



## CURRENT AFFAIRS 26th July 2022

### National News

#### 1. 36th All India Postal Weight Lifting and Power Lifting Competition to be organized from July 26 to July 29



- The 36th All India Postal Weight Lifting and Power Lifting Competition will be organized by Rajasthan Postal Circle Jaipur from today to July 29.
- Governor of Rajasthan Kalraj Mishra to inaugurate the competition at Indoor Stadium of Sawai man Singh Stadium Jaipur today.
- About 160 players of Indian Postal Department from Rajasthan and other circles will participate in the competition.

#### 2. Tunisians begins voting in referendum on new constitution



- **Tunisians began voting today in a referendum on a new constitution that critics of President Kais Saied fear will maul the democracy that emerged from a 2011 revolution by handing him nearly total power.**
- **The vote is being held on the First Anniversary of Saied's ousting of an elected Parliament when he established emergency rule and began governing by fiat.**
- **But, it is not clear when the results will be announced after polls close at 2100 GMT.**
- **Under Saied's own rules for the referendum, no minimum level of participation is needed to approve the new constitution.**
- **They only stipulate it will come into effect once the final results are published and do not say, what happens if voters reject it.**
- **However, while nearly all major political parties and civil society organizations have denounced his unilateral approach to rewriting the constitution and the legitimacy of the referendum, they have failed to build a united front.**

### **3. Kargil Vijay Diwas being celebrated across country today**



- **Kargil Vijay Diwas will be celebrated across the country today. The Nation will remember its war heroes and pay tributes to the Martyrs on Kargil Vijay Diwas.**
- **The day marks the victory of the Indian armed forces in Operation Vijay in 1999, when they evicted the infiltrators backed by the Pakistani army from high outposts in the Kargil sector.**
- **The Kargil war was fought for more than 60 days and ended with India regaining control of all the previously held territory.**
- **The victory of Tiger Hill was one of the crucial achievements in the 60- day long conflict.**
- **Indian soldiers fought the Kargil War under the toughest conditions, on difficult terrain, at an altitude of 18 thousand feet.**
- **On the occasion of Kargil Vijay Diwas, President Droupadi Murmu today bowed to all the brave soldiers who laid down their lives to protect the country.**

#### **4. Sheik Ahmed Nawaf Al-Sabah Becomes New Kuwait PM**



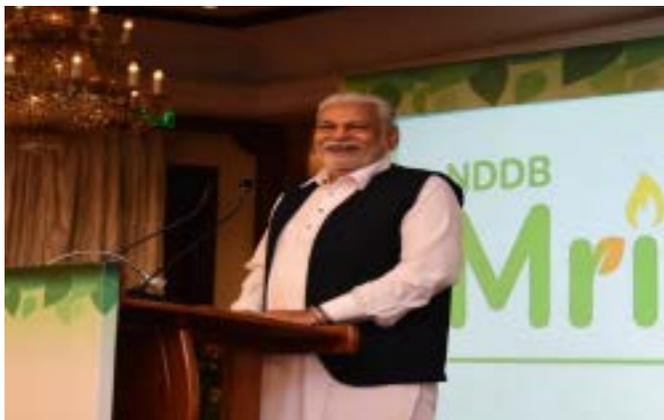
- In a major development in Kuwait, Sheikh Ahmad Nawaf Al Ahmed Al Sabah on July 25 was appointed as the new Prime Minister of the country.
- He succeeded Sheikh Sabah Al Khaled, who stepped down in April 2022. Soon after becoming the country's Prime Minister, Sheikh Ahmed Nawaf Al Ahmed Al Sabah pledged to preserve the country's constitution, democracy and national gains
- In April 2022, Kuwait's government had resigned, just months after its formation, opening up new uncertainty as the tiny country grapples with a worsening political crisis that has blocked critical economic and social reforms.
- Ex-Kuwaiti Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al Hamad Al Sabah submitted the cabinet's resignation to the crown prince ahead of a no-confidence vote in Parliament which took place a week later.

#### **5. BCCI introduces A+ category for umpires**



- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has introduced a new A+ category for its umpires and Nitin Menon, along with ten other officials, have been grouped in the category.
- Umpires in A+ and A categories are paid Rs 40,000 a day for a first-class game while Rs 30,000 a day are paid in the B and C category.
- The others in the A+ category include four international umpires: Anil Chaudhary, Madangopal Jayaraman, Virender Kumar Sharma and K N Ananthapadmabhanan.
- Rohan Pandit, Nikhil Patwardhan, Sadashiv Iyer, Ulhas Gandhe and Navdeep Singh Sidhu are also part of the A+ category.
- Twenty umpires including C Shamshuddin form the A group, 60 are in Group B, 46 in Group C and 11 in Group D which falls in the 60-65 age bracket.

**6. Union Minister Parshottam Rupala launches NDDB's subsidiary for manure management**



- **Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Parshottam Rupala has launched NDDB MRIDA Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of National Dairy Development Board to take forward manure management initiatives across the country.**
- **It was launched at a function in New Delhi in the presence of Minister of States for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Dr Sanjeev Kumar Balyan and Dr L Murugan.**
- **National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) has established NDDB MRIDA Limited, an Unlisted Public Limited Company under the Companies Act, 2013 on 1st of July this year.**
- **On the occasion, Mr Rupala said NDDB Mrida Ltd will open avenues of additional income to dairy farmers from sale of slurry or dung.**
- **He added that it will help in savings to the farmers by virtue of replacement of cooking fuel with biogas.**
- **He further said that efforts are being made for better utilisation of bovine dung but most are individual initiatives and this new company will provide structured impetus to manure management efforts.**

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