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## INTERNATIONAL

### 1) 'Global Roadmap to Defeat Meningitis by 2030'

The World Health Organization has launched the first-ever global strategy to defeat meningitis - 'Global Roadmap to Defeat Meningitis by 2030'. Meningitis is an inflammation (swelling) of the protective membranes covering the brain and spinal cord.

## NATIONAL

### 1) 7th edition of Swachh Survekshan 2022

Union Housing and Urban Affairs Minister, Hardeep Singh Puri has launched the 7th edition of Swachh Survekshan 2022. The seventh edition of the annual cleanliness survey in the urban areas, under which district rankings have been introduced for the first time.

### 2) 'Parshuram Kund' in Arunachal Pradesh

The government of India has started work for the development of 'Parshuram Kund', a Hindu pilgrimage site on the Brahmaputra plateau in the lower reaches of the Lohit river in Arunachal Pradesh. The project costing Rs 37.88 crore was sanctioned under the Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual, Heritage Augmentation Drive Scheme of the Ministry of Tourism.

### 3) Aapada Mitra

The government has announced plans to have Disaster Management Volunteers (Aapda Mitras) in 350 districts of the country. It is a Central Sector Scheme that was launched in May 2016. Its aim is to provide the community volunteers with the skills that they would need to respond to their community's immediate needs in the aftermath of a disaster.

### 4) The first Pan-India toll-free helpline number for Senior Citizens

The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment launched the Elder Line, the first Pan-India toll-free helpline number (14567) for Senior Citizens. It provides information, guidance, emotional support - particularly on pension, medical and legal issues - besides immediate assistance in cases of abuse.

## STATE NEWS

### 1) Sojat Mehndi

Sojat Mehndi (Henna) from Rajasthan, has been awarded the geographical indication (GI) tag. A GI tag is awarded to products associated with a specific geographical origin. Sojat Mehndi, originating from Mehendi leaves grown in Sojat, is naturally cultivated using rainwater.

## BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

### 1) Ways and Means Advances

The Reserve bank of India has set the limit for Ways and Means Advances for the second half of





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the financial year 2021-22 i.e October 2021 to March 2022 at Rs. 50,000 crore. The Reserve Bank may trigger fresh floatation of market loans when the Government of India utilises 75 per cent of the WMA limit.

## 2) Company Law Committee

The Ministry of Corporate Affairs has once again extended the tenure of the Company Law Committee by one year until September 16, 2022. Corporate affairs secretary Rajesh Verma is the present chairperson of the committee. The committee was constituted in 2019 and has a total of 11 members. The committee was set up to suggest measures to improve the functioning of the National Company Law Tribunal.

## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### 1) Landsat 9

NASA has launched an earth monitoring satellite called Landsat 9 from Vandenberg Space Force Base in California. The satellite is a joint mission of NASA and the US Geological Survey. This satellite is referred to as NASA's 'new eye in the sky' that will help study climate change.

## APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

### 1) Aavek Sarkar

Aavek Sarkar, the Editor Emeritus and Vice Chairman of the Ananda Bazar Group of Publications, was re-elected Chairman of Press Trust of India, the country's largest premier news agency. Sarkar is a man of varied interests and counts books, food, wine and art among his principal loves. He was captain of the Royal Calcutta Golf Club for 10 years.

### 2) Fumio Kishida

Japan's former Foreign Minister, Fumio Kishida has won the ruling party's leadership election, virtually ensuring that he will become the country's next prime minister. Kishida won 257 votes in a runoff to defeat Taro Kono, a popular vaccines minister who previously held the positions of defence and foreign minister.

### 3) CK Ranganathan

Chairman & managing director CavinKare Pvt Ltd, CK Ranganathan has been appointed president of All India Management Association for a period of one year till September 2022. He takes over from Harsh Pati Singhania, vice chairman & managing director, JK Paper Ltd.

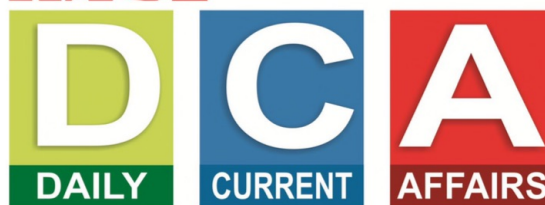
## IMPORTANT DAYS

### 1) International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste

International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste is celebrated on September 29, since 2020,



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to promote and implement global efforts to resolve the issue of food wastage. The theme for 2021 is Stop food loss and waste. For the people. For the planet.

## 2) World Heart Day

World Heart Day is celebrated on 29 September annually to draw people's attention to heart illness and the range of associated health issues. 2021 theme of World Heart Day is "Use Heart to Connect". The day was created by the World Heart Federation, to raise awareness about cardiovascular disease, including heart disease and stroke.

## SPORTS

### 1) 2021 Ryder Cup

The United States has clinched the 2021 Ryder Cup after rookie Collin Morikawa secured the final half-point to get to a 19-9 victory, which is the largest margin of victory in Ryder Cup history since the 28-point format came about. It's the first time since 1979 and 1983 that Team USA won back-to-back home Ryder Cups after winning in 2016 at Hazeltine.

### 2) Rohit Sharma - 1st to score 1,000 runs against one team in IPL

Rohit Sharma became the first batter in the Indian Premier League history to score 1000 runs against a single team during Mumbai Indians' contest against Kolkata Knight Riders at the Sheikh Zayed Stadium, Abu Dhabi.

### 3) T20 World Cup anthem

The International Cricket Council has launched the official anthem of the upcoming T20 World Cup along with a campaign film featuring 'avatars' of Virat Kohli and West Indies skipper Kieron Pollard. The song is composed by Bollywood music director Amit Trivedi.