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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Britain oil and gas explorer Cairn will change its company's name from 'Cairn Energy PLC' to 'Capricorn Energy PLC'.
 - Cairn is one of Europe's leading independent energy companies.
- ❖ The International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict is an international day observed annually on November 6.

NATIONAL

Health Insurance for India's Missing Middle

- ❖ NITI Aayog has recently released a report titled, 'Health Insurance for India's Missing Middle'.
- ❖ Here it has reported that 40 crore 'missing middle' has no financial protection for health.
- ❖ The 'missing middle' is a broad category that lacks health insurance, positioned between the deprived poorer sections, and the relatively well-off organized sector.



International One Health Day

- ❖ The day is observed on November 03.
- ❖ The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India organized a Stakeholder Forum on the theme 'Industry and One Health' to celebrate the 6th International One Health Day.
- ❖ This is organized as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav.

- ❖ The day aims to highlight interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary engagements as well as multisectoral collaboration as aspects crucial to the implementation of the One Health concept.



India to Reach Carbon Neutrality by 2070

- ❖ Recently, India announced that it will reach carbon neutrality by 2070 as part of a five-point action plan that included reducing emissions to 50% by 2030.
- ❖ India made this pledge at the Conference of the Parties (COP) 26 climate summit in Glasgow, Scotland.
- ❖ It also urged developed countries to deliver on their promise of climate financing.

PM MAKES FIVE PLEDGES

- 1 India will increase its non-fossil energy capacity to 500GW by 2030
- 2 India will meet 50% of its energy requirements from renewable energy by 2030
- 3 India will reduce the total projected carbon emissions by one billion tonnes from now to 2030
- 4 By 2030, India will reduce the carbon intensity of its economy by 45% (from a previous target of 35%)
- 5 By 2070, India will achieve the target of net zero

WHAT IS NET ZERO?

Net zero refers to a balance where emissions of greenhouse gases are offset by the absorption of an equivalent amount from the atmosphere. Experts see net zero targets as a critical measure to successfully tackle climate change and its devastating consequences

PLEDGES BY TOP THREE EMITTERS

-  **CHINA:** Beijing announced no new pledges on Monday. It previously pledged net zero by 2060.
-  **UNITED STATES:** The US touted domestic legislation to spend \$555bn to boost renewable power and electric vehicles. It has pledged net zero by 2050.
-  **INDIA:** The country's economy will become carbon neutral by the year 2070

INTERNATIONAL

Yahoo stops services in China

- ❖ Yahoo has announced that the company has stopped providing service in mainland China.
- ❖ This is due to the increasingly challenging business and legal environment in the country.
- ❖ With this Yahoo has ended its 22-year presence in the Chinese market.
- ❖ Earlier, US tech platform LinkedIn also announced the closure of its localized social media network in China.

2022 QS World University Rankings



- ❖ QS (Quacquarelli Symonds) has released the 2022 QS World University Rankings.
- ❖ The ranking has been topped by the National University of Singapore (NUS) for the 4th year in a row.
- ❖ It is followed by China's Peking University at 2nd position and Nanyang Technological University in Singapore, and the University of Hong Kong in Hong Kong at 3rd.
- ❖ Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB) (42nd regionally) and IIT Delhi (45th regionally) are the only two Indian institutions among the Top-50.
- ❖ IIT Madras, which was in 50th place last year, has lost four places and now ranks 54th.
- ❖ India features 118 Indian Universities following China with 126 universities.

India-France strategic dialogue

- ❖ India and France held their second strategic dialogue with National Security Advisor Ajit Doval with Emmanuel Bonne, Diplomatic Advisor to President Emmanuel Macron in Paris.
- ❖ The dialogue discussed Afghanistan, Indo-Pacific and strengthening maritime security.



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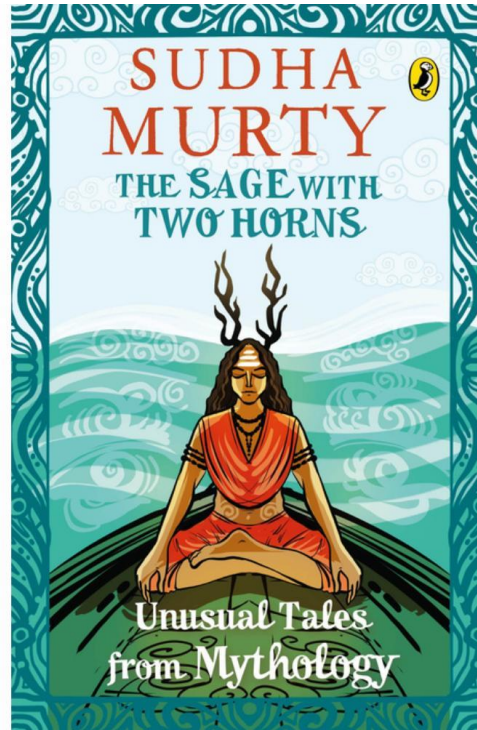
Rooftop drive-in theatre

- ❖ The first open-air rooftop drive-in movie theatre in India has been inaugurated at Jio World Drive mall of Reliance Industries in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- ❖ The drive-in theatre will be operated and managed by the multiplex chain PVR Ltd.
- ❖ The first movie screened at the theatre was Akshay Kumar's Sooryavanshi.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Sudha Murty's new book

- ❖ The chairperson of the Infosys Foundation and a renowned author, Sudha Murty has published her new book.
- ❖ It is titled "The Sage with Two Horns: Unusual Tales from Mythology".
- ❖ It is the 5th and last book of the "Unusual Tales from Mythology" series.
- ❖ The series features the stories of kings and queens, gods and goddesses, sages, and extraordinary men and women of wisdom.



Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2020



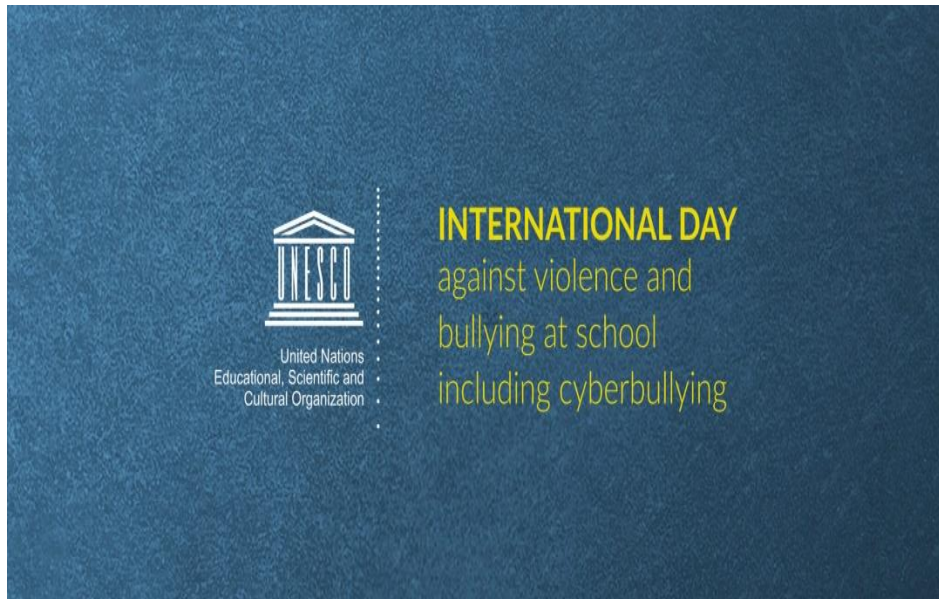
- ❖ Two Indian Army Officers Lieutenant Colonel Servesh Dhadwal and Colonel Amit Bisht have been awarded the prestigious Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2020.



- ❖ The Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award is the highest adventure sports honour in India.
- ❖ It is awarded annually by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
- ❖ Indian Army officer Colonel Amit Bisht has been awarded for his land activities.
- ❖ Indian Army officer Lieutenant Colonel Servesh Dhadwal has been awarded for his achievements in skydiving.

IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day Against Violence and Bullying at School, including Cyberbullying – 04 November



- ❖ UNESCO marks this International Day on every first Thursday of November.
- ❖ This year it falls on November 4th.
- ❖ The theme for this year is “Tackling cyberbullying and other forms of online violence involving children and young people”.
- ❖ This day recognizes that bullying in schools and cyberbullying is an infringement of children and adolescents’ rights to education and to health and well-being.

World Day of Romani Language – 05 November

- ❖ UNESCO proclaimed the World Day of Romani Language in 2015.



- ❖ This is to promote the preservation of the Romani language and culture, improve the well-being of the Romani people.
- ❖ It is also observed to recognize the importance of all languages, whose diversity is a source of strength for all societies to share.



The National Cancer Awareness Day – 07 November



- ❖ The day is observed annually in India to spread awareness on cancer, its symptoms and treatment.

- ❖ According to the World Health Organization (WHO), cancer is the second leading cause of death globally.
- ❖ In 2018, approximately 18 million cases were there globally, of which, 1.5 million were in India alone.
- ❖ In 2018, there were around 0.8 million cancer deaths in India against 9.5 million globally.
- ❖ On 7 November 2014, Former Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare Dr. Harsh Vardhan announced that seventh November will be celebrated as the National Cancer awareness day.

Infant Protection Day – 07 November

- ❖ The day aims to celebrate the day to spread awareness about the safety of infants and protect their lives by taking proper care of infants.
- ❖ The theme for this year's Infant Protection Day is "Protecting, promoting, and developing infants".



International Day of Radiology - November 08

- ❖ The day is celebrated to promote the awareness of the value that radiology contributes to safe patient care, and improve public understanding of the vital role radiologists and radiographers play in the healthcare continuum.
- ❖ The day also marks the anniversary of the discovery of x-rays by Wilhelm Roentgen in 1895.
- ❖ World Radiology Day was first celebrated in the year 2012.



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