

# Current Affairs - July 30, 2024

## International

### 1. Surprising 'Dark Oxygen' Discovery



Scientists have discovered that oxygen is being produced in deep-sea regions without the presence of light. This phenomenon, termed 'dark oxygen', challenges the conventional understanding that oxygen production requires photosynthesis, which in turn requires light.

### 2. Nicolas Maduro Declared Winner of Venezuelan Presidential Election



Nicolas Maduro has been declared the winner of the recent Venezuelan presidential election, securing 51% of the vote. This result comes despite exit polls indicating a lead for opposition candidate Edmundo Gonzalez.

### 3. Indian Destinations on TIME's 'World's Greatest Places of 2024'

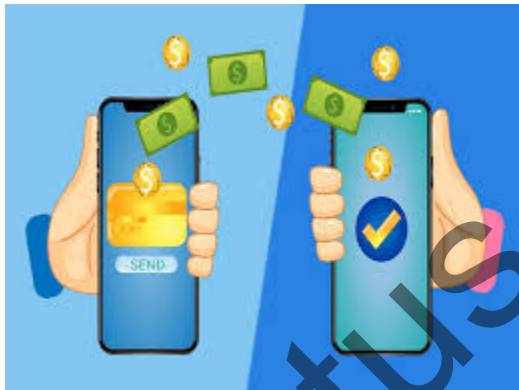


TIME magazine's 'World's Greatest Places of 2024' features three Indian destinations:

1. **Museum of Solutions (MuSo), Mumbai:** Known for its innovative children's exhibits.
2. **Manam Chocolate, Hyderabad:** Recognized for its unique and high-quality chocolate production.
3. Himachal's NAAR.

## National

### 4. India Accounts for About Half of Global Digital Payments



- According to a recent report by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI), India is responsible for 48.5% of global real-time payment volumes. This highlights India's leading role in the global digital payments landscape.

### 5. Aditya Birla Group Launches Indriya To Enter Indian Jewellery Market



\* Aditya Birla Group, led by Chairman Mr. Kumar Mangalam Birla, announced the launch of its jewelry retail business named Indriya.

- **\*\*Significance:\*\*** This marks the Group's entry into the Indian jewelry market, aiming to capture a significant share in the growing sector.

## 6. RBI's 5th Cohort Regulatory Sandbox



The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has selected five firms for the test phase of its fifth cohort of the regulatory sandbox. The regulatory sandbox is designed to test new financial innovations in a controlled environment, fostering safe experimentation and innovation in the financial sector.

## Sports

### 7. Historic Bronze Win for Manu Bhaker and Sarabjot Singh at Paris Olympics



Indian shooters Manu Bhaker and Sarabjot Singh secured a bronze medal in the 10m Air Pistol Mixed Team event at the Paris 2024 Olympics. This win highlights India's growing prowess in shooting sports and adds to the country's medal tally at the Olympics.