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1. Sequoia Capital Rajan Anandan appointed as the new chairman of Venture Capital Council (Sept. 22, 2022)

Sequoia India Managing Director Rajan Anandan has been appointed as the chairman of the eight member VC Council for 2022-24 by the Indian Venture & Alternate Capital Association (IVCA), on 21 September 2022.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The Indian Venture & Alternate Capital Association (IVCA) is apex body of the Venture fund and Alternate capital fund in India.
- The council was formed to strengthen governance practices for VCs and start-ups and continue working with government and its agencies to improve the environment for venture capital in India.
- **The Venture Capital and Alternate Investment Fund is regulated by Securities Exchange Board of India (SEBI).**

2. Braille version of Assamese Dictionary 'Hemkosh' gifted to PM Modi (Sept. 21, 2022)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi was given a copy of the Braille version of Assamese Dictionary 'Hemkosh' from Jayanta Baruah in New Delhi on 21 September 2022.

Assam Chief Minister **Himanta Biswa Sarma** and Union Minister for Ports, Shipping and Waterways AYUSH **Sarbananda Sonowal** were also present at the occasion.

Hemkosh is the first etymological dictionary of the Assamese language based on Sanskrit spellings. It was compiled by **Hemchandra Baruah** in the 19th century.

The Braille version 'Hemkosh' was conceptualized and published by **Jayanta Baruah**.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

Braille system :

- Braille is a universally accepted system of writing used for visually impaired persons. It consists of **63 characters**, each made of one to six raised dots arranged in a six-position matrix or cell.
- These characters are embossed in a line on paper and a person reads it by passing the fingers lightly over the manuscript.
- It was invented by **Louis Braille in 1824 in Paris.**

3. CEA Nageswaran expects India to grow by 7% in this year and decade (Sept. 21, 2022)

According to the Chief economic Advisor, V Anantha Nageswaran, the India economy will grow at a sustained rate of 7% in 2023 and for the rest of the decade.

He said this while he was virtually addressing the [Global Fintech Fest](#) in Mumbai on 20 September 2022.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- Nageswaran's forecast is lower than the estimate of 8-8.5% GDP growth rate in the 2022-23 provided by the government's economic survey in January 2022.
- RBI has estimated [7.2 %](#) growth rate for India in 2022-23.
- **In 2021-22 the Indian economy grew by 8.7%.**

4. Valery Polyakov, took longest single trip to space, dies at 80 (Sept. 21, 2022)

Valery Polyakov, the Soviet cosmonaut who set the record for the longest single stay in space, has died at age 80.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- Polyakov's record of **437 days** in space began on January 8, 1994.
- While aboard Mir, he orbited the Earth more than 7,000 times, before returning to Earth on **March 22, 1995.**
- Prior to this, Polyakov had spent **288 days** in space on a mission in **1988-89.**
- This was his first mission into space, he returned to Earth in the year 1989 after 8 months.
- The cause of death was not given in the announcement by the space agency Roscosmos.

5. RBI approves R Gandhi as the Non-Executive (Part-time) Chairman of Yes Bank (Sept. 21, 2022)

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the appointment of Rama Subramaniam Gandhi as the Non-Executive (Part-time) Chairman of Yes Bank with effect from 20 September 2022. He will have a tenure of 3 years.

R. Gandhi was earlier a **Deputy Governor of RBI for three years** from 2014 to 2017.

He was also the Director of the **Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT), Hyderabad.**

IMPORTANT FACTS

Yes Bank :

- It is a private sector scheduled commercial bank in India founded in 2004.
- It's Headquarters: **Mumbai**
- Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD): **Prashant Kumar**
- Tagline: **Experience our expertise.**

