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1. India to host Women's ODI World Cup in 2025 (July 29, 2022)

According to the International Cricket Council (ICC), India will host the ICC Women's ODI World Cup for the year 2025.

Important facts

- The Council has selected four countries to host the ICC Women's World Cup from 2024 to 2027.
- These countries are India, Bangladesh, England and Sri Lanka.
- Bangladesh will host the Women's T20 World Cup competition in the year 2024.
- The 2026 edition of the Women's T20 World Cup will be held in England.
- Sri Lanka will host the 2027 Women's T20 Champions Trophy but it will depend on whether they qualify for the competition.
- The host countries were selected through a bidding process conducted under the supervision of a subcommittee of the ICC Board.
- The committee also included Sourav Ganguly, President of the Board of Control for Cricket in India.

International Cricket Council (ICC)

- Establishment- 15 June 1909
- Headquarter- Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- The ICC currently has 104 member states: 12 full members and 92 associate members.
- President- Greg Barkley

Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI)

- Establishment- 1928
- Headquarters- Mumbai, Maharashtra
- President- Sourav Ganguly
- Secretary- Jay Shah

2. Sunil Chhetri becomes joint 5th highest goalscorer in international football history (June 22, 2022)

Indian men's football team captain Sunil Chhetri has become the joint fifth highest goalscorer in international football history.

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- Sunil Chhetri scored his 84th international goal against Hong Kong during the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Asian Cup 2023 Qualifier and achieved the feat by equaling the record held by Real Madrid and Hungarian football legend Ferenc Puskas.
- He is now behind only Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo and Argentina's Lionel Messi among active footballers.
- He is at number three after Ronaldo and Messi in the list of active footballers with international goals.
- Cristiano Ronaldo tops the list of highest goalscorers in international football.

Top 5 International Goal Scorers in the World

- Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) 117 goals
- Ali Dei (Iran) 109 goals
- Mokhtar Dahari (Malaysia) 89 goals
- Lionel Messi (Argentina) 86 goals
- Sunil Chhetri (India) and Ferenc Puskas (Hungary) 84 goals

3. Ministry of Textile inaugurated the 'Lota Shop' at National Crafts Museum, New Delhi (June 16, 2022)

The Ministry of Textile inaugurated the 'Lota Shop' at National Crafts Museum, New Delhi on 14 June.

- Central Cottage Industries Corporation of India Limited (CCIC), popularly known as Central Cottage Industries Emporium, has opened 'Lota Shop'.
- It displays the finest handicrafts, souvenirs, handicrafts and textiles based on the traditional craft forms of India.
- It has immense potential to attract foreign tourists and buyers.
- It will give a new direction to the handicrafts sector as well as the artisans in the light of the 'One Nation One Product' initiative launched by the Centre.
- The centre is also working towards one district one product which will give impetus to the handicrafts sector as well as the artisans.
- The museum provides accommodation facilities and also provides audio-visual facilities for the visitors.

• What is One District One Product scheme?

- It aims to realize the true potential of a district, promote economic development and generate employment and rural entrepreneurship.
- The Ministry of Food Processing had entered into an agreement with NAFED to develop 10 brands into one district one product brand.

- Of this, six brands have been launched till now.
- All products will be available across NAFED markets, e-commerce platforms and leading retail stores across India.
- It was launched by the Uttar Pradesh government in January, 2018, and was later adopted by the central government after seeing its success.
- Its aim is to identify, promote and brand a product from one district.

4. BJP wins eight out of 16 Rajya Sabha seats while Congress bags five seats (June 11, 2022)

The BJP won eight of the 16 Rajya Sabha seats in four states, while the Congress won five in a tight contest.

- Biennial elections to the Upper House of Parliament were held on June 10 for six seats in Maharashtra, four each in Karnataka and Rajasthan and two in Haryana.
- Winners from BJP include Union Minister Piyush Goyal, former state minister Anil Bonde and party leader Dhananjay Mahadik.
- NCP's Praful Patel, Congress' Imran Pratapgadi and Shiv Sena's Sanjay Raut were also elected to Rajya Sabha.
- In Haryana, BJP candidate Krishan Lal Panwar and Independent candidate Kartikeya Sharma, have won the two Rajya Sabha seats.
- BJP got three seats and Congress got one seat from Karnataka.
- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, actor Jaggesh and MLC Lehar Singh Siroya have been elected to Rajya Sabha from BJP.
- Jairam Ramesh of Congress won the remaining one seat.
- The Congress won three of the four Rajya Sabha seats while one seat was won by the BJP In Rajasthan.
- Randeep Singh Surjewala, Mukul Wasnik and Pramod Tiwari are the winners from Congress.
- Ghanshyam Tiwari won a seat for the BIP in Rajasthan.

