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DAILY UPDATE 1 : IMPORTANT DAY



### International Day of Biodiversity - 22 May:-

This year, the International Day of Biodiversity will be observed on Wednesday, May 22, 2024. The theme for 2024, Be Part of the Plan, emphasises the need for a collective and coordinated approach to address and reverse the loss of biodiversity and supporting the implementation of the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. This annual celebration serves as a platform to shine a spotlight on the crucial role that biodiversity plays in upholding the delicate equilibrium of ecosystems.



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### DAILY UPDATE 2 : AGREEMENTS



#### **Tata Motors partners with Bajaj Finance to finance their vehicle dealers:-**

Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles (TMPV) and Tata Passenger Electric Mobility (TPEM) both of which are subsidiaries of Tata Motors, have partnered with Bajaj Finance, part of Bajaj Finserv Ltd., to extend supply chain finance solutions to its passenger and electric vehicle dealers. Through this memorandum of understanding (MoU), the participating companies will come together to leverage Bajaj Finance's wide reach to help dealers of TMPV and TPEM access funding with minimal collateral.



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### DAILY UPDATE 3: AGREEMENTS



#### **DAHD and UNDP signs MoU on Digitalization of Vaccine Cold Chain Management:-**

The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (DAHD), Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 20 May 2024, with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) India on Digitalization of Vaccine Cold Chain Management, Capacity Building, and Communication Planning. This collaboration marks a significant step towards enhancing animal health and husbandry practices in India, leveraging UNDP's global expertise and DAHD's mandate.

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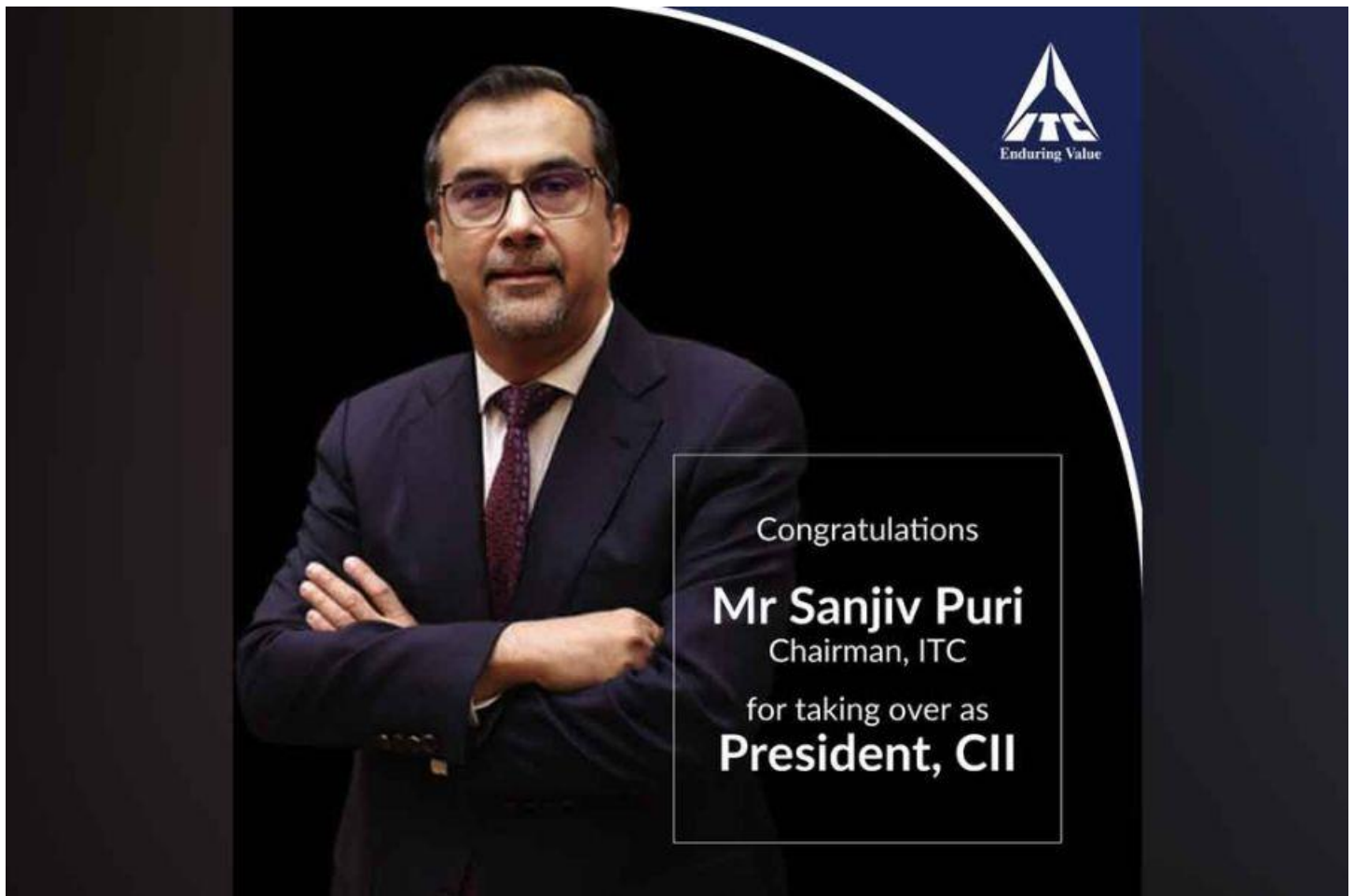
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### DAILY UPDATE 4 : APPOINTMENTS



