

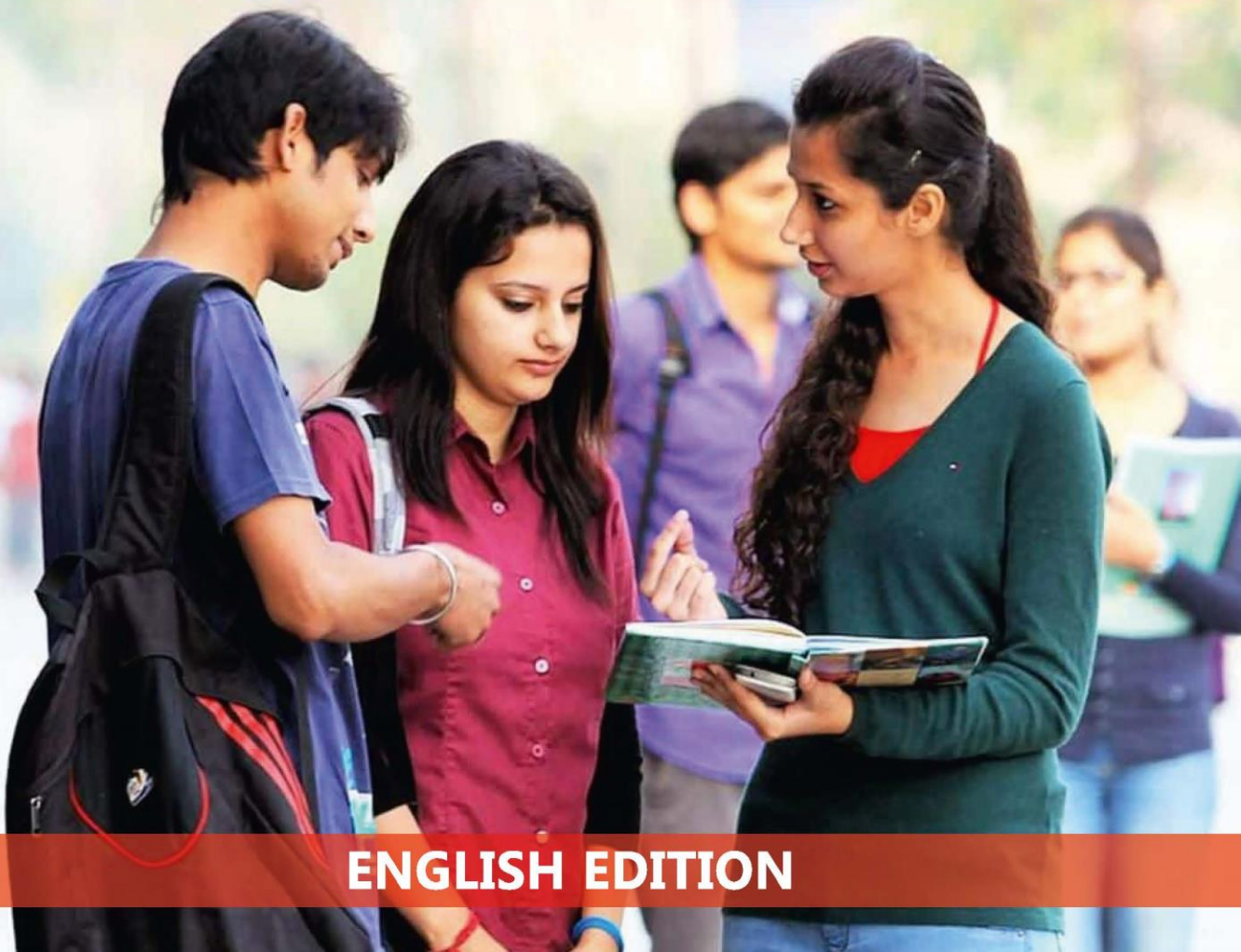
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June 22

Business News, financial news, economy news, company news, politics news, India news, breaking news, Indian economy, International News, Sports News, and many more topics.....

RECENT APPOINTMENTS

- Jose Ramos-Horta has sworn in as the president of which Asian country? **Timor-Leste**
- Which IFS officer has been chosen as PM Modi's press secretary? **Vivek Kumar**
- Salil S Parekh has been reappointed as Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director of the which company? **Infosys**
- Bharti Airtel board has reappointed whom as Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer for a further period of five years? **Gopal Vittal**
- The fourth National Startup Advisory Council has been chaired by whom? **Piyush Goyal**
- Leading stock exchange BSE Limited has appointed whom as the Chairman of the board of directors of the company? **SS Mundra**
- Who will be the head of recently formed Cotton Council of India by central government? **Suresh Bhai Kotak**
- Who has been elected to the US National Academy of Sciences? **Dr Kamal Bawa**
- Eicher Motors has appointed whom as the Chief Executive Officer of Royal Enfield? **B Govindarajan**
- Hassan Sheikh Mohamud has been elected as the president of which country? **Somalia**
- Name the former chief election commissioner, who has been named as the new non-executive chairman of Gram Unnati's board? **Sunil Arora**
- Who has been named as the managing director and chief executive officer of Larsen and Toubro? **S N Subrahmanyam**
- Who have been named executive directors by the Reserve Bank of India? **Rajiv Ranjan and Sitikantha Pattanaik**
- French President Emmanuel Macron has named whom as the country's new Prime Minister? **Elisabeth Borne**
- Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of REC Ltd, Ministry of Power? **Vivek Kumar Dewangan**
- Manik Saha has recently been named as new chief minister of which state? **Tripura**
- Who has been appointed as the chairperson of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)? **Nidhi Chhibber**
- Sanjiv Bajaj, who has appointed as the president of Confederation of Indian Industry, is the chairman of which company? **Bajaj Finserv**
- Which Bollywood actress has become the first-ever Indian brand ambassador of luxury brand Louis Vuitton? **Deepika Padukone**
- Who has been appointed as the next chief election commissioner? **Rajiv Kumar**
- Who has taken over as the first female President of Hungary? **Katalin Novak**
- Recently, John Lee Ka-Chiu has been confirmed as the next chief executive of which country? **Taiwan**



Importance:

To mark the proclamation by the first international congress of socialist parties in Europe on July 14th 1889 in Paris, France.

The date was chosen due to events on the other side of the Atlantic.

In 1884 the American Federation of Organized Trades and Labor Unions demanded an eight-hour workday, to come in effect as of May 1st 1886.

Motto: To honour the contributions of the laborers or working class people.

Note:

Peter J. McGuire, a carpenter and labor union leader, was the person who came up with the idea for Labor Day.

It is also known as May Day and is a public holiday in many countries across the world.

- Who has been re-appointed as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Paytm? **Vijay Shekhar Sharma**
- Who has been sworn in as the Prime Minister of Australia? **Anthony Albanese**
- Who will be the chairperson of Standing Committee of the Inter-State Council comprised by central government? **Amit Shah**
- Who has been appointed as the first Female Vice Chancellor of University of Kashmir? **Nilofer Khan**
- Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has constituted a committee for advising on Environmental, Social and Governance. The committee will chaired by whom? **Navneet Munot**

- Rodrigo Chaves has recently been sworn in as the president of which country? **Costa Rica**
- Who has been appointed as Ministry of Electronics and IT's Secretary? **Alkesh Kumar Sharma**
- Who has recently been took over as the interim chairman and managing director of Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd? **Pushp Kumar Joshi**
- Who has named Managing Director of TVS Motor Company? **Sudarshan Venu**
- Who has been assumed the appointment of Director General (Inspection and Safety) of the Indian Air Force? **Sanjeev Kapoor**
- Who will be the head of the committee constituted by the Supreme Court for the recovery of money from NSEL defaulters? **Pradeep Nandrajog**
- Name the IBM Chairman who has been elected to the Board of Federal Reserve Bank of New York? **Arvind Krishna**
- InterGlobe Aviation has named whom as the chairperson of the IndiGo board? **Venkataramani Sumantran**
- Who has been appointed as the first-ever Chief Technology Officer (CTO) of the Central Intelligence Agency? **Nand Mulchandani**
- Name the former petroleum secretary, who has recently appointed as an advisor to Prime Minister Narendra Modi? **Tarun Kapoor**
- Who has been given additional charge of Chairman, Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)? **Sangeeta Singh**
- Who has been taken charge as India's new Foreign Secretary? **Vinay Mohan Kwatra**
- Who has been appointed as the Vice Chief of the Army Staff? **Lieutenant General BS Raju**
- Who has become the first Indian-origin person to be appointed as the first-ever Chief Technology Officer of the US Central Intelligence Agency? **Nand Mulchandani**
- Online lending platform, Indifi Technologies has appointed which former chairman of State Bank of India as an advisor? **Rajnish Kumar**
- Who has been named as the managing director and chief executive officer of Shivalik Small Finance Bank? **Anshul Swami**
- Emmanuel Macron has been elected as the President of which country? **France**
- Generali Asia has appointed whom as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Future Generali India Life Insurance (FGILI)? **Bruce de Broize**
- Who has been appointed as the next Chief Executive Officer of Aditya Birla Capital? **Vishakha Mulye**
- Procter & Gamble India has appointed whom as the new chief executive officer? **LV Vaidyanathan**
- The Ministry of Home Affairs has appointed whom as the Chief Secretary of Delhi? **Naresh Kumar**
- Who has been appointed as the next Director-General of Military Operations? **Lt Gen Manoj Kumar Katiyar**
- What is the name of the Indian-American Navyveteran who has been appointed as USA Vice President Kamala Harris's Defence Adviser? **Shanti Sethi**
- Who will be the head of the reconstituted committee by Supreme Court to monitor the compensatory afforestation and other mitigation measures for the Delhi-Dehradun Economic Corridor Expressway project? **Sukhbir Singh Sandhu**
- Which healthcare company has appointed Bollywood superstar Aamir Khan as its brand ambassador? **PharmEasy**
- IT major company Wipro has announced the appointed whom as the Country Head for India? **Satya Easwaran**



Facts:

The day was introduced by Dr Madan Kataria, the founder of the Worldwide Laughter Yoga Movement.

The World Laughter Day was first celebrated on 11 January, 1998 in Mumbai, India.

"HAPPY-DEMIC" was the first World Laughter Day gathering outside India. It took place on 9th January 2000, in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Importance:

To mark the importance of laughing in our lives.

Inception: 1998

Edition: 25th

Motto: To raise awareness about laughter and its many healing benefits.

NATIONAL NEWS

- Which Indian airline company has got approval from Directorate General of Civil Aviation to Start Commercial Flights? **Jet Airways**
- Which state government will launch a state-owned over-the-top platform? **Kerala**
- Which state/ UT government is planning to launch Urban Farming Policy? **Delhi**
- Union Cabinet Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw has inaugurated the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology Centre in which UT? **Ladakh**
- Recently, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has laid the foundation stone for the construction of Eklavya Model Residential School in which state? **Maharashtra**
- In which state the Indian Army will open a coaching centre for poor pupils? **Manipur**
- Which micro Ratna PSU has launched the "PM-WANI" scheme to provide access of Public WiFi services across 100 train stations in 22 states? **RailTel Corporation of India**
- India's first Amrit Sarovar has been inaugurated in which city of Uttar Pradesh by the Union Minister for Minority Affairs Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi? **Rampur**
- India's first Khadi Centre of Excellence will open in which city by Ministry of MSME? **Delhi**
- Which state government has launched the second phase of the Ladli Laxmi scheme (Ladli Laxmi scheme-2.0)? **Madhya Pradesh**

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World Press Freedom Day



Importance:

To mark the proclaimed by the UN General Assembly in December 1993, following the recommendation of UNESCO's General Conference.

Since then, 3 May, the anniversary of the Declaration of Windhoek is celebrated worldwide as World Press Freedom Day.

Inception: 1993

Motto: To raise awareness of the importance of freedom of the press and remind governments of their duty.

