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Month – October

1. Cabinet Approval of the establishment of autonomous organization – **Mera Yuva Bharat (My Bharat)**.
2. Memorandum of Understanding between India and France on Cooperation in – **Digital Technologies**.
3. Memorandum of Understanding between India and Papua New Guinea, Trinidad and Tobago for – **Digital Transformation**.
4. Union Cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi on 18 Oct, 2023 has approved following **proposals** :-
 - Phase II of GEC for 13 GW Renewable Energy project in Ladakh.
 - MSP for Rabi crops for marketing season 2024-25.
 - 11.07 lakh Railway employees to receive Rs 1968.87 Crores in Productivity Linked Bonus(PLB).
5. On 29 Sep, 2023, President Murmu has granted assent to Women Reservation Bill 2023, which mandates – **33% of reservation in Lok Sabha**, SLA and NCT of Delhi.
6. New Drone (Amendment) Rules, 2023 for Drone Pilots are effective from – **27 Sep, 2023**.
7. Amendment of Aircraft Rules, 1937 which is now as, Aircraft (First Amendment) Rules, 2023, under this new rule, validity of Transport Pilot License (ATPL) and Commercial Pilot License has been increased - from 5 years **to 10 years**.
8. Arunachal Pradesh Cabinet approves of establishment of Special Tiger Protection Force(STPF) in three tiger reserves – **Namdapha, Pakke, and Kamlang**.
9. CM Bhupesh Baghel of Chattishgarh inaugurates virtually various schemes and projects including Bio-ethanol demonstration plant, Panic Button and Global Positioning System worth of – **Rs 1021.59 Crores**.
10. Baiga Tribe of Chattishgarh, now 2nd tribe has received Habitat Rights under Forest Rights Act, 2006 after – **Kamar tribe**.
11. Himachal Pradesh Cabinet chaired by CM Sukhu has approved – **Van Mitra scheme** (a forest conservation scheme).
12. Karnataka launches a centralized wildlife crime management system – **Hostile Activity Watch Kernel(HAWK)**.
13. Kerala's district '**Kasaragod**' now has becomes first district to declare its own Official Tree, named '**Kanjiram**', Official Flower, named '**Periya Polathali**', Official bird, named '**Vellavayaran Kadal Paranthu**', Official Creature, named '**Palappooan Aamma**'.
14. A Marathi biopic of Minister Nitin Gadkari, '**Gadkari**' is releasing on 27 Oct, 2023, directed by – Anurag Rajan Bhusari.
15. MP CM Inaugurated World's largest pumped storage project in – **Khemla block of Neemuch district**.
16. MP CM unveils 108 ft. statue (Statue of Oneness) of Adi Shankaracharya at – **Omkarshwar**.
17. Odisha's indigenously built Air Traffic Management Automation System (ATMAS) jointly developed by AAI and BEI is inaugurated in Bhubneshwar at – **Biju Patnaik International Airport**.



18. Rajasthan announces 3 new districts – **Malpura, Sujangarh and Kuchaman City**.
19. 4th state to introduce E-Cabinet System – **Tripura State**.
20. UP CM declares State Aquatic Animal – **Gangetic Dolphin(Platanista gangetica)**.
21. MeitY inaugurated UP's 1st Robotic Process Automation (RPA) Lab under Future Skill Prime Project in – **NIELT, Gorakhpur**.
22. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated Indian Military Heritage 1st Festival in – **New Delhi**.
23. Assam's festival celebrated on 18th Oct, 2023 – **Kati Bihu**.
24. PM Modi inaugurated 17 km of Delhi-Ghaziabad-Meerut RRTS Corridor at – **Sahibabad RapidX Station, Ghaziabad**.
25. PM Launched Sankalp Saptaah to improve governance at – **Block Level**.
26. Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD) launched a programme to empower women – **'A-HELP'**.
27. India's First Solar Roof Cycling Track(23 km) inaugurated in – **Hyderabad**.
28. Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurates India's 1st NANO DAP plant in – **Gujarat**.
29. India's 1st Women-Centric Police Station to get ISO 9001:2015 Certification – **Bhopal's Mahila Thana**.
30. State to become the 1st state to have Hallmarking Centres in all districts – **Kerala**.
31. On 11 Oct, 2023 India launches a operation for the evacuation of Indian nationals from Israel – **Operation Ajay**.
34. Railway's 15th Navratna CPSE(Central Public Sector Enterprise) and 16th Navratna CPSE – **IRCON and RITES**.
35. Bangalore International Airport Limited (BIAL) has established South Asia's first aircraft recovery training school in – **Kempegowda International Airport**.
36. Airport is 1st in Asia to Commission 'Disabled Aircraft Recovery Kit' – **Mumbai Airport**.
37. India's 1st Reference Gasoline and Diesel Fuels produced by – **Indian Oil Corporation**.
38. National Health Authority Organises – **Arogya Manthan 2023**.
39. Assam CM launched a scheme for Medical Bill Reimbursement – **Mukhya Mantri Lok Sevak Arogya Yojana**.
40. HP CM launched a scheme for Orphans and other Vulnerable Sections of Society – **Sukh Ashraya Yojana**.
41. Odisha CM launched a scheme in **Malkangiri district** – Location Accessible Multimodal Initiative bus service scheme.
42. TN gov. announces a new scheme for traders to settle Commercial Tax of dues Rs 25000 Crore – **New Samadhan Scheme**.
43. WHO recommends R21/Matrix-M, Malaria vaccine by – **Oxford and Serum Institute**.



