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INTERNATIONAL

1) World's longest Metro Line

World's longest Metro Line was opened in China's Shanghai. With this inauguration, Shanghai uphold its rank as the city with the largest Metro network worldwide. The opening of two new lines has increased the total number of fully automatic metro lines in Shanghai to five, having an operating length of 167 km.

2) BRICS New Development Bank

Egypt added as the fourth new member of BRICS New Development Bank. Bangladesh, UAE, and Uruguay joined BRICS New Development Bank in September 2021. Membership expansion enables New Development Bank to position itself as a premier development institution for emerging economies.

3) Corbevax

The Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine announced that Corbevax, a protein subunit Covid vaccine, has received approval from the Drugs Controller General of India to launch it in India. The initial construct and production process of the vaccine antigen was developed at TCH's Centre for Vaccine Development.

NATIONAL

1) White Rhinoceros relocated

30 white rhinos were transferred from South Africa to Rwanda, onboard a Boeing 747 chartered plane. They were transferred in light of increasing threat of illegal poaching. It was the largest single transfer of white rhinos ever. The White Rhinoceros are also known as square-lipped rhinoceros while their scientific name is Ceratotherium.

2) Tiger deaths

According to National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), in 2021 India reported the death of around 126 tigers. Madhya Pradesh with 44 tiger deaths, is followed by Maharashtra (26) and Karnataka (14). The tiger is globally listed as "endangered" on the International Union for the conversion of Nature (IUCN) Red List.

3) India Semiconductor Mission

Information Technology Minister, Ashwini Vaishnaw, launched India Semiconductor Mission. The mission has been set up with the objective of building a vibrant semiconductor besides displaying ecosystem in order for India to emergence as a global hub in electronics manufacturing and design.

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STATE NEWS

1) "Veerangana Laxmibai Railway Station"

The government of UP has renamed the Jhansi Railway Station, in Jhansi, UP as "Veerangana Laxmibai Railway Station" after Rani Laxmibai. The announcement was made by UP Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) "Sahitya Akademi Awards

The Sahitya Akademi announced its prestigious "Sahitya Akademi Awards, Yuva Puraskar as well as Bal Sahitya Puraskar" for 2021 in various languages. The Sahitya Akademy Award 2021 was given in 20 Indian languages. Namita Gokhale received it in English for her novel titled 'Things to Leave Behind'.

SPORTS

1) Quinton de Kock

South Africa's wicketkeeper-batter Quinton de Kock has announced his retirement from Test cricket with immediate effect late. De Kock cited his intentions to spend more time with his growing family for the timing.

2) Ross Taylor

New Zealand batter, Ross Taylor has announced retirement from international cricket at the end of the ongoing domestic season. Taylor hence will play his final appearance in the second Test against Bangladesh, where will equal Daniel Vettori's record of 112 tests for New Zealand. He is the first cricketer to play more than 100 matches for New Zealand in all 3 formats.



