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Nobel Peace Prize 2023

- Iranian human rights activist Narges Mohammadi has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize 2023 for her fight against the oppression of women.
- She remains in jail as she becomes the 19th woman to win the Nobel peace Prize.
- She is among the leading human rights activists in Iran.
- Ms Mohammadi has been arrested 13 times, convicted five times, and sentenced to a total of 31 years in prison and 154 lashes.
- The Norwegian Nobel Committee has decided to award Narges Mohammadi for her fight against the oppression of women in Iran and her fight to promote human rights and freedom for all.
- The prize worth around **1 million US dollars** will be presented in Oslo on December 10th, the death anniversary of Alfred Nobel, who founded the awards in his 1895 will.



Arunachal Pradesh's Yak Churpi' Receives GI Tag

- Slightly sour and salty churpi, a naturally fermented cheese prepared from the milk of Arunachali yak, nurtured in the high-altitude areas of Arunachal Pradesh, has recently received the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- This recognition not only celebrates the culinary heritage of the region but also plays a vital role in the **conservation of the yak population** in the Himalayan region.
- Churpi, rich in protein, has been a lifeline for tribal yak herders in the harsh, vegetation-starved, cold, and hilly mountainous regions of the state.



Madhya Pradesh To Provide 35% Reservation For Women

- In a significant step towards promoting gender equality and women's empowerment, the Madhya Pradesh government has introduced a groundbreaking policy.
- This policy mandates that **35% of all state government job positions** (excluding those in the Forest Department) must be reserved for women.
- This progressive amendment modifies the Madhya Pradesh Civil Services (Special Provision for Appointment of Women) Rules of 1997.
- The official notification specifies, "Regardless of any provisions in existing service rules, 35% of all job positions within the state's service (with the exception of the Forest Department) shall be reserved for women during direct recruitment.
- This reservation will be implemented **horizontally and compartment-wise**." This announcement is not only significant due to its dedication to gender equality

but also because it introduces the novel concepts of "horizontal" and "compartment-wise" reservations.

- Horizontal reservation is a concept aimed at providing equal opportunities to various categories of beneficiaries, such as women, veterans, the transgender community, and individuals with disabilities, across different segments or compartments of government job positions.
- **Compartment-wise** reservation means that the 35% quota for women will be applied in a manner that considers different departments or sectors separately, ensuring that women have access to a diverse range of government job opportunities.



First High-Tech Sports Training Center

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi officially opened the nation's inaugural state-ofthe-art sports training center for **people with disabilities** in **Gwalior**, Madhya Pradesh.
- This facility is named in honor of the former Prime Minister, **Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee**, and is geared towards promoting equitable access to sports, nurturing talent, and inspiring participation in a range of athletic pursuits.
- Disabled individuals from across the country now have the opportunity to practice and train at the **Atal Bihari Training Center for Disability Sports**.
- This center signifies a significant stride towards ensuring that individuals with disabilities receive the same sporting opportunities, enabling them to cultivate their talents and engage in a variety of athletic disciplines.



Prof. Dr Joyeeta Gupta Receives Spinoza Prize

- Indian-origin professor **Dr Joyeeta Gupta** has received the **Spinoza Prize**, the **highest distinction in Dutch science** for her work in the field of **climate change** at a ceremony in the Netherlands.
- The prize was presented to her by the Netherlands' Minister for Education, Science, and Culture, Robert Dijkgraaf at The Hague on Wednesday.
- The Dutch Research Council (NWO) prize is worth **1.5 million euros** which Gupta intends to spend on scientific research and activities related to knowledge utilisation.
- Joyeeta Gupta is a Dutch environmental scientist who is professor of Environment and Development in the Global South at the University of Amsterdam.





Millets Farmer Producer Organizations Exhibition

- The **Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare** organized a Millets Farmer Producer Organizations (FPO) Exhibition at **the BSF Camp in Chhawala**, Delhi. The event was to promote Millet among paramilitary personnel and acquaint them with diverse, home-grown millet products by FPO.
- The **34 Millet FPOs** gathered in this event are amplifying the Millet Movement of the country.
- The event had over 30 FPO with **ready-to-cook options** and ready-to-eat products for paramilitary officers, staff, and their families.
- The exhibition hosted roughly 1,000 attendees from various armed forces. The event brought forth a viable and healthy alternative for everyday snacks such as noodles, ladoos, and cookies.
- It also featured raw and broken millet grains and millet flour. BSF Mahila Pipe Band and 24 Battalion BSF Jazz Band captivated the audience with their melodious tunes.



Dilip Nongmaithem Receives Bal Sahitya Puraskar

- The Sahitya Akademi, India's premier literary institution, has once again recognized and celebrated outstanding literary contributions with the prestigious 'Bal Sahitya Puraskar' for the year 2023.
- This time, the honor has been conferred upon **Dilip Nongmaithem**, an accomplished author in the **Manipuri language**, for his remarkable work titled "**Ibemma Amasung Ngabemma**."

- This award is a testament to his profound storytelling and significant impact on children's literature.
- Dilip Nongmaithem's book, "Ibemma Amasung Ngabemma," stood out among the submissions and garnered unanimous acclaim from the jury.



