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1. Nelson Mandela Award given to NIMHANS I

India's premier mental health institute, National Institute of Mental Health and Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS), Bengaluru has been awarded the prestigious Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion 2024 by the World Health Organization (WHO). The award recognises individuals, institutions and organisations that have made significant contributions to health promotion. NIMHANS Director Pratima Murthy expressed gratitude while receiving the award at the 77th World Health Assembly held in Geneva.



2. 01 June 2024 Global Day of Parents I

The Global Day of Parents is observed annually on 1 June, with the aim of raising international awareness about the importance of fatherhood. The day, established by the United Nations General Assembly, commemorates the important role parents play in shaping the lives and well-being of their children. The theme for 2024 is "Nurturing the Future", but it has not been officially announced yet.



3. Rakesh Ranjan becomes new Chairman of Staff Selection Commission (SSC)

Rakesh Ranjan, a 1992 batch IAS officer of Manipur cadre, has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Staff Selection Commission (SSC). The appointment comes following a notification issued by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet. Ranjan will serve in the rank and pay of Secretary to the Government of India, with the post of Chairman, SSC being temporarily upgraded. The Recruitment Rules (RR) of this post have also been temporarily put on hold.



4. Muthoot Pappachan Group appoints Shah Rukh Khan as its brand ambassador

Muthoot Pappachan Group (MPG), also known as Muthoot Blue, has announced the appointment of Shah Rukh Khan as its new brand ambassador. This association is a significant milestone for MPG, which aims to strengthen its brand presence and establish new connect with diverse audiences across the country. MPG is the promoter of leading non-banking financial companies (NBFCs), including Muthoot Fincorp Limited, Muthoot Microfin Limited, Muthoot Capital Services Limited and Muthoot Housing Finance Company Limited.



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5. Badminton star PV Sindhu new brand ambassador for Tobacco Control I

The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India organized an event on the occasion of World No Tobacco Day 2024, with this year's theme being "Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference". The event aimed to emphasize on protecting youth from the harmful effects of tobacco consumption. Union Health Secretary, Shri Apurva Chandra addressed the gathering through a video message and focused on the devastating impact of tobacco use.



6. Anant Yardi recently took over as CEO of WeWork.

Indian-origin entrepreneur Anant Yardi has taken over as the CEO of WeWork. WeWork, a company that operates in the corporate real estate sector, recently went bankrupt. Yardi has built a successful business called Yardi Systems in California and is an important figure in the software industry. He studied at IIT Delhi and founded Yardi Systems in 1984, which has an annual revenue of about \$3 billion.



7. Bruhat Soma Indian-American student wins Scripps National Spelling Bee title

12-year-old Bruhat Soma performed brilliantly in the Scripps National Spelling Bee by spelling 29 words correctly in 90 seconds and defeated 228 competitors including 7 finalists. He also became the champion by beating Faizan Zaki, who spelled 20 words correctly in the Lightning Round. With this achievement, he got more than \$50,000 in cash and other prizes. Bruhat emerged victorious by spelling the word "abscissor". He spelled 30 words correctly and competed with Faizan in the tie-breaker round.



8. National Stock Exchange Organization launches India's first electric vehicle (EV) index

Keeping in mind the growing demand for the EV segment worldwide, the Indian National Stock Exchange (NSE) has launched the new EV and New Age Automotive Index. This is an important move that will promote a trend to invest in the electric vehicle segment. The NSE EV & New Age Automotive Index is the country's first electric vehicle share index. It includes shares of electric vehicle manufacturing companies as well as EV-related technology companies.

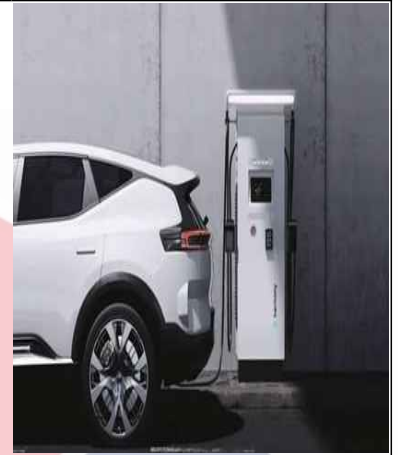


1. Which organisation launched India's first electric vehicle (EV) index?

- A - Bombay Stock Exchange
C - IRDAI

- B - SEBI
D - National Stock Exchange

NSE Indices Ltd, a subsidiary of the National Stock Exchange of India, has launched India's first electric vehicle index, called the Nifty EV and New Age Automotive Index. The index focuses on the performance of companies that are part of the EV ecosystem or are involved in the development of new age automotive vehicles such as EVs, hybrids and hydrogen fuel vehicles. The base date of the index is April 2, 2018 and its base value is 1,000.



