

CURRENT AFFAIRS

"SPARK"







BANK | SSC

BANK ROAD, GORAKHPUR | +91-8127499900





CURRENT AFFAIRS

12th Nov to 18th Nov-2022





ACHALESH TRIPATHI SIR

Reasoning Senior faculty

1 dayers, Bank Road, Gorakhpur Contact No- 8127499900





- Veerangana sewa Kendra: IA launces Singh Window Facility for Welfare & Grievances Redressal of Veer Naris.
 On November 10, 2022, the Indian Army (IA) with a motto of "Taking Care of Our Own No Matter What" launches a single window facility named Veerangana Sewa Kendra (VSK) for welfare and grievances redressal of veer naris.
- ➤ Bel Sign MoU with Aerosense Tech to Leverage Complementary Strengths.

 Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL), a Defence public sector undertaking (PSU) has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with Aerosense Technologies Private Limited for cooperation in the development and marketing of drones and soft kill aerial anti-drone.
- MoRD, Veddis Foundation sign MoU to set up Effective Governance Systems under Day-NRLM.

On November 10, 2022, the Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Gurugram (Haryana)-based Veddis Foundation to support the setting up of effective governance systems under the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihood Mission (Day-NRLM). About Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD):

Union Minister- Giriraj Singh (Constituency - Begusarai, Bihar) Ministers of State (MoS)- Sadhvi Niranjan Jyoti.

- Indian Biological Date Center: India's 1st National Repository for Life Science Data set up at Faridabad, Haryana.
 On November 10, 2022, the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge)
 Ministry of Science and Technology, Dr. Jitendra Singh Dedicated the nation
 'Indian Biological Data Centre' (IBDC) at Regional Centre of Biotechnology (RCB), Faridabad, Haryana.
- ➢ Indian Hosts 2nd BIMSTEC Agriculture Ministerial Meeting; Chaired by Union Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar. India hosted the 2nd Agriculture Ministerial-level meeting of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) in New Delhi, Delhi.
- Cabinet Approves Guidelines for Uplinking and Downlinking of Satellite
 Television Channels in India, 2022.
 On November 9, 2022, the Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister (PM)
 Narendra Modi approved the Guidelines for Uplinking and Downlinking of
 Television Channels in Indian, 2022' w.e.f. November 9, 2022 by replacing those
 that have been operational since 2011.



- ➤ Govt. to Launch World's Longest River Cruise of 4,000 km from Varanasi to Dibrugarh.

 Sarbananda Sonowal, Union Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways appounced that the Government of India (Gol) plans to launch world's longe
 - Sarbananda Sonowal, Union Minister of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways announced that the Government of India (GoI) plans to launch world's longest river cruise between Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh and Dibrugarh in Assam in January 2023.
- ➤ MoRTH issues award for 1st Multi-modal logistics Park in India.

 Minister of Road Transport and Highways (MoRTH) issued award for 1st Multi-Modal Logistics Park (MMLP) in India.
- ➤ ICICI Lombard Launches New Range of Products for Insurance Solutions.
 ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Private Limited has launched 14 new Products for Insurance solutions across Health, Motor and Corporate segments.
 About ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Private Limited:

 Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Bhargav Das gupta.
 Headquarters- Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- ➤ Moody's lowers India's growth forecast for 2022 to 7%.

 Moody's Investors Service reduced India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth forecast for 2022 to 7% from 7.7% in September 2022 in its Global Macro Outlook 2023.24.

About Reserve Bank of India (RBI): Governor- Shaktikanta Das Headquarters- Mumbai, Haharashtra.

- ➤ Bhopal Railway Station awarded a 4-star rating for 'Eat Right Station' by FSSAI Bhopal Junction Railway Station of West Central Railway was awarded a 4-star rating for "Eat Right Station" for providing high-quality nutritious food to passengers by the food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI).
- C Anandharamakrishnan appointed as Director of CSIR-NIIST.
 Chemical engineering and food processing technology expert and leading scientist C Anandharamakrishnan has taken over as Director of the Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR)- National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (NIIST), Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.
- Adani Power inks pact to sell 100% stake in SPPL to ACX for Rs. 1,556 cr. Adani Power Limited signed a memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to sell its 100% equity stake in its wholly-owned subsidiary Support Properties Private Limited (SPPL) to Adani Conned Private Ltd (ACX), a 50: 50 joint venture between Adani Enterprises Limited, which is a promoter group company, and Edge ConneX.



NASA to Launch Psyche Asteroid Mission to Explore the 'Golden Asteroid' in October 2023.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) is set to launch its Psyche Mission, a mission to investigate a previously unexplored metal-rich 16 Psyche asteroid orbiting the sun between the orbits of Mars and Jupiter in October 2023.

About National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): Administrator- Bill Nelson.

Headquarters-Washington D. C, United States.

- ➤ Uttar Pradesh to Host Khelo India National University Games in 2023-24. The government of Uttar Pradesh (UP) is set to host the Khelo India Ntional University Games in 2023-24 in four cities- Lucknow, Gorakhpur, Varanasi and Noida.
- "Subodh": The 1st edition of NMDC's Vigilance Magazine released.
 The vigilance department of the National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC), released the first edition of its in-house vigilance magazine "Subodh" at the Head Office in Hyderabad, Telangana to reinforce the NMDC's commitment to fostering honesty and transparency among all stakeholders.
- ➤ World Usability Day (WUD), also known as Make things Easier Day, is annually observed across the globe on the 2nd Thursday in November to promote the values of usability, usability engineering, user-centred design universal usability and every user's responsibility to ask for better things.

