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1. Hemis Festival 2024 I

The Hemis Festival, also known as Hemis Tsechu, is held in Ladakh every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of Guru Padmasambhava, revered in Tibetan Buddhism. In 2024, this important cultural event will take place on June 16 and 17. The festival brings Ladakh's largest Buddhist monastery, Hemis Monastery, alive with colour, music and spiritual energy. The highlight of the festival is the Cham dance, in which monks wear colourful masks representing the eight incarnations of Guru Padmasambhava.



2. Rear Admiral Nelson D'Souza takes over as Commandant of Military Institute of Technology, Pune

Rear Admiral Nelson D'Souza took over as Commandant of Military Institute of Technology (MILIT), Pune from Air Vice Marshal Vivek Bloria. D'Souza, an accomplished alumnus of Defence Services Staff College, Wellington and Naval War College, Goa, was commissioned into the Indian Navy in March 1991 and has since served in several key appointments.



3. Government appoints Atul Kumar Chaudhary as Secretary, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)

The government on June 20 appointed Atul Kumar Chaudhary as the new Secretary of Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI). The post fell vacant following the retirement of V Raghunandan on May 31. Atul Kumar Chaudhary is a graduate from IIT-Roorkee and holds a Master Diploma in Public Policy and Administration from IIPA Delhi.



4. Karnataka Governor launches National Yoga Olympiad 2024 in Mysore

Karnataka Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot inaugurated the National Yoga Olympiad 2024 in Mysore, emphasising the integral role of yoga in Indian culture and its global significance. Over 400 students and 100 teachers from across the country are participating in this inaugural three-day event. During his address, Governor Gehlot highlighted efforts to make Karnataka a leading state in yoga literacy through initiatives such as 'Har Ghar Yoga'.



5. 'The Hunger Games' actor Donald Sutherland dies at the age of 88

Canadian actor Donald Sutherland, best known for his unique performances in films like 'The Hunger Games' and 'Don't Look Now', died at the age of 88 after a prolonged illness. Born in New Brunswick, Sutherland began his career as a radio news reporter and moved to London in 1957 to study at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. His major roles were in war films like 1967's 'The Dirty Dozen' and 1970's 'Kelly's Heroes'.



6. Surama Padhi new Speaker of Odisha Assembly

Suresh Padhi, a senior BJP leader, has been unanimously elected as the Speaker of the Odisha Assembly, marking a significant moment for the party after recent electoral successes in the state. Padhi represented Ranpur constituency twice as MLA and assumed her responsibilities without any opposition during the special session of the Assembly. Her appointment elevates her to the post of Speaker in the Odisha Assembly, making her the second woman to hold the prestigious post after Pramila Mallick.



7. Sudhakar Rao Papa gets appointment as Enterprise Director in BSNL

Sudhakar Rao Papa has been appointed as Director (Enterprise) of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) on June 15, 2024 after a rigorous selection process by the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB). His appointment is pending final vigilance clearance and approval from the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet.

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8. United Nations Public Service Day 2024

United Nations Public Service Day is celebrated every year on 23 June to celebrate the value and virtues of public service in communities across the globe. The day highlights the contribution of public servants and acknowledges their role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The day also serves as an inspiration for youth to pursue careers in the public sector.



UN Public Service Day

1. Who launched the first-of-its-kind skin bank for treatment of severe burn injuries in the defence sector?

A - Indian Navy

B - Indian Air Force

C - Indian Army

D - Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

On June 18, the Indian Army announced the establishment of a state-of-the-art skin bank facility at Army Hospital (Research and Referral) aimed at providing advanced treatment for severe burn injuries suffered by armed forces personnel and their families.



2. Who won the Democratic primary for the Congress seat in Virginia?

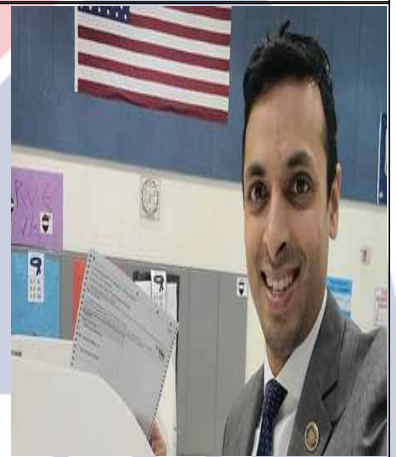
A - Krystal Kaul

B - Suhas Subramaniam

C - Mike Clancy

D - Ami Bera

Suhas Subramaniam has won the Democratic primary in Virginia, clearing his path to be replaced for the Congress seat. He has beaten Indian-American Krystal Kaul and 11 other candidates. Subramaniam, born in East Houston to Indian-American parents, is already a stalwart in the Indian-American community. He served as a White House technology policy adviser in the Barack Obama administration in 2015.



