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INTERNATIONAL

1) World's first Urban airport Pop-up Air-One

- The Coventry City Council and Urban-Air Port Limited, United Kingdom based Start-up parterened to set up the world's first Urban airport Pop-up Air-One.
- The aim of the project is to reduce Urban congestion and Pollution. It's designed for zero-emission electric drones and air taxis and the airport itself is powered by hydrogen fuel cells.
- It is for electric drones and flying cars in the city of Coventry, England.

NATIONAL

1) India-UAE Startup Bridge

- Union Minister Piyush Goyal and Abdulla Bin Touq Al Marri, Minister of Economy, UAE launched 'India-UAE Start-Up Bridge' at India-UAE Economic Partnership Summit 2022 in Mumbai.
- It was organized by the Confederation of Indian Industry.
- Theme of India-UAE Economic Partnership Summit 2022 - "Unleashing the Golden Era".

2) State of Inequality in India Report

- Chairman of the Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister Dr. Bibek Debroy has released the State of Inequality in India Report.
- The report provides a comprehensive analysis of the depth and nature of inequality in India.
- The report emphasises that wealth concentration as a measure of inequality does not indicate changes in purchasing power of households, and it focuses for the first time on income distribution to understand capital flow.

3) 'Civil List – 2022 of IAS officers'

- Union Minister Jitendra Singh, released the e-book 'Civil List – 2022 of IAS officers' at North Block, Secretariat Building, New Delhi.
- This is an effort by the Department of Personnel & Training as a part of the Digital India initiative of the Government of India.

4) National Startup Advisory Council

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- Shri Piyush Goyal, Minister of Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, and Textiles, presided over the National Startup Advisory Council's 4th meeting in New Delhi.
- Piyush Goyal underlined the importance of creating capacity and raising knowledge about the government's various programmes to foster startups in such cities.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) S&P Global Ratings

- S&P Global Ratings cut India's growth projection for the current fiscal to 7.3 per cent from 7.8 per cent earlier on rising inflation and the longer-than-expected Russia-Ukraine conflict.
- S&P had in December last year pegged India's GDP growth in 2022-23 fiscal, which began on April 1, 2022, at 7.8 per cent.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Gopal Vittal

- Bharti Airtel board has reappointed Gopal Vittal as Managing Director & CEO for a further period of five years.

2) SS Mundra

- BSE Limited announced that it has approved the appointment of SS Mundra, Public Interest Director as the Chairman of the board of directors of the company.
- Mundra will replace Justice Vikramajit Sen who is the current chairman.

3) Anil Bajjal

- Delhi Lieutenant Governor, Anil Bajjal has submitted his resignation to President Ram Nath Kovind citing personal reasons.
- He was appointed the national capital's LG in December 2016.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Commander of the Order of the British Empire

- Ajay Piramal, Chairman of the Piramal Group has received an honorary Commander of the Order of the British Empire by Her Majesty The Queen.





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- He received the award for services to the UK-India trade relationship as India Co-Chair of the UK-India CEO Forum.
- The award was Instituted in 1917 by King George V.

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) "A Place Called Home"

- Preeti Shenoy is set to publish a new novel titled "A Place Called Home", a story set in a coffee estate in Sakleshpur, Karnataka with a strong female protagonist at its core.
- The book published by HarperCollins Publishers India is set to be released in June 2022.

