

CURRENT AFFAIRS OF JULY 2022

Persons

The former director of the Duke Center for International Development who has been appointed as Chief Economist of the World Bank Group – **Indermit Gill**

The former Prime Minister of Sri Lanka and member of United National Party who has been sworn in as its 9th President – **Mr. Ranil Wickremesinghe**

The leader of Mahajana Eksath Peramuna (MEP) party of Sri Lanka who has been sworn in as its new Prime Minister – **Shri Dinesh Gunawardena**

The Governor of Manipur who has been assigned the additional charge as the Governor of West Bengal, following the resignation of Shri Jagdeep Dhankar – **Shri La. Ganesan**

The Indian ghazal singer, playback singer and a guitarist who passed away on 18 July 2022 – **Bhupinder Singh**

The former Chairman of Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd, also known as the father of Indian Internet and Data Services, who passed away on 09 July 2022 – **Shri B.K. Syngal**

The Union Minister of Women and Child Development who has taken over additionally as Union Minister of Minority Affairs following the resignation of Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi – **Smt Smriti Irani**

The Union Minister of Civil Aviation who has taken over additionally as Union Minister of Steel following the resignation of Shri Ramchandra Prasad Singh on completion of his Rajya Sabha term – **Shri Jyotiraditya Scindia**

The new President of Philippines who has taken over from outgoing President Rodrigo Duterte on 30 June 2022 – **Ferdinand Marcos Jr**

The contestant from Karnataka who has been crowned Femina Miss India 2022 at the beauty pageant held at Jio Convention center in Mumbai – **Ms. Sini Shetty**

The new and 14th Prime Minister of Israel who has taken over from the outgoing Prime Minister Naftali Bennett on 01 July 2022 – **Mr. Yair Lapid**

Defence

The indigenously built (76%) aircraft carrier which has been delivered to the Indian Navy by its manufacturer Cochin Shipyards Ltd – **INS Vikrant**

The Sindhughosh class of submarine of the Indian Navy, which was decommissioned after 35 years of her service to the nation on 16 July – **INS Sindhudhvaj**

Places

The state in which India's first AI-powered digital Lok Adalat was launched during the 18th All India Legal Services Authorities meet – **Rajasthan**

The district of Madhya Pradesh which has been declared India's first Certified 'Har Ghar Jal' district – **Burhanpur**

The African country which has reported the first case of Marburg virus in the world in recent times – **Ghana**

The places in India which have figured in TIME magazine's 50 extraordinary destinations to explore in its list of the World's Greatest Places of 2022 – **Ahmedabad and Kerala**

The Indian state which has reported the first case of Monkey Pox in India – **Kerala**

The Indian state in which the week-long annual Kharchi Festival is being held from 07 July 2022 – **Tripura**

The place in Andhra Pradesh where a 30-ft statue of Alluri Sitarama Raju was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi – **Bhimavaram**

The place at which India's largest floating Solar Power Project has become operational with the commercial operation of the final part capacity of 20 MW out of 100 MW capacity – **Ramagundam, Telangana**

Sports

The Indian shooter who has become the first Indian to win a gold medal in the men's skeet event at the ISSF World Cup in Changwon, South Korea – **Mairaj Ahmad Khan**

The Indian badminton player who has won the Singapore Open 2022 Women's Singles title defeating Wang Zhiyi of China in the finals – **P.V. Sindhu**

The Indian cricketer who has broken Brian Lara's record for scoring the most runs in an over in tests by scoring 35 runs in a single over against England bowler Stuart Broad – **Jasprit Bumrah**

The Indian Olympian who has won the Silver medal at Stockholm Diamond League, Sweden and also broken his own national record of 89.30 meters with a throw of 89.94 meters – **Neeraj Chopra**

Miscellaneous

India's first passenger-drone with payload of 130 kg and range of 25 km, unveiled by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is named – **Varuna**

The mascot launched by the Department of Consumer Affairs (DoCA) for empowering consumers and generating awareness of their rights is named – **Jagriti**

Smt Droupadi Murmu

- **15th** President of India
- Assumed office: 25 July 2022
- Born: **20 June 1958**
- Place of birth: **Uparbeda** (Mayurbhanj dist, Odisha)
- Two times MLA in Odisha
- 9th Governor of **Jharkhand** from 1915 to 1921

68th National Film Awards 2020

#	Name of the Award	Name of the Film/ Awardees
1.	Best Feature Film	Soorarai Pottru (Tamil) directed by Sudha Kongara
2.	Award for Best Debut Film of a Director	Mandela (Tamil) directed by Madonne Ashwin
3.	Best Popular Film	Tanhaji :The Unsung Warrior (Hindi) directed by Om Raut
4.	Most Film Friendly State	Madhya Pradesh
5.	Best Film on Social Issues	Funeral (Marathi) directed by Vivek Dubey
6.	Best Film on Environment Conservation/Preservation	Taledanda (Beheading a Life) (Kannada) directed by Praveen Krupakar
7.	Best Children's Film	Sumi (Marathi) directed by Amol Vasant Gole
8.	Best Hindi Film	Tulsidas Junior directed by Mridul Toolsidas
9.	Best Direction	Ayyappanum Koshiyum (Malayalam) directed by Sachidanandan KR
10.	Best Actor	Suriya for Soorarai Pottru and Ajay Devgan for Tanhaji
11.	Best Actress	Aparna Balamurali for Soorarai Pottru
14.	Best Male Playback Singer	Rahul Deshpande for Mi Vasant Rao
15.	Best Female Playback Singer	Nanchamma for Ayyappanum Koshiyum
16.	Best Book on Cinema	The Longest Kiss written by Kishwar Desai

Fields Medal 2022

Awarded to Mathematicians by the **International Mathematical Union**.

