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1. Nelson Mandela International Day 2024 |

Nelson Mandela International Day is celebrated every year on 18 July, honoring the life and enduring legacy of Nelson Mandela. The day encourages individuals and communities around the world to adopt Mandela's spirit of service and dedication to social justice. The day is officially recognized by the United Nations.



2. Supreme Court gets two new judges, first judge from Manipur

The Supreme Court has got two new judges, including Justice N Kotiswar Singh and Justice R Mahadevan. The central government has appointed them by accepting the recommendation of the collegium. After the oath taking of these two judges, the total number of judges in the Supreme Court will be 34, which is the maximum number of sanctioned posts.



3. Manoj Saunik appointed as Chairman of MahaRERA

Former Chief Secretary of Maharashtra, Manoj Saunik, has been appointed as the next Chairman of the Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (Maharetra). He will replace Ajoy Mehta, whose term expires in September 2024. Manoj Saunik is a 1987 batch IAS officer and retired as Chief Secretary in December 2023. He is currently serving as the Principal Advisor to the Chief Minister.



4. Annual Kataragama Esala Festival celebrated in Sri Lanka

The annual Kataragama Esala Festival is being celebrated in Sri Lanka, with devotees starting their padayatra in May and travelling 500 km from Sri Lanka's northern peninsula, such as Jaffna, to reach Kataragama. The festival symbolises the deep bond between India and Sri Lanka and is celebrated across different religions. The main temple of Kataragama is Maha Devala dedicated to the Hindu war god Skanda.



5. South Indian Bank appoints Dolphy Jose as Whole-time Director (ED).

South Indian Bank Limited has appointed Dolphy Jose as Whole Time Director (Executive Director) of the Bank with effect from July 15, 2024. Dolphy Jose is an accomplished banker with over 25 years of experience in the financial industry. Dolphy Jose has held key positions for nearly two decades as Executive Vice President – Institutional Business (Retail Liabilities) at Kotak Mahindra Bank Limited.



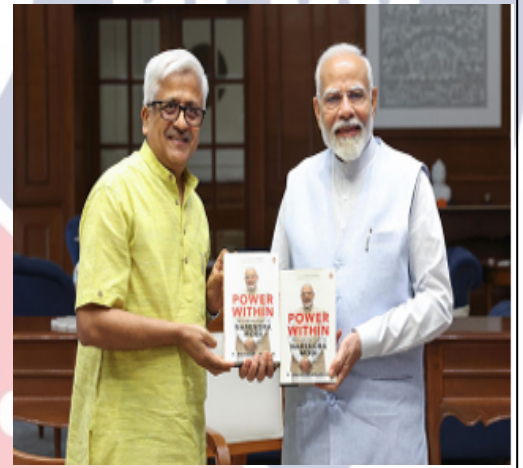
6. Barbora Krejcikova won the Women's Singles trophy defeating Jasmine Paolini.

Barbora Krejcikova won her second Grand Slam title by beating Jasmine Paolini 6-2, 2-6, 6-4 in the Wimbledon final on Saturday. Krejcikova, a 28-year-old from the Czech Republic, won her first championship at the French Open in 2021 and has now added this trophy to her career. She was not seeded at the time of her 2021 victory in Paris and was only ranked 31st out of 32 seeded players at the All England Club this time.



7. Release of the book The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi I

The book "Power Within: The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi" has been released, which details the fifty years of public life of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and presents an analysis of his early years. The book, written by evolutionary scholar and author Dr. Ramaswamy Balasubramaniam (Dr. Balu), compares the West's virtue-based approach and India's traditional leadership philosophy based on capabilities, offering a unique perspective on leadership.



8. Indian Oil launches high-speed car racing fuel STORM-X

India's top oil company Indian Oil has started production of special high-octane petrol "Storm-X" for motor racing and dispatched its first consignment. It was produced at its refinery in Paradip, Odisha. Storm-X, specially formulated for racing cars, was flagged off by Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) Director (Marketing) V. Satish Kumar at an event.





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1. Which oil company has launched high-speed car racing fuel STORM-X?

A - Indian Oil

B - Bharat Petroleum

C - Hindustan Petroleum

D - Reliance Industries

Indian Oil has started production of its new high-octane petrol "Storm-X", specially formulated for motor racing. This petrol has been generated for the first time at the Paradip Refinery in Odisha and was launched by V. Satish Kumar, Director (Marketing), Indian Oil Corporation. This fuel is going to be used in F1 racing and has been produced at the Paradip Refinery.



2. Who has been appointed as the next chairman of Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (MahaRERA)?

A - Ajay Mehta

B - Rajesh Kumar

C - Manoj Saunik

D - Sujata Saunik

Former Maharashtra chief secretary Manoj Saunik has been appointed as the next chairman of Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (MahaRERA). He will replace Ajoy Mehta, whose term ends in September 2024. Saunik is a 1987 batch IAS officer and retired from the post of chief secretary in December 2023, currently serving as the principal advisor to the Maharashtra chief minister.



