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1. Naveen Patnaik congratulates Odisha Juggernaut on winning Ultimate Kho Kho title (Sept. 5, 2022)

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik congratulated the **Odisha Juggernauts** on winning the title of the inaugural edition of Ultimate Kho Kho, and announced prize money of Rs 1 crore for the team.

Odisha Juggernauts won the inaugural edition of the Ultimate Kho Kho after beating Telugu Yoddhas in the final held on 4 September at the Shree Shiv Chhatrapati Sports Complex, Mahalunge, **Pune**, Maharashtra.

India's first-ever professional Kho Kho League, Ultimate Kho Kho, is promoted by Mr. Amit Burman in a collaboration with the Kho Kho Federation of India.

Six teams Chennai Quick Guns (KLO Sports), Gujarat Giants (Adani Sportsline), Mumbai Khiladis (Badshah, Punit Balan & Janhavi Dhariwal Balan), Odisha Juggernauts (Odisha Sports Development and Promotion Company), Rajasthan Warriors (Capri Global) and Telugu Yoddhas (GMR Sports) participated in the league.

2. NGT imposes Rs 3,500 crore penalty on Bengal Govt for huge gap in waste management (Sept. 5, 2022)

The National Green Tribunal(NGT) headed by Justice A K Goel has imposed a fine of **Rs 3,500 crore on the West Bengal government** for the huge gap in solid and liquid waste generation and treatment.

The NGT noted that out of 2,758 million litres per day (MLD) of sewage generation in urban areas and the treatment capacity of 1505.85 (MLD), only 1268 MLD is reported to be treated, leaving a huge gap of 1490 MLD.

The green panel said the state government does not appear to be prioritising setting up of sewage and solid waste management facilities though according to the state's budget for 2022-2023, there is provision of Rs 12,818.99 crore on Urban Development and Municipal Affairs.

Observing that health issues cannot be deferred to the long future, a bench headed by NGT Chairperson Justice A K Goel said it is the constitutional responsibility of the state and the local bodies to provide a pollution free environment.

The state government will have to deposit the fine amount in a fund which will be used to construct the treatment plant for waste.

National Green Tribunal :

- It deals with cases relating to the environment protection and conservation of forest.
- It was set up in 2010 under the National Green Tribunal Act 2010.
- The Tribunal is not bound by the procedure laid down under the **Code of Civil Procedure, 1908**, but is guided **by principles of natural justice**.
- **New Delhi** is the Principal Place of Sitting of the Tribunal and Bhopal, Pune, Kolkata and Chennai are other four places of sitting of the Tribunal.

Chairperson: Justice Adarsh Kumar Goel

3. Amit Shah unveils, 'Savaj' , mascot for the 36th National Games (Sept. 4, 2022)

Union Minister for Home Affairs and Cooperatives Amit Shah unveiled the Logo and Mascot of the 36th National Games at the EKA Arena TransStadia in Ahmedabad on 4 September 2022.

- The mascot is named as **Savaj** which means cub in Gujarati. It is a lion cub.
- The theme of the anthem is **Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat.**
- The theme of the 36th National Games is 'Sports **for Unity.**'

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur, Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel and other distinguished guests were present.

36th National Games :

- The National Games will see a total of 36 sports and participation from all 28 states and eight Union Territories.
- Yogasana and Mallakhamba sports will be introduced for the first time in the National Games.
- The Games will take place in six cities of Gujarat -- Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad, Surat, Vadodara, Rajkot and Bhavnagar.
- In the previous edition in Kerala in 2015, there were 33 sports.
- The Games are happening after a gap of five years.
- Goa was to hold this edition of the Games but multiple delays, mainly due to infrastructure-related issues, led to postponement several times.
- Services Sports Promotion Board topped the medal charts in each of the three previous editions.

4. Under the Major Dhyan Chand Mission, the Higher Education Department of UP has released a fund of one crore 72 lakh rupees (Sept. 4, 2022)

In order to give a boost to the sports in the state the Yogi government of Uttar Pradesh has now decided to create infrastructure in degree colleges, so that players can be trained to compete and win medals in the multisport events like Olympics, Asian Games and Commonwealth Games.

In the recently concluded 22nd Birmingham Commonwealth Games 2022 at least 8 sports persons from Uttar Pradesh won the medal or were part of the medal winning team.

Under the **Major Dhyan Chand Mission**, the Higher Education Department has released a fund of one crore 72 lakh rupees.

The Higher Education Department will provide one lakh rupees each to each government college for the purchase of sports materials.

This fund will be used to buy necessary sports material and the players will not have to wander anywhere for training.

5. Kerala Health Minister rejected the Ramon Magsaysay Award as it was against the communists (Sept. 4, 2022)

Former Kerala Health Minister **KK Shailaja** has rejected the [Ramon Magsaysay award](#) for her commitment and service towards ensuring an accessible public health system and effectively leading from the front to manage the Nipah and Covid-19 outbreaks in the state. However after she declined it the Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation decided not to announce her name in the final list.

- Her handling of the health crisis was praised nationally and internationally.
- KK Shailaja who is a central committee member of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) said that the party decided not to accept the award.
- She said that cannot accept the award as it was given to an individual while her work as a health minister was a collective work.
- Also the award which is given in the name of the former Philippines President, was anti-communist and ruthlessly crushed the communist guerrilla movement in the country.
- If she had accepted the award she would be the fifth Keralite to get the honour after Verghese Kurien, M S Swaminathan, B G Verghese and T N Seshan.
- Till date 55 Indians have won the award. First being **Vinoba Bhave in 1958** and the last being **Ravish Kumar 2019**.

