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INTERNATIONAL

1) International Telecommunication Union

India secured leadership position in ITU's Council Standing Committee on Administration and Management. ITU founded in 1865, is United Nations specialized agency for information and communication. ITU currently has a membership of 193 countries. India has been a regular member of ITU since 1952. Headquartered- Geneva, Switzerland.

NATIONAL

1) Accessible India Campaign

Accessible India Campaign's targets will finally be achieved in June 2022. Accessible India Campaign (Sugamya Bharat Abhiyan) objective is to achieve universal accessibility for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs).

STATE NEWS

1) 'J form'

Punjab will be the first state in the country to provide "digitized form J" in real-time to farmers from this Rabi procurement season. 'J form' is the sale receipt of a farmer's agricultural produce in mandis (grain market) which acts as an income proof for a farmer who sells his crop. J Forms can also be stored in DigiLocker.

2) Uttar Pradesh has become the top producer of vegetables

Uttar Pradesh has become the top producer of vegetables, getting back its first position by demoting West Bengal to the second position, with a difference of a million tonnes in production in 2021-22 Crop Year (CY) (July-June), after two years since 2020.

BUSINESS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Axis bank takes Citibank's India consumer business

Citigroup has announced that Axis Bank will be acquiring Citibank's India consumer business for an amount of USD 1.6 billion (Rs 12,325 crores) in an all-cash deal. This transaction will be including Citibank India's consumer banking businesses, which include retail banking, credit cards, consumer loans, and wealth management.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Dr S Raju

Dr S Raju has taken over as the Director-General of the Geological Survey of India. He succeeds R. S. Garkhal who superannuated on March 31, 2022. Dr.S. Raju joined the Geological Survey of India in 1988.





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IMPORTANT DAYS

1) The International Children's Book Day

The International Children's Book Day is organised annually on the 2nd of April since 1967, by the International Board on Books for Young People. IBBY is an international non-profit organization, to inspire a love of reading and to call attention to children's books.

2) World Autism Awareness Day

World Autism Awareness Day is observed annually on 2nd April by the member states of the United Nations. The theme for 'World Autism Awareness Day 2022' is "Inclusive Quality Education for All".

SPORTS

1) Khelo India University Games 2021

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Singh Thakur and Governor of Karnataka, TC Gehlot launched the logo, jersey, mascot and anthem of the Khelo India University Games 2021 (KIUG 2021) at the Sree Kanteerava Stadium in Bengaluru. The theme song has been composed by Kannada rapper Chandan Shetty.

2) 83rd National Table Tennis Championship 2022

Meghalaya is geared up to host the 83rd National Table Tennis Championship 2022, which will take place at the SAI Indoor Training Centre, NEHU in Shillong from April 18 to 25. This is the second time the Northeast has hosted the world's largest table tennis tournament.

