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#### INTERNATIONAL

### 1) 5th BIMSTEC Summit

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has participated in the 5th Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) Summit through virtual mode. The Summit was hosted by the Government of Sri Lanka, which was the chair nation of BIMSTEC. Theme: "Towards a Resilient Region, Prosperous Economies, Healthy People".

### 2) World Energy transition Outlook 2022

World Energy transition Outlook 2022 was launched by the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) at the Berlin Energy Transition Dialogue. Energy Transition is a pathway toward transformation of the global energy sector from fossil-based to zero-carbon by the second half of this century.

#### **NATIONAL**

# 1) Indian Ocean Naval Symposium Maritime Exercise 2022

The first edition of the Indian Ocean Naval Symposium Maritime Exercise 2022 (IMEX-22) was held in Goa and in the Arabian Sea. The objective of the exercise was to enhance the interoperability of the navies of member nations in Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief operations.

# 2) "Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain campaign 2022"

President of India launched the "Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain campaign 2022" in New Delhi. It's objective is to nudge the states and stake-holders to create appropriate Rain Water Harvesting Structures (RWHS) suitable to the climatic conditions and sub-soil strata before monsoon.

#### STATE NEWS

# 1) 'Jingkieng Jri or Living Root Bridge',

'Jingkieng Jri or Living Root Bridge', found in Meghalaya highlighting the socio-cultural, social and botanical links between people and nature, has been included in the tentative list of World Heritage Sites of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation.

### AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

# 1) BBC Indian Sportswoman of The Year award 2021

Olympic silver medallist weightlifter, Mirabai Chanu won the 3rd edition of the BBC Indian Sportswoman of The Year award 2021. Chanu created history last year when she became the first Indian weightlifter to clinch a silver medal at the Summer Olympics.

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#### **IMPORTANT DAYS**

# 1) International Day of Drug Checking

The International Day of Drug Checking takes place on March 31 every year since 2017 to ensure people are educated on drugs and aware of their effects. The day aims to promote harm reduction initiatives of drugs and reduce drug-related risks.

# 2) International Transgender Day of Visibility

The International Transgender Day of Visibility occurs annually on March 31 to raise awareness of discrimination faced by transgender people worldwide, while also celebrating their contributions to society.

### **OBITUARY**

### 1) Bhim Bahadur Gurung

The 3rd Chief Minister of Sikkim, Bhim Bahadur Gurung has passed away at his residence in Lumsui in Gangtok, Sikkim. B. Gurung served as a teacher and a staff reporter in a Calcutta (Kolkata)-based newspaper the Amrita Bazar Patrika.

#### **SPORTS**

### 1) Celebrity Brand Valuation Report 2021

According to the Celebrity Brand Valuation Report 2021 (7th Edition) titled "Digital Acceleration 2.0." released by Duff & Phelps (Now Kroll), Indian Cricketer Virat Kohli was ranked as the most valued celebrity for the 5th consecutive time in 2021. The brand value of Virat Kohli has dropped from USD 237.7 million in 2020 to USD 185.7 million in 2021.

