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1. GRSE receives Sustainable Governance Champion Award.

Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers (GRSE) Ltd has been awarded the “Sustainable Governance Champion Award” at the Outlook Planet Sustainability Summit & Awards 2024. The honour highlights GRSE’s unwavering commitment to sustainable practices and governance excellence. GRSE is one of India’s premier shipyards, located in Kolkata. It builds and repairs commercial and naval vessels, and also exports its built ships.



2. David Warner retires from international cricket.

The cricket world said goodbye to one of its most dynamic players as David Warner officially retired from international cricket. Warner's 15-year illustrious career with the Australian national team came to an end after Australia were knocked out in the Super Eight stage of the T20 World Cup. Warner's retirement unfolded in three stages. His last ODI came during the World Cup final victory over India in November 2023. Following this, his last Test match was played against Pakistan in January 2024.



3. International Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises Day 2024 |

International Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Day is celebrated every year on June 27, highlighting the vital role these businesses play in our economies and communities. The theme for 2024 focuses on "Accelerating sustainable development and eradicating poverty by harnessing the power and resilience of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) in times of multiple crises".



4. CAG inaugurates India's first 'Chadwick House: Navigating Audit Heritage' museum in Shimla.

The Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG) inaugurated the 'Chadwick House: Navigating Audit Heritage' museum in Shimla on June 24. The museum is an important landmark to preserve and celebrate the rich heritage of CAG and its contribution to the country's governance. Chadwick House, an important landmark in Shimla, has a rich and elaborate history. Mahatma Gandhi stayed here during the Cabinet Mission in 1946.





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5. India's first AI university appoints award-winning US professor as VC

India's first artificial intelligence (AI) university, Universal AI University (UAIU), has appointed international strategist and award-winning Professor Simon Mak as its Vice Chancellor. Mak is the first non-Indian to be appointed to the position of founding Vice Chancellor of this Indian institution.



6. Cummins creates history with his second consecutive T20 World Cup hat-trick

On June 23, Pat Cummins created history by becoming the first player to take two hat-tricks in T20 World Cups. He achieved the feat during the Super 8 match between Australia and Afghanistan in St Vincent. Cummins achieved the feat by dismissing Rashid Khan, Karim Janat, and Gulbadin Naib.



7. Kotak Mahindra Bank to open 200 new branches in FY25

In FY25, Kotak Mahindra Bank plans a significant expansion of its branch network in India, aiming to grow from 175 to 200 branches despite recent regulatory challenges related to digital customer acquisition and new credit card issuances imposed by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).



8. HDFC Bank Launches Digital Investment Platform SmartWealth

HDFC Bank has launched "SmartWealth", a cutting-edge digital investment platform designed to democratize financial services and simplify investment processes for all Indians. SmartWealth caters exclusively to first-time investors, providing intelligent tools and personalised portfolio plans. Sashidhar Jagdishan, MD & CEO, HDFC Bank, launched the initiative from the bank's headquarters in Mumbai.



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1. Cricket legend David Warner has announced retirement from international cricket after India's exit from T20 World Cup 2024, he is from which country?

- A - England
C - India
B - Australia
D - South Africa

Australian cricketer David Warner has retired from international cricket, ending his legacy of enterprising play and daring performances. His last T20 World Cup was announced in 2024 after India were eliminated in the Super 8 stage, ending his 15-year long international career.



2. Who was re-elected as the Speaker of the 18th Lok Sabha by voice vote after contesting against Kodikunnil Suresh?

- A - Kodikunnil Suresh
C - Om Birla
B - Mallikarjun Kharge
D - Rajnath Singh

Senior BJP leader Om Birla was on Wednesday elected the Speaker of the 18th Lok Sabha by voice vote. Birla, a three-time BJP MP from Kota, Rajasthan, has also served as the Speaker of the previous Lok Sabha for this important post. In this election, he had to face opposition alliance candidate Kodikunnil Suresh. Birla was proposed for the post by Prime Minister Narendra Modi and the NDA's numbers played a significant role in his selection.



3. Where is the 64th ISO Council meeting focusing on issues of sugar and biofuel sector being held from June 25 - 27, 2024?

- A - Paris, France
C - Berlin, Germany
B - Tokyo, Japan
D - New Delhi, India

India provided a platform for important discussions on the global sugar industry and biofuel sectors at the 64th International Sugar Organization (ISO) Council Meeting held in New Delhi on 25 June 2024. Representatives from more than 30 countries and representatives of various international organizations attended this meeting.



4. Who has been appointed as the new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of SBI General Insurance in place of Kishore Kumar Poludasu?

