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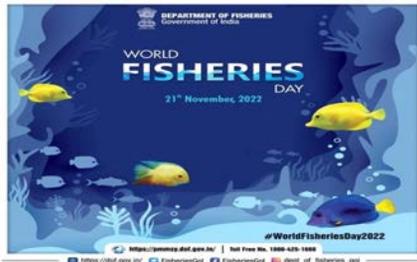
National News

1. Tokayev wins Kazakhstan presidential election with 81.3% of vote



- Kazakhstan President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev secured a second term in Sunday's snap election, winning 81.31% of the vote.
- Kazakhstan's Central Election Commission on Monday said the 69-year-old Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, who came to power in 2019, received 81.31 per cent of the vote in Sunday's election.
- None of the five other candidates scored double digits in the vote, while 5.8 per cent of voters cast their ballot against all candidates.
- Rich in natural resources and located at the crossroads of important trade routes, Kazakhstan sank into chaos during protests over high living costs in January, which left 238 dead.
- During the time, Tokayev projected himself as a stern administrator by violently suppressing the protests.

2. World Fisheries Day 2022



- **Today is World Fisheries Day. The celebrations serve to focus on changing the way the world manages global fisheries to ensure sustainable stocks and a healthy ecosystem.**
- **The Department of Fisheries will celebrate the day in Daman to create awareness on the importance of healthy ocean ecosystems and sustainable fisheries.**
- **The government will award the best-performing states and districts for the past three years in this regard.**
- **An Exhibition and technical sessions will be held for technology transfer.**

3. At 53rd IFFI in Goa, Indian Panorama Section opens for film buffs



- The Indian Panorama at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI) began today in Goa.
- The opening movie in the Feature film category was Kannada film Hadinelentu directed by Prithvi Konanur.
- The opening film in the Non-Feature Film category was The Show Must Go On, directed by Divya Cowasji.
- Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated the Indian Panorama and felicitated cast and crew of both the opening films.
- Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Thakur congratulated the filmmakers whose movies are being screened at the IFFI.
- Addressing the gathering, Information & Broadcasting Secretary Apurva Chandra said, under the Indian Panorama Section, IFFI will be showcasing the best of the films from all the four corners of the country.
- Mr. Thakur also inaugurated Film Bazaar, which is the largest film market in South Asia.

- **Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting Dr. L. Murugan was among others present on the occasion.**

4. South Western Command conducts Integrated Fire Power Exercise in Thar desert of Rajasthan



- **South Western Command of the Indian Army conducted Integrated Fire Power Exercise, “SHATRUNASH” at MFFR in Thar desert of Rajasthan on Monday.**
- **The exercise witnessed use of multi farious firing platforms in an integrated manner involving both ground & aerial manoeuvres.**
- **Various actions included ion of troops, offensive ground actions involving comprehensive coordination incorporating contemporary technologies in a multi domain environment.**
- **Real time communication and sharing of common operating picture amongst various participants to overcome emerging threats were practised & skills were honed.**
- **While lauding the standard of training of troops, Lieutenant General A S Bhinder, General Officer Commanding In Chief, Sapta Shakti Command appreciated the participation**

& synergy amongst various combat & combat support arms.

- He also commended exploitation of capability of indigenous platforms inducted as part of the 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat' or 'Make in India' initiative.
- Furthermore, the General Officer Commanding In Chief reiterated the need to constantly explore new fighting methodology and enhancement of own capability to fight future wars.

5. India assumes Chair of Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence



- India on Monday assumed the Chair of the Global Partnership on Artificial Intelligence.
- The GPAI is an international initiative to support responsible and human-centric development and use of Artificial Intelligence.
- This comes close on the heels of India taking over the presidency of G20, a league of world's largest economies at Bali in Indonesia.
- Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology, Rajeev Chandrasekhar represented India virtually at the GPAI meeting held in Tokyo for the symbolic takeover from France.
- Speaking on the occasion, Mr. Chandrasekhar said India will work in close cooperation with member states to put in place a framework around which the power of Artificial Intelligence can be used for the good of the citizens and consumers across the globe.

- He highlights that AI is a kinetic enabler for taking forward current investments in technology and innovation.

6. Karnataka has highest grid-interactive renewable power capacity



- Karnataka came at the top position while comparing the total installed capacity of grid-interactive renewable power of all the states of the country.
- The state had a total installed capacity of 15,463 megawatts (mw), according to an RBI publication.
- Tamilnadu with 15,225 mw, came at the second; Gujarat, with 13,153 mw, was at third position while Maharashtra, with 10,267 mw, was at the fourth, according to Handbook of Statistics on Indian States 2021-22, which was the seventh edition of its statistical publication, released by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).
- Through this publication, the Reserve Bank has been disseminating wide-ranging data on the regional economies of India.
- Maharashtra was followed by Rajasthan (10,205 mw), Andhra Pradesh (8,969 mw), Madhya Pradesh (5,206 mw), Telangana (4,378 mw), Uttar Pradesh (3,879 mw), Punjab (1,617 mw) and Himachal Pradesh (988 mw) and Uttarakhand (713 mw) in that order.

7. Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong, winner of the UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize 2022



- The UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize for the Promotion of Tolerance and Non-Violence, for this 2022 Edition, has been given to Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong from Cameroon, President of the NGOs #Afrogiveness and Positive Youths Africa.
- The Prize is named after its benefactor, former Indian artist, writer and diplomat Madanjeet Singh (1924-2013) who was also a UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador.
- Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong, with 7-year experience as a journalist, strived to change the perception related to mental illness.
- With training in art therapy and psychology, she founded two non-governmental organizations (NGOs) – Afrogiveness Movement and Positive Youths Africa (PYA).
- These two NGOs are peace education initiatives that aim to help traumatized survivors of interfaith and intercultural

conflicts in African countries to heal using the universal language of the arts.

- **They operate in nine African countries – Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Sudan, and Togo.**
- **Through these NGOs, Franca Ma-ih Sulem Yong is promoting tolerance and non-violence by reintegrating survivors from opposing sides of war and conflicts into their host communities.**
- **She is providing psycho-social and educational support (art therapy), socio-economic aid (distribution of university scholarship, diploma training, hygienic products, and books), and legal assistance.**

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