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## INTERNATIONAL

### 1) Association of Asian Election Authorities

- India has been unanimously elected as the new Chair of the Association of Asian Election Authorities for the year 2022-2024.
- Association of Asian Election Authorities was established in 1998 to provide a non-partisan forum in the Asian region for promoting open and transparent elections to support good governance and democracy.
- Election Commission of India is a founder member of the Association of Asian Election Authorities.

### 2) Global report on Infection Prevention and Control

- WHO released Global report on Infection Prevention and Control. It is a practical, evidence-based approach preventing patients and health workers from being harmed by avoidable infections.
- As per the report, 70% of infections can be prevented through good hand hygiene. 11% of countries still did not have an IPC programme or an operational plan. Need to integrate IPC and water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH) practices.

### 3) South Korea joined in NATO Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence

- South Korea became the first Asian country join in North Atlantic Treaty Organization Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence.
- The North Atlantic Treaty Organization, also called the North Atlantic Alliance, is an intergovernmental military alliance between 30 member states – 28 European states.
- NATO was founded in 1949. Headquarter's: Brussels, Belgium.

## NATIONAL

### 1) Mission Amrit Sarovar

- The mission is review the progress of Mission Amrit Sarovar, a high level meeting was held.
- The Mission is aimed at developing and rejuvenating 75 water bodies in each district of the country as a part of celebration of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav.





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## 2) Shallow and Deep ecologism

- The term Shallow and Deep ecologism coined by Norwegian philosopher Arne Naess in 1973 to indicate that humans are no more important than other species, ecosystems or natural processes.
- They believe in continuing our present lifestyle, but with specific tweaks aimed at minimising the damage to the environment.
- Deep ecology's core principle is the claim that, like humanity, living environment as a whole has the same right to live and flourish.

## 3) 5000-year-old jewellery-making factory

- The Archaeological Survey of India has excavated a 5000-year-old jewellery-making factory in Rakhi Garhi, Haryana.
- The discovery of the structure of some dwellings, a kitchen complex, and a 5000-year-old jewellery-making factory indicates that the site was once a very major commercial centre.
- Copper and gold jewellery that had been concealed for thousands of years were also discovered.

## STATE NEWS

### 1) Tomato Flu

- Tomato fever is an unidentified fever found mostly in South India. Kerala, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka has ramped up surveillance in the wake of "tomato flu".
- It gets its name because of the red blister it causes. It affects children below five years of age.
- Exact cause behind the disease is not yet known.
- Symptoms: Rashes, skin irritation and dehydration, high fever, body ache, joint swelling, fatigue etc.

## BOOKS AND AUTHORS

### 1) "Modi@20 Dreams Meet Delivery"

- Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu has released the book "Modi@20 Dreams Meet Delivery".
- 'Modi@20' is an anthology edited and compiled by BlueKraft Digital Foundation,





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## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

### 1) Royal Gold Medal

- Indian architect Balkrishna Doshi was conferred with Royal Gold Medal, 2022 by Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA).
- He is the only Indian to have been awarded both the Royal Gold Medal and Pritzker Architecture Prize, often referred to as the Nobel Prize of architecture, in their lifetime. The Medal is one of the world's highest honours for architecture.

## APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

### 1) Mahindra Rajapaksa

- Sri Lankan prime minister Mahindra Rajapaksa resigned from his position after weeks of protest. He sent his resignation letter to the president of Sri Lanka Gotabaya Rajapaksa.
- He has been accused of misleading Sri Lanka's economy and pushing Sri Lanka towards Bank corruption and economic crisis.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### 1) International Day of Plant Health

- The United Nations designated 12th May the International Day of Plant Health.
- The day is observed to raise global awareness on how protecting plant health can help end hunger, reduce poverty, protect biodiversity and the environment, and boost economic development.
- The United Nations declared 2020 as the International Year of Plant Health.

### 2) International Nurses' Day

- International Nurses' Day is observed on May 12th. The day is observed across the world to honour the services of nurses.
- It is the birth anniversary of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing. She was also known as Lady with the Lamp.
- Theme of 2022: "Nurses: A Voice to Lead – Invest in Nursing and respect rights to secure global health".

