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Goa 2020 National Games unveils Rubigula as mascot

- **Rubigula, Flame-Throated Bulbul** unveiled as the official mascot for the **Goa 2020 National Games**.
- The Flame-Throated Bulbul is the state bird of Goa.
- The mascot Rubigula will generate the interest of people towards the National Games. The mascot incorporates the best elements and characteristics of Goa and the Goan people.
- The Games will help imbibe a sports culture in the State.
- Goa will be hosting the **36th edition of the National Games from 20th October to 4th November 2020**.
- The event will see **participation by 36 states, and union territories, 12,000 + athletes, officials** and will host 37 sports disciplines across 24 venues in Goa.
- 36th National Games will begin in Goa from October 20 to November 4.
- More than 12,000 athletes, as well as officials, will participate in the tournaments.

Extra Shots:

Goa:

- Capital: Panaji
- Chief Minister: Pramod Sawant
- Governor: Satya Pal Malik
- National Park: Bhagwan Mahavir (Mollem) National Park

India beat New Zealand in 4th T20 International at Wellington

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- **India beat New Zealand** via Super Over in the fourth T20 International after a second successive tie at Wellington.
- Chasing the target of 166 set by India, New Zealand were coasting at one stage before the hosts were restricted to 165 for 7.

Extra Shots:

New Zealand (Capital/Currency): Wellington/ New Zealand dolla

- Prime Minister: Jacinda Ardern

Serbia's Novak Djokovic Wins Australian Open 2020

- Novak Djokovic from Serbia inched closer to Spain's Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer from Switzerland on the list of male tennis players with most Grand Slam titles after capturing a record-extending 8th title at Australian Open.
- Novak Djokovic has become only the 3rd man to win at least 8 titles.
- Novak Djokovic beat Austrian Dominic Thiem in five sets to successfully defend his Australian Open men's singles title in Melbourne, Australia.

Ayonika Paul won the women's 10m Air Rifle T1 event

- Olympian Ayonika Paul won the women's 10m Air Rifle T1 event Vijayveer Sidhu won the men's 25m Pistol T2 event in the National Shooting trials at Thiruvananthapuram.
- She came to a quality eight-woman field, which had the likes of Tokyo 2020 quota holders Apurvi Chandela and Anjum Moudgil among competitors.
- Registered a score of 252.0.
- Her effort just 0.9 behind Apurvi's world record of 252.9.
- Apurvi came third with a rating of 229.8

Fancied India meet Pakistan in First Semifinal in U-19 World Cup

- India will meet Pakistan in the first semi-final round in the U-19 World Cup.
- India, who are the Continuous Winner of the U-19 World Cup, delivered on Pakistan a 203-run pounding in the last version in 2018.
- Four-time champions India will back themselves to arrive at their third progressive last at the Under-19 World Cup when they face most despised opponents Pakistan.
- The two groups go into the semi-final round unbeaten.
- While India beat Australia in the quarterfinals, Pakistan defeated Afghanistan.

Extra Shots:

Pakistan (Capital/Currency): Islamabad/Pakistani Rupee

- Prime Minister: Imran Khan
- President: Arif Alvi

Australia Open 2020

- Australian Open is the first of the four annual Grand Slam events among the world's major tennis championships.

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- The grand slam Australian Open is held annually at Melbourne Park in Melbourne, Australia.

CATEGORY	WINNER	RUNNER UP
Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Dominic Thiem (Austria)
Women's Singles	Sofia Kenin (USA)	Garbine Muguruza (Spain)
Men's Doubles	Rajeev Ram (United States of America) & Joe Salisbury (United Kingdom)	Max Purcell (Australia) & Luke Saville (Australia)
Women's Doubles	Tímea Babos (Hungary) & Kristina Mladenovic (France)	Su-Wei Hsieh (Chinese Taipei) & Barbora Strycova (Czech Republic)
Mixed Doubles	Barbora Krejčíková (Czech Republic) & Nikola Pietrangeli (Croatia)	Bethanie Mattek-Sands (USA) & Jamie Murray (United Kingdom)

NADA suspends two Indian athletes

- The National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) has suspended weightlifter Ramshad AR for a period of 2 years after being found guilty of violating the anti-doping rule.
- He was examined by the Doping Control Officer of NADA during the 71st Men's National Weightlifting Championship.
- In addition to this, NADA has also banned Indian wrestler Ravinder Kumar for 4 years for failing a dope test.

