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Gwalior included in UNESCO Creative Cities

Why In News?

UNESCO has included the historical city of Gwalior in Madhya Pradesh in its Creative Cities. Gwalior has been chosen for its musical heritage.

Key Points:

- Union Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia tweeted that on the occasion of Madhya Pradesh Foundation Day, it is a proud historical moment for the people of Gwalior. Gwalior has been recognized as 'City of Music' by UNESCO .
- UNESCO has released the list of 55 Creative Cities from around the world through its official website. Two cities from India have been given place in these. Gwalior from Madhya Pradesh and Kozhikode from Kerala have been included in its list by UNESCO. Gwalior has been selected for 'Music' and Kozhikode for 'Literature'.
- UNESCO has so far included 350 cities from more than 100 countries in this list.
- It may be noted that Madhya Pradesh Tourism Department had sent its proposal to UNESCO. It was told in this proposal that Gwalior is known all over the world for its musical heritage. This city is famous for Tansen, Baiju Babara, Raga-Ragni, Dhrupad.



Three New Judges Also Charge in Madhya Pradesh High Court

Why In News?

On November 1, 2023, three new judges Justice Rajmohan Singh, Justice Rajendra Kumar IV and Justice Dupalla Venkata Ramana took charge in the Madhya Pradesh High Court. Chief Justice Ravi Malimath administered the oath to all three.

Key Points:

- Justice Rajmohan Singh, Justice Rajendra Kumar IV and Justice Dupalla Venkat Ramana have been transferred from Punjab-Haryana, Allahabad and Andhra Pradesh High Courts respectively.
- It is noteworthy that after the permission of the President, the Central Law and Justice Department had recently issued notification for the transfer of the three judges.
- Only 31 judges were working in Madhya Pradesh High Court against the total sanctioned posts of 53. But after the arrival of three new judges, this number increased to 34. Even after this 19 posts remain vacant.

WhatsApp Chatbot Launched in the Name of CEO M.P.

Why In News?

On November 4, 2023, Chief Electoral Officer of Madhya Pradesh Anupam Rajan launched WhatsApp chatbot in the name of CEO M.P. for the convenience of the voters of the state.

Key Points:

- With the facility of WhatsApp chatbot, the voters of the state will be able to easily get important information related to the election.
- Under this innovation, by interacting through the chatbot, voters can get various information related to the election, such as whether the name is registered in the voter list or not, how to add the name to the voter list, the documents used in it, etc.
- The WhatsApp chatbot is available on ceomadhyapradesh.nic.in. It is available 24 hours a day

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in both Hindi and English. Citizens can easily connect to the WhatsApp chatbot by visiting the website.

- Along with the website, voters can also easily connect with CEO MP's WhatsApp chatbot through QR code. For this, voters will have to scan the QR code and click on the link. As soon as you click, a verified WhatsApp page will open in the name of CEO M.P.
- The QR code is also available on ceomadhyapradesh.nic.in website.



Booth Level Officers, Returning Officers and District Election Officers who have done Excellent Work in Increasing the Voting Percentage will be Rewarded.

Why In News?

On November 6, 2023, Chief Electoral Officer of Madhya Pradesh Anupam Rajan said that Collectors, District Election Officers, Returning Officers and Booth Level Officers, who have done excellent work in increasing the voting percentage in the State Assembly Elections-2023, will be honoured with cash and citations.

Key Points:

- This innovation is being done by the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Bhopal.
- It is noteworthy that voting for Madhya Pradesh Assembly Elections-2023 will be held in the state on November 17.

- BLO plays the most important role in election work. Out of all the 230 assembly constituencies of the state, the top 3 booth level officers (BLO) with the highest voting percentage in each assembly constituency will be honoured. In this way, 690 BLOs of the state will be presented with a cash amount of Rs 5,000 each and a citation as a reward.
- Similarly, the returning officers of the top 3 assembly constituencies out of 230 assembly constituencies, who have done excellent work in the election process and increasing the voting percentage in the district through sweep activities, will be honoured with a prize money of Rs 1 lakh each and a citation.
- Apart from these, the top-3 Collector and District Election Officer and District Nodal Officer (Sweep) will be honored with a prize money of Rs 5 lakh each and a citation for the sweep activities in the respective assembly constituency and district.
- This award will be given to the selected officers and employees in a grand and dignified felicitation ceremony by the Governor of the state on the occasion of National Voters' Day on January 25, 2024.

Legend League Cricket Trophy Tour Starts from Bhopal

Why In News?

The Legends League Cricket Trophy Tour was launched by Vande Bharat train at Rani Kamalapati Station, Bhopal in the presence of Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav on November 9, 2023. The objective of this tour is to promote sports culture in India at the national level.

