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JUSTICE BANSI LAL BHAT



- The Central Government has extended the tenure of Justice Bansilal Bhat as the officiating Chairperson of the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) for the third time.
- Justice Bhat will now remain on the post till December 31, 2020.
- He was appointed on March 12, 2020.

OM PURI



- Late Actor Om Puri has been awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award at the India International Film Festival of Boston.
- The actor has been given this award for his contribution to the cinema.
- The award was received by his wife.

ALPHA CONDÉ



- Alpha Condé has been appointed as the President of Guinea.
- He has been appointed as the president of the country for the third time.

LEWIS HAMILTON



- British racing driver Lewis Hamilton has won the German Grand Prix.
- It is the 91st victory of Hamilton's career.
- With this win, Lewis has equalled the Michael Schumacher's record.

SAAD AL-HARIRI



- Saad al-Hariri has been appointed as the prime minister of Lebanon.
- He has been appointed by the Lebanese President Michel Aoun.

RAJIV KUMAR



- Vice President of NITI Aayog, Rajiv Kumar will head a 14-member committee formed by NITI Aayog to reform the urban planning education system.
- Other members of the committee include Amitabh Kant (CEO of Aayog); principal scientific advisor (PSA) K VijayRaghavan; Tarun Khanna of Harvard Business School and others.

PRAVIR KRISHNA



- The Team of TRIFED warriors have won three awards at National Awards for Excellence- PSU.
- Managing Director of TRIFED, Pravir Krishna has won CEO of the year and Visionary Leadership Award while the team has won an award in the Investment in Start-ups category.
- Tribal Co-operative Marketing Federation of India (TRIFED) is a national level cooperative body under the administrative control of Ministry of Tribal Affairs.

SEEMA GUPTA



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- Director of Operations at POWERGRID Corporation of India, Seema Gupta has won the GOLD Stevie Award in the Lifetime Achievement- Business category in the 17th annual Stevie Awards for Women in Business.
- The award is given to honor women executives, employees, entrepreneurs around the world.

AISHWARYA SRIDHAR



- Indian Photographer, Aishwarya Sridhar became the first Indian woman to win the Wildlife Photographer of the Year award.
- She was announced as the winner of the award at the Natural History Museum in London.
- This is the 56th year of the award.
- Aishwarya was declared winner for her picture named 'Lights of passion'.

JACINDA ARDERN



- Jacinda Ardern became the Prime Minister of New Zealand for the second consecutive time.
- Ardern's liberal Labour Party won by landslide victory in the elections.

RAJKIRAN RAI G



- Rajkiran Rai G has been appointed as the new Chairman of Indian Banks' Association (IBA).
- Rajkiran is the Managing Director and CEO of Union Bank of India.
- He has succeeded Rajnish Kumar.

VISHAL V. SHARMA



- Vishal V. Sharma has been appointed as the new Permanent Representative of India to the Permanent Delegation of India to UNESCO.
- His rank will be of Ambassador.
- He has succeeded Jawed Ashraf.

MICHAEL IRANI



- Michael Irani has been appointed as the Interim President of International Weightlifting Federation (IWF).
- IWF is headquartered in Budapest, Hungary and has 187 members.

CONSTANTINA DITA



- Constantina Dita has been named as the brand ambassador for World Athletics Half Marathon Championships Gdynia 2020.
- Rita is a Romanian long-distance runner and the 2008 Olympic champion.

