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1. Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurates 12th Edition of India Chem-2022 in New Delhi (Nov. 2, 2022)

Dr Mansukh Mandaviya

Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers, **Dr Mansukh Mandaviya** inaugurated the 12th Biennial International Exhibition and Conference India Chem 2022 at **New Delhi** on 2 November 2022.

The 12th Edition of "India Chem 2022" has been organised by the Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Government of India, with **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)** from 02 -03 November 2022 at New Delhi.

The Theme of the 12th India Chem 2022: **"Vision 2030: Chemicals and Petrochemicals Build India.**

2. RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das inaugurates the FIBAC 2022 (Nov. 2, 2022)

RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das

Reserve Bank of India Governor Shaktikanta Das inaugurated one of the largest annual banking conferences of Asia, FIBAC 2022 in **Mumbai** on 2 November 2022.

The FIBAC 2022 has been organized by [Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry](#) (FICCI) and [Indian Banks' Association](#) (IBA) on 2nd and 3rd of November 2022 at Mumbai, Maharashtra.

Theme of the Conference: **'Helping India step change its growth: How tech enabled banking can contribute to realization of \$5 trillion economy goal'**.

Speaking on occasion the governor said that the e-rupee launch on 1 November 2022 was a landmark moment in the history of currency in the country as it will transform the way business is done and transactions are conducted.

He added that the central bank hopes to launch digitized [Kisan Credit Card](#) loans in a full-fledged manner by the calendar year 2023.

Indian Bank Association is an association of Banks and Financial institutions in India which was set up in 1946.

3. Invest Karnataka - 2022 Summit (Nov. 2, 2022)

Invest Karnataka

The Prime Minister, **Narendra Modi**, addressed the inaugural function of the **Global Investors Meet Invest Karnataka 2022** through video conferencing on November 2, 2022.

Important facts

- More than 80 speakers will present their views in the three-day event to be held in **Bengaluru from November 2-4.**
- The key **themes** to be addressed during the event will be related to **innovation, sustainability, equity and resilience.**
- Speakers include some top industry leaders including **Kumar Mangalam Birla, Sajjan Jindal, Vikram Kirloskar** among others.
- **The aim of the Summit** is to attract potential investors and establish a growth agenda for the next decade.
- The sessions of the conference will be hosted separately by **Germany, Netherlands, South Korea, Japan and Australia** who are in India along with high level ministerial and industrial delegations from their respective countries.
- The global scale of the event will give Karnataka an opportunity to showcase its culture to the world as well.

4. President Droupadi Murmu to inaugurate 7th 'India Water Week' in Greater Noida on 1 November 2022 (Oct. 31, 2022)

President Droupadi Murmu

President Droupadi Murmu will inaugurate the 7th India Water Week in **Greater Noida**, Uttar Pradesh on 1 November 2022. **Denmark, Singapore, and Finland** will be the partner countries for this event.

The 7th India Water Week is being organised by the Union Ministry of Water Resources, River Development, and Ganga Rejuvenation from 1 -5 November 2022 to raise awareness, conserve and use water resources in an integrated manner.

Theme of the 7th India Water Week 2022

The theme of the 7th India Water Week 2022: **Water Security for Sustainable Development and Equity”.**

The event will bring together experts, planners, and stakeholders from across the globe. It will address the issues of sustainability of water resources development and management in the line with sustainable development goals.

Union Minister for Water Resources, River Development, and Ganga Rejuvenation: **Gajendra Singh Shekhawat**

5. Election Commission of India host an International Conference on the Role, Framework & Capacity of EMBs' at New Delhi (Oct. 31, 2022)

Election Commission of India

Chief Election Commissioner of India (ECI) **Rajiv Kumar** along with Election Commissioner Anup Chandra Pandey inaugurated a two day international conference (31October and 1

November) on 31 October 2022 on the theme '**Role, Framework & Capacity of Election Management Bodies (EMB)**'.

The conference is organized by Election Commission of India at New Delhi under Cohort on Election Integrity led by ECI, which was established as a follow on to the 'Summit for Democracy' held in December, 2021.

