

NEWS-INSHORTS

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- Karnataka government introduced startup policy 2022-2027 aiming to add around 10,000 startups
- Padma Vibhushan- S M Krishna, SL Byrappa
- Padma Bhushan – Sudha Murthy,
- Padma Shri- Dr.Khadar Vali(Seridhanya), S Subbaraman (Archelodist), Rani Machiah(folk Dancer), Munivenkatappa(Known as father of Thamate)
- Shah Rasheed Ahmed Quadri(bidri artist)
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- Land right scheme: MP , to distribute free leases of residential land to selected beneficiaries
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- Justice G Rohini Committee : to give report on the reservation of OBC
- iNCOVACC: first Intranasal covid-19 vaccine developed by Bharat Biotech
- Pralay exercise by Indian Air Force(IAF) near line of Actual Control (Border between India & Pakistan)
- Cyclone-I, the first Indian and the Egyptian armies are to conduct the first ever joint exercise, it is to be held in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan
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- AstroVest, the India's first-textile--based health monitoring system for inflight pilot health monitoring
- Centrally Sponsored Scheme- "Vibrant Villages Programme" for the FY 2022-23 to 2025-26 It will lead to infrastructure development and livelihood opportunities in 4 states & 1 UT along the northern land border
- General Atomics MQ-9 Reaper (sometimes called Predator B) is an unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) capable of remotely controlled or autonomous flight operations developed by General Atomics Aeronautical Systems (GA-ASI) primarily for the United States Air Force (USAF).
- India's first indigenous aircraft carrier, INS Vikrant
- INS Vikrant is an aircraft carrier in service with Indian Navy. The carrier is the first to be built in India and was constructed by the Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) in Kerala.
- From this year interest free short term loan limit to farmers will be Rs 5 lakh. Due to this, the farmers are getting loan facility easily and according to their need to make the necessary preparations related to the agricultural activities
- Jananidhi to improve the groundwater level through building farm ponds in farmers' lands.
- Development of 1,000 lakes under Sahasra Sarovara scheme, and development of wells
- Check dams and canals in coastal, Malnad and Semi-Malnad areas under the Sahyadri Siri project.
- Nikshay Mitra initiative Under this initiative, TB patients will receive essential nutritional support.
- government will work in "mission mode" to eliminate sickle cell anaemia by 2047.
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- World economic forum releases- Global risk report
- PM Modi flags off world's longest river cruise, Ganga Vilas , in Dibrugarh (Assam)
- Chennai's Koovam river has been cited as the 'most polluted' river in the country in a recent report by the Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB).

- A joint training exercise 'Exercise Trishakri Prahar' was conducted in North Bengal from 21-31 Jan; aim was to practice battle preparedness of Security Forces using weapons & equipment in an integrated environment, involving all arms of the Army, Indian Air Force & CAPFs.
- Babita Phogat has been added to the Oversight Committee formed by the Union Sports Ministry to probe various allegations, including charges of sexual misconduct.
- Biorock technology" is talked about in which one of the following situations Restoration of Damaged Corals reefs
- MISTHI..... Mangrove initiative for shoreline habitat and tangible income
- PM PRANAM.... Prime minister programme for Restorstion awarness nourishment and Amelioration of mother earth Reduce use of chemical fertilizers
- Amrit Dharohar This scheme used to encourage the otpimal use of wetlands and enhance Biodiversity
- Mission to Eliminate Sickle cell Anaemia by 2047
- The Prime Minister of India launched a new mission named 'Mission LiFE' (Lifestyle For Environment), to combat climate change
- International Union for Conservation of Nature's (IUCN) recently categorised the Red Sanders (or Red Sandalwood) again into the 'endangered' category in its Red List
- Saudi Arabia was confirmed as host of football's 2027 Asian Cup
- 1st Karnataka Administrative Reforms Commission was headed by Haranahalli Ramaswamy)
- PM KUSUM Scheme (Pradhan Mantri Kisan Urja Suraksha evam Utthan Mahabhiyan) Scope. The scheme will be operational on Pan India. Objectives of the Scheme. For installation of Solar Pumps and Grid connected solar and other Renewable Energy Power Plants (REPP).
- A Bar-headed Goose has been spotted in the wetlands of Karingali Puncha in Pathanamthitta District of Kerala.
- Artemis 2 is the second scheduled mission of NASA's Artemis program, and the first scheduled crewed mission of NASA's Orion spacecraft, currently planned to be

