



Weekly Current Affairs (20th – 26th September, 2023)

1. **VisionXt**, launched by the **National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT)**, is a fashion forecasting initiative aimed at fostering global competition and elevating Indian culture and design. Combining Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Emotional Intelligence (EI), it provides trend insights tailored to India's socio-economic and cultural diversity.
2. **President Droupadi Murmu** attended the **Safai Mitra Sammelan in Ujjain**, Madhya Pradesh. The Safai Mitra Sammelan was organized as part of the fortnightly Swachhata Hi Seva—2024 campaign launched by the government of India.
3. The poem "**National War Memorial**" is to appreciate the spirit behind it. The chapter titled '**Veer Abdul Hameed**' honors the Braveheart CQMH (Company Quarter Master Havildar). Abdul Hameed who made the supreme sacrifice fighting for the country during the India-Pakistan war of 1965.
4. A commemorative joint postal stamp marking **75 years of diplomatic relations between India and Romania** was released on September 17, 2024, by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar, Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, and Romanian Ambassador Daniela-Mariana Sezonov. This significant milestone reflects the long-standing friendship and cooperation established since diplomatic ties began in 1948.
5. **The Sharjah Investment Forum (SIF) 2024** has concluded, marking a significant milestone in the realm of global business and technology. Held at the **prestigious Al Jawaher Reception and Convention Centre**, this two-day event drew an impressive crowd of over 5,000 attendees, including a diverse array of high-profile officials, entrepreneurs, and industry leaders from around the world.
6. In a significant development for the state of Uttarakhand, **Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhama** expressed his profound gratitude to the Governor for approving the **Uttarakhand Public (Government) and Private Property Damage Recovery (Ordinance) Act 2024**. This groundbreaking legislation represents a crucial step towards addressing the financial implications of civil unrest and riots in the state.
7. **The 19th edition of the Divya Kala Mela** was inaugurated in Visakhapatnam by the Hon. Governor of Andhra Pradesh, Shri S. Abdul Nazeer, alongside dignitaries like Dr. Virendra Kumar, Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment, and other MPs. The event provided concessional loans of ₹40 lakh to 10 Divyang beneficiaries under NDFDC

schemes and distributed assistive devices with the support of CSR partners such as HPCL, GAIL India, and IOCL.

8. **India's Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW)** appointed Manu Bhaker, the double Olympic medal winner, as a brand ambassador. Manu Bhaker, the daughter of a proud marine sailor, is now going to champion the marine sector of India as she has been officially signed as the Brand Ambassador of the Ministry.
9. **The Department of Drinking Water and Sanitation (DDWS), Ministry of Jal Shakti,** organized the International WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene) Conference during the 8th India Water Week from 17th-19th September 2024 in New Delhi. The conference, with the theme 'Sustaining Rural Water Supply', focused on knowledge exchange, innovations, and best practices to tackle global WASH challenges, especially Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6).
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11. **The Ministry of Food Processing Industries** is all set to host the third edition of **World Food India 2024, from September 19 to 22,** at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi. Aimed at becoming the largest event for the food

processing and allied sectors in India, this prestigious gathering will bring together industry leaders from across the globe.

12. **Union Minister of Youth Affairs & Sports and Labour & Employment, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya** inaugurated the Second Edition of the Inclusion Conclave organized by **National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA)**, India in New Delhi. Union Minister of State for Youth Affairs & Sports, Ms. Raksha Nikhil Khadse was also present on the occasion.
13. **Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman** officially launched the **NPS Vatsalya scheme** in line with the announcement made in the **Union Budget 2024**. The goal of NPS Vatsalya's investment strategy is to give parents the ability to invest in a pension account as a way to save for their children's future.

