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## KKR Lifts Their Third Trophy In IPL

- In Cricket, Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) lifted their third trophy in the Indian Premier League (IPL) with a crushing eight-wicket win over Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) in a completely one-sided final.
- KKR chased down the target of 114 with as many as 57 balls to spare. For KKR, Venkatesh Iyer was the top scorer with an unbeaten 52 runs followed by Rahmanullah Gurbaz who scored 39 runs.
- For SRH, skipper Pat Cummins was the highest scorer with 24 runs. For KKR, Andre Russell scalped 3 wickets. Mitchell Starc was declared Player of the Match.

**Q.** Who has won the Tata IPL 2024 trophy by defeating Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) in the final? **Kolkata Knight Riders**





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## **Dipa Karmakar Clinches India's First-Ever Gold Medal In Women's Vault At Asian Championships In Tashkent**

- Dipa Karmakar scripted history by clinching India's first-ever gold medal at the Asian Championships in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.
- The 30-year-old Olympian registered an average score of 13.566 in the women's Vault final.
- This is the first time that an Indian gymnast has won a gold medal in any event at the Asian Championships.
- Dipa's already outstanding list of firsts for Indian gymnastics is enhanced by the vault gold. She is the first female gymnast from India to compete in the Olympics, and at Rio 2016, she put on the best performance of any gymnast competing in the Summer Games, placing fourth in the women's vault.
- She also became the first Indian to ever win a gold medal at an international gymnastics competition when she won the women's vault gold medal at the 2018 FIG World Cup in Mersin, Turkey.

Q. Which Indian clinches India's first-ever Gold Medal in Women's Vault at Asian Championships In Tashkent? **Dipa Karmakar**





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## **Government Extends Tenure Of Army Chief Gen Pande**

- The Appointments Committee of Cabinet has approved the extension in service of Chief of the Army Staff General Manoj Pande for a period of one month up to 30th of June.
- The extension was given beyond his normal age of superannuation of 31st of May.
- He was appointed as the Army Chief on 30th of April, 2022.
- He was commissioned in December 1982 in the Corps of Engineers (The Bombay Sappers).
- He held the appointment of Vice Chief of the Army Staff before taking over as the Chief of the Army Staff.
- The extension in tenure indicates that a decision on the selection of the next Army chief will be open for the next government.
- As per the norm, the most senior Army commander or the Army vice chief is made the Army chief when the serving COAS retires.
- Currently, Vice Chief of Army Staff Lt General Upendra Dwivedi and Southern Army Commander Lt General A K Singh are the most senior officers in the Army.

**Q.** Who is the incumbent Chief of the Army Staff whose service extension has been approved by Cabinet recently?

**General Manoj Pande**





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## **Incumbent President Nausėda wins Lithuania's presidential election**

- Lithuanian President Gitanas Nausėda secured a second five-year term as Lithuanian president in a landslide victory over Prime Minister Ingrida Šimonytė.
- Preliminary figures by the Lithuania's Central Electoral Commission showed that Nausėda won 74.5% of the votes and Šimonytė 24.1%.
- The 60-year-old Nausėda is a moderate conservative and has been a strong backer of Ukraine, a position shared across most of the political spectrum.
- During his time in office, Lithuania has also given refuge to many who have fled an authoritarian crackdown in neighboring Belarus and increased repression in Russia.
- Nausėda, a former banker, entered politics with his successful presidential run in 2019.
- He and Šimonytė won the first round but failed to muster the 50% of the votes needed to win the presidency outright.
- The election came at a time as Russian gains in Ukraine are fueling greater fears about Moscow's intentions, particularly in the strategically important Baltic region.
- Lithuania is north of Poland and south of the two other Baltic countries, Latvia and Estonia.

**Q.** Who has secured a second five-year term as Lithuanian president in a landslide victory over Prime Minister Ingrida Šimonytė? **Gitanas Nausėda**





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## Payal Kapadia wins Grand Prix At 77th Cannes Film Festival

- Indian filmmaker Payal Kapadia made history bagging hers and the country's first Grand Prix Award for the Malayalam-Hindi language film 'All We Imagine As Light', at the 77th Cannes Film Festival.
- The Cannes Grand Prix is the second-highest accolade at the festival after the Palme d'Or. American director Sean Baker took home the top-most honour for Anora.
- Kapadia became the first female director in India and the first Indian film in 30 years to compete in the festival's main competition. Shaji N Karun's 'Swaham' was selected for and competed in the main competition in 1994.
- The 38-year-old is no stranger to the global spotlight. While 'All We Imagine as Light' marks Kapadia's feature directorial debut, it is not her first time on the international stage.
- In 2021, her critically acclaimed documentary 'A Night of Knowing Nothing' premiered at the Cannes Film Festival's Director's Fortnight and won the Oeil d'Or (Golden Eye) award.

