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INTERNATIONAL

1) Worldwide Cost of Living Index 2021

Economist Intelligence Unit's has announced the Worldwide Cost of Living Index 2021. As per the Index, Tel Aviv, Israel has become the most expensive city in the world to live in in 2021, pushing Paris, France and Singapore jointly to occupy the second spot with Zurich and Hong Kong at the fourth and fifth spots respectively.

STATE NEWS

1) Nagaland - 59th Statehood Day

Nagaland is celebrating its 59th Statehood Day on 1 December 2021. Nagaland was granted statehood on December 1, 1963, with Kohima being declared as its capital. According to the Article 371-A, no act of Parliament would apply to the State of Nagaland in a matter relating to religious or social practices of Nagas.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Ind-Ra projected India's GDP 9.4% in FY22

The rating agency, India Ratings and Research (Ind-Ra) expects India's Gross Domestic Product in the Second Quarter of Financial Year-2022 (Q2 FY-22) at 3 per cent and in FY22 at 9.4 per cent.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Eva Magdalena Andersson

Eva Magdalena Andersson from the Social Democratic Party won her 2nd election and became the 1st female Prime Minister (PM) of Sweden. She was first elected as the PM but later resigned after her coalition partner (Green Party) quit the government and the budget failed to pass. Sweden's Parliament is known as Riksdag.

2) Smriti Mandhana

GUVI has signed Indian Women's cricketer Smriti Mandhana as its brand ambassador. As the brand ambassador of GUVI, Smriti Mandhana will be the face of GUVI and feature across the online campaigns of GUVI aimed to strengthen the importance and scope of technological education & information technology (IT) skills.

3) Sanjay Dutt

The Arunachal Pradesh Government has signed Bollywood actor Sanjay Dutt as the brand ambassador and award-winning filmmaker and branding expert Rahul Mitra as brand advisor of the occasion of their golden jubilee celebrations, marking the 50th year of the naming of the state.





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AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) 4th Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay New India Foundation Book Prize 2021

A biography titled 'Naoroji: Pioneer of Indian Nationalism', authored by Dinyar Patel selected as the winner of the 4th Kamaladevi Chattopadhyay NIF (New India Foundation) Book Prize 2021. The book marked the life events and legacy of Dada Bhai Naoroji. It also contains the historical background of India's National Movement during the 19th century.

2) 7th Dr M S Swaminathan Award

Vice-Chancellor of Professor Jayashankar Telangana State Agricultural University, V Praveen Rao wins the 7th Dr M S Swaminathan Award for the period 2017-19. It is a biennial national (every 2 years) award that was presented by the retired ICAR Employees Association and Nuziveedu Seeds Limited.

OBITUARY

1) 'Sirivenela' Chembolu Seetharama Sastry

Telugu film lyricist and Padma Shri awardee, 'Sirivenela' Chembolu Seetharama Sastry passed away at the age of 66 years. He launched his first song in the film, 'Janani Janmabhoomi' directed by K Viswanath. In 1986 the movie 'Sirivenela' directed by K Viswanath made him famous and also gave him a second name as 'Sirivenela' Seetharama Sastry.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) 'The Ambuja Story: How a Group of Ordinary Men Created an Extraordinary Company'

Narotam Sekhsaria has authored his autobiography titled 'The Ambuja Story: How a Group of Ordinary Men Created an Extraordinary Company' which is set to be released in December 2021. The book features the story of his rise from a small-time cotton trader to setting up one of the largest cement companies in the country, Ambuja cement, one of India's finest companies.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Computer Literacy Day

World Computer Literacy Day is observed on 2nd December every year all over the world. The day is celebrated as the world computer literacy day to create awareness and drive digital literacy in underserved communities worldwide.

2) National Pollution Control Day

National Pollution Control Day is observed on 2nd December every year. The day is observed as a national pollution control day to commemorate the lives of the people who died in the Bhopal gas tragedy in 1984. The main objective of this day is to educate the people and to make them aware of pollution control acts and industrial disasters.

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