



Weekly Current Affairs (23rd– 29th August, 2024)

- 1. The Health Ministry** has formed a 14-member **National Task Force (NTF)** to address the safety and working conditions of medical professionals in India. In response to ongoing protests and as mandated by the Supreme Court, the NTF will develop recommendations focused on preventing violence against healthcare workers and establishing national protocols for dignified and safe working conditions across the medical profession.
- Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw launched **'Create in India Challenge-Season One'** in New Delhi on August 22 in the run-up to the World Audio Visual and Entertainment Summit. Speaking on the occasion, Mr Vaishnaw said that reflecting the evolution of Indian economy and the impact of technological advancements, 25 challenges have been launched.
- 3. The Kakrapar Atomic Power Station (KAPS)** in Gujarat, India, has reached full operational capacity with its second **700 MW nuclear reactor, KAPS-4**, which started operating at full power on August 21, 2024. This achievement follows the reactor's commercial operation start on March 31, 2024, and its first criticality on December 17, 2023. The Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) confirmed that Unit 4 at KAPS was previously operating at 90% capacity before reaching its full 700 MW output.
- 4. Diana Pundole**, a teacher and mother from Pune, has made history as the first Indian woman to win the national championship in the saloon category at the MRF Indian National Car Racing Championship 2024 held in Chennai. Her achievement is especially notable as it comes in a sport traditionally dominated by men, highlighting her determination and skill despite numerous challenges.
- 5. The Green Strategic Partnership** between India and Denmark has led to the creation of the **Smart Laboratory on Clean Rivers (SLCR) in Varanasi**. This tripartite initiative, involving the Government of India, IIT-BHU, and Denmark, aims to rejuvenate the Varuna River using sustainable approaches. The project features a hybrid lab model at IIT-BHU and an on-field living lab at the Varuna River, fostering collaboration among government bodies, academic institutions, and local communities.
- 6. Kaanu**, a South Indian Adivasi Knowledge Centre, will be launched at the **Tribal Health Resource Centre (THRC) at BR Hills**, Karnataka on August 25. Prashanth N. Srinivas, a medical doctor and public health researcher working at the Institute of Public Health, Bangalore's field station in B.R. Hills, says that Kaanu, which means evergreen forest in both Kannada and Soliga language.
- 7. Flipkart's Supply Chain Operations Academy (SCOA)** exchanged a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) at the Samarth event with the mission to upskill thousands of employable youth across India.
- 8. Deepti Gaur Mukherjee**, a 1993 batch IAS officer of the Madhya Pradesh cadre, has taken over as the Secretary of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs (MCA), succeeding Manoj Govil, who recently assumed the role of Expenditure Secretary. Before this, Mukherjee served as the CEO of the National Health Authority.

9. **Rohit Sharma**, the captain of the Indian men's cricket team, was bestowed with the coveted CEAT International Cricketer of the Year Award. This recognition came on the back of his exemplary performance in the 2023-24 season.
10. **Neeraj Chopra, India's star javelin thrower**, showcased his resilience and skill at the Lausanne Diamond League meet. Despite facing challenges, Chopra secured a commendable second-place finish, marking another significant achievement in his illustrious career.
11. A significant literary event took place in New Delhi with the release of BJP General Secretary Tarun Chugh's book, "**Modi's Governance Triumph: Reshaping India's Path to Prosperity**". The book launch was graced by the presence of prominent political figures, including Home Minister Amit Shah and Coal and Mines Minister G. Kishan Reddy, underscoring the importance of this literary work in India's political discourse.
12. **Diana Pundole, a teacher and mother from Pune**, has made history as the first Indian woman to win the national championship in the saloon category at the **MRF Indian National Car Racing Championship 2024** held in Chennai. Her achievement is especially notable as it comes in a sport traditionally dominated by men, highlighting her determination and skill despite numerous challenges.
13. India is set to commemorate its first National Space Day in 2024, marking a historic milestone in the nation's journey of space exploration. Spearheaded by the **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)**, this day represents a momentous occasion to celebrate India's growing prominence in the global space community. National Space Day is not merely a reflection on past triumphs but a forward-looking event aimed at inspiring future generations and underscoring the pivotal role of space science and technology in shaping our world.
14. **On the night of August 22-23, 1791, a momentous event occurred in Saint Domingue, known today as the Republic of Haiti.** This night marked the beginning of an uprising that would play a pivotal role in the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade. The rebellion, which later evolved into the Haitian Revolution, sent shockwaves through the colonial world and became a symbol of resistance against slavery and oppression.
15. In a historic visit to Ukraine, Prime Minister Narendra Modi pledged extensive humanitarian support and handed over four **BHISHM (Bharat Health Initiative for Sahyog Hita and Maitri)** Cubes to the Ukrainian government. This marks the first visit by an Indian Prime Minister to Ukraine since its independence in 1991, emphasizing India's stance for peace amidst the ongoing conflict with Russia.
16. **Prime Minister Narendra Modi has wrapped up his trip to Ukraine.** Modi became the first Indian prime minister to make a state visit to Ukraine since the two countries established relations over three decades ago.
17. **Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Majhi** has unveiled the Subhadra scheme, a significant initiative under the BJP government. The scheme promises **₹50,000** to one crore women aged 21 to 60 over the next five years, with a total budget allocation of ₹55,825 crore. The funds will be disbursed in annual installments of ₹10,000, divided into two payments of ₹5,000 each on Rakhi Purnima and International Women's Day.
18. **Nestlé made public its decision to appoint Laurent Freixe as the new Chief Executive Officer**, replacing the outgoing Mark Schneider. This announcement marks a new chapter in the company's storied history and sets the stage for potential shifts in strategy and direction.
19. **On August 22, 2024, Bandhan Bank**, celebrating its **Foundation Day**, introduced Avni, a savings account tailored specifically for women. This launch is accompanied by the Bandhan Bank Delights loyalty program, designed to offer rewards, discounts, and exclusive benefits.
20. **The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has updated its e-mandate framework to include the auto-replenishment of balances in FASTag and the **National Common Mobility Card (NCMC)**. Under the new rules, these auto-replenishment transactions, which occur when balances fall below a customer-defined

