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NATIONAL

1) Vaccine for Cervical cancer “CERVAVAC”

- India is set to launch its first indigenously developed Quadrivalent Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (qHPV) against Cervical cancer with the help of the Serum Institute of India and the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) on 1st September 2022.
- The vaccine for Cervical cancer “CERVAVAC”, will be launched by Union Minister of State Science and Technology Jitendra Singh. The vaccine is likely to cost around 200-400 per dose.

2) INS Vikrant

- Prime minister commissioned India's first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant.
- INS Vikrant has been designed by Indian Navy's Directorate of Naval Design, and built at Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL), a public sector shipyard under Ministry of Shipping.
- It uses Short Take Off But Assisted Recovery (STOBAR) aircraft- operation mode that uses a ski-jump for launching aircrafts. It can accommodate 30 aircraft on board.

3) Cyber Security Exercise “Synergy”

- Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) under the Ministry of Electronics and IT, in collaboration with the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore, successfully designed and conducted the Cyber Security Exercise “Synergy” for 13 Countries. The Group is being led by India under the leadership of the National Security Council Secretariat.
- The theme of the exercise was “Building Network Resiliency to counter Ransomware Attacks”.

STATE NEWS

1) Nuakhai festival

- Nuakhai is an annual harvest festival in Odisha. Nuakhai is celebrated to welcome the approaching new season and welcome the season's new rice.
- Nuakhai is celebrated a day after Ganesh Chaturthi, and it is one of the most awaited festivals in Odisha. Nuakhai marks the harvest of new rice paddy and





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people across the socio-economic strata celebrate this festival.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) 'CASHBACK SBI Card'

- Indian credit card issuer SBI Card has announced the launch of the 'CASHBACK SBI Card' in India. CASHBACK SBI Card is the industry's first Cashback-focused credit card that enables cardholders to earn 5 per cent cashback on all online spending without any merchant restrictions.
- Consumers across India, including tier 2 and 3 cities, can easily get CASHBACK SBI Card instantly through the digital application platform 'SBI Card SPRINT'.

2) Alappuzha has become the fifth fully digital banking district

- Alappuzha has become the fifth fully digital banking district in Kerala. A declaration was made by the Reserve bank of India Kerala and Lakshadweep Regional Director Thomas Mathew.
- The places where banking services became digital before Alappuzha are Thrissur, Kottayam, Palakkad, and Kasaragod.

3) UPI (Unified Payments Interface) network processed 657 billion transactions in August

- The UPI (Unified Payments Interface) network processed 657 billion transactions in August for a total value of around Rs 10.73 lakh crore as per NPCI (National Payments Corporation of India) data.
- While the value of transactions increased by 0.95 percentage points from Rs 10.63 lakh crore in July, the volume of transactions increased by 4.5% month over month from 629 crore.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) "Science Behind Surya Namaskar"

- Minister of State for AYUSH, Dr Munjpara Mahendrabhai Kalubhai has released a book titled "Science Behind Surya Namaskar" a collection of evidence-based research on one of the most well-known Yoga asanas at the AIIA.
- The book was compiled by the All-India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) department of Swasthavritta and Yoga, at AIIA.





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APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Rajesh Kumar Srivastava

- Rajesh Kumar Srivastava has been appointed as the interim new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the state-run Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Ltd (ONGC) by the Central Government.

2) Jasprit Burmah

- Jasprit Burmah has been signed as the Brand Ambassador of the “Uppercase” eco-friendly luggage brand. Jasprit Burmah is managed by RISE Worldwide which is a Reliance Initiative and India’s largest sports, and entertainment Company will lead the D2C brand’s ‘Never Ordinary’ campaign.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Ramon Magsaysay Awards

- The Ramon Magsaysay Awards Foundation, which is widely regarded as the “Nobel Peace Prize of Asia,” was announced this year’s awardees in a global announcement ceremony.

- The 2022 Ramon Magsaysay Awardees are Sotheara Chhim (Cambodia), Bernadette Madrid (Philippines), Tadashi Hattori (Japan) and Gary Benchehib (Indonesia).

a. Tadashi Hattori- He is a sight-saving humanitarian from Japan. He is being recognized for his simple humanity and extraordinary generosity as a person and a professional.

b. Bernadette J. Madrid- She is a children’s rights crusader from the Philippines. She is being recognized for “her unassuming and steadfast commitment to noble and demanding advocacy.

c. Gary Benchehib- He is an anti-plastic pollution warrior from Indonesia. He is being recognized for Emergent Leadership for “his inspiring fight against marine plastic pollution.

d. Sotheara Chhim- He is a mental health advocate from Cambodia. He is a leading voice in Cambodian trauma syndrome. He is being recognized for “his calm courage in surmounting deep trauma to become his people’s healer”.

