

# Daily Current Affairs

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### BBC 100 Women 2023 List

- The **British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)** recently unveiled its **11<sup>th</sup> edition of the BBC 100 Women list** for 2023, featuring inspiring and influential women from various fields around the world.
- This prestigious list is **categorized into** Culture and Education, Entertainment and Sport, Politics and Advocacy, and Science, Health, and Tech.
- The BBC 100 Women 2023 list not only recognizes the achievements of these **four Indian women** but also highlights their significant contributions in diverse fields, inspiring others around the globe.



- The inclusion of a **'Climate Pioneers' category** underscores the importance of women leading the charge against the climate crisis, with **Arati Kumar-Rao** representing India on this front.



- BBC 100 Women 2023 which includes four Indian women viz. **Actress Dia Mirza, Cricketer Harmanpreet Kaur, Photographer Arati Kumar-Rao, and Tibetan Buddhist nun Jetsunma Tenzin Palmo.**
- **Harmanpreet Kaur**, the captain of the Indian Women's National Cricket Team in all three formats, was recognized in the Entertainment & Sport category.
- **Dia Mirza**, an award-winning actress, has been actively involved in social and environmental causes. Honored as UN Environment Goodwill Ambassador in 2017, she has also served as a brand ambassador for the Wildlife Trust of India (WTI). Tenzin Palmo, born in Hertfordshire, England, is a renowned author, teacher, and founder of the Dongyu Gatsal Ling Nunnery in Himachal Pradesh, India.



- Spending 12 years in a remote Himalayan cave, including three in rigorous meditation retreats, she holds the **title of Jetsunma** (Venerable Master) since 2008. Arati Kumar-Rao, an independent photographer and National Geographic Explorer, is dedicated to capturing the impact of environmental degradation on biodiversity.
- She is currently working on documenting forced human migration in India with a National Geographic grant.

## World's First 3D-Printed Temple

- Telangana has unveiled the **world's first 3D-printed temple**, a groundbreaking structure situated in **Burugupally, Siddipet district.**
- This innovative construction, achieved through a three-month 3D printing process, marks a significant technological milestone.
- The temple spans **4,000 square feet and stands at a height of 35.5 feet.** It comprises three distinct parts, each dedicated to a different deity:

- **Modak for Lord Ganesh:** This sanctuary is shaped like a modak, a sweet dish that is traditionally offered to Lord Ganesh.
- **Square Shivalay for Lord Shankar:** This sanctuary is square-shaped and dedicated to Lord Shiva.
- **Lotus-Shaped Sanctuary for Goddess Parvati:** This sanctuary is shaped like a lotus flower and dedicated to Goddess Parvati.
- The sanctums were meticulously crafted using an in-house system, along with materials and software developed locally.



Telangana Unveils the World's First 3D-Printed Temple

## Namma Kambala

- The anticipated **Kambala buffalo racing event**, typically rooted in the coastal Karnataka region, is poised to enchant Bengaluru's urban landscape this coming weekend.
- Set against the backdrop of the southwest monsoon's aftermath, this cherished traditional folk sport will unfold its excitement at the renowned Palace Grounds on November 25 and 26, courtesy of Tulukoota Bengaluru.



- It marks the inaugural **occurrence of Kambala within Bengaluru's core**, as teams from the coastal Karnataka area gear up to partake in this urban adaptation.
- This event pledges to infuse the vivacious essence of this age-old sport into Bengaluru's bustling cityscape, harmonizing tradition with modernity seamlessly.
- The term "**Kambala**" traces its origins to 'kampa-kala,' where 'kampa' associates with a sludgy, muddy field—the very arena where the action unfolds.
- The Dravidian roots of "Kampa" stem from the fusion of 'kan' and 'pa,' while 'kala' signifies the domain where the spectacle occurs. An alternative interpretation links Kambala to 'Kamba,' a pole employed for spurting water during the buffalo pairs' race. Kambala epitomizes a sport where whiplash-wielding farmers propel buffaloes across slushy paddy fields.
- Initially, Kambala was non-competitive, featuring pairs running sequentially. However, its modern rendition involves contests between two pairs of buffaloes, fostering a more competitive spirit.

## Anahat Singh

- In a remarkable turn of events at the **Senior National Squash Championships 2023**, **15-year-old Anahat Singh** scripted history by becoming the **second youngest title** winner in the tournament's prestigious history.

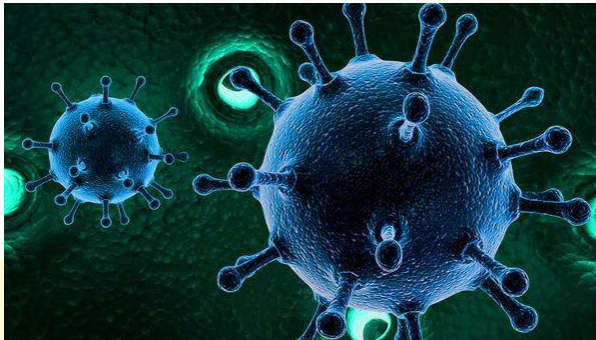


- **Joshna Chinappa** was 14 when she won the first of **her 19 titles in 2000**.
- Anahat's victory marked a historic moment, as she triumphed against her opponent who is 12 years her senior.