Extra Shots:

NADA: The National Anti-Doping Agency is the national organisation responsible for promoting, coordinating, and monitoring the doping control program in sports in all its forms in India.

- CEO: Navin Agarwal
- Founded: 24 November 2005
- Chairman: Minister of Sports (India)
- Motto: Play fair
- Purpose: Anti-doping in sports
- Headquarters: New Delhi, India

ICC test batsmen rankings: Kohli retained no. 1 spot; Rahane slips to 9th place

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) released its latest test batsmen rankings. Indian Cricketer Virat Kohli retained no.1 spot in the rankings while Indian cricketer Cheteshwar Arvind Pujara remained in 6th place and India's Ajinkya Madhukar Rahane slipped to the 9th spot.
- Virat was followed by Steeven Peter Devereux Smith (Australia) and Marnus Labuschagne (Australia) in the 2nd and 3rd spot respectively.

Jagmohan Dalmiya's son Avishek becomes youngest CAB president

- Former BCCI president late Jagmohan Dalmiya's son Avishek became the youngest president of Cricket Association Bengal.
- Avishek has become the 18th president of CAB.

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- BCCI president Sourav Ganguly's elder brother Snehasish Ganguly, a former Bengal left-hander, is the new joint secretary.

Extra Shots:

CAB: The Cricket Association of Bengal is the governing body for cricket in the Indian state of West Bengal. Its headquarters are located in the Eden Gardens stadium. Among other duties, CAB is responsible for organizing various cricketing tournaments in the state.

- President: Avishek
- Founded: 1928
- Headquarters: Kolkata
- Membership: Board of Control for Cricket in India
- Abbreviation: CAB

Sourav Ganguly to be Indian team's Goodwill Ambassador for Tokyo Olympics

- The Indian Olympic Association has invited BCCI President Sourav Ganguly to become the Goodwill Ambassador of the Indian contingent at the Tokyo Olympics.
- This edition of the Olympics is an important milestone as it marks the hundred years of participation of the country at the Games, and Ganguly's support and inspiration will be valuable for the Indian athletes, especially the younger ones.
- The Tokyo Olympic Games will be held from July 24 to August 9.

Weightlifter Sambo Lapung wins gold with national record of 188kg

- Weightlifter Sambo Lapung has won the gold medal in the men's 89kg event of the National Weightlifting Championships held in Kolkata.
- He has made a new national record of 188kg in clean and jerk event in men's 89kg.
- The previous national record of clean and jerk was of 187kg. Sambo Lapung is from Arunachal Pradesh.
- In the women's event, Rakhi Halder has won the gold medal in the 64kg event.
- She won the gold medal with a total of 210kg defeating her nearest competitor Harjinder Kaur who registered 200kg in the event.

Hockey India & SAI to establish High Performance Hockey Centres

- Hockey India and Sports Authority of India (SAI) has announced the plan of establishing the High Performance Hockey Centres.
- These High Performance Hockey Centres aims to provide state-of-the-art facilities to junior and sub-Junior players and to groom the young talent in view of 2024 and 2028 Olympic Games.
- These High Performance Hockey Centres will be established in seven places across India.
- The monitoring of these High Performance Hockey Centres will be done by Hockey India while keeping in mind that athletes are provided with international exposure.

Extra Shots:

SAI: The Sports Authority of India is the apex national sports body of India, established in 1984 by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports of Government of India for the development of sport in India.

