

Bihar Special

Banking Performance in Bihar Districts

Why in the news?

- ❖ Purnia district in Bihar leads in the Credit-Deposit Ratio (CD Ratio) among banks.
- ❖ Munger district ranks the lowest in the state.

State-Level Analysis

- ❖ According to the 88th and 89th joint meetings of the State Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC), CD ratios vary across all 38 districts.
- ❖ Purnia tops the list followed by Araria, East Champaran, and Kishanganj.
- ❖ Munger ranks lowest, followed by Bhojpur, Jehanabad, Lakhisarai, Gopalganj, and Patna.
- ❖ Bihar's CD ratio stands at 58.71% in the fiscal year 2023-24.

शीर्ष पांच जिले

| जिला | सीडी रेशियो |
|---------------|-------------|
| पूरुनिया | 93.25% |
| अररिया | 88.37% |
| पूर्वी चंपारण | 79.19% |
| वैशाली | 78.97% |
| कटिहार | 78.63% |
| किशनगंज | 78.53% |
| पश्चिम चंपारण | 77.95% |

50% से कम सीडी रेशियो वाले जिले

| जिला | सीडी रेशियो |
|----------|-------------|
| मुंगेर | 34.44% |
| भोजपुर | 43.76% |
| जहानाबाद | 45.40% |
| लखीसराय | 46.14% |
| गोपालगंज | 48.58% |
| पटना | 48.21% |

Environment And Geography

Deep Sea Mission

Why in the news?

- ❖ Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Earth Sciences Dr Jitendra Singh has said that India is set to be the 6th country to have its own Deep Sea Mission.
- ❖ This mission is not limited to mineral exploration but the development of ocean sciences, exploration of flora and fauna and conservation of marine biodiversity among others.
- ❖ It will also focus upon building a resilient blue economy to empower people dependent on the ocean.

Defence And Security

"Tarang Shakti" Exercise

Why in the news?

India is set to host its first multinational air exercise, "Tarang Shakti-2024," in August, marking a significant milestone for the Indian Air Force (IAF).

Overview

- ❖ **Event:** India's first multinational air exercise, Tarang Shakti-2024.
- ❖ **Place:** Jodhpur, Rajasthan,
- ❖ **Time:** August 2024.
- ❖ **Participants:** 10 countries, with several others attending as observers.

Participating Countries

Confirmed: Australia, France, Germany, Japan, Spain, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Objectives

- ❖ **Experience Sharing:** Leverage the Indian Air Force's (IAF) experience from previous exercises, including Red Flag.
- ❖ **Collaboration:** Host friendly foreign nations for regular and major interoperability.



Miscellaneous

Prerna Sthal

Why in the news?

Vice-President of India and Chairman of the Rajya Sabha, Jagdeep Dhankhar, inaugurated Prerna Sthal at Samvidhan Sadan.

Purpose of Prerna Sthal

- ❖ Prerna Sthal was constructed to house statues of 15 leaders and freedom fighters from India's history.

- ❖ Previously, these statues were dispersed across the Parliament House Complex, making it difficult for visitors to view them all.

Objectives and Benefits

- ❖ The main objective of Prerna Sthal is to centralize these statues in one location for easier access by visitors.



Awards and Honors

Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024

Why in the news?

- ❖ The Reserve Bank of India won the Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024 from Central Banking, a London-based publishing house for improving its risk culture and awareness.

Sports

Equestrian

Why in the news?

- ❖ Shruti Vora has become the first Indian rider to win a three-star Grand Prix event in equestrian.

- ❖ She achieved this milestone at the CDI-3 event during the FEI Dressage World Cup held in Lipica, Slovenia.

About Equestrian sport:

- ❖ Equestrian sport involves competitive activities with horses, emphasizing skill, partnership, and athleticism between horse and rider.
- ❖ Disciplines include dressage (precision of movement), show jumping (clearing obstacles for speed and accuracy), and eventing (combination of dressage, cross-country jumping, and show jumping).



World Junior Girls' Chess Championship

Why in the news?