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14. In a remarkable achievement for **Sri Lankan cricket, the International Cricket Council (ICC)** announced that Dunith Wellalage and **Harshitha Samarawickrama** have been named the **ICC Players of the Month for August 2024**. This rare double victory marks a significant milestone for Sri Lanka in international cricket.
15. **Glasgow to host 2026 Commonwealth Games**. Glasgow, which hosted the event 10 years ago, will do so again, though some sports will need to be dropped as the **Commonwealth Games Federation** aims to reduce costs. The Australian state of Victoria abruptly withdrew as host of the 2026 Games in July 2023, blaming escalating costs.
16. **The inaugural event of the World Cleanup Day has been celebrated on 20th September**. To observe World Cleanup Day through activities aimed at raising awareness of the role clean-up efforts play in sustainable development.
17. **Nepal** marked a significant milestone in its democratic journey by celebrating the **ninth anniversary of the declaration of its constitution**. The nation erupted in jubilant festivities, with the capital city of Kathmandu at the epicenter of the celebrations.
18. **Paisabazaar**, India's leading online marketplace for consumer credit and free credit score platform, has partnered with YES BANK, India's sixth largest private sector bank, to unveil their co-branded credit card – YES BANK Paisabazaar PaisaSave Credit Card.
19. **Magnus Carlsen and Judit Polgar** were felicitated with the **best male and female player awards**, respectively at the **FIDE 100 Awards** ceremony in Hungary.
20. **Dhruvi Patel**, a Computer Information System student from the USA, has been declared the winner of **Miss India Worldwide 2024**, the longest running Indian pageant outside of India.
21. Renowned Indian boxer **Nikhil Zareen** has reported for duty as Deputy Superintendent of Police after handing over her joining report to the Director General of Police Jitender.
22. **Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh**, flagged-in, in New Delhi, a first-of-its-kind **Open Water Swimming Expedition to the 21 Islands** of the Andaman & Nicobar archipelago named after the Param Vir Chakra (PVC) Awardees.
23. Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for the PM Mega Integrated **Textile Regions and Apparel Park (PM MITRA)** in Maharashtra's Amravati.
24. India's third home-built **700 MWe** nuclear reactor achieves criticality. The nuclear power reactor that achieved criticality is the first of a new series of Pressurised Heavy Water Reactors (PHWRs) to be built at Rajasthan Atomic Power Project in Rawatbhata.
25. **The second edition of the Global Food Regulators Summit was inaugurated on September 20, 2024**, in New Delhi, marking a significant milestone in international cooperation for food safety and regulation. This high-profile event, organized alongside the 3rd World Food India 2024, brings together food regulators and experts from around the world to discuss critical issues in food safety and standards.

26. In a remarkable achievement for the nation's digital landscape, **India has secured Tier 1 status in the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024**, published by the International Telecommunication Union (ITU). This prestigious recognition places India among the world's top cybersecurity performers, showcasing the country's commitment to robust digital safety practices on a global scale.
27. **Kerala** has once again secured first position in the **State Food Safety Index (SFSI) 2024**, marking the second consecutive year that the southern state has claimed the spot. The report was released in the inaugural session of **FSSAI Global Food Regulators Summit 2024**.
28. **The 14th Hockey India Junior Men National Championship 2024** concluded with an exhilarating finale on September 19, 2024, at the Olympian Surjit Singh Hockey Stadium in Jalandhar, Punjab. This prestigious event, organized by Hockey India, showcased the nation's top young talent in a fierce competition that spanned from September 9 to September 19, 2024.
29. In a momentous achievement for **Indian cricket, Jasprit Bumrah has become the 10th Indian** bowler to reach the illustrious milestone of 400 international wickets. This feat was accomplished during the first Test against Bangladesh at Chennai, further cementing Bumrah's status as one of India's premier fast bowlers.
30. **The year 2024 marks a significant milestone in the global pursuit of peace.** As we commemorate the 25th anniversary of the **United Nations General Assembly's adoption of the Declaration and Programme of Action on a Culture of Peace**, the world is reminded of the critical importance of fostering harmony and understanding among nations and individuals.
31. **The Union Ministry for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Bhupendra Yadav**, led the country in this year's Clean the Beach Campaign on the occasion of the **International Coastal Clean-up Day on 21 September 2024**. The minister participated in an event to clean the beach at Juhu in Mumbai.
32. **The Financial Action Task Force (FATF)** recently released its Mutual Evaluation Report on India, following an on-site assessment in November 2023. India, which became a FATF member in 2020, was placed in the **"regular follow-up"** category, which is viewed positively given prior objections from some developed countries. The FATF identified key areas for improvement, including the prosecution of money laundering (ML) and terror financing (TF) cases, the protection of the non-profit sector from terrorist abuse, and the implementation of preventive measures.
33. **The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)**, under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, held a bilateral meeting with the Bhutan Food and Drug Authority (BFDA) during the Global Food Regulators Summit at Bharat Mandapam. The meeting focused on implementing the **"Agreement"** signed on March 21, 2024, during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Bhutan. The Agreement aims to enhance food safety, align regulatory frameworks, simplify food import procedures, and foster technical cooperation between the two

nations. It also seeks mutual recognition of the BFDA's control over Bhutanese food business operators (FBOs) by the FSSAI.

