

**26<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

## Kailash Makwana appointed as new DGP of Madhya Pradesh

The Madhya Pradesh government has appointed 1988 batch IPS officer Kailash Makwana as the state's next director general of police (DGP).



### Key Points

- ❖ Kailash Makwana will replace incumbent DGP Sudhir Saxena, who is set to retire on November 30.
- ❖ Makwana is currently chairman of the MP Police Housing Corporation.
- ❖ He will take over as the new DGP of the state on December 1.
- ❖ Saxena, the 1987-batch Indian Police Service (IPS) officer, became the DGP of Madhya Pradesh in March 2022.

## Maharashtra Election Results 2024

The Eknath Shinde-led Mahayuti coalition won the Maharashtra elections with a clear majority.

### Key Points

- ❖ The ruling Mahayuti, an alliance of the Bharatiya Janata Party, Eknath Shinde's Shiv Sena, and Ajit Pawar's Nationalist Congress Party, came back to power by winning 235 seats in the 288 Maharashtra legislative assembly.

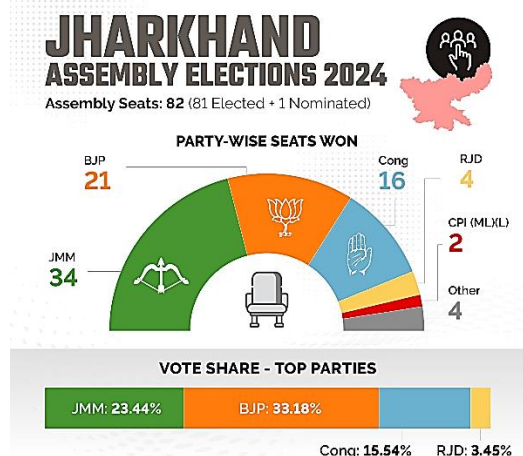
- ❖ The Opposition alliance MVA (Mahavikas Agadhi) of the Congress Party, Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray), and Nationalist Congress Party (Sharad Pawar) was reduced to 40 seats.
- ❖ The election to constitute the 15th Maharashtra Legislative Assembly was held in two phases-13 and 20 November 2024.

### Final Seat Tally

- ❖ Bharatiya Janata Party - BJP- 132
- ❖ Shiv Sena (Eknath Shinde)- 57
- ❖ Nationalist Congress Party (Ajit Pawar)- 41
- ❖ Shiv Sena (Uddhav Balasaheb Thackeray)-20
- ❖ Congress Party -16
- ❖ Nationalist Congress Party (Sharad Pawar)-10

## Jharkhand Election Results 2024

The Shibu Soren-led INDIA Alliance won with a big majority in the recent Jharkhand assembly elections.



### Key Points

- ❖ The ruling INDIA alliance, consisting of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha, Congress Party, Rashtriya Janata Dal, and Communist Party of India (Marxist-Leninist) (Liberation), won 56 seats in the 81-member Jharkhand legislative assembly.
- ❖ The opposition National Democratic Alliance (NDA), led by the Bharatiya Janata Party, All Jharkhand Student Union, Janata Dal(United), and Lok Janshakti Party (Ramvilas), won 24 seats.
- ❖ The election to constitute the 6th Jharkhand Legislative Assembly was held on 20 November 2024.

### Final Seat Tally

- ❖ Jharkhand Mukti Morcha - 34
- ❖ Bharatiya Janata Party - 21
- ❖ Congress Party - 16
- ❖ Rashtriya Janata Dal - 4

### Rishabh Pant becomes most expensive player in IPL history

Rishabh Pant became the costliest player in IPL history, sold for ₹27 crore. The Lucknow Super Giants (LSG) signed him.



### Key Points

- ❖ Shreyas Iyer emerged as the second-most expensive buy, as Punjab Super Kings secured him for INR 26.75 crore.

- ❖ For the second year in a row, the IPL auction was held outside India—this time in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, after last year's event in Dubai.
- ❖ Mitchell Starc, previously the costliest player, was sold to Delhi Capitals for ₹11.75 crore, significantly lower than his previous price.

