

# Weekly One Liners 31st January to 6th of February 2022

## Union Budget 2022-23: Key highlights of Union Budget

Union Finance Minister, **Nirmala Sitharaman** is presenting the **Union Budget 2022** for the **4th** time in a row. She will be presenting the financial statements and tax proposals for the fiscal year **2022-23 (April 2022 to March 2023)**. A Made in India tablet has replaced the traditional '**Bahi Khata**' as Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman leaves the Finance Ministry's office to go to the Parliament to present the Budget.

### Introduction of the Budget:

- **The total size of the budget 2022-23 is Rs 39.45 Lakh Crore.** This figure also represents Total Receipt and Total expenditure as per the Budgeted Estimates for 2022-23. Total receipts other than borrowings in 2022-23 estimated at Rs. 22.84 lakh crore
- The total expenditure was projected at Rs. 34.83 lakh crore in the Budget Estimates 2021-22, which as per the Revised Estimate is now Rs. 37.70 lakh crore.

### Here are the key highlights from the Union Budget 2022-23:

- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, while presenting the Budget, said that the country is expected to grow at **9.27 per cent**.
- Two parallel tracks for the next **25 years**: public investments in infrastructure and a budget that is inclusive and futuristic.
- **7 focus areas**: PM Gati Shakti, Inclusive Development, Productivity Enhancement, Sunrise Opportunities, Energy Transition, Climate Action and Financing of investments.
- This Union Budget seeks to lay the foundation & give a blueprint of the economy over '**Amrit Kal**' of next 25 years – from India at 75 to India at 100.
- **Production Linked Incentive schemes in 14 sectors** with the potential to create **60 lakh new jobs**, and the additional new production of **Rs 30 lakh crore**.
- Startups will be promoted to facilitate **Drone Shakti** to make drone a service. In select ITIs in all states, courses will be started.
- **Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme** to be extended up to **March 2023**, guaranteed cover extended by another Rs **50,000 crore**. The total cover under the scheme is now **Rs 5 lakh crore**. An additional amount has been earmarked for the hospitality sector.

- Announcement of **Ken Betwa river** linking project worth **Rs 44,605 crore** to be beneficial for capital goods players.
- Govt continuously encouraging digital banking. Taking forward, **75 digital banking units will be set up in 75 districts**.
- PM Modi's development initiatives for the **North East** will be implemented by the **North Eastern Council**. This will enable livelihood activities for the youth and women. This scheme is not a substitute for the existing Centre or state schemes.
- Issuance of **e-passports** will be rolled out in **2022-23** to make it easier for citizens. Ease of business 2.0 will be launched.
- **5G spectrum auctions** to be carried out in **calendar 2022** to enable the launch of services within FY22-23.
- **Animation, visual effects, gaming and comics sector** offers immense potential to employ youth. An **AVGC promotion task force** with all stakeholders will be set up to recommend ways to realise this and build domestic capacity for serving our markets and the global demand.
- **Special Economic Zones Act** will be replaced with new legislation for the development of enterprises and hubs. It will cover the existing industrial enclaves and enhance the competitiveness of exports.
- Effective capital expenditure of the Central government is estimated at **Rs 10.68 lakh crore** in 2022-23, about **4.1% of GDP**.
- To facilitate domestic manufacturing of **280 gigawatts of installed solar capacity by 2030**, an additional allocation of **Rs 19,500 crore** for PLI for manufacturing of high-efficiency modules with priority to fully integrate manufacturing units to solar PV modules will be made.

- **Digital rupee** to be issued using blockchain and other technologies and will be issued by **RBI starting 2022-23**. This will give a big boost to the economy. This will give a big boost to the economy. Introduction of central bank digital currency to boost digital economy, and lays down a solid plan of the government to have a public digital currency.
- For 2022-23, an allocation of **Rs 1 lakh crore** has been made to assist the states in catalysing overall investments in the economy. These **50-year interest-free loans** are over and above normal borrowings allowed to states. It'll be used for PM Gati Shakti-related and other productive capital investments of states.
- Aims to lower the winding up of companies to **6 months from 2 years currently**.

#### **Tax Proposals:**

- Nirmala Sitharaman announced a **new tax rule for taxpayers** where a taxpayer can file an updated return on payment of taxes within **two years** from the end of the relevant assessment year.
- Both Centre and States govt employees' tax deduction limit to be increased from **10% to 14%** to help the social security benefits of state government employees and bring them at par with the Central govt employees.
- Income from transfer of digital assets (**Cryptocurrency**) to be charged **30% tax, plus 1% tax** on the transaction.
- Existing tax benefits for startups, which were offered redemption of taxes for **3 consecutive years, to be extended by 1 more year**.
- Income from Long Term Capital Gains will be **taxed at 15%**, the Finance Minister said.
- The gross **GST collections for the month of January 2022 are Rs 1,40,986 crore** —the highest since the inception of the tax.
- Duty concessions are being given to promote electronics manufacturing, wearables and hearables devices included. Duty concessions to [parts of mobile phones including camera modules etc.
- Customs on polished **diamonds, gemstones** cut to **5%**. Simply sawn diamonds will be exempted. To facilitate the export of jewellery through e-commerce, simplified regulations will be in place by June this year.
- Deduction for employer contribution to NPS increased to **14% from 10%** earlier for State govt employees on par with central govt employees.
- No set off permitted against other income.

- Alternate Minimum Tax for **cooperative societies** to be cut to **15%**. The proposal will reduce the surcharge on cooperative societies to be reduced from **12% to 7%**, for those whose income is between **Rs 1 crore and Rs 10 crore**.
- Unblended fuel to get an additional duty of **2 rupees per litre** from October 2022.
- Finance Minister announced a reduction of surcharge on unlisted shares from **28.5 per cent to 23 per cent**.

#### **Deficit/Expenditure:**

- Proposes fiscal deficit of 4.5% of GDP by 2025/26
- Projects fiscal deficit of 6.4% of GDP in 2022/23
- Revised fiscal deficit for 2021/22 at 6.9% of GDP
- Total expenditure in 2022/23 seen at 39.45 trillion rupees
- States will be allowed 4% fiscal deficit to GDP in FY23
- 50 year interest free loans over and above normal borrowing allocated to states
- Scheme for financial assistance to states for capital investment outlay to be 1 trillion rupees in 2022/23

#### **Financial inclusion:**

- 100% of **1.5 lakh post offices** will come on the core banking system, enabling financial inclusion and access to accounts through net banking, mobile banking, ATMs, and also providing online transfer of funds between post office accounts and bank accounts.
- This will be helpful especially for farmers and senior citizens in rural areas, enabling interoperability, and financial inclusion.