Key Points:

- Veteran cricket players Jonty Rhodes, Syed Kirmani, Monty Panesar and Ishwar Pandey left for Hazrat Nizamuddin by this train. In this 15-day journey, this trophy will pass through 17 different states.
- It is being organized by Legends League Cricket in partnership with Indian Railways.
- Cricket legends like Gautam Gambhir, Suresh Raina, Irfan Pathan, Chris Gayle, Kevin Pietersen, Sreesanth, Parthiv Patel, Shane Watson, Praveen Kumar, Jhulan Goswami will be participating in this prestigious event. All of them will board the Vande Bharat Express

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spread across five railway zones namely North, South, Central, East and West.

- It is worth mentioning that the second edition of Legends League Cricket will take place from November 18 to December 9 and will be organized in five cities – Ranchi, Dehradun, Jammu, Vizag & Surat.
- Six teams India Capitals, Manipal Tigers, Gujarat Giants, Urban Risers Hyderabad, Southern Superstars, Bhilwara Kings will compete for the coveted trophy to be unveiled through this tour.
- The first match will be played between Bhilwara Kings captained by Irfan Pathan and India Capitals captained by defending champion Gautam Gambhir.



Unique Initiative of Students: Will Create a World Record by Carving 200 Idols of Mahakal Lok in Pictures.

Why In News?

According to the information received from the media on November 9, 2023, 15 students of Faguni Fine Arts Center are going to create a world record by painting 200 idols made in Mahakal Lok located in Ujjain, Madhya Pradesh, which will be started through live painting performance in ISKCON temple.

Key Points:

- Here these students first made a picture of the idol of Ganpatiji made in the main gate of Mahakal Loka, after this they carved the Dashavatar of Lord Vishnu through pictures.
- 15 students of Faguni Fine Arts Center brought alive the Dashavatar of Lord Vishnu through live painting

performance in ISKCON temple. Here, these students depicted all the incarnations of Lord Vishnu on earth including Shri Ram, Krishna, Vaman through painting.

- Among the students, Richa Dodiya, Anshu Wadia, Bhavarth Chaudhary, Arya Jat, Raju Pushpad, Geeta Anand, Kanak Alwani, Aryan Jagdale, Mukul Arya, Pranendra Rathore, Harshal Pachori, Harshika Dhakad, Sheetal Mewada displayed their art.



For the First Time in the State, Youth got the Responsibility of Handling Polling Booths

Why in News?

According to the information received from the media on November 16, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Election Commission has given the responsibility of managing polling booths to the youth for the first time in the state.

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- The Election Commission has created 371 polling stations where the responsibility of conducting elections will rest with officers/employees below 30 years of age.

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- Apart from this, 5 thousand 160 pink booths have been made by the Election Commission. The responsibility of these polling stations will be completely handled by women polling personnel.
- Similarly, keeping in mind the empowerment of the disabled, they have also been given the responsibility of 183 polling stations. Apart from this, there are also 3 thousand model polling stations and 60 green polling stations.
- Green polling stations have been created for the first time in the state. These centers are in Jabalpur and Balaghat districts. Their specialty is that plastic or any material that harms the environment has not been used in these polling stations.

Drone 'Nabh Rakshak' will Save People Drowning in Water

Why In News?

According to the information received from the media on November 19, 2023, Pesarv Technologies Company of Indore has developed a drone named 'Nabh Rakshak' which will not only detect people drowning in water but will also save their lives.

Key Points:

- The company's Founder and Chief Technical Officer (CTO) Abhishek Mishra and Chief People Officer (CPO) Roshni Shukla (Mishra) claim that this is not only India but the world's first Artificial Intelligence enabled drone.
- Usually other drones fly but this drone also has an on-board computer which flies along with it. This drone will automatically detect if someone is drowning in the sea, river, pond etc. During this time an alarm will sound at the station based there.
- Apart from detecting, it has another feature that when someone drowns, it will drop a life saving jacket on the person concerned. In such a situation, a drowning person can swim comfortably in water for about an hour with the help of that jacket and his life can be saved.
- Abhishek Mishra said that the said drone will be installed on all 52 beaches of Goa. Similarly, it will

be used in the coastal areas of Gujarat, Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh, especially in the ghats of Varanasi. Apart from this, it can be used to control accidents in Kumbh Mela in Uttar Pradesh in the coming years.

