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Indian Shooter Rubina Francis

Won Bronze

In the Paralympic Games, Indian shooter Rubina Francis won bronze medal in the women's 10 meter air pistol SH1 final qualification round.



Key point

- ❖ Rubina secured India's fourth medal in shooting at the 17th Summer Paralympic Games.
- ❖ The 25-year-old shooter from Madhya Pradesh scored a total of 211.1 to finish third in the final.
- ❖ India has won four medals in shooting at the ongoing Paralympics.
- ❖ Avani Lekhara won gold, while Mona Agarwal clinched bronze in the women's 10m air rifle SH1.
- ❖ On the other hand, Manish Narwal secured a silver medal in the men's 10 meter air pistol SH1 with a score of 234.9.

Shri Satish Kumar takes charge as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Railway Board

Shri. Satish Kumar took over the charge of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Railway Board (Ministry of Railways)



Key points -

- ❖ The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet had earlier approved the appointment of Shri Satish Kumar as Chairman & CEO of Railway Board.
- ❖ Shri Satish Kumar, a distinguished officer of the 1986 batch of the Indian Railway Service of Mechanical Engineers (IRSME), has made significant contributions to Indian Railways throughout his illustrious career, spanning over 34 years.
- ❖ On 8th November 2022, he took charge as the General Manager of North Central Railway, Prayagraj, marking another milestone in his journey of public service
- ❖ Kumar is the first person from the Scheduled Castes to hold this position in the board's history, according to senior Railway Board officials.

Cyclone Asna

Cyclone Asna recently moved past Gujarat without making any serious impact on the prone regions, said officials.



Key point

- ❖ This is the first cyclonic storm in the Arabian Sea in August since 1976.
 - Between 1891 and 2023: Only three cyclonic storms formed in the Arabian Sea during August (in 1976, 1964, and 1944), according to the IMD.
- ❖ The name Asna has been given by Pakistan.
- ❖ The deep depression over the Kachchh coast and adjoining areas of Pakistan and the Northeast Arabian Sea
 - It moved westward and intensified into cyclonic storm 'Asna' and lay centered at 1130 hours over the same region, 190 km west-northwest of Bhuj (Gujarat).
- ❖ Tropical cyclones generally do not cross the equator due to the Coriolis effect, which is responsible for the rotation of cyclones.
 - The Coriolis effect is weakest at the equator and increases as you move towards the poles.
 - This weak effect near the equator makes it difficult for cyclones to cross from one hemisphere to the other

Favorable Conditions for the Formation of Tropical Cyclone

- ❖ Large sea surface with temperature $> 27^{\circ} \text{C}$;

- ❖ Presence of the Coriolis force;
- ❖ Small variations in the vertical wind speed;
- ❖ A pre-existing weak low-pressure area or low-level-cyclonic circulation and
- ❖ Upper divergence above the sea level system.
- ❖ In the South Atlantic and South-Eastern Pacific regions in tropical latitudes, cyclones do not originate because of low sea surface temperatures.

Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 hockey

The eighth edition of women's hockey tournament shall be played at the new **Rajgir** Hockey stadium from 11th November to 20th November.



Key Points

- ❖ It is for the first time ever that an international hockey event will be held in Bihar.
- ❖ The next scheduled event is the eighth tournament, organized eight years after the first event was held in 2010; the competition is for the women's hockey teams of the six best Asian nations.

- ❖ The Women's Asian Champions Trophy of 2023 was conducted in Ranchi, Jharkhand, in India. In this event, the Indian women's hockey team emerged victorious and won the second edition of Women's Asian Champions Trophy by beating Japan 4-0 in the final held at the Jaipal Singh Stadium.
- ❖ The Republic of Korea is the overall most successful nation of the Women's Asian Champions Trophy as they have won the title three times, in 2010, 2011 and 2018.
- ❖ It's interesting to note that while not a single Indian player or pair has won all four titles, India and Japan have each secured two titles apiece.
- ❖ The Indian team also played the final in the 2013 and 2018 series.

Preethi Pal Makes History With Bronze And Nishad Kumar Wins Silver At Paris Paralympics 2024

At Paris Paralympics 2024, Indian Para Athlete Preethi Pal secured yet another medal for India, clinching a Bronze medal in the Women's 200 meters – T35 Final.



Key Points:

- ❖ She won the medal with a personal best timing of 30.01 seconds.

- ❖ With this win, she became the first track and field Indian Woman Para Athlete to win two medals at the Paralympics.
- ❖ On the other hand, Indian athlete Nishad Kumar also won a silver medal with an effort of 2.04 meter in Men's High Jump – T47 event.

Madhya Pradesh Becomes The Soybean State

Madhya Pradesh has again emerged as the 'Soybean State' of the country and left behind Maharashtra to realize the maximum soybean production for the year 2023-24.

	Rank	State	Production (mn tonnes)	Contribution To Total Production
2023-24	1 st	Madhya Pradesh	5.47	41.92%
	2 nd	Maharashtra	5.23	40.01%
	3 rd	Rajasthan	1.17	8.96%
2022-23	1 st	Maharashtra	5.47	42.12%
	2 nd	Madhya Pradesh	5.39	41.50%
2021-22	1 st	Maharashtra	6.20	48.7%
	2 nd	Madhya Pradesh	4.61	35.78%
2020-21	1 st	Madhya Pradesh	5.15	45.05%
	2 nd	Maharashtra	4.6	—

Key Points

- ❖ As per the latest figures from the Government of India, Madhya Pradesh now holds the top spot in soybean production, achieving an output of 5.47 million tonnes.
- ❖ Maharashtra follows closely behind with a production of 5.23 million tonnes.
- ❖ Maharashtra contributes 40.01% to India's overall soybean production.
- ❖ Rajasthan ranks third, producing 1.17 million tonnes of soybean,

accounting for 8.96% of the nation's total production.

- ❖ In 2021-22, Maharashtra held the first position in soybean production, with an output of 6.20 million tonnes, contributing 48.7% to the nation's total soybean production.
- ❖ During the same period, Madhya Pradesh ranked second, producing 4.61 million tonnes, which accounted for 35.78% of the country's overall production.

Short News

- ❖ On August 28, French President Emmanuel Macron received the Olympic Order from International Olympic Committee (IOC) President Thomas Bach during an official ceremony at the Elysée Palace in Paris.
- ❖ On Day five of the ongoing Paris Paralympics 2024 has begun on a positive note for India as Yogesh Kathuniya clinched silver in men's discus throw F56 final, taking the country's overall tally to eight medals.

- ❖ Air Marshal Tejinder Singh took over as Deputy Chief of the Air Staff of the Indian Air Force in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Assam Assembly has passed the "Assam Compulsory Registration of Muslim Marriages and Divorces Bill, 2024," which requires the registration of all Muslim marriages and divorces with the government.
- ❖ The University of Southampton UK, will establish a campus in the National Capital Region (NCR) of India.
- ❖ Adani Group Chairman Gautam Adani replaced Reliance Industries Chairman and Managing Director Mukesh Ambani to become the richest Indian, as per the 2024 Hurun India Rich List.
- ❖ Novak Djokovic became the first player (male or female) in tennis history to win 90 matches at each of the four Grand Slam tournaments (Australian Open, Roland Garros (French Open) Wimbledon, US Open).

Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. At which of the following places, Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 hockey is going to organize?

- (a) Ranchi
- (b) Patna
- (c) Rajgir
- (d) Bhuvneshwar

Answer – (c)

2. Indian para shooter Rubina Francis Belongs to which of the following states of India?

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Madhya Pradesh
- (c) Bihar
- (d) Kerala

Answer – (b)

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