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#### SHARANKUMAR LIMBALE

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- Marathi writer Dr. Sharankumar Limbale receives Saraswathi Samman for 2020.
- He is awarded for his Novel titled “Sanatan” written in 2018. The book “Sanatan” tells about the socio-cultural struggles of the untouchables. Saraswathi Samman is given to outstanding literary works from 22 Indian languages.

#### SUBHASH KUMAR

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- Subhash Kumar assumes the charges as Chairman and Managing Director(CMD) of ONGC (Oil and Natural Gas Corporation). He replaces CMD Shashi Shanker due to his retirement. Subhash Kumar is the present Finance Director of ONGC.

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## RAJESH KUMAR CHHIBBER

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- Rajesh Kumar Chhibber (R K Chhibber), the Chairman and Managing Director of Jammu & Kashmir for further 6 months or till the appointment of MD & CEO whichever is earlier. He has replaced Parvez Ahmed in order to increase transparency and profitability of the lender. Jammu & Kashmir bank was incorporated in 1938 and its Head quarter is Srinagar, Jammu & Kashmir.

## KAMALPREET KAUR

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- Kamalpreet Kaur, an Indian women Discus thrower qualified for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic games held in Japan (from July 23 – 8 August, 2021). She became the 1st Indian Women to cross 65m barrier in discus throw. Kamalpreet Kaur is from Badal Village, Sri Muktsar Sahib district of Punjab.

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## RAJINIKANTH

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- Rajinikanth to be Honoured with 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award 2019. Rajinikanth is 70 years old and he is 12th south Indian Actor to receive this award. Dadasaheb Phalke award is the highest honour for the artists in Indian Film Industry.

## CARMEN MARIA MACHADO

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- Carmen Maria Machado wins Rathbones Folio Literary Prize for 2021 for the work "In the dream house" released in 2019. Rathbones Folio literary prize is for Fiction, non-fiction and poetry works all over the world and it is given by London based publisher "The Folio Society".

## VIRAT KOHLI

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- Virat Kohli, Indian cricketer became Brand Ambassador for Digital Insurance company, a general insurance company & for Vivo Communication Technology Co. Ltd. Other Ambassadors for Vivo are Amir Khan and Sara Ali Khan. Digital Insurance company is Headquarters in Bengaluru, Karnataka with the valuation of 1.9 Billion USD (approx. Rs. 13918 crores) and Vijay Kumar as CEO.

### MALLIKA SRINIVASAN

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- Mallika Srinivasan is appointed as the Chairperson of the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB). She is the Chairman and Managing Director of Tractors and Farm Equipments (TAFE). She is the first private sector specialist to be appointed in PESB. Main role of PESB is the appointment of top management posts in Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs).

### EDUARD HEGER

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- Eduard Heger is appointed as the Prime Minister of Slovak by President Zuzana Caputova. He succeeds former PM Igor Matovic. Slovak capital is Bratislava and Currency is Euro.

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### MUKHMEET S BHATIA

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- Mukhmeet S Bhatia take charge as the Director General (DG) of Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC). ESIC headquarters in New Delhi and comes under Ministry of Labour and Employment, GOI. Mukhmeet S Bhatia previously served as the Additional Secretary in the Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance.

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### URJIT PATEL

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- Former RBI Governor Urjit Patel is appointed as Non-Executive and Independent Director of Britannia Industry for the period of 5 years from 31st March 2021 to 30th March 2026. Currently he is the on the Investment Advisory committee of the Army Group Insurance.

### BISWABHUSAN HARICHADAN

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- AP Governor Biswabhusan Harichandan receives Kalinga Ratna Samman 2021 award by Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu in Cuttack. Kalinga Ratna Samman is given for the person of Odisha who have contributed to any field in National or International Level.

### VJOSA OSMANI-SADRIU

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- Vjosa Osmani-Sadriu becomes Kosovo's 7th President succeeding Hashim Thaci. She is the country's youngest head of the State and one of the youngest Presidents in the world. Capital of Kosovo is Pristina and currency is Euro.

### NGUYEN XUAN PHUC

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- Nguyen Xuan Phuc Sworn in as President of Vietnam replacing Nguyen Phu Trong and Pham Minh Chinh elected as the New Prime Minister of Vietnam. Capital of Vietnam is Hanoi and currency is Vietnamese Dong.