2022 Theme: Journalism under Surveillance

Organisation Involved: UNESCO

World Press Freedom Conference

2020: Hague, Netherlands

Note: Freedom of expression is a fundamental human right as stated in Article 19 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

- Ramgarh Vishdhari forest which has notified as India's 52nd tiger reserve, is located in which state? **Rajasthan**
- Which state government has launched the "e-Adhigam" scheme under which nearly three lakh students will be receiving tablet computers? **Haryana**
- Which state government has announced to revert to the old pension scheme (OPS) for state employees? **Chhattisgarh**
- Which government organisation has celebrated its 62nd raising day on 7th May recently? **Border Roads Organisation**
- The RailTel Corporation of India Ltd and World Health Organisation has inaugurated a Mobile Container Hospital named "Health Cloud" in which city? **Visakhapatnam**
- Which state is planning to create India's "only" observatory, which will house data on the state's indigenous population's health? **Odisha**
- Which state government has launched "Mukhyamantri Mitaan Yojana"? **Chhattisgarh**
- The Reserve Bank of India has approved an extension in the tenure of Murli M Natarajan as the managing director and chief executive officer of DCB Bank for a period of how many years? **Two Years**
- Aleksandar Vučić has been re-elected as the President of which Balkan country? **Serbia**

- Recently, Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID) campus in which city? **Bengaluru**
- "Miyana Bada", a railway station in Rajasthan has been renamed as - **Mahesh Nagar Halt**
- Which city will host the three day Semicon India Conference-2022? **Bengaluru**
- Which state government has approved a Gene Bank, to conserve genetic resources of state? **Rajasthan**
- A district Samba, which has become first district in India to cover 100% households under ABPMJAY-SEHAT scheme, is located in which state/UT? **Jammu and Kashmir**
- Which city of Uttar Pradesh has become the first in the country to have vacuum-based sewer systems? **Agra**
- Which district of Jharkhand has become the only district in the country where all gram panchayats have community libraries? **Jamtara**
- India's first "Amrit Sarovar" has been completed in which district of Uttar Pradesh? **Rampur**
- India's first carbon-neutral panchayat village Palli is located in which state/UT? **Jammu & Kashmir**
- Which state government has launched the "Social Awareness and Action to Neutralise Pneumonia Successfully" (SAANS) Campaign? **Karnataka**
- Recently, India has created Guinness Book of World records by simultaneously waving how many national Flag at the "Veer Kunwar Singh Vijayotsav" programme at Bhojpur, Bihar? **78,220**
- Which state has become first to launch a bus service with a totally digital ticketing system? **Maharashtra**
- Which country has become second to launch Trade and Technology Council with European Union? **India**
- Which city will host India's first International Cruise Conference? **Mumbai**
- The three-day "Smart Cities, Smart Urbanization" conference kicked off in which city? **Surat**
- Which state/UT has launched an app "Jan Nigrani" under the e-governance initiative? **Jammu and Kashmir**
- Prime Minister Modi has laid the foundation stone for World Health Organisation's Global Center For Traditional Medicines in which state? **Gujarat**
- The first portable solar rooftop system in India has been inaugurated in which city? **Gandhinagar**
- Which state will host the highest Indian national flag, 165-foot-high, at INA complex? **Manipur**
- Who has inaugurated the Puducherry first-ever Beach Festival I Sea PONDY-2022? **Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan**
- Gangaur festival has been recently celebrated in which state? **Rajasthan**
- Prime Minister Modi has unveiled a 108 ft Lord Hanuman statue in which city of Gujarat on the occasion of Hanuman Jayanti? **Morbi**
- Which State Government will implement the "Him Prahari" Scheme which is meant for ex-servicemen and youngsters? **Uttarakhand**
- Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya in which city? **New Delhi**
- In the second phase of SVANidhi se Samridhi program, it has been extended to how many cities across 14 States/UT? **126 cities**
- The Ambulifts initiative has started by the Airport Authority of India under which campaign of GoI to provide convenient air travel to the flyers with reduced mobility? **Sugamya Bharat Campaign**
- Union Home Minister, Amit Shah has inaugurated the "Seema Darshan Project" on the Indo-Pak border in which District of Gujarat? **Banaskantha**



Motto: To highlight the toughest profession and the people working in coal mines. On this day several organisations, communities raises funds and awareness for other organisations in the coal mining area and workers.

Importance:

This day show appreciation for the sacrifices, honour the accomplishments and remember the tragedies that these hardworking individuals experience.

Note: In India coal mining began in 1774 when John Sumner and Suetonius Grant Healthy of the East India Company commenced commercial exploitation in the Raniganj Coalfield along the Western bank of Damodar River.

- Which state government has announced to launch the "Udyam Kranti Yojana" that offered youth self-employment? **Madhya Pradesh**

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- According to the report released by Organisation Internationale des Constructeurs d'Automobiles which country has surpassed Germany and become 4th largest vehicle market in the world? **India**
- Which country has hosted The Council of Regional Anti-Terrorist Structure of SCO meet, focused on the situation in Afghanistan? **India**
- Which European country will apply for membership in North Atlantic Treaty Organization as a deterrent against Russia? **Sweden**
- President Ram Nath Kovind inaugurates "India-Jamaica Friendship Garden" in which city of Jamaica? **Kingston**
- Which country has replaced Russia on human rights council by United Nations General Assembly? **Czech Republic**
- Which Asian country has joined the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence? **South Korea**
- According to the Forbe's list of Highest paid Sportspersons, who is on top position with \$130 million earnings? **Lionel Messi**
- Which country recently banned conversion therapy for minors after Canada, New Zealand and France already criminalized earlier this year? **Greece**
- Name the world's biggest crude oil exporter, which has overtaken Apple as the world's most valuable company? **Saudi Aramco**
- Which country has proposed a "European Political Community" for countries hopeful of joining the European Union? **France**
- World's Largest Glass Bottom Bridge has been opened in which country? **Vietnam**
- Adani Wilmar Limited has become the largest Fast Moving Consumer Goods Company in India by beating which company? **Hindustan Unilever Limited**
- Which company has started mass production of lithium-ion battery packs in Gujarat? **Nexcharge**
- The Sitio Burle Marx site, which has recently been added to UNESCO's list of World Heritage sites is located in which country? **Brazil**
- According to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India president, Debashis Mitra which country will host the 21st World Congress of Accountants? **India**
- In a deviation from the conventional single host city approach, the Commonwealth Games will be held in which city in 2026? **Victoria**
- Which South American Country has become the first in the world to give legal rights to wild animals? **Ecuador**
- Which two cities of India have been recognised as the '2021 Tree City of the World by United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) and Arbor Day Foundation? **Mumbai and Hyderabad**
- According to the UNEP Report, which city in the world is most noise polluted city? **Dhaka**
- First wildlife bond has issued by World Bank to save which species? **African black rhino**
- According to the International Finance Corporation, which country has topped in South Asia in terms of women on board of listed companies? **Bangladesh**

04

MAY



Motto: To recognise and honour the sacrifices that firefighters make to ensure that their communities and environment are as safe as possible.

Note: The IFFD ribbons are linked to colors symbolic of the main elements firefighters work with—red for fire and blue for water. These colors also are internationally recognised as representing emergency service.

International Firefighter's Day

Importance:

To mark the deaths of five firefighters in tragic circumstances in a bush fire in Australia in 1999.

Inception: 1999

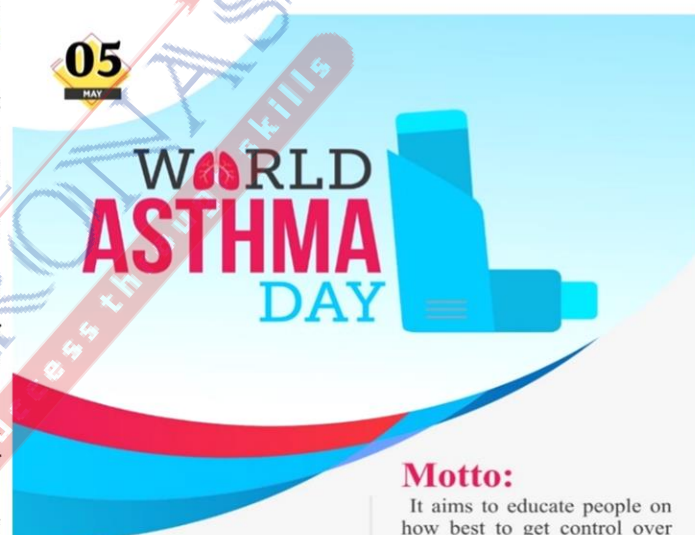
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- Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has laid the foundation stone for the India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage in which country? **Nepal**
- World's-largest canal lock has unveiled in which country? **Netherlands**
- Which country was on the top spot as India's trade partner in 2021? **United States**
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BANKING & ECONOMY

- New Development Bank has opened a regional office in which state of India? **Gujarat**
- Which international bank has approved USD 350 million as financial aid for the Systems Reform Endeavors for Transformed Health Achievement in Gujarat (SRESTHA-G) project? **World Bank**
- Which insurance company has launched India's first dental health insurance plan? **PNB MetLife**
- S&P Global Ratings cut India's growth projection for the current fiscal to what percent from 7.8 per cent earlier? **7.3 per cent**
- The National Data & Analytics Platform has been launched by which government agency for free public use? **NITI Aayog**
- Which bank has launched an online platform, "Trade next", which enables corporate, and MSMEs? **Union Bank of India**
- Which public sector bank's CEO Lingam Venkat Prabhakar plans to invest about Rs 1,000 crore over the next three years for building a digital banking ecosystem, including a super-app? **Canara Bank**
- Morgan Stanley lowered India's growth forecast for FY 2013 from 7.9 percent to what percent? **7.6%**
- Which private sector lender has introduced 30-minute "Xpress Car Loans" which is an end-to-end digital car loan solution for both existing and non-customers? **HDFC Bank**
- The World Economic Forum has collaborated with which government agency to focus on how to better employee emerging technologies? **NITI Aayog**
- Which company has become the first Indian company to record annual revenue of more than a whopping \$100 billion? **Reliance Industries**
- How much amount has been allotted by the GoI for the world's largest film restoration project under the National Film Heritage Mission? **Rs 363 crore**
- Which bank has launched India's first "open-for-all" comprehensive digital ecosystem for all Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises? **ICICI Bank**
- Which bank has become the first public sector bank to go live on the Account Aggregator (AA) ecosystem? **Union Bank of India**
- Which company has introduced a contactless RuPay card in the form of keychain? **Pencilton**
- Which Indian company has become the first to hit the Rs 19 lakh crore market valuation mark in intra-day trade? **Reliance Industries**
- Limit of public debt investment via UPI has been increased by SEBI upto how much from 2 lakhs? **Rs 5 Lakhs**

- Who has acquired the micro blogging website "Twitter" for \$44 billion? **Elon Musk**
- According to the World Bank Policy Research Working Paper, the extreme poverty rate in India fell from 22.5% in 2011 to how much percent in 2019? **10.2%**
- Which payment company has been selected as the official digital payments partner for Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya? **Paytm**
- As per the World Bank's April update, what is India's GDP forecast for fiscal year 2022-23? **8.0 %**
- The World Trade Organisation has downgraded the global GDP forecast for fiscal year 2022 to how much? **2.8 percent**



Asthma is a disease characterized by recurrent attacks of breathlessness, wheezing, chest tightness, and cough that vary over time in their occurrence, severity and frequency.

Motto:

It aims to educate people on how best to get control over this respiratory problem and other allergic diseases.

1st celebrated: 1998

Edition: 25th

Organisation Involved: Global Initiative for Asthma (GINA), National Heart Lung and Blood Institute (NHLB) and World Asthma Foundation.

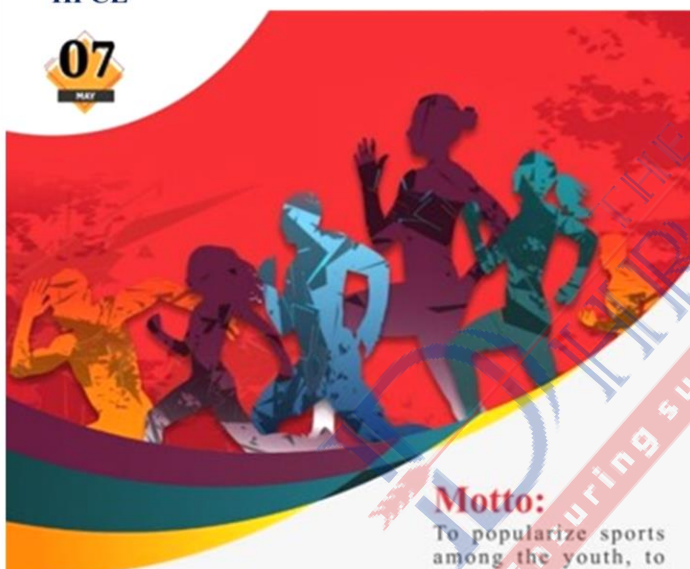
Note: The first World Asthma Meeting held in Barcelona, Spain.