1. Hugo Duminil-Copin (France)
2. June Huh (USA)
3. James Maynard (UK)
4. Maryna Viazovska (Ukraine)

States Ranking Index for NFSA

Implementation of the Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) under the **National Food Security Act (NFSA)**

General Category States

General Category States		Special Category (NE States, Himalayan States etc.)	
Rank	State	Rank	State
1.	Odisha	1.	Tripura
2.	Uttar Pradesh	2.	Himachal Pradesh
3.	Andhra Pradesh	3.	Sikkim

Wimbledon 2022

Title	Winner	Runner-up
Gentlemen's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Nick Kyrgios (Australia)
Ladies' Singles	Elena Rybakina (Kazakhstan)	Ons Jabeur (Tunisia)
Gentlemen's Doubles	Matthew Ebden and Max Purcell (Australia)	Nikola Pietrangeli and Mate Pavić (Croatia)
Ladies' Doubles	Barbora Krejčíková and Kateřina Siniaková (Czech Republic)	Elise Mertens (Belgium) and Zhang Shuai (China)
Mixed Doubles	Neal Skupski (UK) and Desirae Krawczyk (USA)	Matthew Ebden and Samantha Stosur (Australia)

World Athletics Championships 2022

Held from July 15 to 24, 2022

Venue: Eugene, Oregon (USA)

MEDALS TALLY

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1.	USA	13	9	11	33
2.	Ethiopia	4	4	2	10
3.	Jamaica	2	7	1	10
33.	India	0	1	0	1

- The silver medal for India was won by **Neeraj Chopra** in javelin throw.
- The gold in men's 100 m race was won by **Fred Kerley** of USA with a timing of 9.86 secs
- The gold in women's 100 m race was won by **Shelly Ann Fraser-Pryce** of Jamaica with a timing of 10.67 secs
- The next edition of the championships will be held at Budapest in 2023

India Innovation Index 2021

Released by NITI Aayog

Major States		NE states and Hill states		UT and City states	
Rank	State	Rank	State	Rank	State
1.	Karnataka	1.	Manipur	1.	Chandigarh
2.	Telangana	2.	Uttarakhand	2.	Delhi
3.	Haryana	3.	Meghalaya	3.	A & N Islands

Henley Passport Rankings 2022

Rank	Country	Rank	Country
1.	Japan	69.	China
2.	Singapore	87.	India
3.	South Korea	109.	Pakistan

States Startup Ranking Results 2021

Category A - States

Category	State
Best Performer	Gujarat, Karnataka
Top Performer	Kerala, Maharashtra, Odisha, Telangana

Category B - UTs & NE States

Category	State
Best Performer	Meghalaya
Top Performer	Jammu and Kashmir

India Rankings 2022

All India rankings for Educational Institutions

Released by National Institutional Ranking Framework, Ministry of Education

Overall		Universities	
1.	IIT, Madras	1.	IISc, Bengaluru
2.	IISc, Bengaluru	2.	JNU, New Delhi
3.	IIT, Bombay	3.	Jamia Milia Islamia, Delhi

World Masters Athletics Championships 2022

Venue: **Tampere**, Finland

Held from 29 June to 10 July 2022

Medals Tally

#	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1.	Finland	128	131	118	377
2.	Germany	76	58	41	175
3.	Great Britain	75	46	42	163
36.	India	1	1	4	6

- 94-year old **Bhagwani Devi Dagar** won gold in 100 metres sprint, 1 bronze medal in shot put and 1 bronze in discus throw.
- Former Piravom MLA and CPM veteran **MJ Jacob** has won two bronze medals for India in 200m hurdles and 80m hurdles competitions in the men's M80 category (aged between 80-84)

Nominated members of Rajya Sabha

1. **V. Vijayendra Prasad** – Film Director, Screenwriter
2. **Veerendra Heggade** – Jain philanthropist and Dharmadhikari of the Dharmasthala Temple
3. **Ilaiyaraaja** – Music composer, singer and lyricist
4. **PT Usha** – Former Indian athlete

Shinzo Abe

- 21 September 1954 – 8 July 2022
- Prime Minister of Japan from 26 September 2006 to 26 September 2007 and again from 26 December 2012 to 16 September 2020
- **Longest serving Prime Minister of Japan**
- Political Party: **Liberal Democratic Party**
- Cause of death: Assassination
- He has been posthumously awarded Japan's highest decoration **The Collar of the Supreme Order of the Chrysanthemum**

Important Days of July

International Day of Co-operatives: 02 July 2022

Designated by: United Nations General Assembly

First observed: 1993

Theme: Cooperatives Build a Better World

<p>World Population Day: 11 July 2022 Designated by: United Nations Development Programme First observed: 1989</p>
<p>World Youth Skills Day: 15 July 2022 Designated by: UNESCO First observed: 2015 Theme: Transforming youth skills for the future</p>
<p>Nelson Mandela International Day: 18 July 2022 Designated by: UN General Assembly First observed: 2010 Theme: Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.</p>
<p>International Moon Day: 20 July 2022 Designated by: UN General Assembly First observed: 2022</p>
<p>World Chess Day: 20 July 2022 Designated by: UN General Assembly First observed: 2020</p>
<p>World Drowning Prevention Day: 25 July 2022 Designated by: UN General Assembly First observed: 2021</p>
<p>World Hepatitis Day: 28 July 2022 Designated by: World Health Organisation First observed: 2008 Theme: Hepatitis Can't Wait</p>
<p>International Tiger Day: 29 July 2022 Designated by: St Petersburg Tiger Summit First observed: 2010</p>
<p>World Day against Trafficking in Persons: 30 July 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2014 Theme: Use and abuse of technology</p>