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1. ****Russia Tests Yars ICBM Readiness****



Russia tested the combat readiness of its Yars RS-24 intercontinental ballistic missile unit, which is capable of carrying up to 10 nuclear warheads. It can be deployed on trucks or silos and has a range of 2,000 to 10,500 km.

2. ****NHRC 31st Foundation Day****



The National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) celebrated its 31st Foundation Day in New Delhi, with Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar as the Chief Guest. The event emphasized India's commitment to human rights, especially for the elderly.

3. ****Indian Coast Guard's 'Sagar Kavach' Exercise****



The Indian Coast Guard conducted the 'Sagar Kavach' coastal security exercise in Gujarat and Daman & Diu to test and enhance maritime security coordination. Various agencies, including the Navy and police, participated with air and sea assets.

4. ****2nd National Lighthouse Festival****



The National Lighthouse Festival kicked off in Puri, focusing on promoting lighthouse tourism and preserving maritime heritage. The Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways aims to develop 75 historic lighthouses into tourist destinations.

5. ****Tiger Carcass Found in Ramgarh Vishdhari Reserve****



A nine-year-old tigress was found dead in Rajasthan's Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve. The reserve, which connects to Ranthambore, is known for its dry deciduous forests and diverse wildlife, including leopards and sloth bears.

6. ****Russia's LMUR Missile Resilient Against Jamming****



Russia's LMUR, an air-to-surface missile, has shown high resistance to electronic jamming in Ukraine. The missile, launched from helicopters, is designed for precise targeting using radar and infrared sensors.

7. ****New Zealand Wins Women's T20 World Cup****



New Zealand's women's cricket team claimed their first T20 World Cup, defeating South Africa by 32 runs in the final. The 9th ICC Women's T20 World Cup was co-hosted by Bangladesh and the UAE.

8. ****India Attends Indonesian Presidential Inauguration****



Union Minister Pabitra Margherita represented India at the inauguration of Indonesia's new President, Prabowo Subianto, and Vice President Gibran Rakabuming Raka. The event marks 75 years of diplomatic ties between India and Indonesia.