

CURRENT AFFAIRS

THIS WEEK



WHO HAS TABLED THE ECONOMIC SURVEY 2022-23 IN THE BATH HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT RECENTLY?

- **NIRMALA SITHARAMAN**
- **FINANCE MINISTER NIRMALA SITHARAMAN TABLED THE ECONOMIC SURVEY 2022-23 IN PARLIAMENT ON TUESDAY (JANUARY 31, 2023). □ THIS IS THE FIRST DAY OF THE BUDGET SESSION OF THE PARLIAMENT. THE BUDGET SESSION OF THE PARLIAMENT BEGAN AT 11 AM WITH PRESIDENT OF INDIA DROUPADI MURMU ADDRESSING BOTH HOUSES IN A JOINT SESSION. □ CHIEF ECONOMIC ADVISOR (CEA) V ANANTHA NAGESWARAN WILL ADDRESS A PRESS CONFERENCE ON JANUARY 31, 2023, AT 2 PM IN NEW DELHI IN WHICH HE WILL UNVEIL THE SURVEY FOR THE PUBLIC.**

WHAT WILL BE THE NEW CAPITAL OF ANDHRA PRADESH?

- **VISAKHAPATNAM**
- **VISAKHAPATNAM WILL BE THE NEW CAPITAL OF ANDHRA PRADESH, CHIEF MINISTER Y S JAGAN MOHAN REDDY ANNOUNCED ON JANUARY 31. □ ANDHRA PRADESH NEEDS A NEW CAPITAL SINCE HYDERABAD, CAPITAL OF UNDIVIDED ANDHRA PRADESH, IS NOW WITH TELANGANA, AND THE TWO STATES HAVE BEEN SHARING THE CAPITAL TEMPORARILY.**

WHO WILL BE THE COUNTRY PARTNER FOR BIOASIA 2023?

- **UNITED KINGDOM**
- **THE UNITED KINGDOM IS RENOWNED FOR ITS UNIQUE AND GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE LIFE SCIENCES ECOSYSTEM WITH THE GROWING PRESENCE OF PROMINENT LIFE SCIENCES COMPANIES LIKE GSK (GLAXOSMITHKLINE), JOHNSON & JOHNSON, NOVARTIS, UCB, AND PFIZER AMONG OTHERS. □ IN ITS VENTURE TO STRENGTHEN LINKS WITH INDIA, WHICH HAS DEVELOPED INTO A GLOBAL PLAYER IN THE LIFE SCIENCES INDUSTRY, THE UK HAS PARTNERED WITH THE 20TH EDITION OF BIOASIA - THE MARQUEE HEALTHCARE AND LIFE SCIENCES EVENT, ORGANIZED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA.**

WHO WILL ASSUME CHARGE AS THE NEW VICE CHIEF OF THE INDIAN AIR FORCE?

- **AIR MARSHAL AP SINGH**
- **AIR MARSHAL A P SINGH HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS THE NEW VICE CHIEF OF THE INDIAN AIR FORCE. □ HE WILL SUCCEED AIR MARSHAL SANDEEP SINGH, WHO WILL RETIRE FROM SERVICE ON JANUARY 31, 2023.**



IMF RETAINED INDIA'S GROWTH PROJECTION TO WHAT PERCENT FOR 2023?

- **6.1%**
- **THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF) PROJECTED INDIA TO BE THE FASTEST-GROWING MAJOR ECONOMY IN FY24, RETAINING THE FORECAST AT 6.1% IN ITS LATEST WORLD ECONOMIC OUTLOOK, CITING "RESILIENT" DOMESTIC DEMAND DESPITE A CHALLENGING EXTERNAL ENVIRONMENT.**

FISCAL DEFICIT IS EXPECTED TO BE AT WHICH PERCENT OF GDP IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022-23?

- **6.4**
- **THE FISCAL DEFICIT IS EXPECTED TO BE AT 6.4 PER CENT OF GDP IN THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2022- 2023. □**
FISCAL DEFICIT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TOTAL REVENUE AND TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF A GOVERNMENT IN A FINANCIAL YEAR. IT ARISES WHEN THE EXPENDITURE OF A GOVERNMENT IS MORE THAN THE REVENUE GENERATED BY THE GOVERNMENT IN A GIVEN FISCAL YEAR.

