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### **1. Canada's Brampton city gets first turbaned Sikh Harkirat Singh as deputy mayor ( Nov. 22, 2022 )**

Canada's Brampton city

Brampton city in the [Canadian](#) province of Ontario got its first turbaned Sikh deputy mayor with the appointment of **Harkirat Singh**. A release by the Brampton City Council said that Harkirat Singh, who represents wards 9 and 10, has been appointed deputy mayor from 2022-26. The deputy mayor presides at council and other committee meetings and assumes ceremonial and civic event duties on behalf of the mayor if the mayor is absent or unavailable.

Prior to his role as councillor, he served a four-year term as school trustee at the Peel District School Board.

In the present Canadian Parliament there are **18 Sikhs members**. Currently **Harjit Sajjan, Bardish Chagger** are the two Sikhs who are ministers in the **Justin Trudeau** government in Canada.

### **2. Prof. Venu Gopal Achanta becomes the 7th Indian to be elected as a member of International Committee for Weight and Measures ( Nov. 21, 2022 )**

International Committee for Weight and Measures

Prof. **Venu Gopal Achanta**, Director, CSIR-National Physical Laboratory (CSIR-NPL), New Delhi, has been elected as a member of the International Committee for Weights and Measures (CIPM). The 27th General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM) meeting was held on 15-18 November, 2022 at **Paris, France**.

Prof. Achanta is among the 18 members elected from different countries and he is the **7th Indian** to be elected to the CIPM. The first Indian to be elected as a member of CIPM was **Dr. K.S. Krishnan**, the founder Director of CSIR-NPL. The last Indian to be elected was Prof. **E. S. R. Gopal**, the then Director, and CSIR-NPL (1991-1997).

At present, **64 countries** are members of CGPM and it meets every **4 years** at the International Bureau of Weight and Measure (BIPM), France.

The **CIPM** is a supreme international committee which functions under the authority of the General Conference on Weights and Measures (CGPM).

**CGPM** was set up under the Meter Convention signed on 20th May 1875 in Paris. It is responsible for development and implementation of International Systems of Unites, universally abbreviated as SI.

The CSIR-NPL, the National Metrology Institute (NMI) of India was established by the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), New Delhi on January 4, 1947. The Government of India enacted the "Standards of Weights and Measures Act" for the first time in 1956 to ensure that every citizen has access to uniform standards of weights and measures based on the SI units. India became the member of the **CGPM in 1957**.

### **3. Kassym-Jomart Tokayev of Kazakhstan re-elected as President ( Nov. 21, 2022 )**

Kassym-Jomart Tokayev of Kazakhstan re-elected

President **Kassym-Jomart Tokayev** of [Kazakhstan](#) has been re-elected as the President of Kazakhstan. According to the Kazakhstan Election Commission he has won 81.31% of the votes polled in the Presidential election held on 20 November 2022.

Kassym-Jomart Tokayev became the President of Kazakhstan on 29 March 2019 after the resignation of the first President of Kazakhstan **Nur Sultan Nazarbayev**.

On 6 September 2022 the Kazakhstan constitution was amended and the term of the President was extended to 7 years from 5 years and a person can become the president of Kazakhstan only once. Since the constitutional amendment is being considered a new constitution, Tokayev became eligible to contest the Presidential election held on 20 November 2022. His earlier term as President is not being counted.

**Kazakhstan** was part of the Soviet Union which gained Independence on 16 December 1991, after the disintegration of the Soviet Union.

It lies in Central Asia. It is the largest country in central Asia and 9th largest country in the world.

Capital: **Astana**

Currency : **Tenge**

### **4. Novak Djokovic wins his record 6th ATP finals title ( Nov. 21, 2022 )**

Novak Djokovic wins his record 6th ATP finals title

The Serbian **Novak Djokovic** won his sixth ATP finals title at Turin, Italy by defeating the Norwegian player **Casper Rudd** in the finals played on 20 November 2022. The ATP finals marks the end of the ATP calendar for the year 2022.

With this win Djokovic equalled the record of Swiss great [Roger Federer](#) of 6th ATP finals titles. The 21 Grand Slam title winner also became the **oldest champion** of the ATP finals at the age of 35 Years.

#### **Men's Doubles title**

**Rajeev Ram (United States)** and **Joe Salisbury (British)** defeated the Tokyo Olympics 2020 champion's Croatian pair of **Nikola Pietrangeli** and **Mate Pavic**

[Carlos Alcaraz](#) of Spain ended the season as the youngest ranked ATP no.1 player.

ATP finals is the season ending men's Tennis tournament which was played in a hard court in Turin from 13-20 November 2022.

This was the 53rd edition of the singles and 48th edition of the Doubles title.

