

US Congressmen introduce resolution to recognise Pakistani atrocities during 1971 as Genocide



Two US Congressmen have introduced a resolution in the House of Representatives to declare Pakistan Army atrocities committed during the 1971 liberation war of Bangladesh as an act of genocide and crime against humanity.

The resolution placed by Congressman Steve Chabot and Ro Khanna condemns the atrocities committed by the Pakistan Army between March- December 1971 against ethnic Bengalis and Hindus and death and suffering of countless people. It demands the President of the US to recognise the atrocities of Pakistan army as crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide.

US announces additional 725 million dollars for military assistance to Ukraine



The United States has announced an additional 725 million dollars for military assistance to Ukraine. Amid the ensuing battle between Russia and Ukraine post-Crimea bridge bombings, the US announced twenty-third drawdown of US arms and equipment for Ukraine since August 2021.

This drawdown includes additional arms, munitions, and equipment from US Department of Defense inventories.

World Food Day: 16th October



Every year World Food Day is observed on 16th October. The main objectives are to combat world hunger and work toward its eradication. The World Food Day 2022 will take place this year with more focus on moving forward together. Every UN member state, including India, observes the day.

The theme for World Food Day 2022 is Leave NO ONE behind.

International Day of Rural Women: 15th October



October 15 is celebrated as the International Day of Rural women across the world. The day focuses to promote gender quality and highlight the important role played by women in rural areas.

The theme for the International Day of Rural Women, "Rural Women Cultivating Good Food for All", highlights the essential role that rural women and girls play in the food systems of the world.

Prakash Padukone honoured with SJFI medal



Badminton legend Prakash Padukone was awarded the Sports Journalists' Federation of India (SJFI) medal for 2019 at a warm ceremony at the Karnataka State Cricket Association.

The medal was instituted in 2018, with Vijay Amritraj the first winner. The award function for 2019 was delayed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

'Harry Potter' star Robbie Coltrane dead at age 72



Robbie Coltrane, the veteran comic and actor known for his star turns in the British crime series Cracker and the Harry Potter movie franchise, passed away at the age of 72. Coltrane was born Anthony Robert McMillan on March 30, 1950, in Glasgow, Scotland, as the son of a doctor and a teacher.

Haryana tops in governance of social, economic, political justice among big States



Haryana has bagged the top position in the category of big states in the Public Affairs Index-2022. The state has emerged at the forefront in social, economic and political justice themes. It has topped among the major states with a score of 0.6948, followed by Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Chhattisgarh, Punjab and Karnataka among many other states.

In PAI-2022, Sikkim has retained its position as the best-governed small state in India. The index, prepared by a Bengaluru-based non-profit think tank Public Affairs Centre (PAC), was released.

Hyderabad wins 'World Green City award' at South Korea



The city of Hyderabad, Telangana, has been honoured as the Grand winner of the AIPH (International Association of Horticultural Producers) World Green City Awards 2022, the most prestigious award of the Inaugural AIPH World Green City awards (2022 edition), for its initiative titled "Green Garland to the State of Telangana".

Hyderabad also won the award under the 'Living Green for Economic Recovery and Inclusive Growth' category.

AIPH World Green City awards (2022 edition) are the world's first Green City awards.

PM lays foundation stone of Bulk Drug Park in Una, Himachal Pradesh



The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of Bulk Drug Park and dedicated the Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT) Una to the nation.

Prime Minister's clarion call for Aatmanirbhar Bharat has led to the country moving swiftly towards the attainment of self-reliance across multiple sectors, through the support of various new initiatives of the government. One such key sector is pharmaceuticals, and in order to bring in Aatmanirbharta in this sector, the Prime Minister laid the foundation stone of Bulk Drug Park at Haroli in Una district, which will be built at a cost of over Rs 1900 crore. The Bulk Drug Park will help reduce dependence on API imports. It is expected to attract investment of around Rs. 10,000 crores and provide employment to more than 20,000 people. It will also give a fillip to economic activities in the region.

AFWWA sets Guinness world record by making over 41 thousand knitted woolen caps in 3 months



Air Force Wives Welfare Association, AFWWA has made the Guinness world record by making over 41 thousand knitted woolen caps in mere three months.

Over three thousand female AFWWA members knit these caps under a special drive called 'Knittathon'.

The award was announced by the adjudicator, Guinness World Record on the occasion of 62nd-anniversary celebration of AFWWA at Air Force Auditorium, Subroto Park in New Delhi. AFWWA President Neeta Chaudhari received the award.