### CHINTAN VAISHNAV

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- Chintan Vaishnav is appointed as the New Mission Director of Atal Innovation Mission succeeding Ramanathan Ramanan. CEO of Atal Innovation mission is Amitabh Kant and Headquarters is New Delhi.

### NUTHALAPATHI VENKATA RAMANA

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- Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana is appointed as the 48th Chief Justice of India on 24th April 2021. He will succeed Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde.

### S RAMANN

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- S Ramann is appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director of SIDBI (Small Industries Development Bank of India). Previously S Ramann, is the CEO of National e-Governance Service Ltd (NeSL).

### ADIL ZAINULBHAI

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- Adil Zainulbhai is appointed as Chairman of Capacity Building Commission. Capacity Building Commission is known as “Mission Karmayogi” to do major reforms in bureaucracy. Presently, Adil Zainulbhai, Chairperson of Quality Council of India.

### OUHOUMOUNDOU MAHAMADOU

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- Ou Houmoudou Mahamadou is the New Prime Minister of Niger and succeeds Brigi Rafini. Capital of Niger is Niamey and currency is West African CFA Franc.

### NETHRA KUMANAN

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- Nethra Kumanan Becomes the 1st Indian Woman sailor to Qualify for Olympics under Laser Radial Category.

### POONAM GUPTA

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- Poonam Gupta is appointed as the first woman Director General(DG) of the National council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER). Poonam Gupta has been working with the World Bank since 2013.

### PRITHVI SHAW

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- Indian Batsman Prithvi Shaw is appointed as the Brand Ambassador of SportzXchange, a fantasy sports platform.

### KALPANA SAMPAT

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- Kalpana Sampat is appointed as the Managing Director and CEO of Pramerica Life Insurance succeeding Annop Pabby. She previously works as the Chief Operating Officer of the company. Pramerica Life Insurance Limited is the joint venture of DHFL Investment Limited(DIL) and Prudential International Insurance Holdings,Ltd (PIIH) and Headquarters in Gurgaon, Haryana.

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## SONU SOOD

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- Sonu Sood is been appointed as Brand Ambassador for Punjab's Anti COVID-19 Vaccination Drive. Chief Minister of Punjab is Capt Amarinder Singh.

## SUSHIL CHANDRA

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- Sushil Chandra is the 24th Chief Election Commissioner of India. He has succeeded Sunil Arora and was appointed by President Ram Nath Kovind. Election Commission of India's Headquarters is New Delhi.

## GUILLERMO LASSO

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- Guillermo Lasso will become the 47th President of Ecuador. Ecuador capital is Quito and Currency is US Dollar (\$). Guillermo Lasso previously worked as CEO of Banco Guayaquil (A Bank in Ecuador).

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### ARUN KUMAR

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- Arun Kumar Tenure as Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) is extended by 6 months  
Directorate General of Civil Aviation is headquartered in New Delhi.

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### SURESH RAINA

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- Suresh Raina, Indian Cricketer is appointed as the Ambassador of Elista. Elista is a subsidiary of “TeknoDome”, a UAE based trading company which manufactures innovative products in consumer electronics ranging from LED TV’s to air coolers, under the concept of “Making in India for the world”.

### PRAGGNANANDHAA

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- Praggnanandhaa wins Polgar Challenge 2021 in chess. Praggnanandhaa is an Indian Grand Master.

### CLAUDE JOSEPH

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- Claude Joseph appointed as new Prime Minister of Haiti succeeding Joseph Jouthe. Capital of Haiti is Port-au-prince and Currency is Haitian Gourde.

### KAPIL DEV, SACHIN TENDULKAR & VIRAT KOHLI

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- Kapil Dev, Sachin Tendulkar & Virat Kohli are featured in Wisden Cricketer's Almanack's. Ben Stokes (England All rounder) is the "Cricketer of the year". Wisden Cricketer's Almanack's is known as "Bible of Cricket" and founded in London, England.

### SUMAN CHAKRABORTY

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- Suman Chakraborty to get GD Birla Award for Scientific Research. GD Birla Award is for eminent Indian scientists below the age of 50 of their outstanding contributions in the field of science or technology with the cash prize of Rs. 5 lakhs.

