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## 1. World UFO Day 2024 I

World UFO Day is celebrated every year on July 2, with the aim of spreading awareness of the existence of unidentified flying saucers (UFOs) and focusing on claims of sighting them. The main purpose of this day is to draw attention to the mysteries and questions related to UFOs and encourage the occurrence of UFO sightings around the world. The day encourages open discussion and debate on the existence of extraterrestrial life, as well as promotes openly discussing ideas and theories.



## 2. Vishwanathan Anand won the Leon Masters title for the 10th time.

Former world chess champion of India Vishwanathan Anand continued his unique achievement in the Leon Masters Chess Championship and won this title for the tenth time. In the final, Anand defeated Jaime Santos Latasa of Spain 3-1. The Leon Masters tournament is a prestigious chess tournament held in Leon, Spain in which four top players participate.



## 3. New CGM and CMD take charge at PGCIL.

Akhilesh Pathak took charge as the new Chief General Manager (CGM) of Southern Region Transmission System-I (SRTS-I) of Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) on July 1, 2024. Pathak will oversee the transmission system including sub-stations and projects in Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, and parts of Karnataka. With 31 years of experience, Pathak is an expert in operations and maintenance, asset management, and commercial operations.



## 4. Swami Saswathikanandan's 20th Samadhi Day observed

On Monday, Sivagiri Matha Atheeth Atmiya Sangham in Varkala observed the 20th death anniversary of Swami Saswathikanandan, called Samadhi Day. The Swami's followers and supporters gathered on this important day to remember his life and teachings. Samadhi Day refers to the day in Hindu and Buddhist religions when a spiritual leader or saint leaves his physical body.



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## 5. World Sports Journalists Day 2024 |

World Sports Journalists Day is celebrated every year on 2 July to recognize the contribution of sports journalists and appreciate their work. Sports journalism plays an important role in the world of sports, as it not only provides information about sports but also acts as a bridge between sports and players. The importance of sports journalism is not limited to only reporting of sports, but it is also important from the social and cultural point of view.



## 6. Former Indian team midfielder Bhupinder Singh Rawat passes away at the age of 85

The All India Football Federation (AIFF) has confirmed the news of the death of former Indian winger Bhupinder Singh Rawat. He died on June 29, 2024 in Surat, Gujarat after a difficult illness. Rawat was born in 1939 and was 85 years old. He was a dashing player of the 1960s and 1970s, who made his mark in making outstanding contributions to Indian football. In his career, Rawat participated as a member of the Indian team in the 1969 Merdeka Tournament in Malaysia.



## 7. National Doctors Day 2024 |

National Doctors Day, also known as Doctors Day, was celebrated in India on 1 July. This day is celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, who made significant contributions to the field of Indian medicine. National Doctors Day marks the important role of doctors who risk their lives for patients so that their health can improve.



## 8. Ravi Agarwal appointed as new Chairman of CBDT

The new chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) has been appointed - Ravi Agarwal, a 1988 batch IRS officer of the Indian Revenue Service. He has achieved prominence in his career and is currently serving as Member (Administrative) of the Board of CBDT. His appointment order asks him to take charge till June 30, 2025 next year. Ravi Agarwal replaces previous chairman Nitin Gupta, who was appointed as the chairman of CBDT in 2022.



**1. Who has been appointed as the new chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) in place of Nitin Gupta?**

- A - Rajesh Kumar  
B - Ravi Agarwal  
C - Nitin Gupta  
D - Sanjay Singh

Ravi Agarwal has been appointed as the new chairman of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT). He is a 1988 batch IRS officer and has succeeded the previous Union Minister of State for Finance Nitin Gupta to this post. Agarwal is currently serving as Member (Administrative) on the board of CBDT and has been ordered to hold the post till June next year.



**2. Who has been appointed as the captain of the ICC T20 World Cup 2024 Team of the Tournament?**

- A - Pat Cummins  
B - Jos Buttler  
C - Aiden Markram  
D - Rohit Sharma

In the final of the ICC T20 World Cup 2024 held in Barbados, the Indian team defeated South Africa by seven wickets and became the T20 World Champion for the second time. Before this success, India also won the T20 World Cup title in the year 2007. The ICC specially selected players from four countries for this title-winning team, which includes Afghanistan, Australia, and West Indies along with India.



