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Kambala Buffalo Race

The traditional **buffalo race**, **Kambala**, is set to take place for the first time in Bengaluru, Karnataka.

- Kambala is a buffalo race held in Coastal Karnataka districts (Udupi and Dakshina Kannada)
 during the winter months when farmers harvest their paddy crops.
 - The race is held on two parallel tracks filled with mud and water. Each pair of buffaloes will also have a jockey, or 'Kambala runner' to control and command the animals on the track.
 - The team that wins qualifies for higher rounds till a champion emerges.
- Apart from winning the race, targets also include splashing water; in fact, some winners are even declared on the amount of water splashed; this is called 'kolu'.



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Justice N. Fathima Beev

Justice M. Fathima Beevi, the **first female Judge** to be appointed to the **Supreme Court of India**, passed away.

- She was also the first Muslim woman to be appointed to the higher judiciary in the country.
- She served as a member of the <u>National Human Rights Commission</u> and then as <u>Governor of Tamil Nadu</u>.



Guru Tegh Bahadur Martyrdom Day

<u>Guru Tegh Bahadur</u> Martyrdom Day is observed every year on 24th November. He is the ninth guru in the lineage of Sikh saints.

- He was born as Tyag Mal in 1621 in Amritsar. His teachings against divisive practices and emphasis on unity in faith garnered widespread resonance across North India.
- His travels, including visits to far-reaching places like Dhaka and Puri, showcased his commitment to spreading his message of fearlessness and unity.
 - However, his confrontation with Aurangzeb's regime, culminating in his martyrdom on 24th November, 1675, symbolized unyielding resilience and refusal to compromise on principles.

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16th World Wushu Chambip

The 16th World Wushu Championships recently concluded in Fort Worth, Texas, USA.

- It was organized by the United States of America Wushu-Kungfu Federation (USAWKF) under the auspices of the International Wushu Federation (IWUF).
 - **Wushu is a martial art that originated in China** and encompasses various forms and styles. It's a disciplined and highly stylized form of combat and self-defense.
- Among the standout performers from India, Roshibina Devi (silver), Kushal Kumar (bronze) and Chavi (bronze) demonstrated remarkable skill and resilience in their respective weight categories.

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