Our Correspondent reports that these knitted caps will be donated to the homeless and poor of the country to provide them comfort during the coming winter months.

Indian Army signs historic MoU with 11 Banks for Agniveer Salary Package



The Indian Army has signed historic MoU with 11 Banks for providing banking facilities to Agniveers on enrollment. The Banks are SBI, PNB, Bank of Baroda, IDBI Bank, ICICI Bank, HDFC Bank, Axis Bank, Yes Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, IDFC First Bank and Bandhan Bank .

The features and benefits offered under Agniveer Salary Package are similar to the Defence Salary Package.

In addition, the banks have offered soft loans to exiting Agniveers to promote and enhance their entrepreneurial skills. The first batch of Agniveers under Agnipath Scheme will be joining Training Centres by January 2023.

Sebi issues guidelines for inter-operable regulatory sandbox

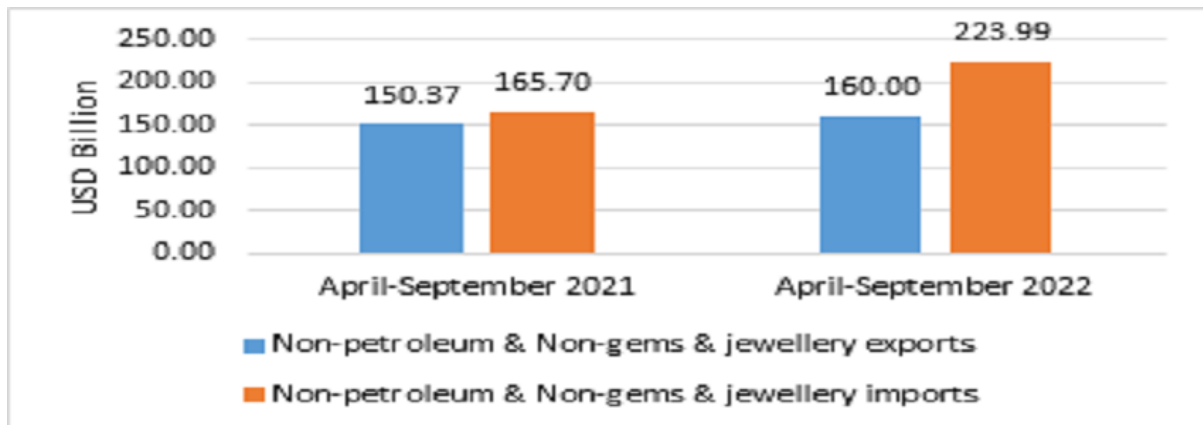


SEBI came out with a standard operating procedure for inter-operable regulatory sandbox in a bid to facilitate testing of innovative products falling within the regulatory ambit of more than one financial sector regulators.

Financial products or service providers whose business models fall within the remit of more than one financial sector regulator such as Reserve Bank of India (RBI), Sebi, IRDAI (Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India), PFRDA (Pension Fund Regulatory & Development Authority) and IFSCA (International Financial Services Centres Authority) will be considered for the testing under Inter-operable Regulatory Sandbox (IoRS).

IoRS has been prepared by the Inter-Regulatory Technical Group (IRTG) on FinTech. The group was constituted under the aegis of the Financial Stability and Development Council-Sub Committee (FSDC-SC).

India's overall exports in September 2022 shows growth of 10.24% over same period last year



Commerce and Industry Ministry has said that India's overall exports in September this year are estimated to be 61.10 billion US dollar showing a growth of 10.24 percent over the same period last year.

The Ministry said, while the overall imports in September 2022 are estimated to be 76.26 billion US dollar, exhibiting a positive growth of 10.73 percent over the month of September last year.

It added that country's overall exports combining Merchandise and Services during April to September this year are estimated to be 382.31 billion US dollar exhibiting a positive growth of around 21 percent over the same period last year.

While the overall imports during this period are estimated to be 469.47 billion US dollar showing a positive growth of 37.77 percent over the same period last year.

Women's T20 Asia Cup Final: India win against Sri Lanka by 8 wickets



India have won the Women's Asia Cup 2022 after defeating Sri Lanka in the final by 8 wickets in the Final at Sylhet International Cricket Stadium, Bangladesh.

The Women in Blue have defeated the Lankan for the fifth time in an Asia Cup final. This is India's record seventh Women's Asia Cup title. It turned out to be an easy chase as Smriti Mandhana led the innings with a half-century, scoring an unbeaten 51 off 25 balls. Skipper Harmanpreet Kaur also contributed with 11 not out as India won the game with 69 balls to spare.