

July Current Affairs 2023

- IAF plans its biggest **air exercise Tarang Shakti** to bring together forces from 12 Nations. It is a multinational Air force exercise. In this 6 countries will participate and 6 will be an observer Nation.
- Tamil Nadu police department has launched the “**Cyber Alert**” mobile app.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi set to inaugurate the **17th Indian Cooperative Congress** in New Delhi.
- Uttar Pradesh started a ‘**one-tap-one-tree**’ campaign to expand green cover. It has a target of 40000 tap water connections per day and one tree plant is given in every water connection.
- Madhya Pradesh state's school syllabus will include a chapter on Savarkar. The Chapter "**VD Savarkar a life in freedom struggle**" will be included in class 10 and 12.
- The National **Maritime Heritage Complex** aims to preserve and showcase the maritime history of Lothal, Gujarat.
- **Debrigarh Wildlife Sanctuary** is located in Bargarh district of Odisha. Human activity is completely banned as it will be converted to Tiger Reserve.
- '**Chikhal Kalo festival**' has been celebrated recently in Goa.
- The "**Banking on World Heritage**" exhibition is being hosted by India.
- According to the **Global Peace Index**, India ranked 126th out of 163 countries. This list was topped by Iceland.
- Tamil Nadu emerged as the **top electronic exporter** in India.
- The **64th Global Environment Facility Council (GEF)** meeting was held in Brazil.
- PM Modi announced that "Amrit Kaal" will be renamed as "**Kartavya Kaal**".
- The world famous '**Shravani Fair**' was inaugurated by State Agriculture Minister Badal Patralekh in Deoghar, Jharkhand.
- Nepal set to become the first South Asian country to **legalize same-sex marriage**.

- The **Bharat 6G Alliance** (B6GA) was launched by Ashwini Vasana, Department of Technology. To drive innovation and collaboration in next-generation wireless technology.
- The 23rd Summit of the **Shanghai Cooperation Organization**(SCO) hosted by India at Delhi in Virtual Format.
- India and Japan conducted the 7th edition of the Maritime Exercise (**JIMEX 23**).
- The **first IIT Madras** campus outside India is set to be established in Zanzibar, Tanzania. Preeti Aghalayam became the first woman director of IIT Zanzibar.
- **Canada Post** has recently signed an agreement with India Post for 'International Tracked Packet Service'.
- In Kochi, Kerala the Seventh edition of Indian Navy – US Navy (IN – USN) Salvage and Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) exercise, **SALVEX** was conducted from 26 Jun –06 Jul 2023.
- PM Modi to inaugurate **wildlife-friendly highway projects** in Chhattisgarh in July 2023. This highway passes through Udanti Wildlife Sanctuary.
- Jammu and Kashmir launched the first chatbot for people suffering from mental distress "**Tele MANAS**".
- **Brazil** has been handed over the Chairmanship of G-20 meeting for the year 2024.
- The University of Jaffna has signed an MoU with **IIT Madras** to foster academic collaboration and promote research initiatives.
- At **Kazipet**,Telangana PM Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone for the **Railway Manufacturing Unit** in July 2023.
- Odisha will launch '**Mo Jungle Jami Yojana**' to saturate recognition of rights pertaining to the Forest Rights Act (FRA).
- "**Project Rail**" (Regular Assessment Improved Learning) initiative launched from Khunti,Jharkhand.
- **Himachal Pradesh** has achieved **100% tap water connection** under the Jal Jeevan Mission.
- Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel launched the Pilot project of the **Antyodaya Shramik Suraksha Yojana** in Gujarat.
- Women officer **SL. Sindhu Reddy** to lead IAF contingent at **Bastille Day parade** in French.

- Japan signed a Memorandum of Cooperation (MOC) with India for the development of the Integrated Mast United Combined Radio antenna (UNICORN) - **NORA-50**.
- **Indore Municipal Corporation** has become the first urban body in India to get the Extended Producers Responsibility (EPR) tag.
- OTV (Odisha Television) media organisation in Odisha has launched the state's first Artificial Intelligence news anchor named '**Lisa**'.
- **Deepika Deshwal** has become the first and the youngest Indian girl to deliver an address thrice at the UN Headquarters.
- Naveen Patnaik launched '**Ama Pokhari**' Yojanato rejuvenated around 2,000 large water bodies in all 115 urban local bodies of Odisha.
- **Operation Broadsword** the joint operation between India and the US that targeted illegal drug shipments via the international mail system.
- **Rajnath Singh** inaugurated Hindustan Aeronautics Limited's (HAL) regional office in Kuala Lumpur.
- China successfully launched the world's **first liquid methane rocket**.
- In Hampi - The Guinness World Record for the '**largest display of Lambani items**' was established during the third G20 Culture Working Group (CWG) meeting.
- J&K Mobile Office mobile application was launched in Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) in sync with the vision of "**Apka-Mobile-Hamara-Daftar**".
- The Odisha cabinet approved a proposal to recommend the inclusion of the **Kui language** in the 8th schedule of the Constitution of India.
- **Multidimensional Poverty data 2023** is released by UNDP (UNited Nation development Program).
- **France Bastilles military parade** Prime Minister Modi has been invited as a special guest.
- **Varanasi** will host the world's biggest International Temples Convention and Expo
- **Chandrayaan 3** was launched on **July 14**, at 2:35 P.M. from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota announced by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO). It was launched with Launch Vehicle Mark-III (LVM-3) from Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota.
- National Zoological Park, New Delhi in India celebrated **World Snake Day 2023**.

