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1. Nikita Porwal of Madhya Pradesh became Femina Miss India 2024.

Nikita Porwal of Madhya Pradesh has made her mark across the country by winning the title of Femina Miss India 2024. The competition was held at Famous Studios in Mumbai, which was the 60th edition of this prestigious beauty pageant. It was attended by 30 contestants from 29 states and one union territory, who represented their respective states.



2. Haryana artist wins award in UK for artwork based on child labour.

Rising artist Aditi Anand from Karnal, Haryana has been declared the winner of the Emerging Illustrator category at the V&A Illustration Awards 2024 held at the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. Aditi, a 25-year-old graduate from Anglia Ruskin University (ARU), won the prestigious award for her artwork "Marigolds". Her artwork is based on the theme of child labour and lost childhood against the backdrop of India.



3. Sourav Ganguly appointed JSW Sports' Director of Cricket.

Former Indian cricket captain Sourav Ganguly has been appointed as the Director of Cricket of JSW Sports. In this new role, Ganguly will oversee all cricket-related activities of JSW Sports, including overseeing the IPL team Delhi Capitals (men and women), the WPL team, and the Pretoria Capitals competing in the SA20 league. Ganguly has a long association with JSW Sports, when he joined as an advisor to Delhi Capitals in 2019.



4. India-Turkey Friendship Association launched in Hyderabad.

The India-Turkey Friendship Association (ITFA) was inaugurated in Hyderabad on October 16, 2024, with the aim of promoting cooperation between the two countries in the fields of economic, cultural, tourism, science and technology, and education. The initiative comes at a historic time, when Hyderabad is marking 300 years of the Asaf Jahi dynasty and 100 years of the abolition of the Ottoman Sultanate in Turkey.



5. Former RAW officer Vikas Yadav in FBI's most wanted list.

The US has accused Indian national Vikas Yadav of conspiring to assassinate Khalistani leader Gurpatwant Singh Pannu. Along with this, Vikas is also accused of money laundering. The US intelligence agency FBI claims that Vikas Yadav was associated with India's intelligence agency RAW. In this case, the US court had earlier accused two people, including Nikhil Gupta and another person, who was being known as 'CC1'.



6. Filmmaker Rajkumar Hirani awarded the 'National Kishore Kumar Award'.

Filmmaker Rajkumar Hirani was awarded the 2023 National Kishore Kumar Award. The honor was given in Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh, at a special ceremony held on the 37th death anniversary of the legendary singer Kishore Kumar. Khandwa is the birthplace of Kishore Kumar, and the event was organized to honor his art and legacy. Rajkumar Hirani visited Kishore Kumar's Samadhi in Khandwa and paid tribute to him.



7. World Statistics Day 2024.

World Statistics Day is celebrated every five years on 20 October with the aim of celebrating the contribution of statistics to the socio-economic development of the world. The day is organized under the guidance of the United Nations Statistical Commission and was first celebrated on 20 October 2010.



8. Virat Kohli completes 9000 runs in Tests.

Indian cricket great Virat Kohli has completed 9000 Test runs during the first Test match played against New Zealand at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru. Kohli achieved this important milestone at a time when the Indian team was in trouble. India's first innings were reduced to just 46 runs, which was the lowest score on home ground in Indian Test history.





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1. Which country has introduced a new visa-on-arrival policy for Indian citizens?

- A - Saudi Arabia B - Qatar
C - United Arab Emirates D - Oman

The UAE has announced a new visa-on-arrival policy, which eases entry for permanent residents of the US, United Kingdom and European Union countries. The Indian mission shared this information on social media. Under the new policy, Indian citizens with ordinary passports and their family members will be able to obtain visas on arrival at all entry points in the UAE.



2. Which organisation won the two awards for HR Excellence in the Public Sector Undertakings category at the SHRM India HR Awards 2024?

