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### INTERNATIONAL

#### 1) "Iron Beam"

- Recently, Israel successfully tested a new laser missile-defence system "Iron Beam".

It is the world's first energy-based weapons system that uses a laser beam to shoot down incoming Drones, rockets, mortars, long-range missiles, anti-tank missiles etc.
It is developed by Rafael Advanced Defense Systems.

# NATIONAL

# 1) KK Patel Super Speciality Hospital

- Narendra Modi has inaugurated a 200-bed KK Patel Super Speciality Hospital in Bhuj in the Kutch district of Gujarat, via video-conferencing.

- The hospital was dedicated to the nation.

- It has been built by Shree Kutchi Leva Patel Samaj. It will guarantee quality medical treatment for the people of Kutch.

#### 2) National Agriculture Market

- A pan-India electronic trade network, e-NAM marks the 6th anniversary.

- National Agriculture Market (e-NAM), aims to ease online trade of agricultural commodities, the flagship programme incorporates physical wholesale mandis and markets from several States and Union Territories.

- It was launched on April 14th in 2016 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

#### STATE NEWS

#### 1) I Sea PONDY-2022

- Chief Minister of Puducherry, N. Rangasamy and Lieutenant Governor Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan inaugurated the Puducherry first-ever Beach Festival I Sea PONDY-2022.

- A variety of cultural events and competitions were conducted as a part of the festival.

# 2) "Integration Day"

- Karnataka government has announced that Sri Siddalinga Swami of Tontadarya Mutt's birth anniversary will be celebrated across the state as "Integration Day."

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- Sri Siddalinga Swami was a great philosopher and thinker. He was dedicated to building a harmonious society, and he dedicated his entire life to it.

# **BUSINESS AND ECONOMY**

## 1) 128th Foundation Day of PNB

On April 12th, Punjab National Bank, has celebrated its 128th Foundation.
 On the occasion of foundation day, MD & CEO of PNB, Atul Kumar Goel has launched a cardless cash withdrawal service and a virtual debit card for its customers.

- PNB was established by Lala Lajpat Rai, also known as Sher-e-Punjab (Lion of Punjab) in 1894 as the First Swadeshi Bank.

# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

#### 1) Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2022

- Indian economist and political commentator, Prabhat Patnaik has been selected for the Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2022.

- This award is annually given by the Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust.

- The award includes a citation and prize money of Rs 2 lakh.

# IMPORTANT DAYS

#### 1) World Voice Day

- Every year, World Voice Day is observed on April 16th.

- The day is observed to demonstrate the enormous importance of the voice in the daily lives of all people.

- The day was first observed in 1999.

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- Theme of 2022: "Lift your voice"

# 2) Save the Elephant Day

- Save the Elephant Day is observed on 16th April every year to create an awareness about the dangers elephants face and the various difficulties they have to overcome to live.

- In recent years, elephant populations have been rapidly decreasing due to various threats, perhaps most significantly poaching.



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#### **SPORTS**

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## 1) 71st Senior National Basketball Championship

- Tamil Nadu emerged victorious in the 71st Senior National Basketball Championship.

- Tamil Nadu defeated defending champion Punjab 87-69 in the final to win the title.

#### 2) 2023 FIH Men's Hockey World Cup

- Naveen Patnaik, Odisha Chief Minister, has unveiled the logo of the 2023 FIH Men's Hockey World Cup at the Kalinga stadium, Bhubaneswar.

- The event to be held in cities of Bhubaneswar and Rourkela.

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