44. North America's First Gandhi Museum Opens in – **Houston, Texas, USA**.
45. FATF removes countries from its 'Grey List' – **Cayman Islands, Panama, Jordan and Albania**.
46. RBI has now allowed authorized banks to open Special Rupee Vostro accounts for correspondent banks of – **Tanzania**.
47. PM's visits on 2nd Oct, 2023 to MP and Rajasthan laid the foundation of various projects worth respectively – **Rs 19,260 crore and Rs 7000 Crore**.
48. PM's visits on 1st and 3rd Oct, 2023 to Telangana laid the foundation of various projects worth – **Rs 13,500 crore**.
49. RBI's 4th Bi-Monthly Monetary Policy for FY24, **GDP growth** estimated at – 6.5%.
- Policy Repo rate – 6.50%
 - Reverse Repo rate – 3.35%
 - SDF – 6.25%
 - MSF – 6.75%
 - Bank rate – 6.75%
 - CRR – 4.50%
 - SLR – 18%
50. RBI stops this bank for customer On-boarding on mobile app – **Bank of Baroda**.
51. RBI imposes penalty on Paytm Payment Bank of worth – **Rs 5.39 crore**.
52. RBI starts Wholesale Digital Rupee pilot in – **Call Money Market**.
53. MobiKwik's _____ gets In-Principle nod from RBI to operate as Payment Aggregator – **Zaakpay**.
54. Loans issued by International Banks :-
- Asian Development Bank to Ahmedabad, Gujarat (**USD 181 million**) for infrastructure and services.
 - Asian Development Bank to India (**USD 175 million**) for Madhya Pradesh Road Network Project.
 - Asian Development Bank to India (**USD 400 million**) for public services and efficient governance systems.
 - Asian Development Bank to Assam (**USD 200 million**) to strengthen flood and riverbank erosion.
55. YES Bank becomes the first lender to offer – **ONDC Network Gift Card**.
56. Fintech startup ___ becomes Small Finance Bank after a merger with North East Small Finance Bank Limited – **Slice**(1st fintech firm).
57. ICICI Bank introduces _____, a one stop for viewing savings and current accounts across banks – **'iFinance'**.
58. Becomes a first Russian bank to register with SEBI as FPI(Foreign Portfolio Investment) – **Sberbank**.
59. HDFC bank launches _____ Digital Banking platform for banking products and services – **'XpressWay'**.
60. AU Small Finance Bank Launches 'Planet first – AU Green Fixed Deposit' with – **8.5% Interest rate**.
61. _____ Insurance introduces Surrogacy cover and Oocyte Donor cover – **Star Health Insurance**.



62. Payment Aggregator ____ gets ISO/IEC 27001:2022 certification – **Paysharp**.
63. HDFC ERGO General Insurance launches a policy – **Optima Secure**.
64. ____ secures India's 1st digital Escrow authorization from IFSCA – **EscrowPay**.
65. Bharti group to acquire AXA's 49% stake in – **Bharti AXA Life Insurance**.
66. ____ Aerospace receives its 2nd type certification from DGCA for its Agri Drone – **Paras Aerospace**.
67. New **Presidents** :-
- Maldives – Mohamed Muizzu.
 - Ecuador – Daniel Noboa.
 - New Zealand – Christopher Luxon (PM).
 - Slovakia – Robert Fico (PM).
68. Brand **Ambassadors** :-
- Sachin Tendulkar – ICC Global Ambassador.
 - Moh. Shami Ahmed – Puma.
 - MS Dhoni – Lays (Chips), SBI.
 - Katrina Kaif – Rado (luxury brand).
69. ____ re-elected as President of Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development(AIBD) for 3rd successive term – **India**.
70. RBI constituted a 9 member external working group chaired by R. Naryanaswamy to suggest – **Expected Credit Loss(ECL)**.
71. 3 Indian Technology Experts Named in the 39-member UN high level Advisory Body on Artificial Intelligence – **Amandeep Singh Gill, Nazneen Rajani and Sharad Sharma**.
72. CEO of MYGOV is to take additional charge as CEO of Indian Semiconductor Mission – **CEO Akash Tripathi**.
73. Government of India has appointed ____ to Craft 'Vision 2047' Document – **Boston Consulting Group**.
74. 'Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement Award' will be awarded to American actor and producer – **Michael Douglas**.
75. 'Mother Teresa Memorial Award' will be awarded to – **Narges Mohammadi** (Social Justice).
76. **Nobel Prize 2023** :-
- Katalin Kariko(Hungary) and Drew Weissman(USA) for – Physiology of Medicine.
 - Anne L'Huillier(France), Pierre Agostini(France) and Ferenc Krausz(Hungary) – Physics.
 - Alexei I. Ekimov(Russia), Louis E. Brus(USA) and Moungi G.Bawendi(France) – Chemistry.
 - Jon Olav Fosse(France) – Literature.
 - Narges Mohammadi(Iran) – Nobel Peace Prize.
 - Claudia Goldin(USA) – Nobel Economics Prize.
77. SASTRA Ramanujan Prize 2023 – **Ruixiang Zhang**.



78. Global Indian Award – **Sudha Murty**(Author and Philanthropist).
79. Best Central Bank Award – **Shaktikanta Das**(RBI Governor).
80. Best Green Military Station Award – **Udhampur Military Station**(J&K).
81. US President Biden awarded Indo-American Scientists with National Medal – **Ashok Gadgil and Subra Suresh**.
82. Winner of SAKHAROV Prize 2023 of European Parliament – **Mahsa Amini and Iranian women protest movement**.
83. Gujarat's Village ____ featured among UNWTO's Best Tourism Village – **Dhordo Village**.
84. Army Chief presents the President's Colors to 3rd Battalion of – **Naga Regiment**.
85. Various Summits, Events, Meetings and their Venues :-
- G20 Parliamentary Speaker's Summit(**P20**) held at – Yashobhoomi at Dwarka, New Delhi.
 - Global Maritime India Summit (**GMIS**) 2023 – Mumbai.
 - Indian **Space Conclave** 2023 – Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi.
 - Middle East and North Africa(**MENA**) Climate Week 2023 – Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.
 - Meeting of the **Indian Ocean Rim Association** – Colombo, Sri Lanka.
 - **G20 Finance ministers** and **Central Bank Governors** meeting – Marrakech, Morocco.
86. Various Indexes :-
- **Global Hunger Index** – India ranks 111th out of 125 – by International Humanitarian organization Concern worldwide and Germany based Welthunger life.
 - **Global Innovation Index** – India ranks 40th out of 132 – by World Intellectual Property Organization.
 - **Ookla's Speedtest Global Index** – India ranks 47th out of 145 – by Ookla.
 - **Mercer CFA Institute Global Pension Index** – India ranks 45th out of 47 – by Mercer.
87. India to surpass Japan to Become 2nd largest economy in Asia by 2030 – **S&P Global**.
88. IFC received RBI's approval for acquiring stake in Federal Bank – **9.7% stakes**.
89. Air India completes Acquisition of its 1st A350-900 Aircraft through – **GIFT City**.
90. SBI Funds Management Limited Gets RBI approval to acquire stakes in IndusIND Bank – **9.99% stakes**.
91. Kotak Mahindra Bank gets RBI approval for acquisition of – **Sonata Finance**.
92. 3rd Stealth Destroyer of Project 15B delivered to Indian Navy – **Yard 12706(Imphal)**.
93. Shenzhou 17 satellite also known as Divine Vessel – **China**.
94. Ericsson sets up 6G Research and Development centre in – **Chennai, TN**.
95. ____ Country becomes 1st ever to fire Electromagnetic Railgun – **Japan**.
96. ____ won Bronze medal in BWF World Junior Championship 2023 - **Ayush Shetty**.
97. ____ won China open 2023 Men's Single title – **Jannik Sinner(Italy)**.



