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## 1. Justice Sanjiv Khanna took over as the 51st Chief Justice of India

On 11 November 2024, Justice Sanjiv Khanna was sworn in as the 51st Chief Justice of India (CJI), thus replacing Justice D.Y. Chandrachud, whose term ended on 10 November 2024. Justice Khanna's appointment was made on the recommendation of Justice Chandrachud, and the central government officially notified it on 24 October 2024.



## 2. India's famous polo player HS Sodhi passed away

Former Indian polo legend Harinder Singh Sodhi, fondly called 'Billy', passed away at the age of 86. He died due to age-related ailments. Sodhi was an iconic name in the Indian polo world and his contributions will always be remembered with respect and reverence. He was renowned for his unparalleled skill and dedication in the game of polo, and one of the biggest achievements of his career was achieving a plus-five handicap.



## 3. Harshvardhan Agarwal becomes the new president of FICCI

The National Executive Committee (NECM) meeting of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) has announced the appointment of Harsh Vardhan Agarwal as the new President. Agarwal, currently serving as the Senior Vice President of FICCI, will officially take over as the President on 21 November 2024.



## 4. Pandit Ram Narayan, the great sarangi player, died at the age of 96

The world of Indian classical music lost its great sarangi player Pandit Ram Narayan on 8 November 2024, who breathed his last at the age of 96 at his residence in Bandra, Mumbai. Pandit Ram Narayan's name will always be etched in the history of Indian classical music, as he established the sarangi from being a mere accompaniment instrument to a major solo instrument.





## 5. India-Australia joint military exercise "Austra Hind" began in Maharashtra

The third edition of the joint military exercise "Austrahind" held between India and Australia began today at the Overseas Training Centre in Pune, Maharashtra. The exercise will run from 8 to 21 November 2024 and aims to promote military cooperation between the Indian and Australian armies.



## 6. Nirmala Sitharaman launches National MSME Cluster Outreach Programme

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday made an important announcement regarding the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector. She said that the special credit guarantee scheme of Rs 100 crore announced for MSMEs in this year's budget will soon be presented before the Union Cabinet for approval.



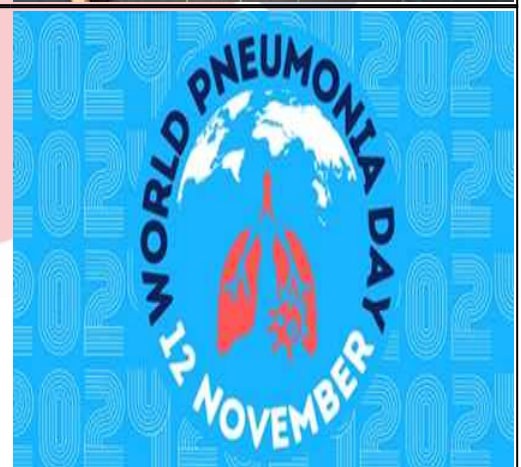
## 7. Finance Minister inaugurates Union Bank's 'Nari Shakti' branches for women entrepreneurs

Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman recently inaugurated five special "Nari Shakti" branches of Union Bank of India. The inauguration took place in Bengaluru, Chennai, Visakhapatnam and Jaipur and its main objective is to promote financial inclusion of women.



## 8. November 12: World Pneumonia Day observed

World Pneumonia Day is celebrated every year on 12 November, with the aim of spreading awareness about this deadly disease, promoting its prevention and motivating the global community to adopt treatment measures. This day provides us with an opportunity to understand the seriousness of pneumonia and take necessary steps to deal with it.





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**1. When did Justice Sanjiv Khanna take oath as the 51st Chief Justice of India (CJI)?**

**A - 10 November 2024**

**B - 11 November 2024**

**C - 12 November 2024**

**D - 9 November 2024**

Senior Supreme Court judge Justice Sanjiv Khanna has been appointed as the 51st Chief Justice of India (CJI). President Draupadi Murmu administered the oath of office to him at 10 am. Justice Khanna's tenure will last till May 13, 2025, which is about six months. During this time he will serve as the Chief Justice of the country's Supreme Court.



