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ANIL KUMAR JHA



- Anil Kumar Jha has been appointed as a member of Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC).
- EAC is a committee set up to deal with violation of Environmental rules.
- Jha is the former chairman of Coal India Ltd. (CIL).

ARCHANA SORENG



- Climate Activist of India, Archana Soreng has been named among the 7 members of António Guterres's new Youth Advisory Group on Climate Change.
- António Guterres is the Secretary-General of the United Nations.
- The advisory group is responsible for advising on increasing global action on the climate crisis.

NAVEEN TAHILYANI



- Naveen Tahilyani has been appointed as the new MD and CEO of the Tata American International Assurance (AIA).
- He succeeds Rishi Srivastava.

PARTHA PRATIM SENGUPTA



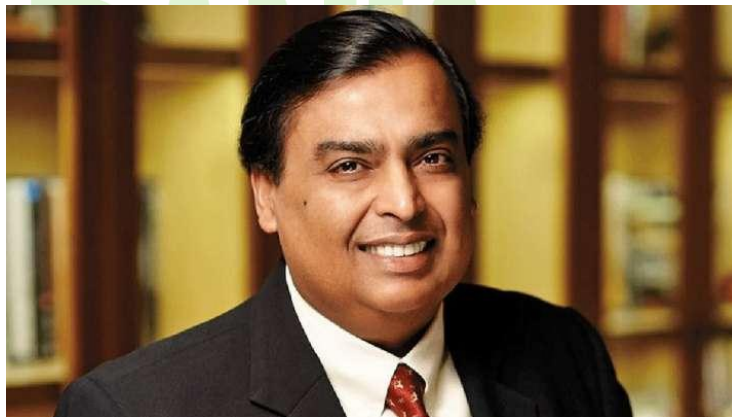
- Partha Pratim Sengupta has been appointed as the new MD and CEO of Indian Overseas Bank (IOB).
- His tenure will be till December 31, 2022 or further orders.
- He has succeeded Karnam Sekar.

SAHIL SETH



- Indian Revenue Service Officer, Sahil Seth has been appointed as an honorary advisor for the BRICS Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI).
- He has been appointed to the post for the period 2020 to 2030.
- BRICS is a group that includes Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.

MUKESH AMBANI



- Mukesh Ambani, the Chairman and CEO of Reliance Industries Limited (RIL), became the world's fifth-richest man as per Forbes Real-Time Billionaires List.
- Mukesh has an estimated wealth of 75 billion USD.
- He is the wealthiest Indian man and the only Asian on the list of top 10 richest people.
- He is the world's 6th richest person as per the Bloomberg Billionaires Index.

ARUN KUMAR



- Arun Kumar, DG of the Railway Protection Force (RPF) has been nominated as the Vice -Chairman of the Security platform of the Paris – based Union Internationale Des Chemins/International Union of Railways.
- This decision was 96th UIC General Assembly.
- Arun is an IPS officer of 1985 – batch.

KANNAN CS WARRIER



- Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE) has awarded Kannan CS Warriar with the 2019 National Award of Excellence for Outstanding Research in Forestry.
- He has been awarded for releasing three productive clones of *Casuarina equisetifolia*, first of its kind in India that are suitable for salt affected (sodic) soils.
- He is a Senior Principal Scientist (Scientist F) at the Institute of Forest Genetics and Tree Breeding (IFGTB).

GRETA THUNBERG



- Greta Tintin Eleonora Ernman Thunberg has won the 1st edition of Gulbenkian Prize for Humanity.
- It has been awarded by Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation.
- She has been awarded for her ability to mobilize younger generations for the cause of climate change.
- Greta is a 17 years old climate activist from Sweden.

RAMESH BABU BODDU



- Ramesh Babu Boddu has been appointed as the MD and CEO of Karur Vysya Bank by the board of Directors of the bank.
- His tenure will be of 3 years.
- He has replaced P R Seshadri.

ASHWINI KUMAR TEWARI



- Ashwini Kumar Tewari has been appointed as the MD and CEO of SBI cards and payment services.
- His tenure will be of 2 years.
- He has replaced Hardayal Prasad.

MARIANNA VARDINOYANNIS & MORISSANA KOUYATÉ



- Marianna Vardinoyannis & Morissana Kouyaté has been awarded with the 2020 Nelson Mandela Prize.
- Both of them were awarded in a virtual ceremony held on July 20.

ROSE CHRISTIANE OSSOUKA RAPONDA



- Rose Christiane Ossouka Raponda has been appointed as the first women Prime Minister of Gabon.
- She has succeeded Julien Nkoghe Bekale.
- She is the 6th Prime Minister of the country.

