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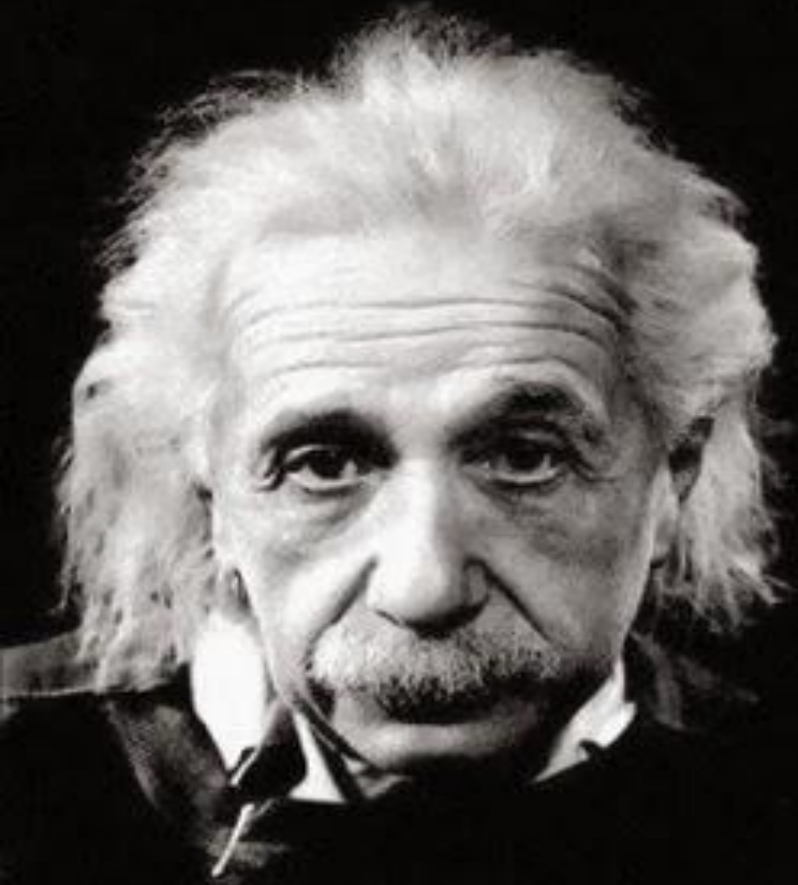
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**“Everybody is a genius.  
But if you judge a fish by its  
ability to climb a tree, it will  
live its whole life believing  
that it is stupid.”**



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## NATIONAL NEWS

**President Droupadi Murmu will confer the 69th National Film Awards in New Delhi.**

राष्ट्रपति द्रौपदी मुर्मू नई दिल्ली में 69वें राष्ट्रीय फिल्म पुरस्कार प्रदान करेंगी।





# INAUGURATION

**PM Modi to inaugurate third edition of Global Maritime India Summit 2023**

**पीएम मोदी ग्लोबल मैरीटाइम इंडिया समिट 2023 के तीसरे संस्करण का उद्घाटन करेंगे**





## NATIONAL NEWS

**Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga**

**Rejuvenation launches 5th National Water Awards 2023**

**जल संसाधन, नदी विकास और गंगा संरक्षण विभाग ने 5वां राष्ट्रीय जल पुरस्कार 2023  
लॉन्च किया**

जल संसाधन, नदी विकास और गंगा संरक्षण विभाग  
MINISTRY OF JAL SHAKTI  
DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES,  
RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

**5<sup>th</sup> National Water Awards**

**Invitation For Application**

Entries open from :13th October, 2023 ✓

Last date of Submission : 15th December, 2023 ✓

For Application & more details  
Log on to <https://awards.gov.in>



# NATIONAL NEWS

## Logo Design Contest for 150th year of IMD आईएमडी के 150वें वर्ष के लिए लोगो डिजाइन प्रतियोगिता



UNCOVER YOUR  
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Submit your entries by October 15, 2023.

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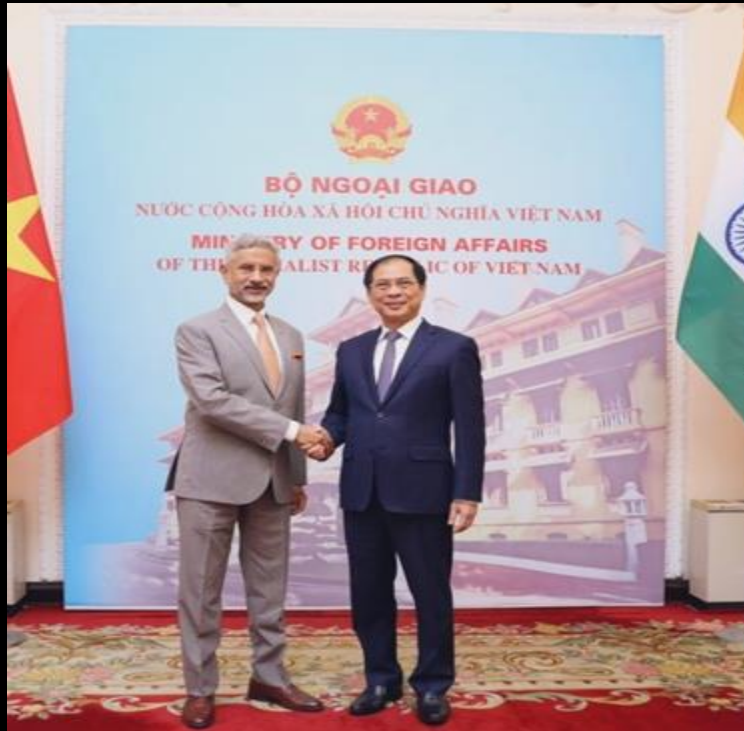




## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### EAM S. Jaishankar co-chairs meeting of 18th India-Vietnam Joint Commission in Hanoi

विदेश मंत्री एस जयशंकर ने हनोई में 18वें भारत-वियतनाम संयुक्त आयोग की बैठक की सह-अध्यक्षता की





# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

**India-UK 2 plus 2 Foreign and Defence Dialogue held in New Delhi**

**भारत-ब्रिटेन 2 प्लस 2 विदेश और रक्षा वार्ता नई दिल्ली में आयोजित हुई**





**SPORTS**

**Sports Minister Anurag Thakur, Delhi LG flag off Vedanta Delhi Half**

**Marathon Elite and Amateur Races**

**खेल मंत्री अनुराग ठाकुर, दिल्ली एलजी ने वेदांता दिल्ली हाफ मैराथन एलीट और एमेच्योर दौड़ को हरी झंडी दिखाई**





# Current News



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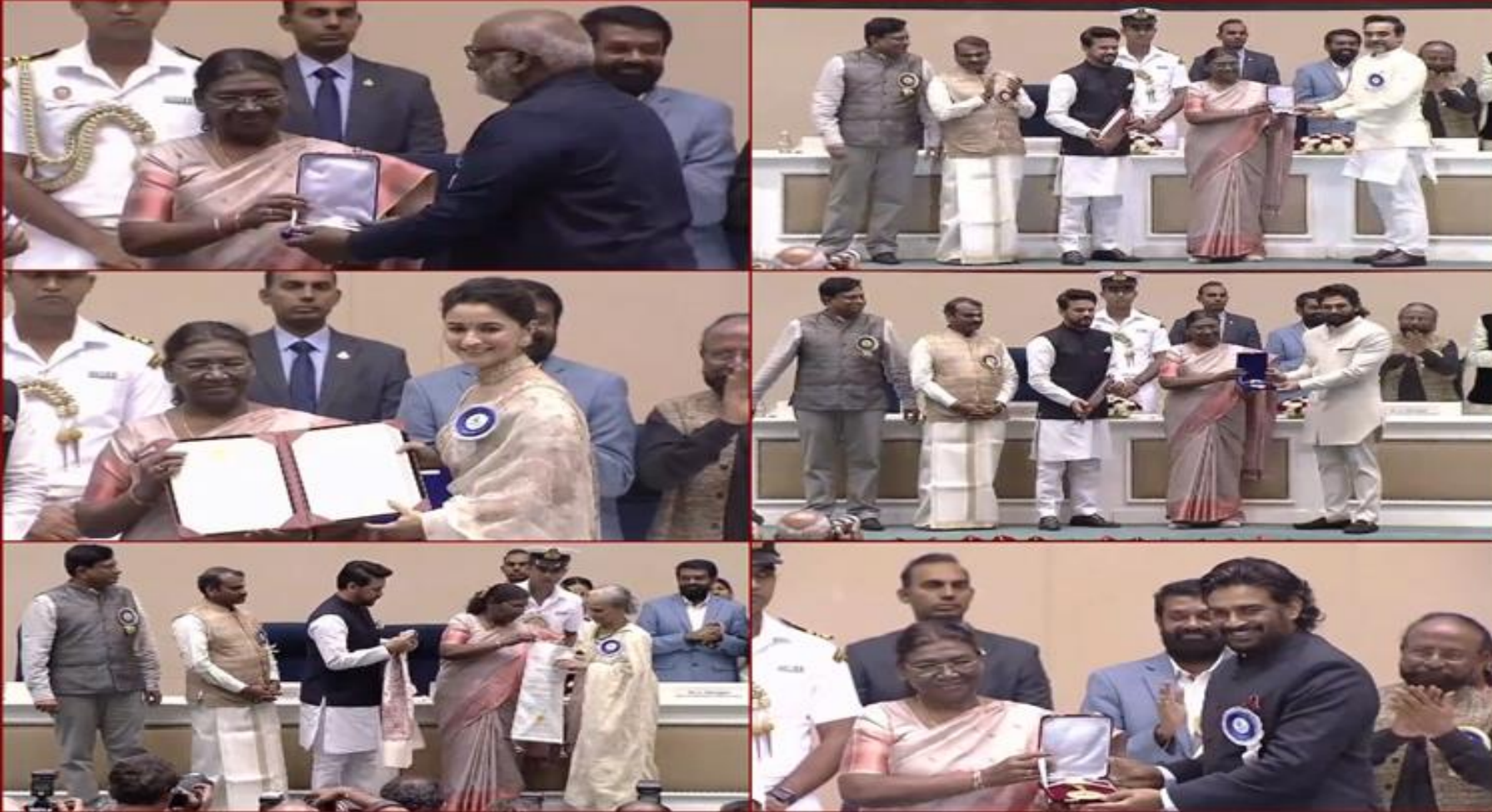
**OBITUARY**