### Sanjiv Puri appointed president of CII for 2024-25:-

The chairman and managing director of ITC, Sanjiv Puri, has assumed the presidency of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for the term 2024-25. Puri succeeds R Dinesh, the chairman of TVS Supply Chain Solutions. Puri leads ITC



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Ltd, with diverse interests in FMCG, hotels, paperboards & packaging, agribusiness, and IT. The CII has also appointed Rajiv Memani, the chairman of EY India, as the president-designate for the same period. Memani holds a position on EY's global management body as the chair of its global emerging markets committee.

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### **John Slaven appointed Vice-Chairman of International Aluminium Institute:-**

Vedanta Aluminium has announced the appointment of its CEO, John Slaven, as Vice-Chairman of the International Aluminium Institute (IAI). In this role, Slaven will lead global initiatives aimed at promoting sustainable transformation within the aluminium industry and highlighting aluminium's crucial role in advancing the energy transition towards a zero-carbon future. The International Aluminium Institute (IAI), established in 1972, is the sole organisation representing the global primary aluminium industry.

**DAILY UPDATE 6 : INTERNATIONAL**



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### **Lai Ching-te sworn in as Taiwan's new President:-**

Lai Ching-te of Taiwan's ruling Democratic Progressive Party (DPP) was sworn in as the President of Thailand on 20 May 2024, on Monday. The national leaders of eight countries that maintain diplomatic relations with Taiwan, attended the inauguration ceremony. The Chinese Communist Party considers the DPP to be a separatist organisation and has threatened to invade Taiwan if the party makes any formal moves towards independence. The DPP says Taiwan already functions as an independent state and needs to make any formal declaration.



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DAILY UPDATE 7 : INTERNATIONAL



### **Iran's Supreme Leader Approves Mohammad Mokhber As Acting President :-**

Iran's Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei has appointed Vice President Mohammad Mokhber as acting president in the wake of Ebrahim Raisi's death in a helicopter crash. The Supreme Leader also ordered five days of national mourning for Mr. Raisi, who had held the presidency since 2021. According to protocol, Mokhber had been expected to become an interim President. New elections will now have to be held within 50 days. The helicopter carrying Raisi and other senior officials was forced to a hard landing due to dense fog in the mountainous terrain.





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DAILY UPDATE 8 : MISCELLANEOUS



### **Gopi Thotakura Makes History as First Indian Space Tourist:-**

Gopi Thotakura, an entrepreneur and a pilot, on 19 May 2024, became the first Indian to venture into space as a tourist aboard Amazon founder Jeff Bezos's Blue Origin's NS-25 mission. Thotakura was selected as one of the six crew members for the NS-25 mission, making him the first Indian space tourist and the second Indian to venture into space after the Indian Army's Wing Commander Rakesh Sharma in 1984. Blue Origin's seventh human flight, NS-25, lifted off from Launch Site One in West Texas. This was its 25th flight for the New Shepard programme.



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DAILY UPDATE 9 : RANK AND REPORT



### Delhi Ranks 350 In Oxford Global Cities Index Report 2024:-

Delhi has achieved the 350th position in the 2024 Oxford Economics Global Cities Index, making it the top-ranked city in India. The index compares the world's 1,000 largest cities. Bengaluru, ranked 411th, surpassing Mumbai, which ranked 427th. Sultanpur in Uttar Pradesh, was at the bottom of the index, ranking 1000th. The Global Cities Index Report,



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released on May 21, is an annual publication that ranks about 1,000 of the world's largest cities across 163 countries in five key areas. New York topped the list, followed by London and San Jose in the 2nd and 3rd positions, respectively.

DAILY UPDATE 10 : SPORTS



**Deepthi Jeevanji wins gold with record time in World Para Athletics Championships:-**

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Indian para-athlete Deepthi Jeevanji on 20 May 2024, set a world record of 55.06 seconds in the women's 400m T20 category, at the Para Athletics World Championship 2024 in Kobe, Japan. After clocking 55.06 seconds in the women's 400m T20 category, Jeevanji bagged a gold medal. In the qualifying round, Jeevanji secured her place in the finals of the women's 400m T20 heat, setting a new Asian record with a time of 56.18 seconds. In the Asian Para Games 2023, Jeevanji won a gold medal in the women's 400m T20 event.