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1. Ingmar De Vos Elected President of ASOIF (April 12, 2024)

On April 9, 2024, during the 48th ASOIF General Assembly at the SportAccord World Sport & Business Summit 2024 in Birmingham, UK, Ingmar De Vos of Belgium was unanimously elected as the President of the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF).

An Overview of the News

- He will assume office for a four-year term starting on January 1, 2025.
- De Vos will succeed Francesco Ricci Bitti of Italy, whose third term as ASOIF President is scheduled to conclude on December 31, 2024.

Background of Ingmar De Vos

- Ingmar De Vos began his career as a Belgian Senate Advisor in 1989.
- He served as the Director General (DG) of the Belgian Equestrian Federation from 1990 to 1997.
- From 1997 to 2011, De Vos held the position of Secretary General of the Belgian Equestrian Federation.
- In 2011, he joined the International Equestrian Federation (FEI) as Secretary General, a position he held until 2014.
- De Vos was elected President of the FEI on December 14, 2014. He was re-elected for a second four-year term in 2018 and subsequently for a final third term in 2022.
- Since 2017, he has been a Member of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), and he has served as an ASOIF Council member since 2019.

2. Justice Aniruddha Bose, retired from the Supreme Court, appointed director of the National Judicial Academy (April 12, 2024)

On 10 April 2024, Justice Aniruddha Bose retired from the Supreme Court of India (SC) and he was serving as an SC judge since 2019.

An Overview of the News

- Justice Bose was appointed as the Director of the National Judicial Academy (NJA).
- The NJA provides training programs to judges to assist them in their judicial roles and court administration functions.

Career Highlights:

- Enrolled with the Bar Council of West Bengal as an advocate in October 1985.
- Worked as a lawyer in Calcutta High Court (HC) for about 19 years.

- Elevated to the High Court bench as a permanent judge in 2004.
- Appointed as Chief Justice (CJ) of Jharkhand HC in 2018.
- Appointed as SC judge in May 2019.

Appointment Process:

- The Director of the NJA was appointed by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) and Chairman of the NJA, Dhananjay Yashwant Chandrachud.

Role of CJI:

- The CJI serves as the Chairman of the General Body, Governing Council, Executive Committee, and Academic Council of NJA.

About National Judicial Academy (NJA):

- Established in 1993, NJA functions as an independent society under the Societies Registration Act of 1860.
- It operates with full funding from the Government of India (Government of India) and functions under the guidance of the Supreme Court of India.
- Located in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.

3. Love Kumar appointed as Special Protection Group (SPG) Inspector General (April 9, 2024)

Indian Police Service (IPS) officer Love Kumar has been appointed as the Special Protection Group (SPG) Inspector General (IG).

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- The appointment is for a two-year term, as confirmed by an official notification from the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT).
- The recommendation for Love Kumar's appointment came from the Cabinet Secretariat's Office of the Secretary (Security) and was approved by the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC).
- Love Kumar, currently serving as a Deputy Inspector General (DIG) in the SPG, will temporarily hold the position of IG through an upgrade of his rank.

Background and Profile of Love Kumar:

- Love Kumar is an Indian Police Service (IPS) officer belonging to the Uttar Pradesh cadre.
- He was born in 2004, indicating his tenure and experience within the police force.
- Prior to his appointment as SPG Inspector General, he held the position of Deputy Inspector General (DIG) in the SPG.

Appointment of Umesh Chander Datta as Inspector General of Police:

- Alongside Love Kumar's appointment, Umesh Chander Datta, also an IPS officer, has been named as the Inspector General of Police.
- Datta's term is also for two years from the date he assumes office or until further directives are issued, whichever comes first.
- This appointment was also made based on a statement from the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT).

4. Delhi High Court appoints Justice Najmi Waziri as chairman of Forest Conservation Committee (April 6, 2024)

The Delhi High Court appointed retired high court judge Justice Najmi Waziri to chair the internal departmental committee for forest conservation.

An Overview of the News

- The objective of this decision is to ensure serious cooperation from various departments in collecting documents, maps and records required for effective forest conservation.

Background:

- The Delhi High Court had earlier issued an order on December 21, 2023, emphasizing the need to protect deemed and protected forest areas in the national capital.
- A petition was filed seeking amendment to the order nominating a retired High Court judge to chair the internal departmental committee responsible for forest conservation.

