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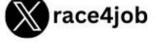


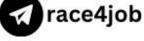


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Ministry Of Defence Signed Two Contracts With HAL

- The Ministry of Defence has signed two contracts worth 8 thousand 73 crore rupees with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) for the acquisition of 34 Advanced Light Helicopters.
- The deal was sealed for procuring 25 Advanced Light Helicopters for the Indian Army and 9 Advanced Light Helicopters for maritime role for the Indian Coast Guard under the buy Indian-indigenously designed, developed and manufactured category.
- The Indian Army version ALHs are designed to carry out search and rescue, troop transportation, internal cargo and casualty evacuation operations.
- The maritime role helicopters are designed to carry out operations such as maritime surveillance and interdiction, search and rescue, and cargo and personnel transportation. The Ministry also said, this project will have a positive impact on employment generation in the Defence sector.
- Q. The Ministry of Defence has signed two contracts worth 8 thousand 73 crore rupees with HAL for the acquisition of 34 ALH, in context to same what does ALH stands for? **Advanced Light Helicopters**















India Signed 181 Million Dollars Loan With ADB To Improve Urban Livability And Mobility In **Ahmedabad**

- India has signed a 181 million dollars loan with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to improve urban livability and mobility in Ahmedabad.
- The loan will fund development in areas transitioning from rural to urban, called Peri-urban areas.
- Under the Ahmedabad Peri-urban Livability Improvement Project, 166 km of water distribution network, 126 km of climate-resilient stormwater drainage, 300 km of sewerage systems, and four sewage treatment plants will be constructed.
- The Project will also support 10 junction improvements along the existing Sardar Patel Ring Road to improve connectivity of peri-urban areas to Ahmedabad.
- It further added that the peri-urban project will support development of recycling treated sewage for industrial use through a public-private partnership.
- This will benefit urban poor, women, and migrant workers through improved urban services and urban governance.
- Q. India has signed a 181 million dollars loan with which International organisation to improve urban livability and mobility in Ahmedabad? Asian Development Bank (ADB)















India And Dominican Republic Signs Protocol For Establishment Of Joint Economic And Trade **Committee**

- The protocol for the establishment of the Joint Economic and Trade Committee (JETCO) between India and the Dominican Republic was signed at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic at Santo Domingo.
- The protocol was signed by Minister of Foreign Affairs of Roberto Álvarez Dominican Republic the and Ambassador of India to the Dominican Republic Ramu Abbagani, on behalf of the Department of Commerce.
- The protocol envisages strengthening and developing cooperation on trade, services, industrial technologies, and various other sectors by means of technical assistance, training programmes, and capacity building.
- It will be pivotal in mitigating challenges faced by the trade and industry and provide a platform for sharing of knowledge and best practices between the two countries.
- India primarily imports gold from the Dominican Republic and exports pharmaceuticals, marine products, motor vehicles, two and three-wheelers, etc. to them.
- Q. India And Dominican Republic Signs Protocol For Establishment Of JETCO. Hence what does JETCO stands for? Joint Economic and Trade Committee















Haiti's PM Ariel Henry Tenders His Resignation

- Haiti's Prime Minister Ariel Henry has tendered his resignation.
- It comes after regional leaders met in Jamaica to discuss a political transition in the Caribbean country.
- Mr. Henry is currently stranded in Puerto Rico after being prevented by armed gangs from returning home.
- The capital Port-au-Prince and the surrounding region is under a month-long state of emergency, while a curfew has been extended.

Haiti:

- Capital: Port-au-Prince
- Currency: Gourde
- Official languages: Haitian Creole, French
- Continent: North America
- Q. Name the incumbent PM of Caribbean country Haiti, who has resigned from his post after being prevented by armed gangs from returning home? Ariel Henry















President Murmu Approves Uniform Civil Code Uttarakhand Bill, 2024

- President Droupadi Murmu approved the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) Uttarakhand Bill, 2024.
- With the implementation of this Bill, Uttarakhand will become the first State in the country to implement the UCC after Independence.
- The Bill addresses practices such as polygamy, polyandry, halala, iddat, and talaaq, and ensures property rights, equal marriageable age, and equal inheritance rights.
- With the enactment of UCC law, everyone in the State will get equal rights without any discrimination in matters like maintenance, adoption, inheritance and divorce.