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- Headquarters: Delhi
- Founder: Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- Founded: 25 January 1984
- Annual budget: 481 crores INR (US\$70 million, 2017–2018)
- Agency executive: Sandip Pradhan Indian Revenue Service, Sports Secretary-cum-Director General
- Parent agencies: Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India

Indian women's hockey tour of China cancelled due to Coronavirus outbreak

- The outbreak of the Novel Corona virus has forced the Indian women's hockey team to cancel its tour of China.
- The Indian women's team was scheduled to travel to China from March 14 to 25.
- However, it has now been cancelled due to the fast-spreading Novel Corona Virus.

Extra Shots:

China (Capital/Currency): Beijing/Renminbi

- President: Xi Jinping

Bangladesh wins ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2020

- Bangladesh has won the ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2020 held in South Africa. Bangladesh Under-19 cricket team defeated India Under-19 team by 3 wickets to win the final of the ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2020 held at JB Marks Oval, Potchefstroom, South Africa.
- This was the 13th edition of the tournament in which 16 teams participated from all over the world.
- Bangladesh Under-19 cricket team has won the ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup for the first time in the tournament history.

Extra Shots:

Bangladesh (Capital/Currency): Dhaka/Taka

- Prime Minister: Sheikh Hasina

Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre Red wins 1st Khelo India Ice Hockey tournament

- The Ladakh Scouts Regimental Centre (LSRC) Red won the first Men's section Khelo India Ice Hockey tournament 2020.
- They defeated Indo Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) team 3-2 in a nail biting thriller final match yesterday.

Haryana thrashes SAI to win 10th Hockey Senior Women National C'ship

- Haryana thrashed Sports Authority of India (SAI) 6-0 to win the 10th Hockey India Senior Women National Championship 2020 (A Division) title at Kollam yesterday.
- Madhya Pradesh Hockey Academy beat Hockey Maharashtra 2-1 in the third-fourth place play-off match.

Extra Shots:

Haryana:

- State formed on: 1 November 1966
- Capital: Chandigarh
- Governor: Satyadev Narayan Arya

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- Chief Minister: Manohar Lal Khattar
- Official language: Hindi

Mondo Duplantis set world record at the World Athletics Indoor Tour meeting

- American-born Swedish pole vaulter Mondo Duplantis set a world record by soaring 6.17 meters on his second attempt at the World Athletics Indoor Tour meeting held in Torun, Poland on 8 February.
- He achieved this feat in his second attempt at the height and sixth jump of the competition.

Mizoram win Junior National Football Championship for Dr BC Roy Trophy

In Football, Mizoram has won the final of the Junior National Football Championship for Dr BC Roy Trophy at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in Shillong.

- Mizoram beat Punjab 5-4 on penalties as both teams finished 1-1 in regulation and extra time.
- It was the fourth time in five years that the two teams met in the final of the Under -17 tournament with Punjab winning the trophy in 2015-16 and 2016-17.
- Last year Mizoram reversed the tide and defeated Punjab in the final 2-1.

India finish campaign with five medals at 64th Bocskai Memorial Boxing tournament

India finished their campaign with five medals at the 64th Bocskai Memorial Boxing tournament at Debrecen in Hungary.

- President's Cup silver medallist Gaurav Chauhan in 91kg and former youth world champion Jyoti Gulia in 51kg category claimed silver each.
- Two other Indian pugilists, Manisha in 57kg and PL Prasad in 52kg also clinched silver medals at the championships.
- Sachin settled for a bronze medal in the 57kg category at the championships.

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- Manisha was the first to get on the score sheet for Haryana in the 19th minute.
- Meanwhile, Madhya Pradesh Hockey Academy beat Hockey Maharashtra 2-1 in the third-fourth place play-off match.

Australia presented with ICC Women's Championship trophy

- Australia was awarded the ICC (International Cricket Council) Women's Championship trophy 2020, which they maintained by winning victories in the 8-team one-day championship between 2017 and 2020.
- Australia's team was led by Meghann Moira Lanning, which also won this trophy last time (ie 1st edition 2014-16).
- The ICC Women's Championship has given hosts New Zealand and four top teams a direct place in the World Cup 2021.
- The remaining teams will play qualifiers through the Women's Cricket World Cup Qualifier 2020 scheduled to be held in Sri Lanka from July 3 – 19, 2020.