SHYAM SRINIVASAN



- RBI has approved the re-appointment of Shyam Srinivasan as the MD & CEO of Federal Bank.
- He will now remain on the post till September 22, 2021.

CHANDRIKAPERSAD “CHAN” SANTOKHI



- Indian-origin Chandrikapersad “Chan” Santokhi has been elected as the new President of Suriname.
- Suriname is a country in South America.
- He has succeeded Desi Bouterse.

N CHANDRASEKARAN AND JIM TAICLET



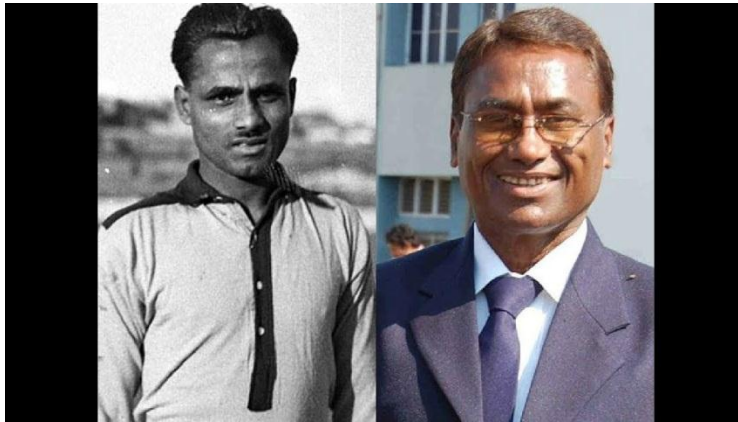
- N Chandrasekaran and Jim Taiclet have received the US-India Business Council (USIBC) Global Leadership Award 2020.
- N Chandrasekaran is the Chairman of Tata Group and Jim Taiclet is the CEO and president of Lockheed Martin.
- Both of them also serve as a co-chair of the US-India CEO Forum.

ASHOK LAVASA



- Ashok Lavasa has been appointed as the new Vice-President of Asian Development Bank (ADB).
- Lavasa is the Election Commissioner of India.
- He has succeeded Diwakar Gupta.

ASHOK KUMAR



Hockey Player Ashok Kumar has been honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award of Mohun Bagan Football Club.

HEMANG AMIN



- Hemang Amin has been appointed as the interim CEO of BCCI.
- He has been appointed after the resignation of former CEO Rahul Johri.

K SIVAN



- ISRO Chief K Sivan has been named as the recipient of the 2020 Von Karman Award.
- It is the highest distinction provided by the International Academy of Astronautics (IAA).

KEZANG D THONGDOK



- Filmmaker Kezang D Thongdok of Arunachal Pradesh has won the 10th edition Dada Saheb Phalke Award for the year 2020.
- He has been awarded for his documentary “Chi Lupo” which showcases the practice of collection of honey from the perched rocky hilltops.

EDAPPADI K PALANISWAMI



- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister, Edappadi K Palaniswami has been honored with Paul Harris Fellow recognition by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International, Chicago.
- The recognition is given to persons who work towards rendering efficient services in providing drinking water, sanitation, world peace, etc.

LEE HSIEN LOONG



- Lee Hsien Loong became the third Prime Minister of Singapore after his party won the election.
- Loong's People's Action Party (PAP) won the election by winning 83 seats out of 93.

INJETI SRINIVAS



- The Government of India has appointed Injeti Srinivas as the first Chairman of International Financial Services Centre Authority (IFSCA).
- His tenure will be of 3 years.
- He is a former corporate affairs secretary and IAS officer.

JAYANT KRISHNA



- Jayant Krishna became the first India based CEO of the UK India Business Council (UKIBC).
- He will succeed Lord Davies.

JEAN CASTEX



- Jean Castex has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of France.
- He has replaced Edouard Philippe.

SIDDHARTHA MUKHERJEE AND RAJ CHETTY



- Siddhartha Mukherjee and Raj Chetty have been named among the '2020 Great Immigrants' honourees by the Carnegie Corporation of New York.
- Siddhartha Mukherjee is a Pulitzer Prize winner while Raj Chetty is an Economics Professor at Harvard University.

IMRAN KHWAJA



- Imran Khwaja became the interim CEO of ICC after the former CEO Shashank Manohar stepped down.

RAVINDRA JADEJA



- Indian All-Rounder Ravindra Jadeja has been named as India's Most Valuable Player(MVP) of the 21st century by Wisden.
- He has been named as the most valuable player for his contribution to both Bowling and batting.