34. **Anura Kumara Dissanayake** has emerged as Sri Lanka's newly elected president, securing **42%** of the vote in the country's first election since the 2022 economic collapse. The 55-year-old leader of the National People's Power (NPP) coalition defeated his main rival, opposition leader Sajith Premadasa, who garnered 23% of the vote.
35. **Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal** inaugurated Invest India's new office in Singapore. The office will serve as a dedicated point of contact for companies from the region looking to invest in India, fostering collaboration across sectors.
36. **The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAPA) of Brazil. This collaboration aims to strengthen food safety measures and promote bilateral cooperation in the sector.
37. **ISRO, IN-SPACE, and NSIL** have reached a significant milestone by signing **75 Technology Transfer Agreements (TTAs) with non-governmental entities (NGEs)**. On September 20, 2024, five TTAs were signed at IN-SPACE, Bengaluru, with Anabond Ltd., Salvo Industries Pvt. Ltd., Micropack Pvt. Ltd., and Astra Microwave Products Ltd. These TTAs reflect India's efforts to boost private participation in space technology, expanding the scope for commercial applications and the overall growth of the space industry.
38. The Indian government will host the inaugural **World Audio Visual & Entertainment Summit (WAVES)** from February 5 to 9, 2025, to boost the country's media and entertainment industry and enhance its global influence. This will be the first global summit covering the entire media and entertainment spectrum.
39. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi participated in the sixth **Quad Leaders' Summit in Wilmington**, Delaware on 21 September 2024, hosted by the President of the United States of America, Joseph R. Biden, Prime Minister of Australia Mr. Anthony Albanese and Prime Minister of Japan Fumio Kishida also participated.
40. **Jaipur**, the capital of Rajasthan, is set to host the prestigious **25th edition of the International Indian Film Academy (IIFA) Awards** from March 7 to 9, 2025, at the JECC Sitapura. The announcement was made during a formal agreement signing ceremony at the iconic Albert Hall, attended by Deputy Chief Minister Diya Kumari. The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed by Rajasthan Tourism Commissioner VP Singh and IIFA Vice President Suresh Iyer, marking the beginning of preparations for this grand event.
41. Tripura Chief Minister Manik Saha launched the **'Mukhyamantri Nagar Unnayan Prakalp'**, a Rs 530 crore water supply project funded by the **Asian Development Bank (ADB)**, aiming to upgrade drinking water infrastructure in 12 cities. The project, expected to be completed in three years, will address water needs for over 75,000 families across the state.

- 42. The 2024 Chess Olympiad in Budapest, Hungary** has etched itself into the annals of Indian sports history. In an unprecedented achievement, India secured gold medals in both the men's and women's team categories, marking a watershed moment for chess in the country. Both Indian teams showcased their prowess in the decisive final round:
Men's Team: Achieved a commanding 3.5-0.5 victory over Slovenia
Women's Team: Mirrored the men's success with a 3.5-0.5 win against Azerbaijan
- 43. Commonwealth Heavyweight champion Sangram Singh** has made an unforgettable entrance into the world of Mixed Martial Arts (MMA). The Indian wrestler's debut at the Gama International Fighting Championship in Tbilisi, Georgia, has set a new benchmark for Indian fighters in international MMA competitions.
- 44. The Singapore Grand Prix on Sunday, September 22, 2024,** witnessed a spectacular display of skill and nerve as Lando Norris of McLaren secured his third career victory in Formula 1. This win not only showcased Norris's growing prowess but also injected fresh excitement into the championship battle.
- 45. The Duleep Trophy final between India-A and India-C** concluded in dramatic fashion, with India-A emerging victorious by a margin of 132 runs. The match, which seemed destined for a draw that would have crowned India-C as champions, took a sudden turn in the closing stages, showcasing the unpredictable nature of cricket's longer format.
- 46. The UN General Assembly has proclaimed 23 September** as the International Day of Sign Languages in order to raise awareness of the importance of sign language in the full realization of the human rights of people who are deaf. This celebration arises from the **2017 UN General Assembly Resolution A/RES/72/16**, which recognizes 23rd September as the International Day of Sign Languages.
- 47. World Rhino Day is celebrated on September 22 every year.** This special day provides the opportunity for cause-related organizations, NGO, zoos, and members of the public to celebrate rhinos in their own unique ways. Since 2011, World Rhino Day has been celebrated internationally on September 22nd by rhino experts and advocates around the world.
- 48. Megastar Chiranjeevi** has been officially recognized by **Guinness World Records as the most prolific actor/dancer in the Indian film industry.** Over 45 years, he has performed an astonishing 24,000 dance moves in 537 songs across 156 films. This honor was conferred on September 20, 2024, during a special event where Chiranjeevi expressed gratitude for the recognition, attributing his success to the art of dance and the collaboration with directors, producers, and choreographers.
- 49. India's Triumph in Reclaiming 297 Antiquities from the US.** During Prime Minister Narendra Modi's recent visit to the United States, a landmark event took place that marked a significant victory in India's ongoing efforts to reclaim its cultural treasures. In a ceremony of great cultural and diplomatic importance, 297

antiquities were officially handed over to India by U.S. authorities. For a long time, many countries, including India, have faced a big problem: people stealing and selling their old and valuable art and historical objects. This is called illicit trafficking of cultural property. It's been especially hard on India, with many old and precious items taken out of the country illegally.

50. The National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), in collaboration with the Southern Command of the Indian Army, is organized a two-day national symposium, '**Exercise AIKYA**', on disaster management. It aims to improve disaster preparedness and response through collaboration between various stakeholders.