**3. Which bank received the Atal Pension Yojana Annual Award and APY Ultimate Champions Cup from PFRDA for the financial year 2023-24?**

- A - State Bank of India  
B - Bank of India  
C - Punjab National Bank  
D - HDFC Bank

Bank of India has received several awards for its outstanding performance, such as Atal Pension Yojana Annual Award and APY Ultimate Champions Cup for FY 2023-24. Along with this, three branches of the bank were also included in the top five branches in India. It has also been awarded the 'Award of Ultimate Leadership' by the Jharkhand State Level Bankers Committee for its leadership role.



**4. Who has won the gold medal in the women's 100m hurdles at the National Inter-State Senior Athletics Championships in Panchkula?**

- A - Nitya Ramraj  
B - Ankita Surve  
C - Jyoti Yaraji  
D - Malvika

Jyoti Yaraji has set a new record by performing brilliantly in the women's 100 meter hurdles at the National Open Athletics Championships. She completed the race in less than 13 seconds, becoming the first Indian female athlete to achieve this time. She also improved her own record when she set a new national record by completing the race in 12.82 seconds. The wind speed in this race was 0.9 meters per second, which helped her maintain her record.



**5. Who has been appointed as batting coach and mentor by Royal Challengers Bangalore?**

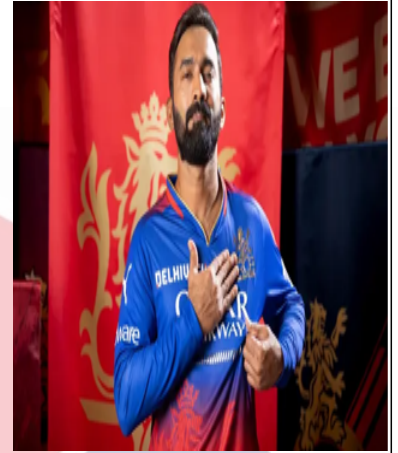
A - M.S. Dhoni

B - Dinesh Karthik

C - Rohit Sharma

D - Ravindra Jadeja

Former Indian wicketkeeper-batsman Dinesh Karthik was on Monday announced as the new batting coach and mentor of Indian Premier League (IPL) franchise Royal Challengers Bangalore. The appointment was announced just days after he retired from cricket. He expressed his happiness and said that coaching at the professional level is very exciting for him and it is the beginning of a new chapter.



**6. National Postal Employees Day is celebrated on 1 July. In which year was National Postal Employees Day started?**

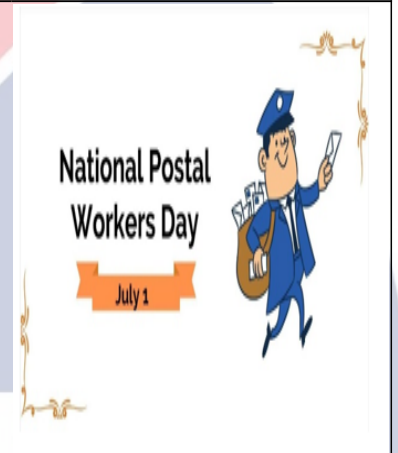
A - 1997

B - 1985

C - 1990

D - 2000

On 1 July, National Postal Employees Day is celebrated in India, which provides an opportunity to recognize the tireless efforts of postal employees. This day is to explain the merit of those who deliver letters and packages to us on time. Postal employees play a vital role in ensuring our communication links without getting tired, which strengthens the relationships between communities and people.



**7. Famous player Bhupinder Singh Rawat who passed away recently was related to which sport?**

A - Cricket

B - Hockey

C - Football

D - Badminton

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**8. Which company has been named India's most valuable brand according to the latest Brand Finance report?**

A - Infosys

B - HDFC Group

C - Reliance Industries

D - Tata Group

The Tata Group has maintained its position as the most valuable brand in the Indian market, with a valuation of US\$ 28.6 billion. It saw a growth of 9% compared to the year 2023. Infosys is in second place, whose brand value has also increased. HDFC Group has also moved up to the third spot, having been combined. Tata Group is now on the verge of becoming India's first brand to approach US\$ 30 billion.





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2. Who has been appointed captain of the ICC T-20 World Cup 2024 Team of the Tournament. - **Rohit Sharma**
3. Which bank received the Atal Pension Yojana Annual Award for FY 2023-24 and APY Ultimate Champions Cup from PFRDA. - **Bank of India**
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9. Where is the Global India AI Summit 2024 being held? - **New Delhi**
10. Who will be the next Deputy Army Chief of India? - **Lt. Gen. N.S. Rajasubramani**