Top ranked players on the Association of Tennis Professional (ATP) ranking are invited to play in the event.

### **5. Carlos Saura and Chiranjeevi honoured at the 53rd International Film Festival of India 2022 ( Nov. 20, 2022 )**

Carlos Saura and Chiranjeevi honoured at the 53rd

Renowned **Spanish film** Director **Carlos Saura** and Telugu film superstar Chiranjeevi were honoured at the 53rd International Film Festival of India (IFFI) 2022. The 53rd IFFI which is being held in **Panaji, Goa** and was inaugurated by the Union Minister for Information & Broadcasting and Youth affairs & Sports **Anurag Thakur** on 20 November 2022.

The 53rd IFFI being held in Panaji from 20-28 November 2022 is being organised by **National Film Development Corporation** and **Entertainment Society of Goa**.

#### **Satyajit Ray Lifetime Award**

Celebrated Spanish film Director **Carlos Saura** has been honoured with the prestigious Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement award. His daughter Anna Saura accepted the award on behalf of the eminent filmmaker . He has received the **Golden Bear** for Best Director at the Berlin International Film Festival for *Deprisa Deprisa*, along with two Silver Bears for *La caza* and *Peppermint Frappe*, a BAFTA for *Carmen* and three awards at Cannes, among several others.

#### **IFFI Indian Film Personality of the Year Award for 2022**

Actor Producer **Chiranjeevi Konidela** has been chosen for the IFFI Indian Film Personality of the Year Award for 2022. Chiranjeevi has starred in more than 150 feature films in Telugu, as well as some films in Hindi, Tamil and Kannada.

He is regarded as one of the most successful and influential actors of Telugu cinema.

In 2006, he was honoured with the **Padma Bhushan**, India's third-highest civilian award, for his contributions to Indian cinema.

Waheeda Rahman, Rajinikanth, Ilaiyaraaja, S. P. Balasubrahmanyam, Amitabh Bachchan, Salim Khan, Biswajit Chatterjee, Hema Malini and Praseon Joshi have been honoured with this award in the past.

### **6. Max Verstappen wins Abu Dhabi F1 Grand Prix for his team Red Bull ( Nov. 20, 2022 )**

Max Verstappen wins Abu Dhabi F1 Grand Prix

Reigning Formula One (F1) world champion **Max Verstappen** of **Red Bull team** won the season ending F1 **Abu Dhabi race** held on 20 November 2022 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. It was his record **15th title** of the 2022 season. He also ended the 2022 season as the world F1 champion. He won his **first F1 world championship** title in 2021.

The 25 year old Max Verstappen of **Holland** created a number of records in the history of F1. Some of his records are as follows;

- He also holds the record for winning a **maximum 15 races** in a single season. He broke the previous record of 13 race victories in a season jointly held by seven-time world champion **Michael Schumacher** (2004 season) and four-time world champion **Sebastian Vettel** (2013 season).
- Verstappen also set a new record for scoring the **most points** in a single season - 454. Previously, the record was held by seven-time world champion Lewis Hamilton who had amassed 413 points during his championship-winning season in 2019.

### **F1 2022 season races and winners**

Grand Prix	Date (in 2022)	Winner driver	Winner Team
Bahrain	20 March	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Saudi Arabia	27 March	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Australia (Melbourne)	10 April	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari
<b>Emilia Romagna</b> (Italy)	24 April	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Miami	8 May	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Spain(Barcelona)	22 May	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Monaco	29 May	S.Perez	Red Bulls
Azerbaijan	12 June	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Canada	19 June	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Great Britain(Silverstone Circuit)	3 July	C.Sainz	Ferrari
Austria	10 July	Charles Leclerc	Ferrari
France	24 July	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Hungary	31 July	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Belgium	28 August	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Netherlands	4 September	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Italy	11 September	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Singapore	2 October	S. Perez	Red Bulls

Japan	9 October	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
United States	23 October	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Mexico	30 October	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls
Brazil	13 November	G. Russell	Mercedes
Abu Dhabi	20 November	Max Verstappen	Red Bulls

The **Russian Grand Prix** was cancelled .

### **Formula One (F1)**

- The F1 World Championship season consists of a series of motor car races, known as the Grands Prix.
- It is organised by FIA (Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile) or Federation of International Automobiles.
- **Michael Schumacher and Lewis Hamilton** hold the record for the most F1 world championships titles, both having won the title on seven occasions.
- F1 world Champion 2022: Mark Verstappen of Red Bull team
- FIA Headquarters - **Paris, France**

### **7. First Unani medicine Regional Center of Northeast inaugurated in Silchar, Assam ( Nov. 20, 2022 )**

First Unani medicine Regional Center

The Union Minister of Ayush and Ports, Shipping & Waterways **Sarbananda Sonowal** inaugurated the new, state of the art complex of Regional Research Institute of Unani Medicine (RRIUM) in **Silchar**, Assam on 20 November 2022. It is the first Unani medicine regional center in the **North-East**. The new complex is spread over an area of 3.5 acres built with an investment of Rs 48 crores.

