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## NATIONAL

### 1) India's largest green hydrogen-making plant

GAIL Ltd will build India's largest green hydrogen-making plant as it looks to supplement its natural gas business with carbon-free fuel. The firm has already floated a global tender to buy the electrolyzer and is hoping to get delivery in 12-14 months. It will be double the size of the one announced by state electricity producer NTPC.

### 2) Radio over Internet Protocol System

The Syama Prasad Mookerjee Port in Kolkata has become the first Major Indian Port to get a Radio over Internet Protocol System. SMP, Kolkata has been constantly maintaining its pivotal position in Indian Major Ports for the past 152 years.

### 3) Amrit Mahotsav Podcast

The Union Minister for Culture, G.Kishan Reddy has launched the Amrit Mahotsav Podcast, as a part of the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav celebration. The series (Zara Yaad Karo Qurbani) is a tribute to the Indian National Army, which significantly contributed to India's freedom struggle, some of which have remained untold and not found a place in the conventional storyline.

### 4) 'Konkan Shakti 2021'

The Armed Forces of India and the United Kingdom are undertaking the sea phase of the maiden Tri-Service exercise 'Konkan Shakti 2021' off the Konkan coast in the Arabian Sea. The harbour phase of the seven-day exercise was held in Mumbai. The exercise Konkan Shakti 2021 aims at further strengthening the cooperation between the two countries.

### 5) New Medicine for Bovine Mastitis

National Innovation Foundation (NIF) has developed a poly-herbal medicine called Mastirak Gel to treat Mastitis in Dairy Cattle. It can improve the udder (Milk producing part) health. Mastitis, or inflammation of the mammary gland, is the most common and the most expensive disease of dairy cattle throughout most of the world.

## STATE NEWS

### 1) Goa become the 1st state to achieve ODF

Goa has achieved Open Defecation Free and Electricity for every household. The original ODF protocol was issued in the year 2016. According to it, a city or ward is notified as ODF city or ward if not a single person is found defecating in the open, at any point of the day.

## APPOINTMENTS AND RECOGNITIONS

### 1) Siddhartha Lal

Eicher Motors Ltd passed the resolution to reappoint Siddhartha Lal as the Managing Director of





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the company for five years. The board also approved a revised remuneration structure for the Managing Director, with a maximum cap of 1.5 per cent of profits as per Section 198 of the Companies Act.

## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### 1) Union Bank has signed MoU with CDAC for Cyber Security

The Union Bank of India has signed a MoU with the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing, to launch a 1st of its kind initiative on Cyber Security Awareness. CDAC will assist UBI in educating its employees & customers with awareness on Cyber Security & tips to protect themselves from Cyber fraud.

## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

### 1) Peace Prize of the German Book Trade 2021

The Peace Prize of the German Book Trade 2021 has been awarded to the Zimbabwean author and a filmmaker Tsitsi Dangarembga for a “new Enlightenment”, a work on violence in her country and all over the world by Börsenverein des Deutschen Buchhandels, an association of German book publishers and booksellers.

## BOOKS AND AUTHORS

### 1) “Kamala Harris: Phenomenal Woman”

Chidanand Rajghatta have authored a new book “Kamala Harris: Phenomenal Woman”, a biography of Kamala Harris, the first women Vice President of the USA. The book features the life incidents of Kamala Harris, a woman of mixed race (India and Jamaica) who has become the first Indian descent, the first woman to become the vice president of the USA.

## SPORTS

### 1) “2021 MotoGP World Champion”

Monster Energy Yamaha MotoGP’s Fabio Quartararo became the “2021 MotoGP World Champion”. Francesco Bagnaia (Ducati Lenovo Team) secured second and Joan Mir (Team Suzuki Ecstar), finished third. Fabio Quartararo is the sixth-youngest rider to clinch a premier class world title, aged 22 years, 187 days on race day of the Emilia Romagna GP.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### 1) The Vigilance Awareness Week 2021

The Vigilance Awareness Week 2021 has been organised by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) from 26 October to 01 November 2021. The theme of Vigilance Awareness Week 2021: ‘Independent India @75: Self Reliance with Integrity’.

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## 2) World Day for Audiovisual Heritage

The World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is observed every year on 27 October. The World Day for Audiovisual Heritage is a key initiative for both UNESCO and the Coordinating Council of Audiovisual Archives Associations to honour audiovisual preservation professionals. The theme of the World Day for Audiovisual Heritage 2021: "Your Window to the World".