- In Madhya Pradesh too, after the elections, after the formation of the new government, it will be discussed and its presentation will be given. In the state too, it can be easily used in all the big rivers and ponds including Hanumantia.
- Company's Chief Operating Officer (COO) Durgesh Shukla and Director Alok Vani said that Indian Navy Korakut (Odisha) has also placed its order. The Navy is already using the surveillance zone 'Garuda' made by the earlier company. 'Nabh Rakshak' will be installed there on 1st December.
- According to the company's CEO Amit Panchal, Pesarv Technologies Company has already launched 'Sara'. It works on 3D Augmented Reality which is for children. The second is off-line coding programs 'solutions'. The third innovation is 'Kavach' and the fourth is 'Drone'. In this, first multi-specialty drone 'Garuda' was launched which sounds alarm as soon as there is a fire in the forest. It is useful for surveillance of forest, mines, railways and police departments.
- Features of Nabh Rakshak Drone-
 - This is India's autonomous drone which automatically detects a person drowning in water and drops a life saving jacket to save him.
 - Its weight is 2 kg. And it can fly up to a height of 600 feet.
 - It has 2 hi-tech cameras, as soon as one turns off the other camera starts.
 - There is no need for a remote to fly it.
 - Life saving jacket, air balloon, and thin rope can be hung with the drone.



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Additional Phase of Pulse Polio Campaign From 10 to 12 December

Why In News?

In the meeting of the State Task Force at NHM Headquarters on November 20, 2023, it was informed that in the additional phase of Pulse Polio Campaign from December 10 to 12, 2023 in 16 districts of the state, about 37 lakh 50 thousand children aged zero to 5 years will be given pulse polio vaccination. Polio vaccine dose will be given.

Key Points:

- In the meeting of the task force held in connection with the preparations for the campaign, officials of Women-Child Development, School Education, Urban Administration, Forest, Panchayat, Tribal Welfare, AYUSH, Sports and Youth Welfare Department and WHO, UNICEF, Representatives from UNDP and other organizations participated.
- It was informed in the meeting that due to the presence of polio cases in Pakistan and Afghanistan and also to maintain polio-free status, an additional phase of Pulse Polio campaign is being conducted.
- The campaign will be conducted in Bhind, Bhopal, Chhindwara, Datia, Gwalior, Indore, Katni, Kargone, Mandsaur, Narsinghpur, Neemuch, Niwari, Satna, Sheopur, Tikamgarh and Vidisha districts of the state.
- Along with local booths for administering polio medicines, mobile teams will also be formed in these districts to cover the migratory population.

Madhya Pradesh Assembly Elections 2023 : 77.15 Percent Voting Place in the State

Why In News?

According to the information given by Madhya Pradesh Public Relations Department on November 21, 2023, 77.15 percent voting took place in the elections held on November 17 in the state for Madhya Pradesh Assembly Elections 2023.

Key Points:

- It may be noted that voting was held in one phase on November 17 for 230 assembly seats in Madhya Pradesh. In comparison to the Assembly elections 2018 in the state, there has been an increase of 2.10 percent in the voting in the Assembly elections held this year in 2023.
- Excluding the voting percentage of postal ballot, 77.15 percent voting took place in the state this year, which includes 76.03 percent women and 78.21 percent male voters. Whereas in the assembly elections 2018, there was 75.05 percent voting in the state.
- Special points of Madhya Pradesh Assembly Elections 2023-
 - Seoni district recorded the highest voting percentage of 86.29 percent. Whereas Alirajpur district had the lowest turnout of 61.81 percent.
 - Highest voting took place in Sailana assembly constituency of Ratlam district. This time the voting percentage is 90.10, whereas in the year 2018 elections there was 88.35 percent voting.
 - Jobat assembly constituency of Alirajpur district recorded the lowest turnout of 54 percent in the state. In the 2018 assembly elections, the voting percentage of Jobat Assembly was 52.31 percent, while in the year 2023 it has increased to 54.37 percent.
 - In the Assembly Elections-2023, the voting percentage of Lakhnadaun Assembly Constituency of Seoni district of the state has increased the most. In the year 2018, the voting percentage here was 77.98, whereas in the year 2023 assembly elections, it has increased to 84.71. The voting percentage here has increased by 6.73 percent.
 - In the 2023 assembly elections, there are 34 such constituencies out of 230 assembly constituencies in the state, in which the voting percentage of female voters has been higher than that of male voters. In Sinhawal assembly constituency no. 78 of Sidhi district, the voting percentage of women is 11.91 percent more than that of men.



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Participation of Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board in 54th International Film Festival of India

Why In News?

On November 22, 2023, Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board participated in the ongoing International Film Festival of India (IFFI) in Goa. Principal Secretary Shiv Shekhar Shukla called stakeholders associated with the film and web series industry for film shooting in the state.