threshold, will no longer require a pre-debit notification. This change aims to streamline recurring transactions that are irregular and lack fixed periodicity.

21. On August 21, 2024, **GAIL (India) Limited and US-based Petron Scientech Inc signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to explore the development of a 500 Kilo Tonne per Annum (KTA) bio-ethylene plant in India.** This initiative will involve a 50:50 joint venture, where both companies will conduct feasibility studies to evaluate the technical and financial viability of the project before seeking investment approval.
22. The Department of Post under the Union Ministry of Communication has launched the **Deen Dayal SPARSH Yojana** to promote research and scholarship in philately among students across India. Announced by the Postmaster General of North Gujarat Region, Ahmedabad, Krishna Kumar Yadav, during the closing ceremony of the **'The Ideal and Great Stamps' Paintings** exhibition, the scheme aims to foster the hobby of stamp collection among children.
23. **Mumbai Ranks 2nd, New Delhi 3rd In Global Property Price Index.** Mumbai and Delhi are at the second and third positions, respectively, among 44 cities globally in annual price rise of prime residential properties during the June quarter, Knight Frank said in a report. The annual price growth across the 44 cities globally slowed to 2.6 per cent in the second quarter of the 2024 calendar year, from 4.1 per cent in the preceding quarter, real estate consultant Knight Frank report said.
24. Indian cricket's prolific white-ball opener, **Shikhar Dhawan**, has officially announced his retirement from international cricket at the age of 38. While stepping away from representing India, Dhawan hinted at his intention to continue participating in league cricket, most notably the Indian Premier League (IPL).
25. The 11th edition of the **Puthiya Thalaimurai Tamilan Awards** recently honored outstanding individuals across various fields, recognizing both seasoned professionals and emerging talents. This prestigious event showcased the rich diversity of accomplishments in Tamil Nadu and beyond.
26. In a significant event celebrating women's empowerment and social entrepreneurship, Dr. Kalpana Sankar's autobiography, **"The Scientist Entrepreneur: Empowering Millions of Women"**, was unveiled at Cathedral Road. The book launch brought together notable figures from various fields, highlighting the impact of grassroots initiatives on women's economic empowerment and community development.
27. **India Launches World's First Mobile Hybrid Rocket: RHUMI-1.** India's space efforts received a significant boost with the successful launch of RHUMI-1, the world's first mobile hybrid rocket. This achievement also marks a milestone as the first reusable hybrid rocket in India. Developed by Chennai-based startup Space Zone India in collaboration with Martin Group, RHUMI-1 represents a leap forward in rocket technology, promising to enhance efficiency and reduce operational costs in space exploration.
28. **On India's inaugural National Space Day**, the nation witnessed a significant educational milestone with the release of **'Sapno ki Udaan'**, an innovative e-magazine. This launch, spearheaded by Union Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, marks a fusion of science, creativity, and education, aimed at inspiring the next generation of Indian students.
29. On India's National Space Day, marking the **1st anniversary of Chandrayaan-3's landing on the lunar South Pole**, the Department of School Education & Literacy, in collaboration with NCERT, launched the e-magazine **'Sapno ki Udaan.'** Union Minister of Education, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, released the inaugural edition virtually, with Shri Jayant Chaudhary, Minister of State for Education, also attending.
30. Prime Minister Narendra Modi distributed certificates to **11 lakh new Lakhpati Didis in a function organised at Jalgaon in Maharashtra.** The Prime Minister also felicitated Lakhpati Didis and discussed with them about their businesses. These Lakhpati didis whose number is more than one crore in the country, are earning more than one lakh rupees per year. 11 lakh new Lakhpati Didis, recently became Lakhpati during the third term of the NDA Government.

