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School Education Department Signs MoU With National Book Trust To Create Institutional Framework For Rashtriya E-Pustakalaya

- The Department of School Education signed an MoU with the National Book Trust in New Delhi to create an institutional framework for the Digital Library Platform, Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya.
- The Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya will be available round-the-clock, irrespective of the geographic location of the readers, making books more accessible to them.
- He also added that the problem of last mile presence of a library for many states will be solved with Rashtriya e-Pustakalaya.
- He hoped that in the coming 2-3 years, there will be over 10 thousand books in more than 100 languages.

School Education Department:

- Headquarters: Chennai
- Minister: Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozi
- Secretary: Kumaragurubaran
- Parent agency: Government of Tamil Nadu

Q. Recently the Department of School Education signed an MoU with which publishing house to Create Institutional Framework For Rashtriya E-Pustakalaya? **National Book Trust**



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PNB partners with IIFCL to provide financing for infrastructure projects

- Punjab National Bank (PNB) and India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd (IIFCL) signed an agreement to offer long-term financial assistance to viable infrastructure projects.
- With this, both the institutions will collaborate to fund the infrastructure projects wherein the parties can mutually participate under consortium/multiple lending arrangements to provide financial support to the prospective borrowers subject to due diligence and on a case-to-case basis, a joint statement said.
- This MOU would be a milestone in finding new avenues of lending to the infrastructure projects of the country and they assured full participation from both sides in this endeavour.

PNB:

- Founded: 19 May 1894
- Founder: Dyal Singh Majithia, Lala Lajpat Rai
- Headquarters: Dwarka, Delhi, India
- Non-Exe Chairman: K G Ananthakrishnan
- MD & CEO: Atul Kumar Goel

Q. Which bank signed an agreement with India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited to provide long-term financial assistance to viable infrastructure projects? **Punjab National Bank**



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Austria's first female chancellor dies at 74

- Brigitte Bierlein, the former head of Austria's Constitutional Court who became the country's first female chancellor in an interim government in 2019, has died. She was 74.
- Bierlein, Austria's first female chancellor, died a few days before her 75th birthday, after a short but serious illness.
- Bierlein served as the court's vice president from 2003 to 2018 and its president from February 2018 until she was appointed the federal chancellor in June 2019, Xinhua news agency reported.
- She led an interim government for seven months after her predecessor Sebastian Kurz's government collapsed due to a corruption scandal.

Austria:

- Capital: Vienna
- President: Alexander Van der Bellen
- Currency: Euro

Q. Name the Austria's first female chancellor, who passed away recently? **Brigitte Bierlein**

Introducing
Adani One ICICI Bank Credit Cards



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Adani One launches two variants of co-branded credit cards with ICICI Bank

- Adani One, the digital platform of the Adani Group, and ICICI Bank announced the launch of two variants of co-branded credit cards in collaboration with card network Visa.
- The co-branded credit card partnership marks the Adani Group's foray into the retail financial sector.
- Available in two variants – Adani One ICICI Bank Signature Credit Card and Adani One ICICI Bank Platinum Credit Card – the credit cards will offer a reward programme to its customers.
- Cardholders can get up to 7 per cent Adani reward points on spends within the Adani Group ecosystem.
- This includes services such as the Adani One app, which can be used for booking flights, hotels, trains, buses, and cabs, along with spends across Adani-managed airports, Adani CNG pumps, Adani Electricity bills, and train bookings.

Q. Which digital platform of Adani Group and ICICI Bank have announced the launch of two types of co-branded credit cards in collaboration with card network Visa? **Adani One**



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Helen Mary Roberts becomes first woman brigadier in Pakistan Army from minority community

- Dr. Helen Mary Roberts, serving in the Pakistan Army Medical Corps, has made history by becoming the first woman from Christian and minority community to achieve the rank of brigadier in the country's history.
- Brigadier Helen was among Pakistan Army officers promoted as brigadiers and full colonels by the Selection Board.
- Brigadier Dr. Helen is senior pathologist and has been serving in the Pakistan Army for the last 26 years.

