

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS UPDATES - 28 January 2023

DAILY UPDATE 1 :MISCELLANEOUS



J&K Becomes First Indian UT To Completely Shift To E-Governance Mode:-

Jammu and Kashmir has become India's first union territory (UT) to completely shift to a digital mode of administration, leading the digital transformation in governance. All governance and administrative services in the state are now 'only' available digitally, according to an order issued by UT chief secretary Dr Arun Kumar Mehta. Mehta also directed all the secretaries to ensure hassle-free online delivery of services and asked them to run campaigns in educational institutions and at the panchayat level to create public awareness.

DAILY UPDATE 2 :ECONOMY



Google Pilots 'Soundpod By Google Pay' For UPI Payments In India:-

Google is actively developing a Soundbox for the Indian market, similar to those used by Paytm and PhonePe, which provides a sound alert when a digital payment is made. The company has branded them as 'Soundpod by Google Pay,' and it is currently being distributed as part of a pilot programme with some shopkeepers in north India, including Delhi.

By scanning the code, users can make a payment using any UPI-based app. The UPI ended 2022 on a high note, with a record 7.82 billion transactions in December, totaling Rs 12.82 trillion, another record high.

DAILY UPDATE 3: RANK AND REPORT



TCS, Infosys Among Top Three Global IT Brands As Per Brand Finance:-

According to Brand Finance's 2023 rankings, four Indian companies-TCS, Infosys, HCLTech, and Wipro-are among the top ten most valuable IT service brands in the world. Accenture has retained its position as the most valuable IT services brand for the fifth year in a row. Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) of India is in second place, with a 2% increase in brand value, bringing its valuation to US \$17.2 billion. Infosys, too, has risen to the top three most valuable IT services brands in the world, with a valuation of US\$13.0 billion, a 2% increase.

DAILY UPDATE 4 : SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



MSN Launches Generic Version Of Breast Cancer Drug Palborest:-

Under the brand Palborest, MSN Group introduced the "world's first" generic Palbociclib tablets indicated for advanced breast cancer therapy. While a few other companies are planning to launch Palbociclib in capsule form, Hyderabad-based MSN laboratories developed the drug in tablet form, similar to the innovator Palbace tablets. Priced at ₹257 per

tablet for 125mg, ₹233 per tablet for 100mg, ₹214 per tablet for 75mg respectively, Palborest is more affordable and bioequivalent to innovator tablet.

DAILY UPDATE 5 :AWARDS



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Tamilnad Mercantile Bank Limited Awarded With The Best Small Bank Award:-

Tamilnad Mercantile Bank (TMB) has won the 'Best Small Bank Award' in Business Today-Best KPMG (BT-KPMG Best banks survey) Banks Survey for the Year 2022.' This award was given to the bank in the category of banks with a book size of less than ₹1 lakh crore. This survey is being conducted by BT-KPMG, which has been awarding the best banks for the past 27 years based on 37 criteria. TMB has come out on top in the respective category after a stellar performance in 2022.

DAILY UPDATE 6 :SPORTS



South Africa's Hashim Amla Ended His 22-Year Cricket Playing Career:-

Hashim Amla's 22-year playing career came to an end recently. Amla was an important member of one of South Africa's most powerful teams when they won the Test championship in England in 2012. Amla made a South African record 311 not out in the first Test at The Oval in London, batting alongside captain Graeme Smith, Jacques Kallis, and AB de Villiers.

It is still South Africa's only Test triple century. Amla's century was one of 28 in a 124-match Test career in which he scored 9,282 runs at an average of 46.64.

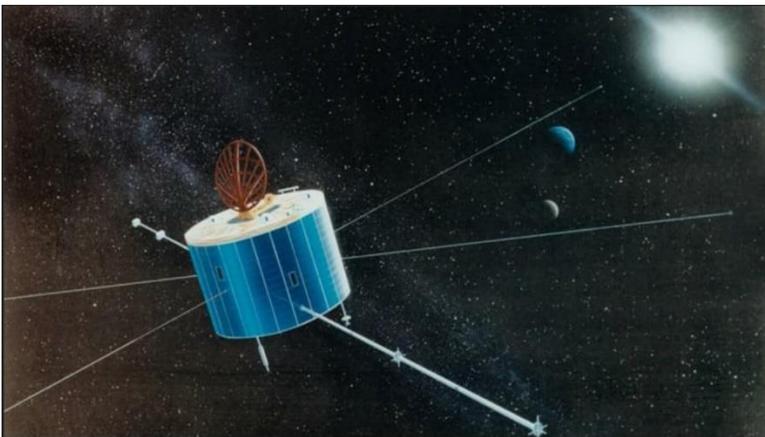
DAILY UPDATE 7 : ECONOMY



Bharti Airtel To Invest Rs 2,000 Crore To Set Up Hyperscale Data Centre In Hyderabad:-

Nxtra Data Centers, the data centre arm of the Bharti Airtel Group, will invest Rs 2,000 crore to build a large Hyperscale Data Center in Hyderabad. For the first phase, the facility will have a capacity of 60 megawatts (MW) of IT load. It will use cutting-edge cooling and security technologies. The project is expected to be completed within the next 5-7 years. The Bharti Airtel Group will invest capital in infrastructure through its data centre arm, which will attract additional investments from customers.

DAILY UPDATE 8 : INTERNATIONAL



NASA's Geotail Mission Operations Sign Off After 30 Years:-

After 30 years in orbit, the NASA-JAXA (Japanese Aerospace Exploration Agency) Geotail spacecraft, which was involved in studying Earth's magnetosphere, the planet's protective magnetic bubble, has finally come to an end. NASA announced on January 18 that the mission for this operation Geotail had ended due to the failure of the spacecraft's

remaining data recorder. Despite the fact that the spacecraft survived more than six times longer than expected. The Geotail mission was launched from Cape Canaveral on July 24, 1992.

DAILY UPDATE 9 :SPORTS



Hockey World Cup 2023, Netherlands Records Biggest Win In Hockey World Cup History:-

Three-time champions Netherlands defeated debutants Chile 14-0 to secure direct qualification into the quarter-finals of the FIH Men's Hockey World Cup in Bhubaneswar. In the second match of the day, world No. 3 Netherlands dominated Chile, ranked 23rd, scoring goals at will to record the largest margin of victory in a World Cup match. The record for the biggest margin of win in a hockey World Cup match was earlier held by world No.1 Australia, who thrashed South Africa 12-0 in New Delhi.

DAILY UPDATE 10 :SPORTS



Rohit Sharma Shattered MS Dhoni's Record Of Most Sixes In ODIs In India:-

Indian captain Rohit Sharma broke MS Dhoni's long-standing record to become India's most prolific six-hitter in ODI history. This remarkable feat was accomplished by Rohit during the first ODI between India and New Zealand. Rohit Sharma gave India a flying start with a 34-run knock in 38 balls, but he was unable to convert his score into a big knock.

The Indian captain's innings included two maximums, breaking MS Dhoni's previous record. Rohit is now India's all-time leading six-setter in ODI cricket, with 125 sixes to his name.