- "Vikas Siri Sampat-1111" scheme has been introduced by which Bank? **Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank**
- Which Indian state will receive a loan worth Rs 7,500 crore from World Bank and the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank to improve education quality in the state? **Gujarat**

MOU'S SIGNED

- India has signed a Memorandum of understanding with which country for cooperation in fertiliser sector? **Jordan**
- Which state government has signed MoU with Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati to establish healthcare innovation institute with 350-bed hospital? **Assam**
- Which broadcasting company has signed a MoU with Madagascar's official Office de la Radio et de la Television for broadcasting cooperation? **Prasar Bharati**
- Which government-owned oil marketing companies (OMCs) have entered into a Tripartite-cum-Escrow Agreement (TPA) for upcoming dedicated ethanol plants across India? **BPCL, Indian Oil Corp and HPCL**
- Which country signed security agreements with Sweden and Finland which aimed at boosting the two countries' defenses against Russia as they move toward NATO membership? **UK**
- Which minister has signed a MoU with Indian Space Research Organisation with the goal of upskilling the technical workforce at the Department of Space of ISRO? **Ministry of Skill Development**
- The Ministry of Railways has signed a memorandum of understanding with which company to upgrade railway telecommunication? **C-DOT**
- Telangana government has signed a MoU with which company on Digital Economy for Young and Women entrepreneurs? **Google**
- New Space India Limited has signed an agreement with which company for satellite launches? **OneWeb**
- Which payment bank has partnered with IndusInd Bank to offer fixed deposit facilities to its customers? **Airtel Payments Bank**
- A finance company SBI Card has tied-up with which company to boost digital transformation? **TCS**
- State government of Kerala has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with which country for the "Cosmos Malabaricus" project? **Netherlands**
- Prasar Bharati has signed an MoU with the Public Broadcaster of which country RTA for collaboration in the field of broadcasting? **Argentina**
- Which state government has inked an MoU with the NIXI-CSC Data Services Centre to establish an international-standard data centre in the state? **Tripura**
- Power System Operation Corporation Limited has signed a memorandum of understanding with which Indian Institute of Technology to encourage research on issues relating to India's power sector? **IIT Delhi**
- With which organisation, NITI Aayog has signed a Statement of Intent on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with a focus on children? **UNICEF India**
- Which government agency has signed a MOU with the NIA with the goal of creating capacity and establishing a qualified talent pool in the insurance sector in IFSCs? **International Financial Services Centres Authority**
- Cryptocurrency lender, Nexo has joined hands with which global payments company to launch the world's first "crypto-backed" payment card? **Mastercard**
- The Delhi Government has signed a unique Knowledge Sharing Agreement with which state government? **Punjab**
- Which life insurance company has joined the United Nations as a signatory? **HDFC Life**

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JULY



WORLD ATHLETICS DAY

Introduced by: Primo Nebiolo (Then President of IAAF)
1st Celebrated: 1996
Edition: 27th

Note: IAAF was founded on the 17 July 1912 in Stockholm (Sweden). The IAAF is the world governing body for the sport of field athletics and track.

Motto:
To popularize sports among the youth, to promote athletics as the primary sport in schools and institutions and to encourage and introduce new talent and youngsters in the field of athletics.

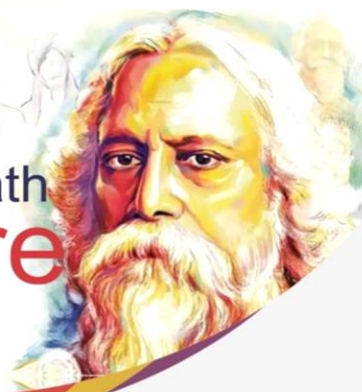
Organised By: IAAF (International Amateur Athletic Federation)

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

- Who has become first foreign climber, who has scaled the world's highest mountain for the 16th times? **Kenton Cool**
- Who has become one of the youngest Indian mountaineers to summit the Everest Base Camp? **Rhythm Mamania**
- Who has been awarded by the Committed Leader Award at CII EXCON 2022 in Bengaluru? **Anjali Pandey**
- Which government programme has won the World Health Organisation (WHO) director general's "Global Health Leaders" awards? **Accredited Social Health Activist**
- Who has won the first prize for the Amazon Smbhav Entrepreneurship Challenge 2022? **Subhash Ola**
- Who has received an honorary Commander of the Order of the British Empire by Her Majesty The Queen? **Ajay Pirmal**
- Cécile Ndjebet who has won the 2022 Wangari Maathai Forest Champions Award, hails from which country? **Cameroon**
- Who is the first Indian nonprofessional to be declared Saint by The Vatican? **Devasahayam Pillai**
- Anna Qabale Duba, who has won the inaugural Aster Guardian Global Nursing Award, hails from which country? **Kenya**
- Who has won the Billboard Music Awards 2022 in Top Artist category? **Drake**
- Current Army Chief General Manoj Pande has been conferred with which award for his distinguished service of exceptional order? **Param Vishisht Seva Medal**
- Who has received the Bangla Academy Award for her "relentless literary pursuit" by Sahitya Academy? **Mamata Banerjee**
- A Pre-Eminent crossing in Ayodhya will be named after whom? **Lata Mangeshkar**
- Romain Rolland Book Prize 2022 has been awarded to "Meursault, contre-enquête", the French novel is translated in which language? **Bengali**
- Who has received the 2022 World Food Prize from the World Food Prize Foundation? **Cynthia Rosenzweig**
- Which country will be the official Country of Honour at the upcoming Marche' Du Film, organized alongside the 75th edition of the Cannes Film Festival, in France? **India**
- Who has become the first Indian woman climber to scale five peaks above 8,000 metres? **Priyanka Mohite**
- Ardeshir B K Dubash honoured with highest diplomatic award by which country? **Peru**
- Which tunnel built by Border Road Organisation has received the "Best Infrastructure Project" Award? **Atal Tunnel**
- Who has won the prestigious Whitley Gold Award 2022? **Charudutt Mishra**
- Which pharma company has bagged the Indian Pharma Leader of the Year award at India Pharma and India Medical Devices Awards 2022? **Cipla Limited**
- United Nations Environment Programme has named whom as the recipient of the Champions of the Earth Award 2021? **David Attenborough**
- Who is the only Indian member of the exclusive jury of the 75th Cannes Film Festival? **Deepika Padukone**
- The John F Kennedy Library Foundation, for the first time ever has awarded the John F Kennedy Profile in Courage Award 2022 to whom? **Volodymyr Zelenskyy**
- Who has named Laureus Sportsman of the year in Laureus Awards 2022? **Max Verstappen**

07
MAY

Rabindranath Tagore
(7 May 1861 to 8 August 1941)



Pen Name:

Bhanu Singha Thakur (Bhonita)

Occupation: Writer, composer, playwright, essayist, painter

Language: Bengali, English

Notable Works: Gitanjali, Gora, Ghare-Baire, Jana Gana Mana, Rabindra Sangeet, Amar Shonar Bangla

Notable Awards: Nobel Prize in Literature (1913)

Note: He was the first non-European to receive the Nobel Prize (1913) for his contribution to world literature.

Tagore penned down "Jana Gana Mana", the national anthem of India. He also wrote the national anthem for Bangladesh.

SPORTS

- Which country has won the "Thomas Cup title 2022" for the first time ever by defeating Indonesia? **India**
- Which Indian Grandmaster has won "Reykjavik Open 2022" held in Iceland at the age of 16? **R Praggnanandha**
- What is the name of "Formula One world champion" who has won the Spanish Grand Prix? **Max Verstappen**
- Who has become first Asian to win the Premier League's Golden Boot? **Son Heung-min**
- Which neighbouring country of India has hold its first international professional boxing tournament? **Bangladesh**
- Which country has won the Uber Cup 2022 by defeating China? **South Korea**
- India's men's badminton team has won the Thomas Cup title for the first time ever by defeating which country? **Indonesia**
- Who has won the gold medal in the Badminton at the 24th Brazil Deaflympics? **Shreya Singla**
- Which football club has won the Italian Cup final by defeating Juventus by 4-2? **Inter Milan**
- Who has topped the list of Forbes Highest-Paid Athletes 2022? **Lionel Messi**
- Which Indian Architect has bestowed with the prestigious Royal Gold Medal 2022? **Balkrishna Vithaldas**
- Name the Indian, who has smashed the national record to clinch a gold medal in the women's 100m hurdles in Cyprus International Athletics Meeting 2022? **Jyothi Yarraji**
- What is the name of the climber who has climbed Mt Everest for the 26th time and set a new world record? **Kami Rita Sherpa**
- Who has won gold in men's 10m air rifle competition in the 24th Deaflympics? **Dhanush Srikanth**
- Kamalpreet Kaur, who has provisionally suspended from suspended by Athletics Integrity Unit, is associated with which sport? **Discus throw**
- Who has won the 2022 World Snooker Championship by defeating Judd Trump (England) against 18-13 in the finals? **Ronnie O'Sullivan**
- Which university has won the with 20 gold, 7 silver and 5 bronze medals has won the 2nd edition of the Khelo India University Games 2021? **JAIN University**
- Who has become the first Indian weightlifter to win a Gold Medal at IWF Junior World Championship? **Harshada Sharad**
- Which state government has announced that a stadium will be built in Olympic gold-medallist Neeraj Chopra's Hometown? **Haryana**
- Which state has won the 75th Santosh Trophy 2022 at the Manjeri Stadium? **Kerala**
- How many medals has bagged by 30-member Indian contingent participated in 35th Edition of Asian Wrestling Championships 2022? **17**
- Who has won their third title in the Serbia Open by defeating world No. 1 Novak Djokovic? **Andrey Rublev**
- Which Formula One champion has won the Emilia-Romagna Grand Prix in Italy? **Max Verstappen**

08
MAY



Motto: This day honours those millions of volunteers, staff and members across the world who protects human life and health.

Note: It is dedicated to alleviating human suffering, upholding human dignity, protecting life, and preventing emergencies and natural disasters such as flood, epidemics, and earthquakes.

Importance:

To mark the birth anniversary of Henry Dunant, founder of the Red Cross and International Committee of the Red Cross in 1828.

1st Observed: 1948

Edition: 75th

- Which division of the diverse Adani Group has created history by gaining the rights to own and manage a franchise in the UAE's top T20 competition? **Adani Sportsline**
- Who has won the Women's World Boxing Championships in Turkey and become the fifth Indian woman to be crowned world champion? **Nikhat Zareen**



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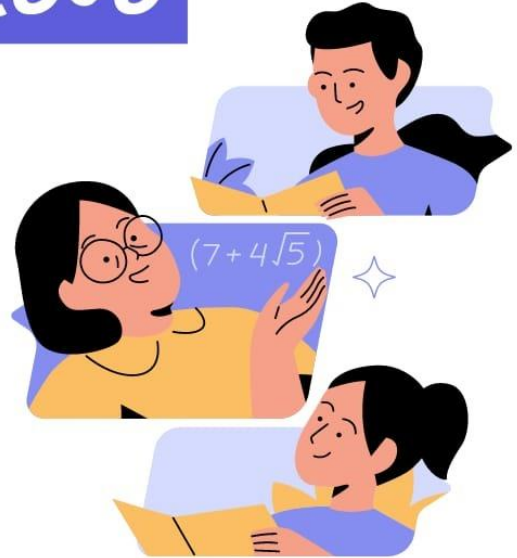
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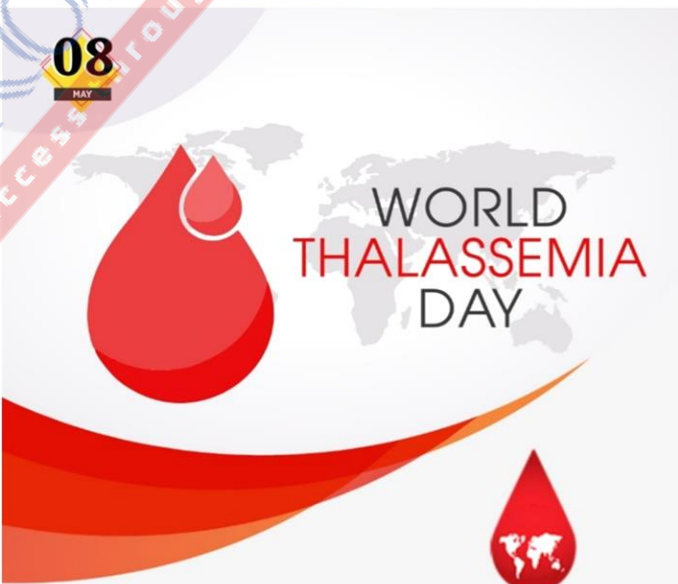


SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- Which company has become the first gas producer to sell domestic gas on the Indian Gas Exchange? **Oil and Natural Gas Corporation**
- The Indian Railways has collaborated with which Indian Institute of Technology for the development of a made-in-India Hyperloop system? **IIT Madras**
- Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Minister for Education and Skill Development has launched the North East Research Conclave (NERC) 2022 at which Indian Institute of Technology? **IIT Guwahati**
- Which aerospace private company has successfully tested its Kalam-100 rocket that will power the Vikram-1 rocket's third stage/engine? **Skyroot**
- Which scientific and educational organization has installed the "world's highest weather station" on Mount Everest? **NatGeo Society**
- Which company has launched "IBD NutriCare" app on World Inflammatory Bowel Disease Day? **Indian Council of Medical Research**
- Which country has planned to launch world's first habitable planet search mission named "Closeby Habitable Exoplanet Survey" for Habitable Planets through Space Telescope? **China**
- What is the name of battery-operated dual-mode locomotive developed by West Central Railway? **Navdoot**
- What is the name of the fourth and last stealth Indian Navy Destroyer developed under the "Project 15B" programme? **INS Surat**
- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla has launched one-of-its-kind literary initiative Kalam website of which foundation? **Prabha Khaitan Foundation**
- Which Aerospace company has successfully tested an environmentally friendly satellite propulsion system that offers a 20 percent increase in fuel efficiency? **Bellatrix Aerospace**
- Which armed force has planned to purchase the GISAT-2 satellite to increase its capacity? **Indian Navy**
- Which state government has launched an Android App "Shaili" which aimed at diagnosing and controlling lifestyle diseases among the people in the state? **Kerala**
- What is the name of India's first Venus Mission planned to launch by Indian Space Research Organisation by December 2024? **Shukrayaan-I**
- Name the India's first indigenous aircraft carrier which will be handed over to the Indian navy? **INS Vikrant**
- Which joint venture will receive India's first semi-high-speed train set for Regional Rapid Transit System at

Alstom's Savli project in Gujarat? **National Capital Region Transport Corporation**

- Which state government has launched a Vehicle Movement Tracking System (VMTS) mobile app to track the vehicles carrying sand and other mining material? **Haryana**
- According to Mercom's India Solar Project Tracker, which state has become the first state in India to reach 10 GW of cumulative large-scale solar installations? **Rajasthan**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has collaborated with India Meteorological Department to develop climate solutions for stakeholders at the village, city, and district levels? **IIT Bombay**
- Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways would develop and build India's first indigenous hydrogen-fueled electric vessels at which Shipbuilding company? **Cochin Shipyard**
- Which state has become the first in India to develop a website-based Migration Tracking System (MTS) application? **Maharashtra**



08 MAY

WORLD THALASSEMIA DAY

2022 Theme: To Improve Thalassaemia Knowledge

What is Thalassaemia Disease?

Thalassaemia is an inherited blood disorder characterised by less oxygen-carrying protein (haemoglobin) and fewer red blood cells in the body than normal.

Note: This disease is also known as Mediterranean anemia.

Importance:

It is a commemoration day in honour of all patients with thalassaemia and their parents who have never lost hope for life, despite the burden of their disease.

Organisation Involved: Thalassaemia International Federation

OBITUARY

- Andrew Symonds, who has passed away recently, was associated with which sport? **Cricket**
- Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, who has passed away recently, was the President of which Middle Eastern country? **United Arab Emirates**
- Pandit Shivkumar Sharma has passed away recently. He was awarded by the Padma Shri in which year? **1991**
- Elvera Britto, who has passed away recently, was associated with which sport? **Hockey**
- Mwai Kibaki, who has passed away recently, was the former president of which country? **Kenya**
- Binapani Mohanty, who has passed away recently, was honoured by Sahitya Akademi Award in which year? **1990**
- Stephen Wilhite, who has passed away recently, was the creator of which image format? **GIF**
- Ms Kumudben Joshi, who has passed away recently, was the former governor of which state? **Andhra Pradesh**
- Rafiq Tarar, who has passed away recently, was the former president of which country? **Pakistan**
- Sunith Francis Rodrigues, who has passed away recently, was the former Governor of which state? **Punjab**
- What was the name of the first Australian wicketkeeper to score a Test century, who has died recently? **Rod Marsh**
- Sonny Ramadhin, who has been passed away recently, was the former cricket player of which country? **West Indies**
- Freedom fighter and Gandhian social worker Shakuntala Choudhary, who has passed away recently was awarded by Padma Shri in which year? **2022**
- Surajit Sengupta, who has passed away recently, was associated with which sport? **Football**
- Chennaveera Kanavi, who has passed away recently was an iconic poet and writer of which language? **Kannada**
- What is the real name of legendary singer and music composer Bappi Lahiri, who has been passed away recently? **Alokesh Lahiri**
- Padma Shri awardee and social worker Ibrahim Sutar, who has passed away recently hailed from which state? **Karnataka**
- India's nightingale, Lata Mangeshkar has passed away on recently. In which year she was honoured with India's highest civilian award? **2001**
- Rupinder Singh Suri who has been passed away recently, was appointed to the Additional Solicitor General in which year? **2020**
- Chandrashekhar Patil, popularly known as "Champa", has been passed away recently. He was the famous writer of which language? **Kannada**
- Ramesh Deo, who has passed away recently, was associated with which field? **Cinema**
- Professional Mountaineer Major Hari Pal Singh Ahluwalia, who has passed away recently, was the winner of Arjuna Award in which year? **1965**
- Toshiki Kaifu, who has been passed away recently, was the former president of which country? **Japan**
- Saroj Pattanayak, who has been passed away recently, was a famous - **Music Composer**

Second Sunday of May
Mother's Day



Importance:

To mark the celebration in 1908, when Anna Jarvis held a memorial for her mother at St Andrew's Methodist Church in Grafton, West Virginia.

St Andrew's Methodist Church now holds the International Mother's Day Shrine.

The day is an event to honour the contribution of mothers, acknowledge the efforts of maternal bonds and the role of mothers in our society.

On May 8th, 1914, Anna Jarvis efforts bore fruit after President Woodrow Wilson signed a joint resolution that designated Mother's Day USA to be celebrated on the second Sunday in May.

Motto: To express respect, honor, and love towards mothers

Attributed To: Julia Ward Howe and Anna Jarvis

Note: In 1912 Anna Jarvis trademarked the phrase Second Sunday in May marked as Mother's Day.

- Ramesh Deo, who has passed away recently, was associated with which field? **Cinema**
- Shahabuddin Ahmed, who has passed away recently, was the former president of which country? **Bangladesh**

MISCELLANEOUS

- An iconic statue of Raja Ram Mohan Roy has been inaugurated in which city on his 250th birth anniversary? **Kolkata**
- With which country India has begun the fourth edition of CORPAT exercises in the Bay of Bengal? **Bangladesh**
- What is the objective of a newly proposed Malviya Mission? **Enabling ecosystem for Faculty Development**
- What is the theme of World Metrology Day 2022? **Metrology in the Digital Era**
- In which city will the Madame Tussauds wax museum be brought back to India? **Noida**
- What is the name of the author of the book "The Hardest Place", who has won William E Colby award recently? **Wesley Morgan**
- World Bee Day is observed annually on which day of May to raise awareness about the importance of bees? **May 20**
- What is the name of Delhi's Lieutenant Governor who has resigned recently? **Anil Baijal**
- According to the World Bank, which country has surpassed Mexico as the top remittance receiving country in 2021? **India**
- World Hypertension Day is observed every year on which day of May? **17 May**
- What is the theme of this year's International Museum Day 2022? **The Power of Museums**
- What is the theme of the World Migratory Bird Day 2022? **Light pollution**
- When was the Jan Suraksha Scheme launched as it has completed 7 years recently? **9th May 2015**
- Who has released 'Modi @20: Dreams Meet Delivery', a book written on Prime Minister Narendra Modi? **M Venkaiah Naidu**
- World Thalassaemia Day is celebrated every year on which day of May? **8 May**
- A recently launched book "INDO-PAK WAR 1971-Reminiscences of Air Warriors" has been edited by whom? **Air Marshal Jagjeet Singh**
- World Athletics Day is celebrated every year globally on which day of May? **7 May**
- Which armed force has launched Focused effort under "Operation Satark" from 5th April to 30th April? **Railway Protection Force**
- What is the rank of India in Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2022? **4th**
- A book titled as "Chinese Spies: From Chairman Mao to Xi Jinping" has been authored by whom? **Roger Faligot**
- Which International Airport has topped the list of the top 10 busiest airports worldwide for 2021 released by Airports Council International? **Atlanta International Airport**
- The annual World Day for Safety and Health at Work has observed recently on which day of April? **28 April**
- Day of Human Space Flight is celebrated has been observed on which day of April to mark the anniversary of the first human space flight by Yuri Gagarin? **12 April**
- What is the rank of India in World Press Freedom Index 2022? **150th**
- Name the first Indian to receive an Oscar, whose 101st birth anniversary has been celebrated on May 2? **Satyajit Ray**
- The International Dance Day has recently observed globally on which day of April? **29 April**
- Which country will the world's largest cyber exercise Locked Shields 2022? **Estonia**
- Which state government has announced that December 18 every year will be observed as Minorities Rights Day? **Tamil Nadu**



Motto: To raise awareness regarding the crucial role played by nurses in the society

Organisation Involved: International Council of Nurses

Inception: 1965

Edition: 58th

2022 Theme: Nurses: A Voice to Lead - Invest in Nursing and respect rights to secure global health



Importance:

To mark the birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale. In January 1974, 12 May was chosen to celebrate the day as it is the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale.

- What is the theme of this year's World Immunization Week which is celebrated worldwide in the last week of April by WHO? **Long Life for All**
- The recently released book "Sikh History of Eastern India" has been authored by whom? **Abinash Mohapatra**
- India has commemorated which edition of National Panchayati Raj day on 24th April 2022? **12th**
- World Malaria Day has recently been observed on which day of April by the World Health Organisation? **April 25**
- What is the rank of India in military expenditure according to Stockholm International Peace Research Institute? **Third Largest**
- What is the theme of World Earth Day 2022, also known as International Mother Earth Day? **Invest in our planet**

- The 400th Prakash Purab of Guru Tegh Bahadur has been celebrated on which day of April? **April 21**
- Which day has been observed on 21st of April? **National Civil Services Day**
- Name the Chairman and Managing Director of Serum Institute of India, who has topped the Hurun Global Healthcare Rich List 2022? **Cyrus S Poonawalla**
- Which government agency has started the 8th edition of National Level Pollution Response Exercise, "NATPOLREX-VIII"? **Indian Coast Guard**
- A corps of the Indian Army, Trishakti Corps has conducted EXERCISE KRIPAN SHAKTI in which state? **West Bengal**
- Border Roads Organization has announced to build the world's highest tunnel at which mountain pass? **Shinku La Pass**
- On the occasion of Dr BR Ambedkar's 131st birth anniversary, a new book titled "The Boy Who Wrote a Constitution: A play for Children on Human Rights" authored by whom? **Rajesh Talwar**
- World Liver Day is observed on which day of April to spread awareness about the causes of liver disease and take holistic care of the liver? **20 April**
- Every year, the World Art Day has been observed on 15 April globally. In which year it was observed first? **2019**
- 40th edition of "Hunar Haat" will be organised in which city? **Mumbai**
- What is the theme of this year's World Heritage Day 2022? **Heritage and Climate**
- Which state government has announced in its the Assembly that the birth anniversary of BR Ambedkar (April 14) will be commemorated as "Samathuva Naal" (Equality Day)? **Tamil Nadu**
- A recently launched book "Hear Yourself" has been authored by whom? **Prem Rawat**
- World Art Day has been observed every year on which day of April to celebrate fine arts and promote awareness of creative activity around the world? **13 April**
- Himachal Pradesh statehood Day 2022 has been celebrated recently on which day of April? **15th April**
- The United Nations General Assembly has designated which day of April to observed as an International Day of Conscience every year? **5 April**
- Dharmendra Pradhan has launched a book titled as "Birsa Munda – Janjatiya Nayak". Who is the author of the book? **Alok Chakrawal**

15
MAY



International day of families

Importance:

To mark the proclamation by the UN General Assembly in 1993 that reflects the importance of families in the community.

Motto: To promote awareness of issues relating to families and to increase knowledge of the social, economic and demographic processes affecting families.

Inception: 1994

Edition: 29th

Organisation Involved: United Nations

2022 Theme: Families and New Technologies

Note: On 9 December 1989, The General Assembly proclaimed The International Year of the Family.

