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INTERNATIONAL

1) Space Launch System rocket

- The American space agency, NASA has rolled out its giant new Moon rocket, surrounding the Space Launch System rocket and Orion spacecraft, the vehicle was moved to Pad 39B at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.
- The near 100m-tall (328ft) SLS rode an immense tractor to the pad. The SLS will have 15% more thrust off the pad than Apollo's Saturn V rockets.

2) Arctic Amplification

- Arctic amplification refers to enhancement of near-surface air temperature change over Arctic relative to lower latitudes.
- Arctic is heating up 4 times as fast as rest of world. Global warming, Ice-albedo feedback, lapse rate feedback, water vapour feedback and ocean heat transport are primary causes of Arctic Amplification.

NATIONAL

1) Future Infantry Soldier as a System

- Defence Minister of India, Rajnath Singh handed over to the Indian Army the much-awaited Future Infantry Soldier as a System (F-INSAS) in Delhi.
- The full gear of the F-INSAS includes an AK-203 assault rifle, which is a Russian-origin gas-operated, magazine-fed, select-fire assault rifle.

2) Dornier maritime reconnaissance aircraft

- Recently, India gifted a Dornier maritime reconnaissance aircraft to Sri Lanka.
- It will enable the island nation to tackle multiple challenges like human and drug trafficking, smuggling and other organised forms of crime in its coastal waters more effectively.

3) National Council of Teachers Education

- Recently, National Council of Teachers Education celebrated its 28th Foundation Day. It is a statutory advisory body.
- Its objective is to plan and coordinate, regulate and maintain norms and standards in teacher education system.





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BUSINESS AND ECONOMY

1) “Vigil Aunty”

- HDFC Bank launched a new campaign called “Vigil Aunty”. Vigil Aunty Campaign attempts to motivate citizens all around the nation to adopt secure banking practices. This will go along with the bank’s “Mooh Band Rakho” campaign, which implores consumers to keep their banking information private.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) Lisbon Triennale Millennium bcp Lifetime Achievement Award

- The first South Asian, renowned Bangladeshi architect, researcher, and educator Marina Tabassum received the prestigious Lisbon Triennale Millennium bcp Lifetime Achievement Award.

- The Lisbon Architecture Triennale panel commended Marina Tabassum for providing an inspiring example of work with local communities that may have a beneficial impact all over the world even in the most challenging circumstances when announcing the award.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Anuj Poddar

- Bajaj Electricals has elevated its Executive Director Anuj Poddar to Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

- The company has separated the post of Chairman & Managing Director and its patron Shekhar Bajaj will continue as Executive Chairman of the company.

2) Rajkiran Rai G

- The Board of the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID) has appointed Rajkiran Rai G as its managing director for the next five years.

- The board of NaBFID approved Rai’s appointment on July 30 based on clearance by the RBI, centre and the Development finance institutions nomination and remuneration committee.





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SPORTS

1) 2nd edition of the North East Olympics

- Meghalaya is all set to host the upcoming 2nd edition of the North East Olympics from 30th October. Meghalaya Department of Sports and Youth Affairs, and the North East Olympic Association was held last evening to finalize the list of sports disciplines.

- In this edition, about 4,000 participants from eight North Eastern States will be competing in 18 disciplines at 13 venues spread across Shillong.

OBITUARY

1) Amitabh Chaudhary

- Amitabh Chaudhary the former BCCI acting secretary and president of Jharkhand State Cricket Association has passed away. He served as acting secretary of the BCCI until 2019.

2) Kevin O'Brien

- Ireland all-rounder Kevin O'Brien has announced his retirement from international cricket.

- O'Brien played three Tests, 153 one-day internationals and 110 T20 internationals during a 16-year international career.