# NATIONAL NEWS

President Droupadi Murmu confers 69th National Film Awards

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**Best Feature Film for the year 2021 –**

**'Rocketry: The Nambi Effect' directed by R Madhavan**

**Best Actor Award –**

**Allu Arjun for 'Pushpa: The Rise'.**





**Best Actress Award –**

**Alia Bhatt and Kriti Sanon for**

**'Gangubai Kathiawadi' and 'Mimi'.**



**Best Supporting Actress Award –**

**Pallavi Joshi for 'Kashmir Files'**

**Best Supporting Actor Award –**

**Pankaj Tripathi for 'Mimi'.**



**Best Popular Film –**

**RRR for providing wholesome entertainment.**

**Nargis Dutt award -**

**'The Kashmir Files' directed by Vivek Agnihotri for Best Film on National Integration.**



**Best Non-Feature Film of the Year –**

**'Ek Tha Gaon' directed by Srishti Lakhera**

**National Film Award for Best Direction –**

**Nikhil Mahajan for his Marathi film 'Godavari'.**



**Best Female Playback Singer –**

**Shreya Ghoshal for the song 'Mayava Chayava' from the film 'Iravin Nizhal'.**

**Best Male Playback Singer –**

**Kaala Bhairava for the song 'Komuram Bheemudo' from the film 'RRR'.**



**Best Choreography award –**

**Prem Rakshith for 'RRR'.**

**Best Music Direction Award –**

**Devi Sri Prasad and M.M. Keeravaani for 'Pushpa the Rise' and 'RRR'.**



**Best Hindi Film –**

**Shoojit Sircar's biographical historical drama 'Sardar  
Udham Singh'**

**Best Child Artist Award –**

**Bhavin Rabari for Gujarati Film 'Chhello Show'.**



**Non-Feature film category –**

**Bakul Matiyani will get the Best Direction award  
for his work Smile Please.**





# NATIONAL NEWS

**PM Modi launches maritime projects worth Rs 23,000 crore; Unveils long-term vision document for blue economy**

**पीएम मोदी ने 23,000 करोड़ रुपये की समुद्री परियोजनाओं की शुरुआत की; नीली अर्थव्यवस्था के लिए दीर्घकालिक विज़न दस्तावेज़ का अनावरण किया गया**





**Prime Minister Narendra Modi**

will **inaugurate** the

**3rd edition** of the

**Global Maritime India Summit 2023**

via video conferencing.



**The summit**

**will be held from**

**tomorrow till 19th October**

**in Mumbai.**



**During the programme,**

**Prime Minister will**

**unveil**

**'Amrit Kaal Vision 2047',**

**the long-term blueprint**

**for the Indian maritime blue economy.**



**Prime Minister**

will **inaugurate**,

dedicate to the nation and lay the **foundation stone**

of projects worth **more than 23 thousand crore rupees**,

that are aligned with the

**'Amrit Kaal Vision 2047'**

for the **Indian maritime blue economy**.



# NATIONAL NEWS

## Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan launches India Skills 2023 competition

शिक्षा मंत्री धर्मेन्द्र प्रधान ने इंडिया स्किल्स 2023 प्रतियोगिता लॉन्च की





**Education Minister**

**Dharmendra Pradhan** ✓

**launched** the

**India Skills 2023 competition**

in **New Delhi** on Tuesday.





## IMPORTANT DAYS

**World Food Day is Celebrated Every Year on October 16**

**विश्व खाद्य दिवस हर साल 16 अक्टूबर को मनाया जाता है**







The roots of **World Food Day** — 16th October

FAO → HQ. - Italy (Rome)  
✓

trace back to the establishment of the

**United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization  
(FAO)**

in 1945.  
✓



The **theme** for World Food Day 2023 is

16 Oct 1945 ✓

**“Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind.”** ✓



## IMPORTANT DAYS

**International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, celebrated annually on  
October 17<sup>th</sup>**

अंतर्राष्ट्रीय गरीबी उन्मूलन दिवस प्रतिवर्ष 17 अक्टूबर को मनाया जाता है

INTERNATIONAL  
DAY **FOR THE**  
**ERADICATION**  
**OF POVERTY**  
17 OCTOBER



17 October



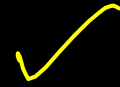
Through **resolution 47/196**  
adopted on **22 December 1992**,  
the **UN General Assembly**  
declared **17 October**  
as the **International Day for the Eradication of Poverty**.



