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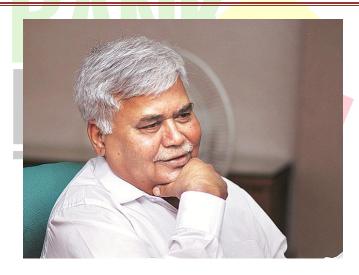
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#### **JAY SHAH**



- BCCI secretary Jay Shah has been elected as the president of the Asian Cricket Council (ACC).
- He has replaced Bangladesh Cricket Board (BCB) chief Najmul Hasan Papon.

# R. S. SHARMA



- R. S. Sharma will be the new Chief Executive Officer of the Ayushman Bharat scheme or the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana.
- He will be replacing Indu Bhushan.

#### **BHAWANA KANTH**



- Bhawana Kanth is to become the first woman fighter pilot to take part in the 2021 Republic Day parade.
- She was one of the first women fighter Pilots inducted in Indian Air Force in the year 2016.

#### **KAJA KALLAS**



- Kaja Kallas became the 1st woman Prime Minister of Estonia.
- Before this. Kallas was the member of the European Parliament from the year 2014 to 2018.

#### LT GEN CP MOHANTY



- LT GEN CP Mohanty took over the new Vice Chief of the Army Staff.
- He has replaced Lt Gen SK Saini.

#### **JOE BIDEN**



- Joe Biden took office as the 46<sup>th</sup> President of the United States.
- Joe is also the oldest US President to take oath.
- Kamala Harris also sworn-in as first female US Vice President.

#### **JAYANT KHOBRAGADE**



- Jayant Khobragade has been appointed as the next ambassador to the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) secretariat in Jakarta.
- Khobragade is an IFS officer of the 1995 batch.
- Presently, he is a joint secretary in the external affairs ministry.

#### **NIKHIL SRIVASTAVA**



- Nikhil Srivastava, an Indian Mathematician has won the 2021 Michael and Sheila Held Prize along with two others.
- Nikhil is an Associate Professor at the University of California.
- Other two winners are Adam Marcus and Daniel Alan Spielman.
- They have been awarded for solving long-standing questions on the Kadison–Singer problem and on Ramanujan graphs.





- Justice Gita Mittal has been appointed as the first woman chairperson of Broadcasting Content Complaints Council (BCCC).
- He has replaced Justice Vikramajit Sen.
- She is the former Chief Justice of Jammu & Kashmir High Court. She was also the 1st woman Chief Justice of J & K High Court.

#### RAJENDRA KUMAR BHANDARI



- Rajendra Kumar Bhandari has been awarded with Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar in the individual category.
- It is an annual award given every year on January 23 on the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.





- Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa has been appointed as the President of Portugal for a second term.
- He won 61.5% of the vote in the election, with 98.5% of districts.

#### **JAYATI GHOSH**



- Indian economist Jayati Ghosh has been named to high-level advisory board on economic, social affairs by the United Nations.
- She is an Economics Professor at University of Massachusetts Amherst.

#### **RAVI GAIKWAD**



- Philanthropist Ravi Gaikwad has won the Nelson Mandela World Humanitarian Award.
- He has been awarded for his absolute spirit and service of humanity.

# KIREN RIJIJU



- Kiren Rijiju has been given the additional charge of the Ayush Ministry.
- He is the Minister of Sports and Youth Affairs.

#### SIDDHARTHA MOHANTY



- Siddhartha Mohanty has been appointed as the new managing director of Life Insurance Corporation (LIC).
- He has replaced TC Susheel Kumar.

#### **RAMESH POKHRIYAL**



- Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' has been awarded with the "Sahitya Gaurav Samman" by the Hindi Writers Guild, Canada.
- He has been awarded for his literary work.

#### **VISHWAVIR AHUJA**



- Vishwavir Ahuja has been appointed as MD and CEO of RBL Bank.
- He has been reappointed to the post for a second term of 3 years.

# YOWERI MUSEVENI



- Yoweri Museveni has been re-elected as the President of Uganda.
- This will be his 6th term as Uganda's President.

#### SANDEEP AGGARWAL



- Sandeep Aggarwal has been appointed as the new Chairman of the Telecom Equipment and Services Export Promotion Council (TEPC).
- TEPC is a body that promotes exports of telecom equipment and services.

#### **PREETI PANT**



# Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Government of India

- Preeti Pant has been appointed as the chair of the committee to examine the adverse findings from the National Family Health Survey-5.
- The committee has been set up by the Health and Family Welfare Ministry.

#### SADYR JAPAROV



- Sadyr Japarov has won the presidential elections of Kyrgyzstan.
- He is the new president of the country.

#### **RS SHARMA**



- RS Sharma has been appointed the head of the empowered committee for administration of Covid-19 vaccine.
- He is the former TRAI Chairman.

#### **G KISHAN REDDY**



- G Kishan Reddy has been appointed as the head of the committee to protect the language, culture and land of Ladakh and ensuring citizen's participation in the Union Territory's development.
- It is a 10-member committee.

#### **SANJAY KAPOOR**



Sanjay Kapoor has been elected as the president of the All India Chess Federation (AICF).

#### RAGHU RAM PILLARISETTI



- Raghu Ram Pillarisetti has been included in the Queen Elizabeth II's 2021 New Year's honours list.
- He has been honoured with 'OBE-Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire'.

#### **SOMA MONDAL**



- Soma Mondal took over as the 1st woman Chairman of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL).
- Before this, she was the Director (Commercial) at NALCO.