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1. Bengaluru FC wins the 131st Durand Cup beating Mumbai City FC (Sept. 18, 2022)

Bengaluru Football Club (FC) won its first Durand cup title by beating Mumbai City FC by 2-1 in the final of the 131st Durand Cup held at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan (also known as Salt Lake Stadium), Kolkata on 18 September 2022.

N. Sivasakthi and Alan Costa scored the goals for Bengaluru while Lalengmawia Ralte scored for the Mumbai City club.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

Three trophy for the winner :

- **The winner of the Durand Cup is given three trophies. They are the Durand Cup** (a rolling trophy and the original prize), the **Shimla Trophy** (also a rolling trophy and first given by the residents of Shimla in 1904) and the **President's Cup** (for permanent keep and first presented by Dr. Rajendra Prasad, India's first President, in 1956).
- The Bengaluru Football club was presented with all the three trophies for its win.

131st Durand Football tournament :

- It was hosted by three states, Assam, Manipur and West Bengal.
- Assam and Manipur hosted the tournament for the first time.
- This year 20-top teams of the country, including all 11 teams from the Indian Super League (ISL) participated as compared to 16 teams that participated last year.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION -

Durand Cup :

- Durand football tournament or Durand cup is the **oldest football club tournament in Asia.**
- It was started in 1888 and the first tournament was held in Shimla.
- Initially it was a football tournament for different regiments of the British army and it was later opened to the civilians.
- The Tournament is organised by the **Indian Army and All India Football Federation.**
- The winner is given three trophies, Durand Cup, Shimla Trophy and the President's cup.
- The Cup is named after the **foreign secretary of British India, Mortimer Durand.**
- **FC Goa was the 130th Durand Cup winner.**

2. Ajeet singh wins gold and Devendra Jhajharia wins silver at the World Para Athletics Grand prix in Morocco (Sept. 18, 2022)

The India duo of Ajeet Singh and Devendra Jhajharia won gold and silver respectively in the F-54 Javelin event at the World Para Athletics Grand Prix held in Marrakech, Morocco on 17 September 2022.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- Ajeet Singh won the gold with a throw of 64 meters while the Tokyo Paralympics 2020 silver medallist had to settle for silver with a throw of 60.97 meters.
- 2020 Tokyo Paralympics silver medallist **Nishad Kumar** won the gold medal in men's T47 high jump.
- India has so far won **3 gold medals, two silver** and **a bronze** in the World Para Athletics Grand Prix in Morocco.
- The World Para Athletics Grand Prix was held in Marrakech, Morocco from 15 - 17 September 2022.

3. Pranav Anand and A R Ilamparathi crowned champion at the World Youth Chess Championship 2022 (Sept. 17, 2022)

Indian teenager chess prodigy Pranav Anand and A R Ilamparathi won the under -16 and Under -14 categories title respectively in the World Youth Chess championship at Mamaia, Romania on 16 September 2022.

Pranav Anand also became **India's 76th Grandmaster** when he secured the necessary 2500 Elo Rating points while playing in the championship.

The FIDE World Youth Chess championship 2022 (under 18,16,14) for boys and girls was held at Mamaia, Romania from 5-17 September 2022.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

FIDE :

- The International Chess Federation or French acronym FIDE Fédération Internationale des Échecs) is an international organization that was set up on 20 July 1924 in Paris, France.
- It is the international body which governs world chess championships.
- President of FIDE : **Arkady Dvorkovich**
- Headquarters of FIDE : **Lausanne, Switzerland**

4. Tennis great Roger Federer to retire from professional Tennis (Sept. 15, 2022)

Roger Federer of Switzerland, regarded as one of the greatest male tennis players, has announced his retirement from professional tennis on 15 September 2022.

He said that the Laver cup to be held in London, England next week will be his last professional tournament.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The 41 year old has won **20 Grand Slam singles titles** in his career spanning over 24 years. He has won seven Wimbledon titles, five U.S. Open titles, six Australian Open titles and a single French Open in 2009.
- He also holds the record for **237 consecutive weeks** as world number one player on the Association of Tennis Professional (ATP) ranking.

5. SAFF U-17 Championship : India win title, defeat Nepal in final (Sept. 15, 2022)

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IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The World Cup will take place from **11th to 30th October 2022**, in **Bhubaneswar, Navi Mumbai and Goa**.
- This seventh edition of the biennial youth tournament will be the first FIFA women's competition to be hosted by India.
- In 2017, India hosted the FIFA U-17 Men's Football World Cup.

Financial Inclusion :

- All India Football Federation (AIFF) has been sanctioned a financial outlay of Rs 10 crore for the maintenance of the playground, spectator capacity in the stadium, energy and cable laying and branding of the ground and training venue, etc.

Objectives :

- Increasing the representation of women in football leadership and decision-making
- Motivating more and more girls to play football in India
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FIFA Tournament :

- Organized by FIFA, the FIFA Under-17 Women's World Cup is the world championship for female players aged 17 or below 17.
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IMPORTANT FACTS -

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