The **theme** of

**International Day for the Eradication of Poverty 2023 is**

**“Decent Work and Social Protection: Putting dignity in  
practice for all”**





The observance of the  
**International Day for the Eradication of Poverty**  
can be traced back to October 17, 1987. ✓

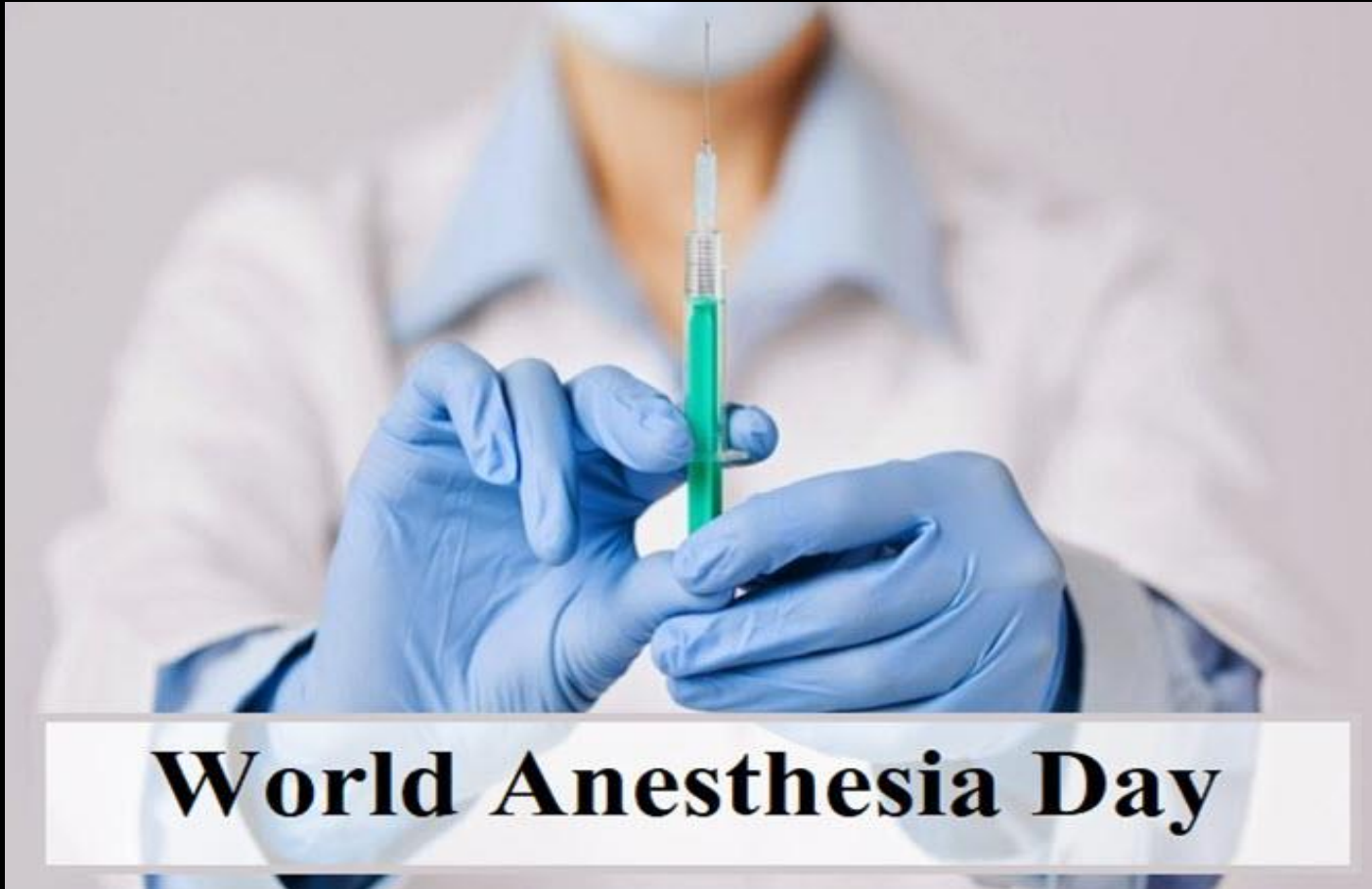


On that day,  
over **a hundred thousand people** gathered at the  
Trocadero in Paris,  
where the Universal Declaration of  
**Human Rights was signed in 1948,** ✓  
to honour the victims of extreme poverty,  
violence and hunger.



## IMPORTANT DAYS

**World Anaesthesia Day, Celebrated Every Year on October 16**  
विश्व एनेस्थीसिया दिवस, हर साल 16 अक्टूबर को मनाया जाता है



16 October

**World Anesthesia Day**





The **theme** for

**World Anaesthesia Day in 2023**

is **‘Anaesthesia and Cancer Care.’** ✓



## **World Anaesthesia Day**

commemorates the  
birth of **anaesthesia** as a medical practice.

