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# NATIONAL NEWS

## MP Government to Launch CM Learn and Earn Scheme

- In Madhya Pradesh, the Chief Minister's Learn and Earn scheme is set to be launched with the aim of providing employable skills to the youth.
- Chief Minister's Learn and Earn scheme in Madhya Pradesh focuses on providing training, financial support, and employment opportunities to the youth.
- By identifying numerous work areas and involving various industries, the scheme aims to equip the young workforce with the necessary skills to enhance their employability and contribute to the state's development.
- A significant aspect of the Learn and Earn scheme is that it not only focuses on skill acquisition but also provides financial support to the youth.
- Participants in the scheme will receive a monthly allowance ranging from Rs 8,000 to 10,000.
- This allowance aims to assist the youth in meeting their financial needs while they learn and work.
- The Learn and Earn scheme is a proactive measure taken by the government to address the issue of unemployment by equipping young individuals with necessary skills.

## NHPC Inks MoU with Maharashtra Government

- State-owned NHPC Limited has announced its collaboration with the Department of Energy, Maharashtra government through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).
- The primary objective of this partnership is to establish Energy Storage Systems, specifically Pumped Storage Systems, alongside other Renewable Energy Sources like Solar, Wind, and Hybrid, with a total combined capacity of 7,350 MW.
- The introduction of energy storage systems, such as Pumped Storage Systems, is crucial for storing excess energy during periods of low demand and utilizing it during peak hours.
- These systems play a vital role in ensuring a reliable and uninterrupted power supply.
- They contribute to grid stability, enable efficient energy management, and facilitate the integration of intermittent renewable energy sources into the power grid.
- By combining pumped storage systems with solar, wind, and hybrid power generation, this collaboration aims to optimize the utilization of renewable energy resources.

## First AIIMS in Country to Get NABH Accreditation

- AIIMS Nagpur, the branch of the All-India Institute of Medical Sciences in Nagpur, has emerged as the first AIIMS in India to be accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Hospitals (NABH).
- This accreditation places AIIMS Nagpur at par with the world's leading hospital standards in terms of quality and patient care.

- The NABH accreditation serves as validation of their efforts in these fields.
- The NABH accreditation is a voluntary and internationally recognized certification that signifies a healthcare organization's commitment to delivering high-quality healthcare services and ensuring patient safety.

## KFON Internet Connectivity Launched by Kerala Government

- The Pinarayi Vijayan-led Kerala government officially launched the Kerala Fiber Optical Network (KFON).
- Kerala is the first state to declare the right to internet as a fundamental right.
- The main objective of KFON is to bridge the digital divide and ensure high-speed broadband internet access to all households and government offices in Kerala.
- KFON uses fibre optic technology to provide fast and reliable internet connection.
- The Government of Kerala aims to bridge the digital divide and promote digital inclusion through the implementation of KFON.
- The initiative aims to create a robust digital infrastructure that fosters innovation, economic growth and social development.

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## Non-Permanent Members of The UN Security Council

- Algeria, Guyana, the Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia were elected non-permanent members of the UN Security Council for a two-year term.
- The newly elected members will take up their new responsibilities on 01 January 2024 and serve till 31 December 2025.
- Slovenia defeated Belarus by a vote of 153 to 38, while Algeria, Guyana, Sierra Leone and the Republic of Korea were elected unopposed.
- These new members will replace Albania, Brazil, Gabon, Ghana and the United Arab Emirates at present when their two-year term ends on 31 December 2023.
- It was established in 1945 by the United Nations Charter.

# BANKING

## Myntra Partnered with Kotak Mahindra Bank

- Kotak Mahindra Bank (KMBL) in partnership with Myntra has launched its first-of-its-kind co-branded digital fashion and lifestyle credit card namely the Kotak Myntra credit card.
- It is to provide trendy and new-age consumers an apt choice for their fashion needs.
- The card will be available on MasterCard and RuPay networks.
- The card will be available across Myntra as well as Kotak mobile applications.
- The card will be dedicated to fashion shoppers across metros, tier 1, tier 2 and 3 cities.