#### **Fiscal Deficit target set at 6.4% for FY23:**

- FY23 total expenditure seen at Rs 39.45 lakh crore.
- Total Receipts other than borrowing seen at Rs 22.84 lakh crore.
- Revised Fiscal Deficit 6.9% of GDP in FY22 as against 6.8% in Budget estimates.
- Fiscal Deficit target set at 6.4% for FY23.

#### **National Telehealth programme:**

- Sitharaman announced a **National telehealth programme** in Budget 2022. An open platform for the National Digital Health Ecosystem will be rolled out. It will consist of digital registries of health providers and health facilities, unique health identity and universal access to health facilities. The pandemic has accentuated mental health problems in people of all ages.

### Education sector:

- States will be encouraged to revise syllabi of agricultural universities to meet needs of natural, zero-budget & organic farming, modern-day agriculture. One class, one TV channel' program of **PM eVIDYA** will be expanded from **12 to 200 TV channels**. This will enable all states to provide supplementary education in regional languages for classes **1 to 12**.

### Indian Railways:

- PM Gati Shakti plans one of the four pillars of growth. **25,000 km** of national highways to be built in **2022-23**.
- **400 new-generation Vande Bharat trains** with higher efficiency and better facilities for passengers will be developed in the next three years. Over 2,000 km of the rail network to be brought under the indigenous world-class technology **KAWACH**, for safety and capacity augmentation.

### India's farmers

- Procurement of wheat in Rabi season 2021-22 and the estimated procurement of paddy in Kharif season 2021-22 will cover **1,208 lakh metric tonnes** of wheat and paddy from 163 lakh farmers & **Rs 2.37 lakh crores** will be the direct payment of MSP value to their accounts.
- Chemical-free natural farming to be promoted in India
- **Use of drones** to be promoted for crop assessment, digitization of land records, spraying of insecticides and nutrients. Fund to be facilitated through **NABARD** to finance start-ups for agriculture and rural enterprise which are relevant for the farm produce value chain.

### Infrastructure: PM Awas Yojana

- In 2022-23, **80 lakh houses** will be completed for identified beneficiaries of **PM Awas Yojana**; 60,000 houses will be identified as beneficiaries for PM Awas Yojana in rural & urban areas.
- **60,000 crore** allocated for providing access to tap water to 3.8 crore households. In 2022-23, 80 lakh households will be identified for the affordable housing scheme.

### Defence:

- **68%** of the capital procurement budget for Defence to be earmarked for domestic industry to promote Aatmanirbharta and reduce dependence on imports.
- This is up from **58%** last fiscal. Defense R&D will be opened up for industry, startups and academia with **25% of the defence R&D budget**.

### National Ropeways Development Program:

- National Ropeways Development Program, **Parvatmala** to be taken up on PPP mode.
- Contracts to be awarded in 2022-23 for **8 ropeway projects of 60 Km length**.

### Skill Development:

- **Digital Ecosystem for Skilling and Livelihood (DESH-Stack e-portal)** will be launched to empower citizens to skill, reskill or upskill through on-line training.
- Startups will be promoted to facilitate '**Drone Shakti**' and for **Drone-As-A-Service (DrAAS)**.

### Budget Allocation to Major Scheme:

| Scheme  | Budget Allocation (2022-23 BE) |
|---|--------------------------------|
| National Health Mission                         | Rs. 37,800 Crore               |
| Jal Jeevan Mission                              | Rs. 60,000 Crore               |
| National Education Mission                      | Rs. 39,553 Crore               |
| Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana                | Rs. 19,000 Crore               |
| PM Kisan  | Rs. 68,000 Crore               |
| Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rojgar Yojana               | Rs. 6,400 Crore                |
| Pardhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana         | Rs. 10,000 Crore               |
| PLI for Large Scale Electronics and IT Hardware | Rs. 528 Crore                  |
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### Top 5 Ministry in terms of Budget Allocation for 2022-23

| Ministry   | Budget                |
|--|-----------------------|
| Ministry of Defence  | Rs. 5,25,166.15 Crore |
| Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution | Rs. 2,17,684.46 Crore |
| Ministry of Road Transport and Highways                    | Rs. 1,99,107.71 Crore |
| Ministry of Home Affairs                                   | Rs. 1,85,776.55 Crore |
| Ministry of Railways                                       | Rs. 1,40,367.13 Crore |

## Economic Survey 2022: Key highlights of Economic Survey

Finance Minister, **Nirmala Sitharaman** has presented **Economic Survey 2021-22** in the Parliament on 31st January 2022. The pre-budget Economic Survey, which is tabled in Parliament ahead of the Union Budget to present the state of the economy and suggest policy prescriptions. The pre-Budget Economic Survey is authored by a team led by **Chief Economic Advisor (CEA)**. Days before the presentation, the Centre appointed economist **V Anantha Nageswaran** as the new CEA.

### What is the Economic Survey ?

- Economic Survey is an annual document of the Ministry of Finance. It reviews the economic progress of the country and issues in the last 12 months.
- The survey provides information related to the performance of key developmental schemes launched by the government. The document also explains the performance of major government policies and their impact.
- The Economic Survey discusses major fiscal developments, macroeconomic factors, inflation, and other economic factors. The document also highlights the impact of agriculture, climate change, and employment on the economy of the country.
- The 1st Economic Survey was tabled in **1950-51**. However, till the year **1964**, it was presented along with the budget.

**Theme of Economic Survey 2021-22** is the “**Agile approach**”

**Here are the key highlights from the Economic Survey 2021-22:**

- As per first advanced estimates by NSO, Indian economy estimated to grow by **9.2 percent in real terms in 2021-22** (current fiscal).
- Real term GDP in **2022-23 (FY23) projected to grow by 8- 8.5 percent**.
- Economy had **contracted by 7.3% in 2020-21** due to impact of pandemic and subsequent nationwide lockdowns.
- Agriculture least hit by pandemic. **Agriculture and allied sectors expected to grow by 3.9 percent in 2021-22;**
- Industry sector to grow by 11.8 percent and services sector by 8.2 percent in 2021-22.
- Service Sector GVA expected to grow by 8.2 percent in 2021-22.