The pivotal moment occurred on

**October 16, 1846,** ✓

when **William Thomas Green Morton** ✓

conducted the **first successful demonstration** ✓

of ether anaesthesia at the

**Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts,  
USA.**



## STATE-NEWS

### Uttar Pradesh Government Launched 'Swachch Tyohar, Swasth Tyohar' Campaign

उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार ने 'स्वच्छ त्यौहार, स्वस्थ त्यौहार' अभियान शुरू किया



Uttar Pradesh Government's 'Swachch Tyohar, Swasth Tyohar' Campaign



**Yogi Adityanath** government

in **Uttar Pradesh** has started

a **special cleanliness campaign** ✓

**‘Swachch Tyohar, Swasth Tyohar’**

**(Clean Festival, Healthy Festival),**

especially in and **around temples,**



## **Immediate Complaint Resolution:**

**Municipal officials are**

**mandated to ensure that the**

**toll-free number 1533** ✓

**remains operational for the immediate resolution of** ✓

**complaints related to cleanliness and infrastructure** ✓

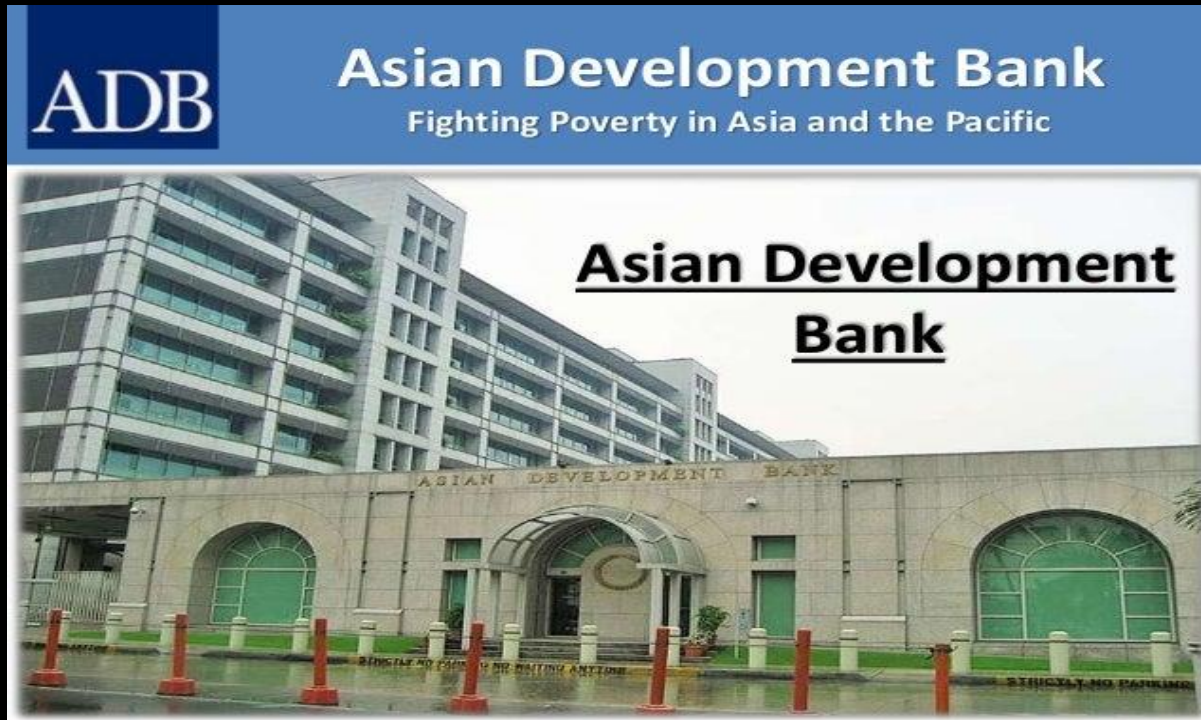
**issues during the festivals.**



## STATE-NEWS

### Asian Development Bank Invests \$181 Million to Improve Ahmedabad's Peri-urban Areas

एशियाई विकास बैंक ने अहमदाबाद के पेरी-शहरी क्षेत्रों में सुधार के लिए 181 मिलियन डॉलर का निवेश किया



First Investment  
\$ 181 Million  
मनीमा



The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)**

has given its nod to a

**USD 181 million** loan

aimed at bolstering the

**quality of urban infrastructure and services,** ✓

thereby **enhancing urban liveability and**

**mobility** in the peri-urban regions of ✓

**Ahmedabad city** in **Gujarat.** ✓

*New Development Bank* ✓  
*ADB → ?*  
*AIIB →*  
*Investment Bank* ✓  
*HQ →*



The **Ahmedabad** /  
Peri-urban Livability Improvement Project ✓  
will involve  
several critical infrastructure improvements. ✓

