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## 1. Dr Jitendra Singh launches “One Week One Theme” (OWOT) Campaign.

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science & Technology, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Earth Sciences, Minister of State in the Prime Minister’s Office, Department of Atomic Energy, Space, Department of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Dr Jitendra Singh on 24 June launched the ‘One Week One Theme’ (OWOT) Campaign.



## 2. Book ‘Gateway to the Sea: Historic Ports and Docks of Mumbai’ released by Maharashtra Governor.

An important literary event was held at Raj Bhavan Mumbai on June 22, 2024, highlighting the rich maritime heritage of the Mumbai region. Shri Ramesh Bais, Governor of Maharashtra released a book titled 'Gateways to the Sea: Historic Ports and Docks of Mumbai Region'. The book describes the ancient and modern maritime history of Mumbai in detail.



## 3. Indian archers win Archery World Cup 2024 Stage 3

Indian archers performed brilliantly in the third stage of Archery World Cup 2024, which concluded in Antalya, Turkey on June 23, 2024, winning four medals – one gold, one silver and two bronze medals. Dheeraj Bommadevara won two bronze medals in this competition held from June 18-23. In the individual recurve event, he won bronze by defeating Mauro Nespoli of Italy 7-3, while in the mixed recurve event, he along with Bhajan Kaur defeated the Mexican pair 5-3.



## 4. International Day of the Seafarer 2024

Every year on June 25, International Day of the Seafarer is celebrated, which was established in 2010 by the International Maritime Organization (IMO). It aims to recognize the important contributions of seafarers, who are indispensable to our daily lives and the global economy. Most of the goods we use come by sea at some point, and seafarers ensure that these goods get to us safely.



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## 5. Four AFMS officers create history at 43rd World Medical & Health Games in Saint-Tropez, France

Four officers of the Armed Forces Medical Services (AFMS) of India achieved a spectacular success by winning 32 medals at the 43rd World Medical & Health Games held in Saint-Tropez, France. Lt Col Sanjeev Malik, Major Aneesh George, Captain Stephen Sebastian, and Captain Dania James together won 19 gold, 9 silver and 4 bronze medals.



## 6. Gaurav Banerjee becomes new MD and CEO of Sony Pictures Networks India

Sony Pictures Networks India (SPNI) on June 24 announced the appointment of Gaurav Banerjee as the new Managing Director and CEO, effective on or before August 26. He will replace N.P. Singh, who will become non-executive chairman after a 25-year tenure. Gaurav Banerjee holds a master's degree in filmmaking and TV production from Jamia Millia Islamia University and a bachelor's degree in history from St. Stephens, Delhi.



## 7. ESAF SFB chief Paul Thomas elected chairman of Sa-Dhan I

Paul Thomas, MD and CEO of ESAF Small Finance Bank has been elected chairman of the board of Sa-Dhan, an association of microfinance and impact finance institutions. Thomas was earlier the co-chairman of this association. Paul Thomas, who is the founder of ESAF Group of Social Enterprises, has over 32 years of management experience, of which over 25 years are dedicated to the microfinance sector.



## 8. Bajrang Punia suspended by NADA once again for anti-doping rule violation

Bajrang Punia, an internationally trained wrestler from Indian wrestling, has been suspended for the second time after he refused to give a urine sample during the selection test of the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA). NADA had first suspended him on 23 April 2023, but the suspension was later revoked after a legal challenge was taken against him.



**1. Who has been appointed as Director in the Department of Consumer Affairs under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution?**

**A - Suresh Chandra**

**B - Ramesh Kumar Gupta**

**C - Mrinal Kumar Das**

**D - Anil Kumar Sharma**

Mrinal Kumar Das was on Friday appointed as the Director of the Department of Consumer Affairs, which will function under the Ministry of Food and Public Distribution. He has been appointed for five years under the Central Staffing Scheme. Das is a 2007 batch Indian Revenue Service (IRS) officer and was recommended for central deputation by the Department of Revenue.



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**2. Which company won the PSU Leadership and Excellence Award 2024 for leadership in digital transformation?**

**A - NTPC**

**B - THDC**

**C - SAIL**

**D - BHEL**

Dr. Jitendra Singh, Minister of State for Science & Technology, Earth Sciences, Prime Minister's Office, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space presented the prestigious PSU Leadership & Excellence Award 2024 to THDC India Limited in the category of "Leadership in Digital Transformation". The award was received by Shri Shalinder Singh, Director (Personnel), THDC India Limited.



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**3. Who won his seventh win of the season at the Spanish Grand Prix 2024?**

**A - Max Verstappen**

**B - Lewis Hamilton**

**C - Charles Leclerc**

**D - Sergio Perez**

Max Verstappen won the Spanish Grand Prix, showcasing his ability in skill and strategy. Despite starting from second on the grid, Verstappen displayed exceptional racing abilities by overtaking early leader Lando Norris and later George Russell by the third lap. Maintaining his lead throughout all 66 laps, Verstappen's fast start proved to be crucial. Reflecting on his race, he said, "I think the difference came right at the beginning of the race."



