

International

Spain will provide military aid to Ukraine valued at one billion euros



About News:-

- ❖ In a deal signed in Madrid by Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, Spain promised to give military assistance to Ukraine valued at one billion euros (\$1.08 billion) this year.

Key Points :-

- ❖ Twelve Patriot anti-aircraft missiles built in the United States, nineteen Leopard 2A4 tanks that were once owned by Germany, and additional Spanish-made weaponry like anti-drone gear and ammo will all be shipped to Ukraine by Spain.
- ❖ Humanitarian aid, economic recovery, reconstruction, support for Ukrainian reforms on the path to EU and NATO membership and our Peace Formula, and strengthening of sanctions against Russia – all these areas of cooperation are covered in our agreement.

About Spain:-

- ❖ **Capital :-** Madrid
- ❖ **Currency :-** Euro
- ❖ **Prime Minister :-** Pedro Sánchez

National

Shri Sanjay Kumar inaugurates Summer Fiesta 2024 at National Bal Bhavan, New Delhi



About News:-

Shri Sanjay Kumar, Secretary, Department of School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, today inaugurated the month-long "Summer Fiesta 2024" at the National Bal Bhavan, New Delhi. Summer Fiesta is a month-long camp comprising over 30 types of different activities for children aged between 5 to 16 years.

Key Points :-

- ❖ Summer Fiesta 2024, which runs from 29th May to 28th June 2024,
- ❖ promises a myriad of engaging and innovative activities in the fields of Creative and Performing Arts, Science, and more, ensuring that every child finds something intriguing to explore and learn.
- ❖ During the Summer Fiesta, special workshops and programs will be conducted weekly, including sessions on Odissi dance, Yoga, Calligraphy, Music recitals, Games, etc.
- ❖ These workshops are designed to provide children with opportunities to develop and showcase their skills and talents.
- ❖ The National Bal Bhavan, an autonomous body under the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, was established in 1956. It was founded with the vision of fostering learning through thinking, imagination, creativity, and entertaining activities for children.

About New Delhi:-

- ❖ **Lt. Governor:-** Vinai Kumar Saxena
- ❖ **Chief Minister :-** Arvind Kejriwal

Maharashtra

Bank of Maharashtra Launches the Maha Krishi Samrudhi Yojana to Provide Funding for the Food and Agro-Based Sectors

About News:-

The Maha Krishi Samrudhi Yojana (MKSU) is a critical initiative launched by the Bank of Maharashtra (BoM) to provide financial support to food and agro-based industries and agri-infrastructure projects, including startups engaged in processing activities and the construction of agricultural infrastructure facilities.



बँक ऑफ महाराष्ट्र
Bank of Maharashtra
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Key Points :-

About the MKSU, or Maha Krishi Samrudhi Yojana:-

Qualifications:-

- ❖ MKSU provides support to individuals, proprietorships, limited liability partnership concerns, farmer-producer corporations (FPCs), partnerships, private limited corporations, and public limited companies.
- ❖ Additionally covered by MKSU under "Agriculture" are newly established food and agro-processing facilities (including those taken over from banks and financial institutions).

Features:-

- ❖ MKSU provides financing for both new and existing unit expansions. This covers the purchase or construction of real estate, buildings, machinery, and plants under the project's budget (which also involves taking over the current unit).
- ❖ This covers products and services such as bank guarantees (BGs), working capital/export credit, letters of credit (LCs), and term loans with a maximum loan ceiling of up to Rs. 100 crore (no minimum amount required).
- ❖ Term loan payback terms under MKSU are up to ten years. All loans for working capital must be repaid upon demand.

- ❖ The MKSU cluster-based approach aligns with the Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MoFPI) One District One Product (ODOP) initiative.
- ❖ MKSU complies with directives from the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare (MoAF&W) and the Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (DA&FW).

About Bank of Maharashtra:-

- ❖ **Established-** 16 September 1935
- ❖ **MD & CEO -** Nidhu Saxena
- ❖ **Headquarters-** Pune, Maharashtra
- ❖ **Tagline-** One Family One Bank

Economics

RBI Annual Report: Unclaimed bank deposits increase by 26% to Rs 78,213 crore



About News:-

According to the RBI Annual Report, unclaimed deposits with banks increased by 26% year over year to Rs 78,213 crore by the end of March 2024.

