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- The Karnataka Government will build the country's first Marina or a boat basin offering dockage, at Byndoor in Udupi district to promote coastal tourism in Karnataka.
- First ever electric train to operate in Meghalaya
- Rajasthan passed the right to health bill
- Atmanirbhar Bharat to attain Energy Independence by 2047
- Chenab Bridge- worlds Highest Rail Bridge
- World Happiness Index-2023 tops Finland India secures 125<sup>th</sup> Rank
- Changi Airport awarded world's best airport , In India New Delhi airports bags first among Asia
- ChatGPT Rival Bard Launched by Google
- *Rani Rampal, a prominent player on the Indian hockey team, has achieved a significant milestone as the first woman in the sport to have a stadium named after her. in rae bareli UP*
- Karnataka wins santosh trophy, Defeats Meghalaya (76<sup>th</sup> National Football Championship)
- First Indian to win the Booker Prize- Arundhati Roy
- ECN: Elephant Conservation Network has been recently formed- Assam
- National science day: Feb- 28
- The Global millets (Shree Anna) conference was held in New Delhi
- Agumbe, situated in the Thirthahalli taluka of Shimoga district, Karnataka, is nestled in the Malenadu region of the Western Ghats mountain range. It has received the epithet of "The Cherrapunji of South India", owing to its high rainfall.
- Honnamana Kere (Honnama Lake) is the biggest lake in Kodagu district of Karnataka. It is also a holy place situated in Doddamalthe near Sulimalthe village which is 6 km away from Somwarpet town of Coorg.
- Target Olympic Podium Scheme's purpose is to identify, groom and prepare potential candidates for Olympic medals.

- Nandini Gupta, a 19-year-old girl from Rajasthan, was recently crowned Miss India 2023 at the Grand Finale event held in Imphal, Manipur.
- The government announced the appointment of Siddhartha Mohanty as the Chairperson of the Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)
- “Locked Shields” is the world's largest cyber defence exercise. It started on 18 April 2023 and involved protecting computer systems from real-time attacks and simulating tactical and strategic decisions in critical situations.
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (#NATO), also called the North Atlantic Alliance, is an intergovernmental military alliance between 30 member states – 28 European and two North American. NATO's main headquarters are located in Brussels, Belgium
- Fifty years ago on this year Project Tiger was launched. The Govt. of India had launched “Project Tiger” on 1st April 1973 to promote conservation of the tiger. Project Tiger has been the largest species conservation initiative of its kind in the world.( Today #India is home to 70% wild tigers of the world.) The scheme is being implemented in the five tiger reserves of the state, namely, Bandipur, Nagarhole, Bhadra, Anshi-Dandeli and BRT.
- Project Tiger was launched in 1973 from Jim Corbett national park
- Karnataka’s tiger population was pegged at 524 with a range from 475 to 573 tigers while Madhya Pradesh had 526 tigers with a range from 441 to 621 as per the 2018 enumeration results.
- PM inaugurates program ‘Commemoration of 50 years of Project Tiger’ in Mysuru, Karnataka
- Launches International Big Cats Alliance
- Declares tiger numbers at 3167
- Releases commemorative coin and several publications about tiger conservation“The success of Project Tiger is not only a moment of pride for India but the entire world”
- About Sky Canvas Project, It is the world’s first artificial meteor shower project. Under this project, meteor-replicating particles will be installed in a satellite 250 miles (400 km) up and then released over a designated area.

- Cope India Exercise are a series of international Air Force exercises between the Indian Air Force and the United States Air Force conducted on and over Indian soil.
- NASA on Monday named the first woman and the first African American ever assigned as astronauts to a lunar mission. Christina Koch, an engineer, was named as a mission specialist for the Artemis II lunar fly-by. Victor Glover, a U.S. Navy aviator, will be the first Black astronaut to be sent on a lunar mission.
- Project Akashteer focuses on building a comprehensive air defence picture for monitoring, tracking, and engaging air defence assets.
- Rajasthan became the first State to legislate the right to health, private hospitals were apprehensive of the government's interference in their functioning after the enforcement of the law.
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- The #Aditya-L1 mission is a highly prestigious project of the Indian Space Research Organization (#ISRO). It is India's first mission to explore the Sun. The launch was conducted using the PSLV-C57 rocket. The PSLV's fourth stage was fired twice, a first in ISRO's history, to precisely insert the spacecraft into its elliptical orbit. Aditya-L1 is the first space based observatory class Indian solar mission to study the Sun from a substantial distance of 1.5 million kilometers. It will take approximately 125 days to reach the L1 point.
- Andhra Pradesh is going to provide a first-of-its-kind healthcare service to the rural population starting from April 6 (Thursday) with the launch of the 'Family Doctor' programme.
- The Indian government has formed a committee led by finance secretary TV Somanathan to explore ways to address concerns raised by government employees over the National Pension System (NPS).
- The Government has approved the Centrally Sponsored Scheme 'Pradhan Mantri Poshan Shakti Nirman (PM POSHAN)' for providing one hot cooked meal in Government and Government – aided Schools from 2021-22 to 2025-26. The Scheme is being implemented by the Ministry of Education.



