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Meghna Ahlawat was elected the **first-ever woman president of the Table Tennis Federation of India (TTFI)**, while former veteran **Kamlesh Mehta** was elected as the general secretary. **Patel Nagendra Reddy** was elected as the treasurer.

Important facts

- Ahlawat, who is the wife of Haryana deputy chief minister **Dushyant Chautala**, contested against Gujarat home minister **Harsh Sanghvi**.
- The **Delhi High Court** had suspended TTFI in February and appointed a **Committee of Administrators (CoA)** to take over its functioning.
- **Dushyant Chautala** was the previous TTFI president. The Delhi High Court had barred members of the suspended executive board from taking part in the elections.

About TTFI

- It was established in **1926**.
- It is a founder member of the **International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF)** and has been at the forefront in the promotion of the game in India and the world.
- It has the affiliation of **34 state units and 37 institutions**.
- It is one of the most active among all sports federations in the country.
- India is represented through TTFI in all the major international championships like Olympics, World, Commonwealth, Asian and all Pro tours.

4. Congress Wins Himachal Pradesh Assembly Election (Dec. 9, 2022)

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The **Congress** wrested **Himachal Pradesh** from the BJP by winning **40 seats** in the **68-member assembly** in the hill state.

Important facts

- The **BJP won 25 seats**, while eight ministers of state, including Suresh Bhardwaj, Ram Lal Markanda and Surveen Chowdhary, lost the elections.
- The Independents won from **three constituencies** and the **Aam Aadmi Party**, which had contested from 67 seats, **failed to open its account**.
- Independent candidates were successful in winning three seats.
- The Congress' vote share was **43.9 per cent** and the **BJP's was 43 per cent - a gap of less than one per cent**.
- Traditionally, Himachal Pradesh has never allowed a government in power for a second consecutive term in the **last 37 years**.

- The practical Himachali voter has always thought that no party should be allowed to get
- too comfortable on the seat.

5. Saikhom Mirabai Chanu wins silver at Weightlifting World Championship in Colombia (Dec. 7, 2022)

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Former world champion **Mirabai Chanu** had to settle for a silver medal in the women's 49kg division at the World Weightlifting Championships 2022 being held in **Bogota, Colombia**.

Mirabai Chanu lifted a total weight of 200kg (87kg snatch + 113kg clean and jerk) for her second world championships medal. She won the gold in 2017 and finished fourth in the 2019 edition.

Jiang Huihua of China won her third world championship gold medal with a combined lift of 206 kg (93kg+113kg). Tokyo 2020 Olympic champion Hou Zhihui of China won the bronze medal.

The World Weightlifting Championships 2022 are the first in the series of qualifying events for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. It is being held in Bogota, Colombia from 5-15 December 2022.

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Important facts

- The 36-year-old Dipika will be the first actor to receive such an honour at the **world's most-watched sporting event**.
- The FIFA World Cup final will be held on December 18 at the **Lusail Iconic Stadium in Qatar**.
- A few months back, Deepika represented India at the **Cannes Film Festival** as a jury member.
- **Nora Fatehi**, an actor and dancer, performed last week at the FIFA World Cup 2022 Fan Festival at **Al Bidda Park in Doha**.
- She performed on the World Cup anthem "**Light the Sky**." She also performed some of her hits, such as '**O Saki**.'
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8. Shafali Verma to lead India's in the inaugural ICC women's U-19 Women's T20 World Cup (Dec. 6, 2022)

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Eighteen-year-old opening batter **Shafali Verma** will lead India at the **inaugural [ICC \(International Cricket Council\) Under-19 Women's T20 World Cup](#)**, to be played in **South Africa** from January 14 next year.

She will be one of two senior India players at the event apart from wicketkeeper Richa Ghosh. The coach of the team is **Nooshin Al Khadeer**.

The U19 T20 World Cup will take place in the South African cities of **Benoni** and **Potchefstroom** between 14 and 29 January 2023.

Sixteen teams have been divided into four groups. India are in Group D of the Under-19 World Cup along with South Africa, UAE and Scotland.

The final will be played in Potchefstroom on 29 January 2023.

9. Hrishikesh Kanitkar appointed batting coach of Indian women cricket team by BCCI (Dec. 6, 2022)

Hrishikesh Kanitkar appointed batting coach of Indian women cricket team

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) on 5 December 2022 announced the appointment of **Hrishikesh Kanitkar** as the Batting Coach of the Senior Women's cricket team. Kanitkar will take charge of the team from the upcoming five-match T20I series against Australia starting 9th December in Mumbai.

The Indian national women cricket team has been without a head coach for the past two months since the completion of the tenure of Romesh Powar.

Romesh Powar has since joined the **National Cricket Academy (NCA), Bengaluru** as a spin bowling coach.

Hrishikesh Kanitkar was the head coach of the under -**19 men's cricket team which won the world cup held in West Indies in 2022.**

Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)

It is the governing body of men's and women's cricket in India. It selects the Indian team for International tours and for International Cricket Council (ICC) and Asian Cup tournaments.

The BCCI is an autonomous, private organisation and does not fall under the purview of the National Sports Federation of India.

It was set up in 1928.

Grant Govan was the first President of the BCCI.

Headquarters: **Mumbai**, Maharashtra

President: **Roger Binny**

10. 11th edition of Admiral's Cup Regatta to begin in Kerala from 6 December 2022 (Dec. 5, 2022)

11th edition of Admiral's Cup Regatta

The 11th edition of the **Admiral's Cup Regatta** will be held at the **Ettikulam Bay** in the Kannur district of Kerala from 6-10 December 2022. The Regatta is organised as a fleet race in a single crew Olympic class Laser Radial sailboat.

Teams from 27 nations, including Australia, Germany, Bangladesh, Sri Lanka, the UK, the USA, Japan, and Myanmar are participating in the annual sailing event.

It is hosted by the Indian Naval Academy situated in **Ezhimala**, Kannur district of Kerala.

Admiral's Cup Sailing Regatta

The Admiral's Cup Sailing Regatta was instituted in 2010 under the burgee of Yachting Association of India as a forum for competition in sailing in a regatta format amongst the officer trainees of friendly foreign navies.

The last Admiral's Cup was held in 2019 and a total of 25 countries participated in the event.