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ICC: The International Cricket Council is the global governing body of cricket. It was founded as the Imperial Cricket Conference in 1909 by representatives from Australia, England and South Africa. It was renamed as the International Cricket Conference in 1965, and took up its current name in 1989.

- Chairperson: Shashank Manohar
- CEO: Manu Sawhney
- Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Founded: 15 June 1909
- Membership: 104 members

Armand Duplantis breaks Pole Vault World Record

- Sweden's Pole Vault, Armand Duplantis has broken the Pole Vault World Record set by Renaud Lavillenie of France in 2014.
- Armand Duplantis broke the world record with a jump of 20 feet 2.9 inches or 6.17 metres at Copernicus Cup in Torun, Poland.

Aditya Mehta & Vidya Pillai wins National Snooker Championship

- Aditya Mehta & Vidya Pillai has won the National Snooker Championship held in Pune, Maharashtra.
- Aditya Mehta defeated the world champion Pankaj Advani to win the men's title of the National Snooker Championship.
- While representing the Petroleum Sports Promotion Board (PSPB), he defeated Pankaj Advani with a score line of 6-2.
- Vidya Pillai of Karnataka defeated Ameer Kamani of Madhya Pradesh to win the women's title of the National Snooker Championship.
- She defeated Ameer Kamani with a score line of 3-2 to defend her senior ladies snooker title.

India's Lalremsiami named as 2019 FIH Women's Rising Star of Year

- India forward Lalremsiami has been named as the 2019 FIH Women's Rising Star of the Year by the International Hockey Federation.
- 19-year-old Lalremsiami took the prize ahead of Argentina's Julieta Jankunas and Frederique Matla of the Netherlands.

Extra Shots:

IFH: The Fédération Internationale de Hockey, commonly known by the acronym FIH, is the international governing body of field hockey and indoor field hockey. Its headquarters are in Lausanne, Switzerland and the president is Narinder Batra.

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- President: Narinder Batra
- Founded: 7 January 1924
- CEO: Thierry Weil
- Abbreviation: FIH
- Membership: 137 national associations

ICC penalizes 3 Bangladesh and 2 India U-19 cricketers

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- The International Cricket Council has penalized three Bangladesh as well as two Indian U-19 cricketers.
- The players have been sanctioned by ICC for violating the Code of Conduct for players. ICC found them guilty of the Level 3 breach during the U-19 World Cup finals between India and Bangladesh, held in South Africa.
- ICC found them guilty as they were involved in an exchange of words with some pushing and shoving on the field after the final match.

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- Manpreet Singh won the International Hockey Federation's (FIH) Men's Player of the Year award.
- He created a record as he became the first Indian hockey team player to win the awards since its inception in 1999.
- He won the award ahead of Arthur van Doren of Belgium and Lucas Vila of Argentina, who finished second and third respectively.
- The Indian hockey team skipper Manpreet Singh made his debut in 2011.
- He has made more than 260 appearances; he has been a huge asset for the team.
- He will lead the hockey team in the FIH Hockey Pro League.
- In 2019, Manpreet Singh led his team to victory in the FIH Olympic Qualifiers and secured a spot at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.
- He represented India at London 2012 and Rio 2016.

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Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju Announces Khelo India Winter Games in Jammu and Kashmir

- Union Territory of Ladakh will host the inaugural Khelo India Winter Games later this month, followed by a similar event in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir in March, Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju.
- The sports ministry will fund both the Khelo India Winter Games in Ladakh in the third week of February and Jammu and Kashmir in the first week of March.
- Khelo India Ladakh Winter Games will feature an open ice hockey championship, figure skating, and speed skating, and the competition will be conducted at the block, district, and UT levels with the expected participation of about 1700 athletes.