98. ____ won Qatar GP 2023 to win 3rd Formula1 World Championship – **Max Verstappen**.

99. India's ____ wins World Junior Rapid Chess Championship 2023 title – **Raunak Sadhwani**.

100. Red Bull's ____ wins 50th F1 in US Grand Prix 2023 – **Max Verstappen**.

101. **Books :-**

- The Reverse Swing: Colonialism to Cooperation – by Ashok Kumar Tandon.
- Breaking the Mould: Reimagining India's Economic future – by Raghuram Rajan and Rohit Lamba.
- Ashtadhyayi Bhashya, Ramanandacharya Charitam, and Bhagwan Shri Krishna ki Rashtraleela – all three books by Jagadguru Rambhadracharya.

102. **Important Dates :-**

- 30th Sep, 2023 – International Translation Day - Theme of ITD 2023 is, "Translation unveils the many faces of humanity".
- 1st to 31st Oct, 2023 – Breast Cancer Awareness.
- 1st Oct, 2023 – World Coffee Day - Theme of International Coffee Day is, "promoting the right to a safe and healthy working environment in the coffee supply chain".
- 1st Oct, 2023 – World Vegetarian Day
- 2nd Oct, 2023 – World Habitat Day - Theme of WHD 2023 is "Resilient urban economies. Cities as drivers of growth and recovery".
- 2nd Oct, 2023 – International Day of Non-Violence.
- 4th Oct, 2023 – World Animal Day - Theme of World Animal Day 2023 is 'Great or Small, Love Them All'.
- 7th Oct, 2023 – World Cotton Day - Theme of World Cotton Day 2023 is "Making cotton fair and sustainable for all, from farm to fashion".
- 8th Oct, 2023 – World Dyslexia Day.
- 10th Oct, 2023 – World Mental Health Day - Theme is "Mental health is a universal human right."
- 12th Oct, 2023 – World Arthritis Day - Theme of WAD 2023 is "Living with an RMD at all stages of life".
- 20th Oct, 2023 – World Osteoporosis Day - Theme of 2023 WOD Campaign is 'Build Better Bones'.
- 23rd Oct, 2023 – World Snow Leopard Day.
- 24th Oct, 2023 – World Polio Day.
- 30th Oct to 5th Nov, 2023 – Vigilance Awareness Week - Theme is, "Say no to corruption; commit to the Nation".

103. Rajasthan Govt. started a portal – **iStart Talent Connect Portal**.

104. Pune Researchers Found New Damselfly Species in Western Ghats, Kerala - **Protosticta Armageddonia**.

105. New Species of Badis Fish Discoverd from Nagaland - **Badis limaakum**.

106. New Toad Species Discovered in the Dampa Tiger Reserve of Mizoram - **Bufoides Bhupathyi**.

107. An Anaerobic, Hydrogen-Producing Bacterium Found in Aravali Hot Spring, Maharashtra - **Sporanaerobium hydrogeniformans**.

**Month - November**

1. State to launch app based ASTC Cab services and UPI Digital Payment Solutions – **Assam**.
2. ____ State's Governor approves a bill that raises the quota for deprived classes (SC, ST, EBC, OBC) from 50% to 65% - **Bihar**.
3. Chandigarh Smart city launches AI-driven chatbot – **BIRBAL**.
4. ____ State Police Becomes 1st in India to Use GPS Tracker Anklets for Terror-Accused on Bail – **J&K**.
5. Karnataka Launches 'Dr Puneeth Rajkumar Hrudaya Jyoti Yojana' for – **Cardiac Emergencies**.
6. ____ State launches 'Food Security' campaign to achieve 'Zero Hunger' – **Meghalaya**.
 - To achieve UN's SDG 2 - 'Zero Hunger' by 2030.
7. Odisha CM Patnaik inaugurates ____ talent academy in Bhubaneswar – **AIFF-FIFA academy**.
8. Uttar Pradesh CM declares 25 Nov, 2023 as – **'No Non-Veg' Day**.
9. Supreme Court Collegium recommended Additional Judge ____ as Permanent Judge of Calcutta HC – **Roy Chowdhury**.
10. Manipur's festival – **Mera Hou Chongba**.
11. Govt launches India's 1st AI solution for Agricultural News Monitoring – **Krishi 24/7**.
12. Ministry launched Jal Diwali - 'Women for Water, Water for Women Campaign' – **Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs**.
13. Gujarat CM unveils Crest of Indian Navy warship – **'Surat'**.
14. PM Modi inaugurated 37th National Games in – **Goa**.
15. PM of Bangladesh and PM Modi jointly unveils **three projects** :-
 - Rail Link between Tripura's Nischintapur and Gangasagar in Bangladesh.
 - Khulna – Mongla Port Rail Line.
 - Launched Unit-II of the Maitree Super Thermal Power Plant.
16. PM Modi Inaugurated the 2nd Edition of 'World Food India' in – **New Delhi**.
17. Sarbananda Sonowal (Ministry of Port, Shipping and Waterways) flags off India's 1st International Cruise Liner "____" in Mumbai – **Costa Serena**.
18. India hosts the ____ Assembly of the International Solar Alliance – **6th**.
19. J&K receives new GI Tag - **Kishtwar Saffraon**.
20. ____ Country becomes chair of International Sugar Organization for 2024 – **India**.
21. India approves USD ____ million in investments in IT Hardware sector – **360 million**.



