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### **1. Dr Ogarit Younan and Dr Waleed Slyabi of Lebanon gets the Jamnalal Bajaj Award for Promoting Gandhian Values outside India 2022 ( Dec. 8, 2022 )**

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The Jamnalal Bajaj Foundation has on 8 December 2022 announced the winners of the Jamnalal Bajaj award 2022 .**Dr Ogirat Younan** and **Dr Walid Slyabi** of Lebanon was awarded the Jamnalal Bajaj award for Promoting Gandhian Values outside India.

The Jamnalal Bajaj Foundation was established in 1977, in the memory of Mr. Jamnalal Bajaj, a close associate and adopted fifth son of Mahatma Gandhi. It was inaugurated on 4th November, 1977 by Mr. Morarji Desai, Prime Minister of India. Each award carries a Citation, a Trophy and a Cash Prize of Rs. 10, 00,000.

The Foundation gives 4 awards in different categories. Three are given to Indians and one award, for promoting Gandhian values outside is given to **a foreigner**.

#### **Jamnalal Bajaj 2022 winners**

##### **For Constructive Works**

**Nilesh Desai** of Madhya Pradesh has been chosen for the Jamnalal Bajaj award for Constructive Works. He is the founder of the Sampark Samaj Sevi Sansthan which works for the upliftment of the Bhil Community.

##### **Award for Application of Science and Technology for Rural Development:**

**Mansukhbhai Prajapati** of Gujarat was awarded the Jamnalal Bajaj award for Application of Science and Technology for Rural Development. He was selected for his innovation and entrepreneurship in bringing traditional pottery making into the mainstream. His company **Mitticool** produces clay products and clay pots .He has helped the rural artisans making clay pottery to find new markets and business.

##### **Award for Development and Welfare of Women and Children:**

**Sophia Saik** of Odisha was awarded the Jamnalal Bajaj award for Development and Welfare of Women and Children. She is a social service activist who works for women empowerment and gender rights. She is a prominent activist for women beedi workers in Odisha.

##### **International Award for Promoting Gandhian Values outside India:**

Dr **Ogirat Younan** and Dr **Walid Slyabi** of Lebanon was awarded the Jamnalal Bajaj award for Promoting Gandhian Values outside India.

They are the founders of the Academic University College for Non-Violence and Human Rights .They are the pioneers of non-violence in Lebanon and Arab world and spreading the Gandhaian ideas in the region.

### **2. N Chandrasekaran, Chairman of Tata Sons has been appointed as the Chairman of B20 ( Dec. 8, 2022 )**

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The Government of India has appointed Tata Sons Chairman **N Chandrasekaran** as the **chairman of the B20** to lead the business agenda during [India's G20 presidency](#). India took over the presidency of G-20 from Indonesia on 1 December 2022 and will hold the G-20 Summit meeting **on 9-10 September 2023**.

The government has also appointed the [Confederation of Indian Industry \(CII\)](#) as the B20 India Secretariat. B20 is the voice of the G20 business community and helps in shaping economic policy statements by the G20 grouping over the years.

B20 India work will be conducted through Task Forces and Action Councils, which will develop consensus-based policy recommendations to the G20. It will commence work on various task forces and action councils after the inception meeting, scheduled on 22-24 January 2023, culminating into the **B20 India Summit in August 2023**.

B20 India has identified priorities for deliberations under the theme **“R.A.I.S.E - Responsible, Accelerated, Innovative, Sustainable, and Equitable Businesses**. About 100 business policy initiatives will be organised by CII under the B20 calendar across the country during the presidency year.

G20 is a group of 19 countries and the European Union.

### **3. Dina Boluarte assumes office as first female President of Peru ( Dec. 8, 2022 )**

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Peru's President **Pedro Castillo** has been **impeached**. In his place, Vice President **Dina Boluarte** has been sworn in as President on 7 December. Dina is **the first female President** of the country. She will hold the post till 2026.

