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## **Dr. Soumya Swaminathan Appointed As Principal Advisor At Ministry Of Health & Family Welfare For National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme**

- Professor Dr. Soumya Swaminathan has been appointed as the Principal Advisor at the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme on a pro bono basis.
- She will provide technical advice on the overall strategy to achieve program goals, suggest policy directions and necessary course corrections for optimal outcomes, and advise on research strategy.
- She will also assist in the formation of expert groups with top talent globally.
- Additionally, she will support the Union Health Ministry, state officials, and development partners in assessing the impact of the programme.
- Prof. Swaminathan is a former Chief Scientist of the World Health Organization and has also served as the Director General of the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) previously.

**Q.** Who has been appointed as the Principal Advisor at the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme? **Dr. Soumya Swaminathan**





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## **India, Russia Set Target Of 100 Bn Dollars Trade By 2030 During 22nd Annual Summit In Moscow**

- India and Russia have agreed to set the trade target to 100 billion dollars by 2030.
- The two countries signed nine documents for cooperation in different fields.
- It includes MoUs in the areas of Environment and Climate Change, Cartography, Polar Research, Investment, Trade and Pharma.
- New Delhi and Moscow have also inked MoU on cooperation in field of Broadcasting between Prasar Bharati and TV Novosti.
- It also included elements relating to cooperation between the two countries relating to political sphere, larger space of economic engagement, covering extensively trade, capital linkages, energy, science and technology cooperation, defence and security.
- The Prime Minister strongly raised the issue of early discharge of Indian nationals who have been misled into the service of the Russian army.
- He added that the Russian side promised early discharge of all Indian nationals from the service of the Russian army.

**Q.** Recently India and Russia have set a target of \$100 billion trade by which year during the 22nd annual summit in Moscow? **2030**





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## Gautam Gambhir Appointed As Indian Men's Cricket Team Head Coach

- The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has appointed former batter and World Cup winner Gautam Gambhir as the new head coach of the senior men's team.
- BCCI secretary Jay Shah made this announcement. Mr Gambhir replaced Rahul Dravid as head coach.
- Gambhir will officially begin his tenure in July and will serve until December 31, 2027, which marks the year of the next ODI World Cup.
- Although Gambhir has never formally coached a team, he has been associated with IPL franchises Lucknow Super Giants and Kolkata Knight Riders as a mentor, leading the latter to its third IPL title on May 26, just a day before the application deadline for the head coach position.

### BCCI:

- Founded: 1 December 1928
- Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra
- President: Roger Binny
- CEO: Hemang Amin
- Vice president: Rajeev Shukla
- Secretary: Jay Shah
- Men's coach: Gautam Gambhir
- Women's coach: Amol Mazumdar

**Q.** Who has been appointed as the Indian Men's Cricket Team Head Coach? **Gautam Gambhir**





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## **Lamine Yamal becomes youngest-ever goalscorer in Euro history as Spain knock France out**

