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Q1) Anil Chauhan appointed as new Chief of Defence Staff



Lieutenant General Anil Chauhan appointed as new Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) of India, He will succeed General Bipin Rawat who was passed away in a helicopter accident in the Nilgiris area of Tamil Nadu.

During his tenure of his 40-year career, he has occupied a numerous number of posts.

Additional Information:

Chief of Indian Air Force – **Air Chief Marshal RKS Bhadauria**

Chief of Indian Army – **General Manoj Mukund Narvane**

Chief of Navy – **Admiral R. Hari Kumar**

Q2) 8th Global Green Economy Summit launched in United Arab Emirates



Chairman of the Dubai Supreme Council of Energy Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed al Maktoum inaugurated the **8th edition of Global Green Economy Energy** began on 28th September 2022. The 2-day long event focused on 4 key pillar of green economy- **1) Energy 2) Finance 3) Food Security 4) Youth**

Additional Information:

President of UAE – **Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed al Nahyan**

Q3) Ajay Bhadoo appointed as new Deputy Election Commissioner of India



The IAS cadre from Gujarat **Ajay Bhadoo** named as the **Chief Election Commissioner of India**. He was appointed to the post till 24th July 2024.

More than 30 Civil Servants were rearranged by the government order. Some are:

Posts

CEO in Ministry of Electronics & IT – **Akash Tripathi**

Additional CEO in the Department of Health & Family – **Basant Garg**

Joint Secretary in the IN-SPACe – **Lochan Sehra (for 5 years)**

Joint Secretary in the Department of Commerce – **Indu C. Nair**

Joint Secretaries in the Ministry of Culture – **Gurmeet Singh Chawla & Mugdha Sinha**

Joint Secretary in Defence Department – **Ajay Kumar**

Joint Secretary in the Department of Drinking & Sanitation – **Manoj Kumar Sahoo**

Regional Director in SSC (Kolkata) – **Priyanka Basu Ingty**

Q4) India become the largest producer of Sugar in the World.



India has become the **largest producer and consumer of sugar** in the world and the second largest exporter. During the sugar season in India, over **5,000 lakh metric tons (LMT) of sugarcane** was produced Sugar is diverted to ethanol production.

Key Points

- India made records highest exports of about **109.8 LMT** in 2020-2021.
- Foreign currency was earned about **Rs,40.000 Crores** by the Sugar exports from India.

Q5) BD Mishra assumed additional charge Governor of Meghalaya



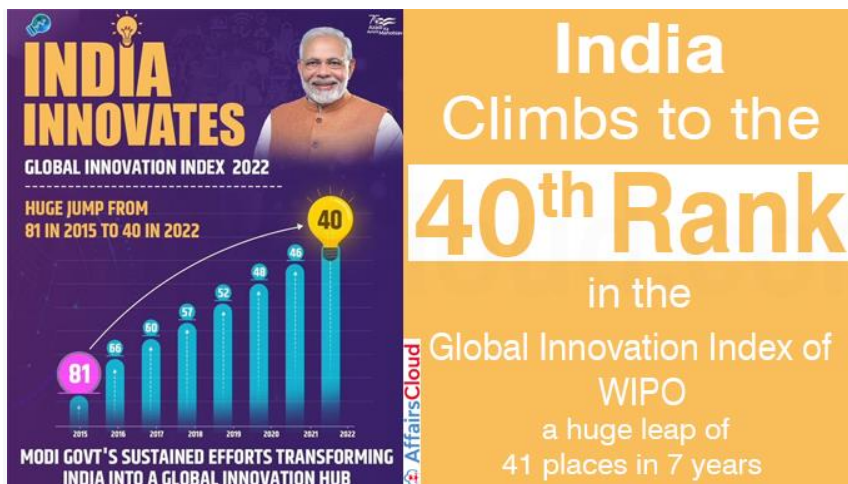
Governor of Arunachal Pradesh **BD Mishra** assumes additional charge as the **Governor of Meghalaya**. He succeeds Satya Pal Malik. The oath was given by Chief Justice of Meghalaya **Harman Singh Thangkiew**

