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F1: Oscar Piastri wins maiden GP title in Hungary

- Oscar Piastri secured his first-ever Formula 1 title victory, navigating through McLaren ahead of teammate Lando Norris at the Hungarian Grand Prix.
- Piastri, alongside his McLaren teammate Lando Norris and Red Bull's Max Verstappen, went three abreast into Turn 1.
- Behind the McLaren duo, Lewis Hamilton secured the final podium position for Mercedes—200th career podium.
- Hamilton's race was not without its own drama, as he had a late-race contact with Verstappen, which is now under investigation by the stewards.
- Verstappen, who had a challenging day, finished fifth behind Ferrari's Charles Leclerc, who claimed fourth place.

2024 Hungarian Grand Prix

- Location: Mogyoród, Hungary

2024 Winners:

1. Oscar Piastri McLaren-Mercedes
2. Lando Norris McLaren-Mercedes
3. Lewis Hamilton Mercedes

Q. Who has won the 2024 Hungarian Grand Prix title? **Oscar Piastri**



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Nuno Borges stuns Rafael Nadal to win Swedish Open

- World number 51 Nuno Borges defeated Rafael Nadal at the Swedish Open to secure his first ATP title.
- This resounding victory came against the 22-time Grand Slam champion, who was playing his first final since 2022.
- Nadal, now 38, has been battling injuries for the past few years, causing his ranking to drop to 261.
- In a strategic move to prioritise his fitness for the Olympics, Nadal decided to skip Wimbledon this year.
- Despite the loss, Nadal remains focused on his main goal for the year: playing at Roland Garros for the Olympic tennis tournament, which begins on July 27.
- The clay courts of Paris have been a stronghold for Nadal, where he has won 14 French Open titles.

2024 Swedish Open

- Edition: 76th (men) & 14th (women)
- Prize money: €579,320 (men)

Q. Who has won the Swedish Open 2024 title in men's single category? **Nuno Borges**



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Atiqa Mir becomes first female racer to win race at Max Challenge International

- Atiqa Mir, the nine-year-old racing sensation created history at the famous and prestigious Le Mans Kart International circuit, by becoming the first female racer in the world to win a race in the Challenge International Trophy.
- She achieved this by winning Race 2 in the Heats of the Micro Max Category.
- In the final race, Atiqa unfortunately was involved in many racing incidents slowing her down and eventually finishing on 12th place, 9.497 seconds behind the leader Joshua Cooke of KR Sport who finished first.
- Alfie Mair finished second while Austin Oman of Sam Pollitt Racing secured third.
- A win at the Le Mans has further cemented Atiqa's position as the best female karting driver in the world in her age group.

Q. Which Indian racing sensation created history at the famous and prestigious Le Mans Kart International circuit, by becoming the first female racer in the world to win a race in the Challenge International Trophy? **Atiqa Mir**



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India's Leander Paes and Vijay Amritraj become first Asian men to be inducted into Tennis Hall of Fame

- Former Indian tennis players Leander Paes and Vijay Amritraj became the first Asian men to be inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame.
- While Paes was inducted under the player category, Amritraj made it into the coveted club under the contributor category.
- Veteran British journalist Richard Evans was the other inductee into the Hall of Fame at the event.
- They were joined by other former Grand Slam champions in Andre Agassi, Chris Evert, Stan Smith and International Tennis Hall of Fame Honourary President Kim Clijsters.
- Leander Paes, the only Indian to win an Olympics medal in tennis, represented India for three decades before retiring in 2021.
- Amritraj has been a prominent name in Indian tennis, serving in various capacities over the last five decades.
- He helped Indian tennis break new grounds in the 1970s and 80s and led India's Davis Cup squad to its only two finals appearances in 1974 and 1987.

Q. Name two former Indian tennis legends who become first Asian men to be inducted into Tennis Hall of Fame? **Leander Paes and Vijay Amritraj**