 About the User Experience Professionals Association (UXPA):
 President & Director of Marketing & Communications- Sara Mastro Establishmant-1991
- National Education Day 2022-November 11.
 National Education Day is annually observed across India on 11th November to celebrate the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the first education minister of independent India.
- ➤ Jharkhand Cabinet Approves Four Schemes & 34 Agendas for Students & Youths.





- ➤ IWAI & CSL signed MoU to build India's 1st Hydrogen Fuel Cell Catamaran Vessel and Electric Hybrid Vessels.
 On November 11, 2022, Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) to build India's first indigenous hydrogen fuel cell catamaran vessel for Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh (UP).
- ➤ Highlights of PM Narendra Modi's Visit to Bengaluru, Karnataka.

 The Prime Minister (PM) of India, Narendra Modi, visited Bengaluru in Karnataka, to inaugurate the second terminal of Kempegowda International Airport to flag off South India's first Vande Bharat Express & Kashi Darshana train at KSR railway station, and to unveil the 108- foot-high bronze statue of Bengaluru founder Nadaprabhu Kempegowda.

About Ministry of Railways:

Union Minister-Ashwani Vaishnaw (Rajya Sabha - Odisha)
Minister of State (MoS) – Danve Raosahab Dadarao; Darshana Vikram Jardosh.

- Aqua connect becomes 1st Indian Fisheries Start-up to get ISO 27001 Certification. Chennai-based Aqua connect, a technology-driven full-stack aquaculture inputs and outputs platform with embedded fintech that is supported by a physical and digital (phygital) distribution network, has received ISO 27001 certification for Information Security Management (ISM).
- ➤ US Treasury removes India from its Currency Monitoring List.

 On November 11, 2022, According to the report 'Macroeconomic and Foreign Exchange Policies of Major Trading Partners of the United States' the United States (US) Department of Treasury removed India along with Italy, Mexico, Thailand and Vietnam from its Currency Monitoring List a major trading partners that merit close attention to their currency practices and macroeconomic policies.
- ➤ FAO Report: "Food Outlook"- November 2022 Edition; Warns of Concerns as Global Food Import Bill Approaches USD 2 Trillion.

 The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations (UN) has published a report titled "Food Outlook": Biannual Report on Global Food Markets (November 2022 edition) that project higher-than-anticipated increase in world food import bill, with an estimated USD 1.94 Trillion (~ USD 2 trillion) in 2022.



➤ SEBI introduces Regulatory Framework for Online Bond Platform
Providers; Tweaks takeover code to Facilitate Disinvestment of PSUs.
The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) introduced a regulatory framework to facilitate online bond platforms providers that are selling listed debt securities w.e.f. November 9, 2022.

About Securities and Exchange of India (SEBI):

Chairperson-Madhabi Puri Buch Headquarters- Mumbai, Maharashtra Establishment- 1992.

➤ Union Bank of India Launches Union Vyom App & Various New Products on its 104th Foundation Day.

On November 11, 2022, the Union Bank of India (UBI) celebrated its 104th foundation day at Mumbai, Maharashtra.

About Union Bank of India (UBI):

MD & CFO- A. Manimekhalai (the first Woman chief of UBI)

Headquarters- Mumbai, Maharashtra

Tagline- "Good People of Bank with"

RBI Approves Amalgamation of Shree Sharada Sahakari bank with Cosmos Cooperative Bank.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the amalgamation of Shree Sharada Sahakari Bank Ltd. in Pune, Maharashtra with The Cosmos Co-operative Bank Ltd. in Pune, Maharashtra.

► HDFC Bank Partners with Arzono to Offer Purchase Cards to Retailers.

HDFC Bank Partnered with Arzono to Jaunch Purchase cards that are ex-

HDFC Bank Partnered with Arzooo to launch Purchase cards that are exclusively designed for offline small and mid-sized retailers with an aim to roll out over one lakh cards in the next 12 months.

About HDFC Bank:

Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Sashidhar Jagdishan Headquarters- Mumbai, Maharashtra Established- 1994

➤ BPCL recognized as India's most Sustainable Oil & Gas Company.

In the 2022 edition of the S&P Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA) rankings, Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), a 'Maharatna' and a gas sector for it Sustainability Performance.



- ➤ West Bengal Govt's Lakshmir Bhandar bags the SKOCH Award.

 West Bengal (WB) has bagged the prestigious SKOCH award in the women and child development category for its popular 'Lakshmir Bhandar' scheme.
- ➤ ICC re-elected Greg Barclay as Independent Chair for 2 year term.

 On 12th November 2022, Greg Barclay was re-elected as the Independent Chair of the International Cricket Council (ICC) for a second 2-year term.

 About the International Cricket Council (ICC):Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Geoff Allardice
 Headquarters- Dubai, United Arab Emirates
 Establishment- 1909
- Minister for Power RK Singh Launches Green Energy Open Access Portal.
 On 11th November 2022, Union Minister for Power and New and Renewable Energy, R.K. Singh launches the Green Energy Open Access Portal to promote clean and green energy initiated by the Government of India (Gol).
- ➤ President Droupadi Murmu Launches e-KUMBH Portal in Bhubaneswar.
 On 11th November 2022 the president of India, Droupadi Murmu, launched e-KUMBH (Knowledge Unleashed in Multiple Bharatiya Languages) portal which contains engineering courses and books would be available in 12 scheduled Indian languages from Jayadev Bhawan, Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- ➤ China successfully Launches Cargo Spacecraft for its Space Station in orbit.

