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## NATIONAL

### 1) 1st Incredible India International Cruise Conference 2022

- The 2 day 1st Incredible India International Cruise Conference 2022 was held at Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- It was inaugurated by Union Minister Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, along with Minister of State Shri Shripad Naik. Union Minister Kishan Reddy, Ministry of Tourism Addressed the event.
- The conference was an invitation for domestic and international tourists to 'Come, Cruise in India'.
- The mascot for the event is named as 'Captain Cruzo'.

### 2) GatiShakti Sanchar portal

- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw, Ministry of Communications launched the GatiShakti Sanchar portal for Centralised Right of Way approvals.
- It was launched on the lines of PM GatiShakti National Master Plan.
- This portal will provide a robust mechanism to achieve the goal of Broadband for All as envisaged in the National Digital Communication Policy.

### 3) Buddha Purnima

- Vesak Day or Buddha Purnima is annually celebrated by members of the Buddhist community across the world on the first full moon day of the month of Vaisakh, which usually falls in April-May of the Gregorian calendar.
- In 2022, Vesak Day falls on 16th May.
- The day marks the birth, enlightenment(nirvana), and death(parinirvana) of Siddhartha Gautama, or Lord Buddha, the founder of Buddhism who later became "The Buddha".

## APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

### 1) Dr. Manik Saha

- Dr. Manik Saha was sworn in as the Chief Minister of Tripura. He was sworn in as the 12th CM of Tripura, and Governor Satyadeo Narayan Arya administered the oath of office.
- His appointment followed the sudden resignation of his predecessor, Biplab Kumar Dev.





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## 2) Hassan Sheikh Mohamud

- Hassan Sheikh Mohamud has been elected as President of Somalia, defeating Mohamed Abudallahi Mohamed.
- Abudallahi Mohamed served as President of Somalia since 2017.

## 3) Nidhi Chibber

- Senior IAS officer, Nidhi Chibber has been appointed as the chairperson of the Central Board of Secondary Education.
- Chibber, a 1994 batch Indian Administrative Service officer of Chhattisgarh cadre, is currently Additional Secretary, Ministry of Heavy Industries.

## SPORTS

### 1) 32nd edition of Badminton World Federation Thomas Cup 2022

- India Men's Badminton won the 32nd edition of Badminton World Federation (BWF) Thomas Cup 2022 after beating the 14-time champion Indonesia by 3-0 held at the Impact Arena, in Bangkok, Thailand.
- The Third and Fourth Podium were secured by Denmark and Japan respectively.

### 2) 2022 Internazionali BNL d'Italia of Rome title

- Serbian tennis player Novak Djokovic has won the 79th edition of the 2022 Internazionali BNL d'Italia of Rome title after defeating Stefanos Tsitsipas in Men's Singles by 6-0 7-6 (7-5) held at Foro Italico, Rome, Italy.
- In the Women's Singles, Iga Swiatek defeated Ons Jabeur by 6-2, 6-2 to claim her fifth tournament victory.

## OBITUARY

### 1) Andrew Symonds

- Former Australian all-rounder, Andrew Symonds, died in a car accident outside Townsville in Queensland state of Australia.
- He played 26 test matches and 198 One-Day Internationals for Australia and won Two back-to-back 50 over World Cups in 2003 and 2007.
- Symonds has played for Deccan Chargers in the first three seasons of the Indian Premier League (IPL), for Mumbai Indians in IPL 2011.





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## AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

### 1) Aster Guardian Global Nursing Award

- Anna Qabale Duba, a Kenyan nurse stationed at the Marsabit County Referral Hospital, won the inaugural Aster Guardian Global Nursing Award for endorsing education and campaigning against outdated cultural practices like Female Genital Mutilation in her community.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### 1) International Day of Light

- International Day of Light is annually observed across the globe on 16th May to celebrate the role of light in science, culture and art, education, and sustainable development, and in fields as diverse as medicine, communications, and energy.

- The day marks the anniversary of the first successful operation of the laser in 1960 by physicist and engineer, Theodore Maiman.

### 2) International Day of Living Together in Peace

- The United Nations (UN)'s International Day of Living Together in Peace is annually observed across the globe on 16th May to promote inclusion, tolerance, solidarity and peace amongst the diverse communities of people.

- Theme of 2022: "United in differences and diversity"

- The day was first observed on 16th May 2018

