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INTERNATIONAL

1) "Mental Health of Refugees and Migrants: Risk and Protective Factors and Access to Care"

- World Health Organisation released a report titled "Mental Health of Refugees and Migrants: Risk and Protective Factors and Access to Care".
- It is the fifth edition of the Global Evidence Review on Health and Migration (GEHM) series initiated by the WHO in June 2021.

2) Multilateral treaty

- The Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) published a multilateral treaty.
- The treaty has the potential to replace a patchwork of national digital services taxes if it gains sufficient support from countries.

3) Ebony Alert

- California has launched an initiative to address the racial disparity in missing persons cases by introducing the Ebony Alert system.
- This initiative aims to keep the public informed about missing Black children and young people. California became the first state in the U.S. to implement such a statewide program.

4) Global Hunger Index

- India ranks 111 out of a total of 125 countries in the Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2023. India's performance for the third year in a row, citing flawed methodology.
- Afghanistan, Haiti and 12 sub-Saharan countries performed worse than India on the GHI.























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- India's ranking is based on a Global Hunger Index score of 28.7 on a 100-point scale where 0 is the best score (no hunger) and 100 is the worst. This categorises India's severity of hunger as "serious".
- The GHI score is based on a formula which combines four indicators that together capture the multi-dimensional nature of hunger, including under-nourishment, child stunting, child wasting, and child mortality.

NATIONAL

1) 'Mera Yuva Bharat' (MY Bharat)

- Recently, an autonomous body known as 'Mera Yuva Bharat' (MY Bharat) was established.
- It is aimed at harnessing technology's potential to drive youth development and youth-led progress in India.
- The core objective of MY Bharat is to provide young individuals with equitable opportunities to achieve their aspirations and play a vital role in shaping a prosperous India.

2) "Bharat NCX 2023"

- The second edition of the National Cyber Security Exercise, known as 'Bharat NCX 2023,' was started. It is conducted by National Security Council Secretariat in collaboration with Rashtriya Raksha University.
- It is aimed at providing training to senior management and technical personnel from government agencies, critical sector organizations, and both public and private entities.





















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3) CSIR-CCMB study to understand genetics behind diseases

- CSIR-Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology (CCMB) is collaborating with 20 research groups across the world on a ground-breaking integrated genomics and epige-nomics study to understand the genetics behind Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) in diverse populations, including South Asians.
- The project- "Diverse Epigenetic Epidemiology Partnership (DEEP)" is to uncover the effects of genomic and environmental diversity in disease risk observed in people across the world, including those in Asia, Africa and North and South America.

4) India, France Defence Ministers hold fifth dialogue

- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and his French counterpart Sebastien Lecornu held the fifth annual defence dialogue between the two countries in Paris.
- The two leaders reviewed the ongoing projects and discussed ways in which to deepen collaboration between the defence industries of both countries.

STATE NEWS

1) Goan cashew

- Goan cashew, known for its long and cherished heritage, has been awarded a Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- The GI tag serves as a trademark, distinguishing it in the international market. The impact of this prestigious tag on the Goan cashew industry is substantial, as it aims to preserve tradition and authenticity.

2) Orunodoi 2.0

Assam has introduced an upgraded version of its poverty alleviation scheme called Orunodoi 2.0.























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It aims to extend the reach of the poverty alleviation program. As part of Orunodoi 2.0, 26 lakh women will receive Rs. 1250 per month, with the funds being directly credited to their bank accounts on the 10th of every month.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Saraswati Samman

- Tamil writer Sivasankari was presented with the 'Saraswati Samman' 2022 for her book of memoirs "Surya Vamsam".
- The award, instituted by the K.K. Birla Foundation, was presented to her by former Union Minister M. Veerappa Moily. It carries a citation, a plaque, and prize money of ₹15 lakh.
- Surva Vamsam is a book of memoirs in two volumes. These two volumes together present not only the evolution of an innocent child into an acclaimed author but also unfold the transformation society has undergone in these seven decades,

SPORTS

1) 11th edition of the Sultan of Johor Cup in 2023

- The 11th edition of the Sultan of Johor Cup (Hockey) in 2023 is scheduled to be held in Johor, Malaysia.
- In 11th edition, India has been placed in Pool B. They will face tough competition from Malaysia, Pakistan, and New Zealand.