- A - NTPC B - SJVN
C - BHEL D - ONGC

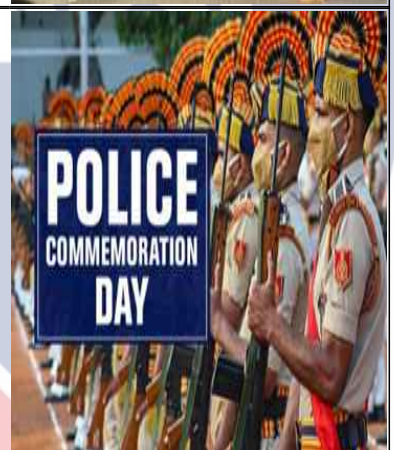
SJVN has received two major awards at the SHRM India HR Awards 2024: 1st Runner-up in 'Excellence in Managing Workforce' and 2nd Runner-up in 'Excellence in Benefits and Well Being'. These awards were received by Shri Chandrashekhar Yadav, Executive Director (HR) during the 13th Annual Conference held in New Delhi.



3. When is Police Commemoration Day observed?

- A - 21 October B - 15 November
C - 26 January D - 1 March

Police Commemoration Day is observed every year on 21 October in India, dedicated to the memory of those policemen who have been martyred while serving the country. This day is also known as Police Martyrs' Day. On Police Memorial Day, tributes are paid to policemen across the country and their sacrifice is honored.



4. The first international flagship research center of the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras, which is set to start in early 2025, is going to be established in which country?

- A - London, United Kingdom B - California, United States
C - Dubai, United Arab Emirates D - Victoria, Australia

The Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IIT Madras) is going to set up its first international flagship centre in Dubai, which will focus on research, innovation and entrepreneurship. The centre will launch in early 2025 and will specialise in advanced areas such as artificial intelligence (AI), data science, robotics and sustainable energy.



5. Where will Prime Minister Narendra Modi attend the BRICS summit on October 22-23?

- A - Moscow
B - Kazan
C - St. Petersburg
D - Sochi

The Ministry of External Affairs on Friday informed that Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Russia to attend the 16th BRICS summit to be held in Kazan, Russia on October 22-23. The visit is being made at the invitation of President Vladimir Putin. Prime Minister Modi is also planning to hold bilateral meetings with counterparts and invited leaders of BRICS member countries during this period.



6. Who has been appointed as the mentor for Nepal's cricket team in the ICC World Cricket League-2?

- A - Sanath Jayasuriya
B - Mahela Jayawardene
C - Pubudu Dassanayake
D - Kumar Sangakkara

The Cricket Association of Nepal (CAN) has appointed Pubudu Dassanayake as the mentor of the Nepali cricket team for the upcoming tri-series under the ICC World Cricket League-2. The tournament will be held in the US from October 25 to November 4, featuring teams from Nepal, the US and Scotland.



7. Who has become the fourth Indian cricketer to score 9,000 Test runs?

- A - Virat Kohli
B - Rohit Sharma
C - Ravindra Jadeja
D - Cheteshwar Pujara

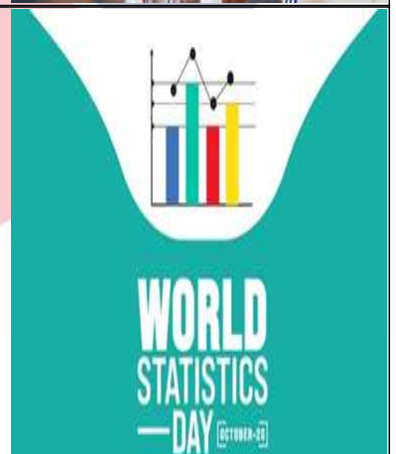
Indian cricket legend Virat Kohli completed 9000 Test runs during the first Test match against New Zealand at the M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru. He achieved this milestone at a time when India's first innings ended at just 46 runs, which is their lowest score on home ground.



8. When is World Statistics Day celebrated?

- A - 29 June
B - 20 October
C - 1 January
D - 15 August

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9. Which city will get \$1.6 billion funding for Phase-I development by the World Bank and ADB. - **Amravati**
10. The Indian Coast Guard's coastal security exercise 'Sagar Kavach' was held in which state and union territory on October 16-17, 2024. - **Gujarat and Daman and Diu**