Important facts about Rajya Sabha

- Article 80 of the Constitution provides provisions for members of the Rajya Sabha.
- Members 245 including 233 elected members and 12 nominated members
- Upper House of parliament strength cannot exceed 250
- Nominated members nominated by the President of India in the field of art, literature, science and social service
- Chairperson of the Rajya Sabha Vice-President

- Tenure of members six years
- Elections to one-third seats are held every two years
- Process of election members are elected indirectly by the people, that is, by the MLAs.
- Voting is by single transferable vote
- NOTA button is available in the Upper House polls

5. Gujarat Titans defeated Rajasthan Royals by 7 wickets to win the 15th edition of IPL (June 1, 2022)

In the final match played at Narendra Modi Cricket Stadium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat Titans defeated Rajasthan Royals by 7 wickets to win the 15th edition of IPL.

- Gujarat Titans achieved the distinction of becoming the champions in their debut season of IPL.
- The tournament was played from 26 March 2022 to 29 May 2022 at Wankhede Stadium, Brabourne Stadium, DY Patil Stadium, MCA International Stadium in Maharashtra state.
- 10 teams participated in IPL 2022 for the second time after IPL 2011.
- Lucknow SuperGiants is owned by RPSG Group and Gujarat Titans is owned by CVC Capital.
- IPL was started by the BCCI in 2008 and the first IPL title was won by Rajasthan Royals under the captaincy of Shane Warne.
- In IPL, Mumbai Indians have won the most (5), Chennai Super Kings (4), Kolkata Knight Riders (2), Rajasthan Royals, Deccan Chargers, Sunrisers Hyderabad and Gujarat Titans 1-1 times.
- Awards received in IPL 2022
- Player of the Match (Final) Hardik Pandya
- Purple Cap Yuzvendra Chahal (27 wickets)
- Orange Cap Jos Buttler (863 runs, 4th century)
- Emerging Player of the Season Umran Malik
- Most Sixes of the Season Jos Buttler (45 sixes)
- Most 4 of the season Jos Buttler (83 fours)
- Super Striker of the Season Dinesh Karthik
- Game changer of the season Jos Buttler
- Spirit of Cricket Gujarat Titans and Rajasthan Royals
- Power Player of the Season Jos Buttler

Fastest Ball of the Season - Lockie Ferguson(157.3KPH)

- Catch of the Season Evin Lewis
- Most Valuable Player of the Season Jos Buttler

6. Jay Shah term as ACC president extended by One year (March 21, 2022)

Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) secretary Jay Shah's tenure as president of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC) was extended by one more year till 2024, at the Asian Cricket Council (ACC) meeting held in Colombo on 19 March 2022.

• Shah had taken over as the president of the ACC in January last year from Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) president Nazmul Hassan, making him the youngest administrator to be re-appointed as ACC president.

Asian Cricket Council(ACC)

- It was set up in 1983 to promote cricket in Asia.
- All the test playing nations of Asia are its members namely. India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Afghanistan and Bangladesh.
- Headquarters : Colombo, Sri Lanka

BCCI

President: Sourav Ganguly

Headquarters: Mumbai

Founded: 1928

7. Ishan Kishan the highest priced player at the IPL 2022 (Feb. 14, 2022)

Wicket- keeper batsman Ishan Kishan was bought by Mumbai India for Rs 15.25 crores. He became the highest priced player for the 15th Indian Premier League (IPL) 2022. Deepak Chahar was the second highest priced player and he was bought by Chennai Super Kings for Rs 14 Crore.

Fact Files

- Chris Morris of South Africa , holds the record for being the highest priced player in IPL when Rajasthan Royals bought him for Rs 16.25 crores in the IPL 2021.
- The highest priced Indian player is Yuvraj singh . He was bought by Delhi Daredevils (now Delhi Capitals) for the IPL 2015 season for Rs. 16 crore.
- The IPL 2022 will see the participation of ten teams . The two new teams are
- Lucknow Super Giants and Gujarat Titans.

