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### DAILY UPDATE 1 : AGREEMENT



#### **DPIIT and NCAER sign MoU to overhaul India's logistics cost :-**

The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, collaborated with the National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) to create a comprehensive framework for assessing logistics costs throughout the country. According to a press statement from the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), inked in New Delhi, details a collaborative effort to delve deeply into the complexities of logistics charges and their impact on India's economic framework.



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### DAILY UPDATE 2 : BOOKS



#### **Coffee-table book on Samayapuram Mariamman temple released :-**

The Hindu Group of publications has released a coffee-table book titled 'Samayapuram - The Sacred Seat of Shakti'. Vrinda Ramanan, a licensed Bharathanatyam dancer and teacher, and J. Ramanan, a practicing architect, wrote the 190-page book, which describes every element of the Mother Goddess who reigns supreme in Samayapuram hamlet. Divided into different sections, the book with attractive images comes out with interesting stories about Goddess Mariamman — the Mother Goddess, the ancient legends, the festive celebrations of the temple, poojas and abhishekam to the deity, the sacred 'theerthams', extreme devotion exhibited by the devotees to Goddess Mariamman.



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### DAILY UPDATE 3: DEFENCE



#### India Unveils Indigenous Light Tank 'Zorawar' :-

The prototype of the country's indigenous light tank, Zorawar, is ready and will soon undergo intensive testing, according to Defense authorities. The Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) collaborated on its development, with Larsen & Toubro (L&T) serving as the principal integrator. The tank is currently powered by a Cummins engine, and the DRDO has launched a project to manufacture a new engine locally, according to officials. As part of developmental trials, over the next six months, the tank will be tested in various conditions including summer, winter and high altitude, a source said.



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DAILY UPDATE 4 : INTERNATIONAL



### **Masoud Pezeshkian Elected Iran President :-**

Masoud Pezeshkian, a reformist contender, defeated hardliner Saeed Jalili in Iran's runoff presidential election by promising to reach out to the West and lessen enforcement of the country's mandatory headscarf legislation after years



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of sanctions and demonstrations pressuring the Islamic Republic. The election occurred amid rising regional tensions. Iran launched its first direct attack on Israel over the Gaza conflict in April, while armed groups backed by Tehran in the region, such as Lebanese Hezbollah and Yemen's Houthi rebels, are battling and have upped their attacks.

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### Ministry Of Culture Initiates Project PARI For The 46th World Heritage Committee Meeting :-

The Ministry of Culture has launched Project PARI (Public Art of India), which corresponds with the 46th session of the World Heritage Committee meeting. The 46th session of the World Heritage Committee Meeting will be held in New Delhi from July 21–31. Project PARI (Public Art of India), an initiative of the Ministry of Culture, Government of India, carried out by Lalit Kala Akademi and National Gallery of Modern Art, aims to produce public art that draws inspiration from millennia of artistic heritage (lok kala/lok sanskriti) while including modern themes and techniques.

**DAILY UPDATE 6 : SCHEMES AND COMMITTEES**



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### **Judicial Commission Formed To Investigate Hathras Stampede :-**

According to an official release, retired Allahabad High Court judge Brijesh Kumar Srivastav will lead a three-member judicial inquiry team formed by the Uttar Pradesh government to investigate the Hathras stampede tragedy. The panel, entrusted with completing the probe within two months, would examine at several aspects of the case, including "whether this incident is an accident or a conspiracy" and the district administration's and police's crowd control arrangements. It will also recommend preventive steps.



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DAILY UPDATE 7 : SPORTS



### **Lewis Hamilton Wins The British Grand Prix 2024 :-**

Lewis Hamilton defeated Max Verstappen in the British Grand Prix at Silverstone, his first victory since Saudi Arabia in 2021. Lando Norris of McLaren finished third. Hamilton's teammate George Russell, who won in Austria a week earlier, was pulled out due to a water leak after starting in pole position. Red Bull's Verstappen extended his lead over Norris in the drivers' standings after failing to win two consecutive races for the first time since Silverstone and Austria in 2022. Oscar Piastri of McLaren was fourth with Carlos Sainz of Ferrari sixth and Nico Hulkenberg of Haas seventh.



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DAILY UPDATE 8 : STATE



### Jharkhand's Mica Mines Declared Child Labour-Free By NCPCR :-

The Chairperson of the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) declared Mica mines in Jharkhand 'Child Labour Free', marking a watershed moment for the state and country. During a programme organized by 'Child Labour Free Mica' in Koderma, NCPCR Chairperson Priyank Kanoongo underlined that all child laborers had been removed from mica mines and were now enrolled in schools. Kanoongo attributed the first ever such successful endeavour to cleanse supply chain of child labour in mica mining to the collaborative efforts made by the state, district, and local governing bodies, 'Child Labour Free Mica' programme, children and communities.



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### DAILY UPDATE 9 : SUMMIT AND CONFERENCE



#### **Obstetric and Gynecological Societies of India holds first-ever conference in Surat :-**

The Federation of Obstetric and Gynecological Societies of India (FOGSI) held its inaugural three-day national conference in Surat on July 5–7 at a major hotel. Over 500 gynaecologists from various states took part in the event. Notably, the FOGSI is the world's largest organisation, having over 44,000 doctors as members. The conference was attended by the national level FOGSI India President Dr Jaideep Tank, Secretary Dr Madhuri Patel, South Asian Federation of Obstetrics and Gynecology President Dr Shyamal Desai among others.



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### **Biden To Host NATO Summit To Show Strong Support For Ukraine Amidst Conflict :-**

President Joe Biden is scheduled to hold a crucial three-day NATO meeting aimed at demonstrating unity and solidarity among the US and its allies in support of Ukraine. The conference, scheduled for July 9-11, will highlight NATO states'



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commitment to bolstering Ukraine's security amid the ongoing conflict with Russia. NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg is anticipated to announce significant boosts in military, political, and financial aid to Ukraine at the summit. In a historic move, Sweden will be formally welcomed as NATO's newest member during the summit proceedings, marking a strategic expansion of the alliance's membership.