Additional Information:

Chief Minister of Meghalaya – **Conrad Sangma**

Capital of Meghalaya – **Shillong**

Q6) WIPO's Global Innovation Index- India ranks 40th



India
Climbs to the
40th Rank
in the
Global Innovation Index of
WIPO
a huge leap of
41 places in 7 years

India ranked **40th position among 132 countries** in the Global Innovation Index of the **World Intellectual Property Index (WIPO)**. India was ranked 81st in the 2015. This is a huge jump of **41 places** in the 7 years.

Key Points:

- **Switzerland** topped this year's index followed by the **United States & Sweden**

Additional Information

Director General of WIPO – **Daren Tang**

Headquarter of WIPO – **Geneva (Switzerland)**

Members of WIPO – **193**

Foundation of WIPO – **14th July 1967**

Q7) PM Narendra Modi inaugurated Lata Mangeshkar Chowk in Ayodhya



Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated **Lata Mangeshkar Chowk in Ayodhya** remembering the legendary singer Lata Mangeshkar on her 93rd birth anniversary. Lata Mangeshkar was born on 28th September 1929 devoted his career in the music industry for over eight decades.

Key Points:

- **A 40-ft-long and 12-metre-high Veena of weight 14 tonnes** has been installed at the intersection.
- Goddess Saraswati's Veena installed at the chowk will become a symbol of music practice.

Q8) Pullampara becomes the first digitally literate panchayat in India



The **Pullampara village panchayat** in the **Thiruvananthapuram district, Kerala** becomes the first Indian village to tagged as the **digitally literate panchayat in the country**. The Kerala Chief Minister **Pinarayi Vijayan** said this during an event.

Additional Information:

Capital of Kerala – **Thiruvananthapuram**

Chief Minister of Kerala – **Pinarayi Vijayan**

Governor of Kerala – **Arif Mohammad Khan**

Lok Sabha Seats – **20** Rajya Sabha Seats – **9**

Folk Dances of Kerala–

Mohiniyattam, Kalariyapattu, kathakali, Theyyam, Ottamthullal

Famous waterfalls of Kerala:

Athirappilly waterfall, Dhoni waterfall, PowerHouse waterfall

National Parks in Kerala:

Eravikulam National Park, Silent Valley National Park, Anamudi Shola National Park

Q9) Indore city is the winner in the Swachh Survekshan Awards 2022



President of India **Draupadi Murmu** announced the winners of the **Swachh Survekshan Awards 2022**. In this list, **Indore** topped the list of cleanest city in India. Here is the complete list of awards:

Best performing states – **Madhya Pradesh**

2) Chattisgarh **3) Maharashtra**

In category fewer than 100 urban local bodies – **Tripura**

Among cities

Best performing city – **Indore**

2) Surat **3) Navi Mumbai**

In category cities having population fewer than 1 Lakh – **Panchgani (Maharashtra)**

2) Patan (Chattisgarh)

Cleanest Ganga town – **Haridwar**

2) Varanasi **3) Rishikesh**

Q10) 6th edition of India Mobile Congress 2022 organized in New Delhi



The Department of Telecommunication (DoT) is organizing the **6th edition of India Mobile Congress 2022** from 1-3 October 2022 at Pragati Maidan (New Delhi).

The theme of this year's Indian Mobile Congress 2022 is **"New Digital Universe"**

In this event, PM Narendra Modi launched the **5G services**.

Additional Information:

Ministry of Telecommunication – **Ashwini Vaishnav**

Q11) Canada India Foundation honoured Anil Agarwal with Global Indian Award



Vedanta founder **Anil Agarwal** conferred with the **Global Indian Award** by the Canada-India foundation at the 15th annual gala.