Nearly 50 Participants from Eleven EMBs from 11 countries including Armenia, Mauritius, Nepal, Cabo Verde, Australia, Chile, Federal States of Micronesia, Greece, Philippines, Sao Tome & Principe, USA and three international organisations namely, IFES, International IDEA and UNDP(United Nation Development Programme) India are expected to join the Conference..

'Summit for Democracy', an initiative of the **US President Joe Biden** was hosted by him in December 2021. Following this Summit, a "Year of Action" was proposed with events and dialogues on themes related to Democracy.

As part of the 'Summit for Democracy' Year of Action, India through the ECI, is leading the 'Democracy Cohort on Election Integrity' to share its knowledge, technical expertise, and experiences with other democracies of the world.

6. India to contribute 5 lakh dollars to the UN Trust Fund for Counter terrorisms (Oct. 29, 2022)

India to contribute 5 lakh dollars

The Minister for External Affairs **S. Jaishankar** has announced on 29 October 2022 that India will contribute **\$ 5, 00,000** to the **United Nations Trust Fund for Counter Terrorism** efforts to counter global terrorism.

He was speaking at the special session of the United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee being hosted by India. It is for the **first time** that the UN Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee meeting is being held outside New York, United States.

First Counter-Terrorism Committee meeting held outside New York

India is at present the chairman of the UN Security Council's Counter-Terrorism Committee and it hosted the two day meeting at Mumbai and New Delhi on 28 October and 29 October respectively.

The meeting started on 28 October 2022 in Mumbai which witnessed a massive terror attack in 2008 that left 140 Indian nationals and 26 citizens of 23 other countries dead by terrorists who had entered India from Pakistan.

The meeting moved to New Delhi on 29 October for its final session.

Focus area of the Counter-Terrorism Committee meeting

The discussion focused on three areas:

- Internet and social media;
- financing for global terror networks; and
- The proliferation of unmanned aerial systems, such as drones.

Participants of the meeting

According to the Ministry of External Affairs which is hosting the meeting, UNSC members, including the 15 present and 5 new non-permanent member who will join the Security Council next year, leading experts from the UN's operational partners and specialized agencies participated in the meeting.

Minister's speech

Speaking on the occasion the External Affairs Minister warned about the threat posed by the misuse of new and emerging technologies for terror activities, stressing the need for the international community to adopt measures to combat the threats.

"Internet and social media platforms have turned into potent instruments in the toolkit of terrorist and militant groups for spreading propaganda, radicalization and conspiracy theories aimed at destabilizing societies," he said in his keynote address.

United Nation Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee

The Counter-Terrorism Committee was established by unanimous consent on 28 September 2001, in the wake of the 11 September terrorist attacks in the United States.

All the 15 Security Council members are part of the Counter-Terrorism Committee.

The Committee is tasked with monitoring the implementation of measures to enhance countries' legal and institutional counter-terrorism abilities, at every level, locally and internationally.

7. PM Modi calls for 'one Nation One uniform' for police at the Chintan Shivir held in Surajkund (Oct. 29, 2022)

One Nation, One Uniform

Prime Minister Narendra Modi in his virtual address to the [Chintan Shivir](#) of state home ministers on 28 October 2022, suggested the idea of "One Nation, One Uniform" for police to have uniformity among various forces.

The two day (27&28 October) Chintan Shivir at **Surajkund**, Haryana, chaired by the Union Home Minister **Amit Shah** was attended by chief ministers of eight states and home ministers and deputy chief ministers of 16 states. Home Secretaries and Director General of Police (DGPs) of the States, Director Generals of Central Armed Police Forces (CAPFs) and Central Police Organisations (CPOs) also attended the Shivir.

Speaking on the occasion the Prime Minister said he thinks that the identity of the police across the country could be identical.

He also urged the state governments to review old laws and amend them to the current context as he batted for coordinated action by all the agencies to meet the emerging challenges of law and order and security.

Police a state subject

Law and Order, Police is a state subject in India and the central government has no power on the matter. It is for the state government to decide the uniform of the state police and the uniform of the policies varies across the states in the countries.

8. First Global Digital Health Summit, Expo, and Innovation Awards held in New Delhi (Oct. 29, 2022)

First Global Digital Health Summit

The first ever two day (28&29 October 2022) Global Digital Health Summit, Expo, and Innovation Awards is being held in **New Delhi**.

