

### Inspire Award

#### Why in the news?

Poorvi, a student of Bhavani Kanya Vidyalaya (Bhagalpur) has become the national champion in the Inspire Award standard.

- ❖ 16 students from Bihar participated in the national competition.
- ❖ The competition witnessed the participation of selected students from different states of the country.

#### Bhagalpur:

- ❖ India's only dolphin sanctuary is situated in the Bhagalpur district of Bihar.
- ❖ It is one of four Smart cities of Bihar: Patna, Muzaffarpur, Biharsarif and Bhagalpur.
- ❖ Jardalu Mango and Silk from Bhagalpur has got the GI tag,
- ❖ **Union Budget 2024-25:** Power projects, including a new 2400 MW power plant at Pirpainti, Bhagalpur to be taken up at 21,400 crore.



### Top honor to Bihar Advocate from ALB

#### Why in the news?

Asian Legal Business (ALB), Hong Kong & Singapore has honored Bihar's Hemant Kumar with the "Asia's Top 15 GCs, 2024 award. He is the only one from India on the list.

#### Hemant Kumar:

- ❖ Currently, he is heading the Legal Department of Larsen & Toubro Ltd. as a group legal advisor.
- ❖ He has more than 35 years of experience as an advocate at Patna High Court.
- ❖ He is the son of former District & Sessions Judge, Patna, late Gopi Nath Gupta.

#### Asian Legal Business:

- ❖ It is the world's leading source of intelligent information for businesses and legal professionals which is owned by Thomson Reuters.

### Clean and Green Campus Award

#### Why in the news?

Magadh Mahila College has been honored with the Clean and Green Campus Award.

- ❖ This award ceremony was organized in the auditorium of Guru Ghasidas University, Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh.

- ❖ This award has been given for the exemplary work done by the college in the field of cleanliness and environmental sustainability.

#### About the College:

- ❖ It is a pioneer institution of higher education for young women in Bihar.
- ❖ It was established in 1946 and is located in Patna.

Magadh is one of the nine administrative divisions of Bihar.

- ❖ Gaya, Nawada, Jehanabad, Aurangabad, and Arwal are districts of this division.
- ❖ Arwal is the 38th and the newest district of Bihar.
- ❖ HQ of Magadh division : Gaya.



#### International Relations

##### 6th EU-India Water Forum

#### Why in the news?

The 6th EU-India Water Forum was held on the sidelines of the 8th India Water Week in New Delhi.

- ❖ It serves as a key platform for discussing water sector challenges, sharing best practices, and enhancing business and research opportunities.

- ❖ India and the European Union (EU) agreed to enhance cooperation in sustainable water management.

#### Key deliberations:

- ❖ Both sides committed to advancing cooperation in river basin management, fostering innovation and technology transfer while promoting sustainable investments.
- ❖ The forum explored trilateral collaboration between East Africa, India and the EU, to address challenges in East Africa's water bodies such as Lake Victoria and Lake Tanganyika.

#### India-EU Water Partnership (IEWP)

- ❖ It was established in 2016 and aims to enhance technological, scientific, and policy frameworks in water management.

#### Economy

##### White Revolution 2.0

#### Why in the news?

Union Minister Amit Shah unveiled 'White Revolution 2.0', a comprehensive initiative aimed at empowering women farmers and creating job opportunities.

- ❖ He launched the nationwide rollout of RuPay Kisan Credit Cards for dairy farmers and the installation of micro-ATMs at dairy cooperative societies

- ❖ **Focus of the initiative:**
  - Empowering Women farmers.
  - Enhancing local milk production.
  - Strengthening dairy infrastructure.
  - Boosting dairy exports.
- ❖ **Objective of the scheme:** Under White Revolution 2.0, the government aims to increase milk procurement by dairy cooperative societies by 50 percent over the next five years.
  - It involves setting up and strengthening 100,000 new and existing district cooperative societies, multi-purpose district cooperative societies, and multi-purpose PACS.
  - National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) will fund the initiative from its resources, providing Rs 40,000 per M-PACS to 1,000 M-PACS.

- ❖ **Father of White Revolution:** Dr Verghese Kurien
  - Operation Flood was launched on January 13, 1970 by NDDB.
- ❖ NDDB was established in 1965.



### Miscellaneous

#### India's First Fashion Forecasting Initiative 'VisionNxt'

##### Why in the news?

VisionNxt is a Fashion Forecasting Initiative of the National Institute of Fashion Technology (NIFT).

- ❖ **Objective:** It aims to foster healthy global competition and elevate Indian culture and design to new heights globally.
  - The fashion industry will benefit from the Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Emotional Intelligence (EI)-based trend insights offered by VisionNxt.

##### Launch of VisionNxt:

- ❖ Union Minister of Textiles Shri Giriraj Singh launched VisionNxt, a bilingual web portal, and India Specific Fashion Trend Book Paridhi 24x25 on September 5, 2024.

- ❖ **Mission:** To identify, map, and analyse geo-specific trends, reflecting India's positive plurality, cultural diversity, and socio-economic nuances while collating comprehensive trends and insights.



### Awards and Honors

#### **BHEL Receives Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar**

##### **Why in the news?**

Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL), has been awarded the Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar by the Department of Official Language.

- ❖ Sadashiv Murthy, CMD of BHEL, received the award from Nityanand Rai, Minister of State for Home Affairs, during the Hindi Diwas and 4th All India Official Language Conference held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi.
- ❖ **Significance:** It recognizes BHEL's outstanding performance in implementing the Official Language.

- ❖ The Department of Official Language was set up in June 1975 as an independent Department of the Ministry of Home Affairs.



### Important Days/ Dates

#### **World Cleanup Day, 2024**

##### **Why in the news?**

The inaugural "World Cleanup Day" was celebrated across the world on 20th September 2024.

- ❖ **Theme:** 'Arctic Cities and Marine Litter'.
- ❖ **Host country:** Norway.

##### **History of World Cleanup Day:**

- ❖ On 8 December 2023, the United Nations General Assembly, in its seventy-eighth session, unanimously adopted resolution 78/122 - World Cleanup Day, which proclaims 20 September as World Cleanup Day.
- ❖ The United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) facilitates the observance of the day.
  - HQ of UN-Habitat: Nairobi, Kenya.





### News in Short

- ❖ **Manu Bhaker** has been appointed as the brand ambassador for the Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways.
- ❖ **Dhruvi Patel**, a Computer Information System student from the USA, has been declared the winner of **Miss India Worldwide 2024**.
- ❖ **Sharjah** has launched the world's first trade licence issued entirely through artificial intelligence (AI).
  - The initiative was launched at the Sharjah Investment Forum (SIF 2024).
  - The seven emirates of UAE are: Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm Al Quwain, Ras Al Khaimah and Fujairah
- ❖ **S&P Global India Forecast on India's Economy:**
  - India is set to become the world's third-largest economy by 2030–31.

- India has emerged as the fastest-growing large economy, with gross domestic product (GDP) growth at the rate of 8.2 percent in the financial year (FY) 2024.
- ❖ **Kantar BrandZ Most Valuable Indian Brands Report 2024.**
  - Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has been ranked the most valuable brand for the third year in a row with a brand value of \$49.7 billion.
  - HDFC Bank (\$38.3 billion), Airtel (\$29.9 billion), Infosys (\$25.3 billion) and State Bank of India (\$18 billion) have been ranked among the top five.



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