Additional Information:

Prime Minister of Canada – **Justin Trudeau**

Capital of Canada – **Ottawa**

Currency of Canada – **Canadian Dollar**

Q12) PM Modi inaugurated 36th National Games in Gujarat



PM Narendra Modi officially inaugurated the **36th National Games 2022** across six cities- **Ahmedabad, Gandhinagar, Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot & Bhavnagar** from 29 Sept.- 12 Oct. 2022

Here is the complete list of winners:

Rank	State/Union Territory/Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Services	61	35	32	128
2	Maharashtra	39	38	63	140
3	Haryana	38	38	40	116
4	Karnataka	27	23	38	88
5	Tamil Nadu	25	22	27	74
6	Kerala	23	18	13	54
7	Madhya Pradesh	20	25	21	66
8	Uttar Pradesh	20	18	18	56
9	Manipur	20	10	20	50
10	Punjab	19	32	25	76
11	Delhi	14	17	40	71
12	Gujarat	13	15	21	49

13	West Bengal	13	14	17	44
14	Assam	9	10	9	28
15	Telangana	8	7	8	23
16	Arunachal Pradesh	6	1	0	7
17	Odisha	4	11	11	26
18	Jharkhand	3	5	5	13
19	Chandigarh	3	4	4	11
20	Rajasthan	3	3	24	30
21	Andhra Pradesh	2	9	5	16
22	Chhattisgarh	2	5	6	13
23	Andaman Nicobar	2	5	5	12
24	Himachal Pradesh	2	4	3	9
25	Tripura	2	0	1	3
26	Uttarakhand	1	8	9	18
27	Jammu Kashmir	1	2	9	12

28	Mizoram	1	1	2	4
28	Pondicherry	1	1	2	4
30	Goa	0	0	5	5
31	Bihar	0	0	2	2
32	Sikkim	0	0	1	1

Q12) R. Venkataramani named as the next Attorney General of India



Senior advocate in the Supreme Court **R. Venkataramani** appointed as the **16th Attorney General of India** for a period of 3 years. He succeeds K.K Venugopal.

Important Facts about Attorney General of India

- Attorney General of India is elected by the President of India under **Article 76** of Indian Constitution
- He is the highest law officer of India. The term of office is **not fixed**

- The Attorney General of India is **not a member of cabinet**. He has the right to speak in either house of parliament but he **has no right to vote**.

Q13) Nobel Prize 2022: List of Winners announced



The Nobel Prize is one of the most prestigious awards given in six different fields,- Physics, Chemistry, Literature, Economic Sciences, Physiology or Medicine, and Peace Prize. The award in the fields of Peace is given by **Norwegian Parliament** & the remaining is given by **Swedish Academy**. The Nobel Prize was established in **1901** and was first given in **10 December 1901**. Complete list of winners:

Nobel Prize Category	Nobel Prize Winners	Awarded For
Nobel Prize Winner in Economic Sciences	Ben Bernanke, Douglas Diamond and Philip Dybvig	“for research on Banks and Financial crises”
Nobel Peace Prize 2022 Winner	Ales Bialiatski, organisation Memorial and organisation Center for Civil Liberties	For promoting the right to criticize power and protect the fundamental rights of citizens.For showing outstanding effort to document war crimes, human rights abuses, and the abuse of power.
Nobel Prize Winner in Literature	Annie Ernaux	“for the courage and clinical acuity with which she uncovers the roots, estrangements and collective restraints of personal memory”.

Physiology or Medicine	Svante Paabo	“concerning the genomes of extinct hominins and human evolution”
Physics	Alain Aspect, John F Clauser and Anton Zeilinger	“for experiments with entangled photons, establishing the violation of Bell inequalities, and pioneering quantum information science”.
Nobel Prize Winner in Chemistry	Carolyn Bertozzi, Morten Meldal & Barry Sharpless	

Q14) PR Sreejesh named as the FIH Men’s Goalkeeper of the Year Award



Indian hockey goalkeeper **PR Sreejesh** named as the **Men’s Goalkeeper of the Year Award** by the International Hockey Federation (FIH) while **Savita Punia** named as the **FIH Women’s Goalkeeper of the Year Award**.