31. North Korean leader Kim Jong Un recently unveiled a new type of **“suicide drone,”** with state media reporting that he personally oversaw a performance test of the weaponry. These drones, designed to carry explosives and crash into enemy targets like guided missiles, were showcased during a test conducted on August 24, 2024. The test was successful, with all drones accurately identifying and destroying their designated targets after flying along preset routes. Experts suggest that the technology behind these drones may have Russian origins.
32. The Maharashtra Cabinet, chaired by Chief Minister Eknath Shinde, has approved the implementation of a revised **National Pension Scheme (NPS)** for state government employees on the lines of the Centre’s Unified Pension Scheme (UPS).
33. **The 2nd India-Singapore Ministerial Roundtable (ISMR),** aimed at further strengthening trade and economic ties between the two countries, will be held in Singapore on August 26. For India, Singapore has been a major source of FDI (foreign direct investment).
34. **Union Minister Chirag Paswan was on August 25 re-elected as the national president of Lok Janshakti Party (Ram Vilas)** for the next five years. The decision was taken unanimously during the LJP(RV) national executive meeting held in Ranchi.
35. **Texas Governor Greg Abbott has appointed Arun Agarwal,** a Dallas-based Indian-American entrepreneur, as the Chairman of the **Texas Economic Development Corporation (TEDC) Board of Directors.** This role involves marketing Texas as a premier business destination both domestically and globally. Agarwal’s appointment highlights Texas’s commitment to diversity and the increasing influence of Indian-American leaders in significant economic positions.
36. The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has approved the continuation of three umbrella schemes merged into a unified central sector scheme called **‘Vigyan Dhara’** under the Department of Science and Technology (DST). The scheme is designed to enhance efficiency in fund utilization and ensure better synchronization among the sub-schemes and programs. With an outlay of ₹10,579.84 crore for the 15th Finance Commission period (2021-22 to 2025-26), ‘Vigyan Dhara’ aims to bolster the Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) ecosystem in India.
37. **23 Lakh Government Employees Will Benefit From UPS.** In a big announcement ahead of assembly elections in one state and a Union Territory this year, the government has launched the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS) amid protests by several non-BJP-ruled states over the New Pension Scheme (NPS).
38. **Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh has chaired a bilateral meeting on US-India Civil Nuclear Commerce in New Delhi.** The Ministry of Science and Technology said that the meeting highlighted the deepening cooperation between the two nations in critical areas including science, technology, and clean energy.
39. **The Dutch Grand Prix** witnessed a spectacular display of skill and determination as Lando Norris secured his second career win, outpacing championship leader Max Verstappen in a thrilling race. The McLaren driver’s performance was nothing short of exceptional, finishing over 20 seconds ahead of his closest competitor.
40. **Gopichand Thotakura, India’s first civilian space tourist, received a warm welcome in Delhi upon his return on August 26, 2024.** Thotakura made history by joining Blue Origin’s New Shepard-25 (NS-25) mission, founded by Amazon’s Jeff Bezos, becoming the second Indian citizen to travel to space after Rakesh Sharma’s 1984 mission. His trip lasted about ten minutes, reaching a maximum altitude of 105 km.
41. **Veteran Congress leader and recently elected Nanded MP, Vasant Rao Chavan, passed away at 4 a.m. on August 26, 2024, at KIMS Hospital in Hyderabad.** Chavan, who was 70 years old, had been battling a prolonged illness and had been undergoing treatment for renal issues. His condition deteriorated suddenly, leading to his demise.
42. **The Ministry of Home Affairs has decided to create five new districts in the union territory of Ladakh,** said home minister Amit Shah on August 26. “In pursuit of Narendra Modi’s

vision to build a developed and prosperous Ladakh, the MHA has decided to create five new districts in the union territory.

43. **August 26, 2024 marks the 114th birth anniversary of Mother Teresa**, a divine figure whose legacy of love and compassion continues to inspire the world. Born on 26 August 1910 in Albania, she became one of the most revered figures of the 20th century, recognized globally for her selfless service to humanity. Mother Teresa was honored with the Nobel Peace Prize, the Ramon Magsaysay Peace Prize, and India's highest civilian award, the Bharat Ratna, among many others.
44. **The Union Government has introduced new 2024 guidelines aimed at improving the handling of public grievances, focusing on citizen empowerment and streamlining the redressal process.** These guidelines are designed to enhance clarity and efficiency in addressing grievances and incorporate technological advancements through a 10-step reform process.
45. **Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated the new GST Bhawan in Udaipur, located in the Hiran Magri area.** The inauguration ceremony included Vedic chanting and the unveiling of the plaque to officially open the complex. The construction, which began in 2020, faced delays due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but has now been completed.
46. **India and Indonesia** have reaffirmed their commitment to combating terrorism, including addressing the misuse of new and emerging technologies by terrorists. During the sixth meeting of the India-Indonesia Joint Working Group on Counter-Terrorism held in Jakarta, both nations condemned the use of terrorist proxies for cross-border terrorism, particularly in light of Pakistan's support to terror groups targeting Jammu and Kashmir.
47. **The 24th International Mother Teresa Awards Ceremony took place on August 26, 2024**, at Millennium Plaza Dubai, marking the 114th birth anniversary of the esteemed humanitarian. Organized by the All-India Minority and Weaker Sections Council, this event was held outside.
48. **The National Association of Software and Service Companies (Nasscom)**, India's premier

IT industry body, has announced a significant change in its leadership. **Sindhu Gangadharan**, the Managing Director of SAP Labs India, has been appointed as the new chairperson of Nasscom. This appointment marks a crucial moment in the organization's history and sets the stage for new directions in India's technology sector.