- India and Mongolia conducted the joint military exercise "**Nomadic Elephant -2023**".
- The **Project Gajah Kotha** for Elephants launched in Assam.
- **Authoor Betel** leaves from Tamil Nadu receives GI-Tag.
- According to the Times Higher Education (THE) 'Young University Rankings (YUR)-2023', **Mahatma Gandhi University (MGU), Kerala** emerged as the top-ranked and secured the 77th position globally.
- Hyderabad city in Telangana celebrates the Annual **Bonalu Festival**.
- NITI Aayog announced the '**Export Preparedness Index**' report for 2022 in India.
- The **BIMSTEC Foreign Ministers** meeting took place in **Bangkok, Thailand**.
- Uttarakhand is celebrating the **Harela festival**.
- Chief Minister of Karnataka Siddaramaiah launched the registration for the **Gruha Lakshmi scheme** in Karnataka.
- **Operation Trinetra II** being conducted in Jammu and Kashmir to neutralize hiding terrorists.
- **Tamil Nadu** tops NITI Aayog's **Export Preparedness Index 2022**. In small states Goa tops the list.
- NITI Aayog, Government of India released the report titled "**National Multidimensional Poverty Index: A Progress Review 2023**". The report says that poverty is decreasing in India.
- **Henley Passport Index 2023**, Singapore's passport is ranked as the world's most powerful passport. India's passport ranked 80 in the list.
- **Chachin Grazing festival** is celebrated with great enthusiasm by local pastoralists in Arunachal Pradesh Monpa Tribe.
- The **26 opposition parties** have come together to form the INDIA (Indian National Developmental, Inclusive Alliance).
- **Japan** has become the second partner of the Quad to sign a semiconductor pact with India.
- Uttar Pradesh will benefit from the "**Mukhya Mantri Khet Suraksha Yojana**". In this scheme a 12 volt Solar fencing will be done around the field to protect the crop from animals.
- Naveen Patnaik approved the **Khadag river basin project** in Odisha.
- Chief Minister of Chhattisgarh Bupesh Baghel has recently launched '**Gramin Awas Nyay Yojana**'.
- The World Famous **Rajgir Malmas Fair** recently started in Bihar.

- Amit Shah laid the foundation stone for the **108-foot Ram Statue** in Kurnool, Andhra Pradesh.
- Naveen Patnaik became the **second longest-serving Chief Minister** (CM) in Indian history. Pawan Kumar Chamling, former CM of Sikkim is the longest serving Chief Minister till now.
- "**Semicon India 2023**" hosted by Gujarat in Gandhinagar. It was inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi. Aim of this event was to attract the Semiconductor manufacturing company to set up the unit in India.
- The Odisha cabinet has recently approved the '**Mission Shakti Scooter Scheme**'. In this scheme an interest free loan of 1 lakh will be provided to women.
- **Exercise Talisman Sabre** the largest bilateral military exercise conducted between Australia and the US. India will be an observer of the exercise.
- **Rajasthan** has introduced the country's first **Gig Workers Bill in 2023**. It will provide security to the Gig workers that are involved in the online delivery of food and goods.
- **Jupiter-3** the world's largest private communications satellite set to be launched on July 28 by SpaceX.
- **Noor Shekhawat** was issued the first-ever transgender birth certificate in Rajasthan.
- **Meri Maati Mera Desh campaign** launched by the Indian government for nationwide events. In this campaign youth from all over India can bring the soil from different parts of India to Delhi, and with this soil trees will be planted.
- The West Bengal government announced the creation of a **Mangrove Cell**.
- **Dream11** has recently become the principal jersey sponsor of the India cricket team.

