

DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS UPDATES - 03 August 2023

DAILY UPDATE 1 :AGREEMENT



India, Moldova Agree To Sign MoU For Cooperation In Agriculture:-

Shobha Karandlaje, India's Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, and Vladimir Bolea, Moldova's Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Agriculture and Food Industries, met at Krishi Bhawan in New Delhi in a significant gesture aimed at strengthening bilateral ties. Mr. Vladimir Bolea proposed that India and Moldova establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in the sector of agriculture. The meeting ended on a pleasant tone, with Minister Shobha Karandlaje accepting Deputy Prime Minister Vladimir Bolea's invitation to visit Moldova.



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DAILY UPDATE 2 :BOOKS



Book on Birds titled 'Birds and Beliefs' launched:-

According to Dr. Asad Rahmani, a noted ornithologist and conservationist, 192 of India's 1,370 bird species are in danger or on the verge of extinction. He was delivering the inaugural talk, 'An Amazing World of Birds,' as part of the World Wide Fund-India's 'Earth Series: Conservation Matters.' G.V. Prasad, co-chairman and managing director of Dr Reddy's Laboratories, published a book titled 'Birds and Beliefs' as part of the occasion. It has around 200 different species of birds from throughout the world.



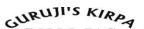
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DAILY UPDATE 3:DEFENCE



Indian Army to now have common uniform for Brigadier and above ranks:-

According to Army sources, the Indian Army has established a new universal uniform guideline for senior officers with Brigadier and higher ranks, regardless of parent cadre or original appointment. The decision was made following extensive talks with all stakeholders and lengthy deliberations at the recently ended Army Commanders Conference. According to officials, the measure was done to develop and enhance common identity and attitude in military matters among senior leadership across the bounds of regiments.

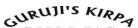


DAILY UPDATE 4 :ECONOMY



India's Core Sector Records 8.2% Growth In June, Highest In Five Months:-

Growth in eight important infrastructure sectors decreased to 8.2 percent in June 2023 compared to the previous year due to a drop in crude oil, natural gas, and power output, compared to 5% in May, according to a government press release. The core sector growth was 13.1 per cent in June 2022, the Commerce Ministry data showed. Steel, coal, cement, refinery products, natural gas, fertilisers and electricity witnessed a growth of in June 2023 over corresponding



month of last year, data showed.

DAILY UPDATE 5 :NATIONAL



Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla Inaugurates New Building Of Assam Legislative Assembly:-

In the presence of Chief Minister HimantaBiswa Sarma, Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla unveiled the new Assam Legislative Assembly building. "The new building has new features. We are planning for e-Vidhan which will be shortly in the new building. It will be a very modern assembly in Assam for the first time. The next assembly session will be held in the new

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building," Assam Legislative Assembly Deputy Speaker Numal Momin stated. It has offices for the Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Chief Minister and other ministers, MLAs, a conference hall, meeting rooms, and so on.

DAILY UPDATE 6 :OBITUARIES



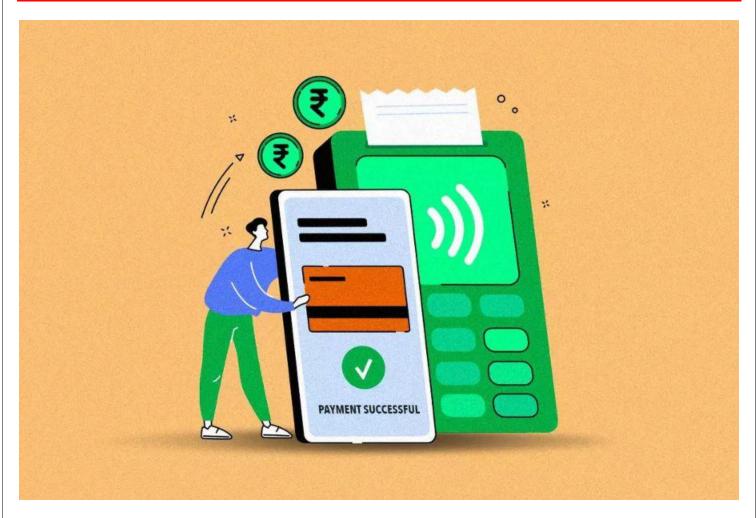
Art historian Kavita Singh passes away:-

Kavita Singh, a renowned art historian and former professor and dean of Jawaharlal Nehru University's (JNU) School of Arts and Aesthetics, died of cancer. She was known for her work on Mughal, Rajput, and Deccan art, as well as the



function of museums. She was 59 years old. Singh was one of six distinguished researchers to receive the Infosys Prize in the humanities from the Infosys Science Foundation in 2018. Singh had written several writings on secularism and religiosity, "fraught national identities", and the memorialisation of "difficult histories".

DAILY UPDATE 7 :RANK AND REPORT

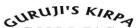


Digital Payments Grew Significantly At 13.24% In FY23, Shows RBI Index:-

According to data from a Reserve Bank of India (RBI) index for payment digitisation, digital payments increased

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significantly in FY23. The Reserve Bank of India - Digital Payments Index (RBI-DPI) for March 2023 was 395.58, up from 377.46 in September 2022, as released on January 31 — a 13.24 percent increase. The base index for March 2018 was 100, which continued to continuously increase from thereon. The RBI-DPI for March 2022 was 349.30. It was 270.59 in March 2021, and 304.06 for September 2021.

DAILY UPDATE 8 :RANK AND REPORT



Fiscal Deficit In India Touches 25.3% Of Full-Year Target At The End Of June 2023: CGA Data:-

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According to government figures, the Centre's fiscal deficit reached 25.3% of the full-year target at the conclusion of the first quarter. According to figures issued by the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), the fiscal deficit--the difference between expenditure and revenue--was Rs 4,51,370 crore as of end-June. In the Union Budget, the government estimated that the fiscal deficit would be 5.9% of GDP in the current fiscal year 2023-24. The deficit was 6.4% of the GDP in 2022-23 against the earlier estimate of 6.71%.

DAILY UPDATE 9 :SCHEME AND COMMITTEES





Over 6.23 Crore Loans Sanctioned Under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana In FY 2022-23:-

In the fiscal year 2022-23, over 6 core 23 lakh loans have been sanctioned under the Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY). Union Minister for State for Finance Dr Bhagwat KisanraoKarad stated in a written reply to a question in the Lok Sabha that the goal of PMMY is to give access to institutional finance to new or existing micro units or companies up to 10 lakh rupees. He further stated that issues about the execution of PMMY are addressed in consultation with the relevant banks.

DAILY UPDATE 10 :SUMMIT AND CONFERENCES

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India To Host World Coffee Conference In Bengaluru From Sept 25:-

For the first time, India will host a World Coffee Conference, with the International Coffee Organisation (ICO) promoting the fifth edition, which will be held in Bengaluru from September 25 to September 28. The International Coffee Organization (ICO) is the principal intergovernmental organization dedicated to promoting coffee commerce and building cooperation among coffee-producing and consuming nations. K G Jagadeesha, CEO and Secretary of the Coffee Board of India, declared that tennis player Rohan Bopanna would be the event's brand ambassador. The event is being organized by ICO in conjunction with the Coffee Board of India.