**4. Which Indian film won the Golden Conch Award for Best Documentary at the 18th MIFF 2024?**

**A - The Last Color**

**B - Village Rockstars**

**C - The Disciple**

**D - The Golden Thread**

The 18th Mumbai International Film Festival (MIFF) concluded with Indian film "The Golden Thread" directed by Nishtha Jain winning the prestigious Golden Conch Award for Best Documentary. The documentary pays tribute and comments on the impact of economic changes on the remnants of industrial revolutions.





## 5. Who is the winner of the English Yuva Puraskar?

- A - K. Vaishali  
B - Nandini Sengupta  
C - Devendra Kumar  
D - Gira Pinakin Bhatt

The Sahitya Akademi announced the names of 23 writers, including English writer K. Vaishali and Hindi writer Gaurav Pandey, who will receive the prestigious Yuva Puraskar this year for their respective work in different languages. The awards include 10 poetry books, seven short story collections, two essay collections, a novel, a ghazal book and a memoir.



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## 6. Who is the Chairman of the Executive Board of the Sahitya Akademi?

- A - Nayanjyoti Sharma  
B - Shri Madhav Kaushik  
C - Gaurav Pandey  
D - Devendra Kumar

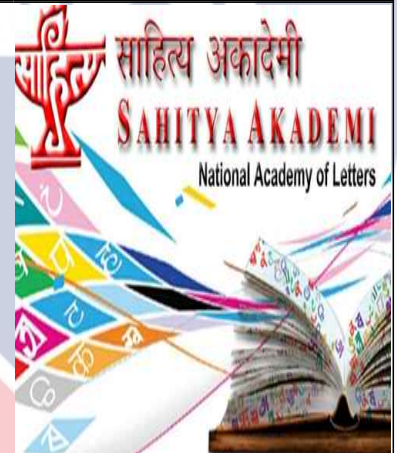
The election process for the post of President of the Sahitya Akademi was completed this morning and Madhav Kaushik has been elected to the post. Marathi litterateur Ranganath Pathare was also in the fray but he lost. Kannada litterateur Dr. Mallapuram Venkatesh was also competing for the post. The Sahitya Akademi has not elected any Marathi writer as its president so far.



## 7. Who is the winner of Hindi Yuva Puraskar?

- A - Nayanjyoti Sharma  
B - Gaurav Pandey  
C - Sutapa Chakraborty  
D - Rani Baro

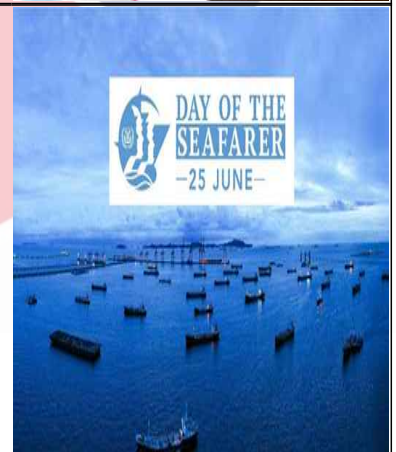
Sahitya Akademi on Saturday announced the selection of 23 writers for Yuva Puraskar. These include Hindi writer Gaurav Pandey and English writer Vaishali. These writers will be awarded the prestigious Yuva Puraskar in their languages. Also, the names of 24 writers have been announced for the Bal Sahitya Puraskar. Sahitya Akademi has also announced the winner of Yuva Puraskar in Sanskrit, which will be announced later.



## 8. When is International Seafarer's Day observed?

- A - 25 June  
B - 22 June  
C - 21 July  
D - 25 July

International Seafarer's Day is celebrated every year on 25 June, which was established in 2010 by the International Maritime Organization (IMO). The main purpose of this day is to recognize the important contribution of seafarers, who are extremely important for our daily lives and the global economy. Ships are especially important for global trade, which reflects their important role.





## One Liner

1. Who has been appointed as Director in the Department of Consumer Affairs under the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution - **Mrinal Kumar Das**
2. Which company won the PSU Leadership and Excellence Award 2024 for leadership in digital transformation - **THDC**
3. Who won his seventh win of the season at the Spanish Grand Prix 2024 - **Max Verstappen**
4. Which Indian film won the Golden Conch Award for Best Documentary at the 18th MIFF 2024 - **The Golden Thread**
5. Who is the winner of the English Yuva Puraskar - **K. Vaishali**
6. Who is the chairman of the Executive Board of Sahitya Akademi - **Shri Madhav Kaushik**
7. Who is the winner of the 1st Hindi Yuva Puraskar - **Gaurav Pandey**
8. When is the International Day of the Seafarer celebrated - **25 June**
9. The Akademi selected Nandini Sengupta for her historical novel for the Bal Sahitya Puraskar. What is the name of that novel - **The Blue Horse and Other Amazing Animal Stories from Indian History**
10. What is the name of that English memoir for which it was awarded the prestigious Yuva Puraskar - **Homeless: Growing Up Lesbian and Dyslexic in India**

