

## CURRENT AFFAIRS OF AUGUST 2022

### Awards

The former Chancellor of Germany who has been chosen to be awarded the Félix Houphouët-Boigny-UNESCO Peace Prize for the year 2022 – **Ms. Angela Merkel**

The Indian politician and former Union Minister and Under-Secretary General of the United Nations who has been chosen to be awarded France's highest civilian award Chevalier de la Legion d'Honneur – **Dr. Shashi Tharoor**

### Places

The place in Gujarat where the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has dedicated India's first earthquake memorial named Smruti Van to the nation – **Bhuj**

The place in Haryana where India's largest private multi-specialty hospital Amrita Hospital was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi – **Faridabad**

The district of Madhya Pradesh which has become India's first functionally literate district – **Mandla**

The place where Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose gave call the Delhi Chalo, which has been granted the Monument Status under Singapore's Preservation of Monuments Act – **Padang**

The city from which the first flight of Akasa Air to Ahmedabad was inaugurated by the Union Minister of Civil Aviation Shri Jyotiraditya Scindia virtually – **Mumbai**

### Persons

The last President of USSR (Soviet Union) known for his policy of glasnost (openness) who passed away on 30 August 2022 – **Mikhael Gorbachev**

The eminent economist and former member of Planning Commission of India who passed away on 29 August 2022 – **Abhijit Sen**

The 49th Chief Justice of India who has been sworn in on 27.08.2022 after the retirement of Justice N.V. Ramana – **Justice Uday Umesh Lalit**

The veteran Bollywood film producer of films Hera Pheri, Welcome etc. who passed away on 22 August 2022 – **A.G. Nadiadwala**

The billionaire business magnate, stock trader, investor and co-founder of Akasa airlines who passed away on 14 August 2022 – **Rakesh Jhunjhunwala**

The new Chief Vigilance Commissioner who has been sworn on 04 August 2022 – **Shri Suresh N Patel**

The freedom fighter and designer of national flag of India to mark whose birth anniversary, the Govt of India has released a commemorative postal stamp – **Shri Pingali Venkayya**

### **Sports**

The state which has recognised the traditional sport of Dahi Handi under the official sports category – **Maharashtra**

The venue of World U20 Wrestling Championship 2022 held from 15 to 21 August 2022 with India winning 16 medals – **Sofia, Bulgaria**

The team which has won the 2022 UEFA Women's Euro by defeating Germany in the finals in Wembley Stadium, London – **England**

### **Defence**

The biennial, multi-national exercise hosted by the Royal Australian Air Force (RAAF) from 19 August to 08 Sep 2022 at Darwin (Indian Air Force also participating) – **Ex Pitch Black 2022**

The four-day bilateral military exercise conducted by the Air Forces of India and Malaysia from 13 to 16 Aug 2022 in Kuantan air base (Malaysia) – **Ex Udarashakti**

The 13th edition of Indo-US Joint Special Forces exercise which was held at the Special Forces Training School (SFTS) in Himachal Pradesh's Bakloh from August 8 to August 28 – **Ex Vajra Prahar 2022**

The bilateral field training exercise by the armies of India and Vietnam in Chandimandir, Haryana from 01 Aug to 20 Aug 2022 – **VINBAX 2022**

The 4th Edition of India-Oman Joint Military Exercise held at Mahajan Field Firing Ranges in Rajasthan from August 01 to 13, 2022 – **AL NAJAH-IV**

### **Miscellaneous**

The venue of 15th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA) 2022 held from 14 to 21 August, 2022 with India winning 3 golds and 2 silvers – **Kutaisi, Georgia**

The special variety of aquatic fox nut cultivated in Mithila region of Bihar which has been recently granted the Geographical Indication tag – **Mithila Makhana**

The national campaign launched by Union Ministry of Health to focus on reduction of the child mortality rate and take care of the first 1000 days a child after birth is named – **Paalan 1000**

The theme of World Breastfeeding Week 2022 observed from 01 to 07 August 2022 – **Step up for breastfeeding: Educate and Support**

The National Rail and Transportation Institute, Vadodara has been converted into a central university with the new name – **Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya**

The multinational maritime exercise conducted from July 12 to August 4, around Hawaii and Southern California with participation of 26 countries (INS Satpura from India) – **RIMPAC-22**

### **44th Chess Olympiad**

Venue: **Chennai** (Four Points by Sheraton)

Opening and Closing Ceremony: **Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium** (Chennai)

Dates: From 28 July 2022 to 09 August 2022

Mascot: **Thambi** (Chess Knight dressed in white)

### **Open Rankings**

<b>Ranking</b>	<b>Country</b>
1.	Uzbekistan
2.	Armenia
3.	India-2

### **Women's Rankings**

<b>Ranking</b>	<b>Country</b>
1.	Ukraine
2.	Georgia
3.	India

### **Best Players**

1. David Howell (England)
2. Oliwia Kiolbasa (Poland)

**Gaprindashvili Trophy:** India

Next Olympiad: **Budapest** in 2024

**Note:** The Indian team in open category were: D. Gukesh, Nihal Sarin, R. Praggnanandhaa, Adhiban Baskaran and Raunak Sadhwani.