Extra Shots:

Jammu & Kashmir:

- Capitals- Jammu (Winter), Srinagar (Summer)
- Lt Governor- Girish Chandra Murmu
- National Parks: City Forest (Salim Ali) National Park, Dachigam National Park, Hemis National Park, Kishtwar National Park
- Wildlife Sanctuaries: Baltal-Thajwas WLS, Changthang Cold Desert WLS, Gulmarg WLS, Jasrota WLS, Karakoram (Nubra Shyok) WLS etc

Saurav Ghosal and Joshna Chinappa Clinched 77th Senior National squash championships

- Saurav Ghosal and Joshna Chinappa won the 77th Senior National squash championships in Man's and woman's category respectively in Chennai.
- The top-ranked Indian players justified their billing to bag the men's and women's titles for a record 13th and 18th time respectively.
- Saurav Ghosal clinically dismantled Abhishek Pradhan 11-6, 11-5, 11-6 in the men's final while Joshna Chinappa defeated a minor scare to outlast Tanvi Khanna 8-11, 11-6, 11-4, 11-7 in the women's summit clash.

Joshua Cheptegei sets 5km road world record in Monaco

- Uganda's world 10,000m champion Joshua Cheptegei created history by setting a 5km road world record in Monaco.
- He ran 12 minutes 51 seconds and smashed the previous record, set by Kenya's Rhonex Kipruto by clocking 13:22.
- Jimmy Gressier of France finished second in Monaco with a European record.
- He clocked 13:18. Also, Britain's Nick Goolab finished third in a new British record of 13:27.

Extra Shots:

Joshua Kiprui Cheptegei:

Ugandan long-distance runner Joshua Kiprui Cheptegei won silver in the 10000 m run at the 2017 World championship in London. In 2018, he also set a world record for the 15 km road race. In 2019, he became the World Cross Country champion.

India to host 2020 junior men's Hockey World Cup

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- India will host next year's Junior Men's World Cup.
- The International Hockey Federation (FIH) announced this at Lausanne in Switzerland.
- This is the second time that India will be hosting the prestigious tournament, having staged it in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh in 2016, where the hosts lifted the coveted trophy.
- The competition will be played towards the end of 2021 and the exact venue and dates for the tournament will be announced at a later stage.

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NADA bans Haryana's javelin thrower Amit Dahiya for 4 years

- The National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) has imposed a ban of 4 years on Haryana's javelin thrower Amit Dahiya.
- He has been banned for avoiding sample collection and for his attempt of trying to cheat officials during the 2nd National Javelin Throw Open Championship 2019 held at SAI Centre in Sonapat.
- The Anti-Doping Disciplinary Panel (ADDP) of the National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) took the landmark decision of banning the player for 4 years.

Reason for his 4 year ban:

- Amit Dahiya secured third position in the 2nd National Javelin Throw Open Championship 2019 with a best throw of 68.21 m. After the conclusion of the event, he was asked by NADA officials to provide his dope samples but he sent another person to the collection room. During the verification process the NADA Dope Collectors found that the person whose sample was taken, was not the athlete himself. After the failed plan of avoiding the dope test, Dahiya's proxy went missing from the collection room.
- As a result, the National Anti Doping Agency (NADA) imposed a ban of 4 years on Haryana's javelin thrower Amit Dahiya for avoiding sample collection and for his attempt of trying to cheat officials.

Extra Shots:

NADA: The National Automobile Dealers Association is an American trade organization representing nearly 16,500 franchised new car and truck dealerships, both domestic and foreign. Established in 1917, the organization is based in Tysons Corner, Virginia.

- CEO: Peter K. Welch
- Headquarters: Tysons, Virginia, United States
- CFO: Joe Cowden

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- Revenue: 9.02 crores USD
- Founded: 1917
- Parent organization: Nada Retirement Trust

Delhi host Asian Wrestling Championship 2020

- Asian Wrestling Championship 2020 starts in New Delhi.
- It will be held at the KD Jadhav Hall of Indira Gandhi Stadium.
- The event will have a total of 30 weight classes, 10 each in Freestyle Men, Women, and Greco Roman.
- Team India will be represented by a 30 member squad with Deepak Punia, Dahiya, Bajrang, and Vinesh leading the pack.
- India last hosted the championships in 2017.
- The 2018 edition was held at Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan and in 2019, Xi'an province of China.
- Asian Wrestling Championship organized by Asian Associated Wrestling Committee (AAWC).
- In 1979 men's tournament began and in 1996 women's tournament was first staged, after that, it is held every year.