### YUSUFFALI MA

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- Yusuffali MA, Indian Origin Businessman is honoured with UAE's Top Civilian Award. Yusuffali MA is the Chairman & Managing Director of Abu Dhabi-based LuLu Group that operates a chain of hypermarkets & retail companies.

### AYUSHMANN KHURRANA

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- Ayushmann Khurrana is appointed as the brand ambassador of Tecno. Tecno is a global Smartphone brand.

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## BILL NELSON

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- Bill Nelson is the next NASA Administrator and he was appointed by US President Joe Biden. Bill Nelson is former Astronaut.

## HEATH STREAK

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- Former Zimbabwe captain Heath Streak is banned by ICC for Eight years under Corruption Charges. He was charged of leaking team's internal information mainly during 2018 Tri series between Zimbabwe, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka.

## SOLIHA SHABIR

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- Soliha Shabir, youngest and 1st author from Jammu & Kashmir have recreated the life of Habba Khatoons poetry. She has created a world record in the age of 22 years.

### DUTEE CHAND

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- Odisha Sprinter Dutee Chand conferred with Chhattisgarh Veerni Awards. This award instituted by the Chhattisgarh state government, recognizes contribution of Indian women in different fields, including sports. This was presented by Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel.

### ALFRED VAINOAHU & JEFFREY DAVID ULLMAN

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- Alfred VainoAho, Jeffrey David Ullman bagged 2020 ACM A.M. Turing Award. Turing Award is also referred to as Nobel Prize of Computing. Alfred VainoAho is the Lawrence Gussman Professor Emeritus of computer Science at Columbia University. Jeffrey David Ullman is the Stanford W. Ascherman Professor Emeritus of Computer Science at Stanford University.

### T V SOMANATHAN

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- T V Somanathan appointed as Finance Secretary succeeding Ajay Bhusan Pandey. T V Somanathan was appointed as the Secretary of Department of expenditure (DoE) in Finance Ministry in December 2019.

### AMITABH CHAUDHRY

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- Amitabh Chaudhry is re-appointed as Managing Director and CEO of Axis Bank. Headquarters of Axis bank is Mumbai, Maharashtra.

### KRITHI KARANTH

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- Krithi Karanth gets “Wild Innovator Award”. She is the first Indian and Asian women to receive that award. Dr. Krithi K Karanth, Chief Conservation Scientist at Bengaluru-based Centre for Wildlife Studies (CWS).

### MIGUEL DIAZ-CANEL

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- Miguel Diaz-Canel is the New President of Cuba after succeeding Raul Castro. Miguel Diaz-Canel is the first Non-Castro Secretary of Communist party in Cuba. Capital of Cuba is Havana and Currency is Cuban Peso.

### CHLOE ZHAO

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- Chloe Zhao win the best director in Oscar 2021. Nominations of the Oscar 2021 were announced by Priyanka Chopra and Nick Jonas.

### SIR ANTHONY HOPKINS

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- Sir Anthony Hopkins (83 years old) won the Oscar award for Best Actor for the film "The Father". Other name for Oscar award is Academy award. This is 93rd Academy Awards.

### FRANCES MCDORMAND

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- American Actress and producer Frances McDormand won the best Actress award for the film “Nomadland”. Oscar Award is mainly to honour people in Film industry based on their outstanding performance.

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### LOUJAIN AL-HATHLOUL

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- Saudi Activist Loujain Al-Hathloul was awarded Vaclav Havel Human Rights prize by Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE). This prize is a top European Human Rights Prize, mainly given in recognition for woman’s right activist. Loujain had fight for women’s right in Saudi including to end a ban on women driving.

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### AJAY SETH

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- Ajay Seth is appointed as the non official Director of the Central Board of RBI. He Succeeds Tarun Bajaj. There will be 10 non official directors from various fields like agriculture, legal, trade, etc., These directors of RBI are nominated by Government of India.

### RAVINDRA JADEJA

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- Ravindra Jadeja, Indian Cricketer is appointed as brand Ambassador of ASICS, Japanese sports brand. ASICS manufactures sporting gear for the running category. Tiger Shroff is also the brand ambassador of ASICS.

