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One thousand-year-old temple will be re-built by July, 2024 :

Recently the Commissioner of Archeology Department inspected that a 37 feet high temple will be built in the Mahakal temple complex.



Key Points

- ❖ The Archeology Department will shape the structure of the ancient temple excavated about two and a half years ago in the Ujjain Shri Mahakaleshwar Temple complex into an ancient style Shiva temple.
- ❖ Dr. Ramesh Yadav, officer of Archeology Department, Bhopal, said that the work of construction of a 37 feet high ancient Shiva temple, which is about a thousand years old, will be done with the stones obtained from there.

Special information about Shri Mahakaleshwar Temple of Ujjaini

- ❖ Shri Mahakaleshwar of Ujjain is one of the twelve famous Jyotirlingas in India. The glory of Mahakaleshwar temple has been described in detail in various Puranas.

- ❖ Starting from Kalidasa, many Sanskrit poets have emotionally enriched this temple.
- ❖ Ujjain used to be the central point for the calculation of Indian time and Mahakal was considered the specific presiding deity of Ujjain.
- ❖ The god of time, Shiva, in all his glory, reigns eternally in Ujjain.
- ❖ The idol of Omkareshwar Shiva is installed in the sanctum sanctorum above the Mahakal temple.
- ❖ Images of Ganesha, Parvati and Kartikeya are installed in the west, north and east of the sanctum. There is a statue of Nandi in the south. The idol of Nagchandreshwar on the third floor is open for darshan only on the day of Nagpanchami.
- ❖ On the day of Mahashivratri, a huge fair is held near the temple, and puja takes place at night.

'Our School Our Pilgrimage Campaign by Madhya Pradesh Teacher's Association in Bhopal

Under this campaign, teachers will give time to the students in addition to the prescribed period for the intellectual development of the students.



Key Points

- ❖ Madhya Pradesh Teachers Association has decided to run 'Hamara Vidyalaya Hamara Teerth' campaign keeping in mind the educational quality and all-round development of students.
- ❖ The union is starting it from the new academic session. Under this campaign, the members associated with the organization will also carry out other creative work besides teaching students in their respective schools.
- ❖ State President of the Sangh, Dr. Kshatraveer Singh Rathod said that this campaign has been started on the instructions of the national organization.
- ❖ This campaign will be run in schools of 323 development blocks of the state under the purview of School Education Department and Tribal Affairs Department.
- ❖ The members (teachers) associated with the organization have set a target of self-disciplining the students to maintain discipline, to attend school regularly and to give separate time apart from the prescribed period for the intellectual development of the students.

National Safe Motherhood Day 2024

Like every year, this year also National Safe Motherhood Day was celebrated with the aim of making pregnant women aware about pregnancy, delivery and post-delivery and health related services.



Key Points

- ❖ National Safe Motherhood Day is celebrated in India every year on **11 April** to raise awareness about the importance of proper health care and maternity services for expectant mothers.
- ❖ The Government of India had declared 11 April, the anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi, as National Safe Motherhood Day in 2003 on the request of White Ribbon Alliance India.
- ❖ It is a day to honor motherhood and advocate for safe pregnancy and delivery practices, ensuring the well-being of both mother and child.
- ❖ The occasion serves as a reminder of the significant advances made in maternal health care while also highlighting the challenges that still exist.

National Center for Disease Control (NCDC) issues advisory regarding heatstroke

Advisories issued by the Health Ministry and NDMA will be translated into regional languages and widely disseminated



Key Points

- ❖ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi chaired a meeting to review preparations for the upcoming summer season.
- ❖ The Prime Minister was briefed on the temperature outlook for the period April to June, 2024, including the forecast of the upcoming hot season (April to June), with high probability over most parts of the country, especially Central India and Western Peninsular India. But there is a possibility of a higher than normal maximum temperature.
- ❖ Preparedness in the health sector was reviewed in terms of essential medicines, intravenous fluids, ice packs, ORS and drinking water.
- ❖ Emphasis was laid on timely dissemination of necessary IEC / awareness material especially in

regional languages through all platforms like television, radio and social media. Since above normal heat is expected in 2024, coinciding with the general elections, it was felt that the advisories issued by MoHFW and NDMA should be translated into regional languages and widely disseminated.

Heat stroke

- ❖ Heat stroke is the most serious disease caused by heat. Due to this, the body temperature increases rapidly, the body is unable to control its temperature, the body temperature increases rapidly and the sweating system fails, and the body becomes unable to cool down. When heat stroke occurs, the body temperature can rise to 106°F or higher within 10 to 15 minutes. Heat stroke can cause permanent disability or death if the person does not receive emergency treatment.

Jagjit Pavadia re-elected to International Narcotics Control Board



Key Point

- ❖ India's Jagjit Pavadia has been re-elected to the International Narcotics Control Board (INCB).
- ❖ Pavadia has been a member of INCB since 2015. India's permanent representative to the UN, Syed Akbaruddin gave this information.
- ❖ The UN Economic and Social Council selected Pavadia through voting. she got 44 votes. Morocco's Jalal Taufiq stood second and Paraguay's Cesar Tomas Ares stood third.

International Narcotics Control Board

- ❖ The International Narcotics Control Board (INCB) is an independent, quasi-judicial expert body, established by the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 by merging two bodies
- ❖ The Permanent Central Narcotics Board, created by the International Opium Convention of 1925, is the drug supervisory body created by the 1931 Convention to regulate the manufacture and distribution of narcotic drugs.
- ❖ The INCB has 13 members, each of whom is elected by the Economic and Social Council for a term of five years. INCB members can be re-elected. Ten members are elected from a list of



individuals nominated by governments.

- ❖ The remaining three members are selected from a list of individuals nominated by the World Health Organization (WHO) for their medical, medicinal or pharmaceutical experience.

Peter Higgs, who proposed the existence of the Higgs boson particle, has passed away.

Nobel prize winning physicist Peter Higgs, who proposed the existence of the 'God particle', died at the age of 94.



- ❖ Nobel prize winning physicist Peter Higgs proposed the existence of the so-called 'God particle', which helped explain how matter formed after the Big Bang.
- ❖ Higgs predicted the existence of a new particle in 1964, which became known as the Higgs boson.
- ❖ He theorized that there must be a subatomic particle of definite dimensions that would explain how other particles – and hence all the stars and planets in the universe – acquire mass.

- ❖ The Higgs boson is the fundamental force-carrying particle of the Higgs field, which is responsible for giving the fundamental particles their mass.
- ❖ Higgs won the 2013 Nobel Prize in Physics for his work with Francois Englert of Belgium, who independently came up with the same theory.

Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. Consider the following statements concerning Nobel Prize-winning physicist Peter Higgs.
1. Peter Higgs proposed the existence of the so-called 'God particle'.
 2. Higgs won the 2018 Nobel Prize in Physics for his work with Francois Englert of Belgium

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer- (A)

2. Consider the following statements in the context of National Safe Motherhood Day-
1. National Safe Motherhood Day is the result of a request by White Ribbon Alliance India.
 2. In the year 2003, April 11, the anniversary of Kasturba Gandhi, was declared as National Safe Motherhood Day.

Which of the above statements is/are correct?

- (a) Only 1
- (b) Only 2
- (c) Both 1 and 2
- (d) Neither 1 nor 2

Answer- (c)