49. **Tata AIA Life Insurance** has recently unveiled its latest offering in the term insurance segment – **Sampoorna Raksha Promise**. This innovative product is designed to provide enhanced financial security to policyholders and their families, addressing various aspects of life insurance needs.
50. **Piramal Finance**, a subsidiary of Piramal Enterprises Limited, has partnered with the Central Bank of India to expand co-lending operations aimed at supporting underserved markets. This collaboration merges the Central Bank of India's extensive branch network with Piramal Finance's technological approach to lending, focusing on digital efficiency and personalized service.
51. **The Spices Board of India has introduced the SPICED scheme**, a strategic initiative to enhance spice exports and productivity. This scheme, officially named '**Sustainability in Spice Sector through Progressive, Innovative and Collaborative Interventions for Export Development**,' will be implemented throughout the remainder of the 15th Finance Commission cycle.
52. In a significant move ahead of the October 2024 Legislative Assembly election, **Maharashtra has become the first state to adopt the Unified Pension Scheme (UPS)** for its employees, just hours after the central government introduced the scheme. This decision is poised to benefit approximately 13.5 lakh state employees across various sectors, including recognized and grant-aided educational institutions, non-agricultural universities, and zilla parishads. The scheme will take effect from March 2024.
53. In a groundbreaking development, the state of **Assam has officially recorded the presence of mithun (Bos frontalis)** for the first time. This discovery comes generations after the semi-wild, gaur-like animal began to be reared by

tribal communities in the state's hill district of Dima Hasao.

54. **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)** has introduced an advanced afforestation initiative named "**Aranya**" in Bihar, utilizing drone technology for aerial seeding. This project aims to enhance the state's green cover by deploying 100,000 seedballs across 50 hectares in three targeted forest regions.
55. In a significant achievement for **Indian surfing**, **the national team secured a silver medal at the prestigious Maruhaba Cup, a team event at the Asian Surfing Championships 2024**. The competition, held in Thulusdhoo, Maldives, concluded on Sunday, marking a new chapter in India's surfing history.
56. In a remarkable display of skill and determination, **14-year-old Tanvi Patri from Odisha**, India, has etched her name in the annals of badminton history. Patri clinched the women's singles title at the prestigious **Asian U-15 Junior Championships 2024**, held in Chengdu, People's Republic of China, from August 20-25, 2024.
57. **The Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) is organising the next World Water Week on 25-29 August 2024**. World Water Week is the leading conference on global water issues, held every year since 1991.
58. The cycling world mourns the loss of **Daniela Larreal Chirinos, a celebrated Venezuelan Olympic cyclist who passed away at the age of 51**. Chirinos, known for her remarkable career spanning over a decade, left an indelible mark on the sport of track cycling and represented her nation with distinction on the global stage.
59. In a significant development, the **Central Institute of Fisheries Education (ICAR-CIFE) and the Vaikunth Mehta National Institute of Cooperative Management (VAMNICOM) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on August 26, 2024**. This collaboration aims to advance cooperative management in the fisheries sector and supports the vision of establishing 200,000 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), dairy, and fishery cooperatives in every Panchayat.
60. In a bid to enhance strategic ties, Singapore hosted the **2nd India-Singapore Ministerial Roundtable (ISMR) on 26 August 2024**. This high-level platform, established to discuss and

shape bilateral relations, follows the inaugural ISMR held in New Delhi on 17 September 2022. The first meeting, attended by four senior Singaporean ministers, set the stage for a robust dialogue between the two nations.

61. In a significant move to boost religious tourism and cultural heritage, the **Chief Ministers of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh** have announced plans to develop a new religious circuit called the '**Shri Krishna Gaman Path**'. This initiative aims to connect the birthplace of Lord Krishna in Mathura with the sacred city of Ujjain in Madhya Pradesh, tracing the footsteps of one of Hinduism's most revered deities.
62. An outbreak of bird flu, caused by the **H5N1 strain of avian influenza, has been reported in Pipili town, Puri district, Odisha**. Authorities have culled over 11,700 chickens following the detection of the virus. The infected chicken carcasses were tested at the National Institute of High-Security Animal Disease, Bhopal, which confirmed the presence of H5N1.
63. The **Himachal Pradesh government** has allocated Rs 53.21 crore annually to fund the '**Mukhya Mantri Sukh Shiksha Yojana**,' aimed at supporting the education and well-being of children from vulnerable families. This initiative will provide financial aid to widows, destitute women, divorced women, and disabled parents.
64. **Jay Shah** has been elected unopposed as the new Chair of the **International Cricket Council (ICC)**, succeeding Greg Barclay. This appointment marks a significant moment in cricket administration, as Shah becomes the youngest person ever to hold this prestigious position.
65. The Centre has appointed senior **IPS officer B Srinivasan** as the new Director General of the **National Security Guard (NSG)**, according to a Personnel Ministry order issued on August 27. Srinivasan, a 1992 batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer from the Bihar cadre, will serve as the NSG DG until August 31, 2027, the date of his superannuation. He is currently the director of Bihar Police Academy, Rajgir.
66. **India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP)** is projected to grow by 7.0 per cent to 7.1 per cent in the first quarter of the fiscal year 2024-25 (Q1FY25), according to the latest SBI

Ecowrap report released on August 26. However, there is a slight downside risk to this estimate, with manufacturing Gross Value Added (GVA) expected to be lower, ranging between 6.7 per cent and 6.8 per cent.