51. In a significant move to safeguard India's critical power infrastructure, Union minister **Manohar Lal inaugurated the Computer Security Incident Response Team Power (CSIRT-Power)** at Northern Regional Power Committee in New Delhi. To serve as the responsible agency for responding to and preventing cybersecurity incidents within the power sector.

52. The Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA) licence of the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) was cancelled by the Union Home Ministry for alleged rule violations. The ICA, established in 1895, is an apex body representing cooperatives worldwide and has over 1 billion members.

53. President Droupadi Murmu will inaugurate the 16th Assembly of the Asian Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (ASOSAI) on September 24, 2024, in New Delhi. This significant event

marks the beginning of crucial discussions centered on the evolving role of Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIs) in promoting transparency and accountability.

54. The Fund for Responding to Loss and Damage, aimed at assisting countries ravaged by climate-driven disasters, has appointed **Ibrahima Cheikh Diong**, a Senegalese finance specialist and dual U.S. citizen, as its first director. The fund, created in 2022 under the **United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)**, is administered by the World Bank and represents a significant win for developing nations who have long pushed for support against climate disasters. Wealthy nations had resisted this fund, fearing it would lead to compensation demands for their greenhouse gas emissions.

55. China will hold joint naval and air drills with **Russia in the Sea of Japan and the Sea of Okhotsk** along with the two countries carrying out a joint maritime patrol in the Pacific. It was starting the joint Russian-Chinese naval exercise that would include anti-aircraft and anti-submarine weapons.

56. The National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) has ushered in a new era of leadership with the election of **Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo** as its president. This significant event took place during a General Body meeting held at the Constitution Club on Saturday, marking a pivotal moment in the organization's history.

57. Senior IPS officers Alok Ranjan and Amit Garg have been appointed as the heads of the **National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB)** and the **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy (SVPNPA)**,

respectively. Alok Ranjan, a 1991-batch officer of the Madhya Pradesh cadre, will serve as the Director of NCRB until his superannuation on June 30, 2026, succeeding Vivek Gogia, who has been repatriated to the AGMUT cadre. Amit Garg, a 1993-batch IPS officer from the Andhra Pradesh cadre, will lead the SVPNPA until his retirement on October 31, 2027.

- 58. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh** inaugurated the **Sainik School in Jaipur, Rajasthan on September 23, 2024**, as part of the Government's plan to establish 100 new Sainik Schools in partnership mode across India. This initiative aims to blend public and private sector contributions to enhance education for future generations and foster patriotism among youth. Deputy CM Diya Kumari and Col Rajyavardhan Rathore (Retd) were also present at the event.
- 59. KVS Manian** has officially taken charge as the **Managing Director and CEO of Federal Bank, effective September 23, 2024**. He succeeds Shyam Srinivasan, who retired after successfully leading the bank since 2010. Manian joins Federal Bank following a distinguished career at Kotak Mahindra Bank, where he worked for over 25 years and played a key role in its transformation from a non-banking financial company to one of India's leading private sector banks.
- 60. The partnership between JK Lakshmi Cement (JKLC) and Indian cricket** team captain Rohit Sharma enters its fifth consecutive year. Known for his cricketer excellence and leadership, Sharma's association has strengthened the brand's image and helped JKLC connect with a

wider audience. This renewed collaboration will see him featured in advertising campaigns, brand activations, and promotional activities, enhancing JKLC's visibility across India.

- 61. The Securities and Exchange Board of India fined Jai Anmol Ambani ₹1 crore for irregularities in Reliance Home Finance**, alleging he approved ₹40 crore in unsecured loans. Sebi asserted he misrepresented his involvement in the company's operations.
- 62. Emerging swimmer Pratyasa Ray** has been selected for the **32nd Ekalabya Puraskar for 2024** for her achievements in swimming. A proud moment for Odisha's sporting fraternity. Pratyasa Ray, a promising talent in the field of swimming with a remarkable track record, has been selected for this year's award in recognition of her exceptional performances.
- 63. Rhea Singha, a 19-year-old** model from Gujarat, was crowned **Miss Universe India 2024 in Jaipur**. She will represent India at the global Miss Universe competition in Mexico. The 19-year-old Gujarati beauty Rhea Singha was recently crowned Miss Universe India 2024.
- 64. The Pradhan Mantri Janjatiya Unnat Gram Abhiyan**, a groundbreaking initiative by the Central Government of India, has chosen Mana village in the Joshimath block of Chamoli district for implementation. This selection marks a significant step towards improving the socio-economic conditions of tribal communities in the region.
- 65. The foundation stone for India's first of its kind CO2-to-Methanol pilot plant with an overall capacity of 1.4 Tons Per Day (TPD)** was unveiled virtually by Prof.

Abhay Karandikar, Secretary, Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India, at Thermax Limited premises in Pune, Maharashtra.