3. Which company was awarded the 'Global Central Banking Award 2024' for technology services in London?

A - Tata Consultancy Services

B - Infosys

C - Wipro

D - IRIS Business Services Limited

Navi Mumbai-based IRIS Business Services Limited has received a prestigious award 'Global Central Banking Award 2024' in London. This award is given by the publication 'Central Banking' and has been awarded to several important industry bodies in the past. IRIS has been honoured with this award through which they have developed strong relationships with various nations.



4. Who was elected unopposed as the Speaker of Odisha Assembly in June 2024?

A - Naveen Patnaik

B - Mhan Charan Majhi

C - Surama Padhi

D - Mukesh Mahaling

Senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader Surama Padhi has taken over as the new Speaker of the Odisha Legislative Assembly. She has been a two-time MLA from BJD's Ranpur Assembly constituency and was elected unopposed this time. Her selection was a natural one in the absence of other candidates for the post. Padhi had won the legislative election from her constituency.



5. Which IIT jointly won the second prize in the Trinity Challenge on Antimicrobial Resistance?

- A - IIT Kanpur
B - IIT Delhi
C - IIT Jodhpur
D - IIT Madras

Trinity Challenge has announced the winners of its second competition 'Trinity Challenge on Antimicrobial Resistance'. The competition aimed to encourage significant innovation in the fight against antimicrobial resistance (AMR). Among this year's awardees, the project 'AMRSense: Empowering Communities with a Proactive One Health Ecosystem' led by Dr Tavpreetesh Sethi, Associate Professor, IIIT-Delhi, won the second prize.



6. Who assumed charge as the President of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) for the third consecutive term?

- A - Dr Jitendra Singh
B - Dr Harsh Vardhan
C - Dr Ramesh Pokhriyal
D - Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar

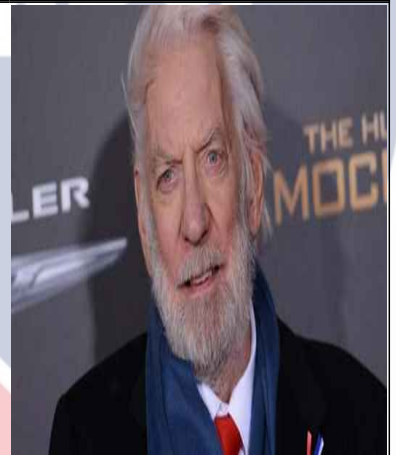
Today, Dr Jitendra Singh assumed charge as the President of Indian Institute of Public Administration for his third term at the campus of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA). He has been active in many fields as Indian Minister of State (Independent Charge), and today inaugurated two 'Smart Conference Rooms' which are designed to provide digital and immersive learning.



7. Renowned actor Donald Sutherland, who died recently, was from which country?

- A - United States
B - United Kingdom
C - Australia
D - Canada

Canadian leading actor Donald Sutherland, who was known for films like 'The Hunger Games' and 'Don't Look Now', has died at the age of 88. He was born in New Brunswick, Canada and made his mark in British film and television with his hard work and talent. Sutherland started his career as a radio news reporter and then made his appearance in small roles in British films.



8. Who has been appointed as the first director of Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) in June 2024?

- A - D. Manjunath
B - P. Kumar
C - S. Tripathi
D - A. Sharma

The Karnataka state government has made a significant appointment, which will usher in a new era for Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE). Under this appointment, Professor S. Tripathi, Head of the Department of Geology and Geophysics of Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur has been named as the first Director of UVCE.





One Liner

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2. Who won the Democratic primary for a congressional seat in Virginia - **Suhas Subramaniam**
3. Which company was awarded the 'Global Central Banking Award 2024' for technology services in London - **IRIS Business Services Limited**
4. Who was elected unopposed as the Speaker of Odisha Legislative Assembly in June 2024 - **Surma Padhi**
5. Which IIT jointly bagged the second prize in the Trinity Challenge on Antimicrobial Resistance - **IIT Delhi**
6. Who assumed charge as the President of Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) for the third consecutive time - **Dr. Jitendra Singh**
7. Renowned actor Donald Sutherland, who passed away recently, was from which country - **Canada**
8. Which organisation has appointed Akhil Gupta as the new President - **Bharti AXA Life Insurance**
9. Who has been appointed as the first Director of Visvesvaraya College of Engineering (UVCE) in June 2024 - **S. Tripathi**
10. Who is the winner of TCS CodeVita, Season 10, the world's biggest coding competition - **Kalash Gupta**