 On 12th November 2022 China successfully launched its cargo spacecraft

 Tianzhou-5 upon the Long March-7 Y6 rocket, to deliver supplies for its Tiangong space station from the Wenchang Spacecraft Launch Site in the southern island province of Hainan.
- NASA Partners with Pratt & Whitney for Developing Low-emission Aviation Engine Technology.
 - National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has awarded the costshare contract to Pratt & Whitney with a total value of USD 13.1 million under the project Hybrid Thermally Efficient Core (HyTEC) to advance new combustor designs for small core engines to revolutionise air travel and combat climate change.

About National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):

Administrator-Bill Nelson Headquarters-Washington D.C. United States



➤ Union Minister Bhupender Yadav launches ESIC Online Maternity Benefit Claim Portal.

On 10th November 2022, Bhupender Yadav, Union Minister of Labour & Employment launched the Employees' State Insurance Corporation's (ESIC) Online Maternity Benefit Claim Portal during the commemoration of the 102nd birth anniversary of Dattopant Thengadi at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi, Delhi.

➤ Renowned Indian Mathematician, Padma Shri Awardee Dr RL Kashyap Passed Away.

On 11th November 2022, Padma Shree Awardee Dr Rangasami Lakshminarayan Kashyap, renowned Indian Mathematician and Professor, passed away at the age of 84 in Gabbalala (Bengaluru), Karnataka.

- World Pneumonia Day 2022- November 12.
 World Pneumonia Day is annually observed across the globe on November 12 to raise awareness and educate people about Pneumonia disease, the world's most prominent infectious death of children under the age of 5.
- Public Service Broadcasting Day 2022- November 12.
 Public Service Broadcasting Day in annually observed across India on 12 the
 November to commemorate Mahatma Gandhi's first and only visit to All India
 Ratio (AIR) in Delhi in 1947.

About All India Radio (AIR):-

All India Radio is a Public Service Broadcaster of India and the Radio vertical of Prasar Bharati.

Director General- Vasudha Gupta.

Headquarters- New Delhi, Delhi.

➤ World Quality Week (WQW) is annually observed across the globe on the 2nd week of November to celebrate quality achievements, and recognize the quality professionals that use conscience in their decision- making at every level. About Chartered Quality Institute (CQI):

President- Lord Jamie Lindsay
Headquarters- Central London, United Kingdom
Founded in 1919





➤ Tamil Nadu Notifies Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary as its 17th Wildlife Sanctuary.

The Tamil Nadu (TN) government has declared around 646.406 sq.km of reserve forests in Anchetty, Urigam and Jawalagiri ranges of the Hosur Forest Division that comprises forest stretches of Krishnagiri and Dharmapuri districts as the Cauvery South Wildlife Sanctuary.

➤ Telangana: PM Modi Lays Foundation Stone of Multiple Developmental Projects Worth over Rs. 9,500 Crore.

Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone and dedicated to the country numerous projects worth over Rs. 9,500 crore in Ramagundam, Telangana.

About Telangane:-

Chief Minister (CM)- K. Chandrashekar Rao

National Parks- KBR National Park; Mahavir Harina, Vanasthali national Park; Mrugavani National Park.

➤ Jaipur International Airport Limited Receives Aerodrome Licence from DFCA.

Jaipur International Airport Limited (JIAL), special purpose vehicle (SPV) of Adani
Enterprises Limited has received the Aerodrome licence from the Directorate
General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) following which the airport has begun its
expansion drive.

About Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA):

Director General- Arun Kumar

Headquarters-New Delhi, Delhi

➤ Govt. amends Aadhaar rules; Supporting Documents may be updated 'At least Once' in 10 years.

The government has changed Aadhaar laws state that supporting documentation must be updated "as least once" be Aadhaar holders after 10 years from the enrolment date.

➤ Digilocker users can now digitally store health records & link them with ABHA.

DigiLocker, the authentic documents exchange platform under the Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MoEIT) has successfully completed its 2nd level of integration with Ayushman Bharat digital Mission (ABDM).



➤ VP of India Jagdeep Dhankhar Made His First Foreign Visit; Visited Cambodia from November 11 to 13, 2022.

The Vice President (VP) of India, Jagdeep Dhankhar, visited Cambodia for 3 days from November 11 to 13, 2022, on his first-ever foreign visit.

About the kingdom of Cambodia:

Prime Minister- Hun Sen Capital- Phnom Penh

➤ IBA's EASE Reforms Index for Q1FY23: SBI tops the Overall Ranking
According to the Indian Banks' Association (IBA)'s report titled "EASE Reforms
Index for the first quarter of FY23"(released on 10th November 2022), the State
Bank of India (SBI) was adjudged as the Best Bank in adopting reforms prescribed
for Public Sector Banks(PSB).

About Indian Banks' Association (IBA):
Chief Executive- Sunil Mehta

Headquarters- Mumbai. Maharashtra

➤ ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Launches Long- term Savings Product ICICI Pru Sukh Samruddhi

ICICI Prudential Life Insurance Company Limited (ICICI Prudential Life) has launched a new participating savings product, 'ICICI Pru Sukh Samruddhi, which provides customers with guaranteed benefits and growth potential in the form of bonuses.

About ICICI Prudential Life Insurance (ICICI Prudential Life):

Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO) - N. S. Kannan Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

Establishment - 2001 Government Exams

- ➤ NPCI enables Electricity Bill Payments on 123PAY for Feature Phone Users On 11th November 2022, the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) announced that electricity bill payments service for more than 70 electricity boards is now enabled on 123PAY.
- ➤ Indian-born Nobel Laureate Venkatraman Ramakrishnan awarded UK's Royal Order Of Merit.