- India’s consumption estimated to grow by 7.0 percent, Gross Fixed Capital Formation (GFCF) by 15 percent, exports by 16.5 percent and imports by 29.4 percent in 2021-22.
- **Between April to November, 2021**
- Revenue receipts from the Central Government gone up by 67.2 percent (YoY) as against an expected growth of 9.6 percent in the 2021-22
- Index of Industrial Production (IIP) grew at 17.4 percent (YoY) as compared to (-)15.3 percent in 2020.
- Capital Expenditure (Capex) grown by 13.5 percent (YoY) with focus on infrastructure-intensive sectors.
- Central Government debt gone up from 49.1 percent of GDP in 2019-20 to 59.3 percent of GDP in 2020-21, due to enhanced borrowings on account of COVID-19.
- Government has set up a **National Land Monetisation Corporation (NLMC)**, as a 100 percent Government of India owned entity, to fast track monetisation of land and non-core assets of public sector entities. NLMC will have an initial authorised share capital of Rs 5,000 crore and subscribed share capital of Rs 150 crore.
- Foreign Exchange Reserves crossed US\$ 600 billion in the first half of 2021-22 and touched **US \$633.6 billion as of December 31, 2021**.
- **India was the fourth largest forex reserves holder in the world** after China, Japan and Switzerland, as of end-November 2021.
- To achieve **\$5 trillion GDP by FY25, India needs to spend about \$1.4 trillion**.
- **Startup ecosystem:**
- **India has third largest startup ecosystem in the world** after US and China. Number of new recognized start-ups increased to over 14000 in 2021-22 from 733 in 2016-17.
- 44 Indian start-ups achieved unicorn status in 2021 taking overall tally of unicorns to 83.
- Delhi has replaced Bengaluru as the startup capital of India.
- India climbed 35 notches in the **Global Innovation Index**, from 81st in 2015-16 to 46th in 2021.
- India’s overall score on the **NITI Aayog SDG India Index and Dashboard** improved to 66 in 2020-21 from 60 in 2019-20 and 57 in 2018-19.
- India has the **tenth largest forest area in the world**.
- 157.94 crore doses of COVID-19 vaccines administered as on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2022; 91.39 crore first dose and 66.05 crore second dose.

- **National Family Health Survey-5 data**
- Total Fertility Rate (TFR) came down to 2 in 2019-21 from 2.2 in 2015-16
- Infant Mortality Rate (IMR), under-five mortality rate and institutional births have improved in 2019-21 over year 2015-16
- Under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), 83 districts have become 'Har Ghar Jal' districts.

## Australian Open 2022: Rafael Nadal beats Daniil Medvedev

**Rafael Nadal (Spain)** has defeated **Daniil Medvedev (Russia)** 2-6,6-7,6-4,6-4,7-5 to win the Men's Singles title at the **Australian Open 2022**. This is his 21st Major title, becoming the first male player to do so. In women's tennis, Margaret Court (Australian) has 24 singles majors, an all-time record. In women's, World Number 1 **Ashleigh Barty of Australia** defeated Danielle Collins of the US, 6-3 7-6, to win women's singles final title at the **Australian Open 2022**.

### The winners list of Australian Open Tennis Title 2022:

| Events          | Winners                                   |
|-----------------|---|
| Men's Singles   | Rafael Nadal                              |
| Women's Singles | Ashleigh Barty                            |
| Men's Doubles   | Thanasi Kokkinakis and Nick Kyrgios       |
| Women's Doubles | Barbora Krejčíková and Kateřina Siniaková |
| Mixed Doubles   | Kristina Mladenovic and Ivan Dodig        |

## Uttar Pradesh wins best state tableau of Republic Day parade 2022

The tableau of **Uttar Pradesh** has been picked as the best tableau among the 12 States/UTs which participated in the **Republic Day parade on January 26, 2022**. The theme of the tableau of Uttar Pradesh was '**One District One Product and Kashi Vishwanath Dham**'. A total of 12 states and union territories had participated in the Republic Day parade on January 26. The second place went to **Karnataka** for its tableau based on '**cradle of traditional handicrafts**' while the third position went to **Meghalaya** for its tableau based on '**Meghalaya's 50 years of Statehood and its tribute to women-led cooperative societies & SHGs**'.

### Other winners of Republic Day parade 2022:

- Best marching contingent among three Services: **Indian Navy**
- Best marching contingent among CAPF/other auxiliary forces: **Central Industrial Security Force (CISF)**
- The tableaux of the **ministry of education and the ministry of civil aviation** have been declared as joint winners in the category of central ministries and departments. The theme of the tableau of the ministry of education and the ministry of skill development and entrepreneurship was '**National Education Policy**'. The tableau of the ministry of civil aviation was based on the theme '**Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik**'.

### Popular Choice Awards

The popular choice category award was introduced for the first time in 2022, wherein the general public was invited to vote for the best marching contingents and best tableaux through the MyGov platform. The online poll was conducted between January 25-31, 2022.

### List of winners:

1. Best state/UTs Tableau: **Maharashtra** (Theme 'Biodiversity and State Bio-symbols of Maharashtra'.);
2. Best marching contingent among three Services: **Indian Air Force**;
3. Best marching contingent among CAPF/other auxiliary forces: **Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)**;
4. Central Ministry: **Ministry of Communication/Department of Posts** (Theme 'India Post: 75 years @ Resolve – Women Empowerment'.)

## Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled 'Statue of Equality'

Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has dedicated to the nation 216-feet tall '**Statue of Equality** in Hyderabad to commemorate the **11th-century Bhakti saint Ramanujacharya**. The statue has been conceptualised by Chinna Jeeyar Swami of Sri Ramanujacharya Ashram. The inauguration of the statue is a part of the 12-day Sri Ramanuja Sahasrabdi Samaroham, the ongoing **1000th birth anniversary** celebrations of the Bhakti saint. A 3D presentation on the life and teachings of the saint will also be showcased during the event.

### Structure of the Statue:

- The statue is made of '**panchaloha**', a combination of five metals- gold, silver, copper, brass, and zinc. It is among one of the tallest metallic statues in sitting positions in the world.
- The **216-feet** tall 'Statue of Equality statue is mounted on a **54-feet** high base building, called '**Bhadra Vedi**'.
- The floors of the building are dedicated to a Vedic digital library and research centre, ancient Indian texts, a theatre, an educational gallery detailing works of Sri Ramanujacharya.

### About the Ramanujacharya:

Ramanuja or Ramanujacharya was an Indian philosopher, Hindu theologian, social reformer, and one of the most important exponents of the Sri Vaishnavism tradition within Hinduism. His philosophical foundations for devotionism were influential to the Bhakti movement. Ramanujacharya promoted the idea of equality in all aspects of life including faith, caste and creed.