- 67. Jana Small Finance Bank** has once again cemented its status as a frontrunner in the Indian banking industry. The bank's commitment to excellence and innovation was recognized at the prestigious 2nd ICC Emerging Asia Banking Conclave & Awards, where it clinched four coveted awards. Jana Small Finance Bank was honoured with the titles of Best Small Finance Bank, India, Best Performance on Profitability (Runners-up), Best Performance on Asset Quality, and Best Performance on Risk Management.
- 68. Bharti Airtel** has unveiled a new content partnership with Apple, set to offer exclusive **Apple Music and Apple TV+** deals to customers in India later this year. As part of this collaboration, Apple TV+ will be integrated into Airtel's Xstream video-streaming service available through premium Wi-Fi and postpaid plans. Additionally, Airtel's Wynk Premium music-streaming service will offer special deals for Apple Music subscribers.
- 69. The Indian Air Force (IAF)** has taken a significant step in international aviation diplomacy by dispatching its renowned Sarang Helicopter Display Team to participate in the inaugural Egypt International Airshow. This event, scheduled from September 3 to 5, 2023, at the Al-Alamein International Airport in Egypt's El Dabaa, marks a crucial moment for India to demonstrate its indigenous aviation capabilities on the global stage.
- 70. The Indian Defence Ministry** is finalizing a repeat order for **73,000 SiG 716 G2** patrol assault rifles from the US to equip its frontline troops. This follows a 2019 procurement of 72,400 SiG 716 rifles (7.62 x 51mm calibre) under the '**Buy (Global)**' category through a fast-track procedure, which were distributed across the Army, Air Force, and Navy.
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- 72. The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)** has completed a milestone 10 years today. Acknowledging this, Prime Minister Narendra Modi took to social media to congratulate the beneficiaries.
- 73. Amazon, the global e-commerce giant,** has announced the beta launch of **Rufus**, a cutting-edge generative AI-powered conversational shopping assistant, in India. This move signifies Amazon's commitment to integrating advanced artificial intelligence technology into its core operations, aiming to revolutionize the online shopping experience for millions of customers.
- 74. The Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation** has granted approval to Siemens Healthineers for the manufacture of **RT-PCR** testing kits for detection of Mpox, a senior Health Ministry official said. The kits will be manufactured by the company's molecular diagnostics manufacturing unit in Vadodara, which has a production capacity of one million tests per annum.
- 75. Bharat Biotech International Ltd has launched Hillchol (BBV131),** a novel single-strain oral cholera vaccine (OCV) developed under license from Hilleman Laboratories. This launch is critical as global demand for OCVs exceeds 100 million doses annually, and there has been a deficit of approximately 40 million doses due to limited supply.
- 76. Teghbir Singh,** a five-year-old boy from Ropar, Punjab, has etched his name in the annals of mountaineering history. Teghbir has become the youngest Asian to successfully scale Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest peak, standing at an impressive 5,895 meters above sea level.
- 77. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi** earlier on August 28, chaired the meeting of the **44th edition of PRAGATI**, the ICT-based multi-modal platform for Pro-Active Governance and Timely Implementation, involving Centre and State governments. This was the first meeting in the third term.
- 78. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** is set to commission India's second nuclear-powered **ballistic missile submarine (SSBN), INS Arighat**

(S-3), at a quiet event in Visakhapatnam, marking a significant boost to India's nuclear deterrence and second-strike capability. This submarine, armed with 750-km range K-15 nuclear ballistic missiles, will patrol the Indo-Pacific under India's strategic command.

79. The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has given the green light to 12 new project proposals under the **National Industrial Corridor Development Programme (NICDP)**. This ambitious initiative, with an estimated investment of Rs. 28,602 crore, is set to transform India's economic geography, creating a robust network of industrial nodes and cities that promise to significantly boost economic growth and enhance global competitiveness.

80. Typhoon Shanshan made landfall on Japan's southwestern main island of **Kyushu on August 29**, the weather agency said, bringing heavy rain and strong winds that left at least 40 people injured in three prefectures. The Japan Meteorological Agency urged residents in affected areas to remain on high alert for natural disasters, while public transport operators canceled trains and flights, and some homes were left without power as the storm advanced.

81. Iran Appoints Fatemeh Mohajerani As First Female Government Spokesperson. In Iran, for the first time, a woman will be the government spokesperson. At the suggestion of Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian and with the approval of the Cabinet of Ministers, Fatemeh Mohajerani was appointed as the first female government spokesperson.

82. The Uttar Pradesh government has introduced the Digital Media Policy, 2024, which incentivizes social media influencers to promote state initiatives, schemes, and achievements through various online platforms. This policy aims to enhance the visibility of government projects and create employment opportunities within the state.

