

BIHAR CURRENT AFFAIRS (2)

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Bihar Special

Foundation Day of 47th Rashtriya Rifles

Why in the news?

The foundation day of the 1st Bihar and 47th Rashtriya Rifles Battalion was celebrated at Bihar Regiment Centre.



- 1st Bihar Battalion was established on 15th September 1941 and 47th Rashtriya Rifles Battalion was established in 2001.
- Tribute was paid at Veer Smriti Sthal of Bihar Regiment Centre to remember and honour the brave soldiers of both battalions.

Bihar got four Vande Bharat Trains

Why in the news?

Recently Bihar got the gift of four more Vande Bharat Express trains.

These trains would operate on the Tatanagar-Patna, Bhagalpur-Howrah and Gaya-Howrah routes, besides the Deoghar-Varanasi Vande Bharat that would pass through Bihar.

Prabhakar Nandan Prasad

Why in the news?

Prabhakar Nandan Prasad of Patna won the gold medal in the sixth All Kazakhstan Master International Swimming Competition.

- Prabhakar achieved this feat in the 200-meter freestyle event of the 60-64 age group of the championship held in Kazakhstan.
- The gold-winning player is also the life president of the Bihar Swimming Association.

Ahaetulla longirostris

Why in the news?

A new snake species with a long snout named 'Ahaetulla longirostris' (longsnouted vine

- snake) has been discovered in Valmiki Tiger Reserve (VTR), Bihar and Meghalaya.
- The detailed research findings were published in the Journal of Asia-Pacific Biodiversity.







Miscellaneous

Lt. Commanders A. Roopa and K. Dilna

Why in the news?

Lt. Commanders A. Roopa and K. Dilna will circumnavigate the globe aboard INSV Tarini as part of the Sagar Parikrama expedition.

The officers have been preparing for the past three years.

Previous Experience

❖ Both officers were part of a sixmember crew that participated in a transoceanic expedition from Goa to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, via Cape Town, South Africa, and back in the previous year.

Indian Navy's Commitment to Sailing

- The Indian Navy has been revitalizing sailing traditions to preserve maritime heritage and promote seamanship skills.
- Sail training ships like INS Tarangini, and INS Sudarshini, and circumnavigation aboard INSV Mhadei and INSV Tarini have taken the lead in ocean sailing expeditions.

INSV Tarini's Legacy

INSV Tarini is renowned for its historic first Navika Sagar Parikrama in 2017, where it circumnavigated the globe with an all-women crew.



Operation Sadbhav

Why in the news?

India has launched Operation Sadbhav to provide humanitarian assistance to typhoon Yagi-affected countries – Myanmar, Laos and Vietnam.

A consignment of 35 tons of humanitarian aid was airlifted, including water purification items, containers, blankets, kitchen utensils, and solar lanterns.

India's Role in HADR

India has been a first responder in providing Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR).

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Operation Sadbhav aligns with India's 'Act East Policy' and its commitment to supporting HADR efforts in the ASEAN region.



SpaceX Polaris Dawn mission's

Why in the news?

- A billionaire spacewalker, Jared Isaacman, returned to Earth with his crew after a five-day mission.
- The SpaceX capsule splashed down in the Gulf of Mexico near Florida's Dry Tortugas.
- The crew included Isaacman, two SpaceX engineers, and a former Air Force Thunderbird pilot.
- Isaacman became the 264th person to perform a spacewalk, and SpaceX's Sarah Gillis the 265th.

Global Bio-India 2024

Why in the news?

The fourth edition of Global Bio-India 2024 successfully concluded after showcasing India's biotech prowess.



- Event: 12 to 14 September 2024,
 New Delhi.
- * Event Theme: Focused on 'Biotech Innovation' and 'Bio-manufacturing' and their impact on the bio-economy.
- Products Unveiled: India's biotech startups showcased 11 innovative products in biosciences.
- * Organizer: the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) under the Ministry of Science and Technology, in partnership with the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC),

Sports

Diamond League 2024

Why in the news?

Neeraj Chopra finished second in the Diamond League 2024 season finale in Brussels.

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His best throw was 87.86m (third attempt), just 1 cm short of the winning throw.

Winner and Competitors

- Winner: Anderson Peters (Grenada) with 87.87m, achieved in his first attempt.
- Third place: Julian Weber (Germany) with 85.97m.

Chopra's Performance



- Chopra had a series of throws:
 86.82m, 83.49m, 87.86m,
 82.04m, 83.30m, and 86.46m.
- Chopra won the Diamond League Trophy in 2022 and finished second in 2023.
- He added a silver medal in the Paris Olympics 2024 to his historic gold from Tokyo 2020.

Important Days/ Dates

Engineer's Day 2024

Why in the news?

The National Engineer's Day is celebrated on September 15 every year across the country to mark the birth anniversary of M Visvesvaraya.

Theme of 2024 "Innovating for a Sustainable Future".



News in Short

- ❖ Safe travel facilities for women started in 32 more districts of Bihar on 15 September 2024. On September 15,2024 Director General of Police Alok Raj started it for six districts as a pilot project.
- * Recently Saleema Imtiaz became the first Pakistani woman to be nominated to the ICC international panel of development umpires.
- Recently Odisha-based NTPC Talcher Kaniha or Talcher Super Thermal Power Station has been awarded the prestigious 2024 Energy Management Insight Award from the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM).

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- Vice President of India Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurates the Samvidhan Mandir at Elphinstone Technical High School & Jr. College in Mumbai.
- After IIT in Rajasthan, students will now be able to study medicine in Hindi medium.
- * After England's Southampton University, Australia's renowned Melbourne University has now decided to set up a centre in the country, which will be located in Delhi.
- Oscar Piastri of McLaren secured his first Formula 1 victory at the Azerbaijan Grand Prix, held at the Baku City Circuit.

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