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The other teams are :Mumbai Indians, Rajasthan Royals, Delhi Capitals, Punjab Kings

• ,Kolkata Knight Riders ,Chennai Super Kings , Royal Challengers Bangalore ,Sunrisers Hyderabad ,

Indian Premier League (IPL),

- IPL is a twenty-twenty overs professional cricket league organized by Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) that was started in India in 2008.
- The first season was won by Rajasthan Royals in 2008.
- The 14th Season of IPL 2021 was held in the United Arab Emirates which was won by Chennai Super King .
- Mumbai Indians is the most successful team in the IPL. It has won the titles 5 times(2013, 2015, 2017, 2019 and 2020) while the second most successful team is Chennai Super King which has won it 4 times(2010, 2011, 2018, and 2021).

8. VVS Lakshman takes charge as NCA Head (Dec. 15, 2021)

Former India batter VVS Lakshman took charge as the new Head of **National Cricket Academy (NCA)** on 14th December 2021.

 Laxman has occupied the position that was vacated by former India captain Rahul Dravid, who began his tenure as head coach of the national men's team with the commencement of the home series against New Zealand.

NCA

National Cricket Academy (NCA) was the brainchild of cricket administrator and the former BCCI president **Raj Singh Dungapur**.

- NCA trains the young cricketers who are identified as having the potential to represent the Indian cricket team.
- It also provides rehabilitation to injured cricketers.

Headquarters: Chinnaswamy Cricket Stadium, Bengaluru, Karnataka, India

Founded: **2000**

9. Sports News (Dec. 12, 2021)

1. Perfect ten for Ajaz Patel

- New Zealand bowler Ajaz Patel became the third player in the history of test Cricket to take all ten wickets in an innings.
- He took all ten Indian wickets in the first innings of the India In the Second Test Match of the series being played at Mumbai, Wankhede Stadium.

2. BWF World Tour Finals: Sindhu settles for silver

Indian badminton star PV Sindhu lost the final of the BWF World Tour Finals to South Korea's An Seyoung in straight games 21-16 21-12.

• The season-ending HSBC BWF World Tour Finals was held in Bali, Indonesia, from 01-05 December 2021.

3. India win the Test Series against New Zealand

- India defeated New Zealand in the second test by a record 372 runs to win the series 1-0
- The second test match was held at Wankhede stadium, Mumbai.

4. Russia wins Davis Cup

The Russian Tennis Federation defeated Croatia in the final held at Madrid, Spain.

• 18 teams were competing in the tournament which was held from 25 november to 5 December 2021 at Innsbruck, Austria, Madrid, Spain and Turin, Italy.

5. Lewis Hamilton wins Saudi Grand Prix

Lewis Hamilton of Mercedes team won the Saudi Arabia Formula 1 racing title at Jeddah. He is from Great Britain.

• Saudi Arabia hosted the Formula 1 race for the first time.

6. Rohit Sharma becomes new white ball-captain

The BCCI, cricket selection committee has appointed **Rohit Sharma** as the **captain of the ODI side till 2023 World Cup** to be held in India and was made the **Vice-Captain of the Test team** removing Ajinkya Rahane as the Test team Vice-Captaincy.

7. India A wins 2021-22 BCCI Senior Women's Challenger Trophy Title

- It was held at the Mulapadu Cricket Complex in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh.
- It took place from 4 to 9 December 2021.

8. Manipur Claims 26th Senior Women's National Football Championship title

Manipur defeated Railways 2-1 on penalties in the final of 26th Senior Women's National Football Championship held at EMS Corporation Stadium, Kozhikode, Kerala. The league consisted of 32 teams for the 2021-22 season.

9. FIDE World Chess Championship 2021

Magnus Carlsen of Norway defeated Ian Nepomniachtchi of Russia and won the World Chess championship 2021.

10. India A wins 2021-22 BCCI Senior Women's Challenger Trophy Title (Dec. 10, 2021)

- India scored a **threewicket win** over IndiaD in the final of the BCCI senior women's Challenger Trophy one day cricket championship.
- It was held at the Mulapadu Cricket Complex in Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh.
- It took place from 4 to 9 December 2021.
- The tournament featured four teams, India A, India B, India C and India D, made up of the best players from across India.
- Matches were played using a 50 over format.