

## Current Affairs: 13.10.2021

### Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses 28th NHRC Foundation Day programme



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the **28th NHRC Foundation Day programme**, through video conferencing on October 12, 2021, in the presence of Union Home Minister Amit Shah and NHRC chairperson. The National Human Rights Commission

(NHRC) of India is a Statutory public body constituted on 12 October 1993 under the Protection of Human Rights Act 1993, for the promotion and protection of human rights and dignity of the marginalised. Chairperson of NHRC is **Justice Arun Kumar Mishra**.

### Delhi Govt launches 'Desh Ke Mentor' Programme for its classes IX to XII students



The **Delhi** government has launched a mentorship programme called '**Desh Ke Mentor**', for children studying in **Classes IX to XII** of state government schools. Under the 'Desh Ke Mentor' programme, students will be mentored by professionals and academicians from across the country for 10-15 minutes daily on issues ranging from career choices to teenage-related concerns. The mentorship programme will be of two to six months. The first two months of the programme will be compulsory module and the remaining four will be optional. Mentors will guide two-five

students each to help the students in their overall personality development by sharing their knowledge, skills and expertise.

### UNESCO releases 2021 State of the Education Report for India: No Teacher, No Class

The **United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)** launched the **2021 State of the Education Report (SOER) for India: "No Teacher, No Class"**, on the occasion of World Teacher's Day, on October 05, 2021. This is the third edition of the annual flagship State of Education Report of UNESCO New Delhi. The substance of the Report has been developed by an expert team of researchers in the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, under the guidance of the UNESCO New Delhi. The 2021 edition focused on the theme of teachers, teaching and teacher education.

The report also looked at teachers' experience of ICT and the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on the teaching profession. The 2021 UNESCO State of the Education report for India will serve as a reference for enhancing the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) and towards the realization of the SDG.4 target 4c on teachers. The report presented a set of **ten action-oriented recommendations** to address the challenges facing the teaching profession in India to help achieve the NEP 2020 vision and objective to ensure quality education for all in the country.

## Adani Group takes over operational control of Jaipur International Airport from AAI



**Gautam Adani-led Adani Group** took over the responsibilities of the **Jaipur International Airport** on October 11, 2021. The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has leased the airport to Adani Group for a period of **50 years**. Adani Airports will work on the operations, management and development of the Jaipur airport through PPP mode. The first flight after the take over was from **Delhi to Jaipur**. The group will take over the control of entire facility except for cargo terminal, Air Traffic Control (ATC) and Communication, Navigation & Surveillance (CNS), which will continue to be operated by AAI. The private group Adani will have to develop their own cargo terminal.

## Former SBI Chief Rajnish Kumar appointed as Chairman of BharatPe

The fintech startup, **BharatPe** has appointed former State Bank of India (SBI) Chairman **Rajnish Kumar** as the **Chairman** of its board, on October 12, 2021.

As the Chairman, Kumar will be responsible to:

- Mentor the BharatPe team in formulating short-term and long-term strategy
- Work closely with the board and executives on regulatory matters
- Advise and counsel the management on corporate governance

## Indian Shooters win 43 medals including 17 Gold at ISSF Junior World Championship



The **2021 International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Junior World Championship** Rifle/Pistol/Shotgun was held at **Lima in Peru** from September 27 to October 10, 2021. The Indian shooters claimed a historic win with **43 medals** to stand atop in the medal table. These included **17 Gold, 16 Silver and 10 Bronze medal**. The USA finished second on the medal table with 21 medals including six gold, eight silver and six bronze. Meanwhile, **Manu Bhaker** created a milestone record of becoming the first Indian shooter to win highest number of medals in a single edition of the ISSF Junior World Championships, with as many as five medals. These included 4 gold medals and a bronze.

## FIFA unveils 'Ibha' as official mascot for U-17 2022 Women's World Cup to be held in India



The World football governing body, FIFA unveiled the official mascot of the **U-17 Women's World Cup India 2022** on October 11, 2021. The mascot named "**IBHA**" is an **Asiatic lioness representing women power**. It aims to inspire women and girls across the world to take the right decisions and reach their full potential. The tournament will be the 7th edition of the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup. It will be held in India from October 11-30, 2022.

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## International Day for Disaster Reduction: 13 October

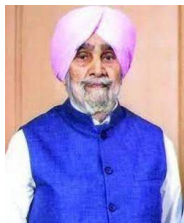


13 OCTOBER  
**INTERNATIONAL DAY**  
FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

The United Nations **International Day for Disaster Reduction** is held annually on **13 October** since 1989. The day is celebrated to promote a global culture of risk-awareness and disaster reduction and also celebrates how people and communities around the world are reducing their exposure to disasters and raising awareness about the importance of reining in the risks that they face. Theme of 2021 International Day for

Disaster Reduction is **“International cooperation for developing countries to reduce their disaster risk and disaster losses”**.

### Chairman of IFFCO Balvinder Singh Nakai passes away at 87



The **Chairman** of Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (**IFFCO**), **Sardar Balvinder Singh Nakai**, has passed away. He was 87 years old. BS Nakai was appointed as the new Chairman of IFFCO in May 2019. IFFCO is a multi-state cooperative society engaged in the business of manufacturing and marketing of fertilisers. Its headquarter is in **New Delhi**.

### National award-winning Malayalam actor Nedumudi Venu passes away at 73



Veteran **Malayalam actor Kesavan Venugopal Nair**, better known by his stage name **Nedumudi Venu**, has passed away. He was 73. Venu began his career in theatre and moved on to acting in films, as well as directing and screenwriting. He made his acting debut in 1978 with the drama film ‘Thampu,’ directed by G Aravindan. During his nearly five decades career span he had acted in more than 500 films, which were primarily in Malayalam while

few included Tamil films. Nedumudi Venu has won **three National Film Awards** and six Kerala State Film Awards among other notable awards for his various performances.