

Bihar Special

NIFT Extension Centre to be opened in Begusarai

Why in the news?

NIFT Extension Centre to be opened in Begusarai, inauguration on 17th September 2024.

- ❖ **Inaugurated by** - Textile Minister of Government of India Giriraj Singh.
- ❖ The Extension Centre will be opened in Gemra opposite HPCL in Begusarai.
- ❖ **Objective** - To promote the local artists along with local students interested in the field of fashion can get training in various disciplines here.

Miscellaneous

St James's Park

Why in the news?

St James's Park, London was announced as the location for the UK's national memorial to Queen Elizabeth II.

- ❖ **Location Selection**-The site was chosen due to its historical significance and personal connection to the late Queen, as well as its proximity to the ceremonial route of The Mall
- ❖ **Memorial Purpose**-CReflect Queen Elizabeth II's extraordinary life of service and provide a space for pause and reflection.

Site Details

- ❖ The Memorial will encompass St James's Park near Marlborough Gate.
- ❖ Includes surrounding land and the pathway leading to the lake, including the Blue Bridge.

Committee Involvement

- ❖ Established by the UK Government and Royal Household in 2023.



Semicon India 2024

Why in the news?

The Uttar Pradesh government will host Semicon India 2024 at India Expo Mart, Greater Noida, from September 11 to 13.

- ❖ Organized in collaboration with SEMI, Messe Muenchen India, and the Electronic Industries Association of India.

Inauguration

- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi will inaugurate the event on September 11, with Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath also present.

Concurrent Events

- ❖ Semicon India 2024 will run alongside Electronica India and Productronica India, Southeast Asia's largest electronics fairs.

Objective

- ❖ The event aims to enhance India's semiconductor sector and position the country as a significant global player.

State's Economic Goals

- ❖ Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has invited investors to explore opportunities in Uttar Pradesh, aiming to transform the state into a one trillion dollar economy.



Awards and Honors

Venice Film Festival Awards 2024

Why in the news?

The 81st edition of the Venice Film Festival concluded with its award ceremony, celebrating the top films, directors, and actors of the year.

Award	Winner(s)	Film	Country
Golden Lion for Best Film	Pedro Almodóvar	The Room Next Door	Spain
Silver Lion Grand Jury Prize	Maura Delpero	Vermiglio	Italy, France, Belgium
Silver Lion Award for Best Director	Brady Corbet	The Brutalist	UK
Volpi Cup for Best Actress	Nicole Kidman	Babygirl	US
Volpi Cup for Best Actor	Vincent Lindon	Jouer Avec Le Feu	France

Award for Best Screenplay	Murilo Hauser, Heitor Lorega	I'm Still Here	Brazil, France
Special Jury Prize	Dea Kulumbegashvili	April	France, Italy, Georgia
Marcello Mastroianni Award for Best Young Actor or Actress	Paul Kircher	Leurs Enfants Après Eux	France



Sports

Randhir Singh

Why in the news?

Randhir Singh became the first Indian to be elected as the president of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) during the 44th General Assembly of the OCA in New Delhi.

- ❖ Tenure- from 2024 till 2028.
- ❖ A five-time Olympic shooter, Randhir previously served as an International Olympic Committee (IOC) member from 2001 to 2014.

Randhir Singh's Sports Achievements and Honors

Randhir Singh competed in four Asian Games between 1978 and 1994.

- ❖ Won an individual gold medal in trap shooting in 1978.
- ❖ Secured a bronze medal in a trap in 1982.
- ❖ Won a team silver medal in trap in 1986.

He also competed at the 1978 Commonwealth Games in Edmonton, Canada.

- ❖ In 1979, he was awarded the prestigious Arjuna Award.
- ❖ He was also conferred with the Maharaja Ranjit Singh Award in 1979.

About the Olympic Council of Asia

- ❖ The Olympic Council of Asia is the governing body for sports in Asia. It is recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

- ❖ The General Assembly is the highest decision-making body of the OCA.



Deepali Thapa

Why in the news?

Indian boxer Deepali Thapa has made history by becoming the first-ever Asian Schoolgirl Champion in Al Ain, UAE.

- ❖ With her win, India has won seven out of 15 women's titles at the Asian Championships. In the 33 kg weight category, Thapa defeated Ukraine's Liudmyla Vasylychenko in the final.



Deepali Thapa Makes History By Becoming First-Ever Asian Schoolgirl Champion; India Wins 7 Titles

Paris Paralympics 2024

Why in the news?

India achieved a record 29 medals at the Paris Paralympics 2024, including seven gold, nine silver, and 13 bronze. In the Tokyo Paralympics in 2021, India finished with 19 medals.

Dates: August 28 - September 8, 2024

- ❖ **Host City:** Paris
- ❖ **Indian Contingent:** 84 para-athletes, largest contingent in history.
- ❖ **Events:** India will compete in 12 out of 22 sports.

