

**Bihar Special****Space Exploration Campaign****Why in the news?**

The campaign will include a total of 100 students from various districts of Bihar for an exclusive visit to the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) in Bengaluru.

**Space Exploration Campaign:**

- ❖ The campaign is aimed at students who topped the district-level annual examination for Class 9 and the board examination for Class 10.
- ❖ According to the Bihar Education Project Council, 20 teachers from these districts will also participate in the campaign, with priority given to those who have contributed to organising science exhibitions, seminars, and quizzes.
- ❖ The programme will see one boy and one girl from each district visiting ISRO's Bengaluru centre to learn about space exploration.

**Polity And Governance****Atishi Marlena Singh****Why in the news?**

Delhi is set to get its third woman chief minister, after Congress' Sheila Dikshit and BJP's Sushma Swaraj, as AAP leader Atishi has been chosen to succeed Arvind Kejriwal.

- ❖ **Sheila Dikshit** was Delhi's longest-serving chief minister, who held the office for 15 years from 1998 to 2013, while Swaraj's tenure lasted 52 days in 1998.

**About Atishi Marlena Singh:**

- ❖ At the age of 43, she will be Delhi's youngest chief minister and is also set to become the second current woman chief minister in the country after West Bengal's Mamata Banerjee.
- ❖ She currently holds the most number of portfolios in the Delhi Cabinet, serving as the Minister for Finance, Water, Education, Public Works, Power, Revenue, Planning, Services, Law, Vigilance, and other key departments.

### Notable female CMs:

- ❖ It includes:



- Smt. Sucheta Kripalani was the first woman Chief Minister of India (Uttar Pradesh).
- Mehbooba Mufti, who served as the ninth chief minister of Jammu and Kashmir.
- Mayawati, who served as the 18th chief minister of Uttar Pradesh.
- Rabri Devi, the 21st chief minister of Bihar.
- Jayalalithaa, the fifth chief minister of Tamil Nadu.

### Economy

#### Government scraps windfall tax on crude oil

##### Why in the news?

The government of India announced the scrapping of windfall tax on crude oil from Rs 1,850 per tonne.

- ❖ Earlier, windfall tax on domestically produced crude oil was slashed to Rs 1,850 per tonne from previous Rs 2,100 per tonne.

##### Windfall tax:

- ❖ It is a tax levied by governments against certain industries when economic conditions allow those industries to experience significantly above-average profits.
- ❖ India imposed a windfall tax on crude oil producers from July 2022 and extended the levy on exports of gasoline, diesel and aviation fuel, as private refiners wanted to sell fuel overseas to gain from robust refining margins instead of selling locally.

### Environment And Geography

#### RE-INVEST 2024

##### Why in the news?

The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) organized the 4th edition of the Global Renewable Energy Investors Meet and Expo (4th RE-INVEST) from 16th to 18th September, 2024 at Mahatma Mandir, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

- It was inaugurated by the Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi.

❖ **At the RE-INVEST 2024:**

- Investments worth 32.45 lakh crore in the form of Shapath Patra has been pledged by 2030.
- Developers have committed an additional 570 GW, manufacturers have committed additional manufacturing capacities of 340 GW in solar modules, 240 GW in solar cells, 22 GW in wind turbines and 10 GW in electrolyzers.
- The India-Germany Platform for Investments in Renewable Energies Worldwide, was launched to develop concrete and sustainable solutions for the accelerated expansion of renewable energy.

**About RE-INVEST:**

- ❖ It is a Govt's flagship event to showcase India's RE potential to the world & to invite investment in the sector by initiating multilateral dialogue.
- ❖ It is a platform for bringing together global investors, developers, manufacturers, and innovators in the renewable energy sector.

- ❖ The first RE-INVEST India was held in 2015, and the second was held in 2018 and the third RE-INVEST India was held in 2020.



**Schemes/Campaign In News**

**Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign 2024**

**Why in the news?**

The Swachhata Hi Seva (SHS) 2024 campaign was launched by the Ministry of Jal Shakti and MoHUA as part of the Swachh Bharat Mission's (SBM) tenth anniversary.

