

PEOPLE IN NEWS: AUGUST 2020

SATYA PAL MALIK



- Satya Pal Malik has been appointed as the Governor of Meghalaya.
- He has replaced Tathagata Roy.
- Malik was the governor of Goa where he has been replaced by Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari.

MANOJ SINHA



- Manoj Sinha took oath as the new governor of Jammu and Kashmir.
- He has replaced Girish Chandra Murmu who resigned on August 5.

NOOR INAYAT KHAN



- World War II spy of Britain, Noor Inayat Khan, became the first Indian-origin woman to be honoured with a memorial Blue Plaque.
- This Blue Plaque has been provided by the English Heritage charity.

VINAY TONSE



- Vinay M. Tonse has been appointed as the MD & CEO of SBI Funds Management.
- He has replaced Ashwani Bhatia.
- SBI Funds Management or SBI Mutual Fund is a joint venture between SBI and Amundi which is the largest asset manager of Europe.

DWAYNE BRAVO



- West Indies all-rounder Dwayne Bravo has become the first bowler to take 500 wickets in T20 matches.
- Bravo took his 500th wicket during the CPL match between St Lucia Zouks and Trinbago Knight Riders.
- He took the wicket of Zouks' Rahkeem Cornwall.

MARIEKE LUCAS RIJNEVELD



- Marieke Lucas Rijneveld, who is a Dutch author, has won International Booker prize 2020.
- Rijneveld has been awarded with the for their debut novel The Discomfort of Evening.
- Rijneveld is the youngest author to win the award at age of 29.
- Also, Rijneveld is the third author to get the award.

ARNOLD SPIELBERG



- Computer pioneer and engineer, Arnold Spielberg died.
- He was 103.
- Arnold designed the GE-225 mainframe computer in 1950s with Charles Propster.

JAMES ANDERSON



- James Anderson became the first fast bowler in the history to take 600 test wickets.
- Anderson is a fast bowler of England.

NEELKANTHA BHANU PRAKASH



- Neelkantha Bhanu Prakash has been named the fastest human calculator.
- This has happened after he won gold medal for India at the Mental Calculation World Championship at Mind Sports Olympiad.
- The Olympiad was held in London.
- Neelkantha is a student at St Stephen's College of Delhi.

G SATHEESH REDDY



- G Satheesh Reddy got extension of 2 years in his tenure as the Chairman of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).
- He is on the position since August 2018.

JACQUES KALLIS, ZAHEER ABBAS AND LISA STHALEKAR



- Zaheer Abbas, Jacques Kallis, and Lisa Sthalekar have been inducted into the ICC's Hall of Fame.
- Zaheer Abbas is a former Pakistani cricketer.
- Lisa Sthalekar is former cricketer and captain of Australia's international women's cricket team.
- While Jacques Kallis is a former South African cricketer.

ANAND MAHINDRA, SHANTANU NARAYEN



- Anand Mahindra and Shantanu Narayen have been honored with the 2020 Leadership Awards.
- The award was given by US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF).
- They have been awarded for promoting US-India ties.
- Anand Mahindra is the Chairman of Mahindra Group and Shantanu Narayen is the Chairman of Adobe.

ASHWANI BHATIA



- Ashwani Bhatia has been appointed as the Managing Director of State Bank of India (SBI).
- He has succeeded P K Gupta.
- Previously, he was the deputy managing director and chief executive officer of SBI Mutual Fund.

RAJIV KUMAR



- Rajiv Kumar has been appointed as the new Election Commissioner of India.
- He has succeeded Ashok Lavasa who has been appointed as the Vice-president of ADB.
- Rajiv is the IAS officer of 1984 batch (Retired) from Bihar/Jharkhand cadre. He is a former finance secretary.

KEITH ROWLEY



- Keith Rowley became the Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.
- This is his second consecutive term as the Prime Minister. His tenure will be of 5 years.
- He is from the ruling People's National Movement (PNM).

FRANCISCO ASUE



- Francisco Pascual Eyegue Obama Asue has been appointed as the Prime Minister of Equatorial Guinea again.
- It is his 3rd consecutive time as the Prime Minister of the country.

S S MUNDRA



- Former RBI deputy governor S S Mundra has been appointed as the non-executive chairman of Indiabulls Housing Finance (IBH).
- He joined the Indiabulls board as Independent Director in 2018.

PRADEEP KUMAR JOSHI



- Pradeep Kumar Joshi has been appointed as the chairman of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC).
- UPSC conducts civil services examination in the country.
- He has succeeded Arvind Saxena.

HARDAYAL PRASAD



- Hardayal Prasad has been appointed as the new MD and CEO of PNB Housing Finance.
- He is a former SBI Card head.

AJAY TYAGI



- SEBI Chairman Ajay Tyagi has been given an extension of 18 months.
- Now he will remain on the post till 28.02.2022 or until further orders.

SASHIDHAR JAGDISHAN



- RBI has approved appointment of Sashidhar Jagdishan as the new MD and CEO of HDFC Bank.
- He will replace Aditya Puri who will retire in October 2020.