2. Which country has developed the world's first wooden satellite?

- A - China
C - Japan

- B - USA
D - Germany

In collaboration with NASA and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA), the world's first wooden satellite, called Lignosat Probe, is ready for launch. This innovative initiative aims to revolutionize space flight operations by prioritizing sustainability. Lignosat Probe will represent a pioneering effort to reduce the environmental impact of space missions.



3. Who has been elected as the Director-General of the World Organisation for Animal Health (WOAH)?

- A - Dr. Emmanuelle Soubeyran
C - Dr. Monique Alloit

- B - Dr. Bernard Vallat
D - Dr. Emmanuel Leclanche

The World Organization for Animal Health elected Dr. Emmanuel Soberen as the new Director-General during its 91st Ordinary Session. His term will run from 2024 to 2029. This is Soberen's 8th Director-Generalship of WOAH. The World Organization for Animal Health is headquartered in Paris, France and was founded in 1924. The founder of this organization is Emmanuel Leclanche.

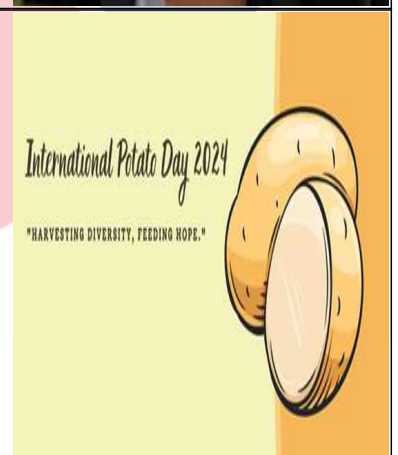


4. The United Nations will celebrate the first International Potato Day on _____ 2024.

- A - 30 May
C - 2 June

- B - 31 May
D - 1 June

The United Nations has decided to celebrate the first International Potato Day on 30 May 2024. The theme for this occasion is "Harvesting diversity, nurturing hope". The United Nations General Assembly accepted this proposal on 8 December 2023. Previously, 2008 was also celebrated as the International Potato Year. Potato originated in the South American Andes region, and this product has importance in different regions of the world.



5. Which Indian-American student won the Scripps National Spelling Bee title?

- A - Rishabh Jain
B - Pranav Vinod
C - Bruhat Soma
D - Vihaan Sibal

Bruhat Soma, a 12-year-old Indian-American seventh grader, won the 2024 Scripps National Spelling Bee Championship title. He correctly spelled 29 words in a 90-second tiebreaker round against runner-up Faizan Zaki. Soma received the Scripps Cup trophy, over \$50,000 in cash and prizes for this achievement. His winning word was "absail", which means "to descend in mountaineering by means of a rope on an upper projection".



6. Which Bollywood superstar has been appointed as the brand ambassador of Muthoot Pappachan Group?

- A - Amitabh Bachchan
B - Salman Khan
C - Aamir Khan
D - Shah Rukh Khan

Muthoot Pappachan Group (MPG) has appointed Shah Rukh Khan as its new brand ambassador. Khan will lead MPG's campaigns across various channels, which will promote the company's services and financial products. The main objective of these campaigns is to highlight MPG's offerings and make them accessible to all. Shah Rukh Khan's campaign will focus on MPG's mission of empowering the common man and making financial services accessible to all.



7. Which polling station in India has been declared as the Model Polling Station?

- A - Hikkim
B - Komik Strategists
C - Tashigang
D - Kibbar

Tashigang, located in Lahaul-Spiti district of Himachal Pradesh, has been declared as the Model Polling Station as it is the highest polling station in the world. The station has an altitude of 15,256 feet, making it the highest polling station in the world. The polling station at Tashigang has recorded 100% polling in consecutive elections, including the 2019 Lok Sabha elections.



8. Who recently took over as the CEO of WeWork?

- A - Anant Yardi
B - Masayoshi Son
C - Adam Neumann
D - Sandeep Mathrani

Indian-origin entrepreneur and IIT Delhi alumnus Anant Yardi has taken over as the CEO of the giant company WeWork. His name is considered important in the software industry despite being less popular. He topped the IIT JEE entrance exam in 1963 and founded Yardi Systems in 1984, which now generates annual revenue of about \$3 billion. He recently invested more than \$200 million in WeWork and made a \$337.5 million bid to regain control of the company.





One Liner

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2. Which country has developed the world's first wooden satellite. - **Japan**
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9. Which two countries collaborated to combat terrorism during their sixth joint working group meeting. - **India and Japan**
10. What is the research area of DRDO-Industry-Academia Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Centre of Excellence at Gujarat University. - **CyberSecurity**

