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INTERNATIONAL

1) Shijian-21

China successfully launched a new satellite named Shijian-21. The satellite will be used to test and verify space debris mitigation technologies. Shijian-21 was launched from the Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in southwest China's Sichuan Province on a Long March-3B carrier rocket.

2) "Korean Satellite Launch Vehicle II"

South Korea recently launched its first indigenously developed rocket, known as "Korean Satellite Launch Vehicle II" or "Nuri". The launch vehicle lifted off from the Naro Space Center, in Goheung, built on an island nearly 300 miles (500 kilometres) south of Seoul. Nuri rocket is 47.2 metres long and weighs 200 tons. The three-stage rocket is fitted with six liquid-fuelled engines.

NATIONAL

1) Indian Navy launches offshore Sailing Regatta

The Indian Navy has organised an Offshore Sailing Regatta from Kochi to Goa, as a part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations, and above all, boost the spirit of adventure and ocean sailing among the Navy Personnel.

2) Garuda app

The Election Commission of India has launched the Garuda app for digital mapping of all polling stations, to ensure faster, smarter, transparent and timely completion of election work. Through the Garuda app, Booth Level Officers will upload photos and location information of the polling stations, along with data like latitude and longitude of the centre.

APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS

1) Deepika Padukone

Adidas has roped in Bollywood actress Deepika Padukone as global ambassador for women sports. She will represent Adidas women globally. She joins the elite list of female brand ambassadors of Adidas in India.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

1) 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award

Actor Rajinikanth was honoured with the prestigious 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award at the 67th National Film Awards ceremony, for his contribution as an actor, producer and screenwriter. He received the prestigious award from Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu for his stupendous contribution to Indian cinema.



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BOOKS AND AUTHORS

1) "Writing for My Life"

"Writing for My Life", an anthology of author Ruskin Bond has been released. It contains some of the most exemplary stories, essays, poems and memories of Ruskin Bond. The selections for this anthology have been made by Bond himself and his editor Premanka Goswami. Ruskin Bond is an Indian author of British descent.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1) World Polio Day

World Polio Day is celebrated annually on October 24, to raise awareness for polio vaccination and eradication of polio. The Day was established by Rotary International to commemorate the birth of Jonas Salk, who led the first team to develop a vaccine against poliomyelitis. 2021 theme for World Polio Day is "Delivering on a Promise."

2) International Day of Diplomats

The International Day of Diplomats is celebrated on 24 October every year. The day aims to commemorate the contributions made by diplomats in shaping the world since ancient times and in making our planet a better place.

SPORTS

1) FIFA Rankings 2021

India has ranked 106th in the FIFA (Fédération Internationale de Football Association) Rankings 2021, the position of team India was increased to one spot. After the victory in the SAFF (South Asian Football Federation) Championship 2021 of team India led by Sunil Chhetri, it has secured the 106th position. Belgium is at 1st position. Brazil holds 2nd position.

2) 2022 South Asian Federation Cross Country Championships

The 2022 South Asian Federation Cross Country Championships is scheduled to be held in Kohima, Nagaland on January 15, 2022. Besides this, the 56th National Cross Country Championships will also be clubbed with the South Asian Federation Cross Country Championships. This will be the first-ever national athletics event hosted by Nagaland.