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3. Shubi Gupta, Charvi wins the U-12 and U-8 section title at the FIDE World Cadets Chess Championship (Sept. 28, 2022)

India's Shubi Gupta and A Charvi won the girls under-12 and under-8 sections respectively in the FIDE World Cadets Chess Championship .

The FIDE World Cadets Chess Championship was held in Batumi, Georgia from 16 September to 27 September 2022.

Medal winners of India

Under -12 Girls events

Shubhi Gupta, of Uttar Pradesh scored 8.5 points from 11 rounds to claim the **gold medal** in the under-12 event.

Under 8 Girls event

A.Charvi of Karnataka won the **gold medal** in the U-8 girls event with nine points

Under -8 boys events

Safin Safarullakhan of Kerala won the **bronze medal** in the under-8 boy category . The gold medal was won by France's Marc Llari and the silver was won by Russian Sav Shogdzhiev Roman.

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4. West Zone defeats South Zone in final to win the Cricket's 2022 Duleep trophy (Sept. 25, 2022)

West Zone won the cricket's Duleep Trophy title (2021-22 season) after defeating South Zone by 294 runs on the fifth and final day in **Coimbatore**, Tamilnadu on 25 September 2022.

Set a target of 529 runs for an outright win, South Zone were bowled out for 234 in 71.2 overs.

This is the **20th time the West Zone** has won the Duleep Trophy. In addition it has also won the trophy 3 times as joint winner. West Zone has won it maximum times .

This year West Zone, South Zone, East Zone, North Zone, Central Zone and north East Zone teams participated in the Duleep Trophy.

Brief Score:

West Zone: 270 & 585/4d

South Zone: 327 & 234

Yashasvi Jaiswal of West Zone was declared as the Player of the final and **Jaydev Unadkant** of West Zone was declared as the Player of the Series.

Duleep Trophy

It is an annual first-class cricket competition organized by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).

It was named after Kumar Shri Duleepsinhji of Nawanagar (also known as 'Duleep'), and was started by the BCCI in the **1961-62 season.**

The whole country is divided into different zones. However from the 2016-17 to 2019-20 seasons, the Duleep Trophy was contested by 3 teams - India Red, India Blue and India Green.

West Zone won the inaugural Duleep Trophy in 1962.

5. Rohit Sharma creates a world record of most sixes in international T 20 (Sept. 24, 2022)

Indian men's cricket team captain **Rohit Sharma** created a new world record of maximum sixes in international T20 cricket during his unbeaten knock of 46 against Australia at Nagpur on 23 September 2022.

He hit 4 sixes in his innings, taking his tally to 176 sixes. **Martin Guptill of New Zealand** is now at the second place with 172 sixes and Chris Gayle of West Indies at the third spot with 126 sixes.

Virat Kohli with 104 sixes in the format is the only other Indian batsmen with more than 100 T20I sixes.

India won the 2nd T20 against Australia by 5 wickets and the level the 3 match series 1-1. The third match of the series will be played at Hyderabad on 25 September 2022.

Rohit Sharma currently holds the record of scoring **maximum runs** in International T 20. He has scored 3677 runs in 138 matches.

6. Fast Bowler Jhulan Gowswami retires from international cricket with a win (Sept. 24, 2022)

Legendary Indian women cricket's fast bowler **Jhulan Gowswami** ended her international career on 24 September 2022, as India won the One Day International(ODI) match against England by 16 runs at Lords, London ,England. It was her last International cricket match.

With this win India has won the ODI series against England 3-0.

Jhulan Gowswami started her International career against England in 2002 as a fast bowler. At one time she was the fastest bowler in international women cricket.

The 39-year-old Jhulan has played 12 Tests, 203 ODIs and 68 T20Is for India, and has picked up 353 wickets across formats. Of those, 253 wickets have come in ODIs where **she is the highest wicket-taker in women's cricket**.

She is at present the **only women cricketer** who has more than 200 wickets in ODI.

The Cricket Association of Bengal has announced that it plans to name a stand of the **Eden Garden Stadium**, Kolkata in her name. Jhulan Gowswami is from Bengal.

