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### **1. Djokovic deported from Australia ( Jan. 17, 2022 )**

Tennis star Novak Djokovic has lost his chance to defend his Australian Open title after an Australian court upheld a government deportation order.

- The sensational 11-day battle over Djokovic's COVID-19 vaccination status has ended his dream of winning a record 21st Grand Slam in Australia.
- Serbian President Aleksandar Vucic lashed out at Australian authorities saying that they have humiliated Djokovic with this mistreatment of him for 10 days.

### **2. Bollywood lyricist-poet Ibrahim Ashk dies ( Jan. 17, 2022 )**

Lyricist Ibrahim Ashk (70), known for penning songs for films like "Kaho Na Pyaar Hai" and "Koi... Mil Gaya", died on 16th January 2022, due to COVID-19 pneumonia.

- Born in Madhya Pradesh, Ashk did his post-graduation in Hindi Literature in 1974 from Indore University. Also an Urdu poet, he later went on to work as a journalist.

### **3. RajKumar Rao is the brand ambassador of RenewBuy ( Jan. 17, 2022 )**

Online insurance platform RenewBuy has launched its first 360-degree ad campaign with film actor Rajkummar Rao as its first brand ambassador.

Raj Kumar Rao is a Hindi film actor who has won National Film awards for Best actor for his film Shahid in 2013.

### **4. Vicky Kaushal is the brand ambassador of Pearson India ( Jan. 17, 2022 )**

Pearson has announced Bollywood actor Vicky Kaushal as its new brand ambassador.

Pearson is a British company which is in the business of publishing books for Schools, University etc.

Vicky Kaushal is a famous Hindi film actor who won the National film award for best actor in 2020 for his film "Uri:The Surgical Strike."

### **5. Virat Kohli resigns as Test Captain ( Jan. 16, 2022 )**

Virat Kohli resigned as the captain of the Indian cricket team on 15 January 2022. This comes after Indian cricket team failed to win a test series in South Africa and lost the current series 1-2 .India has never won a test series in South Africa.

- . The Delhi batsman, who took charge as the Test captain in 2014 after M.S. Dhoni stepped down, has been India's most successful leader in the longest format with 40 wins in 68 matches.
- Earlier in December 2021, Kohli was replaced as the One Day International (ODI) and T 20 captain of the Indian cricket team.
- He is the 4th Most successful Test captain in the world after South African Greame Smith (53 win), Ricky Ponting of Australia (43 win), and Steve Waugh of Australia (41 wins ).
- Of his 40 wins, 16 came overseas, including series victories in Sri Lanka (2-1) in 2015, West Indies (2-0) in 2016, Sri Lanka (3-0) in 2017, Australia (2-1) in 2018-19 and West Indies (2-0) in 2019.
- He led India into the inaugural World Test Championship final which India lost to New Zealand in 2021.

## **6. Master Inventor Award for 5G co-developer Dr. Kalyani Bogineni ( Jan. 15, 2022 )**

**Dr. Kalyani Bogineni** was conferred the '**Master Inventor Award**' for 2021 by **Verizon** for her contributions in developing 5G technology.

- Dr. Kalyani is currently a fellow in the network strategy and planning organisation at Verizon.
- Her expertise in highly parallel computer technology and optical and wireless technologies played a pivotal role in designing a wireless network from 2G to 5G.

### **Verizon**

Verizon is an American wireless network operator company.

Headquarters: **New York, United States**

## **7. Padma Shri Awardee Major HPS Ahluwalia Dies At 85 ( Jan. 15, 2022 )**

Padma Shri recipient and founder of the Indian Spinal Injuries Centre Major HPS Ahluwalia passed away at the age of 85 on 14th January 2022.

- HPS Ahluwalia was a retired army officer, a trained mountaineer, author and social worker "who has contributed immensely in various fields including adventure sports, environment, disability, and social work"
- He is one of six Indian men and the twenty first man in the world to climb Mount Everest, on 29 May 1965.
- His autobiography is titled "Higher Than Everest".
- Major Ahluwalia has also been a former president of the Indian Mountaineering Foundation.
- He was honored with the country's most prestigious awards - Padma Bhushan, Padma Shri, and the Arjuna Award. He also received the Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award.

## **8. Vedic scholar Malladi Sastry passes away ( Jan. 15, 2022 )**

Well-known Vedic scholar and almanac reader Malladi Chandrasekhara Sastry passed away at his residence in Hyderabad on 14th January 2022. He became famous in undivided Andhra Pradesh for his Panchanga Sravanam.

- Sastry studied Vedas, Vyakaranam (grammar), tarkan (logic) and Indian spiritualism at an early age.
- Sastry established himself as an authority in Vedas and Astadasha Purana texts.
- He was known for hosting Dharma Sandehalu on TV
- He was titled 'Abhinava Vyasa' for compiling and codifying the Vedas and Puranas texts.
- He was also known as Purana Vachaspati

### **9. Goan writer Maria Aurora Couto dies at 85 ( Jan. 15, 2022 )**

Padma Shri awardee(2010), writer, and educationist Maria Aurora Couto died on 14th January 2022. She was 85. She wrote in English, Konkani and Portuguese.

- Among her writings, she is best known for her autobiography, 'Goa: A Daughter's Story (2004)', in which her memoirs mingle with Goa's past.
- Her notable works are 'Filomena's Journeys: A Portrait of a Marriage, a Family and a Culture (2013)', 'Graham Greene: On the Frontier: Politics and Religion in the Novels' (1988).

### **10. Anne-Marie Trevelyan visit India ( Jan. 14, 2022 )**

The United Kingdom(UK) Secretary of State for International Trade ,Anne-Marie Trevelyan visited India on a two day visit . She and Union Minister for Commerce and Industry Piyush Goyal launched a Free Trade Agreement discussion on 13 January 2022.

- They agreed to double the bilateral trade by 2030.
- At present the trade between the two countries was \$13.11 billion in 2020-21.
- As of 2021, India is the UK's 15<sup>th</sup> largest trading partner, and the UK is India's 18<sup>th</sup> largest trading partner.