Ramaswamy N-Chairman & MD of GIC Re

- The General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC Re) made a significant announcement regarding the appointment of its new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD), Ramaswamy N.
- This appointment follows a decision by the Ministry of Finance, Government of India, and marks a transition in leadership at the renowned insurance institution.
- Ramaswamy N's association with GIC Re dates back to 1988 when he joined as a direct recruit officer.
- Over the course of more than three decades, he has demonstrated unwavering commitment and expertise in various facets of non-life insurance.





Asian Games

- India is currently in fourth place in the medal tally. India is swiftly working towards its 100 medal target.
- Indian **recurve women's team in Archery** clinched bronze after defeating Vietnam 6-2 in the bronze medal playoff match. Whereas the **men's team** bagged silver against South Korea in the finals.



- The India's women's team clinched bronze in **sepaktakraw** after losing against Thailand in the regu semifinal.
- In wrestling, Sonam bagged bronze in the **women's freestyle 62kg category** against Long Jia of China by 7-5. Kiran Bishnoi secured bronze in women's **freestyle 76kg category** against Ariunjargal Ganbat of Mongolia by 6-3.
- In Badminton, **H S Prannoy** had to settle for a bronze.





REVIEW QUESTIONS

- 1. Who was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2023
- A. Mari Boine
- B. Prof. Dr. Joyeeta Gupta
- C. Narges Mohammadi
- D. Fatima Zaid ANSWER: C

2. What Is The Prize Money For The Nobel Peace Prize In 2023

- A. 100,000 US dollars
- B. 1 million US Dollars
- C. 500,000 US dollars
- D. 2 million US dollars

ANSWER: B

- 3. Product That Received The GI Tag In Arunachal Pradesh
- A. Yak Churpi
- B. Saffron
- C. Basmati Rice
- D. Mangoes ANSWER: A

4. Why Is The GI Tag Important For Yak Churpi

- A. To Increase Its Price
- B. To Protect The Yak Population
- C. To Encourage Cheese Export
- D. To Learn Cheese Making Process ANSWER: B

5. What % Of State Government Job Positions Is Reserved For Women In MP

- A. 10%
- B. 20%
- C. 25%
- D. 35%

ANSWER: D

- 6. Name Of Sports Training Center For People With Disabilities In Gwalior
- A. Atal Bihari Training Centre for Disability Sports
- B. Narendra Modi Sports Centre
- C. Arunachal Pradesh Sports Academy
- D. Disabled Athletes Training Centre **ANSWER: A**

7. Where Is Dr. Joyeeta Gupta From

- A. India
- B. Netherlands
- C. China
- D. USA

ANSWER: A

8. What Is The Spinoza Prize

- A. A literary award in the Netherlands
- B. A science award in the Netherlands
- C. A sports award in the Netherlands
- D. A music award in the Netherlands ANSWER: B
- 9. What Event Ministry Of Agriculture & Farmer's Welfare Organize At BSF Camp In Chhawala Delhi
- A. Rice Exhibition
- B. Millets FPO Exhibition
- C. Wheat Festival
- D. Vegetable Fair ANSWER: B

10.Who Received The 'Bal Sahitya Puraskar' For The Year 2023

- A. Narendra Modi
- B. Joyeeta Gupta
- C. Dilip Nongmaithem
- D. Ramaswamy N

ANSWER: C

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11.What Language Does Dilip Nongmaithem Write In

- A. Hindi
- B. Bengali
- C. Manipuri
- D. Tamil ANSWER: C

12. Who Has Been Appointed As The CMD Of GIC Re

- A. Arun Tyagi
- B. Ramaswamy N
- C. Dilip Khedekar
- D. Vijay Gupta ANSWER:B

13.In Which Sport Did India's Recurve Women's Team Win A Bronze Medal

- A. Archery
- B. Sepakta kraw
- C. Wrestling
- D. Badminton ANSWER: A

14.Who Won Bronze Medal In Women's Freestyle Wrestling 62Kg For India

- A. Kiran Bishnoi
- B. Sonam
- C. H S Prannoy
- D. Annu Rani ANSWER: B

15.In Which Sport Did H S Prannoy Win A Bronze Medal

- A. Wrestling
- B. Badminton
- C. Archery
- D. Sepakta kraw

ANSWER: B

16.Who Inaugurated 4th EMRS National Cultural & Literary Fest Kala Utsav-2023

- A. Pushkar Singh Dhami
- B. Narendra Modi
- C. Amit Shah
- D. Arjun Munda ANSWER: D

17. When Is World Nature Day Celebrated

- A. October 2
- B. October 3
- C. October 4
- D. October 5

ANSWER: B

18. Which Individual Not Awarded Nobel Prize In Physics In 2023

- A. Ferenc Krausz
- B. Pierre Agostini
- C. Alexey Ekimov
- D. Anne L'Huillier ANSWER: C

19. Which Individual Not Awarded Nobel Prize In Chemistry In 2023

- A. Moungi Gabriel Bawendi
- B. Louis Eugene Brus
- C. Alexey Ivanovich Ekimov
- D. Pierre Agostini

ANSWER: D

20.What Is The Estimated Annual Loss In Global Infrastructure Due To Climate Change And Disasters

- A. \$101 \$110 billion
- B. \$201 \$220 billion
- C. \$301 \$330 billion
- D. \$401 \$440 billion

ANSWER: C

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