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SJVN partners with IIT Patna to improve tunneling project performance

- SJVN, formerly known as Satluj Jal Vidyut Nigam, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Institute of Technology Patna (IIT Patna) to use advanced geological models in SJVN's tunnelling projects, thus significantly reducing time and cost overruns.
- One of the key outcomes of this partnership will be the development of predictive analytics algorithms. These algorithms, leveraging integrated geotechnical data, will forecast potential risks and provide early warning systems specifically tailored for tunnelling projects. Such proactive measures are expected to substantially mitigate time and cost overruns during project execution. The collaboration also aims to evaluate the intricate relationship between overburden and deformation, thereby enhancing the evaluation and design of support systems crucial for tunneling projects.

Q. Recently, SJVN has signed an MoU with which Indian Institute of Technology to use advanced geological models in SJVN's tunnelling projects? **IIT Patna**



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World's Oldest Man, Juan Vicente Perez Mora From Venezuela Dies At 114

- Venezuelan Juan Vicente Perez Mora, certified in 2022 by Guinness World Records as the oldest man in the world, died at the age of 114.
- Perez was officially confirmed as the oldest man alive on February 4, 2022, when he was 112 years and 253 days old, according to Guinness. A father of 11, as of 2022 he had 41 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and 12 great-great-grandchildren. The farmer known as Tio Vicente was born in the town of El Cobre, in the Andean state of Tachira on May 27, 1909, and was the ninth of 10 children.
- Perez went on to become a sheriff and was responsible for resolving land and family disputes, while still working in agriculture.
- Earlier, Maria Branyas Morera celebrated her 117th birthday and with this, she added her name to the Guinness World Records (GWR) list. Born in 1907, she is now the world's oldest living person who has survived World War I, World War II, the Spanish Flu pandemic, and the COVID-19 pandemic.

Q. Name the World's Oldest Man, certified in 2022 by Guinness World Records, who passed away recently? **Juan Vicente Perez Mora**



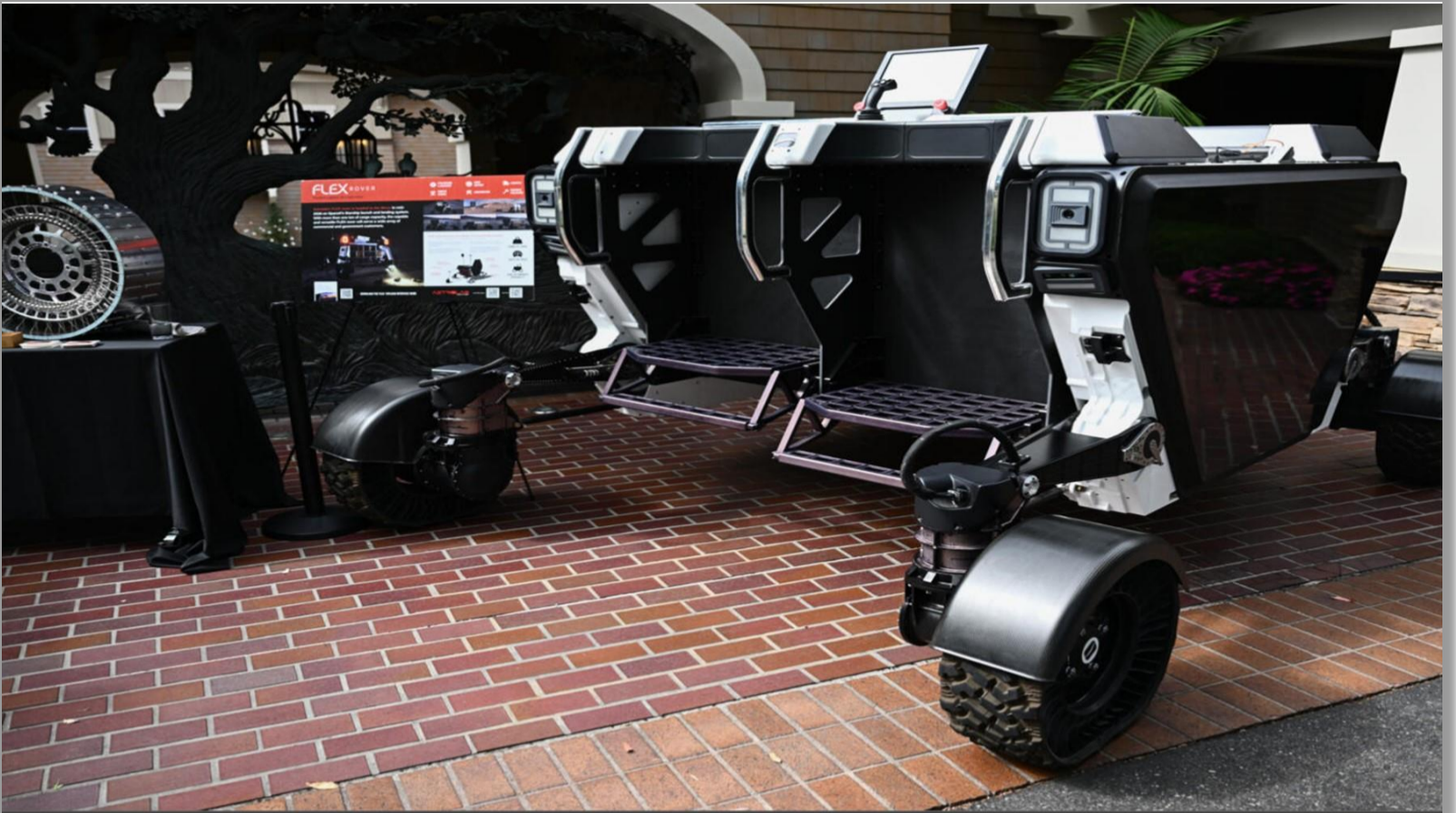
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IIT-Kanpur Alumnus Sandeep Jain Steps Into FISME Presidency

