

October 21st

INTERNATIONAL

1) 75th Frankfurt Book Fair

- The Publications Division, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India, is participating in the prestigious 75th Frankfurt Book Fair.
- It is one of the world's most acclaimed book fairs, attracting participants and visitors from across the globe.

NATIONAL

1) "Job Coach for Inclusivity"

- IICA and SCPwD signed a Memorandum of Understanding to collaborate on the 'Job Coach for Inclusivity' programmes.
- The Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs and the Skill Council for Persons with Disabilities have joined forces to enhance corporate knowledge and skills in building and managing a diverse workforce.
- Aim: To equip corporates with knowledge and competencies to foster diversity and inclusion within their workforce.

2) Project 15B

- Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited has delivered INS Imphal, the third ship of the Project 15B Class of stealth guided missile destroyers, to the Indian Navy.
- It is the first naval warship with accommodations for women officers and sailors.
- INS Imphal is constructed using indigenous steel "DMR 249A" and is one of the largest destroyers built in India.



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3) PM Modi's Mann ki Baat will soon be out in book format

- The Prime Minister Narendra Modi has touched upon several issues in his monthly radio broadcast, Mann Ki Baat. The programmes have now been compiled into a book.
- Igniting Collective Goodness: Mann ki Baat @100, published by BlueKraft Digital Foundation.
- BlueKraft was also the publishing house behind an earlier book on Mr. Modi, titled "Modi@20: Dreams meet Delivery".

4) Star rating energy efficiency scheme for solar panels

- The Bureau of Energy efficiency, which manages the 'star rating' scheme and is a subsidiary of the Ministry of Power, has expanded its scheme to solar panels.
- A panel with efficiency of 17% to 18% will be rated 1star, 18% to 20% 2star and so on. Panels will be rated 5star for efficiency greater than 22%.

STATE NEWS

1) Gyan Sahayak Scheme

- The state government of Gujarat has introduced the Gyan Sahayak Scheme aimed at addressing teacher vacancies in government schools through contractual appointments.
- Aim: to ensure that the education process is not disrupted due to teacher shortages.

2) Second edition of the Formula E race

- Hyderabad is all set to host the second edition of the FormulaE race in February 2024, and the street track circling around the banks of the iconic Hus sainsagar Lake.
- Formula E and the Telangana government had inked a fouryear deal to conduct races in the city streets.



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3) UNWTO's Best Tourism Village 2023

- Dhordo Village in Gujarat has been recognised as the best tourism village on the list of the 54 best tourism villages announced by the World Tourism Organization.
- The village recently hosted the inaugural Tourism Working Group Meeting of the G20, during India's presidency of the influential group.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) TVS Motor enters Venezuelan market

- TVS Motor Company announced its foray into the Venezuelan market with plans to introduce 14 products, including two and threewheelers.
- The product range includes RR 310, Apache RTR 200 FI, Apache RTR 160 and Apache RTR 200, TRAK 150, Sport 100, HLX, NTORQ 125 and three wheelers King GS and King Cargo.

2) DigiKavach

- Google has launched a new program, DigiKavach, which aims to combat fraudulent activities by understanding the strategies employed by scammers and implementing countermeasures.
- The Google's DigiKavach program involves a comprehensive study of the methods and modus operandi used by online scammers.

3) Namo Bharat

- India's first semi-high-speed regional rail service has been named as Namo Bharat. Earlier it was known as RapidX.
- These trains are designed with the utmost passenger convenience and safety in mind. Each coach is equipped with six CCTVs, an emergency door-opening mechanism, and a communication button to connect with the train operator.





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4) Reserve Bank of India has established a sub-office in Itanagar

• Reserve Bank of India has established a sub-office in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. It was inaugurated by Dr. Michael Debabrata Patra, Deputy Governor of RBI.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) Police Commemoration Day

- October 21 is observed as Police Commemoration Day as a reminder of the brave men and women who dedicated their lives to preserving national security and integrity.
- In 2018, Prime Minister dedicated the National Police Memorial in Chanakyapuri, New Delhi, to the nation on Police Commemoration Day.

