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## **DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS 27-09-2022**

### **NATIONAL NEWS**

#### **MoHUAM Launches Swachh Toycathon**

- Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry launched Swachh Toycathon.
- It is a unique competition that involves making toys from waste.
- The competition will be hosted on MyGov's Innovative India portal. The knowledge partner for the initiative is the Center for Creative Learning, IIT Gandhinagar.
- The Swachh Toycathon was introduced and launched under the Swachh Bharat Mission Urban initiative.
- The competition focuses to bring forth innovation in toy designs using dry waste.
- It will focus on effective and potential designs that can be replicated at a larger scale, and toys that comply with minimum safety standards.

#### **President to Inaugurate Engines Manufacturing Facility**

- President Droupadi Murmu will inaugurate the Integrated Cryogenic Engines Manufacturing Facility of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) in Bengaluru on 27 September 2022.
- The Cryogenic engines are used by ISRO for its satellite launch operations.
- At HAL, the President will also lay the foundation stone of the South Zonal Institute of Virology virtually.
- President inaugurated the new campus of Indian Institute of Information Technology in Dharwad, Karnataka.

#### **Haryana, Rajasthan, Delhi and UP Signed Pact**

- Haryana, National Capital Territory (NCT)-Delhi, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh (UP) signed the Status of Combined Reciprocal Common Transport Agreement, Contract Carriage and Stage Carriage (CRCTA).
- There will be single-point taxation for all motor cabs, taxis, auto rickshaws, all Stage carriage buses and all State Transport Undertakings (STUs) of NCR, including city bus services.
- It will encourage shifts of traffic from private vehicles to mass public transport vehicles and will help to ease traffic congestion and reduce air pollution.
- This agreement will ensure the seamless movement of passenger vehicles in the NCR.

#### **MOD Signs a Deal with BAPL**

- The Ministry of Defence (MOD) signed a contract with BrahMos Aerospace Pvt. Ltd. (BAPL) for the acquisition of additional dual-role capable Surface to Surface BrahMos missiles at an overall approximate cost of Rs 1700 Crore under the "Buy-Indian" Category.

- The induction of these dual-role capable Missiles is going to significantly enhance the operational capability of Indian Navy fleet assets.
- BAPL increased the new generation of Surface-to-Surface Missiles (SSMs) with enhanced range and dual role capability for land as well as anti-ship attacks.
- This contract is going to give a further boost to indigenous production of critical weapon systems and ammunition with the active participation of indigenous industry.

## **INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

### **INS Sunayna to Participate in an exercise in Seychelles**

- The INS Sunayna entered Port Victoria Seychelles to participate in the annual training exercise Operation Southern Readiness of Combined Maritime Forces.
- This marks the maiden participation of an Indian Navy ship in Combined Maritime Forces exercise.
- The joint training exercise was attended by representative delegations from India, the US, Italy, Australia, Canada and New Zealand and ship participation from the UK and Spain.

## **BANKING**

### **Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance Launches ABSLI Akshaya Plan**

- Aditya Birla Sun Life Insurance (ABSLI), the life insurance subsidiary of Aditya Birla Capital Limited (ABCL) has launched a new-age savings solution ABSLI Akshaya Plan a non-linked participating individual savings life insurance plan offering immediate liquidity option through cash bonus facility.
- This plan provides the benefit of a comprehensive life insurance cover and a regular source of income to ensure the fulfillment of your family's growing needs.
- ABSLI Akshaya plan provides competitive returns with high flexibility.
- Policyholders can avail the benefits of this plan on a long-term basis (25, 30, 35, 40 years) or whole life basis (till the age of 85 or 100).
- The maximum entry age to avail ABSLI Akshaya Plan is 55 years, while the minimum age is 30 days.
- The minimum annualized premium is Rs. 24,000 Policyholders can choose from multiple

premium payment term options ranging from 6, 8, 10, 12 and 15 years.

## **APPOINTMENTS & RESIGNATIONS**

### **Indian Ambassador to Madagascar**

- IFS officer Bandaru Wilsonbabu, has been appointed as the next ambassador of India to the Republic of Madagascar.
- He is presently serving as a joint secretary in the ministry of external affairs.
- Wilsonbabu, who has served as the joint Secretary in the Eurasia division, will be replacing ambassador Abhay Kumar.

### **Hockey India (HI) President**

- Dilip Tirkey, a former India hockey captain and member of the gold medal-winning team at the 1998 Asian Games was unanimously elected as Hockey India (HI) president.
- He represented India at the Olympic Games in Atlanta in 1996, Sydney in 2000, and Athens in 2004.
- First time in history, a former sportsperson and an Olympian has gone on to head the national body.
- The Hockey India elections were supposed to be completed by 09 October 2022, the International Hockey Federation (FIH) and the Committee of Administrators (CoA).

## **IMPORTANT DAYS**

### **World Contraception Day**

- World Contraception Day is celebrated every year on 26 September.
- It is to raise awareness about various contraceptive techniques and to empower young people

to make educated decisions about their sexual and reproductive health.

- It was established on 26 September 2007, by ten international family planning organizations to raise awareness about contraception and to assist couples in making educated decisions about starting a family, so that every pregnancy is desired.

## **World Environmental Health Day**

- World Environmental Health Day is celebrated every year on 26 September.
- The International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) recognized September 26 as World Environmental Health Day in 2011.
- It is to raise awareness regarding the health of our environment.
- The theme for the year 2022 is 'Strengthening Environmental Health Systems for the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals'.

## **World Tourism Day**

- World Tourism Day is celebrated every year on 27 September.
- This day is celebrated every year to enhance awareness among the international community on the importance of tourism and its social, cultural, political and economic value.
- The theme for this year is 'Rethinking Tourism'. It will be highlighting the tourism sector being recognized as an important pillar for development.
- Tourism helps provide employment to millions of people to an extent that few countries are completely dependent on the tourism sector for financial stability.

# **OBITUTARY**

## **Oscar Winner Louise Fletcher**

- Oscar-winner Louise Fletcher passed away at the age of 88.
- US actress Louise Fletcher who had won as Oscar in 1976 for her role as Nurse Ratched in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest passed away.
- She became the third woman to receive an Oscar, a BAFTA and a Golden Globe for the same performance after winning her Academy Awards.
- Her Career spanned six decades including TV and film.



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