Key Points:

- During the International Film Festival, Principal Secretary Shiv Shekhar Shukla met Pankaj Tripathi, Raj Kumar Santoshi, Vijay Sethupathi, Divya Dutta and many other famous Bollywood actors, filmmakers, producer-directors and invited them for film production in the state.
- The Principal Secretary highlighted the key points of the Film Policy of Madhya Pradesh, including the policy aimed at developing a conducive environment for film and web series makers, financial incentives, ease and transparency in permissions, natural beauty, better connectivity, favourable weather and state-of-the-art filming facilities etc.
- Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board also organized a knowledge series on 'Promoting Film Production in Madhya Pradesh - Governance Initiatives and Role of Stakeholders' to encourage the stakeholders associated with the film industry to shoot films in the state and to make them aware of the facilities and concessions offered under the Film Tourism Policy.
- **Highlights of Madhya Pradesh Film Policy-**
 - Permissions for film projects are included in the Public Service Guarantee Act. There is a provision for permission for film shooting in 15 working days.
 - To implement the film tourism policy at the district level, ADM level officers are appointed as nodal officers for filming permission in every district.
 - includes web series, OTT original content, TV serials and documentaries.
 - There is a single window clearance facility for all filming permissions.
 - Additional financial grants are available for local artists and there is a provision of discount for film crews to stay in tourism department hotels and resorts for shooting.



Shiv Shekhar Shukla, IAS, Principal Secretary, Department of Tourism and Culture, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh Tourism Board

Pankaj Tripathi, Actor, Producer, Author and Board Member CBFC

Vijay Sethupathi, Film Director and Writer



Door-To-Door Garbage Collection will be Done by EV in the State

Why In News?

According to information received from the media on November 23, 2023, garbage will be collected from homes in the urban bodies of Madhya Pradesh through e-vehicles. Vehicles running on diesel and CNG will be discontinued. The Urban Directorate has prepared a proposal in this regard.

Key Points:

- It is noteworthy that in 413 urban bodies of Madhya Pradesh, garbage is being collected from door to door using vehicles running on diesel and CNG. Now these vehicles will be converted into e-vehicles.
- Under the proposal, now only e-vehicles will be purchased for garbage collection in urban bodies. This will not only reduce air pollution but will also reduce the excessive expenditure on fuel. It will also help in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- The Urban Bodies Department will run a pilot project on e-vehicles with the help of the Central Government. For this, initially 250 e-vehicles will be purchased.

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These vehicles will be identified in a city and operated there under a pilot project. For this, other facilities including charging stations will also be established in those cities.

- More than 6 thousand vehicles are used to collect garbage in 413 urban bodies of the state. Currently, fuel for each vehicle costs Rs 30 lakh in the entire state. This amount is around Rs 9 crore in a month. Using e-vehicles will save a huge amount of money spent on fuel.
- The department is also considering converting old and condemned vehicles in urban bodies into e-vehicles through retrofitting. Currently, small vehicles are lying broken in many urban bodies. These vehicles will be converted into e-vehicles. Which will be used in door-to-door garbage collection.

Bison Census Started in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve

A three-day Gaur count started in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve on November 23, 2023. The census data will be sent to the office of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve on November 25.

Key Points:

- Assistant Director of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve, Vivek Singh said that a three-day Gaur count is being conducted in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve. After collecting the data, the figures of bison in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve will be revealed.
- Officers and employees of all the areas of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve are engaged in Gaur (Bison) census. About seven hundred employees of the Tiger Reserve are engaged in the counting of bison.
- Officers and employees of all the areas of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve will roam on foot from 6 to 9 am to count the bison. These people will fill the form with photo, GPS location and time of bison sighting and will also send the data to the office of Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve on 25th November.
- It may be noted that in 2012, bison were brought from Kanha National Park and settled in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve. After that a continuous increase in the number of bison has also been seen. Bison are counted every four years.

- Bison are mainly seen in Tala, Magadhi and Kallawah regions. It is estimated that there will be around 150 bison in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve in 2023.

Veera Rana Gets Additional Charge of Chief Secretary

Why In News?

On November 29, 2023, the General Administration Department of Madhya Pradesh issued orders to give additional charge of the state's Chief Secretary to Veera Rana, a 1988 batch IAS officer, with the current responsibility after getting the consent of the Election Commission.



Key Points:

- The General Administration Department has also issued orders to retire Iqbal Singh Bains, the current Chief Secretary of Madhya Pradesh, from government service on the expiry of his extension on November 30, 2023 afternoon.
- This will be the second time that a woman officer will take over as the chief secretary of the state. Earlier, Nirmala Buch, a 1960 batch officer in the state, was made Chief Secretary on September 22, 1991 in the BJP government. She was chief secretary till January 1, 1993.
- Veera Rana was born on March 26, 1964 in Uttar Pradesh. She is currently the chairperson of the Board of Secondary Education and holds the additional charge of agriculture production commissioner. She has held the portfolios of Chief Electoral Officer, Sports and Youth Welfare, Academy of Administration and Department of Cottage and Village Industries.
- After Iqbal Singh Bains, he is the senior-most officer available in the state. The General Administration Department had sent the panel according to seniority with the approval of the Chief Minister. The Election Commission has agreed to the name of Veera Rana on the basis of seniority. She will retire in March 2024.

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