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## **INTERNATIONAL**

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## 1) 2022 Prime Minister's Prize for Excellence in Science Teaching

- Indian-origin teacher in Australia has received the 2022 Prime Minister's Prize for Excellence in Science Teaching in secondary schools.

- Melbourne-based Veena Nair, who is ViewBank College's Head of Technology and STEAM project leader, has been awarded for demonstrating practical application of STEAM to students, and how they can use their skills to make a real impact in the world.

## 2) International Year of Millets

- The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, organized an opening ceremony for the International Year of Millets – 2023 in Rome, Italy.

- An Indian delegation led by Sushri Shobha Karandlaje, Minister of State, Agriculture & Farmers Welfare were present at the opening ceremony. During the event, India's ceremonial message by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi was conveyed by Sushri Shobha Karandlaje.



# 3) Conference of Parties( COP - 15)

- The United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, also called as Conference of Parties (COP-15) commenced in Montreal, Canada on 7 December 2022.

- The two-weeklong conference (7-19 December 2022) was originally scheduled to be held in Kunming, China in October but was shifted to Montreal, Canada due to covid situation in China.





## 4) Third Global Ministerial Conference on Antimicrobial Resistance

- The Third Global Ministerial Conference on Antimicrobial Resistance concluded in Oman, with the issue of The Muscat Manifesto, which aims to accelerate One Health actions on antimicrobial resistance to achieve the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals.

- Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare Bharati Pravin Pawar had participated in the 'Third Global High-Level Ministerial Conference on Antimicrobial Resistance.



#### NATIONAL

## 1) International Fleet Review

- The Bangladesh Navy is hosting the first-ever International Fleet Review at Inani of Cox's Bazar between December 6 and 9.

- Naval commanders, ships from some 30 countries including the United States, China, India and the neighbouring Myanmar would participate in the international gathering. Indian Navy ships Kochi, Kavaratti and Sumedha will participate in this.

## 2) Agri-drones, Information and Broadcasting

- Towards empowering and mobilising farmers across the nation with the use of agri-drones, Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated India's first Drone Skilling and Training Virtual E-Learning Platform at the Chennai manufacturing facility of Garuda Aerospace, a drone-based startup of India.

## 3) "Spatial Data Infrastructure geoportal 'Geo-Ladakh' for UT-Ladakh"

- Ladakh has approached the Indian Institute of Remote Sensing, a unit of Indian Space Research Organisation for developing "Spatial Data Infrastructure geoportal 'Geo-Ladakh' for UT-Ladakh".



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## **STATE NEWS**

## 1) World Ayurveda Congress & Arogya Expo 2022

- The World Ayurveda Congress & Arogya Expo 2022 will be held in Goa from 8-11 December with an objective to provide a global platform to stakeholders, including industry leaders, practitioners, traditional healers, educationists, students, medicine manufacturers, etc.

- For networking and engaging in intellectual exchange to strengthen the Ayurveda sector, envision its future, and facilitate interaction between professionals and consumers to boost Ayurveda commerce.



# 2) Karthigai Deepam Chariot festival

- The Karthigai Deepam Chariot festival was held at Thiruparankundram in Madurai, Tamil Nadu after a gap of two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- This is one of the most important festivals in Madurai which many devotees attend. It is a very old festival and is also celebrated in the neighboring states like Kerala, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka.

- This festival is very important among the Tamils. This festival is mentioned in the literature of Tamils known as Ahananuru, a collection of poems.

## 3) Karthigai Deepam Chariot festival

- The Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare is organizing a two-day convention on the theme "Universal Health Coverage Day (UHC) 2022" on December 10 and 11, 2022, in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.





 
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- The two-day event will be inaugurated by the Governor of Uttar Pradesh, Mrs. Anandiben Patel, in the presence of Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare and Dr. Bharti Praveen Pawar, Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare.

# **APPOINTMENTS AND RESGINATIONS**

## 1) N Chandrasekaran

- Chairman of Tata Sons, N Chandrasekaran has been appointed as the chair of B20 India which represents the entire G20 business community.

- He will lead the business agenda during India's G20 Presidency. The Government of India has appointed CII, who assumed charge as the B20 India Secretariat on December 1 and will lead the B20 India process.



## 2) Meghna Ahlawat

- Meghna Ahlawat was elected president of the Table Tennis Federation of India. Meghna Ahlawat has been elected its first female President, eight-time national champion Kamlesh Mehta takes over as the new secretary general of the TTFI and Patel Nagender Reddy has been elected as the Treasurer.

- Ahlawat, who is the wife of Haryana deputy chief minister Dushyant Chautala, contested against Gujarat home minister Harsh Sanghvi.

# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

## 1) Local Adaptation Champions Awards

- Swayam Shikshan Prayog, Maharashtra-based organisation has been awarded the Local Adaptation Champions Awards, organised by the Global Center on Adaptation at the ongoing COP27 in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt.





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## 2) Jamnalal Bajaj award 2022

- The Jamnalal Bajaj Foundation has on 8 December 2022 announced the winners of the Jamnalal Bajaj award 2022.

- The Foundation gives 4 awards in different categories. Three are given to Indians and one award, for promoting Gandhian values outside is given to a foreigner.

## 3) Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award

- US President Joe Biden has recognised Indian-American and a longtime Houstonian, Krishna Vavilala, with the Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award, the nation's highest honour for his contributions to his community and the country at large.

- The Presidential Lifetime Achievement Awards, led by AmeriCorps, is an annual event held to honour citizens, who exhibit outstanding character, worth ethic, and dedication to their communities. **IMPORTANT DAYS** 

1) International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the **Prevention of this Crime** 

- International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime is commemorated on December 9 of every year around the world.

- It is observed to raise awareness about the greatest crime perpetrated by man against man, the violation of human rights and how it can be prevented in the future. 2022 marks its 74th anniversary.

# 2) International Anti-Corruption Day

- The world celebrate International Anti-Corruption Day on December 9. The main motive behind marking this day is to spread awareness about a corruption-free society.

- Everyone knows that corruption affects every area of society.

- The purpose behind a day of this kind is to make people aware of the repercussions of indulging in corruption and motivate them to follow a righteous path.



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