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INTERNATIONAL

1) Ocean Melting Greenland mission

The ocean waters are melting the glaciers in Greenland as much as the warm air is melting them from the above. The Ocean Melting Greenland mission also referred to as OMG mission was launched by NASA. The five year mission is ended on December 31, 2021. The mission mainly measured the ice loss in Green land.

NATIONAL

1) 'Villages of Excellence'

The Government of India has joined hands with the Government of Israel to create 150 'Villages of Excellence' in 12 States of the country, to help farmers to adopt the latest technology in the farm sector. Israel would provide Technical assistance and other expertise to make agriculture a more profitable business.

2) 'New banknote printing lines'

Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL) has set up 'new banknote printing lines' at its Currency Note Press, Nashik and Bank Note Press, Dewas. In India, four printing presses for printing and supply of Banknotes. These are at Dewas, Nasik, Salboni, Mysore.

3) First geological park of India

The first geological park of India will be built in Lamheta, Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh. The geological park will be built in Lamheta, because in 1928, William Henry Sleeman had discovered Dinosaur fossil from this area. UNESCO has also recognised Lamheta as geo heritage site.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Paytm Money has introduced 'Pops'

Paytm Money has introduced "India's first" intelligent messenger called 'Pops'. The company has launched 'Pops', with which users can receive specific information related to their stocks, analysis about their portfolio, market news, and important market movements in an easy to consume format, all in one place.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Xiomara Castro

Xiomara Castro was sworn in as the first woman president of Honduras. Honduras is a Central American country. Its capital is Tegucigalpa. It is located along the coast of Caribbean Sea. Xiomara replaces President Orlando.

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OBITUARY

1) Iqbal Singh Kingra

Iqbal Singh Kingra, who was an Indian socio-spiritual leader of the Sikh community and an educationalist passed away at the age of 95 years. He was conferred with the Padma Shri in 2022 for his contributions in the field of social work.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) 'Fearless Governance'

The book titled 'Fearless Governance' authored by Dr Kiran Bedi has been released. She is the former Lt Governor of Puducherry and IPS (retd). This book is based on the ground realities of nearly five years of service of Dr Bedi as Lt. Governor of Puducherry and her vast experience of 40 years in the Indian Police Service.

SPORTS

1) Australian Open 2022

Rafael Nadal (Spain) has defeated Daniill Medvedev (Russia) 2-6,6-7,6-4,6-4,7-5 to win the Men's Singles title at the Australian Open 2022. In women's, Ashleigh Barty of Australia defeated Danielle Collins of the US, 6-3 7-6, to win women's singles final title at the Australian Open 2022.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day

World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day is observed on January 30 every year to raise awareness about neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) as a critical public health challenge so that we can progress towards their elimination. 2022 theme is 'Achieving health equity to end the neglect of poverty-related diseases'. The 2022 slogan is "From neglect to care".