83. On August 28, 2024, Goa Chief Minister Pramod Sawant awarded Indian citizenship to Joseph Francis Pereira, a 78-year-old Pakistani Christian, under the Citizenship (Amendment) Act (CAA). This marks the first instance of a

Goan receiving citizenship through this amendment.

84. In a significant development for Indian Railways, the **Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC)** has approved a change in leadership at the highest level. This decision marks a new chapter in the administration of one of the world's largest railway networks.

85. On August 28, 2024, **Vice Admiral Rajesh Dhankhar, NM**, assumed duties as the Director General of Project Seabird, taking over from Vice Admiral Tarun Sobti. He is now responsible for overseeing India's largest defense infrastructure project at the Karwar Naval Base. The change of guard took place at the Headquarters of Project Seabird in New Delhi.

86. Shriram Capital, the holding company of the Shriram Group, has appointed Subhasri as its new Managing Director and CEO, effective 1 September. Subhasri, who previously served as Joint Managing Director, has been a key figure in the company since joining as an Officer in the NBFC business in 1991.

87. ESAF Small Finance Bank, in collaboration with the **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**, has introduced the Inori RuPay Platinum Credit Card. This premium financial product offers cardholders exclusive benefits and privileges.

88. The Second Meeting of the Joint Russian-Indian Commission on the Cooperation in the **Field of Emergency Management** was held on **28th August 2024 in Moscow, Russia**. Shri Nityanand Rai, Minister of State for Home Affairs, India is leading the Indian delegation.

89. Dawid Malan, the former top-ranked **T20** batter and a versatile player who achieved the rare feat of scoring centuries for England in all formats, has announced his retirement from international cricket. At 36 years old, Malan leaves behind a legacy marked by significant achievements, particularly in the shorter formats of the game.

90. Karthik Venkataraman won the 61st edition of the **Indian National Championship** after scoring **9/11** points at the event organised by the Haryana Chess Association. This is the second victory in a national championship for Karthik, who had also won the tournament in 2022. Surya Ganguly and Neelash Saha scored

as many points as the champion, but finished in second and third place on tiebreaks.

91. Every year on **August 29**, the world observes the **International Day Against Nuclear Tests**. This significant day serves as a global reminder of the devastating effects of nuclear weapons testing and the urgent need for a world free from the threat of nuclear destruction. Since the dawn of the nuclear age in 1945, over 2,000 nuclear tests have been conducted, leaving a legacy of environmental damage and human suffering.
92. Every year on **August 29**, India celebrates **National Sports Day**, a special occasion dedicated to honouring the spirit of sports in the country. This day goes beyond celebrating India's athletic achievements; it emphasizes the crucial role of sports in maintaining health, fostering community, and inspiring generations. At the heart of this celebration is the legacy of India's legendary hockey player, Major Dhyan Chand, whose extraordinary skills and contributions to the sport have left an indelible mark on the nation's sporting history.

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1. **Social Welfare, Tribal Affairs, Women and Child Development minister Lalrinpuii** chuan, **PMAAGY hnuai** kum 2023-2024 chungga Mizoram khaw hrang hanga hna thawhna bill chu Ministry of Tribal Affairs-in Mizoram sorkar kutah a pek tawh thu a sawi. MNF member K Laldawngliana zawhna chhángin minister Lalrinpuii chuan, PMAAGY hnuai kum 2023-24 chungga hna hrang hrang thawhna bill chu Ministry of Tribal Affairs-in January 4, 2024-ah arawn pek thu a sawi
2. **All India Karate Championship** neih zawh takah **All Mizoram Karate Association (AMKA)** team an che tha hle a, **medal 11** hlawh chhuakin medal an lak zinga panga chu gold medal a ni.
3. Mizo zinga hriat hlawh **Remkunga (98)** chu August 21 dar 4:30 khan an inah a boral a, hemi ni vek khan Tuikhuahtlang Presbyterian Kohhran biak-inah Aizawl South Presbytery Moderator-in a vui. Kum 1927-a piang Remkunga hi kum 1970-ah Mission Veng Kohhran upa atan than a ni a; Zirlaite Dictionary (English-Mizo), Mizo Tawng

Dictionary (Mizo-Mizo), English Zirna Dictionary (English-Mizo), Mizo Grammar Thar leh lehkhahu dang eng emaw zat a siam.

