



DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS 13-09-2022

NATIONAL NEWS

Ayurveda Day 2022 Programme

- All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) has launched Ayurveda Day 2022 programme on 12 September 2022.
- The six-week long programme will continue till 23 October 2022.
- AIIA has been chosen as the nodal agency for driving the Ministry of Ayush's mandate for Ayurveda Day for the year 2022.
- The theme for the celebration is 'Har Din Har Ghar Ayurveda'.
- It is celebrated to create awareness of 'Ayurveda for Holistic Health' in every household and make true the vision of From Healthy India to a Healthy World.

Exercise 'Ganga Strike'

- Indian Army's Kharga Corps and the Indian Air Force have conducted a joint exercise 'Gagan Strike' in Punjab.
- It showcased the precision firepower of the attack helicopters in coordination with ground forces mechanised columns.
- The exercise comprised the deployment of attack helicopters as the aerial arm in support of ground forces carrying out drills, practising annihilation of enemy defences and deep penetration.

100-Day Urban Employment Guarantee Scheme

- Rajasthan chief minister Shri Ashok Gehlot launched the 'Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Scheme' at the Ambedkar Bhawan, Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- It is to provide 100 days of employment to needy families in urban areas on the lines of the

rural employment guarantee scheme Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA).

- The Government of Rajasthan has allocated Rs 800 crore for the scheme.
- The scheme would cover works like environment protection, water and heritage conservation, garden maintenance, removing encroachments, illegal sign boards, hoardings, banners, Sanitation, cleanliness, etc.
- People from the age group of 18 to 60 are eligible for the scheme.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Hughes Announces Broadband Internet Service

- Hughes Communications India, a joint venture entity of US-based Hughes Network Systems and Indian telecom operator Bharti Airtel, announced the launch of its first high throughput satellite (HTS) broadband internet service in India.
- The service will offer satellite internet to remote locations across India and will use the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)'s Geosynchronous Satellite (GSAT)-11 and GSAT-29 satellites to offer the service.
- The service was expected to offer bandwidth of between 2-10Mbps.
- HTS refers to satellite connectivity that offers a higher bandwidth — which in turn increases the amount of data that could be transferred between a satellite and a ground station.

BANKING

Click2Protect Super Term Insurance Policy

- HDFC Life has launched a term insurance plan Click2Protect Super, which enables customisation as per protection needs and you only pay for the benefits/plan options that you have chosen.
- Click2Protect Super is a non-linked, non-participating, individual, pure risk premium/ savings life insurance plan.
- The plan provides comprehensive financial protection for the family.
- One can choose a cover as per requirement from among three plan options - Life, Life Plus and Life Goal.

SBI and WAARE

- WAAREE, India's largest Solar Panel manufacturer has an Agreement with the State Bank of India (SBI) for Solar Projects.
- It allows WAAREE to receive unsecured financing for solar projects through Surya Shakti Solar Finance Scheme and provide working capital for Channel Partners under EDFs (Electronic dealer finance scheme).
- Through the scheme, WAAREE plans to leverage a credit line of more than USD 500 million and offer loan borrowers a digital platform for a simple application process.

Smart Flexi Protect Solution

- Max Life Insurance Company Ltd has launched 'Smart Flexi Protect Solution', a 3-in-1 offering that provides health and enhanced life cover, along with market-linked investment returns.
- Max Life's Smart Flexi Protect Solution is designed as a go-to choice for earning individuals, especially for self-employed profiles.
- The 'Smart Flexi Protect Solution' is a combination of Max Life Flexi Wealth Plus & Max Life Critical Illness and Disability Secure Rider.
- It offers 5 different investment strategies and 11 funds along with a return of mortality charges at maturity.

SPORTS

Asia Cup 2022

- Sri Lanka defeated Pakistan by 23 runs to lift their 6th Asia Cup title at the Dubai International Stadium last night.
- Pakistan were all out on 147 runs in 20 overs with Mohammad Rizwan top-scored with 55 runs.
- For Sri Lanka, Pramod Madushan scalped four wickets while Wanindu Hasaranga took three and Chamika Karunaratne bagged two wickets.
- Sri Lanka all-rounder Wanindu Hasaranga has been adjudged the Player of the Series.
- Bhanuka Rajapaksa has been named the Player of the Match for his batting performance in the final.

APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

CEO of American Express India

- American Express Banking Corp appointed Sanjay Khanna as the chief executive officer and country manager for India.
- Khanna heads the country executive team and is responsible for driving growth across the organization's consumer and commercial businesses.
- In his new role, he will also spearhead several strategic and business development initiatives for the company.
- American Express is an American multinational corporation specializing in payment card services.

Prime Minister of Burundi

- Burundi's President Mr Evariste Ndayishimiye has appointed Mr Gervais Ndirakobuca as the Prime Minister of Burundi.
- He succeeds Alain-Guillaume Bunyoni.
- The 113 members of Parliament (MPs) approved the proposal.
- He is a Burundian former rebel commander and police commissioner.
- He served as the Minister of Interior, Public Security, and Community Development.

Chairman and Managing Director of BEL

- Dinesh Kumar Batra, Director (Finance) and CFO has taken additional charge as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).
- He is a member of the Board of BEL subsidiaries, BEL-Thales Systems Limited (BTSL) and BEL Optronics Devices Limited (BELOP).
- He also played a pivotal role in obtaining necessary approvals for BEL's highest-ever payout of 450% Dividend.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Single-Piece 3D Printed Rocket Engines

- Indian space-tech startup AgniKul Cosmos Private Limited has secured a patent from the Central government for the design and manufacturing of single-piece rocket engines using 3D printing technology.
- Agnilet, one such single-piece engine is the world's first single-piece 3D printed rocket engine fully designed and manufactured in India. It was successfully test-fired in early 2021.
- Since 2019, Agnikul has raised a total funding of Rs 105 crore (\$15 million) from Mayfield India, pi Ventures, Speciale Invest and a host of others including prominent angels such as Anand Mahindra and Naval Ravikant.



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