



### **Govt celebrates 10th anniversary of 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao' scheme**

Government is celebrating the 10th anniversary of Beti Bachao Beti Padhao scheme on 22nd January 2025, marking a decade of relentless efforts to protect, educate, and empower the girl child.

- ❖ The celebration will span from today, 22nd January, to 8th March 2025, culminating on International Women's Day.
- ❖ Initiated on 22nd January 2015.
- ❖ To address the declining Child Sex Ratio (CSR) and promote the education and empowerment of the girl child.
- ❖ The tagline is "Save the Daughter, Educate the Daughter" (*Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao*).

### **India to Celebrate Parakram Diwas 2025 to honour Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose**

- ❖ India will celebrate Parakram Diwas 2025 to honour the legacy of Netaji

Subhas Chandra Bose on the occasion of his 128th birth anniversary on 23rd January 2025.

- ❖ To commemorate the celebration, the Ministry of Culture will organize a three-day event in Cuttack, Odisha, the birthplace of Netaji and the city that shaped his early sensibilities.
- ❖ The event will be inaugurated by the Chief Minister of Odisha, Mohan Charan Majhi.
- ❖ Parakram Diwas was first celebrated on 23rd January 2021, marking the 125th birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

### **SEBI Plans New System for Immediate IPO Share Sales to Curb Grey Market Trading**

- ❖ SEBI plans to introduce a system allowing investors to sell shares immediately after allotment in an Initial Public Offering (IPO) to curb grey market trading.

- ❖ Organised by the Association of Investment Bankers of India (AIBI).
- ❖ SEBI Chairperson Ms. Madhabi Puri Buch said if investors wish to sell their shares immediately post allotment or pre-listing, it is better to give them that opportunity in a properly organised and regulated way.
- ❖ SEBI's role is to ensure IPO documents provide sufficient data for investors to assess pricing, not to determine the right IPO price.

**PM Modi Praises G-20 Sherpa  
Amitabh Kant's Book 'How India  
Scaled Mt. G-20'**

- ❖ The book "How India Scaled Mt. G-20" was authored by G-20 Sherpa Amitabh Kant.
- ❖ It highlights India's G-20 presidency and efforts toward human-centric development.
- ❖ The book was presented to Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who praised it for offering a lucid perspective on global development goals.

**World Bank appointed neutral expert  
backs India's stand on dispute with  
Pakistan regarding Indus Water  
Treaty.**

The World Bank-appointed Neutral Expert has announced that it is competent to decide on the differences between India and Pakistan over two hydropower projects in Jammu and Kashmir, under the Indus Water Treaty.

The Neutral Expert has rejected Pakistan's plea to facilitate the establishment of a Court of Arbitration to consider its concerns about the designs of the two hydroelectric power projects.

India maintained that the Neutral Expert is the only competent authority to address concerns over the projects, as per the treaty.

The disagreement centers around Kishenganga and Ratle hydroelectric power projects in Jammu and Kashmir under the Indus Water Treaty of 1960.

