

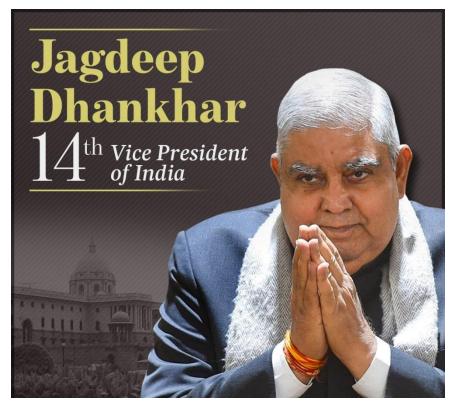


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# NATIONAL

### 14th Vice-President of India

- ✤ Jagdeep Dhankar has been elected as the 14<sup>th</sup> Vice President of India.
- ✤ He got 528 votes (72.8%) against Opposition Candidate Margaret Alva's 182.
- He bettered his predecessor Naidu's 2017 performance by 2%, who had secured 346 votes was the highest in the last six vice-presidential polls since 1997.
- The record for Vice Presidential win with highest margin remains with KR Narayanan, who won in 1992.
- He had secured 700 of the 701 votes cast against independent candidate Kaka Joginder Singh.
- ✤ He will take oath as India's Vice President by the President of India on 11th August 2022.
- ✤ He had earlier served as the Governor of West Bengal.



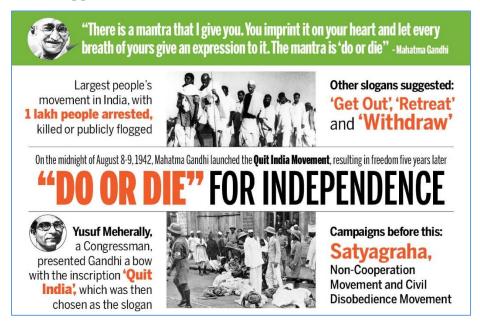
#### 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Quit India movement

✤ India has completed 80 years on 'Quit India Movement' on August 8, 2022.





- This movement is also known as August Kranti.
- It is an important milestone in India's history of freedom struggle.
- The call for Quit India Movement was given on August 8, 1942 by Gandhi in a bid to end the British rule in India.
- The movement was launched at Mumbai session of the All-India Congress Committee.
- ✤ In the speech at August Kranti Maidan (Gowalia Tank maidan) in Mumbai, Gandhi made a called for "Do or Die for Independence".
- ✤ Failure of Cripps Mission was the immediate cause for Quit India.



# New Central Administrative Tribunal Chairman



- The President appointed Justice Ranjit Vasantrao More to the post of Chairman, Central Administrative Tribunal.
- ✤ He had served as former Chief Justice of the Meghalaya High Court.





- ✤ It had been established under Article 323 A of the Constitution.
- ✤ It provides for adjudication of disputes and complaints with respect to recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed to public services.
- In pursuance of Article 323-A, Parliament passed the Administrative Tribunals Act in 1985.
- The Act authorizes the Central government to establish one CAT and the state administrative tribunals.
- There are 19 Benches in the CAT all over India.



# 7<sup>th</sup> NITI Aayog Governing Council Meet

- Prime Minister presided the seventh NITI Aayog governing council meeting.
- The council held discussions over several issues such as crop diversification, urban development and implementation of the National Education Policy.
- The Governing Council of NITI Aayog is comprising Chief Ministers of all the States and Union Territories with legislatures and Lt Governors of other Union Territories.

# Skylight Mega Exercise

The Indian Army recently conducted "Skylight Mega-Exercise" to enhance its space domain capabilities.





- ✤ It was first of its kind large-scale exercise.
- It was aimed at testing operational readiness of satellite communication assets and giving training to personnel manning these assets.
- \* It was pan-India exercise, covering Lakshadweep and Andaman Islands.
- Indian Army is also working to have its own communication satellite called GSAT-7B.
- ✤ This satellite is an indigenous multiband satellite.
- ✤ It has been designed with advanced security features.

