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1. World Rapid Chess Championship (Dec. 30, 2021)

Men's title:

- 17-year-old **Uzbek GM Nodirbek Abdusattorov** won the World Rapid Chess Championship after winning the second tiebreak blitz game **against GM Ian Nepomniachtchi**.
- **GM Magnus Carlsen** finished in third place and **GM Fabiano Caruana** came fourth.

Women's title:

- **GM Alexandra Kosteniuk won the women's world rapid title.**
- **IM Bibisara Assaubayeva**, who is also 17 years old, finished in second place and **GM Valentina Gunina came third.**

The World Rapid Chess Championship is a chess tournament held to determine the world champion in chess played under rapid time controls.

2. Himachal Pradesh wins its maiden Vijay Hazare title (Dec. 27, 2021)

- Himachal Pradesh won its first Vijay Hazare trophy defeating Tamilnadu by 11 runs in the final of the Vijay Hazare trophy 2021-22. .
- The final was played at Sawai Man Singh stadium, Jaipur on 26 December 2021.
- Vijay Hazare is the premier 50-50 overs over domestic cricket tournament..

3. Moyuka Uchijima of Japan wins ITF women Tennis tournament (Dec. 26, 2021)

- Unseeded Moyuka Uchijima of Japan beat fourth seed Diana Marcinkevica of Latvia 6-2, 7-5 in the final of the NECC \$25,000 ITF women's tennis tournament.
- It was the fourth title in the professional circuit for Moyuka, and third of the season.
- In the doubles final, top seeds Anna Danilina and Valeriya Strakhova prevailed 6-0, 2-6, 10-5 against the Japanese pair of Funa Kozaki and Misaki Matsuda.
- **It was held at the Deccan Gymkhana, Pune.**

4. 11th National Junior Boys Hockey Championship (Dec. 26, 2021)

- Uttar Pradesh defeated Chandigarh by a 3-1 margin in the final to win the 11th Hockey India junior National men's championship.
- Odisha defeated Haryana to take the third place.
- The tournament was held at Kovilpatti, in Tamilnadu from 16 to 25 December 2021.

5. Harbhajan Singh retires from cricket (Dec. 25, 2021)

- Off-spinner Harbhajan Singh has announced retirement from all forms of competitive cricket.
- The 41-year-old from Punjab took 417 wickets in 103 Tests, 269 wickets in 236 ODIs and 25 wickets in 28 T20Is in his illustrious career. In the IPL across 13 seasons for Mumbai Indians, Chennai Super Kings, and Kolkata Knight Riders, he took 150 wickets in 163 matches.
- Harbhajan, who made his India debut during an ODI against New Zealand at Sharjah in 1998, last played for the country in March, 2016 during a T20I against the UAE at Dhaka.

6. Indians Shine in Asian Junior Chess Championship 2021 (Dec. 24, 2021)

- India's **V S Raahul (18)** won the **boys titles in the Asian Junior chess championship 2021**.
- He also **earned his first GM-norm**.
- **Savitha Shri B** won the girls title.
- The Asian Junior Chess Championship 2021 was held in **Sri Lanka**

7. Men's Asian Championship Trophy 2021 (Dec. 23, 2021)

To the point:

- Indian Hockey team beat Pakistan's Hockey team with a scoreline of 4-3 and **secured the third position (bronze medal) in Men's Asian Champions trophy 2021**.
- **South Korea emerged as the champion after beating Japan**.
- The Men's Asian Champions trophy 2021 was held at the **Maulana Bhasani Hockey Stadium in Dhaka, Bangladesh from 14th to 22nd December 2021**.
- The tournament was organized by the **Asian Hockey Federation**.

Asian Championship Trophy

The Men's Asian Champions Trophy is an **event held annually by the Asian Hockey Federation (since 2011)**. It features Asia's top six field hockey teams competing in a round robin format.

- Asia's top six hockey teams are:
 - **India**
 - **South Korea**
 - **Japan**
 - **Pakistan**
 - **China**
 - **Malaysia**

8. Zverev named Germany's Sportsman of the Year (Dec. 22, 2021)

World's No. 3, **Alexander Zverev (24 years old tennis player) of Germany** was awarded with the **German's Sportsman of the year at the 2021 German Athlete Awards.**

- He became the **first tennis player, since 1991, to win the award.**
- The **75th edition of the awards was organized by the Internationale Sport-Korrespondenz (ISK)**, a sports journalist agency in Germany.
- It was **held on 19th December 2021 at the prestigious Kurhaus Baden-Boden.**

9. 11th Hockey India Senior Men National Championship (Dec. 22, 2021)

- Hockey Punjab defeated Hockey Uttar Pradesh 2-1 to clinch the 11th Hockey India Senior Men National Championship.
- **The tournament was held at Pimpri Chinchwad , Pune from 11 to 21 December.**
- Karnataka defeated Maharashtra 5-2 to finish third .
- Hockey India **plans, directs and conducts** all the activities for both men and women hockey in India. It is recognized by the **Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports, Govt. of India** as the sole body responsible towards promoting Hockey in India.

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Headquarters: **New Delhi, India**

President: **Gyanendro Nigombam**

10. Pankaj Advani defends the National Billiards Champion title (Dec. 21, 2021)

- **Pankaj Arjan Advani** of Petroleum Sports Promotion Board ,won the **Senior National Billiards Championship** by defeating his teammate **Dhruv Sitwale.**
- It was the **11th National Billiards title of Pankaj Advani.**
- The 88th National Billiards Championship was held at **Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.**
- **The Championship was organized by the Billiards and Snooker Federation of India (BSFI), the governing body for cue sports in India.**