

### Bihar Special

**Prof. Sudha Sinha**

**Why in the news?**

Prof. Sudha Sinha, who retired from Patna University, was awarded the Hindi Kavya Shiromani by Kashi Hindi Vidyapeeth.

- ❖ During the program organized in Madan Mohan Malviya Auditorium of Varanasi, Vice Chancellor of Kashi Hindi Vidyapeeth Dr. Sambhaji Rajaram Baviskar, Chancellor poet Sukhmangal Singh Mangal, Registrar poet Indrajit Nirbhik, Treasurer Pawan Kumar Singh were present.

### International Relations

**Prime Minister to visit Guyana**

**Why in the news?**

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will visit Guyana becoming the first Indian Prime Minister to visit the South American nation in 56 years.



- ❖ **Significance of the visit-** The visit highlights the growing Indian diaspora in Guyana and the shared enthusiasm to deepen bilateral relations.
- ❖ **CARICOM-India Summit:** PM Modi will co-chair the summit with Grenada's PM Dickon Mitchell to enhance collaboration in areas like energy, infrastructure, agriculture, health, and technology.
- ❖ **Global South Initiative:** India's active engagement with CARICOM is part of its "Voice of Global South" initiative launched during its G20 presidency.
- ❖ **Bilateral Frameworks:** Relations are supported by cultural exchanges, a business council, and joint ministerial commissions, with collaboration in agriculture, IT, biofuels, energy, and pharmaceuticals.

### Environment And Geography

**Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla**

**Why in the news?**



The Guru Ghasidas-Tamor Pingla Tiger Reserve in Chhattisgarh has been notified as the 56th Tiger Reserve of the country.

- ❖ It spans 2,829 sq. km, with a critical tiger habitat covering 2,049.2 sq. km and a buffer zone of 780.15 sq. km.
- ❖ The reserve includes Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary.
- ❖ It is the country's third largest tiger reserve after Nagarjunasagar-Srisailem Tiger Reserve in Andhra Pradesh and Manas Tiger Reserve in Assam.

### Miscellaneous

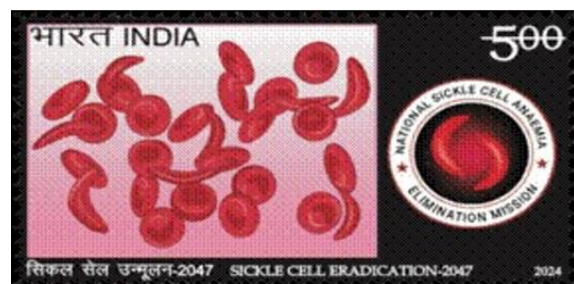
#### Commemorative Postage Stamp on Sickle Cell Eradication - 2047

##### Why in the news?

On the occasion of Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas on 15th November 2024, the Governor of Madhya Pradesh, Shri Mangubhai Patel, and Chief Minister Shri Mohan Yadav unveiled a commemorative postage stamp dedicated to "Sickle Cell Eradication - 2047" at PG College, Dhar.

##### Eradication Mission:

- Emphasizes genetic counseling, community screening, and use of advanced diagnostics like HPLC machines.
- Specialized lab at AIIMS Bhopal for newborn testing and prenatal diagnostics in collaboration with Sankalp India.
- National Sickle Cell Portal and mobile app for disease tracking and reporting.
- ❖ This commemorative stamp honors the State's initiative to combat the high prevalence of sickle cell anemia in tribal regions and highlights the commitment to eradicate this hereditary disease by 2047.
- ❖ The Sickle Cell Eradication Mission was launched in phases, initially covering districts like Alirajpur and Jhabua and later expanding to 17 states across India.



Special Postage Stamp on Sickle Cell Eradication 2047

## Sports

### Tata Steel Chess India tournament

Why in the news?



Magnus Carlsen clinched the blitz title at the Tata Steel Chess India tournament in Kolkata, achieving a double victory in both rapid and blitz formats.

- ❖ This marks Carlsen's second double win in Kolkata, replicating his 2019 feat.
- ❖ Indian players performed admirably, with Erigaisi taking third place with 10.5 points, R Praggnanandhaa finishing fourth on 9.5, and Vidit Gujrathi rounding out the top five with 9 points.

## Important Days/ Dates

### National Integration Day 2024

Why in the news?

National Integration Day 2024, observed annually on November 19, celebrates the legacy of Indira Gandhi, India's first woman Prime Minister.

- ❖ The theme for National Integration Day 2024 underscores the importance of fostering inclusivity, cooperation, and collaboration across India's diverse population.

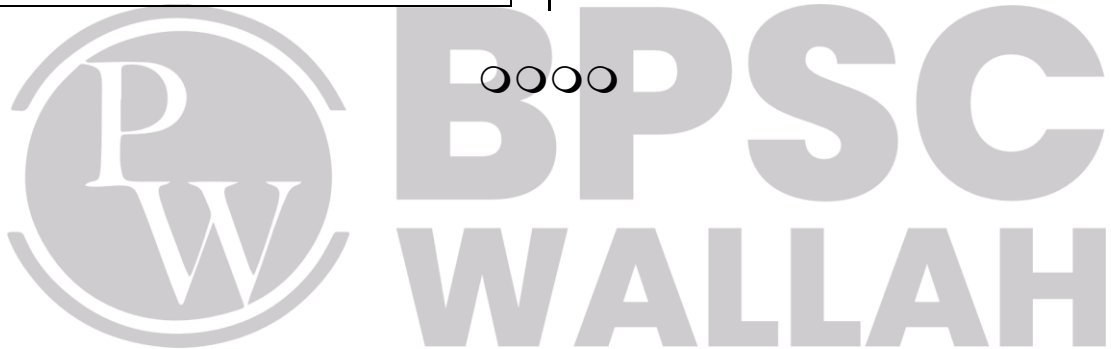


## News in Short

- ❖ Dr. Madan Choudhary was elected President of the Bihar Finance Service Association.
- ❖ 113 Mithila paintings sent to the United States 60 years ago are being returned to India. These historic artworks will be displayed at the Bihar Museum.
- ❖ Brazil's Federal Police Commissioner Valdecy Urquiza was elected as Interpol's new secretary-general at its 92nd General Assembly.

- ❖ President Droupadi Murmu appointed 1989 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer K. Sanjay Murthy as the new Comptroller and Auditor General of India (CAG).
- ❖ Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully launched its most sophisticated communications satellite, GSAT 20, onboard SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket from Cape Canaveral, Florida.

- ❖ Former India captain Mithali Raj has been appointed the mentor of Women's Cricket Operations of the Andhra Cricket Association.
- ❖ The Hockey Association of Odisha emerged victorious over Hockey Haryana to claim the 14th Hockey India Senior Men National Championship title at the Mayor Radhakrishnan Hockey Stadium in Chennai.



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