### ECONOMY

#### **Committee to Attract Foreign Investment**

- The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) has constituted a 15-member committee to increase foreign investment.
- The advisory committee constituted by SEBI is called the 'FPI Advisory Committee'.
- ✤ The former Chief Economic Advisor KV Subramanian is the chairman of this committee.
- It aims to ease ways for foreign investors to invest in the Indian markets by reviewing the existing processes.
- This committee will help in increasing participation in the domestic bond markets.
- ✤ It will suggest new ways to bring changes in the existing rules to attract investment and enhance transparency.
- The committee will also give recommendations on the issues related to custodians.

# PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

#### dPal rNgam Duston Award

- Tibetan spiritual leader Dalai Lama was honoured with the 'dPal rNgam Duston' award.
- ✤ It is the highest civilian honour of Ladakh.
- This is awarded for his immense contribution to humanity, especially towards the union territory.

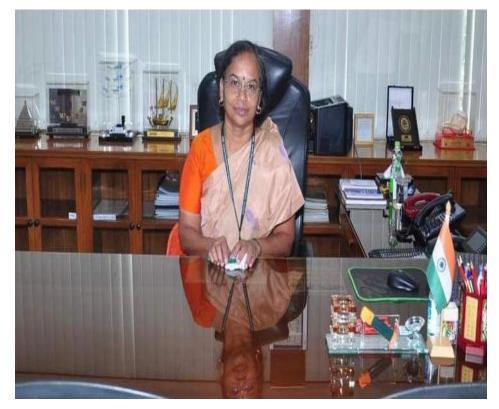




The sixth award was conferred by Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council.



### First woman director general of CSIR



- Senior electrochemical scientist Nallathamby Kalaiselvi has become the first woman director general of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research.
- ✤ It is a consortium of 38 state-run research institutes across the country.
- She was appointed for a period of two years.
- She is known for her work in the field of lithium-ion batteries.





- Kalaiselvi is at present director of the CSIR-Central Electrochemical Research Institute at Karaikudi in Tamil Nadu.
- She is becoming the first woman scientist to head the Central Electrochemical Research Institute (CSIR-CECRI) in February 2019.

#### **FIDE deputy president**

- Indian chess legend Viswanathan Anand has been elected the deputy president of FIDE.
- Incumbent president Arkady Dvorkovich was re-elected for a second term.
- ✤ The International Chess Federation or World Chess Federation, is commonly referred to by its French acronym FIDE.
- ✤ It is an international organization based in Switzerland.
- It connects the various national chess federations and acts as the governing body of international chess competition.



# **SPORTS**

#### SAFF U20 Championship - 2022

- ✤ India beat Bangladesh and clinch the 2022 SAFF U20 Championship title.
- ✤ India was the host of the 4th edition of the SAFF U-20 Championship.





✤ SAFF U-20 Championship is an international football competition for men's under-18 national teams organized by the South Asian Football Federation.



#### 75<sup>th</sup> Grandmaster of India

- V Pranav became India's 75<sup>th</sup> Grandmaster by winning a tournament in Romania.
- ◆ The 15-year-old had obtained his maiden GM norm at the Serbia Open in 2021.
- ✤ Pranav is the 27<sup>th</sup> Grandmaster from Tamil Nadu.



# **IMPORTANT DAYS**

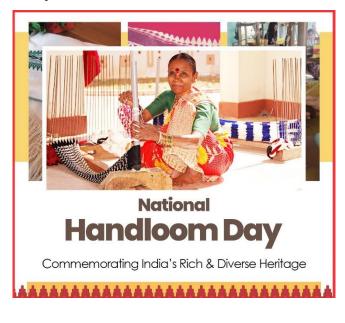
#### National Handloom Day - August 07

✤ It aims to highlight the contribution of the handloom industry in the socioeconomic development and create awareness about the sector.





- This day is celebrated across the country under the aegis of the Ministry of Textiles.
- ✤ It was the same day the Swadeshi Movement was birthed in 1905.



#### 2nd Javelin Throw Day - August 07

- The Athletics Federation of India (AFI) is celebrating the second 'Javelin Throw Day' on August 7, 2022.
- ◆ The day was first observed in 2021 in honour of Javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra.
- ✤ He won India's first Olympic gold medal in athletics at Tokyo.
- It aims to attract more youth towards the sport and get champions ready for a bright future in athletics ahead.



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