66. **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** concluded a successful three-day visit to the **United States from September 21 to 23, 2024**. His trip included participation in the 6th Quad Summit, the '**Summit of the Future**' at the United Nations, bilateral meetings, and engagement with the Indian diaspora.
67. **The Indian Navy hosted the fifth edition of the Goa Maritime Symposium (GMS) 2024** from 23-24 September under the aegis of the Naval War College, Goa. Conducted in the newly inaugurated Chola building, this year's theme was "**Common Maritime Security Challenges in the IOR – Progressing Lines of Effort to Mitigate Dynamic Threats such as Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) Fishing and Other Illegal Maritime Activities.**"
68. **Maharashtra government** approved a proposal to name Pune airport as **Jagadguru Sant Tukaram Maharaj Pune International Airport**. Last month, Murlidhar Mohol proposed naming the airport after the 17th-century saint, noting that Lohegaon, where the airport is situated, was the village of Sant Tukaram Maharaj's mother.
69. **Chief Minister Lalduhoma** officially launched the state's new flagship initiative, the **Hand Holding Scheme (Bana Kaih)**, during a ceremony held at Vanapa Hall. The scheme is designed to provide financial assistance and support to entrepreneurs and farmers across the state, promoting economic growth and

self-sufficiency through a range of targeted programs.

70. **Wabtec Locomotive Private Limited**, a joint venture between Indian Railways and Wabtec, is set to enhance its Marhowra plant's capabilities by exporting **Evolution Series ES43ACmi** locomotives to global customers, particularly in Africa, starting in 2025. This initiative marks the plant's inaugural venture into manufacturing locomotives for export, underscoring India's growing prominence in the global locomotive manufacturing sector.
71. Prime Minister Narendra Modi delivered a significant address at the **79th U.N. General Assembly session**, themed "**Summit of the Future**," held in New York on September 22, 2024. Emphasizing the necessity for reforms in global institutions, Modi stated that such changes are crucial for ensuring global peace and development. The summit commenced prior to the high-level meeting of world leaders, initiated by U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, who urged global leaders to recommit to multilateralism to address the pressing challenges facing humanity.
72. **Russia and China started naval exercises in the Sea of Japan**. The exercises will include anti-aircraft and anti-submarine weapons. This exercise aims to deepen the strategic cooperation level between the Chinese and Russian militaries and enhance their ability to jointly deal with security threats.
73. **Amid the growing tension in the Middle-East, Iran** for the first time has showcased the Shahed 136B drone and Jihad ballistic missile. Iran presented this new kamikaze drone as part of its military

modernization program, in a context marked by growing instability in the region.

- 74. Rubber Research Institute signs MoU with IndianOil.** A memorandum of understanding was signed between Rubber Research Institute of India (RRII) and Indian Oil Corporation Ltd (IOCL) to enhance the research on using Rubber Process Oils marketed by IOCL in different tyre and non-tyre rubber products.
- 75. India's Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan and Vijay Sundar Prashanth clinched the men's doubles title at the 2024 Hangzhou Open** after a thrilling final against Germany's Constantin Frantzen and Hendrik Jebens on September 24. The unseeded Indian duo won the match with a score of 4-6, 7(7)-6(5), 10-7 at the Hangzhou Olympics Sports Centre, marking their first ATP Tour title together.
- 76. Jitendra J Jadhav** Appointed as **Director General of Aeronautical Development Agency.** The Appointment Committee of the Cabinet has approved a significant change in leadership for India's aeronautical sector. Jitendra J Jadhav, a Distinguished Scientist with nearly four decades of experience in aircraft design and development, has been appointed as the new Director General of the Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA). This appointment, effective from September 11, 2024, marks a new chapter in India's pursuit of aeronautical excellence.
- 77. James Cameron Joins Stability AI Board.** In a groundbreaking move that signals the increasing convergence of Hollywood and artificial intelligence, Stability AI announced on Tuesday that James Cameron, the visionary director behind

blockbuster films such as "Titanic" and "The Terminator," has joined the company's board of directors. This unexpected collaboration between one of cinema's most innovative filmmakers and a cutting-edge AI startup marks a significant moment in the evolution of both industries.

- 78. Tata Steel** has successfully commissioned India's largest blast furnace at its Kalinganagar facility in Odisha, marking a significant milestone for the steel sector. With a total investment of Rs 27,000 crore, this Phase II expansion will increase the plant's capacity from 3 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) to 8 MTPA. The new facility is designed to meet the growing demands of various industries, including automotive, infrastructure, shipbuilding, defence, and oil and gas. Over the last decade, Odisha has become the largest investment destination for Tata Steel, with a cumulative investment exceeding Rs 100,000 crore.
- 79. Renowned Bollywood producer Vinod Bachchan** received the prestigious **Global Prestige Award at the House of Lords, UK Parliament**, recognizing his significant contributions to the Indian film industry. The award ceremony was hosted by Lord Bellamy KC and Lord Rami Ranger CBE, a distinguished Member of Parliament. Bachchan, known for producing hits such as Tanu Weds Manu, Zila Ghaziabad, Ginny Weds Sunny, and Shaadi Mein Zaroor Aana, was honored for his influential role in bringing Indian cinema to global audiences. His films not only entertain millions but also promote Indian culture and traditions worldwide.
- 80.** In a monumental step for India's space program, **Group Captain Shubhanshu**

Shukla of the Indian Air Force (IAF) will pilot the Axiom-4 (Ax-4) mission to the International Space Station (ISS) in 2025.