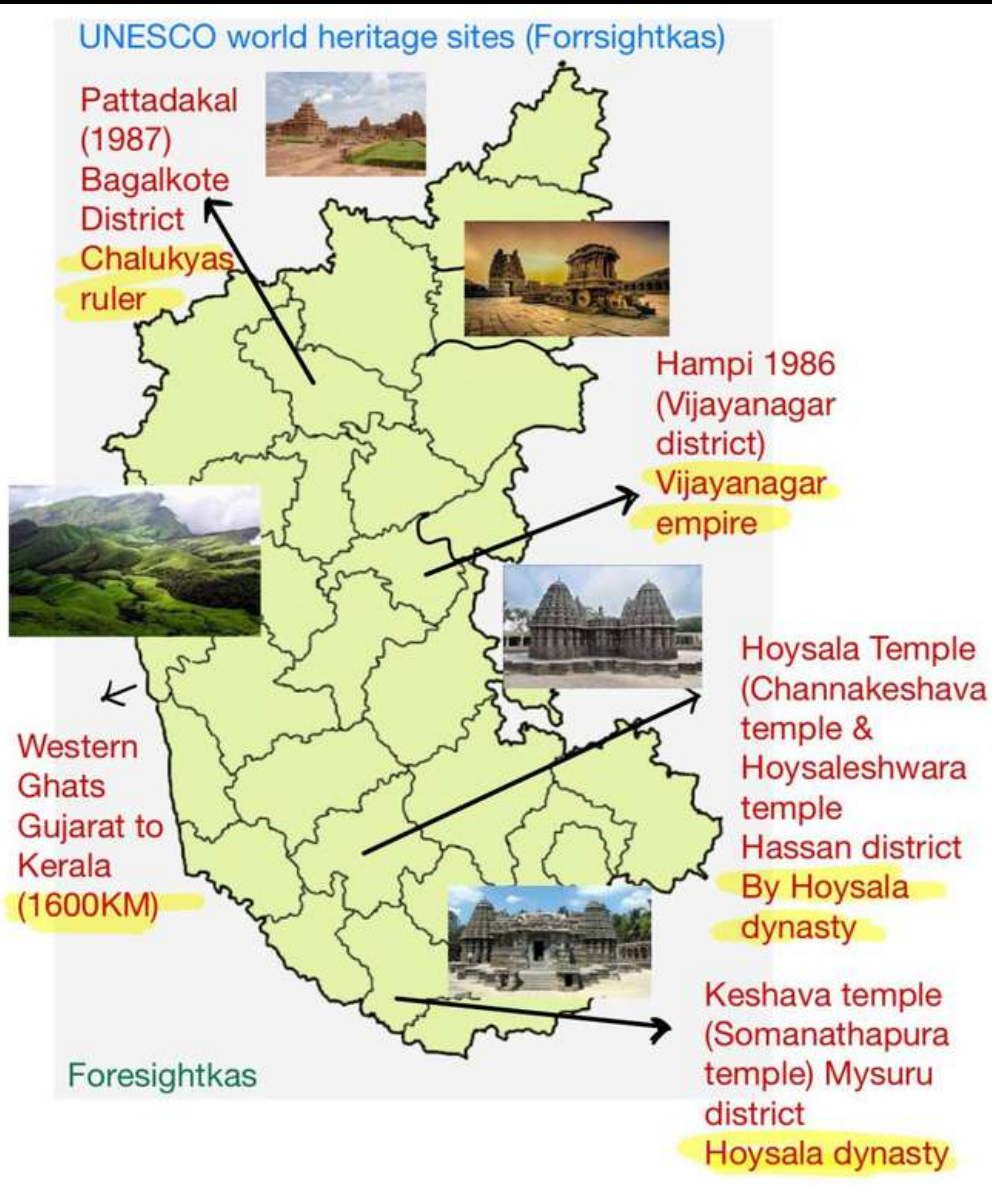
launched by the Space Launch System in May 2024. The crewed Orion spacecraft will perform a lunar flyby test and return to Earth.

- **FOUNDED BY** Rabindranath Tagore in 1921, Visva-Bharati University will soon get the 'heritage' tag from UNESCO to take the distinction of world's first living heritage university.
- India, France and the United Arab Emirates on Satur- day declared their common intent to formalise a "trilateral cooperation in- itiative" to collaborate on nuclear energy and ex- plore opportunities in the Indian Ocean region.
- The Great Indian Bustard (*Ardeotis nigriceps*) , the State bird of Rajasthan, is considered India's most critically endangered bird.
- South India's 1st Industrial Corridor Project, the Tumakuru Industrial Township, as part of National Industrial Corridor programme
- A voice deepfake is one that closely mimics a real person's voice- deepfakes
- 'Swachha Mandira Abhi- yan' to ensure cleanliness at 12 major pilgrim centers of Karnataka
- A three-day festival, titled Hornbill Festival is held in February at the Kali Tiger Reserve of the Dandeli forests in Uttara Kannada district of Karnataka.
- India is sending a field hospital, medicines, rescue teams to earthquake-hit Turkey and Syria under "Operation Dost".
- Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar has nominated legendary former athlete PT Usha to the panel of vice- chairperson in the upper house of the Parliament.
- Bannerghatta National Park is a national park in India, located near Bangalore. The first butterfly enclosure in India is located in this National Park.
- 5.9 tonnes of lithium deposits in Jammu and Kashmir, a first for India, would reduce the need for imports and improve employment opportuni- ties.
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