### ARUN RASTE

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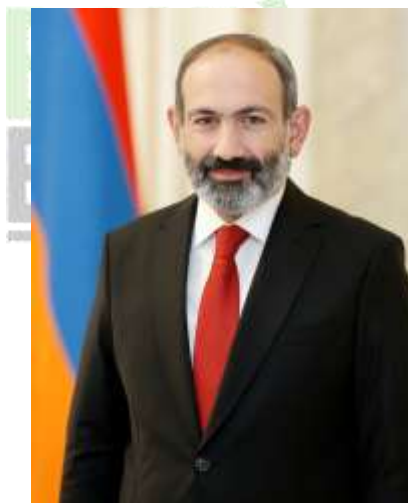
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- Arun Raste is appointed as new Managing Director & CEO of National Commodity & Derivatives Exchange Limited (NCDEX) succeeding Vijay Kumar. Arun Raste currently works as an Executive Director in National Dairy Development Board (NDDB).

### NIKOL PASHINYAN

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- Armenian PM Nikol Pashinyan Resigned due to criticism over him for the way he handled conflict in Nagorno-Karabakh region of Azerbaijan. Capital of Armenia is Yerevan and Currency is Armenian Dram.

### RAFAEL NADAL

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- Rafael Nadal wins 2021 Barcelona Open. This is his 12th Barcelona Open Title and he belongs to Spain. Nadal defeated Stefanos Tsitsipas of Greece.

### QADEER AHMAD KHAN

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- United Arab Emirates (UAE) cricketer Qadeer Ahmed Khan is banned by International Cricket Council (ICC) for 5 years due to corruption.

### WASHINGTON SUNDAR & DEVDUTT PADIKKAL

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- Washington Sundar and Devdutt Padikkal are the brand Ambassadors of Puma India. Puma is an official kit partner of the Royal Challengers Bangalore(RCB) in IPL 2021 season.

### KIM BOO-KYUM

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- Kim Boo-Kyum is the New Prime Minister of South Korea. He will replace PM Chung Sye-kyun. Capital of South Korea is Seoul and Currency is South Korean Won.

### MURALI NATRAJAN

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- Murali Natrajan is re appointed as MD and CEO of DCB bank RBI. DCB banks headquartered in Mumbai, Maharastra.

### ULISSES CORREJA E SILVA

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- Cape Verde's Prime Minister Ulisses Correia e Silva has won Parliamentary election with his party "Movement of Democracy". Capital of Cape Verde is Praia and Currency is Cape Verdean Escudo.

### MAHAMAT IDRIS DEBY ITNO

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- Mahamat Idriss Deby Itno is the New President of Chad. Capital of Chad is N'Djamena and currency is Central African CFA Franc. He died one day after his victory due to clash between rebellions.

### GIRISH CHANDRA MURMU

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- G C Murmu is appointed as the External Auditor of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons(OPCW). Girish Chandra Murmu is the Comptroller and Auditor General of India. Headquarters of OPCW is Hague, Netherland.

### VIBHA HARISH

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- Vibha Harish, Founder of Cosmix featured in Forbes 30 under 30 Asia 2021. Cosmix is a Bengalure based health Supplement brand and Vibha Harish is 25 years old and founder of Cosmix.

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### RUMANA SINHA SEHGAL

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- Rumana Sinha Sehgal won the Nelson Mandela World Humanitarian Award 2021 for manufacturing innovative and functional green products by recycling varied materials and non-biodegradable materials. She is Software engineer turned entrepreneur from Hyderabad.

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### ROBERTO BENIGNI

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- Roberto Benigni won Venice Film Festival's Lifetime Achievement award. He had awarded Golden Lion Award and he an Italian Director as well as Actor.

### PRIYANKA MOHITE

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- Priyanka Mohite become first Indian women to scale Mt Annapurna. She is from Maharashtra. Mt Annapurna (8091 metres) and 10th highest mountain peak in the world. Annapurna is located in Himalayas of Nepal.

### REKHA MENON

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- Rekha Menon becomes 1st woman chairperson of NASSCOM (National Association of Software and Services Company). She succeeds UB Pravin Rao and she was Vice Chairman of NASSCOM prior to this.

### ATANU CHAKRABORTY

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- Atanu Chakraborty is the Part-time Chairman of HDFC Bank. He was appointed for the tenure of 3 years by RBI. Headquarters of HDFC is Mumbai.