#### **Important facts**

- In the 130-member parliament, 101 voted in favor of the motion, while only 6 voted in support of the president. 10 MPs abstained from voting.
- **Francisco Morales**, head of Peru's constitutional court, ordered Vice President Dina Boluarte to assume the presidency in a speech before parliament voted on an impeachment motion.
- Police have taken **Pedro Castillo** into custody in the capital Lima.
- Pedro Castillo was elected as the President of Peru in **July 2021**.
- While in office, he faced an investigation over allegations of corruption.

#### **About Peru**

- President - **Dina Boluarte**

- Capital - **Lima**
- Currency - **sole**

#### **4. Volodymyr Zelensky and “Spirit of Ukraine” is the is Time Magazine's 2022 Person of the Year ( Dec. 7, 2022 )**

Volodymyr Zelensky and “Spirit of Ukraine”

The prestigious American magazine ‘Time’ has named Ukrainian president **Volodymyr Zelensky** and “**the spirit of Ukraine**” as its 2022 Person of the Year.

The Time person of the year award goes to an event or person deemed to have had the most influence on global events over the past 12 months. **In 2021 Elon Musk was the Time person of the Year.**

The Time magazine editor Edward Felsenthal wrote that “spirit of Ukraine” referred to Ukrainians around the world, including many who “fought behind the scenes” against the Russian invasion.

The magazine said Mr Zelensky had inspired Ukrainians and was recognised internationally for his courage in resisting the Russian invasion.

#### **Time Heroes of the Year**

**Women in Iran** were named the Time Heroes of the Year. Iranian women who are protesting for over three months against the custodial death of 22-year-old **Mahsa Amini**. She was arrested for not wearing hijab publicly and she died while in the custody of the Iranian morality police. Her death has triggered a mass protest from the Iranian women against public wearing of Hijab and the morality police.

#### **Other Awards**

The South Korean **K-pop band Blackpink** were recognised as **Time's Entertainer of the year.**

American baseball player Aaron **Judge** has been recognised as the Athlete of the Year and Malaysian actress **Michelle Yeoh** is the Icon of the Year.

#### **Indian to be named the Time person of the Year**

**Mahatma Gandhi** is the only Indian to be named TIME Person of the Year, having been given the honour in 1930. The magazine described him as ‘Saint Gandhi’ and later named him as one of the 25 Political Icons of all time.

The tradition of naming Time person of the **year started in 1927**. Initially it was named the Time Man of the Year. Other past winners have included the former dictator of Germany, **Adolf Hitler in 1938**, and Russian President Vladimir Putin, who was 2007's Person of the Year.

**5. Arun Kumar Singh appointed as the new Chairman of ONGC ( Dec. 7, 2022 )**

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The Government of India has appointed former chairman of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL), **Arun Kumar Singh**, as the new chairman of the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) on 7 December 2022. He has been appointed for a **term of three years**.

ONGC has been without a regular chairman and managing director since April 2021.

**Vetsa Rama Krishna Gupta** has taken over the additional charge of Chairman and Managing Director of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)

**Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)**

It is a public sector company owned by the government of India.

It is a Maharatna company and is the **largest crude oil and natural gas company** in India, contributing around 71 per cent to Indian domestic production.

It was set up as the Oil & Natural Gas Commission on 14th August 1956. It was later converted to Oil & Natural Gas Corporation in 1994.

It has three **subsidiary companies**. They are:

- ONGC Videsh,
- Mangalore Refinery and Petrochemicals Limited (MRPL) and
- Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL)

Headquarters: **New Delhi**

**6. 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.

## **7. Three Indian Gautam Adani, Shiv Nadar and Ashok Soota in the Forbes Asia Heroes of Philanthropy list ( Dec. 7, 2022 )**

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Three Indian billionaires **Gautam Adani, Shiv Nadar**, and **Ashok Soota** were named in the 16th edition of Forbes Asia's Heroes of Philanthropy list released on 6 December 2022. It also included Malaysian-Indian businessman **Brahmal Vasudevan** and his lawyer wife **Shanthi Kandiah**.

