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STATES

A.P. Medical and Rehabilitation Tourism (AMRIT)

- ❖ The Chief Minister inaugurated the A.P. Medical and Rehabilitation Tourism (AMRIT) as part of the ongoing Andhra Pradesh Health Festival, at Rushikonda.
- ❖ The A.P. Health Care System would be strengthened with the financial assistance from the World Bank.
- ❖ The State Government is leveraging technology to improve public health and to take health and medical services even to remote areas.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS AND EVENTS

International Chamber of Commerce Chairman

- ❖ Paul Polman, CEO of Unilever, will succeed Sunil Bharti Mittal as Chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC).



- ❖ Sunil Bharti Mittal, Founder, and Chairman of Bharti Enterprises will step down ICC Chairman, following the completion of his 2-year tenure.
- ❖ Mittal will assume the role of ICC Honorary Chair from July 1, 2018.
- ❖ Ajay Banga, President and CEO MasterCard, has been appointed as the next ICC 'First Vice-Chair'.

International Chamber of Commerce (ICC)

- ❖ The International Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1919 to serve world business by promoting trade and investment, open markets for goods and services, and the free flow of capital.
- ❖ The organization's international secretariat was established in Paris and the ICC's International Court of Arbitration was created in 1923.
- ❖ ICC's first chairman was 20th-century French Minister of Finance Etienne Clémentel.
- ❖ ICC was the first organization granted general consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council and UN Observer Status.

WCD Ministry Received SKOCH Award

- ❖ SKOCH, a New Delhi-based think-tank, has conferred the 'Best performing Social Sector Ministry' award on the Ministry of Women and Child Development.
- ❖ It has been awarded to the ministry in recognition of the achievements and initiatives of the ministry, such as
 - Beti Bachao Beti Padhao
 - six months' maternity leave,
 - Sexual harassment at Work Place Act,
 - SHe-box, one-stop centers,
 - universal women helpline (181),
 - 33 percent reservation in the police.

have achieved huge success within a very short period of time.

'Chief Minister of the Year' award

- ❖ Rajasthan Chief Minister Vasundhara Raje was conferred the 'Chief Minister of the Year' award for her remarkable work in e-governance.



- ❖ The award was given at the 52nd Skoch Summit held in New Delhi.

SPORTS

Salt Lake World Cup

- ❖ Archer Deepika Kumari won her first individual gold medal in six years at the Salt Lake World Cup, in the USA.



- ❖ She defeated Germany's Michelle Kroppen in the recurve final.
- ❖ The win ensured Deepika will represent the country at the season-ending Archery World Cup Final in Samsun, Turkey in October 2018.
- ❖ In six appearances at the Archery World Cup, Deepika had come back with silver medals in 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2015 but this time she finally got the Gold.

2nd youngest Grandmaster

- ❖ Chennai lad R Praggnanandhaa created history as he became India's youngest and world's second youngest Grandmaster (12 years and 10 months) after he made it to the final round of the Gredine Open in Italy.



- ❖ Sergey Karjakin of Ukraine had become the youngest Grandmaster at 12 years, 7 months back in 1990.
- ❖ Praggnanandhaa had already achieved his first GM norm in the World Juniors 2017, and he achieved his second GM norm at a closed round-robin tournament in Greece.
- ❖ It takes three norms and an Elo rating of 2500 to become a Grandmaster.

Singapore National Swimming Championships

- ❖ Indian swimmer Sandeep Sejwal put up an impressive performance to clinch the gold medal in men's 50m breaststroke event at the Singapore National Swimming Championships in Singapore.

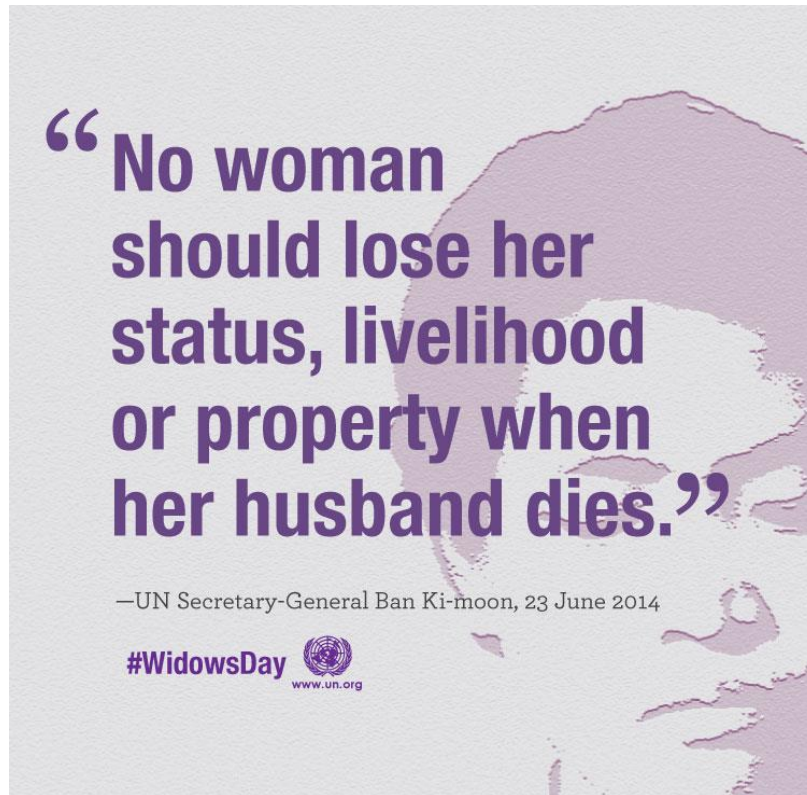


- ❖ Sandeep broke the Singapore meet record with a timing of 27:59 seconds to win the gold.
- ❖ Besides, Virdhawal Khade grabbed a creditable silver medal in the 50m freestyle event with a timing of 22.68 seconds.

MISCELLANEOUS

International Widows' Day - 23 June

- ❖ International Widows Day is a global awareness day that takes place annually on 23rd June.
- ❖ The day was launched by the United Nations in 2010 to raise awareness of the violation of human rights that widows suffer in many countries following the death of their spouses.



- ❖ The day is an opportunity for action towards achieving full rights and recognition for widows, who have been living with an invisible status for too long invisible.

United Nations Public Service Day - 23 June

- ❖ Every year 23 June is being observed as the United Nations Public Service Day by the United Nations (UN).
- ❖ The United Nations Public Service Day was instituted by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) by passing a resolution on December 20, 2002.
- ❖ The day seeks to mark the invaluable contributions of public servants and administrators to build a better world for all.

International Olympic Day - 23 June

- ❖ The International Olympic Day was celebrated on 23 June annually
- ❖ The International Olympic Day was initiated in 1948 for commemorating the commencement of modern Olympic Games on 23 June 1894 at Sorbonne in Paris.

- ❖ There are three main pillars of the International Olympic Day - discover, learn and move.



- ❖ These three pillars of the sports event are deployed by the National Olympic Committees into sports, educational and cultural activities.

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