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Let noble thoughts come to us from all directions in the universe.

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PM Modi addresses 90th Interpol General Assembly in Pragati Maidan, New Delhi



The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the 90th Interpol General Assembly in Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. The Prime Minister highlighted that India is celebrating 75 years of its independence which is a celebration of people and cultures. The Prime Minister also informed that Interpol will be celebrating 100 years of its inception in the year 2023.

The 90th General Assembly of Interpol was held from 18-21 October 2022. The Interpol General Assembly meeting took place in India after a gap of about 25 years – it was last held in 1997. India's proposal to host the Interpol's General Assembly in 2022 at New Delhi coinciding with celebrations for the 75th year of India's independence was accepted by the General Assembly with an overwhelming majority. The meeting was attended by delegations from 195 Interpol member countries comprising ministers, police chiefs of countries, heads of national central bureaus and senior police officers. The General Assembly is Interpol's supreme governing body and meets once a year to take key decisions related to its functioning.

President of India's Greetings on The Eve of Diwali



The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu sent greetings to her fellow citizens on the eve of Diwali.

In a message, the President said, "On the auspicious occasion of Diwali, I extend my warm greetings and best wishes to all the fellow citizens living in India and abroad.

Diwali is a festival of happiness and joy. On the day of Diwali, people worship Goddess Lakshmi in their homes and pray for everyone's happiness and prosperity.

The festival of Diwali is also an occasion to further strengthen the spirit of mutual cooperation and harmony. The light of Diwali symbolizes the knowledge that dispels all the darkness of our inner and outer ignorance.

May energy & light spread in our lives like a Diya. May the spirit of helping the underprivileged grow deep in the minds of people and let us all continue our tradition of 'Subh' and 'Labh'".

Visit of H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres, Secretary General of the United Nations (October 18-20, 2022)

H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations (UNSG) was on an official visit to India from 18-20 October 2022.



UNSG commenced his visit to India, by paying tributes to the victims of the 26/11 terror attacks at the Taj Mahal Palace Hotel in Mumbai. UNSG also delivered a public address at IIT Mumbai on the subject - "India @75: UN-India Partnership: Strengthening South-South Cooperation".

On 20 October 2022 in Gujarat (Ekta Nagar, Kevadiya), UNSG joined Prime Minister Modi at the launch of the Mission LiFE (Lifestyle for Environment). The concept of LiFE was introduced by PM Modi during COP26 at Glasgow in November 2021. PM had then urged the global community of individuals and institutions to drive LiFE as an international mass movement towards "mindful and deliberate utilisation, instead of mindless and destructive consumption" to protect and preserve the environment.

In Kevadiya, UNSG paid floral tributes at the Statue of Unity. He also visited India's first solar-powered village in Modhera (Gujarat) and other development projects in the area. UNSG also visited the Sun Temple in Modhera.



India's space economy expected to be worth US\$ 12.8 billion by 2025



The Indian Space Association (ISpA) and Ernst & Young released a report estimating that India's space industry will be valued roughly at US\$ 13 billion by 2025, with the satellite launch services market expected to develop at the quickest rate due to rising private engagement. The rising demand for smaller satellites is expected to increase satellite manufacturing in the country and attract international start-ups to the sector to help incubate space tech start-ups in the sector. By 2025, the ground segment is expected to have a turnover of US\$ 4 billion, followed by satellite manufacturing at US\$ 3.2 billion, and launch services at US\$ 1 billion, making the satellite services and applications segment the largest in dollar terms. A boost to Indian space launches is expected as a result of the government's encouraging move to include private firms in the Indian space ecosystem. In India, a number of companies are utilising cutting-edge technology to create innovative launch solutions. These businesses have developed substantial competence in orbit management and the launch of LEO, MEO, and GEO satellites.

(Source: IBEF: October 11, 2022)

Despite global slowdown, India's exports to top last year's record US\$ 420 billion



After reaching US\$ 420 billion last year, India's exports are expected to reach a new record as a result of the One District One Product (ODOP) initiative of Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi, which has caused several states to quadruple their exports. Exports of finished or intermediate goods, encouragement from the Production Linked Incentives schemes, and multi-year high commodity and food prices have also contributed to this export growth, said SBI in its most recent Ecowrap report. State-level exports indicated Gujarat topped the list in FY22 with exports of US\$ 126,805 million, up 366% from US\$ 27.16 million in FY19. This was followed by Maharashtra's US\$ 73,120 million exports in FY22, jumping 218% from US\$ 22,986 million in FY19 and Tamil Nadu's 192% in exports from US\$ 12,033 million in FY19 to US\$ 35,169 million in FY22, the report noted. Haryana's exports increased by more than 314% to US\$ 15.55 billion. Several other states tripled their export growth from FY19 levels. In comparison to FY19, Bihar experienced growth of about 400% in FY22. India's exports are on track to surpass US\$ 420 billion in the current fiscal year, with US\$ 229 billion in exports so far in FY23's first half.

(Source: IBEF: October 12, 2022)

Unicorn startups almost doubled in India since 2021



Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi underlined the fact that the number of unicorn companies in India has more than doubled since 2021 and emphasised technology and talent as two pillars of India's development journey, highlighting the JAM trinity, which has smoothly given welfare benefits to 800 million people, and the tech platform that drove the world's largest vaccination push as examples. PM Modi stated that India is a young nation with a wonderful innovative spirit. PM emphasised the government's efforts to ensure that no one is left behind, including bringing 450 million people into the banking sector, insuring 135 million uninsured people, providing sanitary facilities to 110 million families, and connecting over 60 million families to tap water.

(Source: IBEF: October 12, 2022)

India to bring National Tourism Policy to provide sustainable tourism



India is preparing to introduce a National Tourism Policy 2022 this year with the goal of supplying a safe, innovative, responsive, and sustainable tourism sector in the country's inclusive development journey. Minister of Tourism, Culture, and Development of North Eastern Region, Mr. G. Kishan Reddy, made the declaration in his remarks at the day-long National Conference on Tourist Police held in New Delhi. The Minister remarked at the event that "the tourist sector would play a huge role in India becoming a developed country when we celebrate the country's 100 years of Independence in 2047, adding that the tourism sector has contributed to about 5.19% of India's GDP." He also noted that the tourism industry had contributed to the creation of 15.34% of jobs in India in the 2018–2019 period. "The Indian economy received an estimated US\$ 30 billion in foreign currency contributions from the tourist industry in 2019."

(Source: IBEF: October 20, 2022)

Celebration of Gandhi Jayanti 2022

On October 2nd, Ambassador Santosh Jha along with Governor of Antwerp Ms. Cathy Berx, Vice-Mayor Ms. Nabilla Ait Daoud and distinguished guests paid homage to Mahatma Gandhi & offered floral tributes at the Gandhi statues at Palace of Justice and Province Hall in Antwerp. At Province Hall, Ambassador Santosh Jha, Governor Cathy Berx and Alderman Nabilla Ait Daoud spoke about the relevance of Mahatma's teachings to the august gathering.



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#GandhiJayanti2022
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Celebration of India Day at Atomium, Brussels





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Celebrating

#IndiaAt75
#AzadikaAmritMahostav

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Celebrating "India Day" at Iconic "Atomium" in Brussels today.

Showcasing the colors of India to the world & sharing the spirit of Diwali -festival of light .

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@santjha



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