## National Affairs

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has launched the **Pandit Jasraj Cultural Foundation** on the occasion of the **92nd birth anniversary** of the Indian classical vocalist. Prime Minister Modi said that the World is entitled to benefit from Indian music like they have from Yoga.
- According to Economic Survey, the government is setting up the **National Land Monetisation Corporation (NLMC)** to carry out the monetization of the land and other non-core assets. The initial authorized share capital of NLMC will be **Rs 5000 crores** and subscribed share capital of ₹150 crores. So far, CPSEs have referred **3,400 acres of land** and other non-core assets for monetization from CPSEs including MTNL, BSNL, BPCL, B&R, BEML, HMT Ltd, Instrumentation Ltd.

- The **United States** was India's top trading partner in the calendar year **2021** with a trade of **\$112.3 billion**. The US is followed by China on second. The value of trade between India and China was **\$110.4 billion**. In 2020, China was India's top trading partner and the US was in the second rank. In 2019 USA was India's top trading partner and China was on second.
- **The 2022 Winter Olympics** has kicked off on **February 04, 2022, in Beijing, China** and will continue till **February 20, 2022**. The Opening Ceremony was held at Beijing's National Stadium, also known as the Bird's Nest. However, **India** had announced the diplomatic level boycott of the **Beijing Winter Olympics opening and closing ceremony**. This means that no Indian officials will attend the opening and closing ceremony. However, the country has sent one of its athletes, **Arif Khan (skier)**, to attend the event.

## States in the News

- The **first geological park of India** will be built in **Lamheta, Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh**. Approval for the park was given by the Geological Survey of India, under the ministry of mining. Park will be constructed with an investment of **Rs 35 crores**, over five-acre land.
- **Chief Electoral Officer's office of Punjab** unveiled its election mascot, "**Shera**" (**Lion**). It aims to increase voter awareness, participation and promote ethical voting in the Punjab Assembly polls that is scheduled on 20 February 2022. The mascot "Shera", depicting a lion. It represents the rich cultural heritage of Punjab.
- Social activists have built a temple for **Mahatma Gandhi and freedom fighters' Smrithi Vanam** at the **Municipal Park in Srikakulam, Andhra Pradesh** to inculcate patriotism among the youth by remembering the sacrifices of freedom fighters. Statues of freedom fighters and social activists were erected in the park with the help of donors.
- The three days long **Torgya Festival** of the **Monpa tribal community of Arunachal Pradesh** is celebrated at **Tawang Monastery, Arunachal Pradesh**. The main attraction of the festival is the '**Sha-na Cham**', the ritual dance performed by monks to showcase the **Choe-Gyal Yap & Yum Tsa-Munde deity**.

## International Affairs

- In Honduras, the Freedom and Refoundation Party (Libre) member **Xiomara Castro** has been sworn in as the **first female President of the country**. The 62-year-old Castro replaces President Juan Orlando Hernández, as 56th President of Honduras. Hernández has held the position for eight years from 27 January 2014 to 27 January 2022.
- **North Korea** successfully tested its **Hwasong-12** intermediate-range ballistic missile from the **Jagang Province area**. This was the first nuclear-capable missile testing undertaken by the country since 2017. The Hwasong-12 has an estimated range of **4,500 km (2,800 miles)**.
- The Prime Minister of Portugal, **Antonio Costa** has been re-elected after his centre-left Socialist Party secured a landslide victory in the **2022 Portuguese legislative election**. Socialist Party bagged 117 seats in the 230 seats Parliament.
- Dubai firm, **THE JET ZeroEmission** announced the launch of the World's first hydrogen-powered flying boat **'THE JET'** in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. 'THE JET' features cutting-edge characteristics and technologies, making it capable of flying in silence over the waters at a cruising speed of **40 knots** and also has a capacity of carrying **8-12 passengers**.
- **China** is celebrating the Spring Festival, it's the most important annual festival as it entered the Lunar new **"Year of the Tiger"**. Last year was celebrated as the **Lunar Year of the Ox**. According to the Chinese Zodiac calendar, the Year of the Ox has ended and the Year of the Tiger has begun from February 1, 2022, and will end on January 21, 2023.

## Agreements/MoUs Signed

- Social media giant **Meta** has partnered with industry body the **Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI)** to support five lakh women-led small businesses across India. Meta will undertake this initiative under its **#SheMeansBusiness** programme, in partnership with FICCI's **'Empowering the Greater 50%'** initiative. The initiative will create a supportive ecosystem for women and inspire them to become contributors to the overall development of the country.

- **The Government of India** has joined hands with the **Government of Israel** to create 150 **'Villages of Excellence'** in 12 States of the country, to help farmers to adopt the latest technology in the farm sector. Israel would provide Technical assistance and other expertise to make agriculture a more profitable business.
- **State Bank of India (SBI)** has launched a dedicated centralized processing cell named **'Surya Shakti Cell'** with the objective of strengthening the existing financing arrangement for solar power projects. SBI has collaborated with **Tata Power Solar Systems Ltd. (a Tata Power Company)** for financing solar power projects.
- **Vedanta Ltd** has tied up a facility of **Rs 8,000 crores (replacement facility)** with **Union Bank of India** at **7.75%** to take over the majority of the syndicated facility after discussions with lenders. During 2020, amid the COVID-19 pandemic, Vedanta Ltd had tied up a syndicated facility of ₹10K crores with the State Bank of India as the lead bank at a running cost of **10.5 per cent**.
- The **State Bank of India (SBI)** has signed a tripartite **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** with the **Indira Gandhi Centre for the Arts (IGNCA)** and **National Culture Fund (NCF)** of the Ministry of Culture, for Development of **Atmanirbhar Bharat Centre for Design (ABCD)** at L1 Barrack, Red Fort, in Delhi. The main objective of Project ABCD is to highlight, promote and celebrate the products that have the Geographical Indication sign to give a boost to Economic Value Addition to GI products from India.

## Books and Authors

- The book titled **'Fearless Governance'** authored by **Dr Kiran Bedi** has been released. She is the former Lt Governor of Puducherry and IPS (retd). This book is based on the ground realities of nearly five years of service of Dr Bedi as Lt. Governor of Puducherry and her vast experience of 40 years in the Indian Police Service.
- A book titled **'Operation Khatma'** has been released which is authored by journalists **RC Ganjoo and Ashwini Bhatnagar**. The book is based upon the operation by the Special Operations Group of Jammu & Kashmir Police which led to the killing of 22 terrorists of the Jammu & Kashmir Liberation Front (JKLF).