4. **District Council & Minority Affairs (DCMA)** minister **C Lalsawivunga** chuan, kum 2023-24 chungga sorkar thar pian hnuah **Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK)** hnuai hnuai sorkar laipui project 65 thehluh a ni tawh a, sum hmuh erawh a la awm loh thu Assembly House a hrih. PMJVK hnuai project thehluhte chu hmasawna ruhrel dinna tur a nih avangin Mizoram sorkarin sum a tum ve tur (state matching share) 10% pek zel a tum thu Minister chuan a sawi bawk.
5. Naupang kum 18 hnuai lamte dikna leh chanvo humhalh hna thawk tura din, **Mizoram State Commission for Protection of Child Rights (MSCPCR)** chuan kum ruk leh thla nga chhungin naupang venhimna dan bawhchhiat vangin thubuai 43 an ziah lut tawha, thubuai 40 an chingfel tawh. MSCPCR hi February 2018 khan **The Commission for Protection of Child Rights Act, 2005** hnuai din a nia; naupang venhimna dan hrang hrang bawhchhiatna vanga thubuai an ziah luh 43-te chu kum 2018-19 atanga kum 2024-25 (August 2024) thlenga an ziah luh a ni. Thubuai 43 zinga 40 chu chingfel tawhin, buaipui mek pathum an la nei. MSCPCR-in thubuai 43 an ziah luh zinga 23 (53.49%) chu naupang tanpui ngai leh dan kalha chete dikna chanvo humhalhna dan, The Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children), Act, 2015 bawhchhiatna a nia; hursualna chi hrang hrang laka naupangte venhimna leh mipat hmeichhiat thila naupang khawih chingpentute hremna dan, **The Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012** hnuai thubuai 12 (27.91%) ziah luh a ni. Naupang kum 6-14 zawng zawngin zirna an dawn vekna tur dan, The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 bawhchhiatna vanga thubuai ziah luh paruk a awm a; hriselna atana hlauhawm thei thila kum 18 hnuai lamte chhawr khapna dan, The Child and Adolescent Labour (Prohibition and Regulation) Act, 1986 leh Child Health hnuai thubuai pakhat ve ve ziah luh a ni bawk.
6. **Labour, Employment, Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (LESDE)** minister Lalnginglova Hmar chuan, Building and Other

Constructions Workers Welfare Board (BOCWFB)-ah inziak lut mi 17,704 an awm mek thu leh, inziak lut an tam zawk theih nan huam zau taka hma an lak dawn thu a sawi.

7. **Mizoram State Legislative Assembly pakuana session vawi thumna** chu ni hnih chung neih a nih hnuah zawh a ni a; ni hnih chungin House-a chhàn chi zawhna (starred question) **200 chuang lut zinga 6 (3%)** chiah chhàn hman a ni. Session tan ni, August 20 khan House member hlui thi ta **Kapoor Chand Thakoori** (83) h/o MadhuRani sùnna hun hman a ni a; amah hi Mizoram union territory a nih hnua Mizoram Legislative Assembly hmasa ber khan nominated member atan ruat a ni. Kapoor Chand Thakoori hi Nepal-ah a pêm a, July 15, 2024 khan Kath-mandu, Nepal-ah a thi a ni.
8. Mizoram Lokayukta member atana ruat thar **Joel Joseph Denga** leh Mizoram Public Service Commission member atana ruat thar **K Lalmingliana** te chu 22nd August khan Governor Dr Hari Babu Kambhampati-a'n rinawmna thu tiamtirin a la lut. Lak luhna inkhawm hi chief secretary Dr Renu Sharma-i'n a kaihruai a; Governor chuan Lokayukta member atan Mizoram Judicial Service atanga châwl tawh Joel Joseph Denga leh MPSC member atan Mizoram Civil Service atanga châwl hlim K Lalmingliana te rinawmna thu a tiamtir a ni.
9. **Aizawl Municipal Corporation (AMC) Town Vending Committee** chu August 21, Nilaini khan AMC commissioner K Lalmingliana hoin AMC Conference Hall-ah an thukhawm a; Aizawl khawpuiah thil zawrh theihna hmun 72 puan a, chumi pawn lam zawng chu thil zawrh phalna lohna hmuna puan an rêl. Thutkhawmah hian The Mizoram Street Vendors (Protection of Livelihood and Regulation of Street Vending) Act, 2014 & Rules 2017-in a sawi angin, hmun bik neia inzawrh theihna (regular stationary vendor) tur bik vending zone hmun 41 leh, hunbi nei loa inzuarte (temporary vendor) tan temporary vending zone hmun 31-ah siam rawtna an pawm. Vending zone ni lo, hmun dang zawng chu thil zawrh phal lohna (no vending zone)-a puan nghal an rel a ni. AMC chuan regular stationary vendor-te tan identity card a siamsak mek a ni.

10. **Mamit District Consultative Committee chu nimin khan Mamit SDO (Sadar) Carolyn LB Khiangte** kaihruaiin DC conference hall-ah lead bank leh line department aiawhte nen an thukhawm a; April - June 2024 chhunga Mamit district-a bank-te credit deposit ratio chu 73.30% a nih thu tarlan a ni. Thutkhawmah hian kum 2024-25 financial year-a quarter hmasa ber, April-June chhunga Mamit district-a bank hang hrangte hmalakna thir let a ni. An tarlan danin, April-June quarter-a Mamit district-a bank-te CD ratio chu 73.30% a ni a, January-March 2024 chhunga CD ratio 74.11% an pha lo.

11. **India rama football inelna sang ber Indian Super League-ah R. Malsawma**, Chanmari chu **match commissioner a ni dawn**. ISL season 11-na hi September 13, 2024-a tan tura ruahman a nia, Mohun Bagan chu champion lai niin Mumbai City chu ISL Cup champion lai an ni thung. Asawma hi Mizo zinga AIFF match commissioner pahnihna a nia, MC hmasa ber chu MFA joint secretary ni lai Lalrawngbawla a ni. Chanmari pa Asawma hian tualchung chauh ni loin India ram pum huap inelnaah tawnhriat tha tak a nei tawh a, I League-a Mizo MC hmasa ber a ni tawh bawk.