Responsibilities and Expectations:

- The Court expects full cooperation from all concerned departments with the Committee headed by Justice Waziri.
- The Delhi Government has been entrusted with the task of immediately providing all necessary secretarial facilities and assistance to Justice Waziri.
- The amendment to the order dated December 21, 2023, includes appointing Justice Waziri to head the committee.

Purpose of Appointment:

- The purpose of the nomination of the retired High Court judge is to bring greater seriousness and efficiency in the collaborative efforts of various departments.
- The aim is to protect forest and deemed forest areas from further encroachment and denudation.

Composition and responsibilities of the committee:

- The committee consists of officers like the Chief Conservator of Forests, Conservator of Forests, and Deputy Conservator of Forests.
- Its primary responsibility is to ensure that concrete measures are taken for the conservation, reclamation, and enhancement of both protected and deemed forests.

5. Dr. Meenesh Shah appointed as the new Chairman of NCDFI (April 6, 2024)

Dr. Meenesh Shah, Chairman, of NDDB, has been unanimously elected as the Chairman of the National Cooperative Dairy Federation of India Limited (NCDFI) during the recent board elections on April 5, 2024.

An Overview of the News

- Ensuring transparency and fairness, the election process was monitored by Praveen Chaudhary, IAS, District Collector/Magistrate of Anand.
- Dr. Shah succeeds Mangal Jeet Rai, who served two terms as NCDFI President.
- Mangal Jeet Rai was re-elected as Director, he will remain on the Governing Council of NCUI.

Board Elections and Appointments:

- In the General Body meeting held in April 2024, eight directors including Dr. Shah were elected unopposed.
- Executive Director of NDDB Shri S. Regupathy was named as director.

About NCDFI:

- NCDFI was established on December 7, 1970, as a national-level apex dairy cooperative institution.
- Governed under the Multi-State Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Act, 2023.
- It consists of 20 regular members, 14 associate members and NDDB as institutional members.
- MD of NCDFI: Shri Srinivas Sajja

6. Lt Gen JS Sidana takes over as 33rd DG Electronics and Mechanical Engineers (April 3, 2024)

Lieutenant General JS Sidana took charge as the 33rd Director General of the Department of Electronics and Mechanical Engineers (DGEME) and Senior Colonel Commandant of the EME Corps on April 1, 2024.

An Overview of the News

- In a career spanning 38 years, Lieutenant General JS Sidana has served in various important roles including regimental, command, instructional and staff appointments.
- Prior to his present appointment, he served as the Commandant of the Military College, EME for two years.
- He has also held the rank of Master General, EME at Headquarters Central Command and has commanded the Army Base Workshop and EME Centre.

Sidana's educational background:

- Lieutenant General JS Sidana is an alumnus of the National Defense Academy, Khadakwasla, and was commissioned into the EME Corps from the Indian Military Academy, Dehradun on December 14, 1985.
- His educational qualifications include a Master of Management Studies from Osmania University, M.Tech from IIT Kanpur, and a Master of Philosophy from Panjab University.

Vision for the Corps:

- Lieutenant General JS Sidana has encouraged all levels of personnel of the Corps to embrace technology and innovation for effective engineering support to the Indian Army.
- He emphasizes the importance of leveraging technology to increase operational efficiency and readiness.

Tribute to martyred soldiers:

- On assuming charge as DGEME, Lieutenant General JS Sidana paid tribute to the brave soldiers of the Corps by laying a wreath at the National War Memorial in New Delhi.

7. Sanjay Nair assumed the post of President of ASSOCHAM (April 3, 2024)

Sorin Investment Fund Chairman Sanjay Nair assumes charge as President of the Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industry of India (ASSOCHAM) for the period 2024-25.

An Overview of the News

- Sanjay will succeed Ajay Singh, Chairman and Managing Director, of SpiceJet, who has completed his tenure as President of the Chamber.
- Nair has extensive experience in the global financial and capital markets with four decades of expertise, including 25 years at Citi and nearly 14 years at KKR before retiring last year.
- Nair expressed his commitment to cooperate closely with the government to achieve Prime Minister Modi's goal of transforming India into a developed nation during his presidential tenure.

About ASSOCHAM

- It is a non-governmental trade association and advocacy group headquartered in New Delhi, India.
- Its primary function is to represent the interests of trade and commerce within India.
- ASSOCHAM acts as an intermediary between various trade-related issues and initiatives.
- The organization aims to promote both domestic and international trade.
- One of its major objectives is to reduce trade barriers and create a conducive environment for the growth of trade and industry in India.