7. Former Indian Hockey captain 'Dilip Tirkey' elected new Hockey India President (Sept. 24, 2022)

Former Indian men's Hockey team captain Dilip Tirkey was elected as the new Hockey India (HI) president unopposed on 23 September 2022.

The International Hockey Federation (FIH) has also approved Dilip Tirkey and his team's appointments.

The 44 year old Dilip Tirkey of Odisha, represented India at three Olympic Games and was a member of the Indian team that won the gold medal at the 1998 Asian Games in Bangkok and silver at the 2012 edition. He was also part of the team which won gold medals in the 2003 and 2007 editions of the Asia Cup.

Earlier the Delhi High court in a ruling on 26 May 2022 had dismissed the Hockey India President Narinder Batra and appointed a three-member Committee of Administrators (CoA) headed **by former Supreme Court Judge A.S Dave** to run the day-to-day affairs of Hockey India and conduct the elections in Hockey India .

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Hockey India:

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- It was set up in 2009 by the Indian Olympic Association to replace the Indian Hockey Federation.
- It is the main body which conducts all the male and female hockey in India.
- Headquarters: New Delhi

8. Supreme Court appoints Justice 'L Nageswara Rao' to frame the constitution of IOA and oversee its election (Sept. 22, 2022)

The Supreme Court on 22 September 2022, has appointed former Supreme Court judge L Nageswara Rao to prepare a road map for amending the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) constitution and conducting the election of the IOA by December 15, 2022.

This move of the court comes after the International Olympic Committee (IOC) on September 8 issued a final warning to IOA to "resolve its governance issues" and hold elections by December, failing which the world sports body will ban India.

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Background to the Issue:

- The IOA President **Narendra Batra** had to resign after the Delhi High Court ruled on 26 May 2022 that provision of life membership and life president in Hockey India was illegal.
- Narendra Batra contested and won the election of the IOA in 2017.
- He contested the election as being the Life Member and Life President in Hockey India.
- The Supreme Court upheld the Delhi high court order and asked the IOA to frame a new constitution which was in conformity with the National Sports guidelines of the country.
- However this move of the Court was seen as an interference by the IOC and it warned that it will suspend IOA.

9. Asian Cricket Council announces schedule of eighth edition of Women Asia Cup 2022 (Sept. 21, 2022)

Asian Cricket Council's President Jay Shah announced the schedule of the eighth edition of the Women Asia Cup 2022 on twitter on 21 September 2022.

The Asia cup will be held in **Bangladesh** from 1 October to 15 October 2022.

A total of **seven teams** from Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Malaysia, and United Arab Emirates.

The semi-finals will be played on October 13 and the title clash on October 15.

The Women's Asia Cup has been played in the **T20 format** since 2012.

The **first Asia Women's cup** was held in 2004 in Sri Lanka which was won by India.

Bangladesh won the last 2018 Asia cup with the 2020 edition being postponed due to covid.

India has won the tournament **maximum 6 times**.

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Asian Cricket Council (ACC):

- It was set up in 1983 to promote cricket in Asia.
- All the test playing nations of Asia are its members namely. India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan and Bangladesh.
- Headquarters: Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- Chairman: Jay Shah

10. Assamese swimmer Elvis Ali Hazarika becomes the first from North East to cross North Channel (Sept. 21, 2022)

Popular Assamese swimmer Elvis Ali Hazarika became the first swimmer from Northeast India to cross the North Channel.

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- Elvis Ali Hazarika has also become the **oldest swimmer** in India to swim across the North Channel.
- It took Elvis and his team 14 hours and 38 minutes to achieve the feat.
- Hazarika, earlier this year, became the first person from North East India to cover the Indo Arabian Gateway Mumbai circle with his relay team.
- In November 2021, he became the **first Assamese to successfully swim from Dharamtar Jetty to the Gateway Of India,** Arabian Sea, the total length of which is around **38 kilometres.**
- In 2019 itself, he became the first person from Assam to cross the **Catalina Channel** in the United States.

What is the North Channel?

- The North Channel is the strait between **north-eastern Northern Ireland and south-western Scotland.**
- It begins north of the Isle of Man, where the Irish Sea ends and runs north-west into the Atlantic Ocean.
- The width of the Northern Channel is **21 km**, at its narrowest point located between Tor Head in Northern Ireland and the Mull of Kintyre in Scotland.