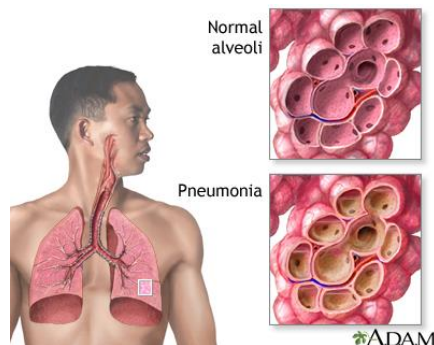
- The championship match witnessed a gripping battle between the generations, with Anahat initially losing the opener 9-11.
- However, she showcased her resilience in the second game, leading 6-4 before Khanna's untimely injury.
- Velevan Senthilkumar From Tamil Nadu Won The Senior National Squash Championships 2023 In Men's Category.

## Mysterious Pneumonia Outbreak In China

- Health officials in China are currently **investigating a surge in cases** of an unidentified illness, particularly affecting children who are being hospitalized with pneumonia.



- While the situation remains unclear, initial assessments suggest that these outbreaks may be linked to a resurgence of **common respiratory pathogens** following strict coronavirus lockdowns, rather than the emergence of a new infection.

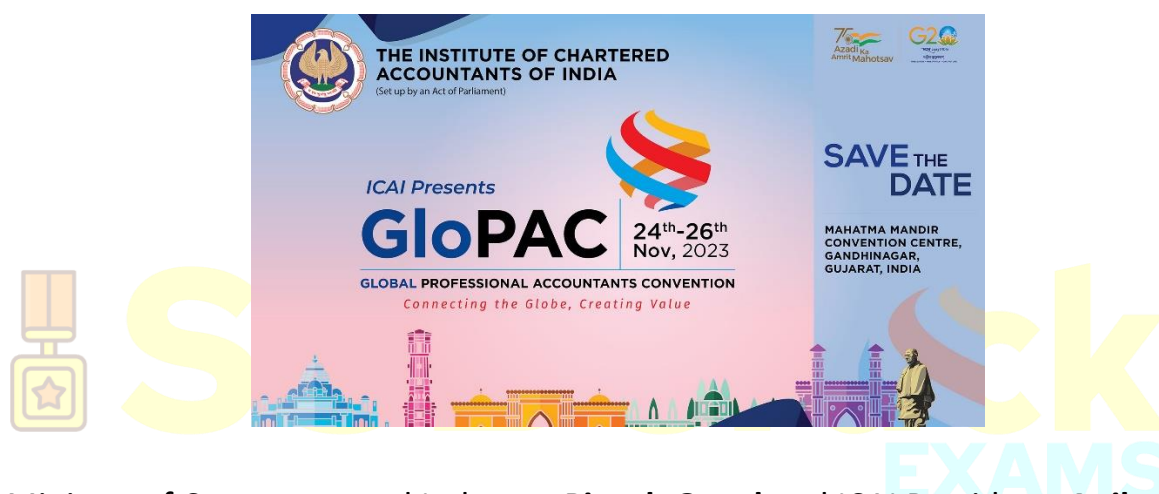


- Pneumonia is a broad term referring to **lung inflammation**, typically caused by infections.
- Common symptoms include coughing, shortness of breath, fever, and chest pain.

- While most individuals recover within weeks, vulnerable populations such as infants, older adults, and those with specific health conditions may require hospitalization.

## Global Professional Accountants Convention

- Vice President of India **Jagdeep Dhankhar** will inaugurate the Global Professional Accountants Convention at Mahatma Mandir in **Gandhinagar**.
- More than 4000 delegates from over 25 countries will take part in the three-day event and discuss various aspects to shape the future of the accountancy profession at the global level.



- Minister of Commerce and Industry, **Piyush Goyal** and ICAI President, **Aniket Sunil Talati** will also be present at the inaugural session.
- The three-day event will have more than 30 insightful sessions which will be addressed by eminent speakers including the Gujarat State Minister of Education Praful Pansheriya, Chairman Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India Debashis Panda, among others.

## Stars Asian International Film Festival

- **Ishwak Singh** won the Best Actor award at the **Stars Asian International Film Festival (SAIFF)** for his performance in **the film 'Berlin,'** serving as a testament to the universal appeal of his work and highlighting not only his exceptional talent but also his dedication to his craft.
- The **film "Berlin"** has not only gained acclaim for Ishwak Singh's outstanding portrayal but has also enjoyed successful screenings at several film festivals, such as the Indian Film Festival of Los Angeles and Jio MAMI 2023.

