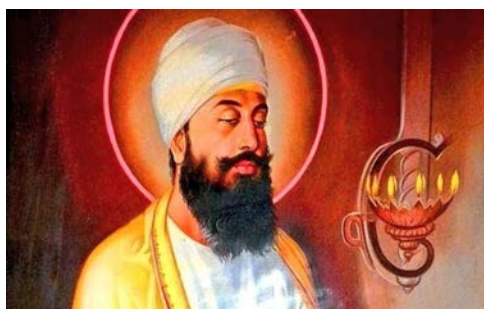




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National News

1. Guru Tegh Bahadur Martyrdom Day, Shaheedi Diwas 2022



- **Guru Tegh Bahadur Martyrdom Day is observed every year on November 24, commemorating Shaheedi Diwas of Guru Tegh Bahadur.**
- **The day marks the martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur and pays honour and tribute to Guru Tegh Bahadur's sacrifice while guarding the religious sentiments of people. He was the ninth Sikh Guru**
- **Guru Tegh Bahadur sacrificed his life to protect religion and human values, ideals, and principles.**
- **He stood out from an early age for his qualities of sacrifice and valour.**
- **He was executed for supporting the religious freedom of Kashmiri Pandits on the orders of Mughal ruler Aurangzeb, according to PIB. He is respected as Hind Ki Chaddar due to his supreme sacrifice.**

2. India jumps two spots to 8th rank on Climate Change Performance Index



- India is amongst the top five best-performing countries on Climate Change. The latest report of Climate Change Performance Index- 2023, released at COP 27, shows Denmark, Sweden, Chile and Morocco as the only four small countries that were ranked above India.
- Power Ministry said, India has jumped two spots higher and now ranks 8th as per Climate Change Performance Index.
- The first, second and third ranks were not awarded to any country.
- The Ministry said, India has earned a high rating in the global greenhouse gas Emissions and Energy Use categories.
- The CCPI is an independent monitoring tool for tracking the climate protection performance of 59 countries and the European Union.

3. UNICEF, India join hands to promote films on child rights at IFFI in Goa



- UNICEF and National Film Development Corporation (NFDC) have joined hands to promote films with a child rights perspective at the 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa.
- A special section for films that highlight children's and adolescents' issues and rights have been created at IFFI for the first time.
- Six films curated jointly by NFDC and UNICEF are being screened during the 9-day festival.
- These films depict the real issues faced by children and raise awareness on the rights of children.
- These films will also reflect on the dynamic forces that shape childhood and its socio-economic contexts.
- They include Nagesh Kukunoor directed 'Dhanak', which depicts a child's journey to get her visually impaired brother treated.
- Another film 'Nani Tere Morni' by Akashaditya Lama is based on a true story about a child who overcame fear and saved her grandmother from drowning.

4. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports announces Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Awards for year 2021



- President Droupadi Murmu will give away the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Awards for the year 2021, at the Rashtrapati Bhawan on 30th of this month.
- The Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, on Wednesday announced the National Adventure Awards for the year 2021. The award will be given in four categories, Land Adventure, Water Adventure, Air Adventure and Life Time Achievement.
- Group Captain Bhawani Singh Samyal will be conferred with Life time Achievement award, Shubham Dhananjay Vanmali with Water Adventure, and Naina Dhakad with Land Adventure.
- They will receive statuettes, certificates and award money 15 lakh rupees each.

5. More than 25,000 ponds constructed under Mission Amrit Sarovar to overcome water crisis in rural areas



- The government has completed the construction of more than 25,000 Amrit Sarovars within the 6 months.
- Under the Mission Amrit Sarovar, a target has been set to build 50,000 Amrit Sarovars by 15th August, 2023.
- According to the Ministry of Rural development, as of on 17th this month about 90,531 sites have been identified for the construction of Amrit Sarovars, out of which work has been started on 52,245 sites.
- Mission Amrit Sarovar was launched on 24th April, 2022 with the resolve to build 75 Amrit Sarovars during the 75th year of independence as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav, on the call of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in every district to overcome the water crisis in rural areas of the country.

6. Indian, Indonesian troops engage in joint training exercise 'GARUDA SHAKTI' in Karawang



- A contingent of Indian Special Forces troops are currently engaged in a bilateral joint training Exercise GARUDA SHAKTI with Indonesian Special Forces at Sangga Buana Training Area, in Karawang.
- The Exercise is the eighth edition of the series of bilateral exercises under this banner and this is a part of military-to-military exchange programs.
- The exercise which commenced on 21st November 2022 aims at enhancing understanding, cooperation and interoperability between the Special Forces of both armies.

7. India carries out successful training launch of intermediate range ballistic Agni-3 missile



- India on Wednesday carried out a successful training launch of an Intermediate Range Ballistic Missile, Agni-3 from APJ Abdul Kalam Island in Odisha.
- The successful test was part of routine user training launches carried out under the aegis of the Strategic Forces Command.
- The launch was carried out for a predetermined range and validated all operational parameters of the system.
- The Agni series of missiles now includes the Agni-1 (700km), Agni-2 (2,000km), Agni-3 (3,000 km), Agni-4 (4,000 km) and with the longest striking range of 5,000 km is the Agni -5.
- Sources in the DRDO said that the Agni-1 with 700 km range can be used to shoot targets at minimum 220 km which would help it to cover the ranges covered by the Prithvi series missiles which could strike targets between 150km to 350km.

- The fear was that seeing a ballistic missile of short-range go off, the enemy may get panicked and launch a nuclear attack in retaliation.

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