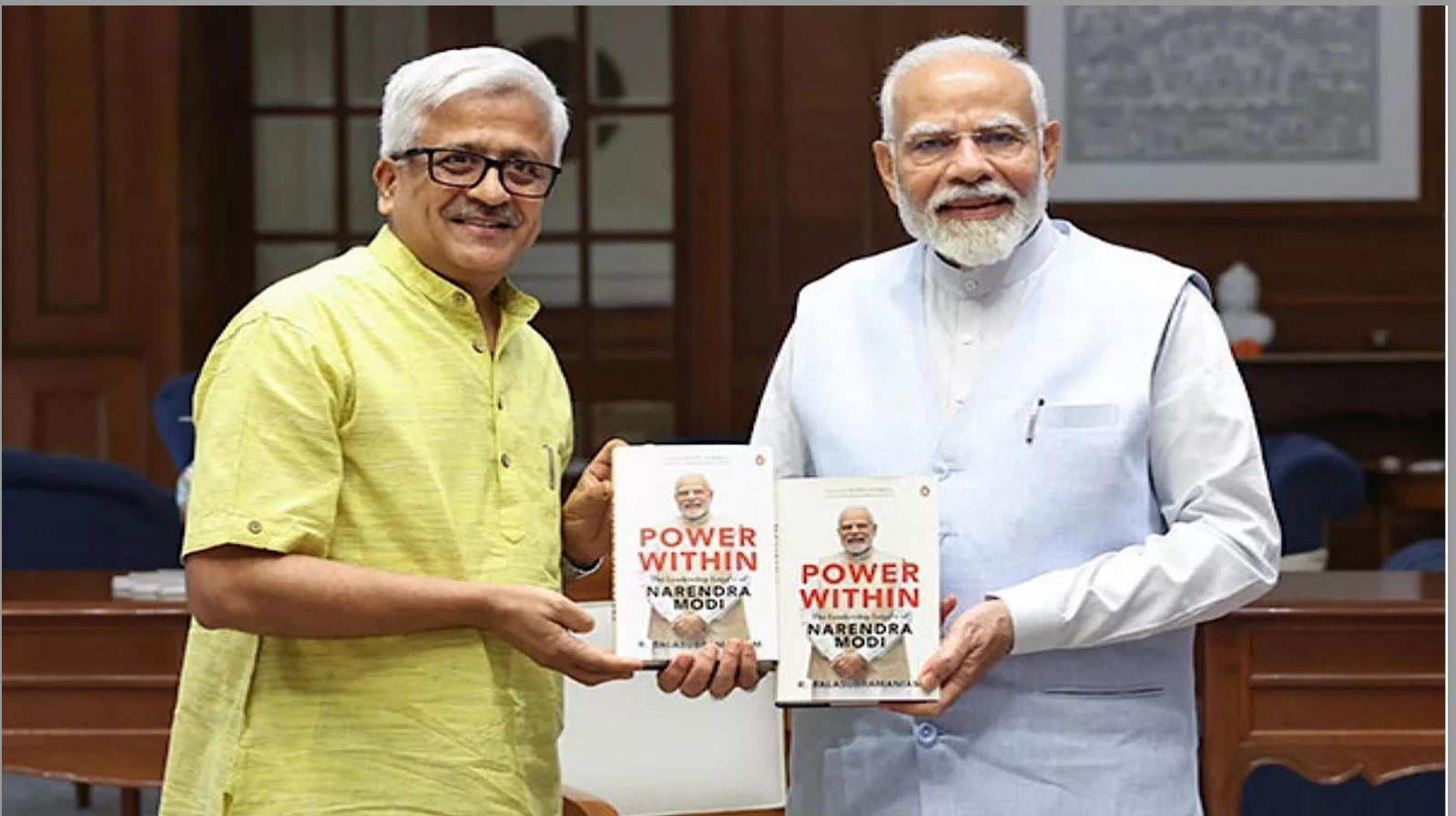


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Marquez named head coach of India men's team

- The All India Football Federation has named Manolo Marquez, as the new head coach of the Indian senior men's team effective immediately, giving him the dual responsibility of managing the club and the national team for the 2024-25 season.
- The decision to name Marquez as successor of Igor Stimac, who was not retained following the team's failure to qualify for the third round of FIFA World Cup 2026 qualifiers, was taken during the AIFF's Executive Committee meeting, chaired by President Kalyan Chaubey, which was held at the Football House.
- During the 2024-25 season, Marquez will continue his role as the head coach of the first team at FC Goa, handling both responsibilities concurrently before assuming the national coaching role on a full-time basis.
- Marquez has been coaching in India since 2020.
- He has coached two ISL clubs – his first stint was with Hyderabad FC (2020-23) before he switched over to FC Goa (2023-present).
- He is an ISL Cup winner with Hyderabad FC in 2021-22.

