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## INTERNATIONAL

### 1) 8th Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians

- The 8th Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians has been started in Sharm El Sheikh, Egypt to address climate change. The conference is being jointly organized by the House of Representatives and the Inter-Parliamentary Union.
- Nagaland's first woman elected as Member of Parliament to Rajya Sabha, S. Phangon Konyak is representing India at the Conference.

## NATIONAL

### 1) "HomoSEP"

- The Indian Institute of Technology Madras has developed a robot that can clean septic tanks without the need for humans.
- Under the name "HomoSEP," Gujarat and Maharashtra are being considered for the deployment of robots that have been designed with the goal of eliminating manual scavenging in the future.

### 2) Unmesh, a three-day international literary festival

- Unmesh, a three-day international literary festival, opened at Gaiety Theater in Shimla. The event will bring together approximately 425 writers, poets, translators, critics, and notable figures from 15 nations, representing over 60 languages.
- Union Minister of State for Culture Arjun Ram Meghwal inaugurated the event.

### 3) Industrial Decarbonization Summit 2022

- Union Minister Nitin Gadkari inaugurated Industrial Decarbonization Summit 2022.
- Inaugurating the Industrial Decarbonization Summit 2022 (IDS-2022) – Road Map for Carbon Neutrality by 2070, he stated that developing alternative fuels is critical to overcoming electricity shortages.
- He has stressed the importance of keeping a balance between ecology, environment, and development.

### 4) First government desalination plant

- India's first government desalination plant only for industrial use was inaugurated at Dahej in Baruch (Gujarat).





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- A desalination plant turns salt water into water that is fit to drink.

## STATE NEWS

### 1) Ennum Ezhuthum scheme

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister, MK Stalin launched the Ennum Ezhuthum scheme to bridge the learning gap that was caused due to the COVID pandemic.
- The scheme aims to ensure foundational literacy and numeracy by 2025.
- The education department will distribute workbooks to students from Classes 1 to 3 to assess and bridge the learning gap.

### 2) Vertical Axis Wind Turbine & Solar PV hybrid

- Chhatrapati Shivaji International Airport, Mumbai has become India's 1st airport to launch a one-of-its-kind Vertical Axis Wind Turbine & Solar PV hybrid (Solar Mill) to explore the possibility of utilization of wind energy at the airport.

## BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

### 1) Small Finance Banks

- Recently, RBI asked Small Finance Banks to focus on sustainable growth and accord importance to business model and governance.
- The SFBs are registered as a public limited company under the Companies Act, 2013 and are licensed under Section 22 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
- Announced during Union Budget 2014-15.

## APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

### 1) Sowmyanarayan Sampath

- Sowmyanarayan Sampath, an Indian American, will be the new CEO of Verizon Business.
- Sampath joined Verizon in 2014 and will continue in his present role as Chief Revenue Officer for Verizon Business until June 30.

### 2) Pramod K Mittal

- Cellular Operators' Association of India named Pramod K Mittal, President of Reliance Jio Infocomm, as the new Chairperson of the association for 2022-23.
- Mittal was previously the Vice-Chairperson of the COAI, whose members include Reliance Jio, Bharti Airtel, and Vodafone Idea. Mittal will replace Ajai Puri.





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### 3) Bhimanagouda Sanganagouda Patil

- Former Karnataka High Court judge, Bhimanagouda Sanganagouda Patil was sworn in as the Lokayukta of Karnataka.
- Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot administered the oath of office to Justice Patil.

### IMPORTANT DAYS

#### 1) World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

- The World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought is observed on 17 June.
- It's objective is to promote public awareness of international efforts to combat desertification.
- Theme of 2022: "Rising up from drought together".

### OBITUARY

#### 1) Gopi Chand Narang

- Urdu scholar, linguist, theorist, literary critic, and former Chairperson of Sahitya Akademi Professor, Gopi Chand Narang has passed away at 91.
- He was a Professor Emeritus at the University of Delhi and Jamia Millia Islamia. He has been honoured with the Padma Bhushan (2004) and Sahitya Akademi Awards (1995).