Other Awardees:

Category Winner

FIH Men’s Rising Star of the Year 2021-22 **Timothee Clement (France)**

FIH Women’s Rising Star of the Year 2021-22 **Mumtaz Khan (India)**

Additional Information:

President of FIH – **Dr. Narinder Batra**

CEO of FIH – **Thierry Well**

Headquarter of FIH – **Lausanne (Switzerland)**

Foundation of FIH – **7 January 1924, Paris (France)**

Q15) Srishti Baliyan wins the UN’s Changemaker Award.



Human Rights Activist **Srishti Baliyan** conferred with the “Changemaker” award at the **United Nation Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDG) action awards** which was held in Bonn (Germany). The award was given to support the efforts of her in raising gender-equality and violence.

Additional Information:

Secretary General of UN – **Antonio Guterres (Portugal)**

Headquarter of UN – **New York**

Foundation of UN – **24 October 1945**

Main organizations in UN – **5**

Q16) Ministry of Jal Shakti celebrated Swachh Bharat Diwas 2022 on October 2



Department of Drinking Water & Sanitation (DDWS), Jal Shakti Ministry **Gajendra Singh Shekhawat** celebrated **Swachh Bharat Diwas** on 2 October 2022. This day was celebrated to mark the Birth Anniversary of the "Father of Nation" Mahatma Gandhi. The quote for this year's Swachh Bharat Diwas is inspired by Baapu's famous quote "Cleanliness is next to Godliness". The president of India **Draupadi Murmu was the Chief Guest.**

About Swachh Bharat Abhiyan:

- Swachh Bharat Mission/ Swachh Bharat Abhiyan was launched on **2 October 2014** with an aim to achieve universal sanitation coverage and to put focus on sanitation.
- This mission was launched under the tagline "**Ek Kadam Swachhta Ki Ore**"

Q17) Yunqing Tang awarded the SASTRA Ramanujan Prize for 2022



Yunqing Tang, Assistant professor in the California University, USA awarded with the **SASTRA Ramanujan Prize for 2022**. He was awarded for his **arithmetic and geometry of modular curves**. The award was established in **2005** by the **Shanmugha Arts, Science, Technology & Research Academy (SASTRA)**

About Srinivas Ramanujan:

- Srinivas Ramanujan was born on **22nd December 1887 in Erode village, Madras (now Chennai)**
- In the tribute to Ramanujan, 22nd December is celebrated as the **National Mathematics Day** every year
- Number 1729 is known as the **Ramanujan number**.

Q18) Dr. Vivek Lall honoured with the Lifetime Achievement award by the USA



An India-Origin CEO of the General Atomics **Dr. Vivek Lall** conferred with the **Lifetime Achievement Award by the US government**. The award was given by the US President **Joe Biden** with citation of "With Grateful Recognition"

Q19) Chattisgarh Govt. launched MGRIP to develop Cow Shelters



Chief Minister of Chattisgarh **Bhupendra Baghel** launched as scheme named **Mahatma Gandhi Rural Industrial Parks (MGRIP)** under which "gauthans" (cow shelters in villages) will be developed as as "**Rural Industrial Park**". The officials said around 300 gauthans-cum industrial parks will be set up under this scheme.

Additional Information:

Chief Minister of Chattisgarh – **Bhupendra Baghel**

Governor of Chattisgarh – **Anusuiya Uikey**

Capital of Chattisgarh – **Raipur**

Lok Sabha Seats – **11** Rajya Sabha Seats – **5**

Folk Dances of Chattisgarh

Saila dance, Pandavani, Raut Nacha , Sua Nacha

National Parks of Chattisgarh

Achanakmar Wildlife Sanctuary, Guru Ghasidas National Park, Kanger Ghati National Park

Q20) Pankaj Tripathi made the National Icon of the Election Commissioner of India



Actor **Pankaj Tripathi**, known for his role in "Gangs of Wasseypur", "Bareilly Ki Barfi" and others has been made the "**National Icon**" of the Election Commissioner of India.