6. Germany won the men's and women's title at the Leh Edition of UCI Mountain Bike Eliminator World Cup 2022 edition held today (Sept. 4, 2022)

The German Cyclist won both the men and women category In the Leh Edition of UCI MTB Eliminator World Cup held in Leh, Ladakh on 4 September 2022.

Twenty international, 55 national and local cyclists participated in this world cup competition.

The men's category was won by **Felix Klausmann** and the women's section champion was **Marion Fromberger**.

The UCI MTB Eliminator World Cup was held in Leh Ladakh for the first time on 4 September. It was organised by the Ladakh Police in association with City Mountain Bike and Cycling Federation of India.

Earlier, Ladakh LG RK Mathur, MP Jamyang Tsering Namgyal, SS Khandare flagged off various raids that are part of world cup eliminator.

7. Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik Honoured with Capital Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award (Sept. 4, 2022)

Odisha Chief Minister **Naveen Patnaik** was conferred with the **Capital Foundation Lifetime Achievement Award**. The award was presented by former Chief Justice of India (CJI) Justice N.V. Ramana at India International Centre, New Delhi, on September 4, 2022

Naveen Patnaik of Biju Janata Dal (BJD) party has been the chief minister of Odisha since 5 March 2000 - till date.

The foundation in a statement said that in recognition of his distinctive and outstanding leadership qualities Naveen Patnaik is being conferred Capital Foundation Lifetime Achievement.

The Capital Foundation Society, established in 1987 is one of the most prestigious voluntary organisations in India which has been engaged in providing a platform for policy dialogue and debate on issues of national and international importance.

Odisha State :

- In ancient times it was called Kalinga.
- Its name was changed to Odisha from Orissa in 2011.
- The **96th constitutional amendment 2011** changed the name of language of the state from Oriya to **Odia** in the 8th schedule of the constitution.
- The State of Orissa was founded on 1 April 1936 after it was separated from the Bengal presidency.
- 1 April is celebrated as Utkal Dibas or Odisha divas in Odisha.
- It has 30 districts.

Governor of Odisha : Professor Ganeshi Lal

Capital: Its capital was at Cuttack but it was shifted to Bhubaneswar on 19 August 1949.

8. DST to set up India's first-ever Night Sky Sanctuary in Ladakh (Sept. 4, 2022)

The Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India will set up India's first-ever Night Sky Sanctuary in Ladakh. It will be completed within the next three months.

This was disclosed by the Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh after meeting **Lt. Governor Ladakh, R.K. Mathur** on 3 September 2022 at New Delhi .

Where it is being set up ?

The proposed Dark Sky Reserve will be located at **Hanle in Ladakh** as a part of **Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary**.

It will boost Astro tourism in India and will be one of the world's highest-located sites for optical, infrared, and gamma-ray telescopes.

Who will set up ?

The Union Minister informed that a tripartite Memorandum of Understanding was signed recently among the Ladakh Union Territory administration, Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Leh and the **Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bengaluru** for launching the Dark Space Reserve.

9. Bhartaul in Bareilly district becomes first village in UP to have RO water in every household (Sept. 4, 2022)

Bhartaul in Bithiri Chainpur block of Bareilly district has become the first Uttar Pradesh village where each household is being supplied RO water.

The Village has used the award money of the Central government's Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Panchayat Sashaktikaran , Chief Minister Panchayat Encouragement award and funds of Gram Nidhi to install RO in the village . These RO has been connected with the water tank which supplies the drinking water to the village.

The village has won 12 lakh each as award money from the two awards.

The village has a population of around 7,000 with 40 percent of it being in the Indian Army. The village has a total of 850 houses of which 350 are owned by Army men who are deployed in different parts of the country but their families stay in Bhartaul.

10. Telangana to celebrate National Integration Day for 3 days (Sept. 3, 2022)

The Telangana government on 3 September 2022 announced that September 17 will be celebrated as the **Telangana National Integration Day**. Celebrations will be conducted officially across the state for three days from September 16 to 18.

Telangana Liberation Day is observed on 17 September to mark the popular rebellion against the ruler of Hyderabad, Nizam after Independence. It subsequently led to the Police action by India, code named 'operation polo in 1948 and the Hyderabad princely state was merged with India.

Telangana is considered to be the successor state of Hyderabad princely state.

Controversy over Telangana Liberation Day

The Central government announced that it will conduct 'Telangana Liberation Day' this year on September 17, 2022.

In response, Hyderabad MP Asaduddin Owaisi on 3 September 2022 wrote to Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Telangana chief minister K Chandrashekar Rao demanding that the celebrations of Hyderabad Liberation Day should instead be celebrated under the title of National Integration Day.

It was agreed to by the Chief Minister of Telangana K. Chandrashekar Rao who doesn't have a good relationship with the BJP led Central Government.

Telangana

It was the 29th state (now there are 28 states in India) to be formed on 2nd June 2014. It was separated from Andhra Pradesh.

The Telangana region was part of the Hyderabad state from Sept 17th 1948 to Nov 1st 1956, until it was merged with Andhra state to form the Andhra Pradesh state.

Capital: **Hyderabad**

District: 33

Governor: **Dr. Tamilisai Soundararajan**

Four icons of the State:

- The State Bird - Palapitta (Indian Roller or Blue Jay).
- The State Animal - Jinka (Deer).
- The State Tree - Jammi Chettu (Prosopis Cineraria).
- The State Flower - Tangedu (Tanner's Cassia).