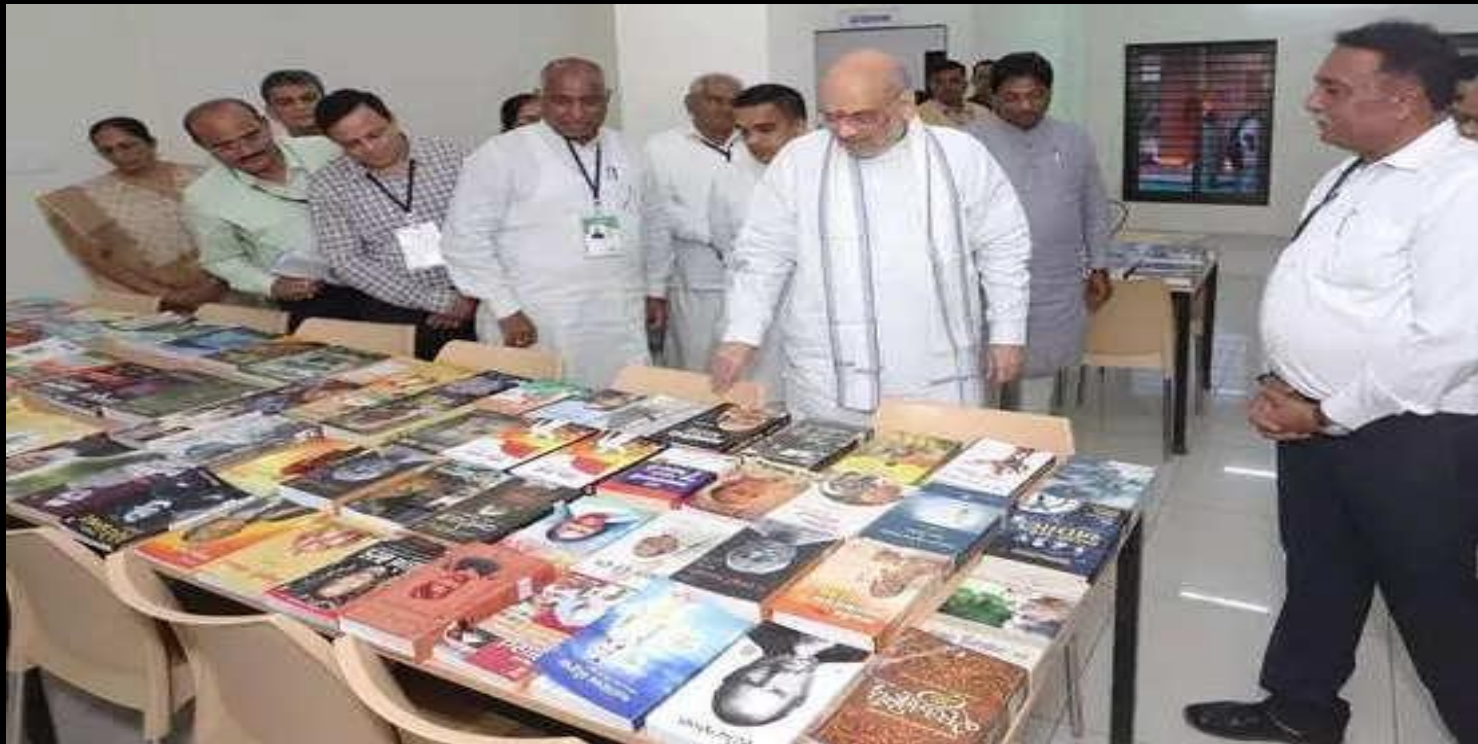




# INAUGURATION

**Amit Shah inaugurated Samau Shaheed Memorial and Library in  
Gandhinagar, Gujarat**

**अमित शाह ने गुजरात के गांधीनगर में सामाऊ शहीद स्मारक और पुस्तकालय का उद्घाटन  
किया**





**12 valiant heroes**

had **sacrificed** their lives during the  
freedom struggle in

**Samau** in ✓

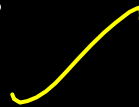
**November, 1857.** ✓



The **memorial inaugurated**

will serve to

**immortalize their stories of bravery.**





## OBITUARY

**Noted Malayalam film producer PV Gangadharan passes away at 80**  
प्रसिद्ध मलयालम फिल्म निर्माता पीवी गंगाधरन का 80 वर्ष की आयु में निधन हो गया





**P V Gangadharan,**

noted **film producer and director** of

**Mathrubhumi,**

मथ्रभूमि

died in Kozhikode. ✓

He was 80.



Financial Action Task Force

FATF

HQ → Paris (France)

① Money Laundering. ② Terror Funding.