Opening Ceremony Flag Bearers:

- ❖ **Sumit Antil** - Tokyo Paralympics gold medallist in F64 javelin throw
- ❖ **Bhagyashri Jadhav** - Asian Para Games silver medallist in shot put (F34 category)

India's medals won in the Paris Paralympics by sport:

- ❖ **Athletics:** 4 gold; 6 silver; 7 bronze
- ❖ **Badminton:** 1 gold; 2 silver; 2 bronze
- ❖ **Shooting:** 1 gold; 1 silver; 2 bronze
- ❖ **Archery:** 1 gold; 1 bronze
- ❖ **Judo:** 1 bronze

India will finish the Paralympics on the 16th position in the medal tally with 29 medals. China is on the first position with a whopping 216 medals followed by Great Britain (120) and the USA (102).

Medals tally at Paris Paralympics

Order	Team/NPC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	People's Republic of China	94	73	49	216
2	Great Britain	47	42	31	120
3	United States of America	36	41	25	102
4	Netherlands	26	17	12	55
5	Italy	24	15	32	71
16	India	7	9	13	29



List of India's Medal Winners

Medal	Name	Event	Discipline
Gold	Avani Lekhara	Women's 10m air rifle standing SH1	Shooting
	Nitesh Kumar	Men's singles SL3	Badminton
	Sumit Antil	Men's Javelin throw F64	Athletics
	Harvinder Singh	Men's individual Recurve	Archery
	Dharambir	Men's club throw 51	Athletics
	Praveen Kumar	T64 High Jump	Athletics
	Navdeep Singh	Men's Javelin F41	Athletics
Silver	Manish Narwal	Men's 10m air pistol SH1	Shooting
	Nishad Kumar	Men's high jump T47	Athletics
	Yogesh Kathuniya	Men's discus throw F56	Athletics
	Thulasimathi Murugesan	Women's singles SU5	Badminton
	Suhas Yathiraj	Men's singles SL4	Badminton
	Ajeet Singh	Men's Javelin F46	Athletics
	Sharad Kumar	Men's High Jump T63	Athletics
	Sachin Khilari	Men's Shot Put F46	Athletics
	Pranav Soorma	Men's club throw 51	Athletics
Bronze	Mona Agarwal	Women's 10m air rifle standing SH1	Shooting
	Preethi Pal	Women's 100m T35	Athletics
	Rubina Francis	Women's 10m Air Pistol SH1	Shooting
	Preethi Pal	Women's 200m T35	Athletics

Manisha Ramadass	Women's singles SU5	Badminton
Nithya Sre Sivan	Women's singles SH6	Badminton
Deepthi Jeevanji	Women's 400m T20	Athletics
Sundar Singh Gurjar	Men's Javelin F46	Athletics
Mariyappan Thangavelu	Men's High Jump T63	Athletics
Hokato Sema	Men's Shot Put F57	Athletics
Simran Singh	Women's 200m T12	Athletics
Kapil Parmar	Judo Men's – 60kg	Judo
Rakesh Kumar / Sheetal Devi	Mixed team compound open	Archery



Important Days/ Dates

International Literacy Day 2024

Why in the news?

International Literacy Day 2024 is celebrated annually on September 8.

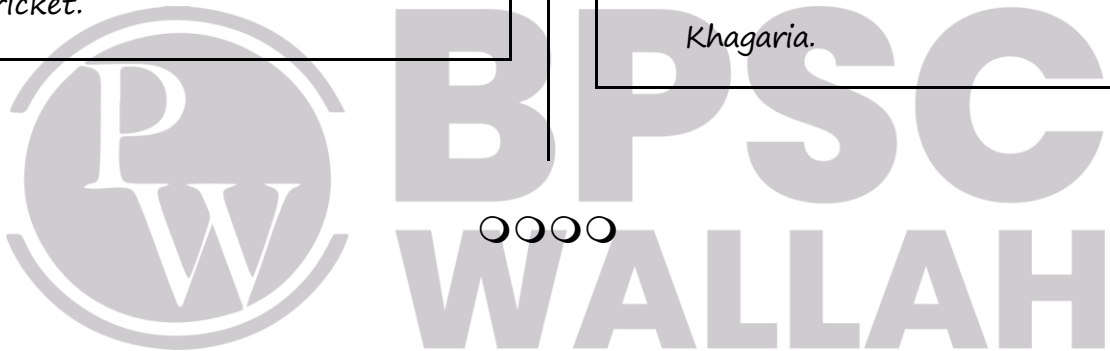
- ❖ The theme for International Literacy Day 2024 is 'Promoting multilingual education: Literacy for mutual understanding and peace.'
- ❖ International Literacy Day was established by UNESCO on October 26, 1966, during its 14th General Conference. The first celebration took place in 1967.



News in Short:

- ❖ Senior bureaucrat Tuhin Kanta Pandey was designated as the new finance secretary.
- ❖ Aryna Sabalenka (Belarusian) beats Jessica Pegula to win maiden US Open women's title. This victory marks Sabalenka's third career Grand Slam title.
- ❖ England's versatile all-rounder Moeen Ali has officially announced his retirement from international cricket.

- ❖ The Room Next Door, a pro-euthanasia film, won the prestigious Golden Lion award for best film at the Venice Film Festival. The film stars Tilda Swinton and Julianne Moore and was directed by Pedro Almodóvar.
- ❖ The backward class and extremely backward class welfare department has approved two crore 58 lakh 60 thousand for increasing facilities in Jannayak Karpuri Thakur hostels Patna. The amount has been sent to all districts except Siwan and Khagaria.



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