Additional Information:

Chairman of the Election Commissioner of India – **Rajiv Kumar**

Headquarter of the Election Commissioner of India – **New Delhi**

Foundation of the Election Commissioner of India – **25 January 1950**

- Election Commissioner of India comes under **Article 324** of the Indian Constitution.
- 25 January is celebrated **National Voter's Day** every year. The theme for this year's is "**Making Elections Inclusive, Accessible and Participative**"

Q21) President Draupadi Murmu launched scheme herSTART in Gujarat.



The President of India **Draupadi Murmu** launched **herSTART** initiative for women entrepreneurs in **Gujarat**.

Q22) India signed a pact on White Shipping Information Exchange with New Zealand



Indian Navy signed a contract on the **White Shipping Information Exchange** with the Royal New Zealand Navy. The agreement was signed to encourage more opportunities in the Maritime field.

About This Agreement:

- This pact is a type of protocol that allows Indian Navy and New Zealand Navy to exchange information about ships in their respective oceanic territories.
- This refers to the knowledge on location and help to find its identity of no-military, commercial merchant boats.

Q23) Union Cabinet launched PM-DeVINE scheme for North-Eastern states



Union Minister headed by **PM Narendra Modi** launched a new scheme **Prime Minister's Development Initiative for North East (PM-DeVINE)**. The PM-DeVINE scheme was launched with a total amount of **Rs. 6,600 crore** to support lives, infrastructure in north-eastern states.

Q24) 2nd UN World Geospatial Information Congress 2022 held in Hyderabad.



2nd edition of **United Nation Geospatial Information Congress (UNGIC) 2022** was organised in Hyderabad. This year's theme of UNGIC is "**Geo-Enabling the Global Village: No One Should be left Behind**". It is expected that India's geospatial economy will cross **Rs. 63,000 cores by end of 2025 at growth rate of 12.8%**. The 1st United Nation Geospatial Information Congress (UNGIC) was held in **China in 2018**.

Q25) Russia successfully launched "GLONASS-K" satellite



Russia military has successfully launched the **Radio-based navigation System "GLONASS-K" satellite**. This will be the 9th launch for the Russian Federation so far.

Space system of Russian Federation – **COSMODROME**

Q26) Novak Djokovic wins the ATP title in Astana Open



Serbian tennis star **Novak Djokovic** wins the **ATP Title in the Astana Open**. This was his second consecutive title this season. Novak Djokovic claimed his overall 90th title after defeating **Stefanos Tsitsipas** in the final of the Astana Open in Kazakhstan.

Q27) Amit Shah inaugurated the Lok Nayak Jayprakash Narayan statue in Bihar



Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** unveiled statue of **Lok Nayak Jayprakash Narayan** in Bihar. The **14- feet tall statue** was unveiled at his ancestral place at **Sitab Diara in Saran district**. The event was attended by the **Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh Yogi Adityanath** among several other leaders.

Some Facts about Jayprakash Narayan:

- Jayprakash Narayan, popularly known as **Lok Nayak** was born on **11th October 1902** in Sitab Diara (Bihar)
- He was a famous political leader, freedom fighter, independent activist & socialist.
- He was awarded **Bharat Ratna in 1999. (Posthumously)**

Q28) MS Dhoni launched the Made-in-India drone “DRONI”



Former captain of Indian Cricket team **MS Dhoni** launched the Made-in-India drone "**Droni**" manufactured by the **Garuda Aerospace** at the Global Defence Expo in **Chennai**. It is expected that the drone will be available by the year end.

