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1. Tennis player Jaideep Mukherjee launches his autobiography "Crosscourt" (April 22, 2023)

Renowned tennis player Jaideep Mukherjee released his **autobiography titled "Crosscourt"** on 21 April in the presence of prominent Indian tennis players such as Ramesh Krishnan and Somdev Devvarman.

An Overview of the News

- The book provides an **insight into Mukherjee's life and describes his journey as a successful tennis player.**
- In addition to tennis, "**Crosscourt**" also covers various aspects of Mukherjee's personal life, including her successes, failures, relationships and behind-the-scenes moments.
- Sharmin Mukherjee, Jaideep Mukherjee's wife, was instrumental in encouraging and assisting him in writing the book.

Other Books for 2023

- "War and Women" - **Dr. MA Hasan.**
- "Basu Chatterjee: And Middle-of-the-Road Cinema" - **Anirudh Bhattacharjee**
- "Gandhi: Politics and Sect" - **Piyush Babele**
- "Phoolange" - **Lekhnath Chhetri, writer from Darjeeling**
- "A Matter of the Heart: Education in India" - **Anurag Behar**
- "Bipin: The Man Behind the Uniform" - **Rachna Biswat Rawat**
- "As Good As My Word" - **KM Chandrasekhar**
- "Mundaka Upanishad: The Gateway to Eternity" - **Dr. Karan Singh, Ex-MP**
- "Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origin of Empire" - **Nandini Das**

2. SBI unveils its coffee table book "The Banker to Every Indian" (April 15, 2023)

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State Bank of India (SBI) launched a **coffee table book** titled "**The Banker to Every Indian**" and the book celebrates 75 years of Indian independence and 200 years of SBI's history.

An Overview of the News

- The book aims to provide a **detailed account of the history of SBI** since India attained independence.

- The Coffee Table Book is a **tribute to the spirit of India's independence and SBI's contribution to nation building.**
- The book throws light upon the bank's ethics, technological advancements and transformation through significant initiatives taken by the organisation.
- This book is not only a celebration of SBI's past but also a testimony to its commitment to the future.

About SBI, or State Bank of India

- It is one of the **largest and oldest banks in India.**
- It was **established in 1806** as the **Bank of Calcutta** and later renamed as the **Imperial Bank of India.**
- **In 1955**, the Government of India nationalised the bank and it became the **State Bank of India.**
- It offers a wide range of **banking products and services** to its customers including **Personal Banking, Corporate Banking, Agricultural Banking and International Banking.**
- Its personal banking services include **savings and current accounts, loans, credit cards and investment products.**
- It has launched several digital initiatives to provide convenient banking services to its customers. These include **SBI YONO, an integrated digital banking platform and SBI Quick, a mobile app for instant banking services.**
- SBI has received several awards and honours for its performance and services, including **Best Bank Award by Euromoney Magazine, Best Retail Bank Award** in India by Asian Banker and Best Bank Award in India by Global Finance Magazine.

Headquarters - **Mumbai, Maharashtra**

3. "Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origin of Empire": Nandini Das (April 13, 2023)

The book titled "**Courting India: England, Mughal India and the Origin of Empire**" is authored by **Nandini Das**, Professor of English Literature at the University of Liverpool.

An Overview of the News

- The book explores the cultural and literary exchange between England and Mughal India in the early modern period.
- The book highlights the influence of the publication of **Richard Hakluyt's "Principal Navigations, Voyages, Traffic and Discoveries of the English Nation"** on Britain's perception of itself as a heroic seafaring nation.

- The book highlights the challenges faced by English merchants in finding new markets after their excommunication by **Pope Pius V** in 1570.
- The book focuses on Thomas Roe's four-year mission as the English ambassador to the court of the Mughal emperor Jahangir in India in 1615.
- The book takes readers on a journey through the dark, wood-panelled rooms of Jacobean England and the elaborate courtyards of Mughal India.

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4. A new book "Gandhi: Siasat Aur Sampradaya" written by Piyush Babele (April 5, 2023)

A new Hindi book titled **Gandhi: Siasat Aur Communalism** has been authored by journalist-turned-author **Piyush Babele**, who currently **heads the media department of the Madhya Pradesh Congress.**

An Overview of the News

- The book quotes from **Dr. Ambedkar's book Pakistan or the Partition of India and other sources** to refer to the events leading up to the **partition of India in 1947.**
- The **book aims to break the myth spread by the Hindu right wing that Mahatma Gandhi was responsible for the partition.**
- The book is published by **New Delhi based Genuine Publications & Media Private Limited.**

"Pakistan or the Partition of India" by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

- This book by **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, a social reformer and the chief architect of the Indian Constitution.**
- It was **published in 1940**, a few years before India's independence and the partition of India, and in it Ambedkar analyses the factors that led to the demand for a separate Muslim state of Pakistan.
- Ambedkar also discusses the **political, economic and social implications of the partition of India.**
- The book provides an insight into the complicating factors that led to the Partition of India and its aftermath.

