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NATIONAL

1) Grand Hackathon

- Union Minister Piyush Goyal has virtually kicked off a three-day Grand Hackathon that the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) is hosting in association with NABARD.
- The Grand Hackathon is divided into two categories: the Agri Grant Challenge and the Agri Innovation Hackathon, both of which will highlight innovations that will help the agriculture sector adopt e-Commerce.

2) The Shimla Agreement

- Signed on 02 July 1972 between India and Pakistan, the Shimla Agreement completed 50 years.
- It laid a comprehensive blueprint for good neighbourly relations between India and Pakistan.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) GST collection

- Gross GST collection in June 2022 is the second-highest collection next to the April 2022 collection GST collection crosses Rs 1.40 lakh crore mark 5th time since the inception of GST. 4th month at a stretch since March 2022.
- The gross GST collection in June 2022 is the 2nd highest collection subsequent to the April 2022 GST collection of Rs 1,67,540 crore.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Ravi Shastri

- Former team India coach and cricketer, Ravi Shastri has been appointed the new brand ambassador for FanCode, a live content, sports statistics and e-commerce marketplace.
- Shastri will bring out FanCode's 'fan-first' proposition by leading the upcoming campaigns for these properties.

2) T. Raja Kumar

- T. Raja Kumar of Singapore has been appointed as the president of Financial Action Task Force (FATF), the anti-money laundering watchdog.





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- He has replaced Marcus Pleyer who was holding the post till now, and will discharge his service for next two years.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Microsoft Partner of the Year Awards 2022

- HCL Technologies was recognised at Microsoft Partner of the Year Awards 2022, for innovation and implementing customer solutions based on Microsoft technology.
- HCL Tech received Microsoft Partner of the Year Award for Healthcare and Life Sciences (global winner) and the 2022 UK Microsoft Partner of the Year Award (country winner).

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) International Plastic Bag Free Day

- The International Plastic Bag Free Day is held on July 3 around the world to spread awareness that a plastic bag free world is possible and that sound environmental alternatives to single use plastic bags are available. 2022 is the 13th edition of the celebrations.
- The first International Plastic Bag Free Day was observed on July 3, 2008.