Uttarakhand:

- Capital: Bhararisain, Dehradun (winter)
- Chief minister: Pushkar Singh Dhami
- Governor: Gurmit Singh
- Q. President Droupadi Murmu approved the Uniform Civil Code (UCC) for which state making it the first State in the country to implement the UCC after Independence? Uttarakhand















Maharashtra Cabinet Approves Renaming Ahmednagar District As Ahilya Nagar

- renaming Maharashtra Cabinet approved Ahmednagar district as Ahilya Nagar.
- The State cabinet also decided to rename eight suburban railway stations in Mumbai that carry colonial names, including Curry Road station, which will be called Lalbaug; Sandhurst Road station, which will be called Dongri, Marine Lines to be renamed Mumbadevi, Charni Road Girgaon, Cotton Green as Kalachowki, Dockyard Mazgaon, King's Circle as Parswanath and Mumbai Central Nana as Jagannath Shankarsheth.
- The State Cabinet also approved the construction of a sea link between Uttan (Bhayander) and Virar (Palghar).
- The Maharashtra cabinet approved a new Marathi language policy to establish it as a language of knowledge acquisition and employment in the next 25 years.
- Q. Recently Maharashtra Cabinet approved renaming Ahmednagar district on whose name, who was regarded as the most visionary female rulers of independent India? Ahilya Bai Holkar















Gyanesh Kumar and Sukhbir Singh Sandhu, selected as new election commissioners

- Former bureaucrats Sukhbir Sandhu and Gyanesh Kumar have been selected as new election commissioners by Modi-led Prime Minister Narendra high-powered committee.
- According to sources six names came up before the panel for the selection of the two election commissioners and the names of Sukhbir Sandhu and Gyanesh Kumar were finalised by a majority of members of the high-powered panel.
- The six names shortlisted were those of Utpal Kumar Singh, Pradeep Kumar Tripathi, Gyanesh Kumar, Indevar Pandey, Sukhbir Singh Sandhu, Sudhir Kumar Gangadhar Rahate, all former bureaucrats.
- Note: The vacancies had come up after the retirement of Anup Chandra Pandey on February 14 and the sudden resignation of Arun Goel.

Who is Chief Election Commissioner of India?

- The Chief Election Commissioner of India heads the Election Commission of India, a body constitutionally empowered to conduct free and fair elections to the national and state legislatures and of President and Vice-President.
- Q. Recently who have been selected as new election commissioners by Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led highpowered committee? Sukhbir Sandhu and Gyanesh Kumar















Tata Technologies appoints Sukanya Sadasivan as **Chief Operating Officer**

- Global engineering and product development digital services firm Tata Technologies Ltd announced the appointment of Sukanya Sadasivan as its Chief Operating Officer.
- Sadasivan in her new role will primarily focus on strengthening delivery and practice operations, along with internal digital and IT systems, preparing the company for an ambitious phase of expansion.
- She brings to Tata Technologies more than three decades of knowledge and experience in the services sector, having previously served in various senior leadership capacities at Tata Consultancy Services (TCS).
- Before joining Tata Technologies, Sukanya held the position of Senior Vice President & Chief Information Officer at TCS, leading strategic transformation initiatives across the organisation.
- Q. Global engineering and product development digital services firm Tata Technologies Ltd has announced the appointment of whom as its Chief Operating Officer? Sukanya Sadasivan















Ranji Final: Mumbai ends eight-year drought to clinch 42nd title

- Mumbai won their record-extending 42nd Ranji Trophy title defeating Vidarbha by 169 runs on the final day of the 2023-24 season.
- Chasing a colossal 538-run target, Vidarbha were bowled out for 368.
- This is Mumbai's first Ranji trophy win since 2015-16, a period in which Gujarat, Vidarbha (x2), Saurashtra (x2) and Madhya Pradesh have all lifted the trophy.
- Mumbai were the losing finalists in 2016-17 and 2021-22.

Ranji Trophy

- Administrator: BCCI
- Number of teams: 38
- Most successful: Mumbai (42 titles)
- Most runs: Wasim Jaffer (12,038)
- Most wickets: Rajinder Goel (640)
- Q. Which team won their record-extending 42nd Ranji Trophy title defeating Vidarbha by 169 runs? Mumbai















RBI slaps fines on Bank of India & Bandhan Bank for breach of rules

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a penalty of Rs 1.4 crore on Bank of India for noncompliance with certain regulatory norms.
- It has also imposed a penalty of Rs 29.55 lakh on private sector lender Bandhan Bank for noncompliance with certain directions.
- The penalty on Bank of India has been imposed for non-compliance with the RBI's directions related to 'interest rate on deposits', 'customer service in banks', 'interest rate on advances', and contravention of provisions of Credit Information Companies Rules, 2006.
- Meanwhile, the RBI also said a penalty of Rs 13.60 lakh has been imposed on Indostar Capital Finance Ltd for non-compliance with the 'Monitoring of Frauds in NBFCs (Reserve Bank) Directions, 2016' and with certain provisions of KYC directions.
- Q. Recently RBI imposed a penalty of on Bank of India for non-compliance with certain regulatory norms. Rs 1.4 crore



















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