8. Joyshree Das Verma appointed President of the FICCI Ladies Organization (April 2, 2024)

Joyshree Das Verma was appointed as the 41st National President of the FICCI Ladies Organization (FLO) for the year 2024-25.

An Overview of the News

- Joyshree Das Verma brings with her 25 years of rich experience covering both corporate and entrepreneurial sectors.
- She currently serves as the Honorary Consul of Israel for Northeast India and is the Director of Kapro Management Solutions Pvt. Ltd., a pan-India human resource consultancy company.
- In his role as Honorary Consul, he has played a key role in strengthening India-Israel relations, especially in the 8 Northeastern states of India in areas such as agriculture, water, IT, technology, health, innovation, tourism, trade, and commerce. In the areas.
- The agenda of her tenure includes organizing various events aimed at empowering women by providing networking opportunities, skill development, and support for entrepreneurial endeavors in various sectors.

About FLO

- It was established in 1983 as a division of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI).
- FICCI acts as the apex body of industry and commerce in India.
- FLO functions as a pan-India organization for women, with 19 chapters across the country.
- Chapters are located in Ahmedabad, Amritsar, Bangalore, Bhubaneswar, Chennai, Coimbatore, Hyderabad, Indore, Jammu and Kashmir, Ladakh, Jaipur, Kolkata, Lucknow, Kanpur, Ludhiana, Mumbai, North East, Pune, Uttarakhand and Vadodara.
- Its headquarters is located in New Delhi.
- FLO's membership base includes entrepreneurs, professionals, and corporate executives.

- FLO is recognized as the oldest women-led and women-centric business chamber in Southeast Asia.

9. Moushumi Basu appointed as the new president of the JNU Teachers Association (April 2, 2024)

School of International Studies professor Moushumi Basu was appointed the new president of the Jawaharlal Nehru University Teachers Association (JNUTA).

An Overview of the News

- JNUTA announced a new team of office bearers for the **2024-2025 term**.
- **Meenakshi Sundriyal** and **Pradeep K Shinde** were appointed **vice presidents of JNUTA**.
- **Syed Akhtar Hussain** will serve as **secretary**, while **Vikas Bajpai and Kaushal Kishore Chandel** were appointed **deputy secretaries**.
- **Vikas Rawal** was appointed **treasurer** of the JNU Teachers Association.
- This appointment signals a new beginning for JNUTA, as he prepares to lead the teachers union and address the needs and concerns of faculty members.
- With a diverse group of experienced academicians playing a leading role, the JNU Teachers Union is set to continue advocating for the rights and welfare of the teaching community at Jawaharlal Nehru University.

Jawaharlal Nehru University:

- It is located in Delhi, India, and is a public research university.
- Established in 1969, it was named after Jawaharlal Nehru, who served as the first Prime Minister of India.
- JNU is famous for its premier faculties and research focus especially on social sciences and applied sciences.

Chancellor - **Kanwal Sibal**

Vice Chancellor - **Shantishree Dhulipudi Pandit**

10. IIT alumna Pawan Davuluri appointed to head Microsoft's Windows and Surface team (April 1, 2024)

Pawan Davuluri, a 23-year veteran at Microsoft, has been appointed as the new head of the combined Windows and Surface teams following the departure of Panos Panay.

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- Davuluri, a graduate of IIT Madras and the University of Maryland, has extensive experience across PC, Xbox, Surface and Windows leadership roles.

- In his former role, as corporate vice president of Windows and Silicon and System Integration, he oversaw initiatives focused on optimizing Windows for Arm-based processors.
- It aims to consolidate operating system and device efforts under one leader, emphasizing a holistic approach for the AI age.
 - The move enables closer collaboration between the Windows group and Microsoft's AI team, which is now led by Mustafa Suleiman.
 - Microsoft's intense focus on AI is evident in its recent acquisitions and key talent hires, which is in line with CEO Satya Nadella's strategic vision.

About Microsoft

- Microsoft Corporation, based in Redmond, Washington, is a leading American multinational technology company.
- Its major software products include the Windows operating system, Microsoft 365 suite, and Edge web browser.
- Globally renowned, Microsoft is recognized for its innovation and diverse software offerings.

Founders - Bill Gates, Paul Allen

CEO - Satya Nadella

Headquarters - Redmond, Washington, United States

CFO - Amy Hood