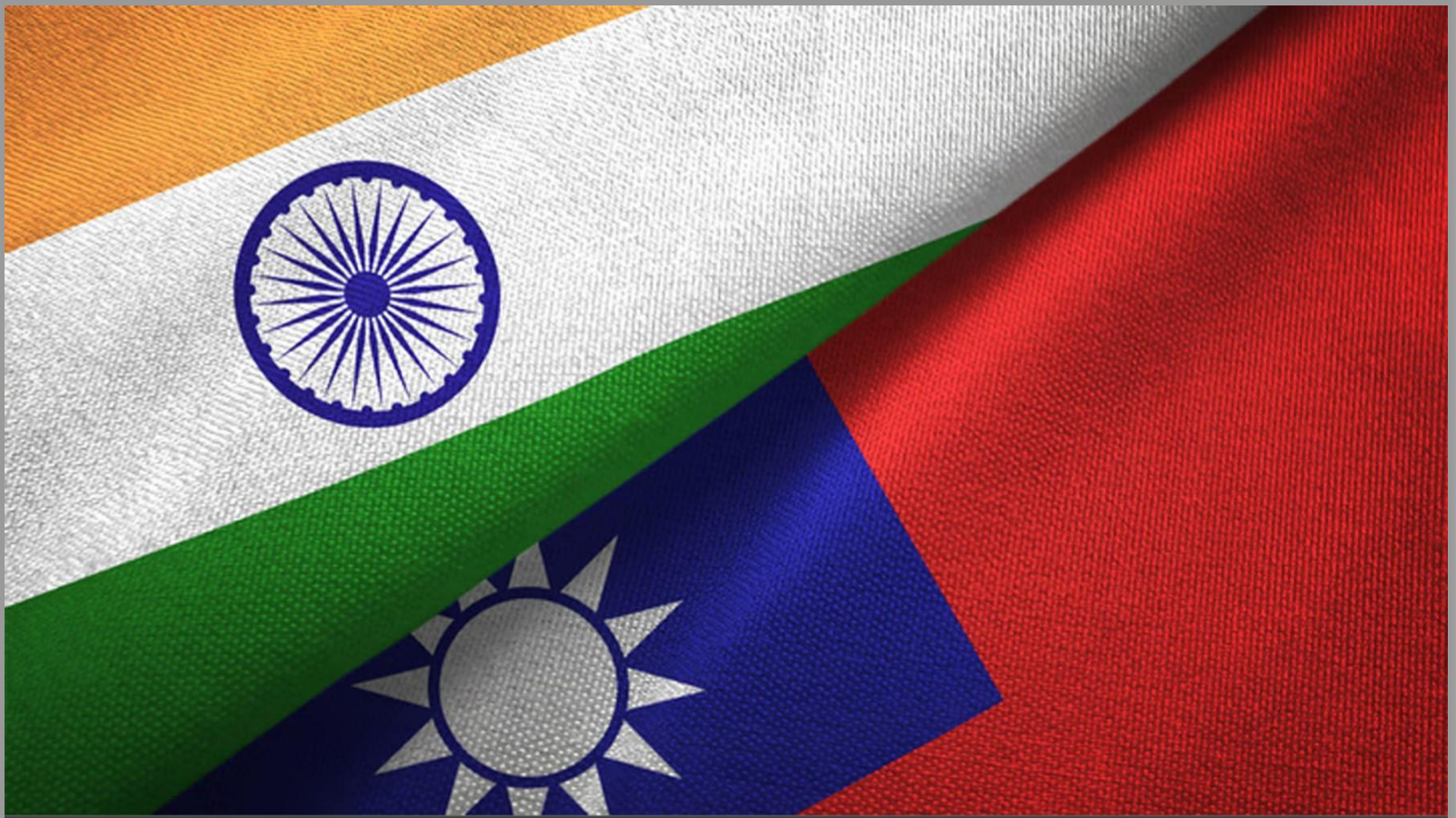
- Spain's 16-year-old winger Lamine Yamal has created history by becoming the youngest-ever goalscorer in the history of men's Euro.
- Yamal scored his first Euro goal in Spain's 2-1 Euro 2024 semi-final win against France.
- He broke the record previously held by Johan Vonlanthen of Switzerland, who scored a Euro goal against France at the age of 18.
- Lamine Yamal is also the youngest player to feature in the Euros.
- Yamal is currently the joint assist leader of the tournament with three assists and is becoming the most talked about player of Euro 2024.
- Yamal also became the youngest player to score a goal in the Euros or the FIFA World Cup.
- Pele was 17 years and 239 days old when he scored his first goal for Brazil in the World Cup.

### **Spain:**

- Capital: Madrid
- Prime Minister: Pedro Sánchez
- Currency: Euro

**Q.** Lamine Yamal, who has created history by becoming the youngest-ever goalscorer, hails from which country? **Spain**





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## **Mutual Recognition Agreement between India and Taiwan for Organic Products**

- The Mutual Recognition Agreement (MRA) for organic products between India and Taiwan has been implemented during the 9th Working Group on Trade Meeting with Taiwan at New Delhi.
- The implementing Agencies for the MRA are Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, India and Agriculture and Food Agency, Ministry of Agriculture (AFA), Taiwan.
- By virtue of this agreement, agricultural products produced and handled organically in conformity with the National Programme for Organic Production (NPOP) and accompanied by an organic demonstration document (transaction certificate, etc.) issued by an accredited certification body under NPOP are allowed for sale in Taiwan as organically produced including display of the “India Organic” logo.
- Similarly, agricultural products produced and handled organically in conformity with the Organic Agriculture Promotion Act and accompanied by an organic demonstration document (transaction certificate etc) issued by an accredited certification body under the Taiwanese regulation are allowed for sale in India as organically produced including display of the “Taiwan Organic” logo.

**Q.** Recently with who India has signed Mutual Recognition Agreement for Organic Products? **Taiwan**





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## Sri Lanka reaches out to OPEC Fund for water security project

- Sri Lanka held talks with the OPEC Fund for International Development for 100 million US dollars in assistance for a water security project.
- State Minister for Finance Shehan Semasinghe discussed the Mahaweli water security investment programme at the Ministry of Finance with Yusuf Al-Mulam, Asia-Pacific regional manager of the OPEC Fund.
- The programme is currently being implemented under the facility of over 300 million dollars from the Asian Development Bank, and the OPEC Fund has agreed to co-finance another 100 million dollars.
- This project, designed to deliver water from the Moragahakanda Reservoir to Hurulu and Mahakandara Reservoirs, is a testament to the success of Sri Lanka's debt restructuring and reform programme.