The summit has been organized in association with the world's foremost digital health associations; The Global Health Connector Partnership, The International Society for Telemedicine & Health, Switzerland, and United Nations Internet Governance Forum- Dynamic Coalition on Digital Health.

Global leaders in digital health and healthcare from across the USA, European Union, Africa, UK, and Southeast Asia are participating in the Summit.

Theme of the Global Digital Health Summit, Expo, and Innovation Awards: **Digital Health for All**

What is Digital Health?

Digital health refers to the use of information and communications technologies in medicine and other health professions to manage illnesses and health risks and to promote wellness.

Digital health has a broad scope and includes the use of wearable devices, mobile health, telehealth, health information technology, and telemedicine.

9. 1st ASEAN-India Start-up Festival 2022 held in Indonesia (Oct. 29, 2022)

1st ASEAN-India Start-up

Dr. **Srivari Chandrasekhar**, Secretary, Department of Science and Technology, inaugurated the 1st ASEAN-India Start-up Festival (AISF) on 27th October 2022 in **Bogor, Indonesia**.

The four-day event is being hosted in conjunction with the Indonesia Research and Innovation Expo (INA-RIE) from the 27th until the 30th October 2022 at the Innovation Convention Centre, Cibinong Bogor, Indonesia. The AISF is part of a series of events to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the ASEAN-India diplomatic relationship.

The festival is part of the over-all ASEAN-India Science, Technology and Innovation Cooperation program between the ASEAN Committee on Science, Technology, and Innovation (COSTI) and the Department of Science and Technology (Govt of India) and is supported under the ASEAN-India Science and Technology Development Fund (AISTDF) of Govt of India which is jointly contributed by Department of Science and Technology and Ministry of External Affairs (MEA).

The festival commemorates and strengthens cooperation and collaboration in science, technology, and innovation between the ASEAN countries and India.

ASEAN (Association of SouthEast Asian Nation) is a regional organization which was set up in 1967. It is an association of 10 countries of Southeast Asia namely; Indonesia, Philippines, Brunei, Thailand, Vietnam, Malaysia, Singapore, Laos, Cambodia, Myanmar.

Headquarters of ASEAN: **Jakarta, Indonesia**.

10. Ministry of Corporate Affairs organises an Investor Education, Awareness and Protection Conference in Srinagar (Oct. 29, 2022)

Ministry of Corporate Affairs

The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA) under the Ministry of Corporate Affairs organised an **Investor Education, Awareness and Protection Conference in Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir on 28 October 2022**. The Conference was inaugurated by Chief Guest, Union Minister of State for Ministry of Corporate Affairs Rao **Inderjit Singh**.

During the conference the minister launched various initiatives of the IEPFA.

- The IEPFA Mascot **“Fundoo”** was released.
- **“Niveshak Didi” or female dakiya**, is a joint venture of IEPF Authority with India Post Payment Bank wherein Investor Education will be promoted in “By the women, for the women” concept.
- **“Niveshak Sarathi”**, an investor awareness van was flagged by the minister. It is an initiative by IEPFA to promote financial literacy among people in far-flung areas by spreading knowledge through dedicated audio-visual and print material & a specially designed Van.
- **“Investors’ Handbook”** - a concise compilation of information on savings, budgeting, and investments which provides a vast knowledge of financial instruments.

The Investor Education and Protection Fund Authority (IEPFA)

It was set up by the Government of India on 7 September 2016 under the Companies Act 2013, to administer the Investor Education and Protection Fund.

Investor Education and Protection Fund

The fund was set up under the Companies act in 1999 under the Union Ministry of Corporate Affairs. The main aim of the Fund is to promote investors’ awareness and protection of the interests of investors. Here investor means those who have invested in companies shares, debentures, fixed deposits etc.

Source of Fund

The following amounts that remained unpaid and unclaimed by the investor for a period of seven years from the date they became due for payment are credited to the Fund:

- Amounts in the unpaid dividend accounts of the companies
- The application moneys received by companies for allotment of any securities and due for refund
- Matured deposits with companies
- Matured debentures with companies
- Grants and donations given to the fund by the Central Government, State Governments, companies or any other institutions for the purposes of the Fund;
- And, the interest or other income received out of the investments made from the fund.