The Ax-4 mission is the result of a bilateral agreement between India and the US. Over a year ago, during Prime Minister Narendra Modi's official visit to the US.

- 81. Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh** inaugurated the 41st edition of the **Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Commanders' Conference in New Delhi on September 24, 2024.** This three-day conference serves as a crucial platform for ICG Commanders to engage in meaningful discussions on strategic, operational, and administrative matters amid evolving geopolitical landscapes and maritime security complexities.
- 82. World Bollywood Day, observed annually on September 24th,** stands as a testament to the rich heritage and global influence of Indian cinema. This day serves as a unique platform for Bollywood enthusiasts and film industry professionals to come together and celebrate the art of cinema and its contributions to culture and society. It's a day that not only honours the magic of Bollywood but also raises awareness about Indian culture and storytelling among audiences worldwide.
- 83. Antyodaya Diwas** is an annual occasion in India commemorating the birth anniversary of Indian leader Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya. India observes Antyodaya Diwas on **September 25th** to honor Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya.
- 84. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has gifted US President Joe Biden a silver train model** made by master artisans from Maharashtra and First Lady Jill Biden a Pashmina shawl in a papier mache box.

85. On September 20, 2024, the Central Silk Board (CSB) marked a significant milestone with the celebration of its **Platinum Jubilee in Mysuru.** The event, commemorating 75 years of dedicated service to India's silk industry, was graced by numerous dignitaries and witnessed several important launches and releases.

86. The Kolkata trams, which have operated since the late **19th century,** are a testament to the city's rich transportation history. The Kolkata tram is set to be discontinued soon due to congestion. However, one route will still be operational.

87. Recently, the Mankidia community became the 6th particularly vulnerable tribal group (**PVTG**) **PVTG** to get habitat rights over forests in Odisha. The Mankidia are a semi-nomadic community known for their traditional skill of rope making, trapping and eating monkeys.

88. The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has taken a significant step to support Pakistan's struggling economy by approving a new \$7 billion loan. This decision, announced on Wednesday, comes more than two months after initial negotiations between the IMF and Pakistani authorities reached a staff-level agreement.

89. Thailand the third place in Asia, after Taiwan and Nepal, to allow same-sex marriage. The bill grants full legal, financial and medical rights for marriage partners of any gender. Thailand's landmark marriage equality bill was officially written into law allowing same-sex couples to legally wed.

90. The Central Government, through the Ministry of Law and Justice, notified the appointment of Chief Justices to eight

High Courts to fill key judicial positions and ensure the smooth functioning of the judicial system in various states. **Union Law Minister (Independent Charge) Arjun Ram Meghwal** announced the appointment of Chief Justices to eight High Courts.

- Justice Manmohan (presently Acting CJ of Delhi High Court) – Chief Justice of Delhi High Court.
- Justice Rajiv Shakdher (presently Judge of Delhi HC) – Chief Justice of Himachal Pradesh High Court.
- Justice Suresh Kumar Kait (Judge of Delhi HC) – Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court.
- Justice Indra Prasanna Mukerji (Judge of Calcutta HC) – Chief Justice of Meghalaya High Court.
- Justice Nitin Madhukar Jamdar (Judge of Bombay HC) – Chief Justice of Kerala High Court.
- Justice Tashi Rabstan (Judge of J&K&L HC) – Chief Justice of Jammu & Kashmir & Ladakh High Court.
- Justice KR Shriram (Judge of Bombay HC) – Chief Justice of Madras High Court.
- Justice MS Ramachandra Rao (presently CJ of HP HC) – Chief Justice of Jharkhand High Court.

91. Axis Bank, a leading private sector bank in India, has partnered with Mastercard, a global payments technology firm, to launch the **MyBiz credit card**, specifically designed for sole proprietors and small business owners. This premium World Mastercard® offers a comprehensive suite of business and travel benefits tailored to meet the diverse needs of

small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

92. Bank of Baroda, in collaboration with EaseMyTrip.com, has introduced the **Bank of Baroda EaseMyTrip Co-branded Travel Debit Card**, aiming to cater to frequent travelers and those with a penchant for entertainment and lifestyle. This initiative marks the first co-branded travel debit card launched by a public sector bank in India, reflecting the growing trend towards customized financial products.