22. Kerala ____ mission selected for United Nations World Tourism Organization's Global list of case studies – **Responsible Tourism mission**.
23. India's 1st Telecom Centre of Excellence to be set up in – **IIT Roorkee**.
24. ____ Country to fund USD 44.7 million to support India's Hunger project in Uttarakhand – **Norway**.
25. Ladakh 4th GI Tag – **Seabuckthorn**.
26. Survey of India & ____ for 3D Digital Twin-mapping Programme in India - **Genesys International Partnered**.
27. Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana will be extended till – **2028**.
28. Jharkhand cabinet **approves** :-
- Abua Awas Yojana Housing Scheme.
 - Rs 1,485 crore Electrification Scheme.
29. According to United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification, India lost around ____ of healthy land to degradation from 2015-19 – **30.51 million hectares**.
30. Cambodia's ____ becomes the 8th wonder of world – **Angkor Wat**.
31. ____ becomes 1st Country to Fully Sterilise its Entire Street Dogs Population - **Bhutan**.
32. Swedish defence company ____ has become the first foreign company to get Government of India's approval for 100% foreign direct investment(FDI) in defence sector – **Saab AB company**.
33. UAE inaugurates World's largest single site solar power plant – **Al Dafra Solar PV project**.
34. RBI Approves Appointment of ____ as Directors of Jio Financial Services - **Isha Ambani, Anshuman Thakur & Hitesh Sethia**.
35. RBI increased the minimum amount for offering Non Callable Term Deposits (TDs) from Rs 15 lakh - **to Rs 1 crore**.
36. RBI has updated its 'Alert list' of unauthorised forex trading platforms by adding 19 more entities, making it up to – **75 total platforms**.
37. **Highlights** of 203rd SEBI meeting :-
- SEBI reduces minimum issue size from Rs1 crore to Rs 50 Lakh for public issuance of Zero Coupon Zero Principal (**ZCZP**) instruments.
 - SEBI has further approved to reduce minimum application size from Rs 2 Lakh to Rs10000 for public issuance of ZCZP by NPO on **social stock exchange**.
 - SEBI plans to introduce same day (**T+0**) settlement by March 2024 and Instantaneous settlement 2025.
38. International Banks loans :-
- Asian Development Bank – **USD 500 million** – to MHA tertiary care and medical educational sector.



- Asian Development Bank – USD 170 million – to Kochi, Kerala for modernization of water supply services.
39. ___ bank became the 1st foreign bank to introduce e-BGs in India – HSBC.
40. AU small finance bank and ___ launches premium co-branded travel credit card – ixigo.
41. U.S. International Development Finance Corporation (DFC) offers ___ to Adani Ports-led Colombo West International Terminal Private Limited – USD 553 million.
42. ___ has become 1st life insurance company in India to receive GIFT city IFSC registration – IndiaFirst life Insurance company.
43. Canara HSBC Launched ' ___ ' Life Insurance Plan for Customers of Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank - GAIN plan.
44. ___ Becomes 2nd Unicorn of 2023 – InCred Holdings Ltd.
45. On the occasion of Bima Lokpal Day 2023(11th November 2023), Insurance Ombudsman announced that it has disposed of over ___ of the complaints received from the insured during Financial year 2022-23 – 92.28%.
46. Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) formed an 11-member task force to examine the impact of the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act of 2023 on the insurance sector – led by Randip Singh Jagpal.
47. New Insurance plan 'Health Supercharge' – introduced by TATA AIG.
48. Central Depository Services (India) Limited (CDSL) had become the first Indian depository to hold ___ active dematerialisation (demat) accounts – 10 crore.
49. GDP growth rate of India by various institutions :-
- UBS Securities India Private Limited – 6.3%.
 - Moody's Investors Service – 6.7%.
 - Goldman Sachs Group, Inc – 6.3%.
 - ICRA Ltd – 7%.
 - S&P – 6.4%.
50. ___ is First Company to Secure DGCA Certification for UAS(Unmanned Aircraft System) - Flying Wedge.
51. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and France based have decided to set up a new 50/50 joint venture (JV) company in Bengaluru, Karnataka - Safran Helicopter Engines.
52. ___ the First Airline to Operate Flights from Noida International Airport – Indigo.
53. Appointments national and international :-
- Deepesh Nanda as President – Tata Power Renewable Energy Ltd.
 - Manoranjan Mishra as Executive Director – RBI.
 - Koppu Sadashiv Murthy as CMD – BHEL.
 - Heeralal Samariya as Chief IC – CIC.
 - Goverdhan S. Rawat and Dr. Ajay Kumar Sood as Deputy Managing Director – NABARD.
 - Vinay M tomse as MD – SBI.



- Javier Milei – President – Argentina.
- Pedro Sanchez – PM – Spain.
- Andry Rajoelina – President – Madagascar.
- Dr. Anish Shah – President elect – FICCI.

54. **Brand Ambassadors :-**

- Chetan Bhagat – Henry Harvin Education.
- Pankaj Tripathi – UPI safety ambassador.
- Sourav Ganguly – Brand ambassador of Bengal.
- Ravindra Jadeja – Brand ambassador of AS-IT-IS nutrition.

55. WHO launches Commission on ____ (2024-2026) to enhance Global Social Connection – **Social Connectin**.

56. Awards :-

- Vir Das – Category: Comedy – **Emmy Award**.
- Suresh Ishwar Wadkar – Category: In art, culture - **Lata Mangeshkar Award**.
- Apolinaris D'Souza – Category: Music – **Kalakar Puraskar Award**.
- Serena Williams – Category: Tennis – **CFDA Fashion Icon Award**.
- Lionel Messi – Category: Football – **Ballon d'Or Award**(Golden Ball Award).
- Accion Andina(South America) – Category: Protect and Restore Nature – **Earthshot Prize**.
- WildAid Marine Program(Global) – Category: Revive our Oceans – **Earthshot Prize**.
- GRST(China) – Category: Clean Our Air – **Earthshot Prize**.
- Boomitra(Global) – Category: Fix our Climate – **Earthshot Prize**.
- S4S Technologies(India) – Category: Build a Waste Free Land – **Earthshot Prize**.

57. ____ has been named the winner of the 11th British Academy Book Prize for her book 'Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origins of Empire' – **Nandini Das**.