- ❖ Divya Deshmukh of India emerged victorious in the World Junior Girls' Chess Championship.
- ❖ She secured the title by defeating Beloslava Krasteva from Bulgaria in

the final round held at Gift City Club in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

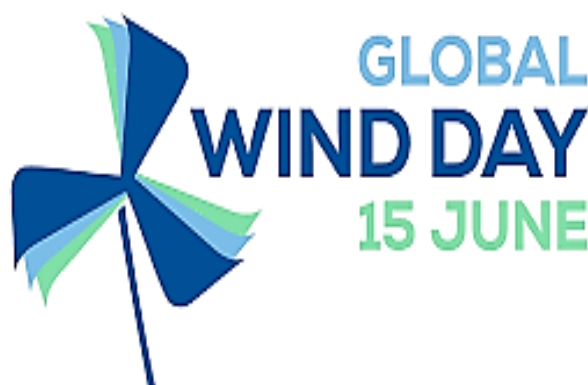


Important Days/ Dates

Global Wind Day

Why in the news?

- ❖ The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) organised 'Global Wind Day' on the 15th of June 2024.
- ❖ Aimed at celebrating the glorious success of the Indian Wind Sector so far and also discussing the potential way forward for accelerating wind energy adoption in India.
- ❖ Theme of 'Global Wind Day' was "Pawan-Urja: Powering the Future of India".



Obituary

Harpal Singh Bedi

Why in news

- ❖ Harpal Singh Bedi, noted sports journalist and editorial consultant of The Statesman, died after a prolonged illness at the age of 73.
- ❖ Bedi began his career as a sub-editor at United News of India (Uni) in 1980, and eventually became the youngest sports editor in the history of the agency.



Books And Authors

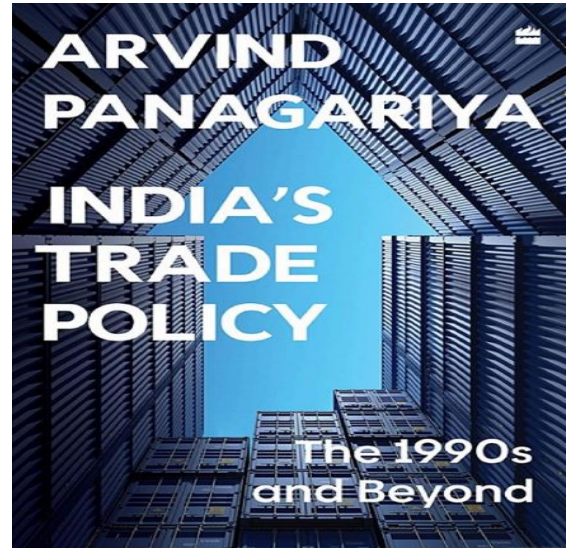
"India's Trade Policy: The 1990s and Beyond" Book

- ❖ **Book:** "India's Trade Policy: The 1990s and Beyond"
- ❖ **Author:** Arvind Panagariya

About the Author

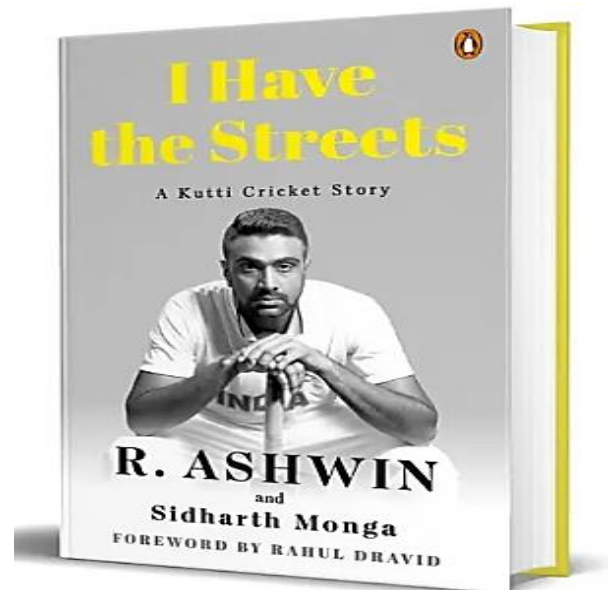
- ❖ **Current Position:** He is a Professor of Economics at Columbia University.
- ❖ **Previous Roles:**
 - First Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog.

- He has been the Chief Economist of the Asian Development Bank.
- Recently appointed Chairman of the 16th Finance Commission.



'I Have the Streets: A Kutti Cricket Story'

- ❖ Renowned off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin, celebrated as one of cricket's most accomplished players, is preparing to launch his autobiography titled 'I Have the Streets: A Kutti Cricket Story'.



News in Short

- ❖ The Assam Secretariat in Guwahati has made history by becoming the country's first green state government headquarters, following the inauguration of a significant solar power project.

- ❖ A trial run of an electric engine was successfully conducted on the world's highest Chenab Rail Bridge, designed for 120 years of durability and improved connectivity to remote areas of Jammu and Kashmir.



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