12. August 19, 2024 zinga Bawngkawna thia chhar Freddy MS Dawngzela (23) s/o Lalmuankimi, Ramhlun South thihna kaihnawih police-in an man mi pathumte chu jail-ah an awm mek. Freddy MS Dawngzela thia chhar chungchang hi police-te chuan bawhzui nghalin, August 19, 2024 khan Bawngkawn Police Station-ah thubuai an ziak lut a; thubuai ziah luhnaa dan tlawhchhan chu - **Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS) Section 108/351(2) a ni. BNS Section 108 leh 351(2)** chu mi tu emaw mahni intihlum tura nawrtu/fuihpawrhtu hrem theihna dan a nia, kum 10 thleng jail tòn leh pawisa chawi theihna a nia; police-in an chhui zui mek. August 19, Thawhtanni zingah Freddy MS Dawngzela chu thia chhar a nih avangin Khiangte Homestay-a a riahpui Zahmingthanga, K Laldampui leh Lalrinfeli te chu police-in BNS Section 194 (vantlang hmuna insualbuai leh vantlang rálmuanna tihbuai) tlawhchhanin an man.

13. **Urban Development & Poverty Alleviation** department chuan August 22, Ningani tlai khan Aijal Club-ah '**Aizawl Hmarthlir**' tih an buatsaih

a, Aizawl tihmsawn dan tur leh hma lam hun turte saiho a ni. Chief minister Lalduhoma leh UDPA minister K Sapdanga bakah, Aizawl bialtu MLA-te leh AMC corporator-te an tel. Aizawl Smart City CEO-in 'Aizawl - khawpui fai' tih sawiin, bawlhhlawh sawngbawlina neih mek leh siam belh mek dinhmun te, leivûng paihna tur ruahmannate a tarlang a; Integrated Command & Control Centre (ICCC) hman tangkai dan tur sawiin, Aizawl khawpuia hmun 76-ah CCTV dah a nih taw thu te, Automatic Number Plate Recognition System hmun 14-ah dah a nih thu te, hmun 15-ah free wifi dah a nih thu te, bawlhhlawh phur lirthei 160-ah GPS tracking device vuah a nih tawh thute a sawi bawk.

14. Hnahtial khawpui chhim lam dáia **NH-54** kawng tlahniam chu Hnahtial SP-in lirthei lian - HMV leh MMV-te tlân khap mah se, lirthei khaltute'n an zawm that loh avangin lirthei lian an tlan tlang theih loh nan leh lirthei tê chin leng tawh chauhin ban phun a ni. Hnahtial SP thupek zâwm lo an awm thin avangin kawngpui a chhe zual zel niin an hria a; hei vang hian lirthei lian an tlan tawh loh nan YMA Sub-Headquarters, Hnahtial hnuai Vigilance and Monitoring Committee chuan lirthei tê chauh leng turin thir ban an phun a, a chung lamah ft. 7 leh a chane-ah thîr an kham bawk.
15. Commerce & Industries minister F Rodinglana chuan nimin khan Aijal Club-ah '**Uttar Poorva Transformative Industrialization Scheme (UNNATI) 2024**' chu Mizoram tan a tangzarh a, UNNATI inhrihfhahna hun hman nghal a ni. UNNATI inhrihfhahnaah hian health care (hospital/diagnostic centre, etc.), food & beverage (horticulture, agriculture, food entrepreneur, etc.), tourism (hotel/homestay) leh education (LESDE/ vocational & digital/IT & ITES)-te mithiamte'n an sawifiah a ni.
16. School Education department leh Doordarshan Kendra (DDK), Aizawl chuan zirna lam thil pawimawh puan chhuahna '**Educational TV Programme (Zirna Huang)**' chhunzawm turin nimin khan School Education directorate-ah thawh dunna thuthlung an ziak. Thawh dunna ziah thar huaiah hian kum khat chungin DDK Aizawlah Zina Huang episode 52 tichhuah tur a ni a; September 2024 atangin chawlhkar tin Ningani apiangin tlai dar 5:55 - 6:25 inkarah tihchhuah a ni ang. Kum 2015 atanga August

2024 inkarah khan Zina Huang episode 363 tihchhuah a ni tawh bawk.

17. Mizoram sorkar chuan State Level Committee on **Special Assistance to State for Capital Investment (SASCI)** a din thar a; SASCI hnuai project kalpui turte an than bakah, a tul hunah SASCI hnuai hnathawhte vilin an endik thin ang. State Level Committee on SASCI dinna thupek chu August 27, Thawhlehi tihchhuah a nia; chairman atan Chief Minister, vice chairman atan Adviser to CM (Finance & Planning) leh member secretary Planning Secretary ruat a ni. Committee member dangte chu - Finance atangin commissioner, secretary leh additional secretary te, Planning Adviser leh OSD to CM-te an ni a; minister leh secretary-te chu a tul hun atan special invitee-ah dah an ni bawk.

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