- What is the name of the sixth and last French Scorpene-class submarine launched by the Indian Navy under Project 75 at the Kanhoji Angre Wet Basin of Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL) in Mumbai? **Vagsheer**
- Name the India's second-largest bank which has celebrated its 128th Foundation Day on April 12, 2022? **Punjab National Bank**

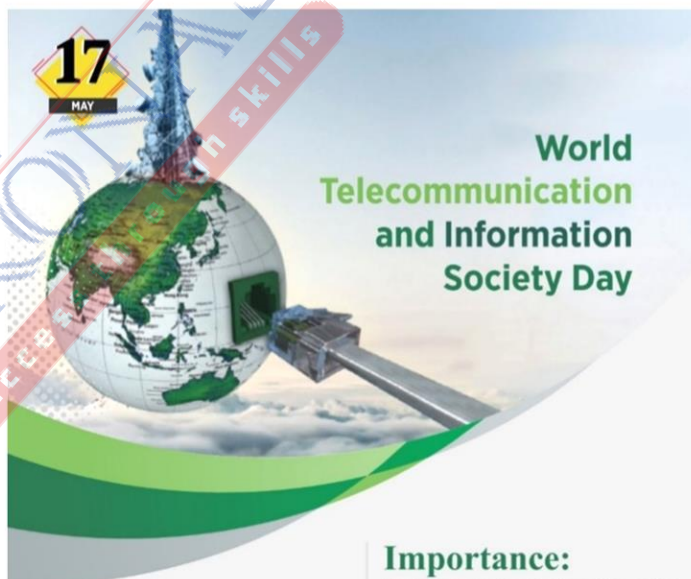


IMPORTANT DAYS

Day	Observed/Celebrated As	Motto/Importance
Jun-01	World Milk Day	To recognize the importance of milk as a global food
Jun-03	World Bicycle Day	In 2018, the United Nations General Assembly decided this day to acknowledge the uniqueness, longevity and versatility of the bicycle.
Jun-04	International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression	To pay tribute to the victims of Lebanon War in 1982.
Jun-05	World Environment Day	Only One Earth
3rd Sunday of June	Father's Day	To recognize the contribution that fathers and father figures make to the lives of their children
Jun-07	World Food Safety Day	Safer food, better health
Jun-08	World Ocean Day	Revitalization; Collective Action for the Ocean
Jun-08	World Brain Tumour Day	To mark the commemoration of this day by German Brain Tumour Association in 2000
Jun-12	Anti-Child Labor Day	In 2002, the International Labour Organization (ILO) launched this day to bring attention and join efforts to fight against child labour.
Jun-14	World Blood Donor Day	Give blood and keep the world beating
Jun-15	Global Wind Day	To make people aware about the wind energy, its uses, power and the possibilities to change the world.
Jun-20	World Refugee Day	To increase awareness among the people by sharing the experiences of refugees and their stories.
Jun-21	International day of yoga	On summer solstice India's first yogi (Adi Yogi), is said to have begun imparting the knowledge of yoga to the rest of mankind on this day.
Jun-21	World Music Day	To promote peace and spread goodwill through music.
Jun-26	International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking	To raise awareness to fight against substance abuse as well as the unlawful trade of drugs

LET'S RECAP

- The Reserve Bank of India has approved the appointment of whom as the interim Managing Director and CEO of CSB Bank? **Pralay Mondal**
- Who has been appointed as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Maruti Suzuki for a period of three years? **Hisashi Takeuchi**
- Recently, Pushkar Singh Dhama has taken oath as ____ Chief Minister of Uttarakhand. **11th**
- Serdar Berdimukhamedov elected has been elected as the President of which country? **Turkmenistan**
- Which Indian Economist has named as member of UN's Advisory Board? **Jayati Ghosh**
- N Biren Singh has been taken oath as Chief Minister of which state? **Manipur**
- Rajesh Gopinathan has been re-appointed as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of which company for five years? **TCS**
- Flipkart Health+ announced the appointment of whom as its new Chief Executive Officer? **Prashant Jhaveri**
- Indian cricketers Shubman Gill and Ruturaj Gaikwad has appointed as the brand ambassadors of which fantasy gaming platform? **My11Circle**
- Who has taken oath as the youngest Punjab Chief Minister since 1970? **Bhagwant Mann**
- Ranjit Rath has been named as the next Chairman and Managing Director of Oil India Limited (OIL) after the retirement of _____. **Sushil Chandra Mishra**
- N Chandrasekaran, who has been recently appointed as the Chairman of Air India, was re-appointed to which position in Tata Sons in February 2022? **Chairman**
- Who has assumed the charge of India's new ambassador to China? **Pradeep Kumar Rawat**
- Who has been appointed as the chairman of the National Financial Reporting Authority for a period of 3 years? **Ajay Bhushan Pandey**
- Prabha Narasimhan has been appointed as the CEO and MD of Colgate-Palmolive (India) Limited by succeeding whom? **Ram Raghavan**
- Who has been named as the Chairperson of Chardham project Committee? **Arjan Sikri**
- Who has been named as Chief Executive Officer of Yash Raj Films? **Akshaye Widhani**
- Who has been appointed as the Non-Executive Chairman of the Hindustan Unilever Ltd? **Nitin Paranjpe**
- Who has been named as the president of the Financial Action Task Force? **T Raja Kumar**
- Who has been appointed as the chairman of the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)? **Debasish Panda**
- Who is the first female president of Hungary, elected recently by Hungarian parliament? **Katalin Novak**
- The cabinet has appointed whom as a whole-time member of the Securities and Exchange Board of India? **Ashwani Bhatia**
- Yoon Suk-yeol has recently been elected as President of which country? **South Korea**
- Which pharma company has named Mary Kom as brand ambassador for its "Shakti" initiative? **Lupin**
- Who has been selected to represent India at the 2041 Climate Force Antarctica Expedition which is set to be held in March 2022? **Shriyanka Sadangi**
- Who has been taken over as the Commandant of Air Force Academy, Indian Air Force? **B Chandra Shekhar**



2022 Theme: Digital technologies for older persons and healthy ageing

Motto: To raise global awareness of societal changes brought about by the Internet and new technologies. It also aims to help reduce the digital divide.

Note: 17 May marks the anniversary of the signing of the first International Telegraph Convention and the creation of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

Importance:

To commemorate the founding of the International Telecommunication Union on 17 May 1865.

World Information Society Day was an international day proclaimed by a United Nations General Assembly resolution, following the 2005 World Summit on the Information Society in Tunis.

Previously known as: World Telecommunication Day

Instituted by: Plenipotentiary Conference in Malaga-Torremolinos in 1973

- Bharti AXA Life Insurance has appointed which National Award-winning actress as its Brand Ambassador? **Vidya Balan**

- Who has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer of Jet Airways? **Sanjiv Kapoor**
- Who has been appointed as the new CFO of Life Insurance Corporation (LIC)? **Sunil Agrawal**
- LIC Mutual Fund has appointed whom as its Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer? **TS Ramakrishnan**
- The University Grants Commission has appointed whom as chairman of the executive committee of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council? **Bhushan Patwardhan**
- Institute of Economic Growth has named whom as its news Director? **Chetan Ghate**

- Who has been named as new Chairman of International Rubber Study Group? **K N Raghavan**
- Who has been inducted as a full-time member of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister? **Sanjeev Sanyal**
- Who has been appointed as the new President & Chief Executive Officer of Honda Cars India? **Takuya Tsumura**
- International Olympic Committee (IOC) Athletes' Commission re-elected which ice hockey player as its Chairman? **Emma Terho**
- Which state has roped in Manoj Tiwari as brand ambassador for Khadi? **Bihar**
- Which former Navy Vice Chief has been appointed as the first National Maritime Security Coordinator in the National Security Council Secretariat? **G Ashok Kumar**
- Who has been appointed as Chairman Staff Selection Commission? **S. Kishore**
- Who has assumed the additional charge of the post of Chairman and Managing Director of Power System Operation Corporation Limited? **S R Narasimhan**
- Justice Ahanthem Bimol Singh has been appointed as a permanent judge in which high court by Supreme Court Collegium? **Bombay High Court**
- Sandeep Bakhshi who has been named as the Business Standard Banker of the Year 2020-21 is the managing director and chief executive officer of which bank? **ICICI Bank**



Motto:

Increasing high blood pressure (BP) awareness in all populations around the world. It is designated and initiated by The World Hypertension League (WHL), which is itself an umbrella to organizations of 85 national hypertension societies and leagues.

The WHL launched its first WHD on May 14, 2005. Since 2006, the WHL has been dedicating May 17 of every year as WHD.

1st celebrated: 2005

Edition: 18th

Organisation Involved: World Hypertension League (WHL)

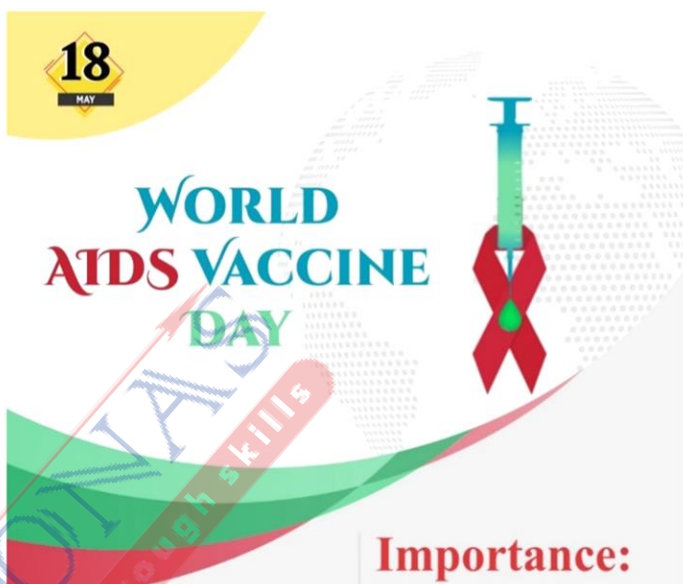
2022 Theme: Measure Your Blood Pressure, Control It, Live Longer

Note: Hypertension is a condition in which the force of the blood against the artery walls is too high.

- Who has been appointed as the new Securities and Exchange Board of India's chairman by replacing Ajay Tyagi? **Madhabi Puri Buch**
- Social network giant Twitter has appointed whom as the head of public policy team in India? **Samiran Gupta**
- The Centre government has nominated whom as a Director on the Central Board of Reserve Bank of India? **Sanjay Malhotra**
- Indian Railways' first Gati Shakti cargo terminal commissioned in which Division of Indian Railways? **Asansol**

- Who has been appointed as chairperson of Committee of Administrators to run Table Tennis Federation of India? **Gita Mittal**
- Who has appointed as Gurugram's first woman Police Commissioner? **Kala Ramachandran**
- Who has been sworn in as Chief Justice of Madras High Court? **Munishwar Nath Bhandari**
- Which state becomes first to introduce carbon-neutral farming methods? **Kerala**
- Which state's assembly has become first paperless assembly by implementing e-Vidhan application? **Nagaland**
- Defense Acquisition Council (DAC) chaired by Defense Minister Rajnath Singh approved the procurement of how many items from Innovation for Defense Excellence (iDEX) Startups and MSMEs worth over 380 crores? **14**
- Which state has celebrated the festival of colours, "Dol Utsav" or "Dol Jatra"? **West Bengal**
- Which company has become the world's first linear alkylbenzene manufacturing company to be certified by the Bureau of Indian Standards? **Tamilnadu Petroproducts Ltd**

- India's first medical city "Indrayani Medicity" will set up in which state? **Maharashtra**
- The 11th edition of the Khel Mahakumbh has been started in which city by Prime Minister Narendra Modi? **Ahmedabad**
- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia has inaugurated first drone school in which state? **Madhya Pradesh**
- Which state government has announced "Mukhyamantri Chaa Srami Kalyan Prakalpa" scheme? **Tripura**
- Prime Minister Modi has dedicated the building of Rashtriya Raksha University to the nation, this is located in which city of Gujarat? **Gandhinagar**
- Which state government has launched "Women@Work" programme? **Karnataka**
- India's largest reclining statue of Lord Buddha being built at which city? **Bodh Gaya**
- Which ministry has organised a programme called "Jharokha-Compendium of Indian handicraft/ handloom, art and culture"? **Ministry of Culture & Ministry of Textiles**
- Which state government has launched "Kaushalya Matritva Yojana"? **Chhattisgarh**
- Which state has announced to implement "Aama & Bahini" Scheme for helping non-working mothers and girl students? **Sikkim**
- India's first 100 percent women-owned industrial park opened in which state of India? **Telangana**
- Reliance Industries Ltd has announced to launched India's largest and most prestigious multi-faceted destination in which city? **Mumbai**
- Which ministry has launched the "Donate-a-Pension" campaign under Pradhan Mantri Shram Yogi Maan-Dhan scheme? **Ministry of Labour and Employment**
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has unveiled a tall statue of great Maratha warrior Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj in which city of Maharashtra? **Pune**
- India's first ambulance for street animals has been launched in which city of Tamil Nadu? **Chennai**
- H-Jaigarh Energy's Terminal is located in which state, where first floating storage and regasification unit (FSRU) of India has reached from Singapore? **Maharashtra**
- Which government entity has been awarded by the "Special Jury Award" at the 7th India Industry Water Conclave and the 9th edition of the FICCI Water Awards? **National Mission for Clean Ganga**
- Which state government has become third in country to table a Bill to take over the local body ward delimitation and formation process? **Maharashtra**
- First wildlife bond has issued by World Bank to save which species? **African black rhino**
- Which state government has extended the contentious Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 (AFSPA) in the state for six more months? **Assam**
- Which city has created a Guinness record by lighting 11.71 lakh clay lamps as s part of the "Shiv Jyoti Arpanam Mahotsava" on the occasion of Mahashivratri? **Ujjain**



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MAY

WORLD AIDS VACCINE DAY

Motto: To raise awareness for AIDS vaccines, educate communities about HIV prevention and research for an AIDS vaccine.