Indian-born Nobel laureate Professor Venkatraman Ramakrishnan has been awarded the United Kingdom's (UK) Royal Order of Merit by Britain's King Charles III in recognition of his distinguished service to science.



➤ The Print & Saurabh Shukla receives an IPI-India Award for Excellence in Iournalism.

The Print, a news portal, and Saurabh Shukla, Correspondent at NDTV, have been awarded the International Press Institute (IPI) India Award for Excellence in Journalism, 2022.

About the International Press Institute (IPI):

Chair- Khadija Patel Headquarters- Vienna, Austria Founded in October 1950

Natasa Pirc Musar elected as Slovenia's first female President. On 13th November 2022, Lawyer Natasa Pirc Musar won the second round of Slovenia's presidential election and is set to become the first female President of Slovenia.

About Slovenia:

Currency - EURO Capital – Ljubljana

Olympian Yogeshwar Dutt Becomes the Brand Ambassador of Religare Enterprises

Padma Shri awardee and an olympics, Asian Games and Commonwealth Games medallist Yogeshwar Dutt, has been selected as the brand ambassador of Religare Enterprises Limited (REL), a financial services company.

> 8th ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 held in Australia; England won by defeating Pakistan.

England Men's cricket team led by Jos Buttler crowned as the champions of the 8th International Cricket Council (ICC) Men's T20 (Twenty20) International World Cup 2022 by defeating Pakistan men's cricket team led by Babar Azam. About the International Cricket Council (ICC):

Chair -Greg Barclay
Chief Executive- Geoff Allardice
Headquarters- Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE)
Establishment- 1909

➤ ASBC Asian Elite Boxing Championships Amman 2022- India finishes with 12 medals.

India has bagged 12 medals (4 gold, 2 silver and 6 bronze) at the Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC) Asian Elite Men And Women Boxing Championships 2022 held in Amman, Jordan from 1st to 12th November 2022. About Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC):

ASBC is a not-for-profit organization that governs the sport of boxing in all its forms in Asia.

President- Pichai Chunhavajira Headquarters- Lausanne, Switzerland

- ➤ Mercedes' George Russell won Brazilian Grand Prix 2022.

 Mercedes driver George Russell (United Kingdom) won his the first race in Formula One by 1 1/2 seconds at the Brazilian Grand Prix 2022 officially named as 'Sao Paulo Grand Prix 2022'.
- Tennis: Switzerland wins Billie Jean King Cup for first time.

 The Switzerland women's tennis team won the Billie Jean King Cup for the first time by defeating Australia 2-0 at the 2022 Billie Jean King Cup held in Glasgow, Scotland.
- World Kindness Day 2022 November 13 World Kindness Day (WKD) is annually observed across the globe on November 13 to promote kindness and inspire people to engage in at least one act of kindness that aspires to unify the world as one.
- World Diabetes Day 2022 November 14 The United Nations (UN)'s World Diabetes Day (WDD) is annually observed across the globe on 14th November to create awareness about Diabetes, a global public health issue, and its impact on the health of people.

About International Diabetes Federation (IDF):

President- Prof Andrew Boulton Headquarters-Brussels, Belgium Founded in 1950

➤ Children's Day 2022 - November 14
Children's Day is annually observed across India on November 14 to commemorate the birth anniversary of India's 1st Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, fondly known as 'Chacha Nehru'.





- ➤ India Conducts Third & Major Coastal Defence Exercise 'Sea Vigil'.

 The 3rd edition of the largest 'Pan-India' Coastal Defence Exercise 'Sea Vigil-22' was undertaken along the entire 7516 km coastline and Exclusive Economic Zone of India from 15th to 16th November 2022.
- ➤ DEA, MOHUA & World Bank Group jointly organized Workshop on "Cities Creditworthiness Academy".
 The Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ministry of Finance (MOF); Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs (MOHUA); and the World Bank (WB) Group are jointly organizing a 5-day focused workshop titled 'Cities Creditworthiness Academy' to create an enabling ecosystem for financing future cities of India.
- Kerala Govt. & IH2A Partners to Set up Kochi Green Hydrogen Hub in Kochi. On 14th November 2022, the government of Kerala and India Hydrogen Alliance (IH2A) partnered to build the Kochi Green Hydrogen (KGH2) Hub, a large-scale green hydrogen hub with multiple use cases, in Kochi, Kerala.
- NAA's tenure ends; CCI to handle GST anti- profiteering complaints from 1st December 2022.
 The Competition Commission of India (CCI) will handle all Goods & Services Tax (GST) anti- profiteering complaints from December 1, 2022, as the extended tenure of the National Anti- Profiteering Authority (NAA) ends on November 30, 2022.
- Nagaland Celebrates Tokhu Emong Festival; Organises 1st Edition of Tokhü Emong Bird Count.
 Nagaland Celebrates a 9-day post-harvest festival of the Lotha Nagas, Tokhü Emong to spread awareness about Nagaland's bird diversity. It also hosted the first edition of the Tokhü Emong Bird Count (TEBC), a 4-day documentation event to list birds during the festival between 4th and 7th November 2022.
- India has to invest USD 55bn p.a. in Urban Infra to meet needs of Growing Population: WB report.
 On November 14, 2022, the World Bank (WB) released a report titled 'Financing

India's Urban Infrastructure Needs: Constraints to Commercial Financing and Prospects for Policy Action'.