- Sandeep Jain, an alumnus of IIT-Kanpur and an auto-component manufacturer, has been elected as the President of the Federation of Indian Micro and Small & Medium Enterprises (FISME) for the term 2024-25.
- His appointment was unanimously approved during a meeting of the Central Executive Committee held in New Delhi, marking a significant transition from his prior role as the Vice President of FISME.
- The organization conducts annual elections to elect one third of its Central Executive Committee members, who then choose the President for the upcoming year.
- Jain succeeds Prashant Patel, a manufacturer of Dyes and Chemicals with operations in Ahmedabad and Surat.
- With a background in Mechanical Engineering from IIT Kanpur, Jain commenced his career at TVS Electronics & Tata Unisys before establishing the SOLO Group in Gurgaon back in 1991. SOLO Group, a fully integrated CNC Machine shop, operates from 3 plants housing 52 CNC machines and employs 150 individuals.

Q. Who has been elected as the President of the Federation of Indian Micro and Small & Medium Enterprises (FISME)?

Sandeep Jain



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NASA names firms to develop rover for first crewed Moon mission since 1972

- NASA has awarded contracts to three companies to develop vehicles for the first crewed missions to the Moon in more than five decades.
- Intuitive Machines, Lunar Outpost and Venturi Astrolab – based in Texas, Colorado and California, respectively – were chosen to create designs for the lunar rover under a contract worth up to \$4.6bn.
- NASA plans to pick one of the companies to carry out a test run for their Lunar Terrain Vehicle before the arrival of the crew for the Artemis 5 mission scheduled for 2029.
- The Artemis missions, named after the sister of Apollo in Greek mythology, aim to return humans to the Moon for the first time since Apollo 17 in 1972.
- Under the programme, NASA plans to establish the first long-term presence on the Moon and lay the groundwork for future missions to Mars.
- Artemis 3, the first crewed mission, is scheduled to land in 2026.

Q. Which companies have been named by NASA to develop a rover for the first manned Moon mission since 1972?

Intuitive Machines, Lunar Outpost and Venturi Astrolab



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Regional airline FLY91 ties up with IBS Software

- FLY91, the country's youngest regional airline, has partnered with IBS Software to power its commercial operations.
- FLY91 aims to provide an air alternative to road and rail travel across underserved routes in India.
- IBS Software has created a reservation experience designed to deliver a simple, efficient and cost-effective experience, to attract and retain customers.
- These real-time dynamic and personalised pricing capabilities are a vital tool in delivering the most cost-effective fares and ensuring pricing is competitive with alternative modes of transport.
- Additionally, access to an API-driven ecosystem gives FLY91 the ability to open its services and routes connecting tier-2 (population of 50,000 to 100,000) and tier 3 (population of 20,000 to 50,000) cities across India to interline partners, it said.
- This provides international and domestic airlines with a solution for last-mile coverage to smaller destinations that are underserved by existing carriers.

Q. The India's youngest regional airline FLY91 has partnered with which software company to empower its commercial operations? **IBS**



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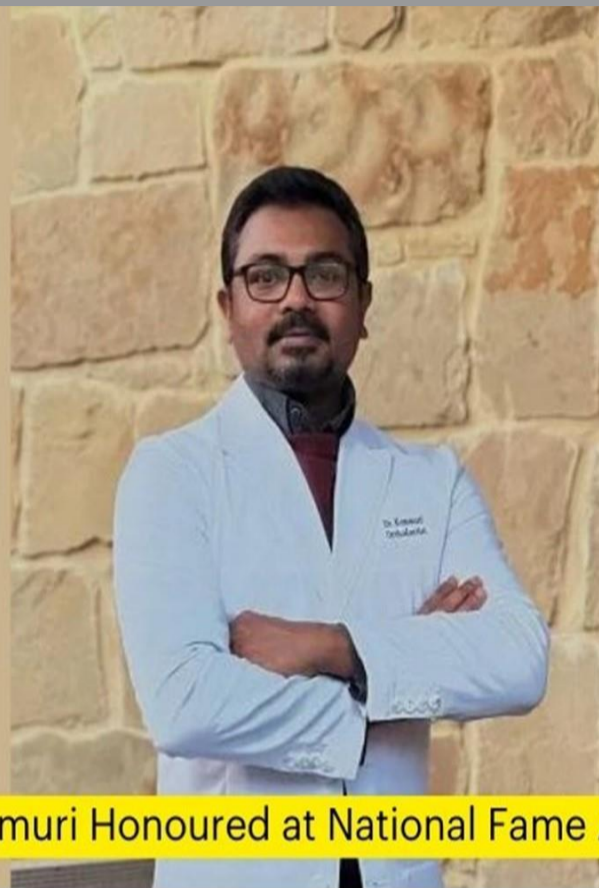
Swiggy Instamart VP & Head SCM Karan Arora steps down

