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INTERNATIONAL

1) VINBAX 2022

- Recently, Vietnam-India Bilateral Army Exercise-VINBAX 2022 was concluded.
- The exercise was unique as it was the first time that the Vietnam People's Army (VPA) was undertaking a Field Training Exercise with any foreign Army.

NATIONAL

1) Goodfellows

- Ratan Tata unveiled Goodfellows, a firm that offers senior folks companionship services.
- Ratan Tata, the Chairman of Tata Sons, provided seed money for the platform.
- Goodfellows completed a successful beta test over the past six months, and the service is now available in Mumbai. Pune, Chennai, and Bangalore are the next target cities.

STATE NEWS

1) "Dahi-Handi"

- "Dahi-Handi" recognized as an official sport in Maharashtra.
- The state is set to organize a 'Pro- Dahi Handi' completion. The Maharashtra Government also announces that the Govindas will get a job under the sports category.
- If any Govinda loses his life insurance of Rs 10 lakh will be given, also if they end up being partially handicapped insurance of Rs 5 lakh will be given by the Government of Maharashtra.

2) 'Make India No 1' campaign

- Delhi Chief Minister, Arvind Kejriwal has formally unveiled his Aam Aadmi Party's national ambition with the launch of the 'Make India No 1' campaign. At an event organised at Talkatora stadium here, he proposed a five-point vision for good governance.

3) India's first electric double-decker bus

- Union Transport Minister, Nitin Gadkari has launched India's first electric double-decker bus at YB Centre in south Mumbai.

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- The name of the bus is "Switch EiV 22", the double-decker bus will be run by the Mumbai civic transport body.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) Mastercard tie-up with Badminton players

- Mastercard tie-up with Badminton players Lakshya Sen, Kidambi Srikanth, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty as brand ambassadors of the company in India.
- The new ambassadors will partner with Mastercard to spread awareness about the safety, security, and convenience of digital payments in India.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Photography Day

- World Photography Day is celebrated on August 19 each year. The aim of World Photography Day is to create awareness, share ideas and encourage people to take up photography.
- The day also recognizes how the purpose of the medium has evolved from documenting historic events to a mode for personal fulfilment and memory creation.

2) World Humanitarian Day

- World Humanitarian Day is celebrated on August 19 every year to recognise all aid and health workers who volunteer to help victims of disasters and crises against all odds.
- The day aims to spread awareness about the need for humanitarian assistance worldwide.

SPORTS

1) FIBA U-18 women's Asian Basketball Championship

- Bengaluru will host the FIBA U-18 women's Asian Basketball Championship beginning on September 5.
- According to Dr. Narayanagowda, the minister of sports and youth empowerment for Karnataka, Bengaluru will host the FIBA U-18 women's Asian Basketball Championship from September 5 to 11.