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Vinesh Phogat Has Been Disqualified From The Paris Olympics

India's Vinesh Phogat, entered the final of the women's 50kg freestyle wrestling event at the Paris Olympics, was found overweight on the second day of the competition and has been disqualified from the Paris Olympics.



Key points

- ❖ According to the article 11 of the International Wrestling Rules, Vinesh (IND) will be replaced by the wrestler who lost against her in the Semifinal.
- ❖ Yusneylis Guzman Lopez (CUB) will compete in the Final.
- ❖ Repechage match between Yui Susaki of Japan and Oksana Livach of Ukraine will now be a bronze-medal match
- ❖ Vinesh Phogat retires a day after disqualification from the Paris Olympics.

The List of Olympic Gold Medalists in India

Year	Event	Athlete(s)	Sport	Venue	Medals
1928	Field Hockey	Dhyan Chand, Lal Shah Bokhari, and others	Field Hockey	Amsterdam, Netherlands	Gold
1932	Field Hockey	Dhyan Chand, Roop Singh, and others	Field Hockey	Los Angeles, USA	Gold
1936	Field Hockey	Dhyan Chand, Roop Singh, and others	Field Hockey	Berlin, Germany	Gold
1948	Field Hockey	Balbir Singh Sr., Leslie Claudius, and others	Field Hockey	London, UK	Gold
1952	Field Hockey	Balbir Singh Sr., Leslie Claudius, and others	Field Hockey	Helsinki, Finland	Gold
1956	Field Hockey	Balbir Singh Sr., Leslie Claudius, and others	Field Hockey	Melbourne, Australia	Gold
1964	Field Hockey	Charanjit Singh, Gurbux Singh, and others	Field Hockey	Tokyo, Japan	Gold

1980	Field Hockey	Vasudevan Baskaran, Surinder Singh Sodhi, and others	Field Hockey	Moscow, USSR	Gold
2008	Shooting (10m Air Rifle)	Abhinav Bindra	Shooting	Beijing, China	Gold
2020	Athletics (Javelin Throw)	Neeraj Chopra	Athletics	Tokyo, Japan	Gold

Interim govt, headed by Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus

Bangladesh Army Chief General Waker-Uz-Zaman in a statement on Wednesday said that interim government, headed by Nobel laureate Prof Muhammad Yunus, will take oath on 8 August.



Key points

- ❖ Muhammad Yunus, also known as 'Banker to the Poor' is a prominent figure known for his contributions to 'Social Entrepreneurship and Microfinancing.
- ❖ Nobel Laureate and Social Entrepreneur: He received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2006 for founding Grameen Bank and pioneering microcredit and microfinance.

- ❖ In 1983, Yunus established Grameen Bank in Bangladesh, focusing on providing small loans to the impoverished without requiring collateral.
- ❖ Yunus has been honored with numerous prestigious awards, including the United States Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2009 and the Congressional Gold Medal in 2010.
- ❖ He co-founded Yunus Social Business – Global Initiatives (YSB) in 2011, which focuses on promoting social businesses worldwide.

What is Microfinance?

- ❖ Microfinance refers to the financial services provided to low-income individuals or groups who are typically excluded from traditional banking.

Centre approves appointments of new Chairman, Managing Director of SBI

The central government has approved the appointment of Challa Sreenivasulu Setty as new Chairman and Rana Ashutosh Kumar Singh as Managing Director of the State Bank of India (SBI).



Key points

- ❖ The current Chairman, Dinesh Kumar Khara, is set to retire on August 28.
- ❖ According to a notification by the Department of Personnel & Training, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) on August 6 approved the proposal of the Department of Financial Services for the appointment of Challa Sreenivasulu Setty as chairman of SBI.
- ❖ SBI, Challa Sreenivasulu Setty joined the Board of SBI as Managing Director in January 2020 and currently oversees International Banking, Global Markets, and Technology wings of the Bank.
- ❖ He has previously headed the Retail & Digital Banking vertical and various task forces/committees formed by the Government of India.