- Exploring his character in the award winning film 'Berlin,' the 34-year-old actor discusses the complexities of portraying a deaf individual.
- This process entailed a profound dive into the character, gaining insight into the actual challenges confronted by the deaf community.
- Singh's dedication extended to mastering Indian Sign Language (ISL), posing a distinctive challenge in his artistic journey.

## India, EU Sign MoU On Semiconductor Ecosystem

- **India and the European Union** have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to deepen cooperation on the **semiconductor ecosystem** and enhance resilience in the semiconductor supply chain.
- The MoU was signed by Electronics, Information and Technology and Communications **Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw** and European Commissioner for Internal **Markets Thierry Breton** during a virtual meeting of India - European Union Trade and Technology Council.



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- The meeting was co-chaired by External Affairs Minister Dr S. Jaishankar, Minister of Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal and Minister of Electronics and Information Technology Ashwini Vaishnaw. Executive Vice-President Valdis Dombrovskis and Vice-President Vera Jourova chaired the meeting from the European side.
- The External Affairs Ministry said, the MoU symbolizes the strong commitment between India and EU to work towards building **robust semiconductor supply chains and work together on innovation.**

## REVIEW QUESTIONS

**1. Which Among Following Not Part Of BBC 100 Women List**

- A. Dia Mirza
- B. Harmanpreet Kaur
- C. Jaya Bachchan
- D. Arati Kumar Rao

**ANSWER: C**

**2. World's First 3D-Printed Temple Inaugurated In**

- A. Jammu & Kashmir
- B. Odisha
- C. Karnataka
- D. Telangana

**ANSWER: D**

**3. To Which Deities Are Sanctums Dedicated Of 3D Temple In Telangana**

- A. Ganesha, Shiva & Goddess Parvati
- B. Rama, Goddess Sita & Laxman
- C. Krishna, Balram & Subhadra
- D. Vishnu, Goddess Laxmi & Narsingh

**ANSWER: A**

**4. 3D-Printed Temple Inaugurated In Which District In Telangana**

- A. Adilabad
- B. Siddipet
- C. Jagtial
- D. Yadadri

**ANSWER: B**

**5. Namma Kambala Seen In News Is**

- A. Bull Race
- B. Horse Race
- C. Buffalo Race
- D. Dog Race

**ANSWER: C**



**6. Namma Kambala Seen In News Is Sport Hosted In**

- A. Punjab
- B. J & K
- C. Karnataka
- D. Gujrat

**ANSWER: C**

**7. Who Is First Youngest Player To Win Senior National Squash Championships**

- A. Anahat Singh
- B. Joshna Chinappa
- C. Nouran Gohar
- D. Datuk Nicol David

**ANSWER: B**

**8. Who Won The Senior National Squash Championships 2023 In Men's Category**

- A. Velevan Senthilkumar
- B. Ali Farag
- C. Diego Elías
- D. Paul Coll

**ANSWER: A**

**9. Pneumonia Is Disease Related To**

- A. Heart
- B. Stomach
- C. Lungs
- D. Intestine

**ANSWER: C**

**10. Pneumonia Is Caused By**

- A. Virus
- B. Bacteria
- C. Fungus
- D. All Of The Above

**ANSWER: D**

**11.Global Professional Accountants Convention Inaugurated In**

- A. Ahmedabad
- B. Gandhinagar
- C. New Delhi
- D. Hyderabad

**ANSWER: B**

**12.Who Is The President Of ICAI**

- A. Aniket S. Talati
- B. Debashish Mitra
- C. Shubham Aggarwal
- D. Nihar Jambusaria

**ANSWER: A**

**13.Who Inaugurated Global Professional Accountants Convention**

- A. PM Modi
- B. Piyush Goyal
- C. Jagdeep Dhankhar
- D. Amit Shah

**ANSWER: C**

**14.Who Won Best Actor Award At Stars Asian International Film Festival**

- A. Ishwak Singh
- B. Pankaj Tripathi
- C. Salman Khan
- D. Raj Kumar Rao

**ANSWER: A**

**15.Atmospheric Waves Experiment Is Associated With Which Space Agency**

- A. NASA
- B. ESA
- C. ISRO
- D. JAXA

**ANSWER: A**

**16. China Recently Signed A 'Bilateral Currency Swap Agreement' With**

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. UAE
- C. Israel
- D. Russia

**ANSWER: A**

**17. Which State Has Signed CSIR & DRDO As Knowledge Partners For The Proposed Bulk Drugs Park**

- A. Assam
- B. Uttar Pradesh
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Odisha

**ANSWER: B**

**18. World Heritage Week Is Observed Every Year During Which Month**

- A. January
- B. April
- C. September
- D. November

**ANSWER: D**

**19. India Launched An 'Innovation Platform' & AMR Innovation Dialogue', Along With Which Country**

- A. Sweden
- B. Switzerland
- C. Australia
- D. Finland

**ANSWER: B**

**20. MON 863 Is A Genetically Engineered Variety Of Which Among The Following**

- A. Soya Bean
- B. Maize
- C. Rice
- D. Tomato

**ANSWER: A**