Note: The concept of World AIDS Vaccine Day is rooted in May 18, 1997 during the commencement speech at Morgan State University made by then-U.S. President Bill Clinton.

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

AIDS: Acquired ImmunoDeficiency Syndrome

Importance:

To alarm the world against the HIV infections as no vaccine is yet developed that can be used to stem the flow of this deadly infection

Also known as: HIV Vaccine Awareness Day

1st observed: 1998

Edition: 25th

- Which ministry has launched a campaign titled as "Bhasha Certificate Selfie" to promote the Bhasha Sangam mobile app, launched by that Ministry under the aegis of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat? **Ministry of Education**
- Which operation has been launched by Government of India to evacuate around 15,000 Indians from Ukraine? **Operation Ganga**
- India's union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways and AYUSH, Sarbananda Sonowal has inaugurated "Nikarshan Sadan" which is a Dredging Museum at DCI campus in which coastal city? **Vishakhapatnam**



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- Chamba district, which has become 100th "Har Ghar Jal" District, is located in which state? **Himachal Pradesh**
- International Business Machines Corporation has unveiled a new Cybersecurity Hub in which city of India to address cyberattack? **Bengaluru**
- The Government of India has organised a week-long science exhibition titled "Vigyan Sarvatra Pujyate" as part of the "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" commemoration in which city? **New Delhi**
- According to the International Finance Corporation, which country has topped in South Asia in terms of women on board of listed companies? **Bangladesh**

- What is the other name of largest plane in the world "Mriya" which has recently been destroyed by Russia during invasion to Ukraine? **Antonov-225**
- Which country has been declared as the largest recipient of the Coronavirus vaccines that are donated by the United States worldwide? **Bangladesh**
- Which country has become the second after China to implement the T+1 stock settlement mechanism in a phased manner from 25 February? **India**
- India has inked a roadmap with which country to enhance their bilateral exchanges on the blue economy and ocean governance? **France**
- Which country will become first country to deploy India's Unified Payments Interface platform? **Nepal**
- Which country has become first to allow drones in civilian airspace? **Israel**
- The World Health Organization has launched which app to help people to quit tobacco in all forms? **Quit Tobacco**
- Recently the government of India has agreed to provide a grant to which country to implement a "Unitary Digital Identity framework"? **Sri Lanka**
- Who has recently become the youngest woman and the 1st woman to circumnavigate the world in a microlight aircraft to fly solo around the world? **Zara Rutherford**
- Which country was on the top spot as India's trade partner in 2021? **United States**
- World's-largest canal lock has unveiled in which country? **Netherlands**
- Which Airways has become the first airline to use sustainable aviation fuel produced on a commercial scale? **British Airways**
- Which country has launched a ship named after a gay rights activist Harvey Milk? **USA**
- According to the Henley Passport Index what is the rank of India in passport ranking for the first quarter of 2022? **83rd**
- UNESCO's World Heritage Centre will publish their descriptions in which language of India's UNESCO world heritage website? **Hindi**
- Which petroleum company has become the first to offer digital payment to non-internet users? **Bharat Petroleum**
- National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) designed which service functionality for UPI users for small value transactions? **UPI Lite**
- An initiative - "HouseWorkIsWork" has been launched by which private bank? **Axis Bank**
- Which coal company has become the country's largest coal producer? **Mahanadi Coalfields**

18

MAY

International Museum Day



ICOM international council of museums

Motto:

To raise public awareness on the role museums play in the development of society today, on an international level.

It is celebrated to the promotion and protection of natural and cultural heritage, present and future, tangible and intangible.

Inception: 1977

Edition: 42nd

Organisation Involved: International Council of Museums (ICOM)

2022 Theme: The Power of Museums

Note: The ICOM is a worldwide network of over forty-four thousand museum professionals at twenty thousand museums in more than 138 countries.

- Which country got the first position in the latest edition of Democracy Report, released recently by the V-Dem Institute? **Sweden**
- Which airline company will become the world's first airline to use solar aviation fuel? **Swiss Airlines**
- Which multilateral agency will become the first to open an office in the Gujarat International Finance Tech City (GIFT)? **New Development Bank**
- Which bank has launch "SmartHub Vyapar programme" & "AutoFirst" app? **HDFC Bank**
- Which overseas bank in India has launched Green Deposits programme? **DBS Bank**

- Limit of public debt investment via UPI has been increased by SEBI upto how much from 2 lakhs? **Rs 5 Lakhs**
- Which autonomous body of the Government of India has launched a development programme for public sector bank management with the goal of boosting the quality of bank boards? **Banks Board Bureau**
- What is the name of recently launched 24x7 helpline for digital payments launched by Reserve Bank of India? **Digisaathi**
- Which category of banks has exempted from the 10 per cent cap for their investments in the umbrella organisation by RBI recently? **Urban Co-operative Banks**
- In which state, a multi-crore inland waterway transport project would be developed with an outlay of Rs 22.93-crore? **Mizoram**
- Which company has become first depository to register more than 60 million Demat accounts? **Central Depository Services**
- Which public sector lender has announced the launch of "Project Banksakhi" in Odisha in collaboration with Mahagram & Sunivesh India Finance Services Private Limited? **Bank of Maharashtra**
- World Bank has projected India's GDP growth at what percent for fiscal year 2022? **8.3%**
- Which government agency has launched "SaaṛThi" mobile app on investor education? **SEBI**
- India Ratings has revised downwards its GDP growth forecast for 2021-22 to how much per cent from the consensus 9.2 per cent projected earlier? **8.6%**
- Which financial services company has tied-up with SBI Payments to boost digital payments infrastructure? **Mastercard**
- Which Payment Bank has announced that it is an official acquiring partner for "e-RUPI vouchers"? **Paytm Payments Bank**
- Which Indian company has named as the official sponsor of FIFA World Cup 2022 in Qatar? **Byju's**
- National Mineral Development Corporation Limited has signed a memorandum of understanding for drone-based mineral research with which Indian Institute of Technology? **IIT Kharagpur**
- Which bank has bagged National Award for Self-Help Group Bank Linkage 2022? **J&K Bank**
- Which food delivery company has reportedly signed a term-sheet for a merger with an online grocer Blinkit, formerly known as Grofers? **Zomato**
- The Bureau of Indian Standards has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with which Indian Institute of Technology for the establishment of a "BIS Standardization Chair Professor"? **IIT Roorkee**

- NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission has announced a partnership with company to promote Augmented Reality skill development among Indian youth? **Snap**
- Which software company has partnered with NSDL Payments Bank and NPCI to launch its "VoiceSe UPI payments service"? **ToneTag**
- Board of Control for Cricket in India has named which payment service as the official partner for Tata IPL 2022? **RuPay**
- Which country recently signed an MoU with India for the supply of Urea and Di-ammonium Phosphate (DAP) fertilizers under a Government to Government (G2G) arrangement? **Nepal**
- The Government of India has signed the Host Country Agreement with which specialized agency for the establishment of an Area Office & Innovation Centre of ITU in New Delhi? **International Telecommunication Union**



Motto: To raise awareness among all sections of people, about the danger of terrorism, violence and its dangerous effect on the people, the society and the nation as a whole.

Organisation Involved: United Religions Initiative (URI) & UN

Inception: 1991

Edition: 31st

Note: This year marks the 31st death anniversary of Late Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi.

Importance:

To mark the death anniversary of India's most eminent Prime Minister, Rajiv Gandhi (20 August 1944–21 May 1991).

- Recently, Ministry of Defence has inked a 1075 crore deal with which company for T-90's tank commander sights? **BEL**
- Which Ministry has signed a memorandum of understanding with CSC e-Governance Services India Limited to provide online pension services? **Ministry of Defence**
- Which social network company has partnered with Paytm's payment gateway to improve the support for its "Tips" feature in India? **Twitter**
- Recently, India has signed a work plan with which country for cooperation to strengthen quality infrastructure, etc.? **Germany**
- Which Indian mining company has tied up with Taiwanese electronics manufacturing company, Hon Hai Technology Group to form a joint venture for manufacturing semiconductors in India? **Vedanta**



International Day for Biological DIVERSITY

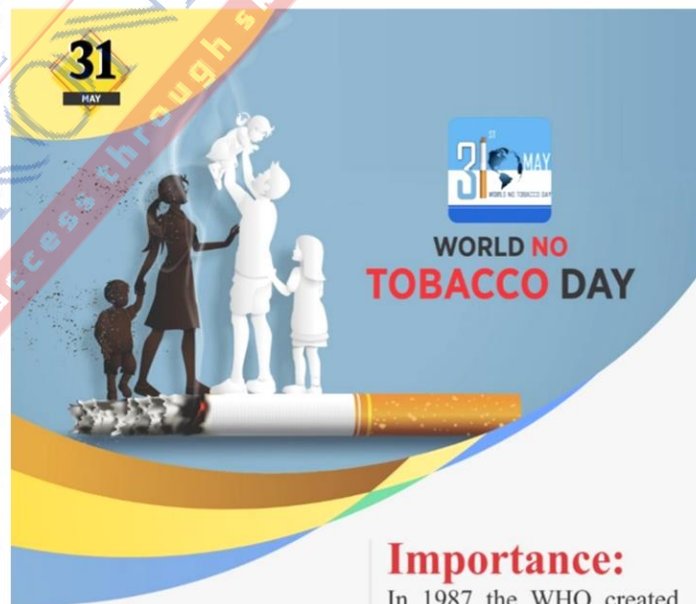
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Inception: 1993
Organisation Involved: Convention on Biological Diversity & UN
Motto: To increase understanding and awareness of biodiversity issues.
2022 Theme: Building a shared future for all life
Note: 1st World Biodiversity Day was observed on 29 December 1993, but in December 2000, the UN General Assembly adopted 22 May for observance.

Importance:
 To mark the proclamation by UN to increase understanding and awareness of biodiversity issues in 1993.
Also known as: World Biodiversity Day

- The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters has awarded the Abel Prize for the year 2022 to which American Mathematician? **Dennis Parnell Sullivan**
- Who has been nominated for the Laureus World Breakthrough of the Year Award 2022? **Neeraj Chopra**
- Narasingapettai Nagaswaram, is a musical instrument of which state, which has recently awarded by geographical identification tag? **Tamil Nadu**
- Karolina Bielawska, who has been crowned as Miss World 2021, hails from which country? **Poland**
- Which Indian author translated Hindi novel "Tomb of Sand" that is among 13 books long-listed for the International Booker Prize? **Geetanjali Shree**
- Which actor has won the "Best Actor" award in 75th edition of British Academy Film Awards? **Will Smith**
- Which state government has announced a "Sushma Swaraj Award" for women, while presenting the state budget? **Haryana**
- Rizwana Hasan, who has got US International Women of Courage Award 2022, hails from which country? **Bangladesh**
- Who has been awarded with The Nari Shakti Puraskar by President of India in individual category? **Radhika Menon**
- Adani Renewable Energy Holding Fifteen Limited has obtained a letter of award to build a solar power plant of how much power? **150-megawatt**
- What is the name of Australian photographer, who has won the Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2020 for his bushfire image? **Robert Irwin**
- Which Indian Physicist Professor has become the first Indian to be awarded the Boltzmann Medal? **Deepak Dhar**
- Which bank has got the highest number of awards in IBA's 17th Annual Banking Technology Awards 2021? **South Indian Bank**
- Which bank has bagged three awards at the 17th Annual Banking Technology Conference and Awards? **Karnataka Bank**
- Which company has won the ICAI Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the year 2020-21 in the Public Sector Entities Category? **RailTel**
- Which Tiger Reserve of Tamil Nadu has been given the prestigious TX2 award after its tiger numbers doubled to 80 since 2010? **Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve**
- NHRC's Short Film Award Competition winner "Street Student" is in which language? **Telugu**
- Which union minister has received eighteenth Late Madhavrao Limaye Award? **Nitin Gadkari**
- Which film has received maximum nominations at the 94th Academy Awards? **The Power of the Dog**
- Recently the Spanish Film Academy conferred its first-ever International Goya Award to: **Cate Blanchett**

