



CURRENT AFFAIRS 13th October 2022

National News

1. Multi-State Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2022 gets Cabinet approval



- The Union Cabinet has approved the Multi-State Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2022.
- It seeks to amend the Multi-State Cooperative Societies Act, 2002.
- Briefing media in New Delhi yesterday, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur said, the decision will improve governance, enhance transparency and accountability in the Multi State Cooperative Societies.
- He said, election authority will be set up to ensure fair, free and timely elections.
- AIR correspondent reports that the proposed amendments covering major areas of operation and management will go a long way in strengthening the co-operative movement in the country.
- India has more than 1500 multi-State co-operative societies serving as an important tool to promote economic and social betterment of their members.

- In order to make the governance of these multi-State Cooperative societies more democratic, transparent and accountable, provisions for setting up of the Cooperative Election Authority, Cooperative Information Officer and Cooperative Ombudsman have been proposed in the amendment.

2. PM Modi flags off Vande Bharat Express from Una in Himachal Pradesh to New Delhi



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi flags off Vande Bharat Express from Una in Himachal Pradesh to New Delhi.
- This is the fourth Vande Bharat train to be introduced in the country.
- The introduction of the train will help boost tourism in the region and provide a comfortable and faster mode of travel.
- Mr Modi will also dedicate Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Una to the nation.
- The foundation stone of this institute was laid by the Prime Minister in 2017.
- Later in the day, Prime Minister will also lay the foundation stone of two hydropower projects in Chamba.
- These projects will generate over 270 million units of electricity annually and Himachal Pradesh is expected to get annual revenue of around one hundred ten crore rupees.

3. Indian Navy Conducts Offshore Security Exercise, 'Prasthan'



- The Offshore Security Exercise, 'Prasthan' in the Offshore Development Area (ODA) off Kakinada was conducted by Eastern Naval Command on Wednesday.
- The Half Yearly Exercise was conducted in the KG basin to validate SOPs, address various contingencies and strengthen the command & control organisation towards Maritime Security.
- The exercise is coordinated by the Indian Navy and involves all stakeholders in the maritime domain, including oil and gas operators, the State Marine Police, Dept of Fisheries and the Indian Coast Guard, etc.

4. INS Tarkash reaches South Africa to participate in 7th edition of IBSAMAR



- **INS Tarkash reached Port Greqhrea, also known as Port Elizabeth in South Africa to participate in the seventh edition of IBSAMAR, a joint multinational maritime exercise among Indian, Brazilian and South African Navies.**
- **The harbour phase of IBSAMAR VII includes professional exchanges such as damage control and fire-fighting drills, and interaction among special forces.**
- **The Indian Navy is represented by the Teg class guided missile frigate, INS Tarkash, a Chetak helicopter and the personnel from the Marine Commando Force (MARCOS).**
- **The Joint Maritime Exercise will strengthen maritime security, joint operational training, sharing of best practices and building interoperability to address common maritime threats.**

5. NASA announces DART mission test successful



- The American space agency, NASA announced the results of its Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART) mission on Tuesday.
- Terming the test successful, the agency said, the DART spacecraft that deliberately crashed into an asteroid last month succeeded in changing the asteroid's motion in Space.
- DART is a spacecraft designed to impact an asteroid as a test of the technology. DART's target asteroid is not a threat to Earth.
- NASA's Chief, Bill Nelson in a statement said that this was the first time humanity has altered the motion of a celestial body.

6. Tom Cruise To Become First Actor to Film a Movie in Space



- Hollywood Actor Tom Cruise, who is renowned for pulling off high-octane stunts in his projects, is taking things to the next level and may soon become the first actor to shoot in space.
- The Top Gun actor has reportedly partnered with director Doug Liman on a project that calls for him to perform a spacewalk.
- The Hollywood actor and director have reportedly approached the Universal Filmed Entertainment Group (UFG) with a proposal for Tom to launch himself up to the International Space Station.
- The project was initially slated for 2020, but the Covid-19 outbreak put the project on hold.
- The movie is currently in the conceptual stage and hasn't started shooting yet.
- Tom Cruise would be the first movie celebrity to film on the International Space Station if the film is successful, as was previously announced.

- Liman was asked about reports that the movie will cost around \$200 million but she insisted they are yet to work out the final budget.
- Presumably, a flight to space for Cruise and a film crew will cost a packet.

7. South Indian Bank enters World Book of Records for '101 Oonjals'



- South Indian Bank bagged a world record for staging and swinging the highest 101.
- The South Indian Bank has organized an event 'Onnichirikkam Oonjaladam' and was accoladed with the World Book of Records award for 'staging and swinging 101 Oonjals'.
- The event 'Onnichirikkam Oonjaladam' saw people gathered in large numbers to celebrate unity and prosperity during the ongoing festival season.
- Swings were made using wood and rope in the traditional way.
- The World Book of Records team presented the Award to South Indian Bank officials.
- All 101 swings were staged and swung together by the people. There was happiness and togetherness during the event.

- Seeing everyone taking part in something together naturally brings happiness to all of us.
- An Oonjal is a sturdy rectangular plank suspended by iron link chains hooked to the ceiling of a hall or balcony.

8. Roger Binny to replace Sourav Ganguly as BCCI president, Jay Shah to remain secretary



- India's 1983 World Cup hero, Roger Binny is set to become the new BCCI president, replacing Sourav Ganguly.
- Binny will assume charge on October 18, when the BCCI annual general meeting will be held, in Mumbai.
- Jay Shah will continue as BCCI secretary, the most influential position in the board. Rajiv Shukla will also stay on as the board's vice president.
- Binny, 67, has a lot of experience in cricket administration. He has served in different positions at the Karnataka State Cricket Association (KSCA) over the years, and has been its president since 2019.
- Prior to that, Binny also was part of the KSCA administrations led by Patel and Anil Kumble (2010-12).
- The age-cap rule, which has led to end of Patel's run, will also restrict 1983 World Cup-winner Binny's tenure to one term of three years.

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