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National News

1. Justice Dhananjaya Yashwant Chandrachud takes oath as new CJI



- Justice D Y Chandrachud today took oath as the new Chief Justice of India. President Droupadi Murmu administered the oath of office to Justice Chandrachud as the 50th Chief Justice of India at Rashtrapati Bhawan. He succeeded Justice UU Lalit, who retired yesterday.
- In his first statement to the media after the swearing-in ceremony, Justice Chandrachud said serving the ordinary citizen is his priority. He also said he will work for reforms in registry and judicial processes.
- Born in 1959, Justice Chandrachud was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court of India in May 2016. Earlier, he served as Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court.
- He had completed his LLB from Delhi University and obtained an LLM degree and a Doctorate in Juridical Sciences from Harvard Law School in the USA.

- During the swearing-in ceremony, Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla, several Union Ministers including Amit Shah, Rajnath Singh and Kiren Rijiju and other dignitaries were present at Rashtrapati Bhawan.

2. National Cancer Awareness Day is being observed today



- National Cancer Awareness Day is being observed today. This day is observed annually to highlight the significance and promote awareness about the diagnosis, treatment, and early detection of the disease.
- According to the World Health Organization, cancer is one of the leading causes of death worldwide.
- In India, nearly 1.1 million new cases of cancer are reported annually.
- National Cancer Awareness Day is observed on 7th November for the last 8 years coinciding with the birth anniversary of the Nobel-prize-winning scientist Madame Curie.

3. Total 15 films to compete for coveted Golden Peacock at 53rd edition of IFFI in Goa



- A total of 15 films will compete for the coveted Golden Peacock at the 53rd edition of the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa.
- The IFFI will be held from 20th to 28th of this month. The mouth-watering line-up comprises 12 International and three Indian films that represent the emerging trends in the aesthetics and politics of the art.
- From the very first Golden Peacock awarded in the 3rd edition of IFFI, the prize has been amongst the most sought-after film awards in Asia.
- The jury tasked with the impossible job of picking a winner this year comprises Israeli writer and film director Nadav Lapid, American producer Jinko Gotoh, French film editor Pascale Chavance, French documentary filmmaker, film critic, and journalist Javier Angulo Barturen and India's very own film director Sudipto Sen.
- The films which are in the competition this year include Polish filmmaker Krzysztof Zanussi's Perfect Number,

Mexican filmmaker Carlos Eichelmann Kaiser'S film Red Shoes, Iranian drama No End, and Hindi film Kashmir Files.

4. Uttar Pradesh to host Khelo India National University games in 2023-24



- **Uttar Pradesh government to host Khelo India National University Games in 2023-2024 in four cities. Khelo India National University Games will be conducted in four cities of Uttar Pradesh including Lucknow, Gorakhpur, Varanasi, and Noida.**
- **In the Khelo India National University Games, 4,500 athletes will participate representing 150 universities across the country.**
- **There will be 20 disciplines including basketball, judo, kabaddi, wrestling, swimming, boxing, rowing, etc.**
- **Uttar Pradesh has got the opportunity to host the National University Games for the first time after Odisha and Karnataka.**
- **Disciplines like kabaddi, judo, archery, and fencing will be organized in Noida and rowing will be organized in Gorakhpur.**

- In Varanasi, events like wrestling, malkham, and Yoga will be organized. The rest of the events will be organized in Lucknow.
- In the National University Games athletes below the age of 26 will participate.
- The Khelo India National University Games will focus more on women's games.

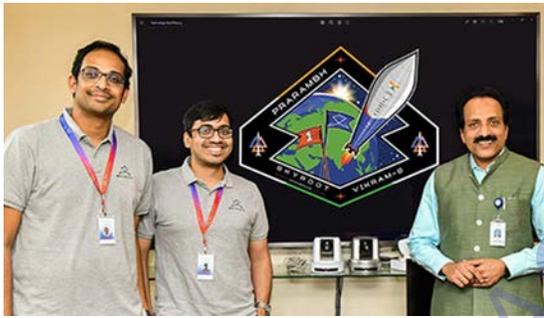
5. Mangroves as carbon sink: India joins five-nation alliance at COP27



- Calling for integration of mangroves conservation with the Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+) programmes for carbon sequestering, India joined the Mangrove Alliance for Climate (MAC).
- The Mangrove Alliance for Climate (MAC) is an intergovernmental alliance that seeks to expand and hasten the progress towards the conservation and restoration of mangrove ecosystems. Its members include the UAE, Indonesia, India, Sri Lanka, Australia, Japan, and Spain.
- The alliance will raise global awareness about the role of mangroves as a nature-based climate change solution. It will ensure the rehabilitation of mangrove forests at the global level.

