

Current Affairs

22 June

Important Day

International Day of the Solstice

- International Day of the celebration of the Solstice is observed on 21 June.
- Solstice is that point at which the sun is at its greatest distance from the world and on the other hand Equinox is when the space is at lowest.
- There are two solstices that occur annually. First one is 'summer solstice' in Northern hemisphere (21 June) and 'winter solstice' in Southern hemisphere (22 December).

Orbituary

Rajiner Goel

- Former Cricketer Rajinder Goel passes away.
- He was left arm-spinner.
- He was honoured CK Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award.

National

India and France

- **France** has signed a loan agreement of **200 million euros** with India to boost India's COVID 19 response.
- In this agreement France aims to increase the capacities of Central government and State government to tackle the COVID 19 situation.
- **World Bank** would be lead funder of this programme, being supported by French government agency.
- Capital of France : **Paris**
- President of France: **Emmanuel Macron**.

International

Micius

- A satellite named “Micius” was launched by China last week.
- The satellite is focused on quantum property of ‘entanglement’
- Einstein called its theory “Spooky action at distance”
- The satellite is focused on Security, computing and communication.

World Bank

- **World Bank** approves USD **1.05 billion** for three project in **Bangladesh**.
- This step is taken to generate quality jobs and boost economy in the wake of COVID 19 Pandemic.
- Headquarter of World Bank: **Washington, USA**
- President of World Bank: **David Malpass**

Meeting

EAG

- India attends 32 nd special Eurasian Group on combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism (EAG) plenary meeting
- The Eurasian Group on combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism (EAG) is a nine member regional body. They are: India, Russia, China, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, Belarus, Kyrgyzstan and Tajikistan.
- The body is an associate member of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) which is founded by G7 group.

Appointment

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- An Indian-American Scientist **Dr. Sethurman Panchanathan** has been appointed by the **U.S Senate** as the **Director of the National science Foundation**.
- He will be **16th Director** of the NSF
- National Science Foundation is an **independent federal agency** founded by **Congress** in **1950**.

Sports

International Tennis Federation

- India's tennis player **Niki Poonacha** is elected as a player member ITF world Tennis Tour player Panels.
- Headquarter of International Tennis Federation: **London, United Kingdom.**

Local

Play Little Study Little

- The state Government of **Tripura** has decided to start a scheme for school students from 25th June named “**Ekto Khelo Ektu Padho**” – meaning “**play Little Study Little**”
- The scheme will be implemented via SMS or Whatsapp.
- The objective of this scheme is to make sure students invest their time in studies at the time of uncertainty.
- Apart from studies it will also provide fun and games activities to boost their mental power.

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- Every morning from the headquarter the state's Education Department the learning contents will be shared with academic coordinator each district. The coordinator of the district will share the same with the headmaster of the schools at particular district. The school headmasters will further share it with the teachers of their schools, a single teacher will have the responsibility of a particular number of students of the school. And finally The teacher will share the content with the students.

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