Additional Information:

Headquarter of Garuda Aerospace – **Chennai (Tamil Nadu)**

CEO of Garuda Aerospace – **Agnishwar Jayprakash**

Q29) Modhera becomes the 1st 24*7 Solar-Powered village



Prime Minister Narendra Modi declares **Modhera village in Gujarat** as the country's 1st **24*7 solar-powered village**. It will help the locals to save **60-100%** on the electricity bills.

Q30) Veteran Politician leader Mulayam Singh Yadav passes away.



Veteran Politician leader and former 3-time Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh **Shri Mulayam Singh Yadav** passes away. He was the founder of **Samajwadi Party** and held portfolio like **Ministry of Defence**,

Government of India. He was also elected **7-times as Member of Parliament (MP) and 10-times as Member of Legislative Assembly (MLA).**

Q31) India re-elected as the President of International Solar Alliance (ISA)



In the 5th general assembly of International Solar Alliance (ISA) **Union Minister of Renewable Energy R.K Mathur** re-elected as the President of the ISA while **France** has been re-elected as the **Co-President** of a period of 2 years. The event saw a 34 members Ministers of ISA & 5 signatory and prospective member countries.

Additional Information:

Foundation of International Solar Alliance – **30 November 2015 (by India & France)**

Headquarter of International Solar Alliance – **Gurugram (New Delhi)**

Director-General of International Solar Alliance – **Ajay Mathur**

- **Syria** becomes the **103rd member of the International Solar Alliance.** Earlier this year **Antigua and Barbados** became the **102nd member of the ISA.**

Q32) Aramane Giridhar appointed as Defence Secretary by the Government of India



Secretary of Union Road and Transport Highways **Aramane Giridhar** appointed as the new **Defence Secretary of India** by the Government of India. Some more changes as a Bureaucratic reshuffle

New Secretary of the Road & Transport Highways – **Alka Upadhyay**

New Revenue Secretary – **Sanjay Malhotra**

Q33) Mallikarjun Kharge becomes the New President of Indian National Congress



Congress leader **Mallikarjun Kharge** officially takes charge as the new **President of the Indian National Congress (INC)**. Veteran leader Kharge defeated the MP from Trivendrum **Shashi Tharoor** by a fair margin. Outgoing Congress President **Sonia Gandhi** and former chief **Rahul Gandhi** were also present at the oath ceremony.

Additional Information:

- Indian National Congress was founded in **1885** by **A.O Hume**.
- **Wyomesh Chandra Banerjee** was the 1st president of the INC session and was held in **Calcutta**.

Q35) Sajan Bhanwala won a bronze medal at U-23 World Wrestling Championship



Indian-Greco wrestler **Sajan Bhanwala** become the first Indian wrestler to win the **bronze medal in the**

U-23 World Wrestling Championship . He wrestles in the **77 kg category**. He won the medal by defeating Ukraine's Dmytro Vasetskyi

Q36) Petroleum Minister Hardeep Singh Puri inaugurated Asia's largest Compressed Bio Gas Plant



Union Minister of Natural Gas and Petroleum **Shri Hardeep Singh Puri** has set up India's Asia's largest "Compressed Bio Gas Plant" in **Sangrur (Punjab)**. It is the initial stage of the India's game-changing plan for a CBG-based rural economy and the Indian Government is taking all the necessary

steps in improving this. The plant set up with the help of FDI (Foreign Direct Investment) of approx. **Rs.220 crores**

by **Verbio AG (Leading German bio-energy company)**.

