

# July 12th

## INTERNATIONAL

#### 1) France's Bastille Day

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been invited as the guest of honour for France's Bastille Day celebrations.
- The Bastille Day military parade, is set to take place on 14th July, will witness the participation of Indian forces. The day commemorates the storming of the Bastille prison by revolutionary insurgents in 1789, a pivotal event in the French Revolution.

## 2) Japan India Maritime Exercise 2023

- The 7th edition of Japan India Maritime Exercise 2023 (JIMEX 23) took place in Bay of Bengal, hosted by the Indian Navy.
- Indian Naval ships Delhi, Kamorta and Shakti and Japan Maritime Self Defence Force (JMSDF) ship Samidare participated in the six day long exercise.

## 3) "Lisa," India's first regional AI news anchor

• Odisha TV has inaugurated "Lisa," India's first regional AI news anchor. Lisa's introduction marks a groundbreaking moment in TV broadcasting and journalism, with the potential to revolutionize the industry.

## 4) NABARD celebrated its 42nd Foundation Day

- The National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) celebrated its 42nd Foundation Day recently. NABARD was established in 1982 to provide financial and developmental support to the agricultural and rural sectors.
- Theme: "NABARD: 42 Years of Rural Transformation."



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# SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

## 1) Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever

- The Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever is a disease caused by a tick-borne virus of the Bunyaviridae family.
- The disease is currently spreading across regions such as Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. Humans can contract the virus through two main modes of transmission: tick bites and contact with the blood of infected animals.

## 2) PBW RS1

- PBW RS1 is a wheat variety, developed by Punjab Agricultural University.
- By avoiding an immediate and rapid rise in glucose levels, PBW RS1 provides potential health benefits, particularly for individuals at risk of type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular diseases.

#### 3) Osteo HRNet

- Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati have developed an AI-based framework called Osteo HRNet.
- It aims to revolutionize the assessment of Knee Osteoarthritis (OA) severity through the automatic analysis of X-ray images.
- Knee osteoarthritis affects a significant portion of the population in India, with a prevalence rate of 28 percent. The condition poses challenges as there is no known cure, except for total joint replacement in advanced stages.

## APPOINTMENTS

## 1) Sanjiv Puri

• ITC Ltd has re-appointed Sanjiv Puri as the company's Chairman and Managing Director for a period of five years. Sanjiv Puri took on the role of Chairman of the tobacco-to-hotels conglomerate on May 13, 2019.





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# 2) Abhijit Chakravorty

- Abhijit Chakravorty has been appointed as the MD & CEO of SBI Cards & Payment Services.
- Chakravorty, who started his banking career as a Probationary Officer with SBI in 1988, has gained over 34 years of rich experience in Retail and Corporate Banking, Overseas Operations and IT verticals of the bank.

# **IMPORTANT DAYS**

## 1) World Paper Bag Day

- World Paper Bag Day is celebrated every year on July 12th, to promote the significance of utilizing paper bags instead of plastic.
- Plastic bags, being non-biodegradable, pose a significant threat to our planet. World Paper Bag Day holds great importance in advocating for a greener and cleaner world.

## 2) International Malala Day

• Every year, on July 12th, International Malala Day to observed to honor the bravery and activism of Malala Yousafzai, a Pakistani advocate for girls' education and the youngest person to receive the Nobel Prize.

## **SPORTS**

#### 1) ICC Player of the month award

• Wanindu Hasaranga, the Sri Lankan spinner, and Ashleigh Gardner, the Australian women's team all-rounder, was declared as the recipients of the 'Player of the Month' award of International Cricket Council.





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