- India's first-ever season style book titled '**The Class of 2006: Sneak Peek into the Misadventures of the Great Indian Engineering Life**', written by **Akash Kansal** a management professional. The book was virtually launched at one of the biggest book launch ceremonies at IIT Kanpur, & Delhi Technological University.
- A Trilogy book series titled, '**India, That is Bharat: Coloniality, Civilisation, Constitution**' is authored by **J Sai Deepak** and published by **Bloomsbury India**. The 1st part was released on 15th August 2021, is set to launch the 2nd part in June 2022. Whereas, the 3rd and last parts will be released in June 2023.
- A short biography of Indian athlete **Neeraj Chopra** has titled '**Golden Boy Neeraj Chopra**' authored by sports author **Navdeep Singh Gill** has been released. Neeraj Chopra won a Gold medal in **Javelin Throw** at the **2020 Tokyo Olympics**.
- **Virzu Studios** in association with **MIDAS Deals Pvt Ltd** has released the motion poster of its upcoming graphic novel, **Atharva - The Origin**. Cricketer **Mahendra Singh Dhoni** has been portrayed as the superhero Atharva in this graphic novel. The motion poster features a rugged looking Dhoni, giving fans a glimpse into the world of Atharva and also a sneak peek into the first look of him as a superhero.
- **Punjab National Bank (PNB)** and **Patanjali Ayurved Limited (PAL)** have launched co-branded contactless credit cards in partnership with the **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)**. The co-branded credit cards are offered on NPCI's RuPay Platform and are available in two variants - **PNB RuPay Platinum** and **PNB RuPay Select**.
- As per SBI Chairman **Dinesh Kumar Khara**, **National Asset Reconstruction Company Ltd (NARCL)** or **bad bank** and **IndiaDebt Resolution Company Ltd (IDRCL)** are ready to commence operations. A total of 38 **Non-Performing Asset (NPA)** accounts worth Rs 82,845 crore have been identified to be transferred to NARCL initially.
- The **Reserve Bank of India** has cancelled the license of **Independence Co-operative Bank Ltd., Nashik, Maharashtra** w.e.f February 03, 2022. The major reason for the cancellation of the license by RBI is that bank does not have adequate capital and earning prospects. This means that it does not comply with the provisions of **Section 11(1) and Section 22 (3) (d) read with Section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949**.
- **Tata Group** has chosen **State Bank of India, Bank of Baroda and HDFC Bank** as preferred bankers for **Air India**. Recently Tata Group has taken over Air India from the government. Air India is the largest international carrier out of India with an **18.6%** market share. Tata Sons have availed of a **Rs 10,000-crore loan** from SBI and a **Rs 5,000-crore loan** from BoB. The loan from HDFC Bank is not known yet. The loans are unrated, unsecured, and pegged at 4.25% [interest rate] annually.

## Banking/Economy/Business News

- **Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL)** has set up '**new banknote printing lines**' at its **Currency Note Press, Nashik** and **Bank Note Press, Dewas**.
- **State Bank of India (SBI)** has issued **\$300 million Formosa bonds** and listed the issuance on **India INX GIFT IFSC**. The lender is the first Indian entity to raise money through Formosa Bond, which is a bond issued in Taiwan. SBI was the first issuer whose Green bonds were dually listed in November 2021 on Luxembourg Stock Exchange through an MOU that has been entered into by both Exchanges.
- **Reserve Bank of India** has imposed several restrictions on **Indian Mercantile Cooperative Bank Ltd, Lucknow**, including a cap of **Rs 1 lakh on withdrawals**. The restrictions came into force from the closure of business hours on January 28, 2022.



- **Paytm Money** has introduced “India’s first” intelligent messenger called ‘Pops’. The company has launched ‘Pops’, with which users can receive specific information related to their **stocks, analysis about their portfolio, market news, and important market movements** in an easy to consume format, all in one place. The platform will also serve as a marketplace to offer sophisticated stock recommendations, news insights, and other services.
- Tata Group company, **Tata Steel Long Products Ltd’s (TSLP)** has acquired Odisha-based **Neelachal Ispat Nigam Ltd (NINL)** for Rs 12,100 crore. Neelachal Ispat Nigam Ltd (NINL) is a steel plant located in Kalinganagar in Odisha and was shut in March 2020 due to continued losses. It has a capacity of 1.1 million tonnes a year. This is the 1st instance of privatisation of a public sector steel manufacturing enterprise in India.
- **National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)** and the **UPI ecosystem** (comprising of leading banks and fintechs) have announced the UPI Safety and Awareness initiative, to create awareness amongst consumers. Under this initiative, NPCI and the UPI ecosystem will observe **February 1-7 as ‘UPI Safety and Awareness Week’** and the whole of February as **‘UPI Safety and Awareness Month’**.
- **Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (HPCL)** has marked its foray into the non-fuel retailing sector by inaugurating its Retail Store under the brand name **HaPpyShop**, to make available the products of daily need to its customers at their convenience. The first retail store was launched by HPCL in September 2021 in Mumbai at Company’s Retail Outlet located at Nepean Sea Road.
- **Sony Group Corp.** is purchasing **Bungie Inc.**, the U.S. video game developer behind the popular Destiny and Halo franchises, for **\$3.6 billion** to bolster its stable of game-making studios. The deal announced by Sony Interactive Entertainment is the third significant video-game acquisition this month, following **Microsoft Corp.’s purchase of Activision Blizzard Inc.** for **\$69 billion** two weeks ago and Take-Two Interactive Corp. snagging mobile game leader Zynga Inc. on Jan. 10.
- **Export-Import Bank of India (Exim Bank)** on behalf of the government of India, extended a line of credit of **\$500 million** to the government of the socialist republic of **Sri Lanka** for financing the purchase of petroleum products. The fund will be used by the Island nation for the purchase of petroleum products.
- Domestic rating agency **CRISIL** has estimated FY23 real GDP growth at **7.8 per cent** as compared with the **8.5 per cent** projected in the Economic Survey. Estimating the growth to slow to **7.8 per cent in FY23** from the **9.2 per cent in FY22**.
- The National Statistical Office recently released the first revised GDP estimates for the fiscal year 2021. According to the estimates, the **GDP contracted by 6.6%**. Earlier, the GDP had contracted by **7.3%**. The contraction is mainly due to the COVID pandemic and the lockdown imposed.