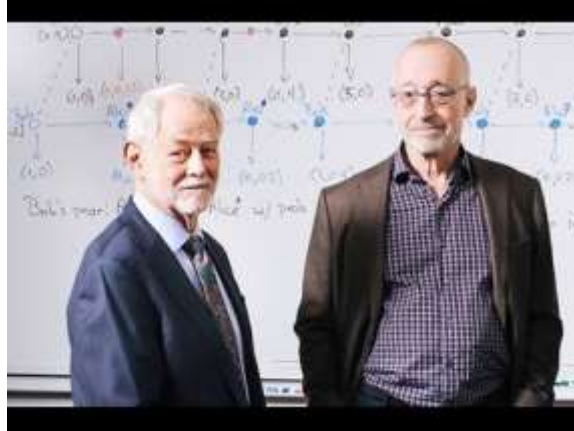
MUKESH AMBANI



- Reliance Industries Chairman Mukesh Ambani has again become the richest Indian as per the Forbes list.
- It is the 13th consecutive time; Ambani has been named the richest person of India.
- His net worth is worth of \$88.7 billion.

PAUL R MILGROM AND ROBERT B WILSON

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- Paul R Milgrom and Robert B Wilson have been declared as the winners of the 2020 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences.
- They have been awarded for “for improvements to auction theory and inventions of new auction formats.”
- Both of them are American economists.

ROBERT LEWANDOWSKI



- Robert Lewandowski has won the UEFA Men's Player of the Year award.
- Robert is a Polish footballer.

LOUISE GLÜCK



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- Louise Glück has won the Nobel Prize for Literature for the year 2020.
- She has been awarded “her unmistakable poetic voice that with austere beauty makes individual existence universal”.
- She is the 16th woman to win the Nobel Prize in Literature.
- She is an American poet.

M A GANAPATHY



- Senior IPS officer M A Ganapathy has been appointed as director-general of Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS).
- At present, Ganapathy is the CISF special director-general and head of the airport sector.

S S DESWAL



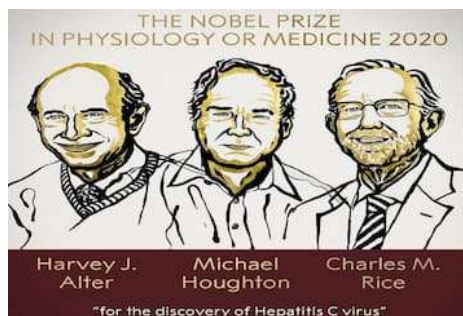
- ITBP Chief S S Deswal has been given an additional charge of the DG of National Security Guard (NSG).
- He has been appointed after A K Singh retired on September 30.
- Deswal is a 1984-batch IPS officer.

SANJAY SINGH



- Rajya Sabha MP from Aam Admi Party (AAP), Sanjay Singh has been chosen for the 'Gandhi Award' instituted by the Mahatma Gandhi National Foundation.
- He has been awarded for his role in removal of Mahatma Gandhi's pictures from beer bottles in a Company in Israel.

HARVEY J ALTER, CHARLES M RICE, AND MICHAEL HOUGHTON



- Harvey J Alter, Charles M Rice, and Michael Houghton have won the Nobel Prize for Medicine or Physiology.
- They have been awarded for the discovery of the hepatitis C virus.
- Harvey J Alter and Charles M Rice are American Scientists while Michael Houghton is a British scientist.

ROGER PENROSE, REINHARD GENZEL AND ANDREA GHEZ



- Roger Penrose, Reinhard Genzel and Andrea Ghez have won the Nobel Prize in Physics for 2020.

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- Britain's Penrose, has been awarded "for the discovery that black hole formation is a robust prediction of the general theory of relativity".
- German Genzel and US Scientist Ghez have won the award "for the discovery of a supermassive compact object at the centre of our galaxy".

DINESH KUMAR KHARA



- State Bank of India (SBI) has appointed Dinesh Kumar Khara as its new chairman.
- He has replaced Rajnish Kumar.

J VENKATRAMU



- The Government of India has appointed J Venkatramu as managing director (MD) and chief executive officer (CEO) of India Post Payments Bank.
- He has been appointed for tenure of 3 years.
- At present, he is the chief digital officer at Equitas Small Finance Bank.

M. RAJESHWAR RAO



- M. Rajeshwar Rao took over as the Deputy Governor of Reserve Bank of India.
- He has been appointed for 3 years.