**Q.** Which Indian filmmaker made history bagging hers and the country's first Grand Prix Award for the Malayalam-Hindi language film 'All We Imagine As Light', at the 77th Cannes Film Festival? **Payal Kapadia**





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## Monaco GP: Leclerc topples Piastri to win first home soil title

- Scuderia Ferrari Charles Leclerc won his first Monaco Grand Prix on home soil beating McLaren Oscar Piastri at the Circuit de Monaco.
- Oscar Piastri of McLaren put up an early fight, but Leclerc overcame it to win for the first time since July 2022.
- Carlos Sainz, his Ferrari teammate, finished third, while Lando Norris finished fourth.
- George Russell's Mercedes in fifth and Lewis Hamilton's in seventh.

### Top 5:

- 1. Charles Leclerc (Ferrari)
- 2. Oscar Piastri (McLaren)
- 3. Carlos Sainz (Ferrari)
- 4. Lando Norris (McLaren)
- 5. George Russell (Mercedes)
- Monaco GP
- Number of times held: 81
- First held: 1929
- Most wins (drivers): Ayrton Senna (6)
- Most wins (constructors): McLaren (15)

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**Q.** Who has won the Monaco Grand Prix, a Formula One motor racing event held annually on the Circuit de Monaco? **Charles Leclerc (Ferrari)**





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## **South Korea, Japan, China reaffirm commitment to Korean Peninsula peace amid North Korea satellite plan**

- Leaders of South Korea, Japan, and China reaffirmed their commitment to promote peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula during their summit in Seoul, hours after North Korea announced a satellite launch plan.
- President Yoon Suk Yeol, Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, and Chinese Premier Li Qiang reached the agreement after North Korea notified Japan of its plan to launch a space rocket carrying a military spy satellite sometime.
- During the session, Yoon and Kishida denounced North Korea's satellite launch plan as a violation of the UN Security Council resolutions that ban its use of ballistic missile technology.
- They agreed to resume talks on a three-way free trade agreement (FTA), which was suspended in November 2019 following 16 rounds of official negotiations after they began in 2012.
- The leaders committed to ensure the “transparent, smooth and effective” implementation of the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership.

**Q.** Which 3 countries reaffirmed their commitment to promote peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula, hours after North Korea announced a satellite launch plan? **South Korea, Japan, China**





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## **KFintech appoints ex-Kotak Mahindra Bank veteran C. Jayaram as Independent Director**

- Hyderabad-based KFin Technologies Limited has appointed former Kotak Mahindra Bank joint managing director, Chengalath Jayaram, as an Independent Director.
- Jayaram had a 26-year tenure at the Kotak Group, where he played a key role in establishing and growing multiple business verticals.
- Jayaram's term as a Non-Executive Director of Kotak Mahindra Bank ended on April 30.
- During his time at Kotak, Jayaram was instrumental in heading the private banking, alternative investments, and international operations, further solidifying his expertise in the financial sector.
- Jayaram earlier worked at Overseas Sanmar Financial Limited.

**Q.** Name the former Kotak Mahindra Bank joint managing director who has been appointed as an Independent Director in KFin Technologies Limited? **C. Jayaram**





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## **South Korea's new space agency to help compete in global space race**

- With the opening of the nation's full-fledged space agency, Korea is set to make its mark on the global space stage, aiming to transform into a powerhouse and join the elite space race led by the private industry.
- The Korea AeroSpace Administration (KASA) will open its doors, focusing on fostering local companies that can play key roles in space development projects, and helping the country develop a global-level space industry and space economy.
- To keep up with this trend, Korea established KASA, the Korean version of the United States' National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), located in Sacheon, approximately 300 kilometers south of Seoul.
- Korea was a latecomer in the highly advanced industry but is currently considered the seventh-strongest space power after having successfully developed the 200-ton space rocket Nuri in recent years.
- The country also plans to develop a next-generation rocket, named KSLV-III, and make three launches in 2030, 2031 and 2032, with the third launch carrying a moon spacecraft aboard.

**Q.** What is the name of the new space agency launched by South Korea? **Korea AeroSpace Administration (KASA)**





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## Yuki Bhambri attains career-best world no. 52 ATP doubles ranking

- India's Yuki Bhambri achieved a career-best world no. 52 in ATP doubles rankings after his runners-up finish at the ATP 250 Lyon Open.
- Yuki jumped two places to be on the 52nd place with 1692 points. Notably, six Indians are featured in the top 100 in the doubles ATP rankings.
- Veteran player Rohan Bopanna is the highest-ranked Indian at world no 4.
- The other Indians ranked inside the top 100 are N.Sriram Balaji ( 84th), Vijay Sundar Prashanth (94th), Anirudh Chandrasekar (96th) and Arjun Kadhe (98th).
- Association of Tennis Professionals
- Founded: September 1972
- Headquarter: United Kingdom
- Chairman: Andrea Gaudenzi
- CEO: Massimo Calvelli

**Q.** According to the latest ATP doubles rankings, what is India's Yuki Bhambri rank? **52**





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