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Global Day of Parents: 01 June

The **Global Day of Parents** is observed on the **June 1** annually every year to appreciate all parents in all parts of the world for their selfless commitment to children and their lifelong sacrifice towards nurturing this relationship.

The Day was proclaimed by United Nations in **2012**.

The 2021 Global Day of Parents theme is 'Appreciate all parents throughout the world'

World Milk Day: 01 June

World Milk Day is observed on **June 1** each year to recognize the importance of milk as a global food and provide an opportunity to bring attention to activities that are connected with the dairy sector.

The international day was established by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in 2001.

The theme of 2021 is 'Sustainability in the Dairy Sector'.

OECD Projects India Growth Forecast For FY22 To 9.9%; Global Economy to Rebound at 5.8%

The **Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)** has cut the growth projection for India to **9.9%** in financial year **2021-22 (FY22)**, from its previous estimate of 12.6%.

Downward revision is due to the second wave of coronavirus infections that has paused economic recovery in the country.

However, OECD has revised upward the GDP growth projection for **global economy**, and now expects it to grow at **5.8 % in 2021**, compared with 4.2% projected in December.

GST Council Forms 8-member GoM under Meghalaya CM Conrad K Sangma to examine GST exemption on Covid material

The **Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council** has constituted a **Group of Ministers (GoM)** to examine **Goods and Services Tax (GST) exemptions** on a range of Covid-19 relief materials such as vaccines, drugs, testing kits and ventilators

The eight-member ministerial panel will be headed by **Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma**.

Currently, 5% GST is levied on domestically manufactured vaccines, and 12% GST for COVID drugs and oxygen concentrators.

- Members of the group of ministers (GoM) are:
 1. Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma (Convener)
 2. Gujarat deputy chief minister – Nitinbhai Patel,

3. Maharashtra deputy CM – Ajit Pawar,
4. Goa transport minister – Mauvin Godinho,
5. Kerala finance minister – KN Balagopal,
6. Odisha finance minister – Niranjan Pujari,
7. Telangana finance minister – T Harish Rao
8. UP finance minister – Suresh Kr Khanna

CRPF Director General Kuldeep Singh gets additional charge as NIA Chief

The **Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Director General Kuldeep Singh** has been given the additional charge as the **DG of National Investigation Agency (NIA)**, by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Kuldeep Singh, a 1986-batch West Bengal cadre officer, is currently serving Director General of CRPF since March 16, 2021.

As the Chief of NIA, Singh will replace **Y.C. Modi**, a 1984-batch IPS officer, who superannuated on May 31.

Languages of Truth: Essays 2003-2020 by Salman Rushdie

The noted novelist **Salman Rushdie** has come out with his new essay collection, titled “**LANGUAGES OF TRUTH: Essays 2003-2020**”.

The book has been published by Random House.

In his new book, the author talks about his view and imagination of the change in literature and culture, written between 2003 and 2020.

Pooja Rani Wins 75kg Gold for India in 2021 Asian Amateur Boxing Championships

India's Pooja Rani won the gold medal in the **75kg Women's Middle category final** at the **2021 Asian Amateur Boxing Championships**, in Dubai, on May 30, 2021.

She was the lone Indian woman boxer to strike gold at the 2021 Asian Championships.

Indian women secured overall ten medals, including one gold, three silver and six bronze.

Silver Medal Winners

1. Mary Kom – 51 kg Flyweight
2. Lal Buat Saihi – 64 kg Light welterweight
3. Anupama Kundu – 81+ kg Heavyweight

Bronze Medal Winners

1. Monika – 48 kg Light flyweight
2. Sakshi Chaudhary – 54 kg Bantamweight
3. Jasmine – 57 kg Featherweight
4. Simranjit Kaur – 60 kg Lightweight
5. Lovlina Borgohain – 69 kg Welterweight
6. Saweety Boora – 81 kg Light heavyweight

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PM Modi announces Rs 10 Lakh PM CARES Fund for kids orphaned due to COVID

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced a number of welfare measures for children who lost their parents to COVID-19.

The welfare measures have been listed below:

Fixed Deposit in the name of the child

- Government has announced “**PM-CARES for Children**” scheme under which fixed deposits will be opened in the names of such children from the PM-CARES fund.
- The total corpus of fund will be **Rs 10 lakh for each child**.
- This corpus will be used to give a monthly financial support/ stipend when the child reaches **18 years of age**, for the next five years to take care of his or her personal requirements.
- Upon reaching the age of **23 years**, the child will get the corpus amount as one lump sum for personal and professional use.