## Appointments/Resignations

- Lieutenant General **GAV Reddy** has been appointed as the new head of the **Defence Intelligence Agency**. General Reddy would be succeeding **Lt Gen KJS Dhillon**. Lieutenant General KJS Dhillon retired after serving in various strategic positions during his 39-year career in the Indian Army.
- Former Reserve Bank of India (RBI) governor, **Urjit Patel** has resigned from the post of non-executive and independent director of **Britannia Industries Limited**, citing a full-time work assignment starting next month. He was a part of the Board of the Company. The former governor also confirmed that there was no other reason other than his new project for the resignation.
- **Dr. Madan Mohan Tripathi** has joined as Director-General of the **National Institute of Electronics & Information Technology (NIELIT)**. Before joining NIELIT, Dr Madan Mohan Tripathi was working as Professor at Delhi Technological University (DTU), New Delhi. In DTU he also worked as Director Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and Coordinator of Intellectual Property Rights Cell.
- The former secretary, Department of Sports, **Ravi Mittal** has been appointed as the **Chairman of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI)**, as per the notification issued by the Ministry of Corporate Affairs. He is a 1986 batch IAS officer from Bihar cadre. He will serve as the Chairman of IBBI for a term of five years or till he attains 65 years of age, whichever is early.
- Senior scientist **GA Srinivasa Murthy** has been appointed director of **Defence Research and Development Laboratory (DRDL)** of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) in Hyderabad. He joined DRDL in the year 1987 and made significant contributions in the area of structural dynamics, ground resonance testing, electrical integration and checkout for various projects of the missile complex.

- The government of India has appointed JNU (Jawaharlal Nehru University) Vice-Chancellor, **M Jagadesh Kumar** as the new **Chairman of the University Grants Commission (UGC)**.
- The Government of India has appointed **Sonali Singh** to hold the additional charge of the **Controller General of Accounts (CGA)**, under the Department of Expenditure, Ministry of Finance, with effect from February 01, 2022. She has been appointed in place of **Dipak Dash**, who superannuated on January 31, 2022.
- The low-cost Indian airline, **IndiGo** has appointed its co-founder and promoter **Rahul Bhatia** as the **Managing Director (MD) of the company** with immediate effect. He is the first-ever MD of Indigo, because before this the company never had a managing director. Ronojoy Dutta is the CEO of the Indigo.

### Defence News

- The **Indian Navy's** brand-new submarine, the **fifth** of the six French-designed Scorpene-class submarines named "**Vagir**", sailed out on its first sea sortie and will now undergo rigorous trials before it is delivered to the **Navy later this year**. The submarine-designated "**Yard 11879**" during its construction by **Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL)** in collaboration with the Naval Group of France will be named "**Vagir**" after it is commissioned into service.
- **Ministry of Defence** had launched the **Services e-Health Assistance and Teleconsultation (SeHAT)** medical teleconsultation service for all entitled armed forces personnel and their families in May 2021. To add further to this initiative, the Home Delivery or Self Pickup of Medicines to patients seeking consultation on SeHAT will be started w.e.f **February 01, 2022**.
- **India and Philippines** signed a 375 million dollar deal for the sale of **BrahMos supersonic anti-ship cruise missiles** to the Philippines Navy. Defence Secretary of Philippines Delfin Lorenzana and Indian Envoy to Philippines Shambhu Kumaran signed the contract in Manila. The development is a major shot in the arm for India's efforts to become an exporter of defence hardware.

### Awards and Recognitions

- New Zealand cricketer, **Daryl Mitchell** has been named the winner of the **International Cricket Council (ICC) Spirit of Cricket Award 2021**. This award is given to him for his gesture of refusing to take a single in the high-pressure 2021 ICC Men's T20 World Cup Semi-Finals against England as he felt he had "obstructed" the way of bowler **Adil Rashid** at the **Sheikh Zayed Stadium in Abu Dhabi**.
- Tokyo Olympics gold medallist, **Neeraj Chopra** has been nominated for the **prestigious 2022 Laureus World Breakthrough of the Year Award**.
- A Telugu short film '**Street Student**' by **Akula Sandeep** depicting the story of a street urchin with a strong message on right to education has bagged the first prize in a competition organised by the **National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)**.

### Summit and Conference

- **India and ASEAN nations** have approved a work plan titled **India-ASEAN Digital Work Plan 2022**, during the second **ASEAN Digital Ministers' (ADGMIN)** Meeting held virtually. The ADGMIN meeting was co-chaired by Devusinh Chauhan, Minister of State for Communications, Government of India, and Admiral Tin Aung San, Myanmar's Minister of Transport and Communications.
- Prime Minister **Shri Narendra Modi** has addressed **30th National Commission for Women Foundation Day programme** on January 31, 2022, via video conference. The event was organised to celebrate the achievements of women in different fields. The theme of the programme was '**She The Change Maker**'.

### Ranks and Reports

- **Maharashtra** has topped India's list in the number of **micro, small and medium enterprises (MSME)** owned by entrepreneurs from the **Scheduled Castes** with as many as **96,805 enterprises**. **Tamil Nadu** with 42,997 enterprises and **Rajasthan** with 38,517 units occupy the second and third slots, according to the data furnished by the Office of the Development Commissioner in the Union Ministry of MSME.

- As per a brand valuation report released by Brand Finance, **Life Insurance Corporation** has been ranked at **10th** in the list of insurance brands globally. LIC is the only Indian insurance company in the top 10 list. LIC has a valuation of **USD 8.656 billion (around Rs 64,722 crore)**. Of the top 10, as many as 5 are Chinese insurance companies, with by **Ping An Insurance** emerging as the world's most valuable insurance brand, despite recording a 26 per cent drop in brand value. The US has two companies in the top 10, while France, Germany, and India have one each in the list.
- The **unemployment rate in India** in January 2022 fell sharply to **6.57%**, according to the data from the economic think-tank, the **Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE)**. This is the lowest rate witnessed since March 2021. In December 2021, the unemployment rate rose to a four-month high of **7.91%**, compared to **6.97% in November**. **Telangana** recorded the lowest unemployment rate in January at 0.7%. This was followed by **Gujarat** at 1.2%, **Meghalaya** at 1.5%, **Odisha** at 1.8% and **Karnataka** at 2.9%. Haryana witnessed the highest unemployment rate of 23.4% in January 2022. It was followed by **Rajasthan (18.9%)**, **Tripura (17.1%)**, **Jammu & Kashmir (15%)** and **Delhi (14.1%)**.