**Static GK**





# WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

**Formation-**

7<sup>th</sup> April 1948 ✓

7 April. - 7 अप्रैल

स्वास्थ्य

**HQ-**

Geneva, Switzerland ✓

जिनेवा

**Director-General –**

Tedros Adhanom ✓

**Parent Organization-**

United Nations Economic and Social  
Council ✓

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# UNEP (United Nations Environment Programme)

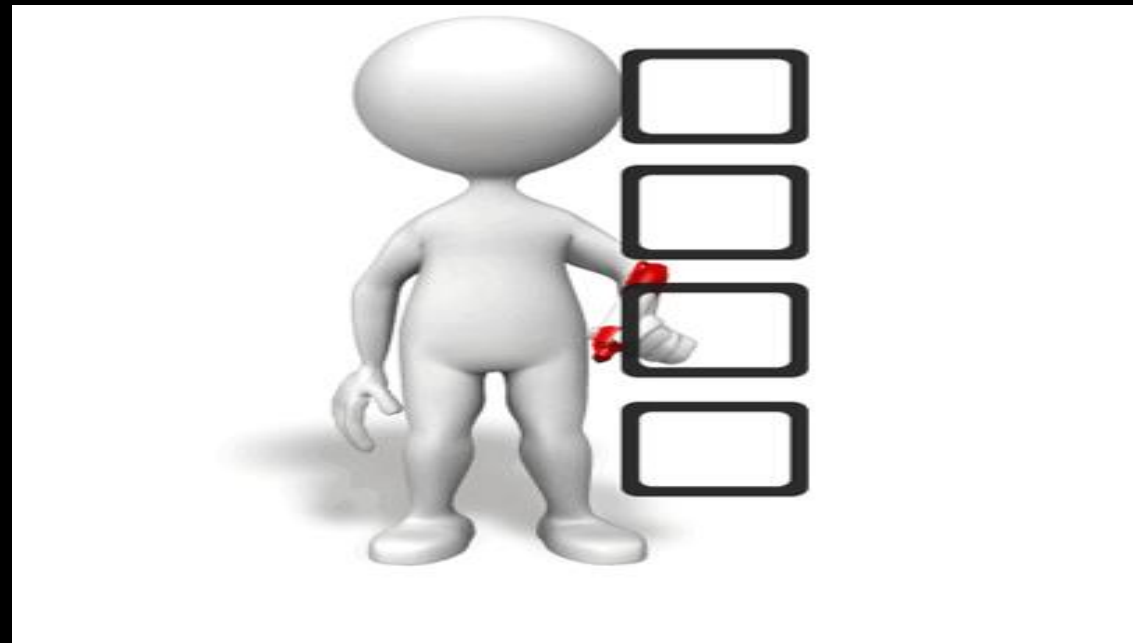
- Formation** - 5 June 1972; 50 years ago ✓
- Headquarters** - Nairobi, Kenya ✓
- Executive Director** - Inger Andersen (since 2019), Denmark ✓
- Parent organization** - United Nations ✓

UN Day 24 October





# MCQs





*MCQ*



**Which city in India is aiming to become the first wetland city?**

**भारत का कौन सा शहर पहला वेटलैंड शहर बनने का लक्ष्य रखता है?**

**A. Udaipur** ✓

**B. Jaipur**

**C. Jodhpur**

**D. Kota**



Which payments bank was fined by the RBI for failing to comply with KYC and cybersecurity guidelines in 2023?

2023 में KYC और साइबर सुरक्षा दिशानिर्देशों का पालन करने में विफल रहने के लिए RBI द्वारा किस भुगतान बैंक पर जुर्माना लगाया गया था?

Airtel  
Payments  
Bank

RBI

- A. Paytm Payments Bank ✓
- B. Google Pay
- C. PhonePe
- D. Amazon Pay

Active 6

5 → Nachikate More  
₹100Cr



**Which Tamil writer was awarded the Saraswati Samman in 2022 for her memoirs, "Surya Vamsam"?**

**किस तमिल लेखिका को उनके संस्मरण "सूर्य वामसम" के लिए 2022 में सरस्वती सम्मान से सम्मानित किया गया?**

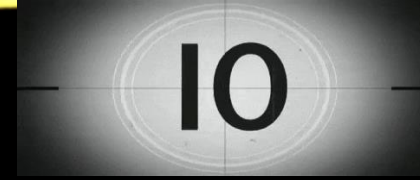
- A. Jeyamkondan**
- B. Jayamohan**
- C. Perumal Murugan**
- D. Sivasankari** ✓



**The Indian Oil Corporation's board has approved a ₹1,660.15 crore equity investment for a 50% stake in which the joint venture company focused on renewable energy initiatives?**

इंडियन ऑयल कॉर्पोरेशन के बोर्ड ने 50% हिस्सेदारी के लिए ₹1,660.15 करोड़ के इक्विटी निवेश को मंजूरी दे दी है जिसमें संयुक्त उद्यम कंपनी ने नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा पहल पर ध्यान केंद्रित किया है?

