Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare.
- ❖ He is currently serving as Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) & Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Agriculture.





- ❖ He is posted for a period of 3 months

Places in the news

Byculla railway station is a UNESCO awardee

- ❖ Mumbai's 169-year-old "Byculla Railway Station" wins 2022 UNESCO Asia Pacific Award for Cultural Heritage Conservation
- ❖ Union Minister of Railways Ashwini Vaishnav presented the award.
- ❖ The recognition comes after 5 years of renovation works of the railway station which started in 2018. Award announced in November, 2022.



Key points

- ❖ 3 women took care of the "restoration work".
- ❖ Shaina Nana Sudasama, Member of Parliament (MP)
- ❖ Abba Naren Lamba, Architect and Historic Building Consultant
- ❖ "Minal Bajaj" Director of Jammalal Bajaj Foundation

Byculla Railway Station

- ❖ Byculla Railway Station was built in 1852
- ❖ One of the original stations on the Thane-Bombay railway network, opened in 1853

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

- ❖ Headquarters - Paris, France
- ❖ Year of Establishment – 1945
- ❖ Members - 195 countries

Reports and indices

Out of 766 districts in the country, 530 districts have reported themselves as manual scavenging-free.

Union Minister of State for **Social Justice and Empowerment Ramdas Athawale** said '530' of India's '766' districts have reported themselves to be free from manual scavenging.

Manual Scavenging

- ❖ Manual scavenging is the practice of removing human excreta by hand from sewers or septic tanks.
- ❖ India banned the practice under the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Act, 2013 (PEMSR).
- ❖ The Act bans the use of any individual for manually cleaning, carrying, disposing of or otherwise handling in any manner, human excreta till its disposal.



Awards and honors

Presented by Ramraj Cotton - Hindu Tamil Direction - The 'Love Teacher Awards'

- ❖ The award ceremony organized by Ramraj Cotton will be held tomorrow (Friday) morning to recognize and honor outstanding teachers in “Government Schools, Government Aided Schools and Matriculation Schools” from Tamil Nadu and Puducherry.
- ❖ The 'Love Teacher Awards' were given in two years 2020 and 2021 to select the best dedicated teachers who develop the skills of the students, inculcate social concern, teach virtues and improve the school.



Sports

"Sumit Nagal"

- ❖ Indian Tennis Player Sumit Nagal won Men's Singles title of the Tampere Open 2023 by defeating Dalibor Svrčina of Czech Republic in Tampere, Finland.
- ❖ Previously he won the 2019 ATP Buenos Aires (Argentina open) and 2017 ATP Bengaluru Challengers.
- ❖ The 41st edition of the Tampere Open was held in Tampere, Finland from 17th July to 23rd July, 2023.



Tampere Open 2023

- ❖ Tampere Open is part of the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) 75 category and played on Clay surface.
- ❖ In 1982, the Tampere Tennis Center hosted the "first Tampere Open".
- ❖ In 2007, the Tampere Open also opened for women,

Sumit Nagal

- ❖ The 25-year old Sumit Nagal hails from Jhajjar District of Haryana and started playing Professional tennis from 2015.
- ❖ He also becomes the first Indian player to win two ATP Challenger titles in Europe and second in Finland.

Tampere Open 2023 Winners:

Category	Winner	Runner
Men's Singles	Sumit Nagal (India)	Dalibor Svrčina (Czech Republic)
Men's Doubles	Piotr Matuszewski and Szymon Kielan (Poland)	Vladyslav Orlov (Ukraine) and Adam Taylor (Australia)



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Economy & Banking

Union Bank of India collaborates with IBM India to develop digital commerce platform

- ❖ This partnership promotes the digital revolution in the banking industry and paves the way for a brighter, more convenient future of banking services.

Features

- ❖ It ensures flexibility for customers to engage with the bank through various channels including mobile, online and branch.
- ❖ This multi-dimensional approach ensures exceptional convenience for users to access their accounts anytime, anywhere.
- ❖ The digital business platform will "provide customers with exceptional convenience and efficiency for all digital transactions".
- ❖ The bank ensures a hassle-free experience for its customers by making processes more efficient and eliminating unnecessary paperwork.