Asia's richest man **Gautam Adani** has pledged Rs 60,000 crore to charity. The money will be used in healthcare, education, and skill development. The money will be channelled through the family's Adani Foundation, which was founded in 1996.

Co-founder of HCL Technologies, **Shiv Nadar** has donated Rs 11,600 crore this year to the Shiv Nadar Foundation. The foundation has helped set up educational institutions such as schools and universities and it also promotes art and culture.

**Ashok Soota**, founder of Happiest Mind software company has pledged Rs 600 crore (USD 75 million) to the medical research trust he founded in April 2021 for the study of ageing and neurological illnesses.

Malaysian-Indian Brahmal Vasudevan, founder and CEO of Kuala Lumpur-based private equity firm Creador, and his lawyer wife, Shanthi Kandiah, support local communities in Malaysia and India through the Creador Foundation, a non-profit they co-founded in 2018.

## **8. Priyanka Chopra, Sirisha Bandla, Geetanjali Shree and Sneha Jawale included in the BBC's list of 100 influential women of 2022 ( Dec. 7, 2022 )**

Priyanka Chopra, Sirisha Bandla, Geetanjali Shree and Sneha Jawale included in the BBC's list

In the annual BBC(British Broadcasting Services) '100 influential Women of the year 2022 list' four India's women , **Priyanka Chopra Jonas, aeronautical engineer Sirisha Bandla**, Booker-winning author **Geetanjali Shree** and social worker **Sneha Jawale** have been included .

The annual list celebrates the achievements of women internationally, from grassroots volunteers to global leaders, and is used by the broadcaster to focus on women's experiences around the world through a dedicated series of interviews and documentaries.

This year was the first time when BBC asked some of the previous '100 Women' on the list to nominate the ones they believe deserve a place on the 2022 list and whose stories need to be told.

**Priyanka Chopra** is a former Miss World (2000) and a leading Bollywood actress.

**Geetanjali Shree** is the first Indian to win the **International Booker Prize award 2022** for her Hindi novel "**Ret Samadhi**," or 'Tomb of the Sand'.

**Sirisha Bandla was part of Virgin Galactic's first fully** crewed sub-orbital spaceflight in 2021. The mission was known as Unity 22 mission. She is the second Indian born woman

after **Kalpana Chawla** to go into space. Till date three Indian origin women have gone to space but astronaut **Sunita Williams**, who is an American of Indian descent was born in the United States of America.

**Sneha Jawale**, the fourth Indian on the list, is a domestic abuse victim turned social worker.

### **9. Aam Aadmi Party's Bobby elected first transgender member of MCD ( Dec. 7, 2022 )**

Aam Aadmi Party's Bobby elected first transgender member of MCD

**Bobby Kinnar**, popularly known as **Bobby Darling**, from Sultanpur became the **first transgender member of the Municipal Corporation of Delhi (MCD)** after winning from Sultanpuri A on December 7.

#### **Important facts**

- It will also be the first time that the MCD will have a transgender member.
- She won the Aam Aadmi Party (AAP) seat from Sultanpuri. Bobi defeated Congress candidate **Varuna Dhaka** by a margin of 6,714 votes.
- Bobi is famous in **Sultanpuri** because of her extensive social work. Bobi is the president of the Delhi unit of the Hindu Yuva Samaj Ekta Awam Anti-Terrorism Committee.
- At the age of 14-15, Bobi was taken by the transgender community and then she became a wedding dancer. From there, her/their journey to politics was through social work.
- In Delhi Municipal Corporation election Arvind Kejriwal-led **Aam Aadmi Party (AAP)** **has crossed the 126 majority mark** to unseat Bhartiya Janata Party (BJP)'s 15 year dominance.

### **10. Deepika Padukone to unveil FIFA World Cup Trophy during final in Qatar ( Dec. 7, 2022 )**

Deepika Padukone to unveil FIFA World Cup Trophy

**Deepika Padukone** will unveil the **FIFA World Cup trophy** in **Qatar** before the World Cup final on December 18.

#### **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**.'
- Deepika will be seen in the film Pathan alongside Shahrukh Khan and John Abraham.