Key Points :-

- ❖ As of the end of March 2023, the amount in the Depositor Education and Awareness Fund was Rs 62,225 crore.
- ❖ Banks, including cooperative banks, send unclaimed deposits to the RBI's Depositor Education and Awareness (DEA) Fund on behalf of account holders who have had their accounts open for ten years or more.
- ❖ The Reserve Bank created the centralized web platform UDGM (Unclaimed Deposits Gateway to Access Information) to make it easier for depositors to search for unclaimed deposits across numerous institutions quickly and centrally.

About RBI:-

- ❖ **Reserve Bank of India**
- ❖ **Headquarters:-** Mumbai
- ❖ **Established:-** 1 April 1935
- ❖ **Governor :-** Shaktikanta Das

Sport

Indian Arm Wrestlers Win Seven Medals At Asian Championship 2024



About News:-

The Indian arm wrestling contingent delivered an outstanding performance at the 2024 Asian Championship in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, bringing home a total of seven medals, which included one gold and six bronze

Key Points :-

- ❖ Under the leadership of President Ms. Preeti Jhangiani, the People's Armwrestling Federation of India, the Indian contingent was competing.
- ❖ In the left-hand para category, Shrimant Jha took part and won a gold medal; in the right-hand para category, he took home one bronze medal.
- ❖ In the Masters division, Laxman Singh Bhandari (Left & Right hand) won two bronze medals.
- ❖ One of the Pro Panja League's top players for the Baroda Badshahs, Sachin Goyal, is also quite well-liked on social media. He placed third in the competitive right-hand Senior category.
- ❖ Meanwhile, Ibi Lollen from Arunachal Pradesh clinched two bronze medals in the Women's right and left-hand categories. Pramod Mukhi stood in fourth place in a fiercely intense bout.

Appointment

Harsh Kumar Jain was appointed as India's ambassador to the Philippines



About News:-

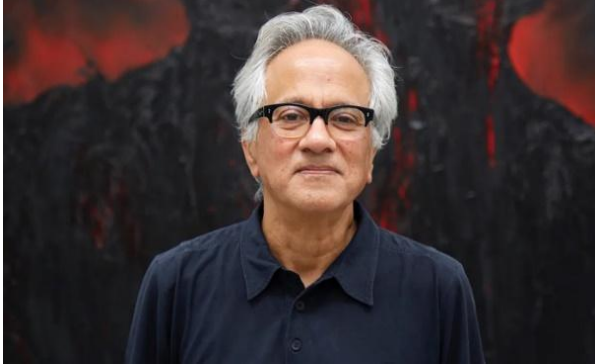
“Shri Harsh Kumar Jain (IFS: 1993), presently Ambassador of India to Ukraine, has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Republic of the Philippines.”

key Points :-

- ❖ Harsh Kumar Jain has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Philippines, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA)
- ❖ Presently, Jain is posted as India's Ambassador to Ukraine.
- ❖ He joined the Embassy of India in Kyiv on April 5, 2022.
- ❖ Jain has served as India's Ambassador to Kazakhstan from 2014-2017 and Slovakia from 2017-2018. Before this, he served in different capacities at Indian Missions in Moscow, Kyiv, St Petersburg, London, and Kathmandu.
- ❖ He had also served as a Member of the UN Group of Governmental Experts on the Developments in the Field of Information and Telecommunications in the context of International Security during 2012-13, according to the Indian Embassy in Kyiv.
- ❖ At headquarters in Delhi, he served as the Head of the BIMSTEC and SAARC Division, Global Estate Management Division and e-Governance, Information Technology and Cyber Diplomacy Division. He served as desk officer for Afghanistan from 2002-04.

Award

Anish Kapoor, a sculptor of Indian descent, topped the sixth Hurun India Art List in 2024



About News:-

- ❖ British Indian sculptor Anish Kapoor topped the Hurun India Art List (2024) for the sixth year in a row, according to the Hurun Research Institute's sixth edition of the list, which was published on May 28, 2024.
- ❖ Due to the strong sales of his artwork at public auctions, which totaled Rs 79.9 crore, he topped the list.

