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Member Of Spain **Becomes** 99th **International Solar Alliance**

- Spain has become the 99th member of the International Solar Alliance.
- Spain handed over the International Solar Alliance Instrument of Ratification, during the meeting of Ambassador José María Ridao Domínguez of Spain with the Head of Depository, Joint Secretary in the External Affairs Ministry Abhishek Singh in New Delhi.
- The International Solar Alliance (ISA) is collaborative platform for increased deployment of solar energy technologies as a means for bringing energy access, ensuring energy security, and driving energy transition in its member countries.
- The ISA was conceived as a joint effort by India and France to mobilize efforts against climate change through the deployment of solar energy solutions. It was conceptualized on the sidelines of the 21st Conference of Parties (COP21) to the United Nations Framework Convention Climate Change held in Paris in 2015.
- Q. Which nation has become the 99th member of the International Solar Alliance? Spain















UAE Honours Indian Embassy, Consulate At MoFA Excellence Awards

- India's diplomatic missions in the UAE were recognized for their outstanding work at the 5th Minister of Foreign Affairs Excellence Awards ceremony held under the patronage of Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the United Arab Emirates.
- India became the only country to receive two honours, with the Indian Embassy in Abu Dhabi and the Consulate General of India in Dubai both awarded the prestigious Shield of Honour.
- The awards were received by the Indian Ambassador to the UAE Sunjay Sudhir and Consul General at CGI Dubai Satish Kumar Sivan.
- The awards, presented by Sheikh Abdullah bin Zayed, were given in the "Distinguished Accredited Missions in UAE" category, acknowledging the efforts of the Indian missions in strengthening bilateral ties between India and the UAE.
- Q. For the first time, Indian Embassy and Consulate has received the Excellence Award recognition by which country at the 5th External Affairs Minister Excellence Awards ceremony? **UAE**



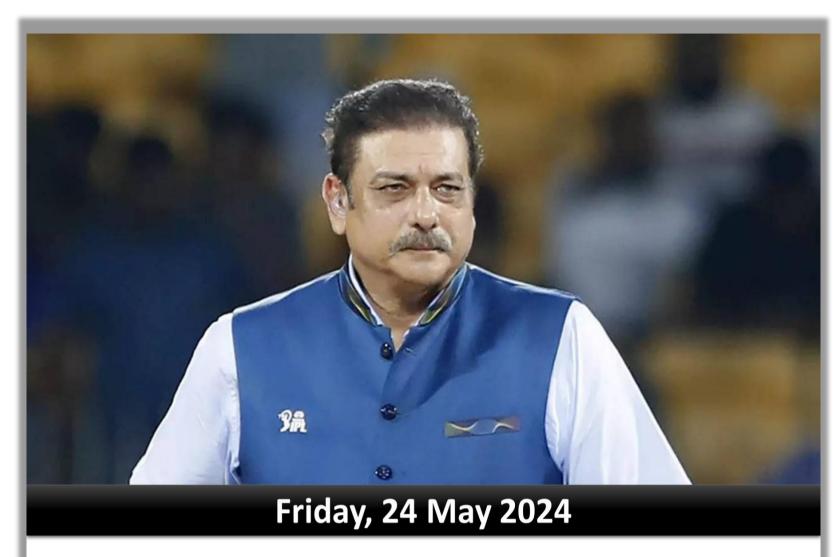












Ravi Named Multicultural Shastri **Ambassador By Cricket Australia**

- Australia initiated Cricket has its Multicultural Ambassador Program by appointing 53 individuals from varied backgrounds in government, business, sports, media, and community sectors as its first ambassadors. This initiative is a significant action under the Australian Cricket Multicultural Action Plan, aiming to promote inclusivity and drive positive change within both cricket and the broader community.
- The ambassadors include a mix of former and current cricket players, as well as influential figures from various industries and communities, who will advocate for diversity and support the objectives of the Multicultural Action Plan.
- Notable ambassadors include Usman Khawaja, Mel Jones, Wasim Akram, Ravi Shastri, Lisa Sthalekar, Kishwar Chowdhury, Alana King, Peter Varghese, Swati Dave, and Fawad Ahmed. These individuals, coming from sectors such as government, business, community, media, and cricket, will contribute to the five main focus areas of the Multicultural Action Plan: Participation, High People and Representation, Performance, Communications and Engagement, and Event Experience.
- Q. Which Indian cricketer has been named Multicultural Ambassador By Cricket Australia? Ravi Shastri