Sport Current Affairs

- In the **Asian Kabaddi Championship 2023**, India emerged as the winner by defeating Iran in the final. It was India's 8th title.
- **Dipika Pallikal** and **Harinder Pal Sandhu** recently won the gold medal in the Asian Mixed Doubles Squash Tournament.
- **Neeraj Chopra** won the Lausanne Diamond League 2023 title in javelin throw. He won the **Gold medal** by throwing the Javelin 87.66 meter.
- **India won** the 9th **SAFF Football Championship** by defeating Kuwait in a penalty shootout.
- The **Wimbledon 2023** men's singles final won **Carlos Alcaraz** beat four-time defending champion Novak Djokovic and the Women's Singles **Marketa Vondrousova** won the tournament defeating Ons Jabeur.
- **Shreyanka Patil** becomes first Indian cricketer to be part of Caribbean Premier League.
- **Lord Hanuman** is the official mascot of the Asian Athletics Championships held in Thailand.
- **Lakshya Sen** won the **Canada Open** Badminton Tournament 2023.
- **Parth Salunkhe** became first Indian to win the youth world Championship in recurve category Archery.
- At the **ISSF world Junior Championship** Indian Shooters won gold medal by the Mixed team of Abhinav Shaw and Gautam held in South Korea.
- **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy** broke the world record for the fastest badminton hit with a speed of 565-kmph.
- The **West Indies** cricket team failed to qualify for the ICC World Cup 2023 for the first time.
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- **Anshuman Jhingran** became the youngest person to swim across the North Channel.
- **Duleep Trophy**, cricket tournament won by **South Zone**.
- **Stuart Broad** became the second fast bowler to take 600 wickets in Test cricket.
- **Hockey Asian Championship Trophy 2023** which is to be held in Tamil Nadu. It has unveiled its mascot "**Bomman**", the elephant.

- **Sheetal Devi** became the first female armless archer to win a medal in the ParaArchery World Championship by securing silver.
- **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy** and **Chirag Shetty** won the **2023 Korea Open** Championship title in Badminton.
- **Harmanpreet Kaur** suspended for 2 international; matches over outburst at umpires in India Bangladesh ODI series.
- **Aditya Samant** became India's 83rd Grandmaster at the Biel master Tournament.

Important Days of July

- In the honour of Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy, **National Doctor's Day** is observed in India on July 1st.
- On July 3rd International **No Plastic Bag Day** is celebrated every year. Theme for this year is "Beat Plastic Pollution".
- **World Zoonoses Day** is celebrated on 6th July. It is the disease that is transferred from Animal to Human.
- **World Population Day** is commemorated annually on 11 July.
- **World Malala Day** is observed on July 12 on the birth anniversary of Malala Yousafzai. She is the youngest person to have won the nobel prize of peace in 2014 for raising her voice for girl child education.
- **World Youth Skills Day** is observed annually on 15 July.
- **Nelson Mandela Day** is observed every year on 18 July.
- India commemorates **National Broadcasting Day** on 23rd July.
- July 24 observed by the Income Tax department every year as **Income Tax Day** or 'Aaykar Diwas'
- **Kargil Vijay Diwas** celebrated annually in India on July 26th
- The 85th **CRPF Raising Day** observed on 27th July 2023.
- **World Hepatitis Day** is observed on 28th of July.
- **Global Tiger Day** is celebrated every year on 29th July.
- **World Nature Conservation day** 28th July.

Awards given in July 2023

- **Michael Rosen**, renowned for his contributions to children's literature, has recently been honored with the **PEN Pinter Prize 2023**.
- 1st Kala Kranti Lifetime Achievement award by Indian performing Arts forum given to Padma **Shri Pt. P.D Baul**.
- Boxing Champion **Mary Kom** named Global Indian Icon at UK-India awards.
- **Adani Transmission Limited (ATL)** has won the 'Golden Peacock Environment Management Award 2023'
- A photo of an elephant taken at the Anamalai Tiger Reserve (ATR) has emerged as the winner of the **Siena Drone Photo Awards 2023**. Anamalai Tiger Reserve is located in Tamil Nadu.
- **Kartiki Gonsalves** received the **Tara Award** for the documentary 'The Elephant Whisperers'. This documentary won the Oscar Award.
- **Aswin Sekhar** has been honoured by the International Astronomical Union (IAU) as India's first professional meteor-scientist.
- **PM Narendra Modi** received the **Lokmanya Tilak Award** for the year 2023 in India.
- **Prof. Thalappil Pradeep** won the prestigious International **Eni Award** for his work in Renewable energy and environment.
- British Prime Minister's Points of Light award given to **Moksha Roy**. A seven year old Indian origin girl for her work in the field of environment.
- The **Rising Global Superstar Award** of Indian Cinema recently given to **Karthik Aryan**.

Important Appointment July

- **Ajay Bhatnagar** has been appointed as the Special Director in the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI).
- **Brajendra Navnit** has been appointed as India's ambassador to the World Trade Organization (WTO) for a period of 9 months.

- **Qu Dongyu** has been re-elected unopposed as the head of FAO (Food and Agriculture Organization).
- **Tushar Mehat** reappointed as the Solicitor General of India.
- **Debadatha Chand** has been appointed as the new Managing director and CEO of Bank Of Baroda.
- **Manoj Yadava** has been appointed as the Chief of Railway Protection Force (RPF) in July 2023.
- **Shah Rukh Khan** was appointed as the brand ambassador for the ICC WorldCup 2023.
- **Sat Pal Bhanoo** appointed as the MD (Managing Director) of LIC.
- **Admiral Lisa Franchetti** became the first woman to lead the US Navy.
- **Dr.Thani Zeyoudi** has been elected as the chair of the 13th Ministerial Conference of the WTO (World Trade Organization).

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