Pakistan:

- Capital: Islamabad
- President: Asif Ali Zardari
- Prime Minister: Shehbaz Sharif

Q. Who has become first woman brigadier in Pakistan Army from minority community? **Dr. Helen Mary Roberts**



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South Korea to invest \$1.8 billion in next-generation nuclear reactors

- South Korea will invest 2.5 trillion won (\$1.8 billion) in developing next-generation nuclear reactor technologies by 2034, the science ministry announced.
- The investment aims to foster private companies that can build next-generation nuclear reactors and commercialise the technology.
- South Korea plans to secure key technologies for developing small modular nuclear reactors (SMRs) with the aim of entering the global SMR market in the 2030s.
- Seoul also plans to work to develop fourth-generation reactors, including the sodium-cooled fast reactor, high temperature gas-cooled reactor and molten-salt reactor, noting it will release a detailed roadmap for their development later this year.

Q. Which country plans to secure key technologies for developing small modular nuclear reactors (SMRs) by announcing \$1.8 Billion budget, with the aim of entering the global SMR market in the 2030s?

South Korea



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Nokia, Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya to research on transportation, logistics

- Nokia has entered into a MoU with Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV) to advance research in transportation and logistics, leveraging AI and 5G/6G technologies.
- The collaboration focuses on utilising Nokia's Network as Code platform, developer portal, and digital twins.
- This partnership aims to drive innovation across air, land, and sea transportation through smart automation, AI labs, and optical network planning.
- This partnership adds to Nokia's recent initiatives, including the 6G Lab at its Global R&D centre in Bengaluru.

Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya

- Founded: 5 September 2018
- Chancellor: Minister of Railways (Ashwini Vaishnaw)
- Vice-Chancellor: Manoj Choudhary

Q. Which Finnish multinational electronics corporation entered into a MoU with Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV) to advance research in transportation and logistics, leveraging AI and 5G/6G technologies? **Nokia**



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Hockey India inducts R K Academy as new member

- Hockey India announced that the R K Roy Hockey Academy has been inducted as a new academy member.
- Located in Patna, Bihar, the R K Roy Hockey Academy was established by Abhishek Kumar and Arunima Roy, who share a passion for advancing the sport of hockey in their region.
- The academy is committed to fostering excellence in hockey across various age groups, providing structured training programs, and creating opportunities for young athletes to develop their skills and compete at higher levels.
- This new addition is expected to bolster the development of hockey in Bihar, contributing to the overall growth of the sport in India.
- With the inclusion of new members, hockey India currently has 27 permanent members, 34 associate members, 52 academy members and 2 hockey members.

Q. Recently Hockey India announced to induct which academy as a new academy member? **R K Roy Hockey Academy**



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Real Madrid officially announce signing of Kylian Mbappe in five-year deal

- Real Madrid have announced that France World Cup-winner Kylian Mbappe has officially joined forces with the Los Blancos.
- Real Madrid and Kylian Mbappé have reached an agreement under which he will become a Real Madrid player for the next five seasons.
- The whirlwind news comes mere days after Real Madrid clinched their historic 15th Champions League title, with a 2-0 win over Borussia Dortmund.
- The Los Blancos are bidding farewell to a handful of legendary servicemen of the club including the likes of Toni Kroos, Luka Modric and Nacho Fernandez.
- Kylian Mbappe's exit from Paris Saint Germain took a dark turn as president Nasser Al-Khelaifi reportedly refused to pay the young French forward the remainder of his salary.
- Owing to his dissatisfaction with Mbappe's exit, Khelaifi refused to pay the player a total of 80 million Euros, in salary and bonus.

Q. Which Football Club announced to sign France World Cup-winner Kylian Mbappe for the next five seasons? **Real Madrid**



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Kedar Jadhav announces retirement from all forms of cricket

- Kedar Jadhav has announced his retirement from all forms of cricket at the age of 39.
- Jadhav played 73 ODIs and 9 T20Is for India after making his international debut in 2014.
- He earned an India call-up for the ODIs against Bangladesh in June 2014 but he had to wait till November that year to get his maiden international cap, making his debut against Sri Lanka in Ranchi.
- He was then named in the India squad for the two tours to Zimbabwe, in 2015, when he scored an unbeaten century, and then in 2016, when he didn't get an opportunity to bat in the series.
- In 2012, he scored a triple century in the Ranji Trophy, against Uttar Pradesh and also finished as Maharashtra's second-highest run-getter in the edition.
- Jadhav made a name for himself in the 2013-14 Ranji edition, becoming the season's highest run-getter with 1223 runs including six centuries.
- His last international appearance came against New Zealand in Auckland in 2020.

Q. Kedar Jadhav who has announced his retirement from all forms of cricket at the age of 39 came from which Indian State? **Maharashtra**



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