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INTERNATIONAL

1) 17th Indo-US Economic Summit

Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari, addressed the 17th Indo-US Economic Summit 'Bouncing Back-Resilient Recovery Path Post Covid-19'. This summit was organised by the Indo-American Chamber of Commerce. According to Minister, India and the US have an important role to play post-Covid economic recovery.

NATIONAL

1) Project Udaan

IIT-Bombay launched its "Project Udaan" on the occasion of Hindi Diwas. It was launched with the aim of breaking the language barrier that many students face. Project Udaan enables the translation of textbooks and other study material of the engineering and other streams from English to Hindi & other Indian Languages.

STATE NEWS

1) Tamil Nadu makes Temple land grabbing a non-bailable offence

The Tamil Nadu Assembly passed a Bill that made the encroachment of properties of religious institutions a cognisable and non-bailable offence. The Bill that seeks to amend the Tamil Nadu Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Act, 1959.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Florence Nightingale Award

The Florence Nightingale Award will be given to a nurse, Bhanumati Gheewala, from Sir Sayajirao General Hospital, Gujarat. She has been in charge of COVID-19 positive pregnant women's deliveries as well as infant care.

2) King Sejong Literacy Prize

National Institute of Open Schooling, run by the education ministry, has bagged global recognition from UNESCO for its innovative approach towards education. The recognition is for educating differently-abled people through technology-enabled inclusive learning material.

3) Swami Brahmanand Award 2021

Mathematician Anand Kumar was conferred with the Swami Brahmanand Award 2021 for his contribution in the field of education through his 'Super 30' initiative, which prepares underprivileged students for the IIT entrance exam.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Raja Randhir Singh

India's Raja Randhir Singh has taken over as acting president of the Olympic Council of Asia as

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Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah appeals a guilty verdict in a Swiss forgery trial. A five-time Olympic shooter and an Asian Games gold medallist in 1978, Singh was promoted to the role from his position as an honorary life vice president.

2) Brendan Taylor

Former Zimbabwe skipper and wicket-keeper batsman, Brendan Taylor has announced his retirement from international cricket. The 34-year batsman made his ODI debut for Zimbabwe in 2004 against Sri Lanka. He has scored 6677 runs from 204 ODI matches in his 17-year ODI career.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) Hindi Diwas

Hindi Diwas is observed on September 14, to remember and honour the adoption of Hindi language as one of the official languages in India. Hindi Language, written in the Devanagari script, was adopted as one of the official languages in 1949.

2) Engineers Day 2021

Engineers Day 2021 is being observed on September 15, to mark the birthday of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya. The day mark the contributions of Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya in the field of engineering and education.

3) International Day of Democracy

International Day of Democracy is observed globally on 15th September every year. It was established through a resolution passed by the UN General Assembly in 2007, for promoting and upholding the principles of democracy and provide an opportunity to review the state of democracy in the world.

4) World Lymphoma Awareness Day

The World Lymphoma Awareness Day is observed globally on September 15 every year. The day is dedicated to raising awareness about lymphoma and the particular emotional and psychosocial challenges facing patients and caregivers suffering from different forms of lymphoma.

SPORTS

1) ICC Players of the Month for August 2021

England Test skipper Joe Root and Ireland's Eimear Richardson have been voted as the winners of the ICC Players of the Month for August 2021. In women's cricket, Ireland's Eimear Richardson has had a sensational August as well and was adjudged the ICC Women's Player of the Month for August 2021.

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2) Lasith Malinga

Lasith Malinga has announced his retirement from T20 cricket after 295 matches where he picked 390 wickets. He had already retired from Tests in 2011 and from ODIs in 2019. Malinga was the first bowler to bag 100 T20I wickets. He finishes fourth in the highest wicket-taker category in the list behind Dwayne Bravo, Imran Tahir and Sunil Narine.

