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1. Wimbledon 2022 : Novak Djokovic Beats Nick Kyrgios For Fourth Consecutive Title (July 11, 2022)

Novak Djokovic of Serbia won the men's singles title by defeating Nick Kyrgios of Australia in the final of Wimbledon Tennis Competition 2022 played in London.

• **Important facts**

- This is Djokovic's seventh Wimbledon and 21st Grand Slam title overall.
- Rafael Nadal of Spain holds the record for winning the most Grand Slam titles in men's singles. Nadal has won 22 Grand Slam titles so far.
- Djokovic has become the fourth player after Roger Federer, Pete Sampras and Björn Borg to win the title for four consecutive years.
- Kazakhstan's Elena Rybkina defeated Tunisian Ons Jabeur to win the first Grand Slam title of her career.

• **Djokovic's Grand Slam title**

- French Open- 02
- US Open - 3
- Australian Open - 9
- Wimbledon - 7
- Other winners of Wimbledon 2022

Category	Winner	Country
Men's singles category	Novak Djokovic	Serbia
Women's singles category	Elena Rybkina	Kazakhstan
Women's doubles	Barbora Krejckova and Katerina Siniakova	Czech Republic
Men's doubles	Matthew Ebden and Max Purcell	Australia
Mixed doubles	Neil Skupski and Desira Kravczyk	United Kingdom and United States

2. Sports Ministry launches online portal for schemes, awards for sportspersons (July 9, 2022)

Youth Affairs and Sports Minister Anurag Thakur launched an **online portal** for schemes, awards for sportspersons on 8th July.

- **Important facts**

- The ministry launched an online portal for **schemes of the sports department**, website of **National Sports Development Fund (NSDF)** and **revised scheme** of cash rewards, national welfare and pension for **sportspersons**.
- Active sports persons can now apply online on the sports department's portal while corporates, PSUs and individuals can contribute to the NSDF fund on its new website.
- This will help in bringing transparency and accountability, besides giving a boost to the 'Digital India Mission' of the government.
- This will help the players to apply online and get their money in limited time.

- **National Sports Development Fund (NSDF)**

- Established in 1998 under the Charitable Endowments Act, 1890
- Its purpose is to provide speed and flexibility in assisting sports.
- The fund helps sportspersons achieve excellence by providing them technical as well as opportunities to be trained by coaches of international repute.
- It provides financial assistance for development of infrastructure and other activities to promote sports.
- The fund is managed by a council constituted by the central government.
- Chairperson - Union Minister in charge of Youth Affairs and Sports

3. Ranji Trophy 2021-22: Madhya Pradesh became champion after defeating Mumbai in the final (June 27, 2022)

Madhya Pradesh team won the Ranji Trophy 2021-22 title by defeating Mumbai in the final match.

- Madhya Pradesh won the tournament for the first time by defeating Mumbai by six wickets in the final match played at M Chinnaswamy, Bengaluru.
- Madhya Pradesh has become the 20th team to win the Ranji Trophy.
- Player of the match in the final - Shubham Sharma (Madhya Pradesh)
- Most runs in the tournament - Sarfaraz Khan (982) (Mumbai)
- Most wickets in the tournament - Shams Mulani (45) (Mumbai)

- Karnataka in 2014-15, Mumbai in 2015-16, Gujarat in 2016-17, Vidarbha in 2017-18 and 2018-19, Saurashtra in 2019-20 and Madhya Pradesh in 2021-22 have become champions.

- **Ranji Trophy Tournament**

- The Ranji Trophy tournament has been played since 1934.
- The first match was played between Madras and Mysore at the Chepauk Ground from 4 November 1934.
- Mumbai has won this tournament the most 41 times.
- For the first time in 86 years, last year (2020/21 season) Ranji Trophy had to be cancelled due to Corona.
- Ranji Trophy is named after Maharaja Ranjit Singh.
- Number of teams- 37
- Most runs - Wasim Jaffer (10665), 1996-present
- Most wickets - Rajinder Goyal (640), 1958-1985

4. India's women's wrestling team has won the Under-17 Asian Championship title (June 23, 2022)

India's women's wrestling team has won the Under-17 Asian Championship title in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.

