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Home Minister Amit Shah Launches Digital Crime Management System And mobile app 'Sankalan'

- In a major fillip to India's fight against terrorism and organised crime, Union Home Minister Amit Shah virtually inaugurated a unique digital Criminal Case Management System (CCMS), designed by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) in New Delhi.
- Home Minister Shah also inaugurated NIA's 2 new branch offices in Jammu and Kochi and a residential complex in Raipur.
- Mr Shah also launched a mobile app 'Sankalan' – A compendium of New Criminal Laws by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).
- The newly developed Criminal Case Management System will enable the NIA personnel to better coordinate in terrorism and organised crime cases, thereby improving justice delivery.
- The two new Office Complexes in Jammu and Kochi, besides the Residential Complex in Raipur will strengthen the agency's reach and presence.

Q. Name the mobile app recently launched by Home Minister Amit Shah which is a compendium of new criminal laws by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)? **Sankalan**



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India, Singapore Sign MOU On Law And Dispute Resolution

- India and Singapore have signed a memorandum of understanding on cooperation in the sphere of law and dispute resolution.
- The Ministry of Law and Justice in a statement said that this agreement will further enhance the cooperation between the two countries in areas of common interest such as international commercial dispute resolution.
- The agreement was signed by Minister of State for Law and Justice Arjun Ram Meghwal and Singapore Minister for Culture, Community and Youth Mr. Edwin Tong.
- This initiative signifies the Government's collective commitment to deepening collaboration in the field of law and dispute resolution, with a focus on sharing best practices, exchanging expertise, and facilitating capacity-building initiatives for the stakeholders.
- With this partnership, the Government is aiming to harness synergies between the legal regimes and explore innovative approaches to address the evolving needs of citizens and businesses.

Q. With which country, India has recently signed a memorandum of understanding on cooperation in the sphere of law and dispute resolution? **Singapore**



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Renowned Rabindra Sangeet Singer Sadi Mohammad Passes Away At 70 In Dhaka Tragedy

- In Bangladesh, a legendary Rabindra Sangeet singer Sadi Mohammad passed away. He was 70.
- Sadi Mohammad completed his bachelor's and master's in Rabindra Sangeet from the Visva-Bharati University in India and is the son of Liberation War martyr Salimullah and Jebunnesa Salim Ullah.
- Sadi served as the director of the cultural organisation Rabi Raag.
- In 2007, Sadi debuted as a music composer when he released the album "Amakey Khujey Pabey Bhorer Shishirey". He released the albums "Srabon Akashey" in 2009 and "Sharthok Janom Amar" in 2012.

Q. Name the Renowned Rabindra Sangeet Singer, who passed away recently? **Sadi Mohammad**



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Australia's Wade to retire from First-Class cricket, concentrates on white ball formats

- Australian wicketkeeper-batter Matthew Wade said he will retire from first-class cricket after the upcoming Sheffield Shield final, but will remain available for selection in white-ball formats.
- The Sheffield Shield final between Tasmania and Western Australia, beginning here on March 21, will be Wade's final red-ball match of a career that started in 2012.
- After that game, the left-handed batter will join Gujarat Titans for IPL 2024, though he will miss the first couple of matches as the Shield final clashes with the league's schedule.
- Wade appeared in 36 Tests for Australia and made 1613 runs with four centuries at an average of 29.87.
- His last Test appearance was against India at Brisbane in 2021 after which lost his place to Alex Carey.

Q. Matthew Wade, who has announced his retirement from first-class cricket, is associated with which national team? **Australia**



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DEPwD and Council of Architecture Collaborate to Enhance Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities

- The Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwD) is pleased to announce a groundbreaking collaboration with the Council of Architecture (COA) aimed at promoting inclusivity and accessibility for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) in public spaces and buildings.
- The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between DEPwD and COA signifies a joint commitment to conduct workshops, seminars, and training programs. These initiatives will include the incorporation of mandatory course modules in the Bachelor of Architecture curriculum, fostering awareness about creating accessible environments for PwDs.
- As part of this partnership, COA and DEPwD recently concluded a certified Training of Master Trainers on Universal Accessibility. The primary objective of this training program is to empower architects, academicians etc to serve as access auditors in the built environment.