RECENTLY INDIA AND WHICH COUNTRY IS KEEN TO SIGN A \$3 BILLION MQ-9B PREDATOR DRONE DEAL?

- **UNITED STATE OF AMERICA**
- **INDIA AND THE UNITED STATES ARE KEEN FOR AN EARLY CONCLUSION OF THE 30 MQ-9B PREDATOR ARMED DRONES DEAL AT A COST OF OVER USD 3 BILLION, WHICH WILL HELP NEW DELHI STRENGTHEN ITS OVERALL SURVEILLANCE APPARATUS ALONG THE LINE OF ACTUAL CONTROL (LAC) AND THE INDIAN OCEAN. □ THESE ARE UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE CAPABLE OF REMOTELY CONTROLLED AND USED FOR SURVEILLANCE.**

WHERE WAS EXERCISE TRISHAKTI PRAHAR CARRIED OUT FROM 21 JANUARY 2023 TO 31 JANUARY 2023?

- **WEST BENGAL**
- **IN ORDER TO COORDINATE AN INTEGRATED BATTLE, THE INDIAN ARMED FORCES AND CENTRAL ARMED POLICE FORCES (CAPF) CONDUCTED A JOINT TRAINING EXERCISE CALLED "EXERCISE TRISHAKRI PRAHAR" IN NORTH BENGAL FROM 21 TO 31 JANUARY, 2023. □ THE AIM OF THE EXERCISE WAS TO PRACTICE BATTLE PREPAREDNESS OF THE SECURITY FORCES, USING LATEST WEAPONS AND EQUIPMENT IN A NETWORKED, INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENT INVOLVING THE ARMY, AIR FORCE AND CAPFS.**

INDIA AND WHICH COUNTRY HAVE AGREED TO FORM A TASK FORCE TO BOOST COOPERATION IN THE SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRY?

- **USA**
- **THE US HAS SUPPORTED THE DEVELOPMENT OF A FABRICATION ECOSYSTEM IN INDIA IN THE FIELD OF SEMICONDUCTORS, AND ENCOURAGED JOINT VENTURES AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR MATURE TECHNOLOGY NODES AND ADVANCED PACKAGING. □ BOTH NATIONS HAVE AGREED TO CONSTITUTE A TASK FORCE INVOLVING INDIA'S SEMICONDUCTOR MISSION, INDIA ELECTRONICS SEMICONDUCTOR ASSOCIATION AND THE US SEMICONDUCTOR INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION. □ THE AIM IS TO DEVELOP A READINESS ASSESSMENT TO IDENTIFY NEAR TERM OPPORTUNITIES AND FACILITATE LONGER TERM DEVELOPMENT OF SEMICONDUCTOR ECOSYSTEMS. □ THE INDIA SEMICONDUCTOR MISSION (ISM): ○ IT WAS LAUNCHED IN 2021 WITH A TOTAL FINANCIAL OUTLAY OF RS 76000 CRORE UNDER THE MINISTRY OF ELECTRONICS AND IT. ○ THE PROGRAM IS AIMED TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO COMPANIES INVESTING IN SEMICONDUCTORS, DISPLAY MANUFACTURING AND DESIGN ECOSYSTEM.**

NOMINAL GDP IS PROJECTED TO GROW AT WHAT PERCENT IN FY2022-23 ACCORDING TO THE FISCAL POLICY STATEMENTS?

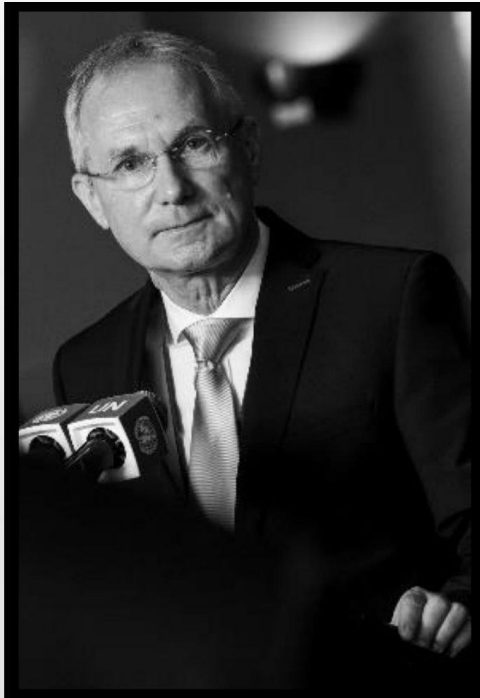
- **15.4%**
- **NOMINAL GDP OR GDP AT CURRENT PRICES IN THE YEAR 2022-23 IS ESTIMATED AT ₹273.08 LAKH CRORE, AS AGAINST THE PROVISIONAL ESTIMATE OF GDP FOR THE YEAR 2021-22 OF ₹236.65 LAKH CRORE, RELEASED ON 31ST MAY, 2022. THE GROWTH IN NOMINAL GDP DURING 2022-23 IS ESTIMATED AT 15.4 PER CENT AS COMPARED TO 19.5 PER CENT IN 2021-22.**