- It will be organized from September 17th, 2024 to October 1st 2024.
- This nationwide effort will culminate in the grand observance of Swachh Bharat Diwas on October 2nd, 2024 reaffirming India's dedication to comprehensive cleanliness.

- ❖ **Theme:** "Swabhav Swachhata, Sanskar Swachhata,". It emphasizes collective action and citizen engagement for cleanliness.

**Focus of the campaign:**



- ❖ **Cleanliness Target Units (CTUs):** Shramdaan for transforming target areas.
- ❖ **Swachhata Mein Jan Bhagidari:** Promoting public participation and advocacy.
- ❖ **Safai Mitra Suraksha Shivar:** Health check-ups and social security for sanitation workers.

## Sports

### Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy 2024 (8th edition)

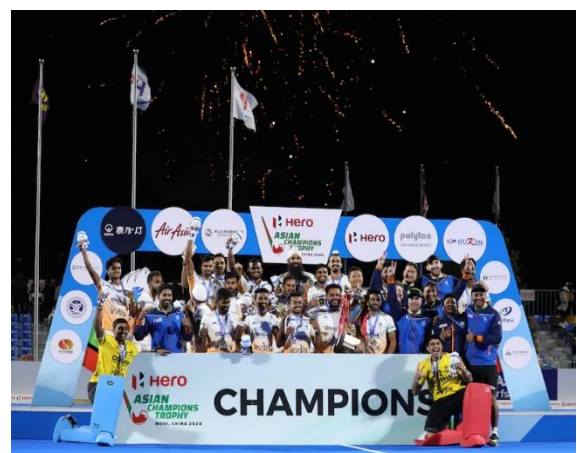
**Why in the news?**

Indian men's hockey team registered their record-extending fifth Asian Champions Trophy, when they defeated China 1-0 in the final of the 2024 edition of the tournament.

- ❖ The India hockey team was led by Harmanpreet Singh.
- ❖ **Venue:** The Moqi training base in Hulunbuir City, Inner Mongolia, China.

**About the Trophy:**

- ❖ The first edition of the Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy was played in 2011.
- ❖ India, Pakistan, Malaysia, Japan, South Korea, and China participated in the inaugural tournament. India emerged as the inaugural winners of the Asian Hockey Champions Trophy by defeating Pakistan.
- ❖ With five titles, India have won most Asian Men's Hockey Champions Trophy. Pakistan are at the second spot with three titles, including one shared with India.





### Persons In News

#### Mohana Singh

#### Why in the news?



Squadron Leader Mohana Singh scripted history by becoming the first woman fighter pilot to join the elite 18 'Flying Bullets' squadron, operating India's indigenously 'Made in India' LCA Tejas fighter jet's squadron.

- ❖ She was part of the recent exercise, 'Tarang Shakti' in Jodhpur, where she was part of the historic flight by three Vice Chiefs of the three forces.
- ❖ **Significance:** Her remarkable feat underscores the Indian Air Force's commitment to gender equality and empowerment.

### News in Short

- ❖ All India Football Federation (AIFF) has appointed Santosh Kashyap as the new head coach of the national senior women's team, replacing former international player Chaoba Devi.
  - His first assignment will be the SAFF Women's Championships to be held in Kathmandu, Nepal, from October 17 to 30, 2024.
- ❖ Online food ordering company Swiggy has launched "Project Next".
  - It is part of Swiggy's larger initiative Swiggy Skills, which was announced earlier this month with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.
  - It offers skilling, training, internship, and employment opportunities in its value chain.
- ❖ India hosted the 2nd Formal Meeting of the COP9 Bureau and the 3rd Formal Meeting of the Fund Approval Committee under the UNESCO International Convention against Doping in Sport in New Delhi.

- ❖ India's rising badminton star **Anmol Kharb** secured her first senior international title by winning the women's singles event at the Belgian International 2024 in Leuven.
- ❖ **Anurag Garg**, an IPS officer of the 1993 batch, has been appointed as the new director general of the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB).
- ❖ Himachal Pradesh has become the first state in the country to make a provision for property seizure in cases involving illegal and spurious liquor.

- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Subhadra Yojana of Odisha.
  - Under this scheme, all eligible beneficiaries between the age group of 21-60 years would receive ₹50,000 for five years between 2024-25 to 2028-29



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