About World Bank (WB):

President- David Robert Malpass Headquarters- Washington D.C, United States(US) Establishment- 1944

➤ UN World Population Prospects 2022 - 27th edition: World Population to Reach 8 billion on 15 November 2022.

According to the United Nations (UN) World Population Prospects 2022:Summary of Results (27th edition), the global population is projected to achieve 8 billion on November 15, 2022, and India is expected to overtake China as the world's most populated country in 2023. About the United Nations (UN):

Secretary General - Antonio Guterres Headquarters - New York, United States

- ➤ WMO Report: "State of the Climate in Asia 2021"; Asian Region Warmed Faster Than Global Average in 2021.
 - The World Meteorological Organization (WMO) has released a report titled "State of the Climate in Asia 2021", which was prepared in collaboration with the United Nations (UN) Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP).
- ➤ 103mn People Forcibly Displaced Worldwide: UNHCR report
 According to the 2022 Mid-Year Trends report released by the United Nations
 High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the number of forcibly displaced
 people across the globe was estimated at 103 million.
- ▶ Bank of Maharashtra tops list of PSBS in Loan Growth in Q2FY23. As per analysis of the quarterly financial numbers published by the Public Sector Banks (PSBs), the Pune (Maharashtra) headquartered Bank of Maharashtra (BOM) emerged as the top performer among PSBS in terms of loan growth in percentage terms during the Q2FY23.
- Smaller ULBs' access to Capital Markets can be enhanced via Pooled Financing: RBI Report.
 On November 10, 2022, the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) released the first Report on Municipal Finances on the theme 'Alternative Corporations'.
- KVG Bank renews Banc assurance pact with LIC. Karnataka Vikas Grameena (KVG) Bank, a leading regional rural bank, and Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) of India have renewed their agreement through a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for "bancassurance" for selling life insurance products through bank branches in Dharwad, Karnataka.
- Rane Group Chairman L Ganesh receives Deming Award 2022. Lakshminarayan Ganesh (L Ganesh), Chairman of Rane Group, was conferred with Japan's prestigious Deming Distinguished Service Award for Dissemination and Promotion (Overseas) 2022 for his outstanding contribution to the distribution and promotion (overseas) of Total Quality Management (TQM).



- ➤ Union Home Minister's 'Special Operation Medal' 2022 awarded for 4 Special Operations.
 - On 14th November 2022, the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) declared 'Union Home Minister's Special Operation Medal-2022' has been awarded for 4 Special Operations, including 11 officers from Maharashtra.
- Edward Kennedy conferred the "Friends of Liberation War" honour from Bangladesh PM Sheikh Hasina. Sheikh Hasina, Prime minister (PM) of Bangladesh, conferred the 'Friends of Liberation War' honour on Edward Moore Kennedy (Ted Kennedy), former United States (US), Senator, posthumously in Dhaka (Bangladesh) for his contribution to the liberation of Bangladesh.
- Mary Kom, PV Sindhu & Shiva Keshavan Elected as the Members of IOA Athletes Commission.
 - On 14th November 2022 M C Mary Kom, PV Sindhu and Shiva Keshavan were among 10 eminent sports persons elected unopposed as members of the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) Athletes Commission at Nehru stadium, New Delhi.
- Misuzulu Zulu crowned as South Africa's new Zulu King. Misuzulu Sinqobile kaZwelithini (Misuzulu Zulu), was formally enthroned as the new Zulu King, head of South Africa's most influential traditional monarchy, at a colourful ceremony of the state coronation at the Moses Mabhida Stadium in the coastal city of Durban, South Africa.

About South Africa:

President-Cyril Ramaphosa
Capital- Pretoria (administrative capital); Cape Town (legislative)
Bloemfontein (judicial).
Currency- South African Rand

➢ Ghana Assumes UN Security Council Presidency in November. Ghana assumed the Presidency of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC), a principal organ for the maintenance and furtherance of international peace and security from November 2022 for a two-year term.

About Ghana:

President -Nana Akufo-Addo Capital - Accra Currency -Ghanaian Cedi

➤ The Phryges: Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic mascots unveiled.
On 14th November 2022, Tony Estanguet, President of the Paris 2024 Organising Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games unveiled the mascots for Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games, "The Phryges" (pronounced fri-jee-uhs), in Paris, France.

- Veteran Telugu Actor, Padma Bhushan Awardee Krishna Passed Away. On 15th November 2022, Telugu actor & Producer, Padma Bhushan awardee Ghattamaneni Siva Rama Krishna Murthy, popularly known as Krishna, passed away in Hyderabad, Telangana at the age of 79.
- ➤ Janjatiya Gaurav Divas 2022 15th November 2022.

 Janjatiya Gaurav Divas, also known as Tribal Pride Day, is annually observed across India on 15th November to commemorate the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda, an iconic freedom fighter, social reformer and renowned tribal leader, who fought against the British colonial government.
- ▶ J&K Admin Introduces Scheme for Promoting Sheep Farming ISDS. Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) Government has developed Integrated Sheep Development scheme (ISDS) and various other reforms and initiatives for modernization and promotion of the sheep farming sector.
- Assam govt. launches Mission Basundhara 2.0 to Provide Land Rights to Indigenous People.