Q. The All India Football Federation has named whom as the new head coach of the Indian senior men's team? **Manolo Marquez**



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‘Power Within’: Book on PM Narendra Modi’s leadership legacy launched

- Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh presented a book on PM Narendra Modi’s "leadership legacy" written by noted Intellectual, author, Dr R Balasubramaniam.
- The book, "Power Within ": The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi captures PM Narendra Modi’s leadership journey and interprets it through Western and Indic lenses, amalgamating them to provide a roadmap for those who aspire to a life of public service.
- Dr R Balasubramaniam has authored 9 books in the past , some of which like "Voices From The Grassroots" and "Leadership Lessons For Daily Living" are globally acclaimed.
- The book, "Power Within" : The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi, is inspired by the ‘exercise of leadership’.
- It introspects this practice as it captures the civilisational wisdom of Bharat through the lived experience of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- Colleagues within the cabinet and outside the cabinet, shed light on how his relentless hard work and communicative approach propelled him to the Prime Ministerial post.

Q. Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh launched Power Within: The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi, which is authored by whom? **Dr R Balasubramaniam**



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Padma Shri Awardee, Kamala Pujari died

- Kamala Pujari, a tribal woman from Odisha known for her contribution to organic farming and preserving over hundreds of indigenous varieties of paddy which earned her the prestigious Padma Shri award, passed away. She was 76.
- Born to a poor tribal family, Pujari held a fascination for traditional paddy varieties.
- She had been a leader in the participatory research programme started by the M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation in Koraput in 1994, which led to breeding of the high yielding and high-quality rice variety, 'Kalajeera'.
- She has also preserved rare varieties of paddy like 'Tili', 'Machakanta', 'Phula', and 'Ghnatia'.
- Pujari also motivated hundreds of tribal women in her locality to shun chemical fertilisers in farming.
- Due to her efforts, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) declared Koraput a globally important agriculture heritage site (GIAHS) in 2012.
- Koraput was also selected by the UN for the Equator Initiative Award, which was presented to Pujari during the Earth Summit held at Johannesburg in South Africa in 2002.

Q. Padma Shri Awardee Kamala Pujari, a tribal woman from _____ state known for her contribution to organic farming and preserving over hundreds of indigenous varieties of paddy died recently. **Odisha**



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Nobel Prize winner Rigoberta Menchú Tum won Gandhi Mandela Award

- Nobel Peace Prize laureate Rigoberta Menchú Tum has been conferred the Gandhi Mandela Award 2020.
- The award was given on Nelson Mandela's 106th birth anniversary.
- According to the Gandhi Mandela Foundation, the award is bestowed for promoting the values of Gandhi and Nelson Mandela, including community service and social development.
- The award is given for the promotion of peace and harmony.
- His Holiness Dalai Lama received the Gandhi Mandela Award for the year 2019.
- This year, the award has been given to Guatemalan human rights activist Rigoberta Menchú Tum, who has dedicated her life to advocating for Indigenous rights.
- Rigoberta Menchú's work has earned her numerous accolades, including the Nobel Peace Prize in 1992 and the Princess of Asturias Award in 1998.

Q. Which Nobel laureate has won the Gandhi Mandela Award? **Rigoberta Menchu Tum**



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PM Modi Announces One Million Dollar Grant To UNESCO World Heritage Centre

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 46th Session of the World Heritage Committee at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.
- India is hosting the World Heritage Committee Meeting for the first time which will continue till 31st of July.
- The Prime Minister said, over the years, the government has brought back more than 350 ancient heritage sites of India.
- Prime Minister Modi announced that India will contribute one million dollar to the UNESCO World Heritage Centre.
- He said, this grant will be used for capacity building, technical assistance and conservation of the world heritage sites.
- The grant will especially be used for the countries of the Global South.
- Mr Modi said that the northeast's historic Moidam is proposed to be included in the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Q. Prime Minister Modi announced a grant of how many million dollars to the UNESCO World Heritage Center? **One million dollars**



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Sanjeev Krishan re-elected as chairman of PwC in India for second term

- PwC India announced that Sanjeev Krishan has been re-elected as its chairperson for a second term.
- Krishan, 53, will hold the post for four years beginning April 1, 2025.
- He will also continue to serve on the PwC Global Strategy Council.
- Krishan's first term as chairperson started on January 1, 2021.
- He joined PwC in 1991 as an articled trainee.
- In 2006, he became a partner and led the firm's Deals, Transactions, and Private Equity business.
- Krishan also did a brief stint with PwC Sweden as part of an international exchange programme, where he worked with several private equity funds and corporate clients.

PWC:

- PricewaterhouseCoopers International Limited is a multinational professional services brand of firms, operating as partnerships under the PwC brand.
- It is the second-largest professional services network in the world and is considered one of the Big Four accounting firms, along with Deloitte, EY, and KPMG.

Q. Recently who has been re-elected as the Chairman of PwC in India for the second term? **Sanjeev Krishna**



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