### Science and Technology News

- South Korean electronics manufacturing giant, **Samsung Electronics** surpassed U.S chipmaker **Intel** to become the **world's leading chipmaker by revenue in 2021**, according to a report released by research firm **Counterpoint Technology Market Research**.

- The **Global Center of Excellence in Affordable and Clean energy** was recently launched at **IIT Dharwad**. The center will enhance the research in affordable and clean energy. The center will create, incubate technologies, physical infrastructure. Also, it will create clean energy solutions. The solutions will target on livelihoods of rural communities.
- The **Indian Institute of Science (IISc.)**, Bengaluru, has installed and commissioned **Param Pravega**, one of the most powerful supercomputers in India. It is also the largest supercomputer in an Indian academic institution. Param Pravega has a total supercomputing capacity of **3.3 petaflops (1 petaflop equals a quadrillion or 10<sup>15</sup> operations per second)**. The supercomputer has been designed by the **Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC)**. It has been developed under the **National Supercomputing Mission (NSM)**.

### Sports News

- **India** defeated China, 2-0 to win the **bronze medal** at the **2022 Women's Hockey Asia Cup tournament**. The 2022 Women's Hockey Asia Cup was the 10th edition of the quadrennial Women's Hockey Asia Cup. The tournament was held from January 21 to 28, 2022 at the Sultan Qaboos Sports Complex in **Muscat, Oman**.
- **Argentina** defeated **Chile**, 4-2 to win its **6th women's field hockey championship title** at the **2022 Women's Pan American Cup**. The Women's Pan American Cup is the quadrennial international championship of the Americas organized by the Pan American Hockey Federation.
- Indian men's hockey player **PR Sreejesh** has won the **World Games Athlete of the Year award for 2021**. He is the second Indian after **Rani Rampal** to win this award. In 2020, Indian women's hockey captain Rani Rampal became the first Indian to win the honour for her performances in 2019.
- **Chennai Super Kings (CSK)**, has become the country's first sports Unicorn with its market cap having touched a high of **Rs 7,600 crores** and its share in the grey market trading in the **Rs 210-225 price band**.

- Indian teenager **Unnati Hooda** beat compatriot **Smit Toshniwal**, 21-18, 21-11, to claim the women's singles title at the **2022 Odisha Open badminton tournament**. The 14-year old Unnati is the youngest Indian to win the tournament. In men's singles, India's 21-year-old **Kiran George** beat **Priyanshu Rajawat** 21-15, 14-21, 21-18 to emerge as the winner. The 2022 Odisha Open is a BWF Super 100 tournament, organized at the **Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium, Cuttack, Odisha**.
- World Champion Grand Master **Magnus Carlsen** has secured his victory in Wijk Aan Zee (Netherlands) with a round to spare. The world champion defeated **GM Fabiano Caruana** and now leads the **2022 Tata Steel Chess Tournament** by a full point. It was his 8th win, a unique achievement.
- The Government has decided to continue the scheme of '**Khelo India - National Programme for Development of Sports**' over the **15th Finance Commission Cycle** — 2021-22 to 2025-26 — at an outlay of Rs 3165.50 crore. Khelo India Scheme Allocation increases by **48 per cent** in Budget 2022 and includes it in the **Prime Minister's Award Scheme.**"
- **World Wetlands Day** is observed every year on **February 2** all over the world. 2022 marks **51 years** of the Convention on Wetlands. The international theme for World Wetlands Day 2022 is '**Wetlands Action for People and Nature**'. The day aims to raise awareness about the crucial role played by wetlands for people and our planet.
- **World Interfaith Harmony Week** is an annual event observed during the **first week of February (1-7 February)**, after **General Assembly designation in 2010**. World Interfaith Harmony Week (WIHW), was conceived to promote cultural peace and nonviolence. The World Interfaith Harmony Week is based on the pioneering work of **The Common Word initiative**.
- The '**International Day of Human Fraternity**' is celebrated across the world on **4th February**. The day aims to raise awareness about different cultures and religions, or beliefs, and the promotion of tolerance; and to educate people that tolerance, pluralistic tradition, mutual respect, and the diversity of religions and beliefs promote human fraternity.
- **World Cancer Day** is observed every year globally on **4th February** by the **Union for International Cancer Control**. By raising worldwide **awareness**, improving **education** and catalysing personal, collective and government **action**, we are all working together to reimagine a world where millions of preventable cancer deaths are saved and access to life-saving cancer treatment and care is equitable for all - no matter who you are or where you live. So this year's World Cancer Day's theme, "**Close the Care Gap**".

### Important Days

- **World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day (World NTD Day)** is observed on January 30 every year to raise awareness about neglected tropical diseases (NTDs) as a critical public health challenge so that we can progress towards their elimination. 2022 theme is '**Achieving health equity to end the neglect of poverty-related diseases**'. The 2022 slogan is "**From neglect to care**".
- **World Leprosy Day** is observed globally on the last Sunday of January every year. In 2022, the World Leprosy Day falls on **January 30, 2022**. This year theme of World Leprosy Day 2022 is "**United for Dignity**".
- **Indian Coast Guard** is celebrating its **46th Raising Day** on **01 Feb 2022**. As the fourth largest Coast Guard in the world, the Indian Coast Guard has played a significant role in securing the Indian Coasts and enforcing regulations in the Maritime Zones of India. The ICG was formally established on **February 1, 1977**, by the Coast Guard Act, 1978 of the Parliament of India. It operates under the Ministry of Defence.

### Obituaries

- **Iqbal Singh Kingra**, who was an Indian socio-spiritual leader of the Sikh community and an educationalist passed away at the age of 95 years. He was conferred with the **Padma Shri** in 2022 for his contributions in the field of social work. He established Eternal University in 2008 and Akal University, Guru ki Kashi in 2015.
- Senior advocate and Additional Solicitor General (ASG), **Rupinder Singh Suri** has passed away. He was appointed the ASG in June 2020. He was designated as a senior advocate in 2009 and also served as the **President of the Supreme Court Bar Association and the Supreme Court Advocates on Record Association**. He served as standing counsel in the Supreme Court for Punjab for about 15 years.