**Note:** The Indian team in Women's category were: Koneru Humpy, D. Harika, R. Vaishali, Tania Sachdev and Bhakti Kulkarni.

### XXII Commonwealth Games 2022

Venue: **Birmingham** (United Kingdom)

Motto: **Sports is just the beginning**

Dates: From 28 July 2022 to 08 August 2022

Opening and Closing Ceremonies: **Alexander Stadium**

Teams: 72

Mascot: **Perry** (Bull in reference to Bull Ring market of Birmingham)

Indian Flag bearers at the opening ceremony: **Manpreet Singh and P. V. Sindhu**

Indian Flag bearers at the closing ceremony: **Nikhath Zareen and Sharath Achanta**

### **Medals Tally**

#	Country	G	S	B	Total
1.	Australia	67	57	54	178
2.	England	57	66	53	176
3.	Canada	26	32	34	92
4.	India	22	16	23	61
5.	New Zealand	20	12	17	49

India won 6 gold in wrestling, 4 golds in table tennis and 3 each in badminton, boxing and weightlifting.

Next Games: **Victoria** (Australia) in 2026

## Important Days of August

<p><b>International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples:</b> 09 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 1995 Theme: <b>The Role of Indigenous Women in the Preservation and Transmission of Traditional Knowledge</b></p>
<p><b>International Youth Day:</b> 12 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2000 Theme: <b>Intergenerational Solidarity: Creating a World for All Ages</b></p>
<p><b>World Elephant Day:</b> 12 August 2022 Designated by: Patricia Sims and Elephant Reintroduction Programme of Thailand First observed: 2012</p>
<p><b>World Humanitarian Day:</b> 19 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2009 Theme: <b>#TheHumanRace: A global challenge for climate action in solidarity with the people who need it most</b></p>
<p><b>International Day of Remembrance of and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism:</b> 21 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2018</p>
<p><b>International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief:</b> 22 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2019</p>
<p><b>International Day against Nuclear Tests:</b> 29 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2010</p>
<p><b>International Day of Victims of Enforced Disappearances:</b> 30 August 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2011</p>

## 67th Filmfare Awards 2022

Best Film: **Shershaah**

Best Director: **Vishnuvardhan** for Shershaah

Best Actor: **Ranveer Singh** for 83

Best Actress: **Kriti Sanon** for Mimi

Best Supporting Actor: **Pankaj Tripathi** for Mimi

Best Supporting Actress: **Sai Tamhankar** for Mimi

Lifetime Achievement Award: **Subhash Ghai**

### 2022 BWF World Badminton Championships

Venue: **Tokyo** (Japan)

Dates: From 22 August 2022 to 28 August 2022

#### **Medals Tally**

#	Country	G	S	B	Total
1.	China	2	1	2	5
2.	Japan	1	1	1	3
9.	India	0	0	1	1

Men's Singles winner: **Viktor Axelsen** (Denmark).

Women's Singles winner: **Akane Yamaguchi** (Japan)

Indian pair of **Satwiksairaj Rankireddy** and **Chirag Shetty** won the bronze in Men's Doubles category.

### National CSR Awards – 2020

Awarded by Ministry of Corporate Affairs

Sub-Category	Winner
CSR Spend equal and above Rs. 100 crores	Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited
CSR Spend more than Rs. 10 crores but less than Rs. 100 crores	Tata Steel Limited
CSR Spend more than Rs. 1 crores but less than Rs. 10 crores	Honeywell Automation India Limited
CSR Spend less than Rs. 1 crores	Tata Motors Finance Limited

### AIFF Player of the Year Award - 2021-22

AIFF Men's Footballer of the Year: **Sunil Chhetri**

AIFF Women's Footballer of the Year: **Manisha Kalyan**

AIFF Men's Emerging Footballer of the Year: **Vikram Partap Singh**

AIFF Women's Emerging Footballer of the Year: **Martina Thokchom**

**Shri Jagdeep Dhankar**

**14th Vice-President of India**

Born: 18 May 1951

Birth place: Jhunjhunu (Rajasthan)

Positions held

- Governor of West Bengal (2019 to 2022)
- Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs (1990-91)

**Fortune Global 500 List 2022**

Indian Companies in the list

<b>Position</b>	<b>Company</b>
98	Life Insurance Corporation
104	Reliance Industries Corporation
142	Indian Oil Corporation
190	Oil and Natural Gas Corporation
236	State Bank of India