Million Designers, Billion Dreams targets rural leaders, frontline change agents and village entrepreneurs

The Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods Mission (DAY-NRLM) announced the launch of the initiative "Million Designers, Billion Dreams."



Key points

- ❖ This innovative program aims to empower individuals across India with systems design know-how to tackle complex societal challenges.
- ❖ "Million Designers, Billion Dreams" is a unique initiative designed to enhance the capacity of individuals through systems design know-how
- ❖ "Million Designers, Billion Dreams" is aimed to revolutionize the way we approach societal challenges, empowering a new generation of rural leaders to drive sustainable development across India in our communities and beyond

Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana

- ❖ Launched in June 2011
- ❖ The National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) was later renamed Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihood Mission (DAY-NRLM) to honor Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya.
- ❖ The mission's main goal is to alleviate poverty by encouraging diverse and profitable self-employment and wage employment opportunities for rural households, with a special focus on women.

SIT report on 43 tiger deaths in Madhya Pradesh raises

These deaths were reported in the Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh state where 34 tigers were killed and in the Shahdol Forest Circle where 9 tigers were killed.

HOW THE TIGERS DIED, ACCORDING TO SIT REPORT

Reason for death	Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve	Shahdol forest circle
Electrocution	3	3
Infighting	17	0
Disease/illness	4	0
Senility	2	0
Body parts seized	2	0
Poisoning	0	1
Road accident	0	1
Unconfirmed	6	4
Total	34	9

Figures for 2021-2023 period



Key points

- ❖ The SIT, submitted its report to acting Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF) and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of the Forest Force (PCCF-HoFF).
- ❖ According to the report, there appeared to be insufficient investigation into at least 10 cases of tiger deaths.
- ❖ The report said there were shortcomings in investigations carried out in at least 10 incidents of tiger deaths and revealed that there was no interest shown by the senior officials, Forest Range Officers; missing body parts were observed in 10 out of 34 cases.

- ❖ The state's Chief Wildlife Warden constituted an SIT to probe into numerous tiger fatalities reported in the state.

Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve

- ❖ Located between the Vindhyas and the Satpuras in the Umaria district of Madhya Pradesh
- ❖ This region was created as a National Park in 1968 and given Tiger Reserve status in 1993.
- ❖ It is home to valleys, hills, and plains with the famous Bandhavgarh fort as it's well-evident sign.
- ❖ It is said that Lord Rama gave this fort to his brother Lakshmana to keep a watch on Lanka, and so the name Bandhavgarh, which is Sanskrit for 'Brother's Fort'.

Short News

- ❖ Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya in collaboration with Airbus has started its first executive training program for the aviation sector in New Delhi.
- ❖ Lt Gen Vikas Lakhera assumes charge as DG of Assam Rifles.
- ❖ Dinesh Karthik joins Paarl Royals, becomes first Indian player to sign up for SA20
- ❖ MoU on Cooperation in Sports Matters between India and Saint Christopher and Nevis.

- ❖ 5th meeting of ASEAN-India Trade in Goods Agreement Joint Committee held in Jakarta
 - ❖ The NCW launched 'Digital Shakti Centre' to combat cyber crime cases against women
 - ❖ The central government has completed and operationalized four major projects of Rs 920 crore in Uttar Pradesh and Bihar under Namami Gange Mission 2.0.
- ❖ The government declares Adichunchanagiri in Karnataka and Choolannuar in Kerala as Peacock Sanctuary.
 - ❖ Reliance Industries has improved its ranking in Fortune's Global 500 list for 2024 to 86 from 88, maintaining its top position as the highest ranked among Indian corporates.

Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. Recently, Which Indian company is the top-ranked in the 2024 Fortune Global 500 list?
- (a) Life Insurance Corporation (LIC)
 - (b) Reliance Industries Limited (RIL)
 - (c) Indian Oil Corporation (IOC)
 - (d) State Bank of India

Answer – (b)

2. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of the State Bank of India (SBI)?
- (a) Challa Sreenivasulu Setty
 - (b) Rana Ashutosh Kumar
 - (c) Rajnish Kumar
 - (d) Arundhati Bhattacharya

Answer – (a)

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