93. The Asian Development Bank (ADB), in its September 2024 Asian Development Outlook, projects India's GDP growth at 7% for FY2024 and 7.2% for FY2025. The report attributes this sustained growth to the government's fiscal consolidation efforts and resilience amidst global geopolitical challenges. ADB highlights agricultural improvements, robust performance in the industrial and services sectors, and rural spending as key growth drivers for FY2024. For FY2025, private investments, urban consumption, and job creation through employment-linked incentives are expected to further boost economic growth.

94. Moody's has revised its forecast for India's GDP growth in calendar year **(CY) 2024, raising it to 7.1% from its earlier projection of 6.8% made in June**. This upgrade highlights India's key role in driving growth in the Asia-Pacific region, which is expected to outperform global economies in the coming years. Other global institutions like the World Bank and the IMF have also adjusted their projections, reflecting increasing confidence in India's economic

momentum despite potential global challenges.

95. **The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI)** has implemented new guidelines requiring retail investors to use the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) to block funds when applying for public issues of debt securities amounting up to ₹5 lakh. This regulation aims to streamline the application process for individual investors engaging with public debt issues, including non-convertible redeemable preference shares, municipal debt securities, and securitized debt instruments. The new rule will take effect on November 1, 2024, and is part of SEBI's effort to enhance efficiency and align the process with equity share applications.
96. **Dassault Aviation**, the renowned French aircraft manufacturer famous for its Rafale fighter planes, has taken a significant step towards expanding its presence in the Indian market. On Wednesday, the company announced the establishment of a new subsidiary dedicated exclusively to military Maintenance, Repair, and Overhaul (MRO) operations in India.
97. **India's Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO)**, along with researchers of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi has developed **Light Weight Bullet Proof Jackets named ABHED (Advanced Ballistics for High Energy Defeat)**.
98. **Chief Minister Dr. Manik Saha officially launched the CM-SATH scheme** to boost the educational prospects of the state's brightest students. The scheme, designed to provide financial support to meritorious students for their higher education, reflects the state government's commitment to quality education.
99. On September 5, 2024, Union Minister of Textiles, Shri Giriraj Singh, alongside Union Minister of State for External Affairs & Textiles, Pabitra Margherita, launched the India-specific fashion trend book "**Paridhi 24x25**," a bilingual web portal of VisioNxt, and an AI Taxonomy e-book. This significant event attracted over 150 industry leaders from the fashion, textiles, and retail sectors, as well as prominent craftsmen and weavers from various craft clusters. VisioNxt has already produced over 60 micro trend reports, more than 10 close-to-season trend reports, 3 research papers, and the inaugural AI Taxonomy book on Indian wear categories.
100. **World Maritime Day 2024, celebrated on 26 September 2024**, embraces the theme "**Navigating the Future: Safety First!**" This theme underscores the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) commitment to enhancing maritime safety and security, protecting the marine environment, and ensuring that regulatory developments keep pace with technological advancements.
101. In 2013, the **United Nations General Assembly (UNGA)** took a significant step towards global nuclear disarmament by declaring September 26 as the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons, also known as Nuclear Abolition Day. This declaration was formalized through UNGA Resolution 68/32.
102. An extraordinary mountaineering achievement, of a team from the **National Institute of Mountaineering**

and Adventure Sports (NIMAS), has successfully scaled an unnamed and unclimbed 6383 MSL or 20,942 ft high peak in Gorichen range of Arunachal Pradesh Himalayas on Tawang-West Kameng region.

TUALCHHUNG:

1. Mizoram sorkar flagship programme **'Mizoram Bana Kaih (Handholding) Scheme'** chu September 19 khan Vanapa Hall-ah chief minister Lalduhoma'n a tlangzarh. Handholding Scheme hi dil duh tan <https://handholding.mizoram.go...> ah dil theih a ni. Dilna lut aṅangin kumin October 1 aṅanga November 30 chungin tanpuina hmu tur (progress partner)-te thlan a ni dawn a, December 9-13, 2024 chungin progress partner-te tan training/orientation buatsaih a ni ang. **Tanpuina pawisa chu January - March 2025 chungin pek tum a ni.**
2. **State Hub for Empowerment of Women (SHFW), Women & Child Development (WCD)** leh Mizoram State Legal Services Authority chuan nimin khan Taxation auditorium-ah **'Protection of Women from Domestic Violence Act, 2005'** chungchang zirhona an buatsaih a, Gauhati High Court judge Justice Nelson Sailo-in a hmanpui. Additional District & Session judge Sylvie Zomuanpuii Ralte-in in chung khura hmeichhiate chung hleilenna thleng vanga court-in thubuai a chinfel tawh chhinchhiah tlakte a sawi zau a, thubuai a thlena hmalak dan turte a sawifiah bawk.
3. Hrangbana College-a Department of Political Science chuan Mizoram Youth Commission bultumin 20th September khan political science zirlai (major/core)-

te intawhkhawmna, **'PoliSci Connect'** an buatsaih a, MYC chairman Malsawmzuala Ralte-in a hmanpui. HBC PoliSci Connect-ah hian quiz leh debate hmangin intihsiak buatsaih a ni.