 Himanta Biswa Sarma, Chief Minister(CM) of Assam launched the second phase of the Mission Basundhara (Mission Basundhara 2.0) during the event held at the Srimanta Shankardev Kalakshetra, Guwahati, Assam.
- Arunachal Pradesh signs MoU with NHLML for Infrastructure Development.0 The Government of Arunachal Pradesh signs a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Highway Logistics Management Limited (NHLML), a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) of the National Highway Authority of India (NHAI) under the Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways (MORTH), for infrastructure development in the state.







- Dharmendra Pradhan & Piyush Goyal Co-Chair First Virtual Global Skill Summit to Facilitate Overseas Mobility.
 On 15th November 2022, Union Minister for Education, Dharmendra Pradhan and Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal co-chaired the first Virtual Global Skill Summit (VGSS), organised by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MOCI), Ministry of Education (MOE) and Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE).
- ➤ BEL Signed MoUs With 5 Defence Companies For Military Equipment.
 On 15th November 2022, Bharat Electronics Ltd (BEL), a Navratna Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) under the Ministry of Defence, signed 5 Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with five companies involved in the defence industry to meet the requirements of Indian Defence and export markets.

About Bharat Electronics Ltd (BEL):

Chairman & Managing Director- Bhanu Prakash Srivastava (additional charge)
Established in 1954

Headquarters-Bengaluru, Karnataka

- ➤ Union Agriculture Minister inaugurates M&M's 1st Farm Machinery Plant at Pithampur, MP.
 - On 15th November 2022, the Union Minister Narendra Singh Tomar, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare (MOA&FW), inaugurated the first dedicated Greenfield farm machinery plant (non-tractor) of Mahindra & Mahindra Farm Equipment Sector (FES), a part of the Mahindra Group, at Pithampur, Madhya Pradesh(MP).
- YUDH ABHYAS 22- 18th Edition of India-US Joint Military Training Exercise Begins in Uttarakhand. On 16th November 2022 the 18th edition of the Indo-United States (US) joint military training exercise 'YUDH ABHYAS 22' begins at Auli in Chamoli district, Uttarakhand for the first-time ever with an objective to exchange the best of technology, tactical skills and manoeuvres between the armies of both the countries.
- ➤ India climbs to 8th spot in Climate Change Performance Index 2023; Denmark achieved Best Spot of 4th.

On November 14, 2022, the Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2023 released which was published by three environmental non-governmental organizations viz.

About Denmark:

Capital -Copenhagen Currency- Danish Krone



➤ Knight Frank Report (Q3 2022): 3 Indian Cities Among Largest Data Centre Markets in Asia-Pacific.

According to the Knight Frank Data Centre Report (Q3 2022), which focuses on the Asia Pacific (APAC) growth markets, Indian cities such Hyderabad (Telangana), Chennai (Tamil Nadu), and New Delhi (Delhi) have evolved as three of the top data centre markets in the APAC region.

➤ ESAF Bank gets top 'Best in Class' ESG Ratings from CareEdge.

ESAF Small Finance Bank (ESAF SFB) awarded with the 'Best in Class' rating for Environment, Social, and Governance (ESG) practices from Mumbai (Maharashtra) headquartered CareEdge Ratings.

About ESAF Small Finance Bank:

MD and CEO- Kadambelil Paul Thomas Headquarters- Thrissur, Kerala Establishment-2017

Nine Special Vostro Accounts Opened for Trade in Rupee After RBI Approval.
The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the opening of nine special Vostro accounts with two Indian banks-UCO Bank and IndusInd Bank-to promote overseas trade in Indian rupees (INR).

About International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)
Chairman of IFSCA - Injeti Srinivas (First Chairperson of IFSCA)
Established April 27, 2020
Headquarters - GIFT City, Gandhinagar in Gujarat.

➤ ICICI Venture Invests 360 Crore in Cello World; KIAL Secures USD 500 Million from ADIA.

On 16th November 2022 ICICI Venture Funds Management Company Limited (ICICI Venture), the alternative investment arm of ICICI Bank has invested Rs. 360 crore (around USD 44.3 million), in Cello World, a consumer houseware company marking its first bet from the 5th private equity (PE) fund.

➤ Max Life Launches Combined Life Insurance Savings Plan Smart Wealth Advantage Guarantee.

Max Life Insurance Company Limited (Max Life) has launched 'Smart Wealth Advantage Guarantee Plan', a non-linked, non-participating individual life insurance savings plan that offers guaranteed returns, life insurance cover and financial protection all combined in one product.

About Max Life Insurance Company Limited (Max Life):

Max Life Insurance Company Limited is a Joint Venture between Max Financial Services Limited and Axis Bank Limited.

Managing Director (MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)- Prashant Tripathy Establishment - 2000

Headquarters - New Delhi, Delhi



- ➤ RBI Imposes Rs 12 Lakh Fine on Six Co-Operative Banks, Three Sahakari Banks.
 - The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) fined nine entities, including six co-operative banks and three Sahakari banks, a total of Rs 11.60 lakh (~Rs 12 lakh) for violating various banking norms.
- ➤ Open Gets RBI Nod for Payment Aggregator Licence.

 The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has granted in principle approval to Open, a neobanking fintech, for a Payment Aggregator Gateway (PA/PG) licence.
- ReNew Power to Set Green Hydrogen Plant in Egypt with USD 8 Billion Investment.
 ReNew Power Private Limited (ReNew Power), a subsidiary of ReNew Energy Global Plc ("ReNew"), one of the world's leading renewable energy firms, has signed the Framework Agreement with the Government of Egypt.
- Tata Power-DDL Signs MoU with TERI to Create a Sustainable & Low-Carbon Future.
 - Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited (Tata Power- DDL) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Energy and Resource Institute (TERI) to promote Urja Arpan initiative and to promote the core strengths of both entities for effective utilisation of green energy efficiency.

About Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited (Tata Power-DDL): Chief Executive Officer (CEO) - Ganesh Srinivasan Headquarters - New Delhi, Delhi

- ➤ Sumeet Anand conferred with the Legion d'Honneur by Emmanuel Lenain. On 13th November 2022, Sumeet Anand, Founder of IndSight Growth Partners and President of the Indo- French Chamber of Commerce & Industry (IFCCI) conferred with the Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur (Knight of the National Order of the French Legion of Honour) by Emmanuel Lenain, Ambassador of France to India.
- Govt appoints Arvind Virmani as Full-Time Member of NITI Aayog. On 15th November 2022, Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the appointment of Arvind Virmani, Founder & Chairman of Foundation for Economic Growth & Welfare, as Full-Time Member of National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog with immediate effect and until further orders.
- ➤ HAL delivers 16th ALH Mk-III helicopters to ICG, receives Lol for 9 more. On November 15, 2022, the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) handed over the last of the 16 Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) Mk-III to the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) during an event in Bengaluru (Karnataka).
- Artemis I: NASA's SLS Rocket, Orion Spacecraft Launched to the Moon.



The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) launched its Space Launch System (SLS), the most powerful rocket in the world, and Orion spacecraft to the moon, as a part of the Artemis Program.

➤ International Day for Tolerance 2022 - November
United Nations (UN)'s International Day for Tolerance is annually observed
across the globe on November 16 to raise public awareness of the risks of
intolerance, and to respond with fresh commitment and action in support of
tolerance promotion and education.

About the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO):

Director-General- Audrey Azoulay
Headquarters- Paris, France
Establishment- 1945 (came into force in 1946)

Members- 193 members and 11 Associate members.

National Press Day 2022 November 16
National Press Day is annually observed across India on 16th November to commemorate the day on which the Press Council of India (PCI) started its function as the moral watchdog to ensure that press maintains the high standards and is not fettered by any form of influence or threats.

About Press Council of India (PCI):

Chairman Justice- Ranjana Prakash Desai, Headquarters- New Delhi, Delhi

- All India Cooperative Week 2022 -November 14 to 20
 All India Cooperative Week is annually observed across India from November 14
 to 20 to highlight the achievements of the Cooperative Sector in various areas and
 develop future growth strategies based on the dynamics of Cooperative
 development in each sector.
- Rajasthan Govt. Approves Rs 2.60-Crore Scheme to Protect Camel.
 Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot has approved Rs 2.60 crores budget for the Camel Conservation Scheme, which aims to safeguard camels.
- Arunachal Pradesh Launched World's First Drone- Mediated Livestock Vaccines Delivery Service.

TechEagle, a drone delivery startup, carried out the world's first vaccine delivery for animal husbandry in Arunachal Pradesh using its indigenously developed Hybrid Drone-the Vertiplane X3, which delivered vaccines 12 times faster than ground transportation.





- Tamil Nadu Introduces India's First Elephant Death Audit Framework.
 The Tamil Nadu Forest Department has introduced the "Tamil Nadu Elephant Death Audit Framework," a first-of-its-kind initiative in India, to record the reasons of elephant deaths for improved accountability.
- ➤ 11 Career researchers receive PECFAR for Exploring Networking Opportunities for S&T collaborations between India & Germany.
 11 career researchers from India & Germany have been awarded the 'Paired Early Career Fellowship in Applied Research (PECFAR)', which will fund a short-term visit to explore opportunities for connecting and networking for research collaborations between India and Germany in frontier areas of science and technology(S&T).
- NCW Launches Digital Shakti 4.0 to Digitally Empower Women & Girls in Cyberspace.
 The National Commission for Women (NCW) in collaboration with CyberPeace Foundation and Meta launched the fourth phase of the Digital Shakti Campaign, Digital Shakti 4.0, a pan-India project on digitally empowering and skilling women and girls in cyberspace.
- ➤ India becomes the World's 2nd Largest Producer of Steel.

 According to the World Steel Association, India has become the world's 2nd largest producer of Crude Steel after China in 2018 and 2019, replacing Japan.
- DAHD initiates process for Integration of its Various Infrastructures with PMGS-NMP.
 Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD), Ministry of Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries, has initiated the process for integration of various infrastructures of the department with PM Gati Shakti-National Master Plan (PMGS-NMP).
- National Investigation Agency to establish offices in every state by 2024. Amit Shah, Union Minister of Home Affairs, addressed the 2-day 'Chintan Shivir' at Surajkund, Haryana and stated that before 2024, all the states across India will have National Investigation Agency (NIA) branches to deal with cybercrimes, narcotics, cross-border terrorism and sedition.
- ▶ Highlights of PM Narendra Modi visit to Indonesia for 17th G20 Summit 2022 in Bali.
 The Prime Minister (PM) of India Narendra Modi paid an official visit to Bali, Indonesia from November 14-16, 2022 to attend the 17th G20 (Group of twenty) Summit.



➤ SBI Signs Rs. 1240 crore Loan Agreement with Germany's KfW for Solar Projects.

State Bank of India (SBI) has signed a 150 million Euro (about Rs. 1,240 crore) loan agreement with KfW Development Bank, Germany to facilitate new and upcoming projects in the solar sector.

About State Bank of India (SBI):

Chairman- Dinesh Kumar Khara Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

- ➤ SEBI introduces option for Appointment, Removal of Independent Directors.