WHO HAS WON FIH MEN'S HOCKEY WORLD CUP?

- **GERMANY**
- **GERMANY ARE THE REIGNING MEN'S FIH WORLD CUP CHAMPIONS, HAVING CLINCHED THE 2023 EDITION HELD IN ODISHA, INDIA. □ GERMANY BEAT BELGIUM 5-4 IN THE PENALTY SHOOTOUT TO WIN THE FIH MEN'S HOCKEY WORLD CUP 2023 AT THE KALINGA STADIUM IN BHUBANESWAR, INDIA ON SUNDAY. □ GERMANY: ○ WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRY. ○ CAPITAL AND LARGEST CITY- BERLIN ○ PRESIDENT- FRANK-WALTER STEINMEIER ○ CHANCELLOR- OLAF SCHOLZ ○ CURRENCY- EURO**

RECENTLY THE PRESIDENT OF UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY HAS COME TO INDIA. WHAT IS HIS NAME?

- **CSABA KOROSI**
- **INDIA'S ENGAGEMENT WITH THE U.N. AND WATER CONSERVATION PROJECTS IN THE COUNTRY WILL BE AMONG THE FOCUS AREAS OF DISCUSSIONS FOR U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY PRESIDENT CSABA KŐRÖSI AS HE UNDERTAKES AN OFFICIAL VISIT TO INDIA FROM JANUARY 29 TO 31. □ DURING HIS FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO INDIA AS PRESIDENT OF THE 77TH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, MR. KŐRÖSI WILL MEET WITH EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MINISTER DR. S. JAISHANKAR IN NEW DELHI.**





WHO HAS RECENTLY BECOME THE HIGHEST WICKET-TAKER FOR INDIA IN T20I HISTORY?

- **YUZVENDRA CHAHAL**
- **YUZVENDRA CHAHAL HAS BECOME THE HIGHEST LEADING WICKET-TAKER FOR INDIA IN THE T20IS HISTORY SURPASSING BHUVANESHVAR KUMAR. □ THE LEG-SPINNER ACHIEVED THE LANDMARK DURING THE SECOND T20I AGAINST NEW ZEALAND IN LUCKNOW ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 29. □ YUZVENDRA CHAHAL TOOK 91 WICKETS IN 75* MATCHES. □ SHAKIB AL HASAN, RASHID KHAN, ISH SODHI AND LASITH MALINGA ARE THE OTHER BOWLERS WHO HAVE AT LEAST 100 WICKETS IN THE SHORTEST FORMAT.**



WHO HAS BEEN APPOINTED AS ITS BRAND AMBASSADOR BY THE NATIONAL MINERAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION?

- **NIKHAT ZARIN**
- **NATIONAL MINER AND INDIA'S LARGEST PRODUCER OF IRON ORE, NMDC, HAS SIGNED A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH WORLD BOXING CHAMPION AND GOLD MEDAL WINNER OF BIRMINGHAM 2022 COMMONWEALTH GAMES, NIKHAT ZAREEN TO REPRESENT NMDC AS ITS BRAND AMBASSADOR. □ NATIONAL MINERAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (NMDC): ○ CURRENTLY NMDC LIMITED. ○ IT IS INVOLVED IN MINING AND EXPLORATION OF MINERALS. ○ IT IS A CENTRAL PUBLIC SECTOR UNDERTAKING. ○ PARENT MINISTRY- MINISTRY OF STEEL. ○ HQ- HYDERABAD, TELANGANA**