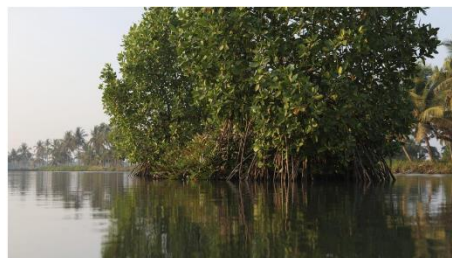
Union Bank of India

- ❖ Managing Director - A. Manimekalai
- ❖ Headquarter – Mumbai, Maharashtra
- ❖ Established on November 11, 1919
- ❖ Tagline- Good for the bank

Environment and bio diversity

W.B. government announces Mangrove Cell on International Day of Mangrove Ecosystem'

- ❖ **West Bengal** which is home to about **40% of mangrove forests** in India.
- ❖ The state government announced the setting up of a '**Mangrove Cell**' in the State, on the occasion of the International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem
- ❖ This platform will bring certain continuity to the efforts of State government along with NGOs in mangrove management.





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National Current affairs

‘No-confidence motion against Modi government in Lok Sabha, Congress’s deputy leader in the Lok Sabha Gaurav Gogoi submitted the no-confidence motion on Tuesday.’



No-confidence motion:

- ❖ This motion is meant to test whether the government of the day enjoys the confidence of the majority of the house,
- ❖ Article 75(3) of our Constitution embodies the rule by specifying that the Council of Ministers are collectively responsible to the Lok Sabha.
- ❖ As under a parliamentary democracy, a government can only be in power if it commands the majority in the directly elected house.
- ❖ Under Rule 198 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Lok Sabha, a member has to move a written notice before 10 am, which will be read out by the speaker within 10 days of the written motion being submitted.
- ❖ Once the speaker reads out the motion in the House, a minimum of 50 members will have to rise in support of it for the speaker to give a date or dates for discussion of the motion.
- ❖ The present motion will be the 28th no-confidence motion since Independence in the Lok Sabha and the second faced by the Modi government.
- ❖ A discussion on the motion takes place.
- ❖ MPs who support the motion highlight the government’s shortcomings, and the Treasury Benches respond to the issues they raise.
- ❖ Finally, a vote takes place – in case the motion carries, the government is bound to vacate the office.

History of No-Confidence motion:

- ❖ The no confidence motion has historically been used as a strategic tool to force a discussion on a certain topic or issue.
- ❖ The first no-confidence motion was moved against the Jawaharlal Nehru government in 1963 by Acharya J.B. Kripalani over the prime minister’s China policy, immediately after the 1962 war.
- ❖ Indira Gandhi faced 15 no-confidence motions (the maximum) in her 16-year tenure. ‘ One in three PM-JAY hospitals inactive since scheme’s launch’



Pradhan Mantri Jan Arokiya yojana (PM-JAY):

- ❖ The scheme was launched in **2018** to achieve the vision of **Universal Health Coverage (UHC)**.
- ❖ It is a **Centrally Sponsored Scheme**.
- ❖ PM-JAY was earlier known as the National Health Protection Scheme (NHPS) before being rechristened. It subsumed the then-existing Rashtriya Swasthya Bima Yojana (RSBY) which had been launched in 2008.
- ❖ It is the **largest health assurance scheme in the world**, which aims at providing a health cover of **Rs. 5 lakhs per family** per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to over 10.74 crores poor and vulnerable families (approximately 50 crores beneficiaries) that form the bottom 40% of the Indian population.
- ❖ There are no restrictions on the number of family members, age, or gender.

Tamilnadu Current Affairs:

- Coimbatore police launch 'Mission Kaloori: Drug-Free Kovai' project to fight drug abuse by engaging students.
- Students and the public can share information on drugs to WhatsApp helpline - 90032-51100 and the sender's identity will be kept confidential.

