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1. Dr. Soumya Swaminathan appointed as Principal Advisor for National Tuberculosis Elimination Program.

The Government of India has appointed Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, former Chief Scientist of the World Health Organization (WHO), as the Principal Advisor for the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (TB Elimination Program) in the Union Health Ministry. Dr. Soumya Swaminathan is an experienced pediatrician and has more than three decades of experience in the field of TB and HIV infection.



2. PV Sindhu and Sharath Kamal to be India's flag bearers at Paris Olympics

The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) has announced that India will continue the tradition of two flag bearers at the Paris 2024 Olympics, which was started at Tokyo 2020. The decision is in line with the International Olympic Committee's initiative to promote gender equality in sports. Badminton star PV Sindhu has been chosen as the female flag bearer.



3. RBI approves reappointment of Govind Singh as MD & CEO of Utkarsh SFB

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the reappointment of Govind Singh as the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Utkarsh Small Finance Bank (Utkarsh SFB). His new term will commence from September 21, 2024 and will last for three years. This reappointment was informed through an RBI journal on July 8, 2024. The board of Utkarsh Small Finance Bank had already approved this reappointment in a meeting held on January 27, 2024.



4. Supreme Court appoints ex-CJI to head VC selection committee in West Bengal

On July 9, 2024, the Supreme Court appointed former Chief Justice of India Uday Umesh Lalit to head the newly constituted search-cum-selection committee to oversee the appointments of vice-chancellors of state-run universities in West Bengal. The decision was based on the special leave petition of the West Bengal government challenging the June 28, 2023 order of the Calcutta High Court.



5. Rachel Reeves becomes Britain's first female finance minister

Britain's newly elected Prime Minister Keir Starmer has appointed Rachel Reeves as the country's finance minister. The appointment comes after the Labour Party's landslide victory in the recent elections. Reeves, 45, is an active leader of the Labour Party and has made history by becoming Britain's first female finance minister. Rachel Reeves comes from a family of teachers and has worked as an economist for a decade.



6. Gajinder Singh Khalsa dies in Pakistan

Gajinder Singh Khalsa, founder and patron of Dal Khalsa, died of a heart attack in a hospital in Pakistan on 4 June. He was 74 years old. Dal Khalsa has not yet confirmed his death. Gajinder Singh Khalsa was one of the leaders who hijacked the Indian Airlines plane, which was flying from Delhi to Srinagar on 29 September 1981. In this attack, 111 passengers and 6 aircraft crew were taken to Lahore.



7. Gautam Gambhir becomes the new head coach of Team India, replaces Rahul Dravid.

A big event has taken place in Indian cricket, where the Cricket Advisory Committee of Ashok Malhotra, Jatin Paranjape and Sulakshana Naik has recommended Gautam Gambhir to be the head coach of the Indian senior men's team. The recommendation was made at a time when Team India is ready to play the upcoming series against Sri Lanka, which will start from July 27.



8. Prime Minister receives Russia's highest state award.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has received an important honor during his Russian tour. He has been awarded Russia's highest civilian honour 'Order of St. Andrew the Apostle'. This honour was given to him by Russian President Vladimir Putin, which took place after a bilateral meeting. During this visit, the two leaders discussed terrorism, mutual cooperation and peace.



1. Who was named 'ICC Men's Player of the Month' for June 2024?

A - Jasprit Bumrah

B - Virat Kohli

C - Rohit Sharma

D - Hardik Pandya

Indian cricket team's fast bowler Jasprit Bumrah and women's team's main batsman Smriti Mandhana have received the ICC Player of the Month award for the month of June. Bumrah performed brilliantly in the T20 World Cup 2024 and won the title of Men's Player of the Tournament, while Mandhana also impressed everyone with her good play.



2. Which Indian state has been awarded the Best Agricultural State Award for 2024 by the 15th Agriculture Leadership Awards Committee?

A - Gujarat

B - Punjab

C - Uttar Pradesh

D - Maharashtra

Maharashtra has received the honor of receiving the Best Agricultural State Award for 2024, which encourages new policies and initiatives in the field of agriculture and rural prosperity. The award has been announced by the 15th Agriculture Leadership Awards Committee, headed by former Chief Justice and Governor of Kerala Justice P Sathasivam.