- India has become the first country to develop a mathematical model, which is an alternative to WHO's model, for estimating TB cases, to speed up the country's fight against tuberculosis (TB) and achieve the target set by the Prime Minister of eliminating the disease by 2025, President launched the Pradhan Mantri TB Mukh Bharat Abhiyan.
- The Gaganyaan project envisages demonstration of human spaceflight capability by launching a crew of three members to an orbit of 400 km for a three day mission and bringing them back safely to earth, by landing in Indian sea waters. The US, Russia and China are the only three countries to have conducted human spaceflights yet. ISRO's Geosynchronous Satellite Launch Vehicle GSLV Mk III (3 stages heavy-lift vehicle).
- Uttarakhand became the first State in the country to legalise cannabis cultivation in 2017
- Fifteenth Finance Commission, which was headed by N.K. Singh, had been given an extended mandate to make recommendations for six years, up till 2025-26.
- India has proposed the creation of a new global alliance called the International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) to protect seven major big cats, namely- tiger, lion, leopard, snow leopard, puma, jaguar and cheetah.
- After success of e-VIN (pillar-1) and CoWIN (pillar-2), Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has rolled out the 3rd pillar 'U-WIN' for immunization services which will have Universal Immunization Program module under CoWIN platform. It will enable digitization of session planning, updating vaccination status on a real time basis. Beneficiaries would be able to book slots for vaccination in advance.
- Zojila tunnel, said to be Asia's longest bi-directional tunnel, in the Sonmarg area of Ganderbal, Ladakh
- Indian-American statistician Calyampudi Radhakrishna Rao has been awarded the 2023 International Prize in Statistics - the equivalent of the Nobel Prize for statistics.
- Gaia space mission by ESA To create the most accurate and complete 3D map of the Milky Way by surveying 1% or one billion of the galaxy's 100 billion stars

- Senior care Aging Growth Engine (SAGE) project. SAGE Initiative :Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment. it will select, support and create a “one-stop access” of elderly care products and services by credible start-ups for focusing on needs of India’s fast-rising elderly population, Startups can apply for being part of SAGE through SAGE portal.
- European Space Agency set to launch Jupiter Icy Moons Explorer (Juice):
- Vitla Pindi, also known as Mosaru Kudike is a popular festival in Udupi city, Coastal Karnataka. Vitla Pindi helps people recall childhood antics of Lord Krishna and is celebrated during Srikrishna Janmastami.
- Operation Meghdoot was an Indian military operation to take the Siachen Glacier in Kashmir.
- Mysore Paints & Varnish Ltd. is the only company authorised to produce the indelible ink used in general elections in the country.
- Bioluminescence occurs due to the presence of single-celled organisms called dinoflagellates that produce light when they are disturbed. While bioluminescence on the beach is a natural phenomenon, it is being reported on large stretches of this beach for the first time.
- A loan scheme named Jivhala has been launched by the Maharashtra Department of Prisons for the inmates who are serving sentences in various jails across Maharashtra.
- NASA’s Lucy mission is on an epic 6-billion-kilometre-long journey to study the Jupiter Trojan asteroids.
- USA is India 's biggest trading Partner
- 'World's first' fully edible rechargeable battery made in Italy
- Bengaluru topped the list of cities in India for highest digital transactions accounting for 29 million transactions worth ₹6,500 crore in 2022, as per data released by Worldline, a French payment and transactional services firm.
- India’s first mangrove pitta bird census undertaken in Bhitarkanika, Odish
- World’s biggest rocket Starship-is a super heavy-lift launch vehicle under development by SpaceX.
- Suryakumar Yadav has been named Wisden’s Leading T20 Cricketer of the Year

- Harmanpreet Kaur has become the first Indian woman to win a Wisden Cricketer of the Year
- National Quantum Mission: It'll be implemented by the Department of Science & Technology (DST) under the Ministry of Science & Technology. The mission planned for 2023-2031 aims to seed, nurture, and scale up scientific and industrial R&D and create a vibrant & innovative ecosystem in Quantum Technology (QT).
- 'Hakkipikki' is one of the major tribal communities in Karnataka. In Kannada the word 'Hakki' stands for 'bird' and 'Pikki' stands for verb 'to catch', therefore, the community is known as the "bird catcher" which is their traditional occupation. Scholars named their mother tongue as Vaagri. They speak 'Vaagri' at home but they speak Kannada for their daily business. The UNESCO has listed Hakkipikki is one of the endangered languages.
- 1st Global Buddhist Summit 2023, in New Delhi on April 20, 2023. The Global Buddhist Summit is an international conference that brings together Buddhist scholars, Sangha leaders, and practitioners from around the world to discuss how Buddhist philosophy and thought can be used to address contemporary global challenges.
- Parvatmala (National Ropeway Development Programme) was announced in the Union Budget 2022-23 to improve the security infrastructure of the northern border areas under the Border Roads Organization.
- SEED (Scheme for Economic Empowerment of Denotified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes). It aims to provide free competitive exam coaching to these students, to provide health insurance to families, to uplift clusters of these communities through livelihood initiatives, and to provide financial assistance for housing.
- India's first electric AC double-decker bus inaugurated In Mumbai
- Turtles also arrive at Gahirmatha beach in Odisha's Kendrapara district, which is known as the world's largest known rookery.
- For the first time, a female Olive Ridley tortoise was successfully satellite tagged in Velas, Maharashtra. This is the first satellite tag of an olive ridley sea turtle on the west coast of India.