- Swiggy Instamart's vice president and head of supply chain management (SCM), Karan Arora, announced his departure from the company after a three-and-a-half year tenure with the firm.
- Bhupesh Pangti, who has been with the company since 2021, will take over Arora's responsibilities as VP of supply chain.
- Meanwhile, Arora will join forces with Karthik Gurumurthy, the former head of Swiggy Instamart, who left in November last year to establish Convenio. Arora will serve as the co-founder of Convenio, an offline retail startup that mirrors Swiggy's business model.

Swiggy:

- Founded: August 2014
- Founders: Sriharsha Majety, Nandan Reddy, Rahul Jaimini
- Headquarters: Bangalore, Karnataka, India
- CEO: Sriharsha Majety
- CFO: Rahul Bothra

Q. Name the Swiggy Instamart's vice president, who stepped down from his position recently? **Karan Arora**



Dr. Karthik Kommuri Honoured at National Fame Awards 2024

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- Dr. Karthik Kommuri is synonymous with exceptional patient care and stands as a beacon for contemporary practice in orthodontics, and dentistry at large.
- As a recognition of his efforts, Dr. Kommuri was felicitated with the Distinguished Overseas Dental Specialist (Orthodontics and Orofacial Pain) title at the National Fame Awards 2024, held at The Club in Mumbai.

National Fame Awards:

- The National Fame Awards are an initiative by Brands Impact to recognize exceptional individuals and organizations that have risen to fame and nationwide popularity.
- The awards aim to celebrate their inspiring achievements and positive impact in their fields.
- Several B-Town celebs were honored at the third edition of National Fame Award Awards, such as Gauahar Khan, Udit Narayan, Alka Yagnik, Rahul Dev, Zayed Khan, Jennifer Winget, Karan Wahi, Maanvi Gagroo, Elli AvrRam, Aditya Seal, Anushka Ranjan, Divyanka Tripathi Etc.

Q. Who has been honored with the National Fame Award 2024? **Dr. Karthik Kommuri**



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Tata International Appoints Rajeev Singhal as MD

- Tata International, the global trading and distribution arm of the Tata group, has appointed Rajeev Singhal as its managing director.
- Singhal succeeds Anand Sen who superannuated on March 31.
- Singhal was previously executive director and chief operating officer (COO) at Tata International.
- Singhal brings more than 36 years of experience to his new role, having transitioned from Tata Steel where he held various positions including his most recent role as vice-president of marketing and sales for flat products.

Tata Group:

- Subsidiaries: Tata Motors, Tata Steel Ltd
- Founder: Jamsetji Tata
- Parent organization: Tata Sons
- Headquarters: Mumbai
- Founded: 1868

Q. Who has been appointed MD of Tata International? **Rajeev Singhal**



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Honda Cars India names Ryuto Shimizu as new director of marketing-sales

- Honda Cars India has appointed Ryuto Shimizu as the company's new Director (Marketing & Sales).
- He replaces Yuichi Murata who has moved to Honda Mexico as President.
- Shimizu has been associated with Honda for over 25 years and has worked across several international markets during the span of his career including Japan, China and Thailand.
- He has worked across the domain of marketing & sales including product planning, overseas operations, and business planning, among others.
- Prior to joining Honda Cars India, he was in-charge of the Business Planning Office at Honda Automobile (Thailand) Co Ltd from 2021-2023.

Honda Motor Company:

- Founders: Soichiro Honda, Takeo Fujisawa
- Founded: 24 September 1948
- Headquarters: Tokyo, Japan

Q. Who has been appointed as the new Director of Marketing-Sales by Honda Cars India? **Ryuto Shimizu**



Bundelkhand Wheat Variety Gets GI Tag

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- The Bundelkhand region in Uttar Pradesh has received its first Geographical Indication (GI) tag for a farm produce.
- The indigenous farm produce wheat, popularly known as Kathiya Gehu (wheat), has been conferred the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- After a long process of two years the GI tag vide certificate number 585 was issued on March 30, 2024.
- This recognition is expected to boost the promotion of Kathiya Gehu, an indigenous wheat variety known for its high protein content and minimal water requirements. Notably, Kathiya Gehu is gluten-free, making it a healthier option for consumers.
- Kathiya Gehu's adaptability to harsh climatic conditions and low irrigation needs make it a resilient crop, particularly suitable for the arid landscape of the Bundelkhand region.

Q. Which variety of Bundelkhand wheat has got GI tag?
Kathiya Gehu (wheat)



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