Meet Jyoti Ratre, Oldest Indian Woman Conquer Mt. Everest At 55

- Jyoti Ratre, an entrepreneur and fitness enthusiast hailing from Madhya Pradesh, has etched her name in history by becoming the oldest Indian woman to summit Mount Everest.
- At the age of 55, Ratre achieved this remarkable feat.
- Ratre's achievement comes exactly six years after Sangeeta Bahl, who, at the age of 53, claimed the title of 'India's oldest woman to climb Mount Everest' on May 19, 2018.
- This marked Ratre's second endeavour to reach the summit of the world's tallest peak.
- Unfortunately, in 2023, she had to abandon her ascent at 8,160 meters due to adverse weather conditions.
- On the other hand a 16-year-old class XII student of Navy School, Kaamya Karthikeyan became Children youngest Indian and the second youngest girl in the world to summit Mount Everest from the Nepal side.
- In a unique father-daughter feat, Kaamya, along with her father Cdr S. Karthikeyan of the Indian Navy, successfully submitted the 8849 m Mount Everest summit on May 20.
- Kaamya has now completed six milestones in her mission to summit the highest peak of all seven continents and aims to summit Mt. Vinson Massif in Antarctica this December to become the youngest girl to accomplish the Seven Summits Challenge.
- Q. Jyoti Ratre, who became the oldest Indian woman To Conquer Mt. Everest At 55, hails from which state? Madhya **Pradesh**



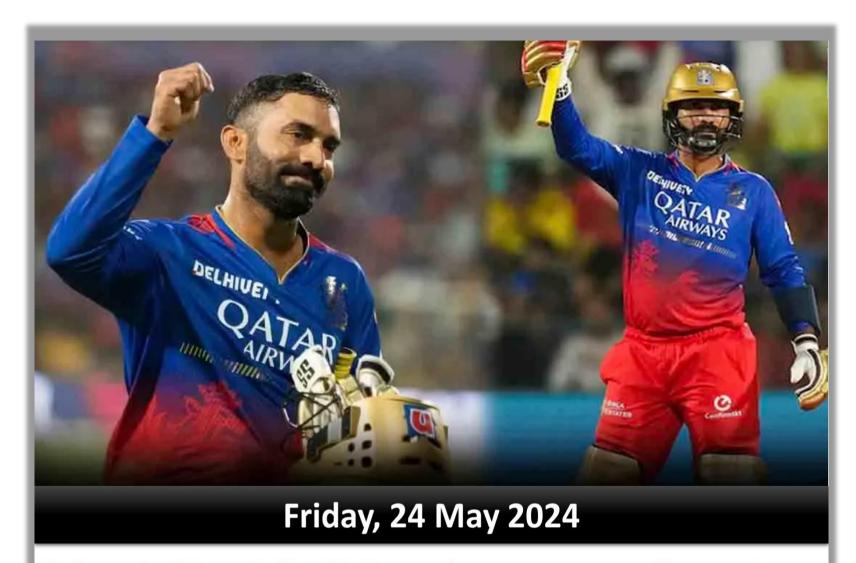












Dinesh Karthik IPL retirement confirmed

- Veteran wicketkeeper Dinesh Karthik took off his gloves and received a guard of honour after the Eliminator in Ahmedabad.
- Dinesh Karthik will finish his IPL career with 4842 runs in 257 matches, having hit 22 fifties. Karthik finished in the top 10 run-getters list in the history of the IPL.
- Karthik finished the IPL 2024 season with 326 runs in 15 matches, acing the finisher's role once again.
- The wicket-keeper batter has represented six teams throughout his IPL career. He started off with Delhi Daredevils in 2008 before moving to Punjab in 2011. He spent the following two seasons with Mumbai before going back to Delhi in 2014. RCB bagged him in 2015 and he played for Gujarat Lions in 2016 and 2017 before spending four seasons with KKR, whom he led as well. Karthik returned to RCB in 2022 and aced the finisher's role to perfection.
- Q. Dinesh Karthik, who recently confirmed his IPL retirement, is currently representing which IPL team? **RCB**