- India is among the first five countries to join the MAC, at the 27th session of the Conference of the Parties (COP27) at Sharm el-Sheikh in Egypt. The others are Australia, Japan, Spain, and Sri Lanka.
- The move is in line with India's Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) to create an additional carbon sink of 2.5- 3 billion tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂) equivalent, through additional forest and tree cover by 2030.

6. Skyroot's first rocket set for launch from Sriharikota



- India's first privately developed rocket, Vikram-S by Hyderabad-based Skyroot Aerospace is poised to create history as it undergoes final launch preparations at the ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation)'s launchpad in Sriharikota for launch between November 12-16.
- The mission 'Prarambh', meaning 'the beginning', since it is the first mission for Skyroot, was unveiled by ISRO chairman S. Somanath in Bengaluru after the technical launch clearance from the Space regulator IN-SPACe.
- Skyroot, a two-time national award winner, is the first start up to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ISRO in this regard.
- Skyroot's launch vehicles are named 'Vikram' as a tribute to the founder of the Indian Space programme and renowned scientist Vikram Sarabhai.
- "Vikram-S rocket getting launched is a single-stage sub-orbital launch vehicle which would carry three

customer payloads and help test and validate majority of the technologies in the Vikram series of space launch vehicles.

7. India to become third-largest economy by 2027: Report



- India is on track to become the world's third largest economy by 2027, surpassing Japan and Germany, and have the third largest stock market by 2030, thanks to global trends and key investments the country has made in technology and energy, says Morgan Stanley.
- “We believe India is set to surpass Japan and Germany to become the world's third-largest economy by 2027 and will have the third-largest stock market by the end of this decade,” says Ridham Desai, Morgan Stanley's Chief Equity Strategist for India.
- “Consequently, India is gaining power in the world order, and in our opinion these idiosyncratic changes imply a once-in-a-generation shift and an opportunity for investors and companies.”
- All told, India's GDP could more than double from \$3.5 trillion today to surpass \$7.5 trillion by 2031. Its share of global exports could also double over that period, while the Bombay Stock Exchange could deliver 11% annual growth,

reaching a market capitalization of \$10 trillion in the coming decade.

8. Google expands India-first flood tracking tool to more countries



- An American technology giant, Google has launched a platform that displays flood forecasts, namely 'FloodHub'.
- This platform shows the area and time where floods could occur, in order to inform people about the natural calamity and authorities can assist them with effectively.
- The technology giant has also expanded its AI flood forecasting services to 18 countries across Latin America, Africa and Southeast Asia.
- To recall, these flood forecasting services supported by AI were first introduced in India back in 2018.
- Google launched its flood forecasting services to safeguard people against disasters and natural calamities in 2018.

- Google states that the company has used an AI technique called transfer learning to make it work in areas where there is less data available.
- Meanwhile, the search engine has also integrated its Lens image recognition feature into many of its other features. It includes Google Chrome and Photos.
- Recently, 9to5Google has pointed out that Google is adding a Lens button to its home page, in its search bar. After users click on the Lens button, they would be prompted to upload an image or paste a URL to one.

9. Kerala becomes first state to introduce uniform gold price based on bank rate



- Kerala becomes the first state in India to launch uniform gold prices based on the bank rate.
- The decision to introduce a uniform price on 916 purity 22-carat gold has been taken at a meeting between officials of Malabar Gold and Diamonds and key members of the All Kerala Gold and Silver Merchants Association.
- Being a top gold-consuming state in the country, Kerala can set the stage for a countrywide roll-out of uniform gold prices.
- The selling price of gold should be unified everywhere in the country. The gold rate should be uniform across the country based on the bank rates.

- Gold is priced at Rs 150-300 per gram extra over the bank rate. In Kerala, gold used to be sold at different prices on a particular day.
- Uniform gold price based on bank rate offers an opportunity for consumers to purchase gold at a reasonable and transparent price.

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