58. Miss Universe 2023 – **Miss Sheynnis Alondra Palacios Cornejo**.

59. Innovation Award 2023, India – **GAIL India limited**.

60. Booker Prize 2023 for his novel 'Prophet Song' - **Paul Lynch**.

61. ____ and ____ Indian Cities joined the UNESCO Creative Cities Network – **Kozhikode(Literature) and Gwalior(Music)**.

62. ____ becomes the First Woman to Bag Dhahan Prize for Punjabi Literature - **Deepti Babuta**.

63. ____ is Merriam-Webster's word of the year for 2023 – **Authentic**.

64. Collins Dictionary Named ' ____ ' as Word of the Year 2023 – **AI**.

65. Artificial Intelligence (AI) Safety Summit held in ____ - **Bletchley Park in Buckinghamshire (UK)**.

66. Indo-Pacific Regional Dialogue 2023" (IPRD-2023) held in ____ - **New Delhi**.

67. ASEAN-India Millet Festival 2023 held in ____ - **Indonesia**.

68. 1st India-US Defence Acceleration Ecosystem (INDUS X) Investors Meeting held in – **New Delhi**.



69. 1st Australia India Education and Skill Council (AIESC) Meeting held in – **IIT Gujarat**.
70. State Food Safety Index (SFSI 2022-2023) by Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) :-
- **Top 3 large states** – Kerala(score 63), Punjab(57.5), Tamil Nadu(56.5).
 - **Top 3 small states** – Goa(51), Manipur(40), Sikkim(39.5).
 - **Top 3 union territories** – J&K(59.5), Delhi(49.5), Chandigarh(45).
71. British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) released the 11th edition of the list of BBC 100 Women 2023 which includes four Indian women - Actress **Dia Mirza**, Cricketer **Harmanpreet Kaur**, Photographer **Arati Kumar-Rao**, and Tibetan Buddhist nun **Jetsunma Tenzin Palmo**.
72. ____ tops the list of States in Number of Accidents for the 5th consecutive year – **Tamil Nadu**.
73. **Reports** :-
- Global Tuberculosis (TB) Report 2023 by WHO.
 - India Finance Report 2023 by Shaktikanta Das, Governor of Reserve Bank of India.
 - Emissions Gap Report 2023: Broken Record by United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).
75. Fincare SFB to Merge with ____ in All-share Deal - **AU Small Finance Bank**.
76. Zurich Insurance to Acquire 51% Stake in Kotak General Insurance for - **Rs 4,051cr**.
77. ____ to Transfer 7.71% Equity to ICICI Bank as its Payment Obligation - **Jaiprakash Associates**.
78. Berkshire Hathaway Sells its Entire 2.46% Stake in Paytm for - **Rs 1,371 crore**.
79. MITRA SHAKTI-2023 exercise between armed forces of India and ____ - **Sri Lanka**.
80. SURYA KIRAN- XVII is a Indo-Nepal joint training Exercise in - **Uttarakhand**.
81. Indian Armed Forces takes part in the 2nd edition of the Joint Military Exercise with Australian Army named - **“AUSTRAHIND-23”**.
82. Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) in cooperation with the Indian Navy (IN) successfully tested the indigenously designed & developed Guided - **Naval Anti-Ship Missile-Short Range (NASM-SR)**.
83. ____ long-range maritime patrol aircraft of the Indian Navy(IN) was decommissioned after 46 years of service to the nation, at INS Hansa at Dabolim, Goa - **Ilyushin (IL)-38 Sea Dragon (SD)**.
84. Indian Navy (IN) launched ____ the 4th in a series of eight Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Crafts (ASW-SWC), at shipbuilding facility of Larsen & Toubro (L&T) in Kattupalli - **‘Amini’**.
85. India set to develop Israel’s Iron Dome like LR-SAM under - **Project Kusha**.
86. ____ India Becomes 1st Firm to Get IN-SPACe Approval for Satellite Broadband Service in India - **OneWeb**.
87. ____ is the First OEM to Manufacture LNG Engines - **Ashok Leyland**.
88. China Approves World’s First Passenger-Carrying Flying Taxi - **“Ehang’s EH216-S”** .



89. 22-Foot Long Statue of Bharat Ratna Sachin Tendulkar Unveiled at Mumbai's - **Wankhede Stadium**.
90. Australian Women's captain ____ Announces Retirement from International Cricket - **Meghann Lanning**.
91. Pakistan All-Rounder ____ Retires from International Cricket - **Imad Wasim**.
92. ____ Defeats Jannik Sinner to Win His Seventh ATP Finals Title in Italy - **Novak Djokovic**.
93. ____ Defeats Australia to win Davis Cup 2023 title – **Italy**.
94. Para Indian Athletes Finishes Fifth with ____ in Hangzhou Asian Para Games 2022 - **111 Medals**.
95. India Wins ____ in Asian Shooting Championships 2023 - **55 Medals**(21 Gold, 21 Silver & 13 Bronze).
96. Maharashtra Finished top in the medal tally with ____ in the 37th edition of the National Games held in Goa - **228 medals** (80 gold, 69 silver, and 79 bronze).
97. Red Bull's ____ Wins F1 Mexico City Grand Prix, Sao Paulo Grand Prix, Las Vegas Grand Prix and Abu Dhabi 2023 - **Max Verstappen**.
98. The Indian Grandmaster (GM) ____ won the 3rd edition of Federation Internationale des Echecs(FIDE) Grand Swiss 2023 - **Vidit Santosh Gujrathi**.
99. ____ won the 2nd edition of FIDE Women's Grand Swiss 2023 title - **Vaishali Rameshbabu**.
100. **Various Books** and authors :-
- Building Partnerships – India and International Cooperation for Maritime Security by Captain Himadri Das.
 - Snakes of Himachal Pradesh by Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu.
 - Mapping of the Archives in India by Prof. Ramesh Chandra Gaur and Vismay Basu.
 - Thread by Thread: The S.Kumar's Story by Sathya Saran.
101. **Important Dates** :-
- 31st Oct, 2023 – National Unity Day.
 - 1st Nov, 2023 – World Vegan Day.
 - 7th Nov, 2023 – National Cancer Awareness Day.
 - 10th Nov, 2023 – National Ayurveda Day.
 - 12th Nov, 2023 – World Pneumonia Day – Theme is “Every Breath Counts: Stop Pneumonia in Its Track”.
 - 13th Nov, 2023 – World Kindness Day – Theme is “Be Kind Wherever Possible”.
 - 16th Nov, 2023 - World Philosophy Day.
102. CSR portal launched by – **IREDA**.
103. ____ application for real-time, prompt and effective Parliament business – **Dashboard**.
104. Association of Asia-Pacific Airlines (AAPA) has passed a resolution to adopt a collective target of ____ sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) use by 2030 - **5%**.