3. Who has been appointed as the Sub-Regional Representative for South Asia by the Asian Paralympic Committee?

A - Devendra Jhajharia

B - Deepa Malik

C - Majid Rashid

D - Kiran Bedi

The Asian Paralympic Committee (APC) has appointed Indian Paralympian Dr Deepa Malik as the Sub-Regional Representative for South Asia. Through this historic appointment, the APC has taken a significant step towards gender diversity and athlete-centric leadership in para-sports.



4. Who has been re-elected as the President of Rwanda for the fourth time?

A - Frank Habineza

B - Philippe Mpayimana

C - Jeannette Kagame

D - Paul Kagame

Paul Kagame has won the 2024 presidential election in Rwanda, in which he received the support of 99.15% of the votes. This is his fourth term and it is being considered a significant moment in the political trend of Rwanda. His rivals, Frank Habineza of the Democratic Green Party and independent candidate Philippe Mpayimana, have received only 0.53% and 0.32% of the votes.



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5. Which ship was awarded the Best Ship of the Eastern Fleet in 2024?

- A - INS Kavaratti
B - INS Delhi
C - INS Shivalik
D - INS Sumitra

INS Delhi has been adjudged the Best Ship of the Eastern Fleet at the 'Fleet Awards Function-2024' held in Visakhapatnam. INS Kavaratti was recognised as the best ship in the category of Corvette, OPV and LST at the ceremony. Apart from this, INS Shivalik, INS Sumedha and INS Sumitra were also commended for their outstanding performance.



6. Who won the bronze medal at the World Junior Squash Championship 2024?

- A - Anahat Singh
B - Shaurya Bawa
C - Kush Kumar
D - Mohammed Zakaria

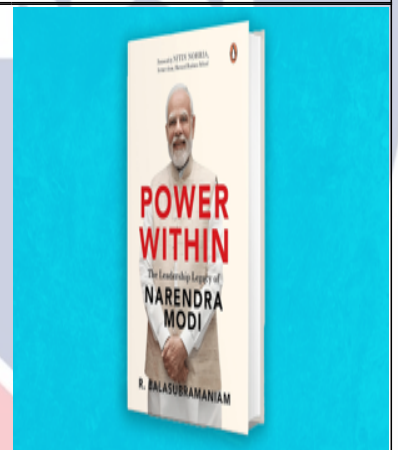
Indian squash player Shaurya Bawa has won the bronze medal at the World Junior Squash Championship held in Houston. He won the bronze medal after losing to Mohammed Zakaria of Egypt in the Boys Singles semi-final match. In this match, he had to fight for 41 minutes and he lost 5-11, 5-11, 9-11.



7. Who is the author of the book 'Power Within: The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi'?

- A - Arundhati Roy
B - Chetan Bhagat
C - Dr. R. Balasubramaniam
D - Amish Tripathi

The book "Power Within: The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi" presents an account of five decades of public life of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, analyzing various aspects of his leadership. Authored by Dr. Ramaswamy Balasubramanian, this book presents a fusion of Western and Indian perspectives, which shows the unique aspect of leadership.



8. Who has been reappointed as the Deputy Leader of Congress in Lok Sabha?

- A - Gaurav Gogoi
B - Kodikkunnil Suresh
C - Manickam Tagore
D - Mohammad Javed

The Congress party has entrusted Gaurav Gogoi with a big responsibility as an MP from Jorhat seat. He has been appointed as the deputy leader of the party in the Lok Sabha. Sonia Gandhi has informed Speaker Om Birla about this appointment by writing a letter. During this time, the Congress has also appointed other leaders to important roles.





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1. Which oil company has launched high-speed car racing fuel STORM-X. - **Indian Oil**
2. Who has been appointed as the next Chairman of Maharashtra Real Estate Regulatory Authority (MahaRERA). - **Manoj Saunik**
3. Who has been appointed as the Sub-Regional Representative for South Asia by the Asian Paralympic Committee. - **Deepa Malik**
4. Who has been re-elected as the President of Rwanda for the fourth time. - **Paul Kagame**
5. Which ship has been awarded the Best Ship of the Eastern Fleet in 2024. - **INS Delhi**
6. Who won the bronze medal in the World Junior Squash Championship 2024. - **Shaurya Bawa**
7. Who is the author of the book 'Power Within: The Leadership Legacy of Narendra Modi'. - **Dr. R. Balasubramanian**
8. Who has been re-appointed as the Deputy Leader of the Congress in the Lok Sabha. - **Gaurav Gogoi**
9. Union Minister Shri B.L. Where in Uttar Pradesh was 'Social Empowerment Camp' inaugurated by Verma? - **Badaun**
10. What is the name of the job training and stipend scheme announced by the Maharashtra government targeting the youth? - **Ladka Bhau Yojana**