About Madhya Pradesh

Establishment - **1 November 1956**

Capital - **Bhopal**

Chief Minister - **Shivraj Singh Chouhan**

Official Animal - **Barasingha**

Official River - **Narmada River**

Official Tree - **Banyan**

5. Book titled "War and Women" written by Dr. MA Hasan released (April 1, 2023)

"War and Women,"

Dr. M A Hasan's book, "War and Women," was launched during the **52nd session of the United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC) in Geneva, Switzerland.**

An Overview of the News

- The event was organised by the **Bangladesh Freedom Fighters Parliament in Europe.**
- The book was released at the **Serpentine Cafeteria inside the United Nations Building.**
- The book throws light on the suffering of Bengali women who were victims of **sexual violence during the 1971 war.**

About United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC)

- It is a **subsidiary body of the United Nations General Assembly established in 2006** to promote and protect human rights globally.
- Its mandate includes addressing human rights violations, making recommendations to improve human rights standards, and investigating and reporting human rights abuses.
- The **UNHRC is composed of 47 member states** elected for three-year terms, and holds three regular sessions each year.
- It conducts a **Universal Periodic Review (UPR) process** to review the human rights records of all member states of the United Nations.
- The UNHRC has thematic mandates to address specific human rights issues and country mandates to investigate human rights abuses in a particular country.
- The UNHRC cooperates with other United Nations bodies to promote and protect human rights, such as the Office of the **High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the International Criminal Court (ICC).**

6. Release of the book 'Mundaka Upanishad: The Bridge to Immortality' by former MP Dr. Karan Singh (March 10, 2023)

The book '**Mundaka Upanishad: The Bridge to Immortality**' was released by **Vice President, Jagdeep Dhankhar** on 9 March 2023.

News Overview

- Karan Singh is an **Indian politician and philosopher**.
- Karan Singh was the **Prince regent (Janpratinidhi)** of Jammu and Kashmir till 1952.
- He is the son of **Maharaja Sir Hari Singh**, the last ruler of the princely state of Jammu and Kashmir, and mother **Maharani Tara Devi**.
- His important collection "**One Man's World**" and **essays written on Hinduism** have also been appreciated.
- He was the **Chancellor of the Banaras Hindu University** and the **University of Jammu and Kashmir** for many years.
- He has also been the **President of the Central Sanskrit Board**, the Association of Indian Writers, the Commonwealth Society of India and the Delhi Music Society.

7. JP Nadda launches book 'Modi: Shaping a Global order in flux' (Feb. 23, 2023)

BJP national president **J P Nadda** on 22 February launched a book "**Modi: Shaping a Global Order in Flux**" in Chanakyapuri, Delhi.

An overview of the news

- In this book, an attempt has been made to tell how PM Modi has taken such decisions which have changed the image of India around the world.
- It is important to understand what was the image of India before Modiji came to power.
- The book has been forwarded by Union External Affairs Minister **S Jaishankar**.
- The editors are **Sujan Chinoy, Vijay Chauthaiwala and Uttam Kumar Sinha**.

8. Health Minister launches book titled 'Braving A Viral Storm: India's Covid-19 Vaccine Story' (Jan. 12, 2023)

Health and Family Welfare Minister **Mansukh Mandaviya** on 11 January, officially launched the book titled '**Braving A Viral Storm: India's Covid-19 Vaccine Story**' in New Delhi.

An overview of the news

- The co-authors of the book are **Ashish Chandorkar and Suraj Sudhir**.
- The release of the book follows the second anniversary of India's **Covid-19 vaccination campaign** in January 2021.
- In this book, the inside story of India's fight against Corona and the challenges of making a vaccine in difficult circumstances is told.
- The whole story from India's preparation to making it in the vaccine race has been told through words in this book.
- India had established a **Covid management model** towards an exemplary vaccination with public participation.

9. Amit Shah released a book titled 'Revolutionaries - The Other Story of How India Won Its Freedom' (Jan. 12, 2023)

On 11 January 2023, Home Minister **Amit Shah** released a book titled '**Revolutionaries - The Other Story of How India Won Its Freedom**' at a function in New Delhi. This book contains the discussion of **India's freedom struggle**.

An Overview of the news

- The author of this book is economist **Sanjeev Sanyal**, who is also a member of the **Prime Minister's Economic Advisory Council**.
- Formerly a best selling author, Sanjeev Sanyal has served in the financial sector for almost two decades.
- Sanjeev Sanyal has been the Global Strategic and Managing Director of **Deutsche Bank** till 2015.

Some popular books of 2022 and their authors

- Fearless Governance - Kiran Bedi
- Ambedkar: A Life Book - Shashi Tharoor
- The Corbett Papers - Akshay Shah and Stephen Alter
- Place Called Home - Preeti Shenoy
- The Struggle for Police Reforms in India - Prakash Singh
- Tomb And Sand - Geetanjali Shree
- The Great Tech Game - Anirudh Suri

10. Former CJI Ranjan Gogoi released a book titled 'Chief Minister's Diary No. 1' (Jan. 11, 2023)

Former Chief Justice of India and Rajya Sabha member **Ranjan Gogoi** released the book '**Chief Minister's Diary No. 1**', a diary of Assam CM **Himanta Biswa Sarma**.

An overview of the news

- The diary has been written by the CM of Assam Himanta Biswa Sarma himself.
- Complete details of the first year of CM Biswa's tenure have been given in this diary.
- Hemant Biswa Sarma has tried to enumerate his day-to-day development activities as Chief Minister in this diary.
- Hemant Biswa Sarma would also bring out further editions of his diary in the next four years.