- The joining fee and annual fee for this credit card is Rs 500 only.
- 7.5% instant discount on unlimited transactions on Myntra, up to Rs 750 per transaction.

## Manappuram Finance Unveiled a Digital Lending App Ma-Money

- Kerala-based Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC), Manappuram Finance Ltd has launched a new digital lending platform named Ma-Money.
- It is to provide customers all the financial products offered by Manappuram Finance under one umbrella.
- Ma-Money is a key component of Manappuram Finance's overall goal to grow its digital presence and provide clients with innovative and user-friendly financial products.
- The app is primarily targeted at customers in tier 2 and tier 3 cities.
- It offers a wide range of loans, including personal loans, business loans, consumer durables loans, loans for the healthcare industry, food industry, small-scale industries, school finance to improve infrastructure, car loans, home repair loans, and farm equipment loans, among others.

# SPORTS

## U-20 Asian Athletics Championships

- Siddharth Chowdhary, representing India, won the gold medal in the men's shot-put event at the Under-20 Asian Athletics Championships held in Yecheon, South Korea.

- He achieved this feat by recording a personal best throw of 19.52 metres.

- Indian athletes Sharuk Khan earned a silver medal in the 3000 meters steeplechase event, Shivam Lohakare a silver medal in the javelin throws and Sushmitaa silver medal in the long jump event.

- Apart from this, Shakeel finished third in the 800-meter race by securing a bronze medal.

- The Indian mixed relay team also put up a commendable performance, bagging another bronze medal.
- India's total medal tally has gone up to nine at the Under-20 Asian Athletics Championships in South Korea.

# APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS

## New Chairman of The Hindu Group

- Nirmala Laxman has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of The Hindu Group Publishing Private Limited (THGPPL) for a period of three years.
- He succeeds Malini Parthasarathy, who stepped down after completing her three-year term at the board meeting on June 5, 2023.
- Nirmala Laxman During her time as joint editor of The Hindu, she was instrumental in re-launching and setting up new features sections, including 'The Hindu Literary Review', 'Young World' and 'The Hindu in School'. played an important role.
- Nirmala Laxman is the founder and curator of Lit for Life, a literary festival organized by The Hindu.

# BOOKS & AUTHORS

## A Book Titled ‘Amrutkaal Ki Ore’

- BJP President Jagat Prakash Nadda released a book titled ‘Amrutkaal ki Ore’ in New Delhi based on nine Years’ Achievements of the Narendra Modi Government.
- Nadda said the nine years of the Modi government have transformed the country and its progress is being recognised by the world today.
- He said, there has been a big difference since 2014 when Prime Minister Narendra Modi took office.
- The BJP president said, from policy paralysis to a bold decision-making government, the political culture has changed drastically.
- He said, earlier there used to be vote bank politics and now it is report card politics.

# IMPORTANT DAYS

## World Food Safety Day

- World Food Safety Day is observed every year on 07 June.
- It is celebrated to highlight the importance of maintaining food standards and protecting consumers from foodborne illnesses.
- The theme of World Food Safety Day 2023 is ‘Food Standards Save Lives’.
- The theme emphasises the important role of food safety standards in ensuring the well-being of individuals.
- World Food Safety Day encourages cooperation among nations and raises awareness of the importance of food safety standards in protecting public health.
- The Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) proposed the observance of World Food Safety Day in 2016.

# OBITUTARY

## Veteran Hindi and Marathi film Actress Sulochana Latkar

- Renowned Hindi and Marathi film Actress Sulochana Latkar passed away at the age of 94 in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- She was a well-known actress of Marathi and Hindi cinema and acted in 50 films in Marathi and around 250 films in Hindi.
- Sulochana Latkar made her debut in films in 1946.
- She was most known for her performances in Marathi films such as Sasurvas (1946) and Meeth Bhakar (1949).
- Latkar was a recipient of the civilian honour of Padma Shri in 1999 for her contribution to cinema.
- In 2003, she was awarded the Chitrabhushan Award instituted by the Akhil Bharatiya Marathi Chitrapat Mahamandal.
- She was awarded the Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award in 2004.

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