Max Life Insurance Company Ltd. a pioneering partnership announced with Yuvaa

- Max Life Insurance Company Ltd. announced pioneering partnership with Yuvaa, India's first youthdriven content platform, to launch a multi-part video series focused on India's financial empowerment, with a primary focus on Gen Z.
- This strategic collaboration seeks to address the financial empowerment needs of differentiated cohorts within the Gen Z segment, including women, as well as the often segments, such as the LGBTQIA+ overlooked community.
- The initiative draws from the insights of Max Life's India Protection Quotient 6.0, a comprehensive study on the financial needs and priorities of demographics across urban India. This data-driven approach ensures the content series resonates with the younger audiences and delves into conversations that address their specific financial concerns.
- Q. Which Life Insurance Company Limited announced a pioneering partnership with Yuva, India's first youth-driven content platform, to launch a multi-part video series focused on financial empowerment of India with a primary focus on Gen Z? Max Life Insurance















S. Korea to develop LEO satellite communications system by 2030

- South Korea's Ministry of Science and ICT to develop a low Earth orbit (LEO) satellite communications system has passed a preliminary feasibility study and will officially begin next year.
- The science ministry said that the 320 billion won (\$234.3) million) LEO project, also known as South Korea's Starlink, aims to launch two LEO satellites based on the sixth-generation (6G)communications network technology by 2030.
- The ministry also plans to create a demonstration LEO satellite communications system network to support South Korean companies to independently develop core technologies for the system, such as satellite tracking, handover and link, and help them expand their global business.
- The ministry is allowed to allocate its budget from next year and start the project.
- An LEO satellite, placed in an orbit 300 to 1,500 km in altitude, can provide high-speed communications with short latency thanks to its close distance to Earth compared with geostationary orbit satellites.
- Q. Recently which country has allocated \$234.3 million fund to develop a low Earth orbit (LEO) satellite communications system? South Korea















World Para-Athletics: Sachin wins gold, Dharambir bags bronze as India take tally to 12 medals

- India's Sachin Sarjerao Khilari defended his gold medal in the men's shot put F46 category with an record at the World Para Athletics Asian Championship as the country surpassed its bestever haul in the global competition.
- Sachin heaved the iron ball to a distance of 16.30 metres, bettering his own Asian record of 16.21 set during the World Para Athletics metres Championship in Paris last year.
- Dharambir bagged bronze with a 33.61m in the men's club throw F51 final.
- Earlier Reigning Paralympics champion Sumit Antil had defended his F64 javelin throw world title, while Thangavelu Mariyappan and Ekta Bhyan also grabbed gold medals in respective events as India jumped to third place.
- India, now has 12 medals, five of them gold and is currently third on medals tally behind China and Brazil.
- It bettered its previous best tally of 10 (3 gold, 4 silver and 3 bronze) in the 2023 edition in Paris.
- Q. Which country is on top position in the ongoing World Para-Athletics 2024 in Kobe, Japan? China















Jenny Erpenbeck German author International Booker Prize for tale of tangled love affair

- German author Jenny Erpenbeck and translator Michael Hofmann won the International Booker Prize for fiction "Kairos," the story of a tangled love affair during the final years of East Germany's existence.
- Erpenbeck hoped the book would help readers learn there was more to life in the now-vanished Communist country than depicted in "The Lives of Others," the Academy Award-winning 2006 film about pervasive state surveillance in the 1980s.
- "Kairos" traces an affair from utopian beginning to bitter end, and draws parallels between personal lives and the life of the state.
- The International Booker Prize is awarded every year. It is run alongside the Booker Prize for English-language fiction, which will be handed out in the fall.
- Last year's winner was another novel about communism and its legacy in Europe, "Time Shelter" by Bulgarian writer Georgi Gospodinov and translated by Angela Rodel.
- Q. Name the author of the fiction "Kairos", the story of a tangled love affair during the final years of East Germany's existence, who has won the International Booker Prize 2024? Jenny Erpenbeck

















Tech Mahindra, Fuji TV ink pact to produce content globally

- IT company Tech Mahindra has partnered with Japanese broadcaster Fuji TV to develop and produce content across genres for the global entertainment industry.
- The partnership will combine Fuji TV's original content with Tech Mahindra's localisation and animation services.
- Tech Mahindra will assist Fuji TV in localising its content for the Indian audience through dubbing, subtitling, and animation services.
- It will also help Fuji TV in licensing its content to OTT and PayTV platforms in India and Japan.
- Fuji Television Network's goal is to not only expand business in the Indian market but also to create innovative content that has the potential for global reach.

Tech Mahindra

- Chairman: Anand Mahindra
- MD & CEO: Mohit Joshi
- Headquarters: Pune
- Parent organization: Mahindra Group
- Founded: 1986

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