- India topped with 235 points with eight gold, one silver and one bronze medals.
- Japan finished second with 143 points and Mongolia third with 138 points.
- Women's wrestling's bouts were organised in 5 weight categories.
- Ritika won the gold medal in 43 kg, Ahilya Sinde in 49 kg, Shiksha in 57 kg, Priya in 73 kg and Pulkit in 65 kg.
- Apart from this, competitions were also held in three weight categories of freestyle and Parvinder Singh bagged gold in 80 kg while Narendra won silver in 71 kg.

5. International Olympic Day (June 23, 2022)

International Olympic Day is celebrated every year on 23 June.

- The International Olympic Committee was established in Paris on 23 June 1894.
- International Olympic Day was first celebrated in 1948.
- In 1948, a total of 9 countries celebrated this day in their respective countries.

- But with the energy and positivity with which Olympians have inspired millions across the world over time, the celebration has now become a global one.
- Despite any discrimination based on age, gender, etc National Olympic Committees across the world organise creative events based on the three pillars 'Move, Learn and Discover'.
- The theme of International Olympic Day 2022 is 'Together, for a Peaceful World'.
- **Tokyo Olympics 2020**
- The 32nd edition of the Olympics was held in Tokyo, Japan from July 23 to August 08, 2021.
- Tokyo has become the first city in Asia to host the Olympics twice, hosting the successful Olympic Games in 1964 and 2020
- **Top 5 countries in medal tally**
- United States - 113 (Gold: 39, Silver: 41, Bronze: 33)
- China - 88 (Gold: 38, Silver: 32, Bronze: 18)
- Japan - 58 (Gold: 27, Silver: 14, Bronze: 17)
- Great Britain - 65 (Gold: 22, Silver: 21, Bronze: 22)
- Russian Olympic Committee - 71 (Gold: 20, Silver: 28, Bronze: 23)
- India - 7 (Gold: 1, Silver: 2, Bronze: 4)
- By winning 7 medals this time, India broke the previous record of 6 medals in the 2012 London Olympics.
- The motto for Tokyo Olympics 2020 was 'United by Emotion'.
- The mascot of Tokyo Olympics 2020 was 'Miraitova'.
- The next Olympics will be held in Paris, the capital of France, in 2024.

6. Sunil Chhetri becomes joint 5th highest goalscorer in international football history (June 22, 2022)

Indian men's football team captain Sunil Chhetri has become the joint fifth highest goalscorer in international football history.

- Sunil Chhetri scored his 84th international goal against Hong Kong during the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) Asian Cup 2023 Qualifier and achieved the feat by equaling the record held by Real Madrid and Hungarian football legend Ferenc Puskas.
- He is now behind only Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo and Argentina's Lionel Messi among active footballers.
- He is at number three after Ronaldo and Messi in the list of active footballers with international goals.

Cristiano Ronaldo tops the list of highest goalscorers in international football.

- **Top 5 International Goal Scorers in the World**

- Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) - 117 goals
- Ali Deiri (Iran) - 109 goals
- Mokhtar Dahari (Malaysia) - 89 goals
- Lionel Messi (Argentina) - 86 goals
- Sunil Chhetri (India) and Ferenc Puskas (Hungary) - 84 goals

7. 'Shabash Mithu' - A biopic on former Indian women's cricket team captain Mithali Raj (June 21, 2022)

'**Shabash Mithu**' is a biopic on former Indian women's cricket team captain and veteran cricketer **Mithali Raj**.