The newly built complex of RRIUM, which will be under Central Council for Research in Unani Medicine (CCRUM), the apex government organization for research in Unani Medicine,

The RRIUM, besides providing a wide range of patient care services, will also focus on conducting scientific research on different aspects, fundamental and applied, of Unani medicine, and on diseases that are more prevalent in the North East. The centre is also equipped to screen patients with Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs) like cardiac, pulmonary, stroke, cancer and diabetes.

### **Unani System of Medicine**

The Unani System of Medicine owes its origin to Greece. The roots of this system go to Egypt and its sister civilization Mesopotamia. It was further adopted by the Arabs, and was developed and improved tremendously by them.

The Unani System of Medicine was introduced to India by the Arabs in the eighth century.

To promote Unani Medicine in India, the government of India set up the Central Council for Research in Unani, Medicine (CCRUM). Now it comes under the Ministry of Ayush (Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha, and Homoeopathy).

## **8. Gautam Adani expects India to become the 2nd largest economy by 2050 ( Nov. 20, 2022 )**

Gautam Adani expects India to become

India's richest man and founder and chairman of the Adani group **Gautam Adani** said that India will emerge as the **second largest economy** in the world in 2050 behind China and will become a net exporter of **green energy** by 2050.

Speaking at the [21st World Congress of Accountants](#) held at Mumbai, he said that it took the country **58 years** to get its first trillion dollars of GDP, **12 years** to get to the next trillion and **five years** for the third trillion.

According to the [International Monetary Fund](#) the Indian economy was \$ 3.18 trillion in 2021-22. IMF expects the Indian economy to be a \$5 trillion economy in 2027-28.

Gautam Adani said that he expects that " within the next decade, India will start adding a trillion dollar to its GDP every 12 to 18 months - thereby putting us well on track to be a USD 30 trillion economy by 2050 and with a stock market capitalization that will possibly exceed USD 45 trillion,"

At present the United States of America economy is \$23 trillion with a stock market capitalisation ranging from \$45 to 50 trillion.

Adani, whose ports-to-energy conglomerate is investing \$70 billion over the next decade in a new energy value chain, said India can become a net green-energy exporter by 2050.

## **9. Veteran actress Tabassum no more ( Nov. 20, 2022 )**

Veteran actress Tabassum no more

Popular and veteran actress **Tabassum known** for her work as a child artiste in several Hindi classics films and also as a host of popular Doordarshan talk show 'Phool Khile Hain Gulshan Gulshan', died after suffering a cardiac arrest on 19 November 2022.

Born in 1944 in Mumbai to Ayodhyanath Sachdev and Asghari Begum, Tabassum started her career as a child artiste with the 1947 movie 'Nargis'. At that time, she was known as 'Baby Tabassum' in the industry. She also played a minor role in the 1960 historical epic 'Mughal-e-Azam', starring Prithviraj Kapoor, Dilip Kumar and Madhubala.

## **10. Amit Shah proposes a permanent secretariat for counter terror financing at the 'No Money for Terror' conference in New Delhi ( Nov. 20, 2022 )**

'No Money for Terror'

The Indian Home Minister Amit Shah proposed a permanent secretariat for institutions focused on countering terror financing built on the 'No Money for Terror' conference initiative. He was speaking at the closing session of the **third 'No Money for Terror'** conference in **New Delhi** on 19 November 2022.

The two day (18 and 19) conference was organized by India's premier anti-terrorism agency, **National Investigation Agency (NIA)**.

Amit Shah said that 'India has sensed the need for permanency of this unique initiative of NMFT (no money for terror), in order to sustain global focus on countering the financing of terrorism.' He offered India as the host of such a proposed secretariat.

Quoting the International Monetary Fund and World Bank report he said that "criminals across the world launder close to \$2 trillion to \$4 trillion every year. A major part of this goes in fuelling terrorism."

However many of the delegates which participated in the conference feels that it will duplicate the other International anti-terror body **Financial Action Task Force (FATF)**.

A total of 72 countries and close to 15 multilateral anti-terror organisations attended the third edition of the conference. **China** did not attend the conference, while **Pakistan was not invited**.

**Sri Lanka** and **Jamaica** have called for institutionalizing the conference annually.

The first meeting of this kind took place in **Paris, France**, in 2018, and the second one took place in **Melbourne, Australia**, in 2019.