Education

- Children under 10 years will be given admission in the nearest Kendriya Vidyalaya or in a private school as a day scholar.
- Children between 11-18 years of age will be given admission in any central government residential school such as Sainik School and Navodaya Vidyalaya.
- For higher education, children will be assisted in obtaining education loan for professional courses or higher education in India according to existing norms. The interest on this loan will be paid from the PM-CARES fund.

Health Insurance

- Each child will be enrolled as a beneficiary under Ayushman Bharat Scheme (PM-JAY) with a health insurance cover of **Rs 5 lakh**.
- The premium amount for these children will be paid by PM CARES, till they attain age of **18 years**.

National Security Advisor Shri Ajit Doval Commissions Indian Coast Guard Offshore Patrol Vessel Sajag

National Security Advisor Shri Ajit Doval dedicated to the nation, the **Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Offshore Patrol Vessel (OPV) Sajag** digitally on May 29, 2021.

Sajag is the **third in a series of five offshore patrol vessels** indigenously designed and constructed by **M/s Goa Shipyard Limited**.

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The ship is fitted with advanced technology equipment, weapon and sensors capable to carry a twin engine helicopter and four high speed boats.

OPV Sajag will enable ICG to undertake various operations within and beyond Indian Ocean Region (IOR) for safeguarding the maritime interests.

Hockey India Wins Etienne Glichitch Award, Odisha CMs Secretary VK Pandian Awarded With FIH Presidents Award

Hockey India has been honored with **FIH Honorary Awards** by the **International Hockey Federation (FIH)** as part of its 47th FIH Congress, for its outstanding contributions to the sport of hockey.

Hockey India won the **Etienne Glichitch Award** in recognition of its remarkable contribution to the growth and development of Hockey.

Apart from this, **V. Karthikeyan Pandian**, the IAS officer and Private Secretary to Chief Minister of Odisha Naveen Patnaik, has been recognised with **FIH Presidents Award** during the Congress

Karthikeyan was awarded for his contribution towards the development and promotion of hockey in Odisha.

Ravi Shahtri's Debut Book Titled 'Stargazing: The Players in My Life' to be Released in June 2021

Cricket all-rounder, commentator and coach, **Ravi Shastri** is now making his publishing debut, as he has penned a book titled '**Stargazing: The Players in My Life**'.

The book is being published by **HarperCollins India**. It is been co-authored by Ayaz Memon.

It is expected to be released on **June 25, 2021**.

In the book, Shastri has written about some 60 extraordinary talents he has met from across the world who have inspired him.

Historian Vikram Sampath Authored Book 'Savarkar: A contested Legacy (1924-1966)' to hit stands in July 2021

Decorated historian and author **Vikram Sampath** has come out with the second and concluding volume of the book on the life and works of Veer Savarkar titled "**Savarkar: A contested Legacy (1924-1966)**".

The book will hit the stands on July 26, 2021, under the publication of Penguin Random House India.

The first volume, "Savarkar: Echoes from a Forgotten Past" was released in 2019 and covered Savarkar's life from his birth in 1883 to his conditional release from prison in 1924.

The second volume will bring to light the life and works of Vinayak Damodar Savarkar, from 1924 to 1966, the year he died.

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Mary Kom Settles with Silver Medal at 2021 Asian Boxing Championships

Indian pugilist **Mary Kom**, lost to two-time world champion **Nazym Kyzaibay of Kazakhstan**, to settle for silver medal at the **2021 ASBC Asian Boxing Championships in Dubai** on May 30, 2021.

The five-time Asian Championships gold medallist Mary Kom was competing in high-octane **51kg final**.

This is the second silver for Mary Kom at the Asian Championships who has previously won silver in 2008.

Apart from this, she won world championship titles on five occasions including 2003, 2005, 2010, 2012, and 2017.

Chelsea Beats Manchester City 1–0 to Win 2020-21 UEFA Champions League Final

Chelsea defeated **Manchester City 1–0** in the final, to lift **2020-21 UEFA Champions League** title, on May 29, 2021, played at the Estádio do Dragão in Porto, Portugal.

German forward Kai Havertz scored the only goal of the football match.

This is the **second Champions League title for Chelsea**, after winning the first won in 2012

World No-Tobacco Day: 31 May

World No Tobacco Day (WNTD) is observed every year on **31 May**, globally to inform the public on the dangers of using tobacco and to discourage the use of tobacco in any form.

Theme of the 2021 WNTD is **“Commit to quit.”**

The Day was created by the member states of the World Health Organization (WHO) in 1987.