Month - December

1. Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi on 29 Nov, 2023 approved following proposals :-

- Approved the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Sixteenth/16th Finance Commission.
- Extended Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) for five years from January 2024 till December 2028.
- Approved the Pradhan Mantri Janjati Adivasi Nyaya Maha Abhiyan (PM JANMAN).
- Drones to women SHGs from 2024-25 to 2025-26.
- Continuation of the Fast Track Special Court for a further three years i.e. from 1st April, 2023 to 31st March, 2026.

2. Urban Unemployment Rate Dropped to - 6.6%.

3. GoI Launched Auction of 20 Critical Minerals Worth - Rs 45,000 crore.

4. President Droupadi Murmu Confers President's Colour to - Armed Forces Medical College at Pune.

5. First edition of 'India's Top 200 Self-made Entrepreneurs of the Millennia 2023' released by First Private and Hurun India topped by - Radhakishan Shivkishan Damani, the founder of Avenue Supermarts Limited (DMart).

6. India's Emission Intensity Reduced by ____ between 2005 and 2019 - 33%.

7. World's First Portable Hospital 'Aarogya Maitri Aid Cube' Unveiled in – Gurugram.

8. Ministry of Panchayati Raj launched GIS application - 'Gram Manchitra'.

9. India Ranks ____ in the International Institute for Management Development (IMD)'s 7th edition of World Digital Competitiveness Ranking (WDCR) 2023 – 49th.

10. Swedish think-tank Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) has released the report titled "World's Top 100 Arms Producing Companies 2022" – Indian PSUs included – HAL(41st), BEL(63rd) and MDL(89th).

11. The 20th annual ranking of the World's 100 Most Powerful Women (2023) features a total of 4 Indian women – Nirmala Sitharaman, Roshini Nadar Malhotra, Soma Mandal and Kiran Mazumdar Shaw.

12. University of Delhi ranked ____ on QS World University Ranking for Sustainability 2024 - 220th.

13. Ujjivan SFB Partners with ____ to offer Water, Sanitation & Hygiene Loans - Water.org.

14. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and ____ signed a MoU for cooperation and information exchange regarding the Clearing Corporation of India Limited (CCIL) - the Bank of England (BoE).

15. ADB provided ____ loan for Uttarakhand's Climate-Resilient Power System Development Project - USD 200 million.

16. Aditya Birla Sun Life launches ____ Salaried Term Plan for Salaried Individuals – ABSLI.

17. Union Bank Collaborates with ____ to Boost Operational Efficiency – Accenture.



18. According to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), India's GDP Growth expected to be at - **6.3% in FY24**.
19. Kerala Startup Mission (KSUM) and ____ have signed an MoU to boost the startup ecosystems in India and Finland - **Business Finland**.
20. ____ launches 'Build for Bharat' Initiative to Tackle Challenges in Digital Commerce Space - **ONDC**.
21. Bharat Electronics Limited Receives orders worth - **Rs. 3,915 Crore**.
22. Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) has projected the India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) to grow at ____ in Financial Year 2023-24 (FY24) - **6.8 %**.
23. ISRO Scientist V R Lalithambika Honoured with - **France's Chevalier Award**.
24. ____ among 5 Indians featured on Art Review's 2023 Power100 Most Influential People in Art - **Bose Krishnamachari**.
25. Forbes Asia's 2023 Heroes of Philanthropy List features 3 Indian - **K.P. Singh, Nandan Nilekani, & Nikhil Kamath**.
26. Educate Girls Founder ____ honoured with WISE Prize for Education 2023 - **Safeena Husain**.
27. ____ received "ISSA Vision Zero 2023" Award at the 23rd World Congress on Safety and Health at Work - **Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC)**.
28. Oxford University Press names ____ as Word of the Year 2023 - '**Rizz**'.
29. ____ honored With PRSI National Award 2023 - **Suganthi Sundararaj**.
30. ____ re-elected to International Maritime Organisation Council for 2024-2025 – **India**.
31. Cricketer ____ appointed as the Youth Voter Awareness Ambassador for Jammu & Kashmir - **Suresh Raina**.
32. ____ elected as Vice Chair of UNESCO Executive Board from the Asia Pacific Group – **Pakistan**.
33. PNB MetLife appointed India's Cricketer ____ its ambassador - **Smriti Mandhana**.
34. Indian Air Force Officer ____ appointed India's 1st Woman Aide-DeCamp to Mizoram Governor - **Manisha Padhi**.
35. SBI to Acquire Additional 20% Stake in SBI Pension Funds for - **Rs 229.52 Crore**.
36. SBI's Stake in Jio Payments Bank reduced to - **23%** in FY23.
37. Indian Railways to Install AI-based Surveillance System to Prevent Elephant Deaths on Tracks – **Gajraj System**.
38. ____ delivered Sandhayak (Yard 3025) SVL to Indian Navy – **GRSE**.
39. Indian Researcher ____, 1st Indian Woman to Operate a Rover on Mars with NASA - **Dr. Akshata Krishnamurthy**.



