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INTERNATIONAL

1) Period poverty

- Scotland becomes the first country in the world to provide the free sanitary product as a part of a global effort to end period poverty.
- Period poverty refers to the social, economic, political, and cultural barriers to menstrual products, education, and sanitation.

NATIONAL

1) Petroleum Coke or Petcoke

- India has received its first ever cargo from Venezuela in the beginning of 2022.
- Petroleum coke is a carbonaceous product obtained in the oil refining process. It has higher calorific value than coal but causes huge emission of sulphur dioxide and other pollutants.
- It is used as fuel in Cement, Lime Kilns, Gasification units, Industrial Boilers.

2) Manthan platform

- Office of the Principal Scientific Adviser, launched Manthan platform. It entrusted with the vision to enable and empower all spheres of science and technology within the country, on the occasion of India's 75 years of independence.
- It's objective is to promote collaboration at scale between industry and the scientific research and development ecosystem.

3) Paalan 1000 campaign

- Government launches Paalan 1000 campaign, parenting app to focus on child health.
- The 'Paalan 1000 - Journey of the First 1000 Days', focuses on the cognitive developments of children in the first 2 years of its life.
- The first 1000 days establish a solid platform for a child's physical, mental, emotional, cognitive and social health.

4) Indian national flag was unfurled in space

- The Indian national flag was unfurled in space at an altitude of over 30 km as the country marked its 75 years of Independence. The tricolour was sent to the edge of





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space on a balloon by Space Kidz India, which describes itself as an aerospace organisation creating young scientists for the country.

5) India's first saline water lantern, 'Roshini'

- Union Minister of Earth Sciences, Jitendra Singh has launched India's first saline water lantern, 'Roshini', which uses seawater to power Light Emitting Diode lamps.
- The minister unveiled the first-of-its-kind lantern during his visit to Sagar Anveshika, a coastal research vessel operated by the National Institute of Ocean Technology Chennai for marine research.

6) 131st edition of the Durand Cup 2022

- Asia's Oldest Football Tournament Durand Cup has begun. The 131st edition of the Durand Cup 2022 has been kicked off, the Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Chief Army Staff General Manoj Pande will visit Manipur to be a spectator of the inaugural match.
- The inaugural match will be held at the Khuman Lampak Stadium in Imphal.

7) 3D-printed an artificial cornea

- Researchers in Hyderabad have successfully 3D-printed an artificial cornea (3D-printed Human Cornea) and placed it in a rabbit eye for the first time ever in India.
- A 3D-printed Human cornea made from human donor corneal tissue has been created by researchers from the L V Prasad Eye Institute, Indian Institute of Technology-Hyderabad and the Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) William Ruto has been appointed as the Kenya's next president

- William Ruto is now the country's president-elect after he was declared the winner of the last presidential election over five-time contender Raila Odinga.
- Before Wafula Chebukati, the chair of Kenya's electoral commission could announce Ruto's victory. Ruto received 50.49% of the vote, the chairman said, while Odinga received 48.85%.

2) Simon Stiell

- UN Secretary-General António Guterres has appointed Simon Stiell as the new Executive Secretary of the United Nations Climate Change Secretariat based in Bonn, Germany.





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- The appointment has been endorsed by the Bureau of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

SPORTS

1) Sultan Azlan Shah Cup 2022

- Malaysia's premier men's hockey tournament, the Sultan Azlan Shah Cup 2022 will be held from November 16 to 25 in Ipoh.
- The tournament is making a return after a two-year due to the Covid-19 pandemic. World No 1 Australia, fifth-ranked Germany, India, New Zealand, and Canada have been invited to the tournament.