- Actor and filmmaker **Amitabh Dayal** has passed away after suffering a heart attack at the age of 51. Dayal has worked in films like Kagaar: Life on the Edge (2003) with Om Puri, Bhojpuri film Rangdari (2012) and Raj Babbar's Dhuaan (2013), Amitabh Bachchan's Virrudh (2005).
- Prominent film personality **Ramesh Deo**, known for playing a diverse range of roles, in Marathi and Hindi movies, passed away due to a heart attack. During his career spanning several decades, the multi-faceted film personality has acted in over **450 Hindi and Marathi** feature films, apart from working in several television shows and commercials.

### Miscellaneous News

- **Tata Sky** has dropped the 'sky' brand name after 15 years and has rechristened itself as **Tata Play**. The DTH company has joined hands with Netflix to offer new OTT (over the top) content-centric channel packs as well. The new name of the company will be visible to the viewers. Tata Play Binge will hosts content from **13 leading OTT apps** through a single User Interface while offering the flexibility of a single subscription and payment.
- **Spituk Gustor Festival**, a two-day annual celebration of Ladakhi culture and traditional heritage celebrated on **30th & 31st January 2022 in Leh and Ladakh Union Territory**. To witness the colourful festivities, devotees arrive at the Spituk Monastery every year and attend the colourful mask dance locally called "Chams".
- The **Khijadiya Bird Sanctuary** near **Jamnagar in Gujarat** and **Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary** in **Uttar Pradesh** have been listed as **Wetlands of International Importance by the Ramsar Convention**. With this, the total number of Ramsar sites in India goes up to 49. Khijadiya has become the fourth wetland of Gujarat to get the Ramsar tag. **Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary, Thol Wildlife Sanctuary and Wadhvana wetland** are the other Ramsar sites in the state. The last two were included in April last year.
- **The Aravalli Biodiversity Park** in **Gurugram, Haryana**, has been declared as India's first "other effective area-based conservation measures" (OECM) site. This was informed by the Union ministry of environment, forest and climate change on the occasion of World Wetlands Day. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) gives OECM tag to those areas that are not protected but support rich biodiversity. The tag designates the area as a biodiversity hotspot on the international map.

### Static Takeaways

- Madhya Pradesh Capital: Bhopal;
- Madhya Pradesh Governor: Mangubhai C. Patel;
- Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister: Shivraj Singh Chouhan.
- Punjab Capital: Chandigarh;
- Punjab Chief minister: Charanjit Singh Channi;
- Punjab Governor: Banwarilal Purohit.
- Andhra Pradesh Capitals: Visakhapatnam (executive capital), Kurnool (judicial capital), Amaravati (legislative capital.);
- Andhra Pradesh Governor: Biswabhusan Harichandan;
- Andhra Pradesh Chief minister: Y. S. Jaganmohan Reddy.
- Arunachal Pradesh Capital: Itanagar;
- Arunachal Pradesh Chief minister: Pema Khandu;
- Arunachal Pradesh Governor: B.D. Mishra.
- Honduras Capital: Tegucigalpa
- Honduras Currency: Honduran lempira
- Honduras Continent: North America
- North Korea Capital: Pyongyang;
- North Korea Supreme leader: Kim Jong-un;
- North Korea Currency: North Korean won.
- Portugal President: Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa;
- Portugal Capital: Lisbon;
- Portugal Currency: Euro.
- UAE Capital: Abu Dhabi;
- UAE Currency: United Arab Emirates dirham;
- UAE President: Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan.
- China Capital: Beijing;
- China Currency: Renminbi;
- China President: Xi Jinping.
- Meta CEO: Mark Zuckerberg;
- Meta Headquarters: California, United States;
- FICCI President: Sanjiv Mehta;
- FICCI Founded: 1927;
- FICCI Headquarters: New Delhi;
- FICCI Secretary-General: Dilip Chenoy.
- Israel President: Isaac Herzog;
- Israel Capital: Jerusalem;
- Israel Prime minister: Naftali Bennett;
- Israel Currency: Israeli Shekel.
- Tata Power Solar Systems Ltd. Headquarters: Mumbai;
- Tata Power Solar Systems Ltd. Founded: 1989.
- Union Bank of India Headquarters: Mumbai;
- Union Bank of India CEO: Rajkiran Rai G.;

- Union Bank of India Founded: 11 November 1919, Mumbai.
- Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited Chairman and Managing Director: Tripti Patra Ghosh;
- Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited Founded: 10 February 2006.
- SBI Founded: 1 July 1955;
- SBI Headquarters: Mumbai;
- SBI Chairman: Dinesh Kumar Khara.
- Punjab National Bank Founded: 1894;
- Punjab National Bank Headquarters: New Delhi;
- Punjab National Bank MD & CEO: Atul Kumar Goel;
- Punjab National Bank Tagline: The Name You Can Bank Upon.
- Patanjali Ayurved Limited Founded: January 2006;
- Patanjali Ayurved Limited Headquarters: Haridwar;
- Patanjali Ayurved Limited Founders: Ramdev, Balkrishna.
- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Chairperson: Michael Patra;
- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Founded: 15 July 1978;
- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Headquarters: Mumbai.
- Export-Import Bank of India Founded: 1982;
- Export-Import Bank of India Headquarters: Mumbai.
- HPCL Headquarters: Mumbai;
- HPCL CEO and Chairperson: Mukesh Kumar Surana.
- NPCI Founded: 2008;
- NPCI Headquarters: Mumbai, Maharashtra;
- NPCI MD & CEO: Dilip Asbe.
- Tata Steel Founded: 25 August 1907, Jamshedpur;
- Tata Steel CEO: T. V. Narendran (31 Oct 2017-);
- Tata Steel Founder: Jamsetji Tata;
- Tata Steel Headquarters: Mumbai.
- Paytm Money CEO: Varun Sridhar;
- Paytm Money Headquarters location: Bengaluru;
- Paytm Money Founded: 20 September 2017.
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India Headquarters: New Delhi;
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India Founded: 1 October 2016.
- Chief of Naval Staff: Admiral R Hari Kumar;
- Indian Navy Founded: 26 January 1950.
- ICC Chairman: Greg Barclay;
- ICC CEO: Geoff Allardice;
- ICC Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates;
- ICC Founded: 15 June 1909.
- LIC Chairperson: M R Kumar;
- LIC Headquarters: Mumbai;
- LIC Founded: 1 September 1956.
- Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports: Anurag Singh Thakur.
- Indian Coast Guard Director-General: Virender Singh Pathania;
- Indian Coast Guard Founded: 1 February 1977;
- Indian Coast Guard Headquarters: Ministry of Defence, New Delhi.
- Ladakh (UT) Lieutenant Governor: Radha Krishna Mathur.