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INTERNATIONAL

1) Google Street View

- Google announced launch of its Street View feature in India. Google Street View collects high-definition images to give users 360-degree views of streets, tourist spots, hills and rivers.

NATIONAL

1) iDEX inked its 100th contract with Pacify Medical Technologies

- iDEX inked its 100th contract with Pacify Medical Technologies Pvt Ltd in New Delhi. The initiative iDEX (Innovations for Defence Excellence), described as the Ministry of Defence's centrepiece for technical innovation, was introduced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in April 2018.

- The purpose of iDEX was to support start-ups by giving them a venue for cocreation and co-development in the fields of defence and aerospace technologies.

2) BM-SEAL-11 Concession Project in Brazil

- Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved additional investment by Bharat Petro Resources Ltd. for development of BM-SEAL-11 Concession Project in Brazil.

- The project strengthens India's energy security.

- Strengthening India's foothold in Brazil, which will further open business avenues in neighbouring Latin American countries.

3) Tiger and Elephant deaths in India

- According to the government report, India lost 329 tigers in the last three years due to poaching, natural and unnatural causes.

- 307 elephants have died in this period due to poaching, electrocution, poisoning and train accidents.

- 96 tigers died in 2019, 106 in 2020 and 127 in 2021.

4) Roadmap to India's 2030 Decarbonization Target

- The Energy Resource Institute (TERI), an independent, multi-dimensional research organization, released roadmap for feasible pathways to achieving India's decarbonisation targets.

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- At COP26, India announced goal of decarbonizing energy to 50% and achieving 500 GW of

fossil fuel-free generating capacity by 2030.

STATE NEWS

1) 'Smart E-Beat'

- Haryana Chief Minister, Manohar Lal Khattar has launched an app-based 'Smart E-Beat' system for police attendance and real-time monitoring of patrolling by personnel in Gurugram.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) 'Kotak Private Banking Hurun – Leading Wealthy Women List'

HCL Technologies' Chairperson, Roshni Nadar Malhotra has retained her position as the richest woman in India, for the second year in a row according to the third edition of 'Kotak Private Banking Hurun – Leading Wealthy Women List'.
The total net worth of Roshni Nadar stood at Rs 84,330 crore. Roshni Nadar was followed by Nykaa-owner Falguni Nayar.

SPORTS

1) Cambodia, Uzbekistan and Cote D'Ivoire receives ICC membership status

The International Cricket Council has awarded membership status to three countries during the ongoing ICC Annual Conference in Birmingham.
Cambodia and Uzbekistan from Asia, and Cote D'Ivoire from Africa, were all awarded Associate membership status, taking ICC's total members to 108 countries, including 96 Associates.

2) P.V. Sindhu has been chosen as the flagbearer for Commonwealth Games 2022

- P.V. Sindhu has been chosen as the flagbearer of the Indian contingent for the opening ceremony of the Commonwealth Games 2022. The opening ceremony will be held on July 28, 2022, at Alexander Stadium in Birmingham. She was the flagbearer at the opening ceremony of the 2018 Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast, where she won silver in the women's singles event.





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IMPORTANT DAYS 1) CRPF observed its 84th Raising Day

- The Central Reserve Police Force, observed its 84th Raising Day on 27 July 2022. The day celebrates the immense and unparalleled contribution of the force in upholding the unity, integrity, and sovereignty of the nation.

- After Independence, CRPF contingents were tasked to check infiltration and trans-border crimes in Kutch, Rajasthan, and Sindh borders.

OBITUARY

1) Atulananda Goswami

- Veteran Assamese litterateur and winner of the Sahitya Akademi Award, Atulananda Goswami, has passed away. He was 87.

- Goswami was known as a short story writer, a litterateur and a novelist par excellence. He was awarded the Sahitya Academy award in 2006, for his novel 'Seneh Jorir Ganthi' in 2006.

2) Bob Rafelson

- Bob Rafelson, co-creator of 'The Monkees' and Director of the film 'Five Easy Pieces' has passed away. Five Easy Pieces earned Rafelson two Oscar nominations, for best picture and screenplay in 1971. He co-created the Monkees and the TV series of the same name, winning him an Emmy Award for Outstanding Comedy Series alongside Bert Schneider in 1967.

3) David Trimble

- Former Northern Irish first minister David Trimble, a pro-British leader who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1998 for his role as a key architect in ending three decades of bloodshed in the region, has passed away at the age of 77.

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