6. Comedian Raju Srivastava passes away at the age of 58 (Sept. 21, 2022)

Raju Srivastav, comedian who was admitted at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) has died on 21 September at the age of 58.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- He was admitted to the hospital on August 10 after suffering a heart attack. He also underwent an angioplasty the same day.
- Raju Srivastava was a noted comedian known for Hindi films such as **Maine Pyar Kiya, Baazigar**, the remake of Bombay to Goa and **Aamdani Athani Kharcha Rupaiya.**
- A well-known face in the entertainment industry since the 1980s, Raju Srivastava rose to fame in 2005 after participating in the first season of the reality stand-up comedy show **The Great Indian Laughter Challenge.**
- Raju Srivastava, often known as **Gajodhar**, was born on December 25, 1963, in a middle-class family in **Kanpur**, Uttar Pradesh.
- He also participated in **Bigg Boss (Hindi Season 3)** where he stayed in the house for more than two months.
- He later participated in the comedy show **Comedy Ka Maha Muqabla.**
- He has also appeared in Comedy **Nights with Kapil.**
- He has been the President of **Uttar Pradesh Film Development Council.**

7. Priyanka Chopra advocates children's rights in an address to the United Nation General Assembly (Sept. 20, 2022)

Indian actress and the Global UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Priyanka Chopra addressed the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on 19 September 2022 in New York.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- Priyanka Chopra who was appointed UNICEF Goodwill ambassador in 2016 talked about Children's rights at the 77th UNGA High Level Week.
- The 77th UNGA opened on 13 September 2022 and the High Level Weeks will be held from 19-23 September in New York.
- **High Level weeks** is a five day event where invited speakers, speaks on topics selected by the United Nations like Sustainable Development Goals, Transforming Education Summits etc.
- Indian External Affairs Minister [S. Jaishankar](#) is leading the Indian delegation at the 77th UNGA.

8. Nirmala Sitharaman urges IFC Managing Director Diop to increase Investment in India (Sept. 20, 2022)

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) Managing Director Makhtar Diop, who is on a visit to India met the Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman on 19 September 2022 in New Delhi.

In a series of tweets by the finance ministry, Sitharaman said that India expects an increase in IFC lending in India.

She said that India expects IFC to increase its lending to USD 2-2.5 billion in the next 1-2 years and further to USD 3-3.5 billion in next 3-4 years.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

International Finance Corporation :

- It is a part of the World Bank Group and was set up in 1956.
- It does not provide loans to the government but invests in the private sector companies of the member countries. It invests in the shares and the debt instruments of private companies.
- Headquarters: **Washington DC, United States of America.**
- **Director General:** Makhtar Diop
- Member Countries: **186**

9. President Droupadi Murmu clears the appointments of Directors to 8 IITs (Sept. 20, 2022)

President Droupadi Murmu has cleared the appointments of Directors to eight Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) on 20 September.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- IIT Bhilai's Director Rajat Moona has been appointed as director of IIT Gandhinagar.
- IIT Dharwad's Director Pasumarthy Seshu has been appointed as director of IIT Goa.
- The two IIT directors who have been reappointed for a second term, they are - K N Satyanarayana (IIT Tirupati) and Manoj Singh Gaur (IIT Jammu).
- Seshadri Shekhar and Shripad Karmalkar, who are professors at IIT Madras, have been appointed as directors of IIT Palakkad and IIT Bhubaneswar respectively.
- Venkayappaya R Desai from IIT Kharagpur's Department of Civil Engineering has been appointed as the Director of IIT Dharwad.
- Rajiv Prakash of IIT BHU's School of Material Science and Technology has been appointed as the Director of IIT Bhilai.

10. Union Sports Minister Anurag Thakur inaugurates All India Police Judo Cluster in New Delhi (Sept. 20, 2022)

Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur inaugurated the 7th edition of the All India Police Judo Cluster 2022 at the Indira Gandhi Stadium Complex in New Delhi on 19 September 2022.

IMPORTANT FACTS -

- The event is being organized by **Central Industrial Security Forces (CISF)** and will be held from 19-24 September 2022.
- More than 1,500 players from 41 teams are participating in the competition.