### Sahitya Jagriti Samman awards

The Aaj Tak Sahitya Jagriti Samman awards were presented by President Draupadi Murmu at the Sahitya Aaj Tak festival held at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium in New Delhi.



### Key Points

- ❖ Gulzar, the renowned lyricist, was honored with the Aaj Tak Sahitya Jagriti Lifetime Achievement Award for his lifelong contribution to literature.
- ❖ The Aaj Tak Sahitya Jagriti Emerging Writer Award went to Siniwali for her work Heti-Sukanya Akath Katha.

### Other Awards

- ❖ Amresh Dwivedi won the Emerging Writer Award for Rang Putusia.
- ❖ Bharat Kheni received the Indian Language Talent Award for Raja Ravi Varma.
- ❖ Yatindra Mishra was awarded the Popular Writer Award for Gulzar Saab: Hazar Raahein Mud Ke Dekhi....

- ❖ Pradeep Dash received the Indian Language Award 2024 for works like Charu, Cheever, and Charya.
- ❖ Shivamurthy was honored with the Best Composition Award 2024 for Agam Bahai Dariyaav.
- ❖ Usha Priyamvada won the Best Creation Award 2024 for her novel Arkadept.

### 76th Raising Day

The National Cadet Corps (NCC) celebrated its 76th Raising Day on November 24, 2024.



#### Key Points

- ❖ NCC aims to increase its cadet strength to 20 lakh.
- ❖ NCC, founded on April 16, 1948, is the youth wing of the Indian Armed Forces, with the motto "Unity and Discipline."
- ❖ The Director General of NCC is Lt. Gen. Gurbirpal Singh.
- ❖ The NCC was founded by H. N. Kunzru in 1948 to promote leadership, discipline, and national integration among the youth of India.

### ISRO, Australian space agency sign for cooperation in human space flight

ISRO has inked an Implementation Agreement (IA) with the Australian Space Agency (ASA) to strengthen collaboration on the project, which focuses on crew safety and recovery.



#### Key Points

- ❖ The IA enables cooperation between both space agencies on crew and crew module recovery for Gaganyaan missions in Australian waters.

#### About the Gaganyaan Mission

- ❖ It is an Indian crewed orbital spacecraft intended to be the formative spacecraft of the Indian Human Spaceflight Programme.
- ❖ The spacecraft is being designed to carry three people and a planned upgraded version will be equipped with rendezvous and docking capabilities.
- ❖ In its maiden crewed mission, the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)'s largely autonomous 5.3-metric ton capsule will orbit the Earth at 400 km altitude for up to seven days with a two- or three-person crew on board.

- ❖ The first crewed mission was originally planned to be launched on ISRO's HLVM3 rocket in December 2021.
- ❖ As of November 2024, it is expected to be launched no earlier than 2026.

### News Shorts

- ❖ The potential cyclone forming in the Bay of Bengal is likely to be named 'Fengal'
- ❖ The Andhra Pradesh Legislative Assembly has approved a bill to abolish the garbage tax introduced by the previous YSRCP government.
- ❖ Anders Antonsen won the China Masters 2024 men's singles title, defeating Jonatan Christie.
- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi was honored with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Global Peace Award for Minority Upliftment during the event.
- ❖ The Oreshnik hypersonic missile, recently tested by Russia, has a range of 3,000–5,500 km and can strike targets in Europe and the western US.
- ❖ Argentina is considering withdrawing from the Paris Agreement.
- ❖ Abdirahman Mohamed Abdullahi, leader of Somaliland's opposition has won the presidential elections and was elected as the 6th President of Somaliland.

Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. Who has been appointed as the new Director General of Police (DGP) of Madhya Pradesh?

- A) Vijay Yadav
- B) Kailash Makwana
- C) Manoj Dubey
- D) Paramesh Sivamani

Answer- B

2. Which state government recently abolished the garbage tax?

- A) Karnataka
- B) Telangana
- C) Andhra Pradesh
- D) Tamil Nadu

Answer- C