Additional Information for Exams:

Capital of Punjab – **Chandigarh**

Chief Minister of Punjab – **Shri Bhagwant Mann**

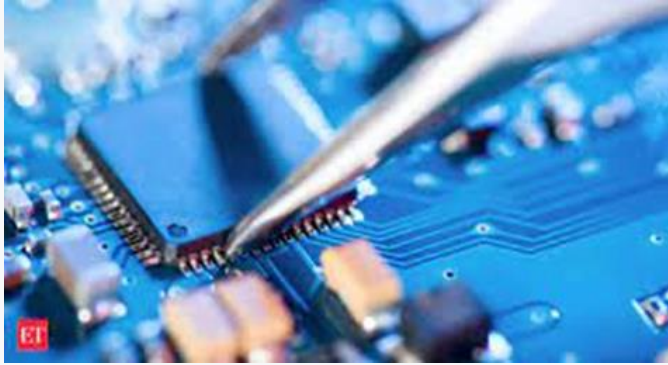
Governor of Punjab – **Shri Banwarilal Purohit**

Q37) India Gate Basmati Rice named as the World's No. 1 Basmati Rice Brand



India Gate Basmati Rice has been named as the **World's No. 1 Basmati Rice Brand** in a study by the top global research company (**Mordor Intelligence**).

Q38) Rajeev Chandrasekhar inaugurated India's 1st SemiconIndia Future Design Roadshow



State Minister for IT & Electronics **Rajeev Chandrasekhar** launched India's **1st SemiconIndia**

Future Design roadshow in Gujarat. He said that the events organized with the aim of boosting up startups and encouraging businessmen to invest in semiconductor designs.

Additional Information for all Exams:

Union Minister of IT & Technology – **Ashwini Vaishnav**

State Minister of IT & Technology – **Rajeev Chandrasekhar**

Capital of Gujarat – **Gandhinagar**

Chief Minister of Gujarat – **Bhupendra Patel**

Governor of Gujarat – **Vijay Rupani**

Q39) Japan has received GI Tag for Nihonshu



Japan has seek for a tag at the **Geographical Indication Registry (Chennai)** for

Nihonshu/Japanese sake (an alcoholic beverage). This will be the first time that a Japanese

product has seek a Geographical Tag (GI) tag registry.

Q40) ISRO's Aditya L-1 Mission: Dr. Sankarasubramanian K. named as Principal Scientist



The ISRO (Indian Space Research Organization) has appointed **Dr. Sankarasubramanian K.**

as the Principal Scientist for the **Aditya L-1 Mission**.

About Aditya L-1 mission

It is the first Indian mission to study the Sun. The spacecraft will be placed in a halo orbit around the **first Lagrange Point L1 of the Sun -Earth system.**

The launch date of Aditya L-1 mission is scheduled in February 2023.

Additional Information

Chairman of ISRO – **Dr. S Somnath**

Headquarter – **Bangalore**

Formed – **15th August 1969**

Q41) FIFA Women's World Cup 2023: Tazuni unveils as official mascot



FIFA has recently unveiled the Official mascot for the **Women's World Cup 2023**

The official mascot unveiled as the **Tazuni (a football loving penguin)**. The FIFA

Women's World Cup 2023 is to be held in **New Zealand & Australia.**

About FIFA Women's World Cup 2023

This will be the **9th** edition of the tournament and for this will be the first these 2 countries will co-host the tournament.

The tournament will consist of total 64 games to be played across 10 different venues in 9 different cities.

Q 42) ISRO all set to launch Chandrayaan-3 in August 2023.



The ISRO (Indian Space Research Organization) is all set to launch Chandrayaan-3 in August 2023 according to Dr. S.Somnath

Chairman of the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO). The mission was previously launched in the third quarter of 2022

but it has further been postponed.

Q43) 5th edition of Khelo India Youth Games scheduled to be held in Madhya Pradesh



The 5th edition of Khelo India Youth Games 2023 decided to be held in **Madhya Pradesh** from 31st January to 11th February 2023

Union Minister of Youth Affairs **Anurag Thakur** & CM of Madhya Pradesh **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** was present in the event.

Additional Information for Exams:

Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh – **Shivraj Singh Chauhan**

Governor of Madhya Pradesh – **Mangubhai C. Patel**

State sport of Madhya Pradesh – **Mallakhamb**