- A - Kishore Kumar Poludasu
C - Naveen Chandra Jha
B - Rajnish Kumar
D - Arundhati Bhattacharya

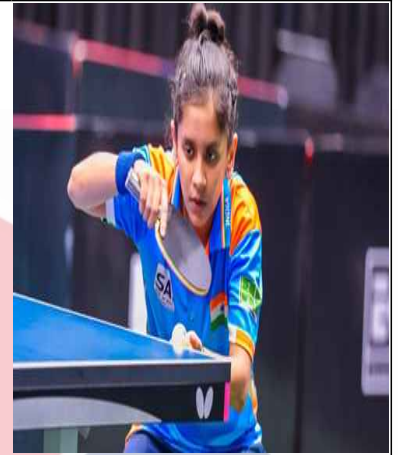
SBI General Insurance Company Limited has named Naveen Chandra Jha as its new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer. The announcement has been made by the State Bank of India, who has chosen him for this important position. He will now replace former Managing Director Kishore Kumar Poludasu.



5. Who recently achieved a career-best world ranking of 24th in women's singles table tennis, surpassing Manika Batra after winning the WTT Contender Lagos tournament?

- A - Sreeja Akula
B - Sathiyam Gnanasekaran
C - Sharath Kamal
D - Ayhika Mukherjee

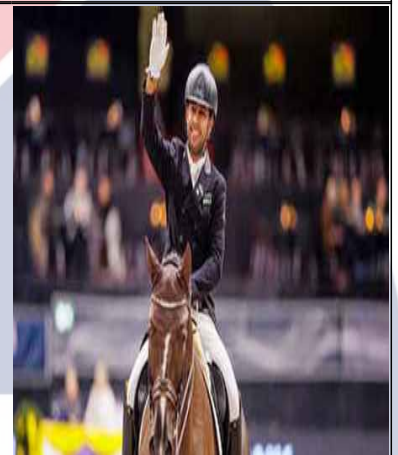
Indian table tennis player Sreeja Akula has gained attention with her excellent game, when she achieved a career-best ranking of 24th in women's singles. In this ranking, she surpassed Manika Batra, who was India's No. 1 ranked player. Sreeja recently won the singles title at the 2024 WTT Contender held in Lagos, making her the first Indian to triumph at this level. She defeated Ding Yijie 4-0 in the final.



6. Who has been selected by the Equestrian Federation of India (EFI) to represent India in dressage at the Paris Olympics?

- A - Shruti Vora
B - Fouaad Mirza
C - Rajesh Patt
D - Anush Agarwal

The Equestrian Federation of India (EFI) has selected Asian Games medallist Anush Agarwal to represent the country in the Paris Olympics dressage event. Agarwal has cleared the Minimum Eligibility Requirement (MER) four times in a row since last year with his horse Sir Caramelo Old. With this, Agarwal qualified for the Paris Olympics with the highest average score, beating the average score of veteran Vora.



7. Who has been appointed as the head coach of the Pakistan women's cricket team ahead of the Women's T20 Asia Cup 2024?

- A - Abdur Rehman
B - Misbah-ul-Haq
C - Mohammad Wasim
D - Junaid Khan

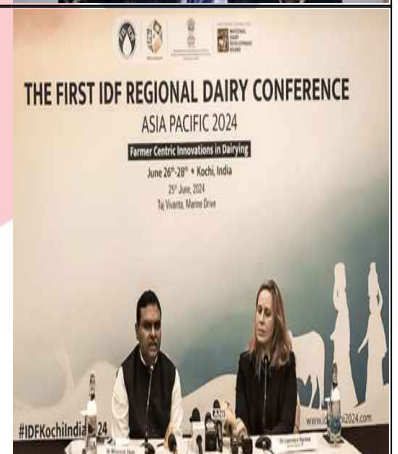
The Pakistan Cricket Board has announced a new head coach for the women's cricket team. Former middle-order batsman and Pakistani chief selector Mohammad Wasim has been entrusted with guiding the women's team ahead of the Asia Cup and T20 World Cup. Wasim, who has previously been the chief selector of Pakistan's men's cricket team, is now set to take the women's team forward.



8. Where is the first International Dairy Federation (IDF) Asia-Pacific Summit being held?

- A - Mumbai
B - Kochi
C - New Delhi
D - Chennai

The first IDF Regional Dairy Summit for Asia Pacific 2024 will be held in Kochi, Kerala on June 26-28, 2024, jointly organized by the Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Government of India, National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) and International Dairy Federation (IDF).





One Liner

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9. What is the primary objective of the recently launched Sino-French satellite, Space Variable Objects Monitor (SVOM) - **Gamma-ray bursts To locate and study (GRB)**
10. The first CAG Museum inaugurated by G.C. Murmu was located at - **Shimla**