3. Who has been appointed as the interim head coach of the Sri Lanka men's national cricket team, replacing Chris Silverwood?

A - Mahela Jayawardene

B - Sanath Jayasuriya

C - Kumar Sangakkara

D - Muttiah Muralitharan

Former Sri Lanka captain Sanath Jayasuriya has been appointed as the interim head coach of the Sri Lanka national cricket team. The appointment was confirmed by him on Monday and later accepted by Sri Lanka Cricket. The decision was taken after Chris Silverwood's resignation from the post of head coach of the team in the T20 World Cup 2024.



4. What is the name of the award conferred on Prime Minister Narendra Modi by the President of the Russian Federation?

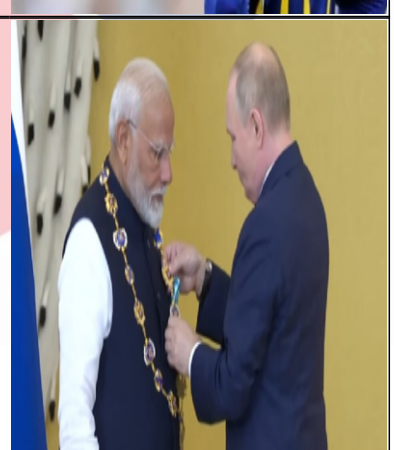
A - Order of the White Eagle

B - Order of Friendship

C - Order of the Red Banner

D - Order of St. Andrew the Apostle

Prime Minister Narendra Modi completed a successful visit to the Russian capital Moscow during his two-day visit to strengthen India-Russia relations. On the second day of his visit, Prime Minister Modi had a meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin, in which he was awarded Russia's highest civilian honor 'Order of St. Andrew the Apostle'.



5. Who has been appointed as the Principal Advisor in the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program?

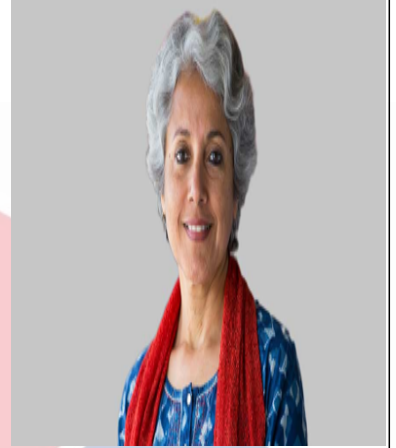
A - Dr. Harsh Vardhan

B - Dr. Soumya Swaminathan

C - Dr. Balram Bhargava

D - Dr. Randeep Guleria

Dr. Soumya Swaminathan has been appointed by the Government of India as the Principal Advisor of the National Tuberculosis Elimination Program as the former Chief Scientist of the World Health Organization (WHO). She is a pediatrician and specializes in the field of TB and HIV infection.



6. Who has been appointed as the new head coach of the Indian men's cricket team?

A - Rahul Dravid

B - Sourav Ganguly

C - Gautam Gambhir

D - Anil Kumble

The Board of Control for Cricket in India on Tuesday appointed former opener Gautam Gambhir as the new head coach of the Indian men's cricket team. He was chosen to replace Rahul Dravid, who recently led the Indian team to success in the T20 World Cup. Gambhir's first assignment will be against Sri Lanka, where Team India will play three T20s and one ODI from July 27.



7. Which mineral mines of Jharkhand were recently declared 'child labour free' by the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights?

A - Coal

B - Mica

C - Iron Ore

D - Limestone

The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) held an important event in Koderma, Jharkhand on 5 July 2024, in which mica mines of Jharkhand were declared 'child labour-free'. At the ceremony, NCPCR Chairman Priyank Kanungo announced that this is the first successful attempt to end child labour in mica mining in the country.



8. In which city did the United States host the 2024 NATO summit?

A - New York City

B - California

C - Washington DC

D - Florida

United States President Joe Biden will host NATO leaders in Washington, DC this week. On this occasion, security threats will be considered with the Russian invasion of Ukraine and China's growing aggression in the Asia Pacific region.





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9. After the 2024 amendment to the Haj Committee Rules Which ministry has been designated as the nodal ministry for the Haj Committee. - **Ministry of Minority Affairs**
10. What is the name of the meeting organized by the National Minority Commission to protect and safeguard the interests of all minorities. - **Sarva Dharma**