- Who has become the first para-athlete to receive Padma Bhushan award? **Devendra Jhajharia**
- Which Indian para-athlete has set a new Asian record in the men's club throw F32/51 event at the ongoing 13th Fazza International Para Athletics Championships in Dubai? **Dharambir**
- Ashleigh Barty, who recently announced her retirement from tennis, is from which country? **Australia**
- Who has won the coveted "Sportstar of the Year (Male)" award at the 2022 Sportstar Aces Awards? **Neeraj Chopra**
- Which football club has clinched their maiden Indian Super League title? **Hyderabad FC**
- Which Indian cricketer has felicitated with "Sports Icon" award by Maldives government? **Suresh Raina**
- Which Indian cueist has won his eighth title at the 19th Asian 100 UP Billiards Championship 2022? **Pankaj Advani**
- Who has won the F1 Bahrain Grand Prix 2022? **Charles Leclerc**
- Which country will replace the suspended Russian contingent in the Billie Jean King Cup Finals as per International Tennis Federation (ITF)? **Australia**
- Kunlavut Wittidsern, who won the men's singles title at the German Open Badminton 2022, belongs to which country? **Thailand**
- Who were named ICC Player of the Month in men's and women's categories respectively for February 2022? **Shreyas Iyer and Amelia Kerr**
- Recently, which space agency has rolled out its "Artemis I" moon mission? **NASA**
- Which state government has developed "Dishaank" app to ensure easy access to land records? **Karnataka**
- Nation's first AI & Robotics Technology Park (ARTPARK) launched in which city? **Bengaluru**
- Which government agency has organizing a special programme for school children called "YUva Vigyani Karyakram" (YUVIKA) or "Young Scientist Programme"? **ISRO**
- Which country has successfully tested - fire its second military satellite Noor-2? **Iran**
- A super computer made in India, "PARAM Ganga" has been installed in which Indian Institute of Technology? **IIT Roorkee**
- Recently, Union Home Minister Amit Shah has launched which app on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of the Delhi Police? **Shastra App**
- Which tech giant company will set up India's largest Data Center region in Hyderabad? **Microsoft**
- Which country has set a domestic record for the most spacecraft launched by a single rocket by launching 22 satellites? **China**
- India's first Biosafety Level-3 mobile laboratory inaugurated in which state? **Maharashtra**
- What is the name of India's first indigenously developed Flying Trainer aircraft, which has successfully completed the sea-level trials at Puducherry? **HANSA-NG**
- What is the name of India's automatic train collision protection system? **Kavach**
- Recently, Researchers of which Indian Institute of Technology have created a biodegradable nanoparticle that can be used as an alternative to chemical-based insecticides to protect crops? **IIT Kanpur**
- Which space agency has successfully launched the third in a series of four next-generation weather satellites, Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite? **NASA**
- Which nation has successfully tested its new naval air defence system called "C-Dome"? **Israel**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology has launched "KISAN" mobile app in Uttarakhand? **IIT Roorkee**



Note: On May 15, 1987, the WHO passed a resolution, calling for April 7, 1988, to be the first World No Smoking Day.

This date was chosen to mark the 40th anniversary of the WHO.

On May 17, 1989, the WHO passed a resolution calling for May 31 to be annually known as World No Tobacco Day.

This event has been observed each year since 1989.

Importance:

In 1987 the WHO created this day to draw global attention to the tobacco epidemic and the preventable death and disease it causes

Inception: 1987

Organisation Involved: WHO

2022 Theme: Tobacco: Threat to our environment

- Which armed force has acquired "Mini Remotely Piloted Aircraft Systems" as a part of ongoing modernisation and induction of niche and emerging technologies? **Indian Army**
- Which Indian Institute of Technology's start-up has launched the "world's smallest" wearable air purifier? **IIT Delhi**
- Which state government has launched India's first Night Navigation mobile application for ferry services on the Brahmaputra River? **Assam**
- Which Indian telecommunications company has joined South East Asia–Middle East–Western Europe 6 (SEA-ME-WE-6) undersea cable consortium? **Bharti Airtel Ltd**
- Which Indian company has collaborated with Germany-based RWE Renewable GmbH to explore the potential for joint development of offshore wind projects in India? **Tata Power**
- Ramesh Chandra Lahoti, who has passed away recently was the which chief justice of India? **35th**
- Stephen Wilhite, who has passed away recently, was the creator of which image format? **GIF**
- Abhishek Chatterjee, who has passed away recently, was an actor of which language film industry? **Bengali**
- Shahabuddin Ahmed, who has passed away recently, was the former president of which country? **Bangladesh**
- Ms Kumudben Joshi, who has passed away recently, was the former governor of which state? **Andhra Pradesh**
- Rafiq Tarar, who has passed away recently, was the former president of which country? **Pakistan**
- Sunith Francis Rodrigues, who has passed away recently, was the former Governor of which state? **Punjab**
- What was the name of the first Australian wicketkeeper to score a Test century, who has died recently? **Rod Marsh**
- Sonny Ramadhin, who has been passed away recently, was the former cricket player of which country? **West Indies**
- Freedom fighter and Gandhian social worker Shakuntala Choudhary, who has passed away recently was awarded by Padma Shri in which year? **2022**
- Surajit Sengupta, who has passed away recently, was associated with which sport? **Football**
- Chennaveera Kanavi, who has passed away recently was an iconic poet and writer of which language? **Kannada**
- Who is the author of recently launched book "Unfilled Barrels India's oil story"? **Richa Mishra**
- What is the theme of this year's World Water Day? **Groundwater: making the invisible visible**
- What is the real name of legendary singer and music composer Bappi Lahiri, who has been passed away recently? **Alokesh Lahiri**
- Which edition of joint training exercise between Indian and Uzbekistan armies "EX-DUSTLIK" will be conducted at Yangiariq from 22nd to 31st March 2022? **Fourth**
- Which city in the world has been ranked as the world's most polluted capital city as per IQAir's 2021 World Air Quality Report? **New Delhi**
- What is the rank of India in Global House Price Index Q4 2021? **51st**
- Padma Shri awardee and social worker Ibrahim Sutar, who has passed away recently hailed from which state? **Karnataka**
- India's nightingale, Lata Mangeshkar has passed away on recently. In which year she was honoured with India's highest civilian award? **2001**
- Ramesh Deo, who has passed away recently, was associated with which field? **Cinema**
- Rupinder Singh Suri who has been passed away recently, was appointed to the Additional Solicitor General in which year? **2020**
- Chandrashekhar Patil, popularly known as "Champa", has been passed away recently. He was the famous writer of which language? **Kannada**
- Charanjit Singh, has been passed away recently, was associated with which sport? **Hockey**
- Hemananda Biswal, who has passed away recently, was the former chief minister of which state? **Odisha**
- Ramachandran Nagaswamy, who has been passed away recently was related to which field? **Archaeology**
- Professional Mountaineer Major Hari Pal Singh Ahluwalia, who has passed away recently, was the winner of Arjuna Award in which year? **1965**
- Which country will host armed forces from four nations in the annual Bersama Shield 2022 training exercise? **Malaysia**
- Recently, Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority has granted a licence to which financial services firm under National Pension Scheme? **FinMapp**
- International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery 2022 has recently been observed on which date? **March 25th**
- Which day has recently been observed on March 24 all over the world? **World Tuberculosis Day**
- Which Assam Rifles Raising Day 2022 has recently been observed on March 24? **187th**



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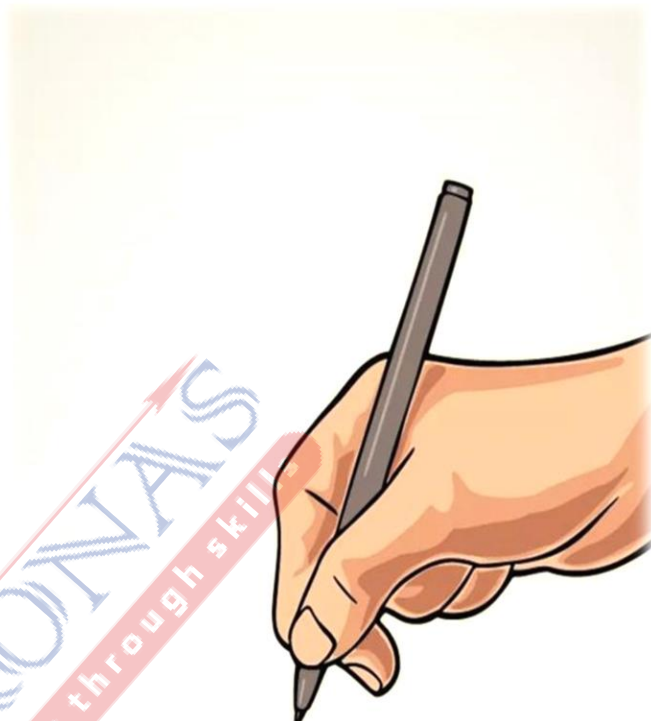
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- The book "Wrist Assured: An Autobiography", is an autobiography of which former Indian cricketer? **G R Viswanath**
- What is the theme of this year's Bihar Diwas or Bihar Day, which has been celebrated recently on March 22? **Jal, Jeevan, Hariyali**
- What is the rank of India in United Nations World Happiness Report 2022? **136th**
- Which armed force has celebrated its 83rd Raising Day on 19 March 2022? **Central Reserve Police Force**
- What is the theme of this year's Global Recycling Day? **recycling fraternity**
- Who has been ranked second in Hurun Global Rich list 2022? **Jeff Bezos**
- Which country's election management body will have convened the virtual International Election Visitors Programme 2022? **Election Commission of India**
- International Day of Mathematics is also known as which day, which is observed globally on the 14th of March every year? **Pi Day**
- Which company has topped in Deloitte's Global Powers of Retailing index 2022? **Walmart**
- Sahitya Akademi, India's National Academy of Letters has published a book-length poem "Monsoon" by which Indian poet? **Abhay Kumar**
- What is the rank of India in Global Investment in Digital Shopping 2021 index? **Second**
- How many airports of India have found a place among the "Best Airport by Size and Region", by the Airports Council International (ACI), in its Airport Service Quality (ASQ) survey for the year 2021? **Six**
- The book titled as "Soli Sorabjee: Life and Times" is authored by whom? **Abhinav Chandrachud**
- Which state has got first rank in Skoch State of Governance ranking 2021? **Andhra Pradesh**
- The Jan Aushadhi Diwas is celebrated every year on which day of March by the Pharmaceuticals & Medical Devices Bureau of India? **7 March**
- World Kidney Day 2022 has recently been observed globally on which day of March? **10th March**
- Who is the most powerful woman in India according to Fortune India 50 Most Powerful Women list 2021 released on Women's Day? **Nirmala Sitharaman**
- The 53rd Raising Day ceremony of which security force has been organised on March 06 2022 in Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh? **CISF**

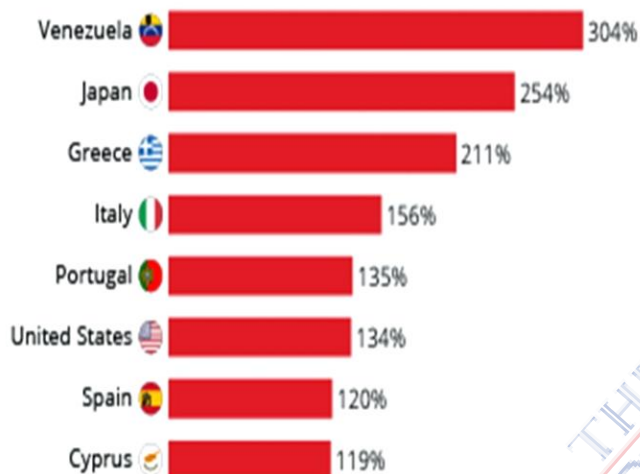


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The Countries with the Largest National Debt Burdens

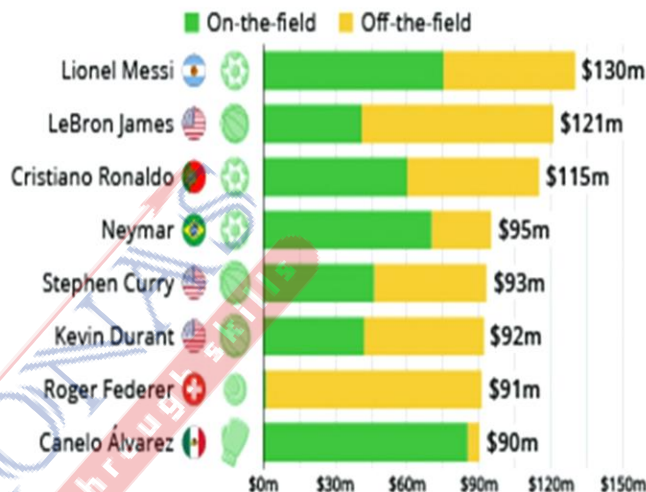
Estimated general government gross debt as a share of GDP in 2020*