**2. What was the major achievement of Harinder Singh Sodhi in Polo?**

**A - Winning the National Polo Championship**

**B - Being the captain of the Indian Polo team**

**C - Being awarded the Padma Bhushan**

**D - Achieving a +5 handicap**

Polo legend Harinder Singh Sodhi's greatest achievement was achieving a plus-five (+5) handicap, which is considered a significant milestone in the world of polo. This achievement puts him among the most prominent players in the Indian polo community and attests to his sportsmanship, dedication and mental toughness.



**3. Harshvardhan Agarwal is associated with which company as its Vice Chairman and Managing Director?**

**A - Emami Limited**

**B - Reliance Industries**

**C - Tata Consultancy Services**

**D - Infosys**

Aggarwal is the second-generation leader of the Emami Group, a diversified business conglomerate with revenues of US\$3.1 billion. In 2016, he was recognised as one of India's emerging business leaders in the 'Forty Under 40' list by The Economic Times and Spencer Stuart.



**4. At which international venue did Pandit Ram Narayan perform during his European tour?**

**A - Carnegie Hall, New York**

**B - Royal Albert Hall, London**

**C - Sydney Opera House**

**D - Berlin Philharmonic Hall**

Pandit Ram Narayan, the eminent sitar player of Indian classical music, recently gave a wonderful performance at the famous Royal Albert Hall in London during his European tour. The venue is famous among international music lovers, and Pandit Ram Narayan's performance here was a great opportunity to present his contribution towards Indian classical music on a global stage.



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5. Which regiment is part of the Indian contingent in "Austra Hind" 2024?

- A - Rajputana Rifles  
C - Maratha Light Infantry  
B - Dogra Regiment  
D - Sikh Regiment

The Dogra Regiment is part of the Indian contingent in "Austra Hind" 2024. This regiment is a premier unit of the Indian Army, which is particularly known for its valor and dedication. The Dogra Regiment is known for its courageous actions and excellence in difficult situations.



6. According to Nirmala Sitharaman, which state has the highest number of MSMEs?

- A - Maharashtra  
C - Tamil Nadu  
B - Uttar Pradesh  
D - Karnataka

Nirmala Sitharaman, Finance Minister of India, recently gave important information in the context of the state of Karnataka that the state has the highest number of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). She said that Karnataka is not only contributing significantly to the Indian economy, but it is also at the forefront of the MSME sector, which is important for job creation and economic growth.



7. What will "Nari Shakti" branches help alleviate for women entrepreneurs?

- A - Market competition  
C - Export Tax  
B - Financial constraints and challenges  
D - Participation of women in political offices

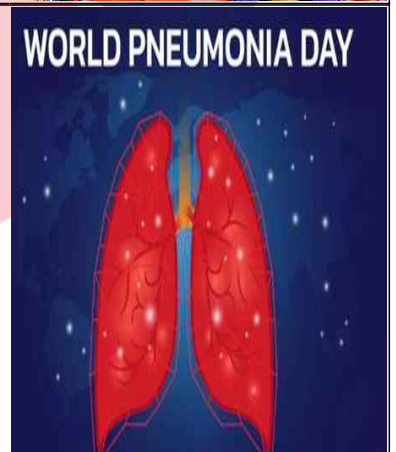
"Nari Shakti" branches will play a vital role in reducing financial barriers and challenges for women entrepreneurs. This initiative has been launched specifically to promote women entrepreneurship, so that women can get the necessary financial support and resources to set up and run their businesses.



8. When is World Pneumonia Day observed every year?

- A - 12 October  
C - 15 November  
B - 12 November  
D - 5 December

World Pneumonia Day is observed every year on November 12 to raise awareness about the deadly disease pneumonia and encourage global efforts to treat it effectively. Pneumonia is an infection that affects the lungs and can be caused by bacteria, viruses, or fungi. The disease is a leading cause of mortality worldwide, especially among children and the elderly.





## One Liner

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9. Which new status has been received by India's ICAR-NRC Equine? - **WOAH Reference Laboratory**
10. What did India gift to Mozambique for maritime security? - **Two interceptors**