 The Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) introduced a flexible option for appointment and removal of independent directors from the boards of companies.
- NABARD Sanctions Rs 220 Crore to Odisha Govt for Flood Protection Projects. On 16th November 2022, the National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) had sanctioned Rs 220.50 crore to the Odisha government under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) for the construction of 57 flood protection projects and one bridge at a rural area. About National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD):

Chairman - Suchindra Misra Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra Establishment - 1982

- ADB: Maharashtra to Get USD 400 million ADB Loan for 5,000 e-buses; Extends USD 40 Million for 255 Electric Buses In India with Focus On Women Safety. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has given in- principle approval for a USD 400-million loan to the Maharashtra government to bring in 5,000 electric buses.
- ➤ Karnataka Bank Launches CASA Campaign.

 The Karnataka Bank Ltd (KBL) has launched a 100-day CASA (current account savings account) campaign for the fiscal year 2022-23 (FY 23), as it approaches its 100th anniversary.

About Karnataka Bank Ltd (KBL):

MD & CEO - Mahabaleshwara M.S Establishment - 1924 Headquarters - Mangaluru, Karnataka

Tagline Your Family Bank Across India

➤ InsuranceDekho Collaborates with LIC to Provide Latter's Products.

The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) and the insurance technology company InsuranceDekho have formed a strategic partnership under which LIC's products will be offered to customers across India on InsuranceDekho's platform. About Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC):

Chairperson- Mangalam Ramasubramanian Kumar



Established - 1956 Headquarters - Mumbai, Maharashtra

Ankit Gupta & Kanav Kariya, 2 Indian-origin Entrepreneurs on Fortune's 40 under 40 list.

Ankit Gupta(age 35), Founder and CEO of Bicycle Health and Kanav Kariya (age 26), President of Jump Crypto, two Indian-origin entrepreneurs, have been featured on Fortune's annual 40 under 40 list in 2022.

➤ PFRDA appoints Suraj Bhan as Chairman of NPS Trust.

Pension Fund Regulatory & Development Authority (PFRDA) has appointed Suraj

Bhan as the Chairman of the board of National Pension System Trust (NPST) with

effect from 12th November 2022.

About the National Pension System Trust (NPST):

NPST was established by PFRDA as per the provisions of the Indian Trusts Act of 1882.

Chairman and Trustee- Suraj Bhan Establishment- 2007

Sharath Kamal Becomes First Indian to be Elected in ITTF's Athletes' Commission. Legendary table tennis player Achanta Sharath Kamal has become India's first player to be elected to the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) Athletes' Commission.

About International Table Tennis Federation (ITTE):
Chief Executive Officer (CEO) - Stephen Dainton (Australia)
Headquarters - Lausanne, switzerland
Establishment - 1826

- ➤ Govt. extends Tenure of DCGI Chief Dr V G Somani by 3 months.

 The tenure of Dr. Venugopal Girdharilal Somani (V G Somani) as the Drugs Controller General of India (DCGI) has been extended by 3 months Under Fundamental Rules 49(v) for the 2nd time by the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
- MK30: Amazon unveils design of Air delivery drone.

 Amazon has unveiled the design of an Air delivery drone 'MK30', which will handle high temperatures and light rain, will enter into service in 2024 by replacing MK27-2.
- National Epilepsy Day 2022 November 17 National Epilepsy Day is annually observed across India on November 17 to raise awareness about the central nervous system disorder, Epilepsy and to educate people about its symptoms and treatments.

About the World Health Organization (WHO):

Director-General- Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus



Headquarters- Geneva, Switzerland Establishment- 7th April 1948 About the Epilepsy Foundation of India: Founder- Dr Nirmal Surya Headquarters- Mumbai, Maharashtra, Establishment- 2009.

- ➤ International Students' Day 2022 November 17 International Students' Day is annually observed across the globe on November 17 to ensure that every student across the globe has access to education.
- World Philosophy Day 2022 November 17.
 The United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)'s World Philosophy Day is annually observed across the globe on the 3rd Thursday of November to raise

awareness about philosophy and its importance.

About United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO):

Director-General- Audrey Azoulay Headquarters- Paris, France

▶ J&K LG Manoj Sinha Launches Spatial Data Infra Initiative JKRIS & g-SAM mobile app.

On 16th November 2022 Jammu & Kashmir (J&K) Lieutenant Governor (LG) Manoj Sinha has launched the Jammu and Kashmir Remote Sensing Information System (JKRIS), a spatial data infrastructure initiative, and g-SAM (Gram Panchayat Spatial Assets Mapper) mobile app.

About Jammu & Kashmir (J&K):

Lieutenant Governor (LG) - Manoj Sinha National Park - City forest (Salim Ali) National Park

Wildlife Sanctuary - Lachipora Wildlife Sanctuary, Limber Wildlife Sanctuary

isclaimer:- While the Publisher of this pdf have made every effort to avoid any mistakes or omissions and have used their skill, expertise and knowledge to the their capacity to provide accurate and updates information. Any mistake, error or discrepancy notes may be brought to the notice of the Publisher which shall be taken care of in the next edition.

The Publisher expressly disclaim all and any liability/responsibility to any person, whether a purchaser or reader of this publication or not, in respect of anything everything forming part of the contents of this publication. It is notified that neither the Publisher nor seller will be responsible for any damage or loss to any one, of any king, in any manner, therefrom.

Further, the appearance of the person's name, location, place and incidence, if any; in the illustrations used herein is purely coincidental and work of imagination. Thus the same should in no manner be termed as defamatory to any individual.