



CURRENT AFFAIRS 9th November 2021

National News

1. Srinagar joins UNESCO Creative Cities Network 2021 under crafts, folk arts category



- UNESCO has included Srinagar city of the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir in its coveted list of Creative Cities Network (UCCN).
- The announcement was made by UNESCO Director-General Audrey Azoulay through a press release describing the list of 49 cities selected " in recognition of their commitment to placing the culture and creativity at the heart of their development and to sharing knowledge and good practices".
- The Jammu and Kashmir LG, Manoj Sinha, also described it as an ultimate recognition for artisans and weavers of J&K.

2. Law Minister Rijiju to Launch Tele-Law Mobile App For Citizens on Nov 13



- The Department of Justice in the Law Ministry on Monday launched a week-long campaign to empower people through pre-litigation advice for rightfully claiming their entitlements and for timely redressal of difficulties.
- The app will connect the beneficiaries directly with panel lawyers offering legal advice and consultation.
- A special “Login” week is being organised throughout the country for encouraging those in need to seek legal advice and consultation through tele conferencing and video conferencing facilities by urging them to visit their nearest Common Service Centres (CSCs) offering Tele-Law services, the statement said.
- These Common Service Centres have been branded as ‘Kanooni Salah Sahahyak Kendra’ for this purpose.
- A special mobile van displaying the message of the campaign was flagged off by the Secretary, Department of Justice on Monday.

3. TCS becomes Jaguar's Formula E title partner



- TCS and Jaguar will create a dynamic platform that will drive research and innovation while steering towards advanced concepts and electric vehicle (EV) technologies.
- Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has joined British racing team Jaguar Racing as the title partner, ahead of the 2021/22 ABB FIA Formula E World Championship.
- The team will be known as Jaguar TCS Racing.

4. PM Modi to lay foundation stone for expansion of 2 key highways in Maharashtra



- PM laid the foundation stone for four laning of five sections of Sreesanth Dnyaneshwar Maharaj Palkhi Marg (NH-965) and four laning of three sections of Sant Tukaram Maharaj Palkhi Marg (NH-965G).
- The Sreesanth Dnyaneshwar Maharaj Palkhi Marg will be completed in five phases at estimated costs of more than Rs. 6690 crore while Sant Tukaram Maharaj Palkhi Marg will be completed in three phases at estimated costs of about Rs. 4400 crore.
- The project also includes the construction of dedicated walkways for 'Palkhi' on either side of these National Highways
- PM also dedicated to the nation more than 223 km of completed and upgraded road projects of over Rs. 1180 crore at different National Highways aimed at boosting connectivity to Pandharpur.

5. 3rd Goa Maritime Conclave 2021



- The third edition of Goa Maritime Conclave (GMC) 2021 has been organised by the Indian Navy from November 07 to 09, 2021 at Naval War College, Goa.
- Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Karambir Singh would chair the conclave.
- The theme for 2021 GMC is “Maritime Security and Emerging Non-Traditional Threats: A Case for Proactive Role for IOR Navies”.

6. Countrys First-ever Bamboo Made Cricket Bat, Stumps In Tripura



- **Bamboo and Cane Development Institute (BCDI) of Tripura along with the North East Centre of Technology Application and Reach (NECTAR) claimed to have developed the country's first-ever bamboo made cricket bat following all the standard protocols used for manufacturing cricket bats.**
- **Most preferred wood for the production of cricket bats is willow.**
- **For the development of the bats, the hard Boom (local name) bamboo has been utilized. "Kanakaich (a local kind of bamboo)" has also been used to build bamboo wickets**
- **Chief Minister of Tripura: Biplab Kumar Deb**
- **Governor: Satyadeo Narain Arya.**
- **BCDI-NECTAR chairman: Dr Abhinab Kant**

Banking News

7. Life Certificate Can be Submitted via Video Call: SBI launches New Facility



- **The period to submit life certificates or Jeevan Pramaan Patra for pensioners below the age of 80 has begun this month.**
- **A life certificate is required by pensioners across the country to prove that they are still alive to continue to receive their pension without any problems.**
- **The last date to submit life certificates this year is on November 30. While the window to submit their proof of being alive had already opened for pensioners above 80 on October 1.**
- **SBI Chairperson: Dinesh Kumar Khara.**
- **SBI Headquarters: Mumbai.**
- **SBI Founded: 1 July 1955**

Awards

8. Mountaineer Priyanka Mohite to get Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award



- Maharashtra-based, 28-year old mountaineer Priyanka Mohite was selected by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for the prestigious 'Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2020' for outstanding contribution in the field of land adventure.
- She scaled the world's highest peak Mt Everest, Mt Lhotse and Mt.Makalu.
- She is the 1st Indian woman to climb Mt Annapurna, the 10th highest mountain peak in the world.
- Established in 1994 as 'National Adventure Award', later renamed as 'Tenzing Norgay National Award' in 2002.

Sports News

9. WTT Contender: Manika Batra and Archana Girish Kamath clinch women's doubles title



- India's Manika Batra and Archana Girish Kamath won the women's doubles title at the World Table Tennis Contender Lasko 2021 event, beating Puerto Rico's Diaz sisters, Adriana and Melanie at WTT Contender tournament in Lasko, Slovenia.
- Manika Batra also claimed a bronze medal in the women's singles title after Wang Yidi of China defeated her by 2-4.

10. Rashid Khan Becomes Youngest Bowler to Take 400 T20 Wickets, Joins Dwayne Bravo, Sunil Narine in Elite List



- **Afghanistan leg-spinner Rashid Khan became the youngest bowler to take 400 T20 wickets during his team's crucial Super 12 encounter against New Zealand in Dubai. Martin Guptill became Rashid's 400th victim in T20 cricket.**
- **He is the 4th bowler to enter the 400 club after Dwayne Bravo (553), Sunil Narine (425) and Imran Tahir (420).**

International News

11. Wang Yaping becomes first Chinese woman astronaut to walk in space, scripts history



- China had launched the Shenzhou-13 spaceship on October 16, sending three astronauts on a six-month mission to the under-construction space station which was expected to be ready by next year.
- Wang Yaping on Monday became the first Chinese woman astronaut to walk in space as she moved out of the under-construction space station and took part in extravehicular activities for over six hours along with her male colleague Zhai Zhigang.

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