



CURRENT AFFAIRS 14th November 2022

National News

1. India International Trade Fair to begin at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi



- The 41st India International Trade Fair (IITF) will begin today, November 14, at Pragati Maidan in New Delhi.
- Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal will inaugurate the fair, which will continue till the 27th of November.
- This year the theme of the trade fair is Vocal For Local, Local to Global.
- The 14-day mega event assumes a special significance as it coincides with celebrations of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'.
- Twenty-nine States and Union Territories are participating in the event. Bihar, Jharkhand, and Maharashtra are Partner States while Uttar Pradesh and Kerala are participating as Focus States in the fair.
- Various Central Ministries, Departments, Commodity Boards, and PSUs are participating in this event to showcase their achievements.

- Our correspondent reports that 12 foreign countries including Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bahrain, Belarus, Iran, Nepal, Thailand, Turkey, UAE, and UK are participating in the fair.

2. Cochin Shipyard to build India's first hydrogen fuel cell catamaran vessel in Varanasi



- Cochin Shipyard has signed an MoU with Inland Waterways Authority of India to build the country's first hydrogen fuel cell catamaran vessel for Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh.
- The Shipyard also signed another MoU for the construction of six electric catamaran vessels for Uttar Pradesh and two such vessels for Guwahati.
- The MoU was signed at Varanasi in the presence of Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Sarbananda Sonowal, Union Minister for Heavy Industry Mahendra Nath Pandey, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath and a host of other dignitaries.
- A statement issued by the Cochin Shipyard said the air-conditioned hydrogen fuel cell catamaran vessel will have a seating capacity for 100 passengers.
- It will be deployed at Varanasi after test and trial in Kochi.

- The air-conditioned electric hybrid vessels, designed for short-distance commute in riverine waters, will have seating capacity for 50 passengers.

3. Slovenia elects first female President, Natasa Pirc Musar



- In Slovenia, Natasa Pirc Musar has been elected the country's first female President after beating her conservative rival in the second round of elections on Sunday, November 13.
- Slovenia's Election Commission said, Ms. Pirc Musar won almost 54 per cent of the vote, ahead of Mr. Logar who got just over 46 per cent vote.
- Turnout among the population of around two million was 49.9 per cent.
- Ms. Natasa Pirc Musar is a journalist and lawyer who ran as an independent with the backing of Slovenia's center-left government.
- She defeated Anze Logar the former Foreign Minister and a veteran of conservative politics.

4. England wins second T-20 world cup, defeats Pakistan by five wickets



- In cricket, England created history by winning their second T-20 world cup defeating Pakistan by five wickets at the Melbourne Cricket ground yesterday, November 13.
- Led by Ben Stokes with the bat and Sam Curran with the ball, England overcame a staunch Pakistan challenge to win the World cup.
- They are now the only side who are the defending ODI and T20 World Cup champions.
- England chased down the low-key target of 138 runs with an over to spare.
- After opener Jos Butler set the tempo with a 17 ball 26 run, Ben stokes steered the innings to a grand finish with an unbeaten 52 runs.
- For Pakistan Haris Rauf scalped two wickets, while Shaheen Afridi, Mohammad Wasim, and Shadab Khan took one each.

- Sam Curran was named Player of the Match as well as Player of the series.
- Earlier, England won the toss and decided to bowl first. Pakistan made 137 in the stipulated 20 overs losing eight wickets.

5. Indian shooters dominate 15th Asian Air Rifle Championships winning gold medals in all 4 team events



- Indian shooters dominated the 15th Asian Air Rifle Championships in Daegu, South Korea, by winning gold medals in all four team events today.
- India has so far won 10 gold medals in this competition.
- The trio of Arjun Babuta, Kiran Ankush Jadhav, and Rudrank Balasaheb Patil started the day with a gold medal, beating Kazakhstan 17-11 in the final of the men's 10 metre air rifle event.
- In the women's category, the Indian shooting team of Mehuli Ghosh, Elavenil Valarivan, and Meghna Sajjanar beat hosts Korea 16-10 in the finals.
- In junior men's, Divyansh Singh Panwar, Srikartik Sabri Raj Ravi Shankar, and Vidit Jain defeated hosts Korea by a margin of 16-10 in the finals.

- In the women's category, the Indian junior women's team of Tilottama Sen, Ramita, and Nancy beat South Korea 16-2 to win another gold in the continental event.

6. World Diabetes Day 2022



- World Diabetes Day is being observed today, November 14.
- The day provides an opportunity to raise awareness about diabetes as a global public health issue and what needs to be done, collectively and individually, for better prevention, diagnosis, and management of the condition. This year's theme is Access to Diabetes Education.
- Diabetes is a chronic disease, which occurs when the pancreas does not produce enough insulin, or when the body cannot effectively use the insulin it produces.
- This leads to an increased concentration of glucose in the blood. Insulin is a hormone that regulates blood glucose.

7. Children's Day 2022



- India's first Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru once said, "The children of today will make the India of tomorrow."
- The way we bring them up will determine the future of the country" and with Children's Day just around the corner, we could not help but reflect on the same.
- They say it is easier to build strong children than to repair broken men and rightly so, since kids are like wet cement: whatever falls on them makes an impression so, we have to love our children unselfishly as they are the hands by which we take hold of heaven.

8. World's Longest River Cruise to Sail from Varanasi in January



- The government is set to launch the world's longest luxury river cruise from Varanasi to Dibrugarh via Bangladesh next year.
- The world's longest luxury river cruise aims to give a push to Indian inland waterways development.
- The 50 days cruise will set sail from Varanasi and pass-through Kolkata and Dhaka before reaching Bogibeel in the Dibrugarh district of Assam.
- The cruise will sail on 10th January 2023 and will cover a distance of 4,000 km.
- The world's longest luxury river cruise or the Ganga Vilas cruise will sail from Varanasi to Dibrugarh in the longest river journey of 50 days.

- **The 50 days long journey will cover 27 river systems and visit over 50 tourist sites including World Heritage Sites.**
- **The journey of the world's longest luxury river cruise will be the single largest river journey by a single river ship in the world.**
- **This journey will also put India and Bangladesh on the river cruise map of the world.**
- **The Union Minister of Ports, Shipping and Waterways Sarbananda Sonowal informed that the development of coastal and river shipping includes cruise services which is one of the priorities of the government.**

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