- Taapsee Pannu will be seen in the role of Mithali Raj in this film.
- The director of this film is Srijit Mukherjee and its story is written by Priya Aven.
- **About Mithali Raj**
- Mithali, who played her first international match on June 26, 1999, achieved many important achievements in her career spanning 23 years.
- He represented Team India in 12 Test matches, 232 ODIs and 89 T20Is in his career.
- He scored 7805 runs in one-day cricket with 7 centuries and 64 fifties, 699 runs in Test matches with 1 century and 4 fifties and 2364 runs in T20 cricket with 17 fifties.
- **Records registered in the name of Mithali Raj**
- Mithali Raj is the first female cricketer to play a record six World Cups.
- Mithali is also the only female cricketer to play 200 ODIs.
- She is the only female cricketer to score more than 7,000 runs in One Day Internationals.
- She is the first player to score 7 consecutive fifties in ODIs.
- Apart from this, she holds the record for most fifties in women's ODIs.
- She is also the first woman cricketer to score 2000 T20Is.
- She also holds the record for scoring the most 10,868 runs in women's cricket.

8. FIFA World Cup 2026 (June 20, 2022)

FIFA World Cup 2026, the biggest football event, will be hosted by three countries for the first time, which includes America, Mexico and Canada.

- It will be organised in 16 cities in the US, Canada and Mexico.
- The 16 host cities will be: Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Guadalajara, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Mexico City, Miami, Monterey, New York/New Jersey, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, Toronto and Vancouver.
- The US is going to host the men's World Cup matches for the first time since 1994.
- It will also be the first time that 48 teams will participate in the tournament, which is more than the 32 teams playing in the FIFA World Cup 2022 to be held in Qatar from 21 November to 18 December.
- Mexico also hosted the FIFA World Cup in 1970 and 1986.

- **About FIFA World Cup**

- The FIFA World Cup is an international football competition played by the senior men's national teams of members of FIFA, the sport's global governing body.
- It was started in the year 1930, after that it is organised every four years.
- The defending champions are the France national football team that won the 2018 tournament in France.
- The most successful team of the tournament is Brazil which has won the title 5 times.
- FIFA World Cup 2022 will be organised in Qatar this year.
- Lieb as the official mascot for the FIFA World Cup 2022. Laib is an Arabic word, which means a player with special qualities and abilities.

9. Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the historic torch relay of 44th Chess Olympiad (June 20, 2022)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the historic torch relay for the 44th Chess Olympiad at Indira Gandhi Stadium in New Delhi on 19 June.

- The 44th Chess Olympiad will be held in Chennai from July 28 to August 10.
- Held since 1927, this competition is being hosted for the first time in India and after 30 years in Asia.
- India is the first country to have the Chess Olympiad torch relay.
- FIDE President Arkady Dvorkovic handed over the torch to the Prime Minister, who in turn handed it over to Grandmaster Viswanathan Anand.
- The torch will be carried to 75 cities over a period of 40 days before its final finale at Mahabalipuram near Chennai.
- Chess masters of the state will get torches at every place.

More than two thousand players from 188 countries will participate in the Chess Olympiad.

• **About Chess Olympiad**

- It is a biennial team event, in which teams from around 190 countries compete for honours over a period of two weeks.
- This championship has been organised since 1927.
- International Chess Federation (FIDE) organises the tournament and selects the host nation.
- FIDE is an international organisation based in Switzerland that links various national chess federations and serves as the governing body of international chess competition.
- It was founded in Paris, France, on July 20, 1924.
- In 1999, FIDE was recognized by the International Olympic Committee.
- FIDE President - Arkady Dvorkovich

• **Indian champion**

- Vishwanathan Anand of India is the only Indian player who has won a World Chess title .
- He has won it five times 2000,2007,2008,2010,2012.

10. FIFA Under 17 Women’s World Cup to be organised in India (June 18, 2022)

FIFA recently announced the schedule of the Under-17 Women's World Cup, in which India has been selected as the host country.

- The matches will be shared between the three host states Goa, Odisha and Maharashtra.
- Its semi-final will be held at the Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Goa, while the final match will be played at Navi Mumbai's DY Patil Stadium on October 30, 2022.
- It is an international football tournament organised by FIFA for female players under the age of 17.
- It is held in even-numbered years and was first played in the year 2008.
- Its current champions are Spain, who won their first title in the 2018 tournament held in Uruguay.

• **Upcoming sporting events**

ICC Cricket World Cup 2023	India
Asia Cup Cricket Tournament 2022	Pakistan

Summer Olympics 2024	Paris
FIFA World Cup 2022	Qatar
Asian Games 2022	China