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NATIONAL

1) 220 new airports by 2025

Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia stated that the Government has set a target of building 220 new airports by 2025, citing the Civil Aviation industry as a critical component of India's economy. Scindia stated that "Cargo flights for perishable food items will be boosted by 30% in the next few years, with 133 new flights.

2) 'WINGS INDIA 2022'

Ministry of Civil Aviation and FICCI are jointly organizing Asia's largest event on Civil Aviation (Commercial, General and Business Aviation), titled 'WINGS INDIA 2022'. The theme of the event: "India@75: New Horizon for Aviation Industry."

3) 'AquaMAP'

The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras builds a new interdisciplinary water management and policy centre known as 'AquaMAP' to address India's water issues. The centre will build scalable models employing novel technology to provide smart solutions for water concerns.

STATE NEWS

1) Gulf Countries' Investment Summit

Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha has addressed the Gulf Countries' Investment Summit at SKICC, Srinagar which is aimed at providing a platform for the foreign business delegates to explore a host of investment opportunities in the UT of Jammu & Kashmir.

BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) "Chennai Super Kings ICICI Bank Credit Card"

ICICI Bank announced that it has partnered with Chennai Super Kings, one of India's most successful cricket teams, to introduce a co-branded credit card. The card, dubbed the 'Chennai Super Kings ICICI Bank Credit Card,' has been expressly developed with a range of exclusive perks for the iconic team's millions of cricket fans.

2) Green Deposit Programme

DBS Bank India has announced the launch of its Green Deposit Programme for corporate clients providing a simple way for companies to support environmentally-friendly projects or avenues.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Padma Bhushan award





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Devendra Jhajharia became the first para-athlete to receive the Padma Bhushan award. He has won many Paralympic medals, including gold at the 2004 Paralympics in Athens and 2016 Rio Games, and a silver medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

2) Abel Prize for the year 2022

The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters has awarded the Abel Prize for the year 2022 to American Mathematician Dennis Parnell Sullivan. The citation mentions that the award has been given, "For his groundbreaking contributions to topology in its broadest sense, and in particular its algebraic, geometric and dynamical aspects."

BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) "Unfilled Barrels: India's oil story"

A book titled "Unfilled Barrels: India's oil story" authored by Richa Mishra will be released soon. The book highlights the key role played by Keshav Dev Malaviya, who was the petroleum minister in the 1970s with a degree in oil technology.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) International Day for the Right to the Truth

United Nations has recognised March 24 to be observed as the International Day for the Right to the Truth concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims every year.

2) World Tuberculosis Day

World Tuberculosis Day is observed every year on 24 March to create awareness among the public about the global epidemic of tuberculosis and efforts to eliminate the disease. The theme of World TB Day 2022 – 'Invest to End TB. Save Lives.'