40. The world's largest and most advanced nuclear fusion reactor, Japan Torus-60 Super Advanced (JT-60SA) started its operations in - **Naka, Japan**.
41. Google Launches its largest and most capable AI Model - '**Gemini**'.
42. Vaishali Rameshbabu Becomes India's ____ Chess Grandmaster - **84th**
43. Indian tennis player ____ won the men's singles title of the International Tennis Federation(ITF) Kalaburagi Open 2023 - **Ramkumar Ramanathan**.
44. Nobel Peace Prize Winner ____ Passed Away at 100 - **Henry Kissinger**.
45. National Crime Records Bureau(NCRB) has released its annual report titled "Crime in India – 2022". It shows a decline of ____ in registration of cases compared to 2021 - **4.5%**.
46. Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi inaugurated the 1st Indian Art, Architecture, and Design Biennale 2023 (IAADB'23), which is being organized by the Ministry of Culture at Red Fort in - **New Delhi, Delhi**.
47. MoD to buy 70,000 More ____ Assault Rifles for Rs 800 crore - **Sig Sauer SemiAutomatic**.
48. India's First Bullet Train Terminal Built At - **Sabarmati In Ahmedabad**.
49. ____ is ranked as the World's 2nd largest largescale solar PhotoVoltaic (PV) developer in the Mercom Capital Groups's annual global report titled "Leading Global Large-Scale Solar PV Developers" - **Adani Green Energy Ltd (AGEL)** .
50. 4th Joint Military Exercise between India & Veitnam Held in Vietnam – **VINBAX-2023**.
51. 74.1% of Indians Unable to Afford a Healthy Diet - **FAO Report**.
52. According to Mercer's Quality of Living City Ranking 2023, ____, Pune and Bengaluru ranked 153rd, 154th and 156th respectively, have emerged as the top three Best cities in India in terms of living standard - **Hyderabad**.
53. According to WHO's 5th Global Status Reports on Road Safety 2023, In India, the total number of road traffic fatalities went up from 1.34 lakh in 2010 to ____ in 2021 - **1.54 lakh**.
54. According to S&P Global Market Intelligence's new ranking "The Worlds Largest Life Insurers, 2023" based on life and accident & health reserves, ____ has been named the 4th largest insurer in the world - **Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC)**.
55. RBI Cancels Licence of ____ & UP's Urban Cooperative Bank - **Maharashtra's Shankarrao Pujari Bank**.
56. The Government of India (GoI) and Asian Development Bank (ADB) signed a USD 175 million loan to improve the connectivity and resilience of roads in - **Madhya Pradesh (MP)**.
57. ____ with ICICI Bank to Boost Security with Advanced E-Surveillance Services - **iVIS Partners**.
58. ____ Signs 200 million Euro Loan with Germany's KfW to Reform DISCOMs – **REC limited**.
59. Bank of India Launches Exclusive SB Account ____ for Women - "**Nari Shakti Savings Account**".
60. Intellect Signs a Rs.80 Cr Deal with Indian Bank to Deploy its – **eMACH-ai CMS**.



61. ICICI Prudential Life & ____ enters Bancassurance Partnership to Distribute Life Insurance Products - **Ujjivan SFB**.
62. Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a ____ policy based loan to develop industrial corridors in India aligning with the National Industrial Corridor Development Program (NICDP) - **USD 250 million**.
63. ADB approved ____ loan to improve solid waste management and sanitation in Indian cities - **USD 200 million**.
64. SBI Signs ____ Loan with Germany's KfW For Solar PV Projects - **70 Million Euro**.
65. ____ recognised as Top Performer of 2023 CAFI Award for Climate Reporting by IFC - **Federal Bank**.
66. ____ Launches India's First Self-Hosted Payments Orchestration Platform - **Cashfree Payments**.
67. American Pop Singer ____ Named Time Magazine's 2023 Person of the Year, 1st Woman to be Named Twice - **Taylor Swift**.
68. Cambridge Dictionary Reveals ____ as Word of the Year 2023 - '**Hallucinate**'.
69. Indian Actor ____ honoured with Italy's Order of Merit - **Kabir Bedi**.
70. ____ Sworn in as CM of Telangana - **Anumula Revanth Reddy**.
71. ____ Elected as Prime Minister of Poland - **Donald Tusk**.
72. China's CNSA & ____ Signed an MoU for Space Cooperation & a Cooperation Agreement on International Lunar Research Station - **Egypt's EGSA**.
73. World's First Liquid oxygen-methane Powered Launch Vehicle ____ Launched by China - "**Zhuque-2 Y-3**".
74. ____ Unveils India's First Sodium-Ion Battery Technology – **KPIT technologies**.
75. Indian Navy Commissioned ____ at Naval Dockyard in Visakhapatnam - **INS Tarmugli**.
76. India's Fastest' Solar-Electric Boat ____ Launched in Kerala – **Barracuda**.
77. Leander Paes & ____ Become 1st Indians to be inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame - **Vijay Amritraj**.
78. Novak Djokovic and ____ wins ITF World Champion awards 2023 - **Aryna Sabalenka**.
79. According to the International Energy Agency (IEA) report titled 'Coal 2023-Analysis and forecast to 2026', Indian coal demand is expected to rise by ____ annually to 1397 million tonnes (Mt) till 2026 - **3.5%**.
80. **Cabinet Approvals** on 15th December chaired by PM Narendra Modi :-
- Approves declaration of Surat Airport (Gujarat) as an International Airport.
 - MoU signed between India and Tanzania on Cooperation in the field of sharing successful Digital Solutions.
 - MoC signed between India and Saudi Arabia on cooperation in the field of Digitization and Electronic Manufacturing.