Q. DEPwD and the Council of Architecture announced collaboration to promote inclusivity and accessibility for ___ in public spaces and buildings.
Persons with Disabilities



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Fitch Ratings ups GDP growth forecast to 7% for FY25

- Global rating agency Fitch Ratings raised India's growth forecast for the next financial year (FY25) to 7 per cent from 6.5 per cent estimated earlier, citing robust domestic demand and sustained growth in business and consumer confidence.
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Q. Fitch Ratings has increased the GDP growth forecast for FY 2025 to how much percent? **7%**



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2022 Human Development Index: India better position, ranks 134 out of 193 countries

- India's ranking on the United Nations Human Development Index (HDI) improved by one position in 2022 to 134 out of 193 countries ranked compared to 135 out of 191 countries in 2021.
- On the Gender Inequality Index (GII) 2022, India has been ranked at 108 out of 193 countries with a score of 0.437. Its rank was 122 out of 191 countries with a score of 0.490 in the GII-2021.
- This shows a significant jump of 14 ranks on the GII-2022 vis-a-vis the GII-2021
- However, the country also has one of the largest gender gaps in its labour force participation rate — a 47.8 per cent difference between women (28.3 per cent) and men (76.1 per cent).
- After a drop in its HDI value in 2021 and following a flat trend over the past few years, India's HDI value has increased to 0.644 in 2022, placing the country at 134 out of 193 countries and territories in the just released 2023/24 Human Development Report (HDR).
- India ranked 135 out of 191 countries in 2021 on the back of a marginal increase in its HDI value to 0.644 compared to 0.633 in 2021.

Q. What is the rank of India in the United Nations Human Development Index (HDI)? **134**



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Tata Motors to set up Rs 9,000 crore vehicle manufacturing hub in Tamil Nadu

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin and officials of Tata Motors inked a pact to build the company's first vehicle manufacturing facility in the state with an investment of Rs 9,000 crore.
- According to the state's Industries Minister TRB Rajaa, the manufacturing plant would generate 5,000 new jobs.
- Tata Motors CFO PB Balaji and V Vishnu, MD&CEO, Guidance Tamil Nadu, exchanged documents in the presence of Chief Minister M K Stalin.
- Notably, earlier in January this year, Vietnam-based electric vehicle (EV) manufacturer VinFast decided to invest in Tamil Nadu to establish its manufacturing facility in Thoothukudi. This would be the company's first manufacturing facility in India.

Q. With which state, Tata Motors inked a pact to build the company's first vehicle manufacturing facility with an investment of Rs 9,000 crore? **Tamil Nadu**

paytm



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Paytm gets NPCI nod to become a third-party UPI app

- National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) granted approval to One97 Communications Limited (OCL), Paytm's parent entity, to participate in UPI services as a third-party application provider (TPAP). For Paytm, four banks will act as partner banks- Payment System Provider (PSP)- in order to aid the payment service.
- These banks are Axis Bank, HDFC Bank, State Bank of India, YES Bank.
- The regulator also advised Paytm to complete migration for all existing handles and mandates, wherever required, to new PSP banks at the earliest.
- The nod means you can use Paytm app for payments through unified payment interface.

Q. Which Financial technology company gets NPCI nod to become a third-party UPI app? **Paytm**



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Former Infosys Foundation Chairperson Sudha Murty takes oath as RS member

- Engineer-turned-philanthropist Sudha Murty took oath as Rajya Sabha MP in the presence of her husband N R Narayana Murthy.
- Murty took the oath in Kannada.
- Rajya Sabha Chairman Jagdeep Dhankhar administered the oath in his chamber in Parliament House.
- Murty, 73, the former chairperson of Infosys Foundation and the author of several books, mostly for children, was nominated to the Rajya Sabha on International Women's Day.
- She is also renowned for her contribution to Kannada and English literature and is a recipient of the Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar, the Padma Shri (2006) and the Padma Bhushan (2023).
- Murty, who was the first woman engineer to have worked with TELCO, is famously known to have provided the seed capital of Rs 10,000 from her emergency funds to her husband to start Infosys, which now has a market cap of over USD 80 billion.
- Her daughter Akshata is married to British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak.

Q. Name the Former Infosys Foundation Chairperson who took oath as Rajya Sabha MP recently? **Sudha Murty**



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