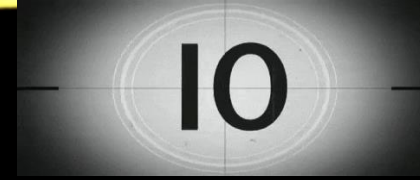
- A. Reliance Power Renewables**
- B. Adani Solar**
- C. Tata Power Solar**
- D. NTPC Green Energy ✓**



**Where is the Hornbill Festival celebrated?**

**हॉर्नबिल महोत्सव कहाँ मनाया जाता है?**

- A. Nagaland** ✓
- B. Assam**
- C. Arunachal Pradesh**
- D. Manipur**



**Which village in Punjab has received the title of "Best Tourism Village of India 2023"?**

पंजाब के किस गाँव को "भारत का सर्वश्रेष्ठ पर्यटन गाँव 2023" का खिताब मिला है?

- A. Ludhiana
- B. Amritsar
- C. Patiala
- D. Nawanpind Sardaran ✓





**Who has recently assumed the position of Director (Finance) at the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (IREDA)?**

हाल ही में भारतीय नवीकरणीय ऊर्जा विकास एजेंसी लिमिटेड (आईआरईडीए) में निदेशक (वित्त) का पद किसने ग्रहण किया है?

- A. Shri Pradip Kumar Das
- B. Anand Sharma
- C. Rajesh Verma
- D. B K Mohanty ✓



How many member countries are there in NATO in 2023?

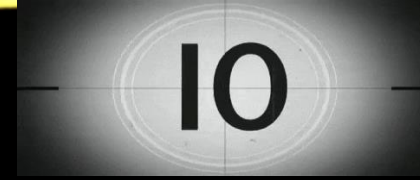
2023 में नाटो में कितने सदस्य देश होंगे?

A. 31 ✓

B. 30

C. 29

D. 35



**Who is the former England captain who announced his retirement from cricket?**

**इंग्लैंड के पूर्व कप्तान कौन हैं जिन्होंने क्रिकेट से संन्यास की घोषणा की?**

**A. Alastair Cook** ✓

**B. Joe Root**

**C. Ben Stokes**

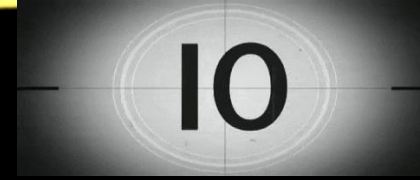
**D. Eoin Morgan**



**How many blood units have been collected in less than a month under the Ayushman Bhav campaign?**

**आयुष्मान भव अभियान के तहत एक महीने से भी कम समय में कितनी रक्त यूनिट एकत्र की गई हैं?**

- a) 1 lakh
- b) 2 lakh
- c) 3 lakh ✓
- d) 4 lakh



**How many blood units were collected annually before the Ayushman Bhav campaign was implemented?**

**आयुष्मान भव अभियान लागू होने से पहले सालाना कितनी रक्त यूनिट एकत्रित की जाती थी?**

**a) 1 lakh**

**b) 2 lakh**

**c) 3 lakh**

**d) 9 lakh ✓**



**Who won the FIDE World Junior Rapid Chess Championship in Sardinia, Italy?**

**सार्डिनिया, इटली में FIDE विश्व जूनियर रैपिड शतरंज चैम्पियनशिप किसने जीती?**

- A. Raunak Sadhwani ✓**
- B. Nesterov Arseniy**
- C. Dimitris Alexakis**
- D. Tobias Koelle**



**WINNER**



# ANSWERS

**Answer: B August 10**

**World Lion Day is observed every year on August 10th. The day was founded by the Big Cat Rescue team which was further joined by National Geographic Organisation.**





# Quiz

**When is World Lion Day observed annually?**

**विश्व शेर दिवस प्रतिवर्ष कब मनाया जाता है?**



**A. August 09**

**B. August 10**

**C. August 11**

**D. August 07**



You're a  
**WINNER!**

And the winner is

**3**



@radhey2403 • 46 min ago  
Today home work answer is 10 August

@Akash-S  
10 AUG

@AryanRaj-eb  
August 10

A large, golden hand emoji with a palm facing forward, positioned in the center of the social media posts. It is surrounded by various colorful confetti and streamer-like decorations in shades of blue, purple, yellow, and green.



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10 August..

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@SaguptaParv  
10 August

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10 August



@golwana  
10 Aug



@AAHANA18  
10 August 😄





**WINNER!**  
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**WINNER!**

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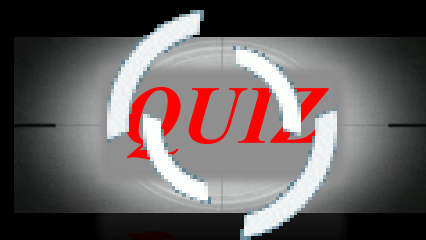




**TODAY QUIZ**

**Question**







# Quiz

**Which Indian state launched Gruha Lakshmi Scheme 2023 for SC, ST, and BC women to build or improve their homes?**

**किस भारतीय राज्य ने एससी, एसटी और बीसी महिलाओं के लिए अपने घर बनाने या सुधारने के लिए गृह लक्ष्मी योजना 2023 शुरू की?**



- A. Kerala**
- B. Karnataka**
- C. Telangana**
- D. Maharashtra**



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