- MoU between India, Italy on Cooperation in the field of Industrial Property Rights.
 - MoU between USA, India to enhance innovation ecosystems through innovation handshake.
81. ____ has launched '1st Indian Winter Expedition to Arctic' to expand the India's scientific activities - **Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES)**.
82. Unemployment Rate among Graduates declines to ____ between July 2022 and June 2023 - **13.4%**.
83. Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a contract worth ____ with Mazagon Dockyard Shipbuilders Limited for the procurement of six Next Generation Offshore Patrol Vessels (NGOPVS) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) - **Rs.1614.89 crore**.
84. Union MSME Minister Narayan Rane Launched **3 Sub-schemes under RAMP Programme:-**
- MSME Green Investment and Financing for Transformation Scheme (MSME GIFT Scheme).
 - MSE Scheme for Promotion and Investment in Circular Economy (MSE SPICE Scheme).
 - MSE Scheme on Online Dispute Resolution for Delayed Payments (MSE ODR Scheme).
85. ____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) to provide career opportunities for ex-service personnel - **Amazon India**.
86. Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ecommerce platform ____ to empower the rural Self Help Group (SHG) artisans - **'JioMart'**.
87. According to World Bank 'Leveraging Diaspora Finances for Private Capital Mobilization' report, ____ is considered a top remittance recipient with an estimated inward remittance flow of USD 125 Billion – **India**.
88. WHO Officially Recognized ____ as a Neglected Tropical Disease – **Noma**.
89. International Organization for Migration (IOM) launched ____ in partnership with the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) to facilitate safe, orderly and regular migration for Indian workers and students - **Project PRAYAS**.
90. KMBL & ____ Launched India's 1st School of Sustainability - **IIT Kanpur**.
91. GoI & ADB sign 37bn Japanese Yen loan for - **Delhi-Meerut RRTS Corridor**.
92. Kotak Life Has Introduced a New Insurance Product - **'T.U.L.I.P'**.
93. WB approved USD 300 Million Loan to Boost Urban Water, Sewerage Systems in – **Tamil Nadu**.
94. According to an online blogging platform soic.in, ____ has emerged as the largest economy of India – **Maharashtra**.
95. GenAI Could Boost India's GDP by USD 1.5 trillion by FY2029-30 - **EY India Report**.
96. Zepto's Kaivalya Vohra & ____ are the Youngest in Hurun India Top 100 Under 30 List 2023 - **Aadit Palicha**.
97. Israeli Film ____ Wins Best Film Award at Kolkata International Film Festival - **'Children of Nobody'**.
98. ISRO Received the ____ for the Chandrayaan-3 Mission - **Leif Erikson Lunar Prize 2023**.
99. Actress Aastha Rawal Crowned With - **Miss Continental International 2023**.



100. Important dates :-

- 1st December, 2023 – World AIDS Day – Theme is “Let Communities Lead”.
- 5th December, 2023 – World Soil Day – Theme is “Soil and water, a source of life”.
- 10th Dec, 2023 – Human Rights Day – Theme is “Freedom, Equality and Justice for All”.
- 11th Dec, 2023 – International Mountain Day
- 16th Dec, 2023 – Vijay Diwas 53rd
- 18th Dec, 2023 – International Migrants Day – Theme is Act Today.
- 18th Dec, 2023 – Minority Rights Day – Theme is Celebrating Diversity and Inclusion.
- 22nd Dec, 2023 – National Mathematics Day.
- 23rd Dec, 2023 – National Farmers Day(Kisan Diwas 2023).
- 25th Dec, 2023 – Good Governance Day.

101. Kempegowda International Airport (KIA) in Bengaluru, Karnataka, is set to become the first Airport in India to introduce ____ machine to eliminate the need for removing personal electronic devices from handbags - **the Computer Tomography X-ray (CTX)**.

102. Telangana State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) launched ____ a public grievance mobile application, designed for registering various complaints related to environmental pollution - "**JanavaniKalushya Nivarani**".

103. Bisleri ropes in ____ its 1st-ever Global Brand Ambassador - **Actress Deepika Padukone**.

104. Hyderabad's HC Robotics Partners with ____ to make Advanced Gimbals for Indian Armed Forces - **France's Merio**.

105. Ministry of Textiles Launches ____ App To Empower Jute Farmers - "**Paat-Mitro**".

106. ____ Defeats Rajasthan to Win Vijay Hazare Trophy 2023–24 – **Haryana**.

107. India's ____ and Savita won the 2023 FIH Hockey Star Awards - **Hardik Singh**.

108. Padma Bhushan Awardee and Women's Rights Activist - **Dr. V. Mohini Giri** Passed Away.

109.____ , Nobel-winning American Economist Passed Away - **Robert M Solow**.

110. Government of India (GOI) and Government of Bangladesh (GoB) have agreed to extend Indo-Bangladesh Protocol (IBP) route and declare ____ in West Bengal as the new port of call – **Safardighi**.

111. India's coking coal imports are at a five-year high during the April-November period (11 months) of fiscal year 2023-24 (FY24) at - **38.14 million tonnes**.

112. India Skills Report 2024 by Wheebox and AICTE, ____ have emerged as the most preferred State to work for both male and female employable talent followed by Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh - **Kerala**.

113. ADB and GOI signed a loan agreement of ____ for the project “India: Tripura Urban and Tourism Development Project” – **USD 100 million**.

114. Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has granted ____ to ETO Motors Private Limited to deploy 300 Electric 3-Wheelers (E3W) in Hyderabad (Telangana) and New Delhi (Delhi), under Mission 50K-EV4ECO - **Rs. 12.45 crores**.



115. Polish Tennis Player Iga Świątek (22 years old) has topped the Forbes' annual list with a total earning of - **USD 23.9 million in 2023.**
116. India's Crypto Portfolio 2023 released by ____ - **CoinSwitch**, Delhi tops.
117. Global Risk Survey 2023 done by – **Price water house Coopers Private Ltd.**
118. Reliance Industries and ____, signed a non-binding term sheet to merge their Indian media operations – Walt Disney.
119. ____ announced its decision to withdraw from OPEC (Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries), with effect from January 2024, after disagreements regarding the OPEC's production targets - **Republic of Angola.**
120. eSvarna launched by – **Indusland Bank Ltd.**
121. SBI and ____, Signed a USD 165 million Line of Credit (LoC) to finance grid-connected rooftop Solar Photovoltaic projects in residential and institutional sectors – **World Bank.**
122. Adani Total Gas Limited and ____, To collaborate on decarbonising Flipkart's supply chain – **Flipkart.**
123. Indian Navy (IN) commissioned the Indian Naval Ship (INS)____, a Stealth Guided Missile Destroyer, at Naval Dockyard, Mumbai, Maharashtra - **Imphal (Yard 12706).**
124. OSIRIS-APEX launched by – **NASA** (to study the asteroid Apophis).
125. Tamil actor and the founder of Desiya Murpokku Dravida Kazhagam (DMDK), ____, passed away in Chennai, Tamil Nadu – **Vijayakanth.**
126. Jio and ____, To develop the 'BharatGPT (Generative Pre-Trained Transformer)' program – **IIT, Bombay.**
127. Adani Global Ltd and ____, Formed a joint venture "Sirius Digitech International Limited (Sirius JV)" to deploy Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), and Secured Blockchain Products for industrial applications – **UAE based Sirius International Holding Ltd.**
128. ____ was appointed as the 1st woman Director General (DG) of the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) - **Nina Singh.**



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