* Estimates as of Dec 2021
Source: IMF

The World's Highest-Paid Athletes

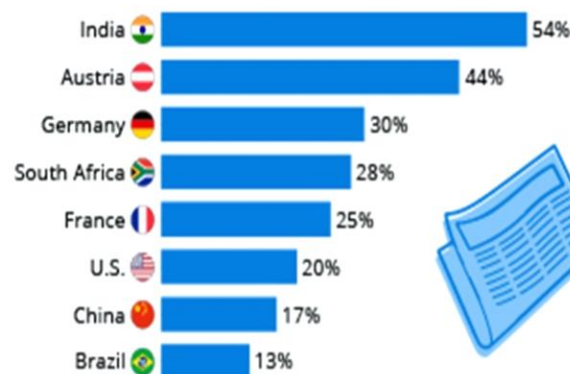
Income of the highest-paid athletes in the world between May 1, 2021 and May 1, 2022*



* before taxes and agents' fees
Source: Forbes

Indians Most Likely to Read Newspapers in Print

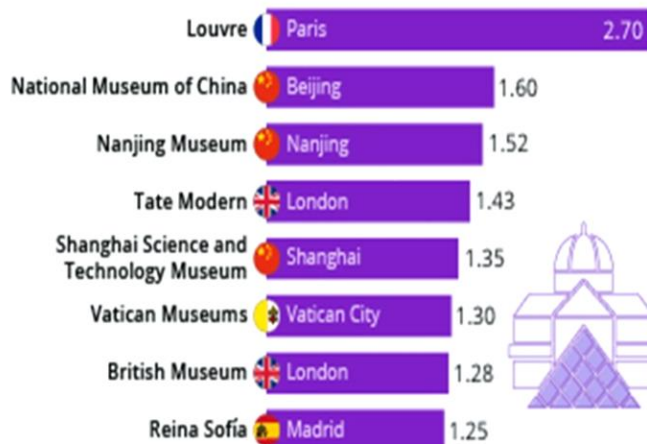
Share of respondents in selected countries who read a printed paper daily in the past two weeks



2,000 - 7,600 respondents (18-64 y/o) per country, surveyed Apr 21-Mar 22
Source: Statista Global Consumer Survey

The World's Most-Visited Museums

Museums with the highest attendance figures in 2020 (in million visitors)



Source: 2020 AECOM and TEA Theme Index and Museum Index Report

The Countries With the Highest Military Expenditure

Total military expenditure by country in 2021



* Estimate
Source: SIPRI

The Most Profitable Companies in the World

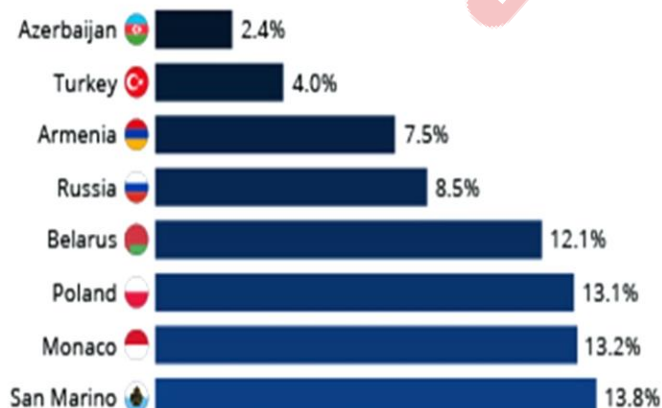
2021 profits of the world's most profitable publicly listed companies (in billion U.S. dollars)



Source: Forbes Global 2000

The Worst Countries To Be LGBTI in Europe

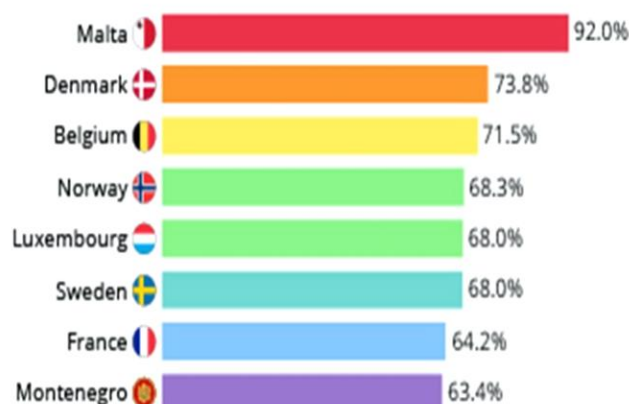
Worst scoring countries on how laws and policies affect the lives of LGBTI people (2022)



0% = gross violations of human rights, discrimination
100% = respect of human rights, full equality
Source: Rainbow Europe

The Best Countries To Be LGBTI in Europe

Best scoring countries on how laws and policies affect the lives of LGBTI people (2022)



0% = gross violations of human rights, discrimination
100% = respect of human rights, full equality
Source: Rainbow Europe

The Deadliest Countries for Journalists in 2022

Number of journalists/media assistants killed in 2022 to-date, by country



Only where murders were in established connection with journalistic work

Source: Reporters Without Borders

World Sees Record Heat Waves

Selection of temperature records by country (or continent) recorded during the last five years, in °C



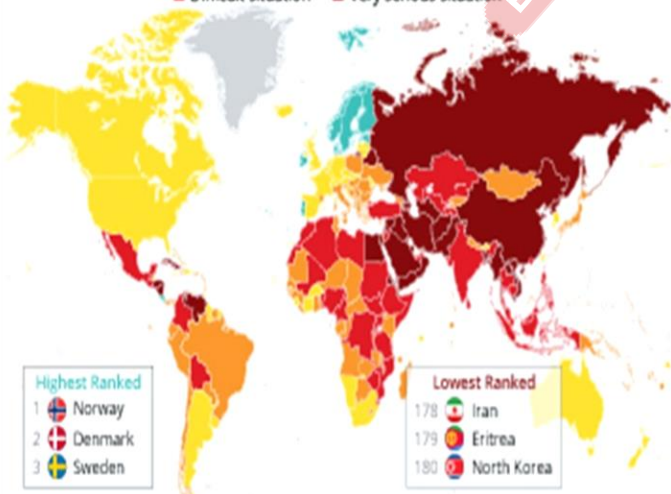
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Sources: World Meteorological Organization, media reports, Statista research

The State of World Press Freedom

Countries ranked by level of press freedom in 2022

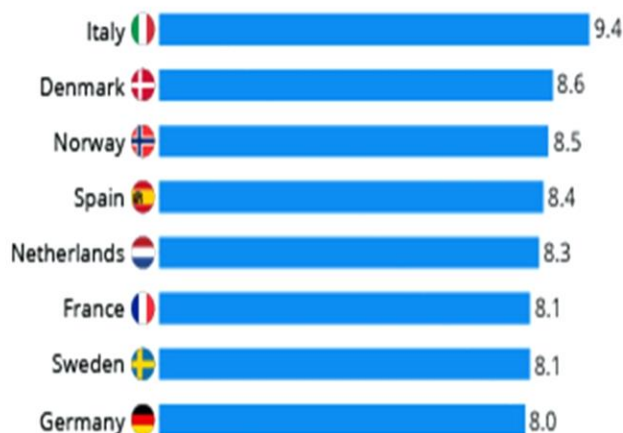
■ Good situation ■ Satisfactory situation ■ Noticeable problems
■ Difficult situation ■ Very serious situation



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The Countries With the Best Work-Life Balance

OECD countries ranked highest for the quality of their work-life balance in 2020 (10=best balance)

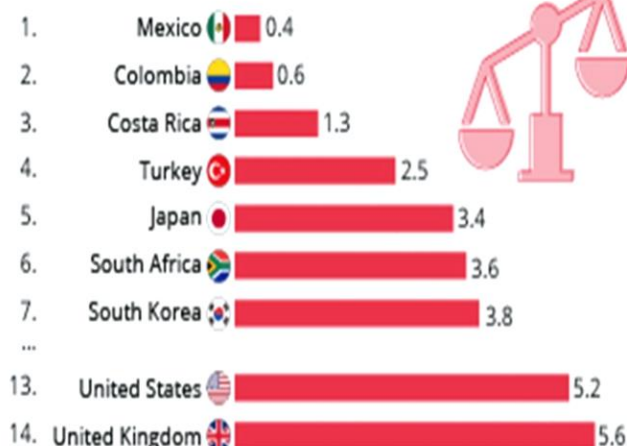


Based on length of working hours and time for leisure and personal care in the 38 OECD member states plus Russia, Brazil and South Africa.

Source: OECD

The Countries With the Worst Work-Life Balance

OECD countries ranked lowest for the quality of their work-life balance in 2020 (10=best balance)



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The Oldest People in the World

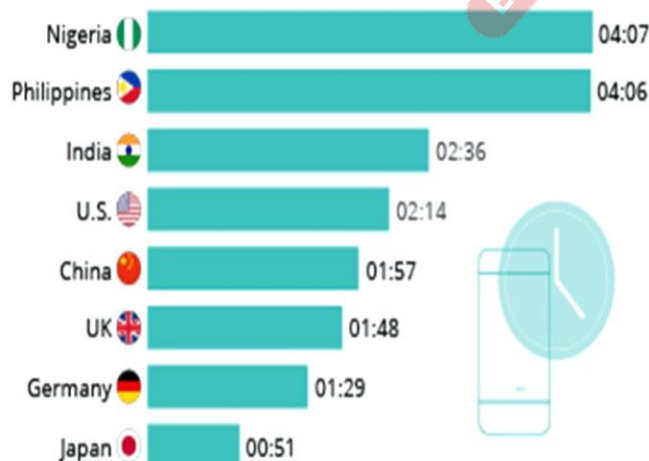
Validated age and place of birth of the oldest living people in the world (as of April 26, 2022)



* Born in Austria-Hungary - now Ukraine
Source: Gerontology Research Group

Where People Spend the Most & Least Time on Social Media

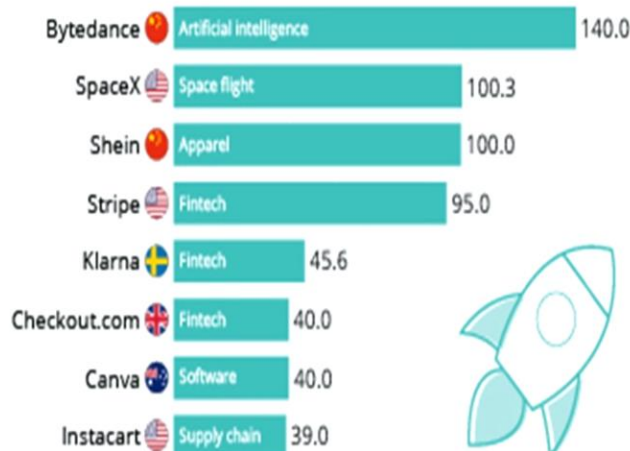
Average time spent connected to social networks per day in selected countries in 2021 (hh:mm)



More than 900,000 internet users (16-64 y/o) surveyed across 47 markets
Source: Global Web Index via DataReportal

The Highest-Valued Startups in the World

Biggest startup companies worldwide by valuation (in billion U.S. dollars)

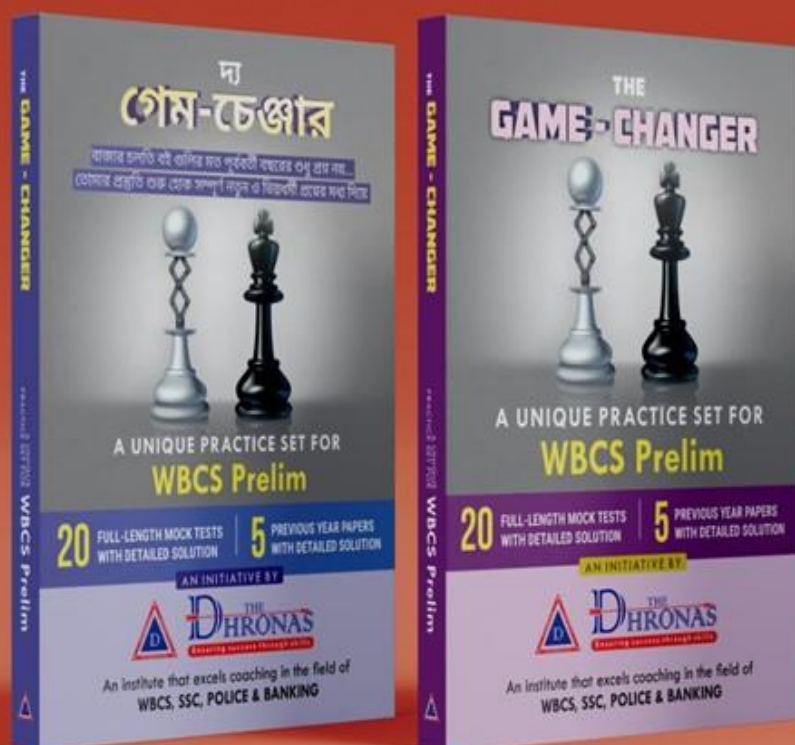


As of April 2022
Currently private, up-and-coming companies (including whisper valuations)
Source: CB Insights

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