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INTERNATIONAL

1) Global Crypto Adoption Index

- According to 2023 Global Crypto Adoption Index of Chainalysis, India has achieved the top rank among 154 nations in grassroots crypto adoption.
- The government has introduced stringent taxation rules, including a 30% tax on gains and a 1% TDS (Tax Deducted at Source) on crypto trades.

NATIONAL

1) Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 campaign

- The Ministry of Railways has officially launched the Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 campaign.
- The initiative is aimed at promoting cleanliness and environmental consciousness, commenced on the 15th of September, 2023.
- Chairperson & CEO of the Railway Board: Smt. Jaya Varma Sinha.

2) Unified Portal for Agricultural Statistics

- Recently, the government has launched the UPAg (Unified Portal for Agricultural Statistics).
- The initiative is aimed at tackling the complex governance challenges that currently beset the country's farming industry.















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STATE NEWS

1) "Kalaignar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam" scheme

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin marked the birth anniversary of Dravidian icon C N Annadurai by unveiling a initiative, "Kalaignar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam" aimed at uplifting women across the state.
- The program is to provide monthly financial assistance of ₹1,000 to eligible women beneficiaries across Tamil Nadu.

2) "Mukhyamantri Sampoorna Pushti Yojana"

- Odisha's Chief Minister, Naveen Patnaik, unveiled the "Mukhyamantri Sampoorna Pushti Yojana."
- It is a concerted effort to address the nutritional needs of mothers, adolescent girls, and children in the state.
- The "Pada Pushti Yojana" focuses on delivering top-notch cooked food to youngsters living in rural and tribal areas within their enclaves and villages.

3) "Eaktmta Ki Pratima"

- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan is set to unveil a majestic 108-feet-tall statue of the revered philosopher Adi Shankaracharya in Omkareshwar.
- The project, named "Eaktmta Ki Pratima" (Statue of Oneness), has garnered significant attention due to its grandeur and spiritual significance.















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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) "Miss Universe Pakistan 2023"

Erica Robin from Karachi has been crowned "Miss Universe Pakistan 2023". She became the first-ever woman from the country to win the title.

2) TIME magazine's "The World's Best Companies of 2023" list

- Infosys, the Bengaluru-headquartered IT services provider, has secured a coveted spot on TIME magazine's 'The World's Best Companies of 2023' list.
- Infosys stands out as the only Indian company to make it into the top 100 rankings, claiming the 64th position with an impressive overall score of 88.38.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Srinivasan K. Swamy

Srinivasan K. Swamy has been elected as the Chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) for the term 2023-2024. He currently serves as the Chairman of the Asian Federation of Advertising Associations and has held pivotal leadership roles in numerous prominent organizations.

2) Rahul Navin

- Indian Revenue Service officer Rahul Navin assumed the role of In-Charge Director of the Enforcement Directorate.
- He succeeded outgoing Director Sanjay Kumar Mishra.
- The Enforcement Directorate (ED) is a specialized law enforcement agency in India responsible for enforcing economic laws and regulations in the country















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IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Patient Safety Day

- Every year, the World Patient Safety Day, observed on the 17th of September.
- The day aims to create awareness and inspire countries to make patient safety a top priority, ultimately striving to eliminate avoidable errors and negative practices within healthcare settings.
- Theme of 2023: "Engaging patients for patient safety."

2) The International Day for Interventional Cardiology

The International Day for Interventional Cardiology, celebrated annually on 16 September. The day serves as a platform to raise awareness, acknowledge advancements, and emphasize the importance of interventional cardiology in saving lives.

3) World Ozone Day

- World Ozone Day, also known as the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, is observed annually on 16th September.
- The ozone layer, primarily composed of Trioxygen molecules (O3), acts as a shield against harmful Ultraviolet (UV) rays from the sun.
- Theme of 2023: "Montreal Protocol: Fixing the Ozone Layer and Reducing Climate Change."















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