4. **Civil Hospital, Lunglei** chuan India rama sorkar damdawi-in tha tehnaa certificate chi thum - **National Quality Assurance Standards (NQAS), LaQshya leh MusQan** an dawn chu 20th September khan an lawm a, Lunglei High Power Committee vice chairman V Malsawmtluanga, MLA-in a hmanpui. Lunglei Civil Hospital hian June 15, 2024 khan Ministry of Health & Family Welfare aṅangin sorkar damdawi-in inrêlbàwlina, hmanrua leh thawktute theihna, thiamna leh hna thawh dan phunga tehfung hrang hrang 369 hmanga India rama damdawi-in tha bik tehna NQAS certification a hmu a; certification dang pahnih - MusQan (naupang lam enkawlina tha bik) leh LaQshya (nau neihna hmun tha bik) certificate an dawng tel bawk.
5. **Saitual bawrhsap Dr Lalngura Tlau** chuan DC Conference Hall-ah **Mission Shakti leh District Level Implementing Committee** a hawng. Mission Shakti chungchang sawifiahtu district programme officer Dr Lalhruaitluangi Chhangte chuan, Mission Shakti hnuaiah chuan sub-scheme pahnih - Samarthya (hmeichhe chawikanna) leh Sambal (hmeichhe humhimna) a awm thu a sawi a; Sambal nodal officer Flora Laltanpuii'n hmeichhiate humhimna chungchang a sawifiah bawk. Mission Shakti nodal department chu Women and Child Development a ni a, a hnuaiah District Hub for Empowerment (DHEW) awmin, chumi hnuaiah chuan District Level Implementing Committee on Mission Shakti din leh a ni.

6. **Mizoram sorkar chuan sorkar hnathawk television (TV) kawl thei chin a titem** a, chief secretary chiahin pisaah TV a kawl thei tawh dawn. Hei hi inremchemna atana tih a ni. Hetih lai hian, officer-te'n an pisaah TV an kawl mekte chu laksak/chhuhsak a ni dawn lo a; mahse, thla kal mek September aṅang chuan cable connection fee leh siam a ngaih chānga siamna man chu a kawltu officer-in ama sum atanga a pek/chawi a ngai tawh dawn a ni.
7. Saitual bawrh sap Dr Lalngura Tlau chuan DC Conference Hall-ah Mission Shakti leh District Level Implementing Committee a hawng. Mission Shakti nodal department chu Women and Child Development a ni a, a hnuaiah District Hub for Empowerment (DHEW) awmin, chumi hnuaiah chuan District Level Implementing Committee on Mission Shakti din leh a ni.
8. September 21, 2024 (Inrinni) zana Durtlang Leitana doctor pahnih leh mi dang pakhat kutthlak rawntu mi parukte police-in an man a, mi sawisatute zinga police constable tel ve, Sailianpuia Sailo (28) s/o Lalremruata Sailo (L), Venghlui chu nimin khan a hna aṅanga chawlh tir (suspend) a ni. Mi parukte hi bail-a chhuah vek tawh an ni. Mi sawisak rawntu mi parukte lakah hian Bawngkawn PS-ah thubuai ziah luh niin, case no. chu 309/24 Dt.23.09.2024 a ni a; thubuai ziah luhnaa dan tlawhchhan chu - **Bharatiya Nyaya**

Sanhita section 117(2), 115(2) leh 3(5) a ni.

9. Mizoram chief minister hmasa ber Ch. Chhunga hriatrengna atana zirlai chhawmdawlina tura ruahman, **Ch. Chhunga Memorial Endow-ment Fund 2024** chu Mizoram University (MZU) Examination 2024-a MA English-a gold medalist **Lalnunhlua** hnenah hlan a ni. Endowment Fund hlanna hun hi MZU School of Humanities and Languages seminar hall-ah buiatsaih a ni a; MZU English department HoD Prof. Margaret L Pachuau-in a kaihruai a, MZU vice chancellor Prof. Dibakar Chandra Dekaa'n Endowment Fund Rs 36,401 chu Lalnunhlua hnenah a hlan a ni.
10. **Adviser to CM (Finance & Planning) TBC Lalvenchunga**, MLA chuan Lunglei Convention Centre-ah **Lunglei Municipal Council (LMC)** huam chhunga Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals (LSDG) kaltlanga hmalakna tur LSDG 2024 under LMC a hawng.
11. **September 25 kha World Pharmacists Day** a ni a, Mizoram State Pharmacy Council hmalaknain Bawngkawn South YMA Hall-ah hman niin, Health & Family Welfare minister Lalrinpuui'n a hmanpui. World Pharmacists Day hi kum 1992 aṅang khan International Federation of Pharmacists huaihawtin kum tin hman thin a ni a; kumina Pharmacists Day thupui chu '**Pharmacist: Meeting Global Health Needs**' tih a ni.