### OPEC

- Headquarters: Vienna, Austria
- Secretary General: Haitham al-Ghais

**Q.** Which country held talks with the OPEC Fund for International Development for 100 million US dollars in assistance for a water security project? **Sri Lanka**



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## Dedicated To Life

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### **ZyduS Lifesciences gets USFDA nod to market chronic heart failure treatment drug**

- ZyduS Lifesciences Ltd has received final approval from the US health regulator to market its generic Sacubitril and Valsartan tablets combination used to treat chronic heart failure in adults.
- Sacubitril and Valsartan combination is used to treat chronic heart failure in adults to help reduce the risk of death and hospitalisation.
- The drug will be manufactured at the group's formulation manufacturing facility in Moraiya, Ahmedabad.

### **ZyduS Lifesciences Ltd**

- Industry: Pharmaceuticals
- Founded: 1952
- Founder: Ramanbhai Patel
- Headquarters: Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India
- Chairman: Pankaj R. Patel
- Managing Director: Sharvil P. Patel

**Q.** Which Indian multinational pharmaceutical company gets USFDA nod to market chronic heart failure treatment drug? **ZyduS Lifesciences Ltd**





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## Central Asian Countries and Azerbaijan Begin Military Exercises in Kazakhstan

- Kazakhstan's Ministry of Defense announced the start of joint military exercises – 'Birlestik-2024' (Association-2024) – by Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan in the country's Mangystau region.
- Some four thousand military personnel and up to 700 pieces of military equipment will be involved in the exercise.
- Tactical episodes will be played out with the participation of ground and air reconnaissance groups, naval special forces, army and front-line aviation crews, warships and boats, artillery crews, assault and tank units.
- In November 2023, Azerbaijani President Ilham Aliyev called on leaders of Turkic states to strengthen defense cooperation and at a summit of the Organization of Turkic States (OTS) in Astana, Kazakhstan, stated: "Wars and bloody conflicts break out. In this case, the main guarantor of security, first of all, becomes the defense potential.
- It is to be believe that cooperation between the member states in areas such as security, defense, and the defense industry should be further increased.

**Q.** What is the name of the joint military exercise among Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan which is being held in Kazakhstan? **Birlestik-2024**





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## **Jasprit Bumrah, Smriti Mandhana clinch ICC Player of the Month awards**

- India pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah and batter Smriti Mandhana have clinched the ICC Player of the Month honour in men's and women's category, respectively, for the month of June following their impressive recent performances.
- Bumrah came out on top in the men's vote from compatriot Rohit Sharma and Rahmanullah Gurbaz of Afghanistan, while Mandhana won the women's award by overcoming England's Maia Bouchier and Sri Lanka's Vishmi Gunaratne.
- The pacer, bagged his first ICC Men's Player of the Month award, had an exceptional run in India's title-winning T20 World Cup campaign in the USA and West Indies.
- He was awarded Player of the Tournament for his 15 wickets at an economy rate of 4.17 in eight matches.
- On the other hand, Mandhana also won her maiden ICC Women's Player of the Month award after her scintillating batting performances lit up India's ODI series victory over South Africa.
- Note: The double-win marks the first time the ICC Men's and Women's Player of the Month represent the same country since the awards began in 2021.

**Q.** Which players have clinched the ICC Player of the Month honour in men's and women's category, respectively, for the month of June? **Jasprit Bumrah and Smriti Mandhana**





PRINCIPAL SPONSOR OF INDIAN OLYMPIC TEAM

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## Adani Group Named Principal Sponsor For Team India At Paris Olympics

- Gautam Adani, the chairman of the Adani Group, has announced that the conglomerate will be sponsoring the Indian team travelling to Paris for the 2024 Olympics Games.
- With the Indian contingent in the last leg of its preparations for the 2024 Olympics, the Adani Group has pledged its whole-hearted support to the champions of the nation through a campaign with the theme #DeshkaGeetAtOlympics.
- The campaign centres around the athletes, who have spent hours and years in training to win and hear the national anthem after the victory.
- Since 2016, the Adani Group has supported more than 28 athletes in sports like boxing, wrestling, tennis, javelin throw, shooting, running, shotput, brisk walking, archery, and more.

### 2024 Summer Olympics

- Host city: Paris, France
- Motto: Games wide open
- Nations: 196
- Opening: 26 July 2024
- Closing: 11 August 2024

**Q.** Which conglomerate has been named Principal Sponsor For Team India At Paris Olympics 2024? **Adani Group**





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