Key Points :-

- ❖ Arpita Singh, an 87-year-old who came in third place on the list iii, was the highest-ranking female artist. With cumulative sales of Rs 12.1 crore, 27-year-old Rohtak,
- ❖ Haryana resident Raghav Babbar is the youngest artist in India to be listed in the Hurun India Artist List 2024. He is rated eighth.
- ❖ The oldest artist on the list, Krishen Khanna (99), is ranked fifth with a total worth of Rs 18 crore for his artistic creations. This indicated a 32% rise over the prior year.

About Hurun India:-

- ❖ **Managing Director(MD) and Chief Researcher-** Anas Rahman Junaid
- ❖ **Headquarters-** Mumbai, Maharashtra
- ❖ Founded in London (UK) in 1998, Hurun Report Inc. is a prestigious research, premium publishing, and events organization. In 2012, Hurun India was introduced.

Science & Technology

The first rocket in history with a fully 3D printed engine is launched by Agnikul



About News:-

- ❖ The first rocket in history to use a single, 3D-printed engine was launched by an IIT Madras-backed start-up today, May 30, 2024, at 7:15 AM from Sriharikota.
- ❖ Native American design and development were the only ways this amazing accomplishment was made possible.

Key Points :-

- ❖ 'Agnibaan - SOrTeD' Sub-Orbital Technology Demonstrator also has the unique distinction of having been launched from India's first private launch pad called 'Dhanush' established by Agnikul.
- ❖ It is also India's first semi-cryogenic engine-powered rocket launch.

About Agnibaan:-

- ❖ Agnibaan is a two-stage rocket with a capacity to carry up to 300 kg to a height of 700 km.
- ❖ The rocket engines are powered by liquid oxygen or kerosene.
- ❖ It can access both low- and high-inclination orbits and is completely mobile, designed for accessing more than 10 launch ports, as per the company.
- ❖ The rocket uses a semi-cryogenic engine with a mix of liquid and gas propellants, a technology that is yet to be demonstrated by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) in any of its rockets.

- ❖ The Agnilet sub-cooled liquid oxygen-based propulsion system, which was developed domestically, will power the SOrTeD mission, a single-stage launch vehicle demonstration.
- ❖ In addition to collecting vital flight data and demonstrating in-house and domestically developed technology, the test flight seeks to guarantee optimal system performance for Agnikul's orbital launch vehicle, the "Agnibaan."

About Agnikul Cosmos Private Limited:-

- ❖ **Chief Executive Officer (CEO) & Co-founder:-** Srinath Ravichandran
- ❖ **Headquarters:-** Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ **Established:-** 2017

Miscellaneous

Indian climber Satyadeep Gupta Makes History by Becoming the First to Climb Both Mount Everest and Mount Lhotse in a Single Season



Key Points :-

- ❖ Satyadeep Gupta, an Indian mountaineer, made history by being the first person to climb both Mount Everest and Mount Lhotse twice in a single season.
- ❖ Being the first Indian to climb Mount Everest to Mount Lhotse in 11 hours and 15 minutes set another record.
- ❖ The organizers claim that on Monday at midday, Gupta scaled the 8,516-meter-high Mount Lhotse, and at midnight, at 12:45 am, he successfully ascended the 8,849-meter-high Mount Everest.

- ❖ This remarkable feat is the first Double Dual Ascent of the fourth-highest peak in the world and the highest peak in the world in a single season. Climbing guides Pastemba Sherpa and Nima Ungdi Sherpa were with him.
- ❖ Gupta had previously summited Mt Everest on May 21 and Mt Lhotse on May 22.

Important Day

World No Tobacco Day - 31 May



World No Tobacco Day is observed on 31 May, every year by the World Health Organization (WHO).

The day is dedicated to spreading awareness about the harmful effects of tobacco and the need to reduce tobacco consumption.

The theme for 2024 is "Protecting Children from Tobacco Industry Interference,"

History:-

- ❖ World No Tobacco Day was first marked in 1987, while the World Health Organization (WHO) was established in 1948.
- ❖ The purpose of the day is to raise public awareness of the damaging effects of tobacco use on human health as well as the pervasive commercial promotion of tobacco products.

Significance:-

- ❖ The purpose of World No Tobacco Day is to increase public awareness of the dangers that smoking poses to one's health.
- ❖ This covers the risks associated with smoking and using other tobacco products, emphasizing how they are linked to several illnesses and conditions like cancer, heart disease, stroke, and respiratory disorders.