- India is proud to recognise Piplantri village in the Rajsamand district
- Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan termed the Kochi Water Metro as a "dream project" of the state. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is all set to inaugurate the Kochi Water Metro, the country's first water metro service.
- India's first Digital Science Park coming up at the Technocity campus in Thiruvananthapuram, marking a milestone in #Kerala's transformation into a knowledge economy
- Tendulkar became the first male cricketer in history to score a double hundred in an ODI.
- LockBit ransomware is designed to infiltrate victims' systems and encrypt important files and demand payment in exchange for decrypting them, LockBit ransomware was found to be targeting Mac devices, in a first. Cybercriminals have developed new ransomware encryptors designed to target macOS devices, making this the first major ransomware operation to specifically target #Apple computers.
- The Lyrids meteor shower, which peaks during late April, is one of the oldest known meteor showers. The Lyrids have been observed for 2,700 years.
- The UAE's Hope space probe on Monday revealed Mars' smaller moon Deimos in unprecedented detail, shedding new light on the origin of the mysterious lumpy satellite. The probe, the Arab world's first interplanetary mission, has been orbiting Mars for two years, regularly flying past Deimos and its big sibling moon Phobos.
- India's First "Underwater Metro" - Kolkata, West Bengal
- India's first water bodies census released by Ministry of Jal Shakti Maharashtra leads in Water Conservation Schemes
- D. Devraj Urs holds the record for the longest serving Chief Minister of Karnataka. He had held the post for seven years and 269 days
- Indian Antarctica Act, 2022, The act applies to citizens of India as well as citizens of other countries. The act applies to all sea and air space south of 60 degrees South Latitude.
- Russia's 'The Challenge' — the world's first movie shot in space
- The fastest animal on the earth, the cheetah, is new logo of the Vande Bharat Express, the indigenously built semi-high speed train of the Indian Railways.

- **SWAGAT (State Wide Attention on Grievances by Application of Technology) -** Launched in Gujarat, It was a first of its kind tech-based grievance redressal programme in the country, The uniqueness of SWAGAT is that it helps common man air his grievances directly to the Chief Minister
- **Asia Pacific Leaders Malaria Alliance: APLMA** is an affiliation of Asian and Pacific heads of government formed to accelerate progress against malaria and to eliminate it in the region by 2030.
- The issues regarding India's nuclear liability law continue to hold up the more than a decade-old plan to build six nuclear power reactors in Maharashtra's Jaitapur, the world's biggest nuclear power generation site under consideration at present.
- Sanchi, a world heritage site in Madhya Pradesh's Raisen district, is all set to become India's first solar city.
- Kari Ishad mango of Ankola in Uttarakhand gets GI tag
- Karnataka ranks as the second best state in the country in implementation of 'Comprehensive Abortion Care' programme. Comprehensive Abortion Care (CAC) Training and Service Delivery Guidelines are designed to provide holistic knowledge in all aspects of abortion care including counselling, legal issues, abortion provision and post abortion contraception.
- Ramagundam floating solar PV project - Telangana is India's largest floating solar power project.
- Bhadla Solar Park is the largest solar power park in the world
- Saksham-ECI and Chunavana app related to electoral
- Commander Abhilash Tomy (retd.) created history as the first Indian to complete the Golden Globe Race on April 29, finishing in second place after a gruelling 236 days alone at sea in his sail boat named Bayanat, in a journey of grit and endurance.
- In the Mysore State, it was Chamarajendra Wodeyar who first constituted the Mysore Representative Assembly in 1881.
- The researchers used seismic data acquired by the NASA InSight lander to directly measure properties of Mars's core, finding a completely liquid iron-alloy core with high percentages of sulphur and oxygen

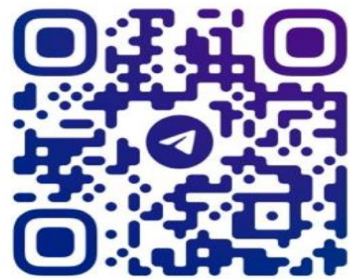




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