Extra Shots:

Asian Wrestling Championships is the Wrestling Asian Championship organized by the Asian Associated Wrestling Committee. The men's tournament began in 1979 and the women's tournament was first staged in 1996, and it has been held every year.

'United by Emotion' chosen as Tokyo 2020 Olympics motto

- The Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee has revealed the official Games motto: "United by Emotion".
- The motto emphasises the power of sport to bring together people from diverse backgrounds of every kind and allow them to connect and celebrate in a way that reaches beyond their differences.
- The official Olympic motto is "Citius, Altius, Fortius" or "Faster, Higher, Stronger", but each host city chooses its own motto to accompany that edition of the Games.
- The Games will bring together athletes from more than 200 National Olympic Committees and the Refugee Olympic Team, as well as millions of spectators & media representatives.

Extra Shots:

Upcoming Olympics events:

- Summer Olympics- 2020, Tokyo, Japan
- Winter Olympics- 2022, Beijing, China
- Youth Olympics (summer)- 2022, Dakar, Senegal (1st IOC event to be held in Africa)
- Youth Olympics (winter)- 2020, Lausanne, Switzerland (Headquarters for IOC)

Koneru Humpy wins Cairns Cup chess tournament

- India's Koneru Humpy wins Cairns Cup chess tournament held at St.Louis, US (United States).
- She won the title after finishing 6 points off 9 rounds. Reigning world champion Ju Wenjun finished with 5.5 points secured 2nd place while Russia's Alexandra Kosteniuk came 3rd who finished with 5 points followed by Ukrainian Mariya Muzychek with 5 points and India's Harika Dronavalli secured 5th with 4.5 points.

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- This tournament consists of 9 round classical events & top 3 finishers will receive \$45,000, \$35,000 & \$25,000 respectively.

India gets its first Greco-Roman gold medal after 27 years

- Sunil Kumar won India's first Greco-Roman gold medal in Asian Wrestling Championships in 27 years on 18 February.
- He defeated Azat Salidinov of Kyrgyzstan under the 87kg category at the summit. He scored 5-0 in the event to claim the title.
- The previous gold was won by Pappu Yadav in 1993 for India under the 48 kg in the Greco-Roman category.
- Also, Arjun Halakurki won bronze at the championship under the 55 Kg category. He defeated Donghyeok Won of Korea to claim the medal.

Navi Mumbai to host final of FIFA U-17 Womens World Cup

- Navi Mumbai will be hosting the final of the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup on 21 November.
- The announcement was made by the organizing committee.

FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup:

- ◆ The committee stated that Ahmedabad, Bhubaneswar, Guwahati, Kolkata, and Navi Mumbai will host the games.
- ◆ 16 teams will compete across 32 matches in Navi Mumbai.
- ◆ The official slogan of FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup India 2020 is "Kick off the Dream".
- ◆ The tournament will be held from 2-21 November 2020. India also seeks to host the U-20 World Cup and the Club World Cup.

Pragyan Ojha announces retirement from all forms of cricket

- Indian left-arm spinner Pragyan Ojha announced retirement from international and first-class cricket.
- He played his last match for India in 2013 during Sachin Tendulkar's farewell Test against the West Indies in Mumbai.
- He played 24 Tests between 2009 and 2013 in which he took 113 wickets.
- From 18 ODIs, he grabbed 21 wickets. He also played six T20 Internationals.

AFC chooses India to host the 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup

- Asian Football Confederation's (AFC) Women's Committee has announced that India will host the 2022 AFC Women's Asian Cup.
- The tournament was awarded to India with an aim to maximize the promotion of the game.
- Asian Football Confederation's Women's Committee was held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. China, Taiwan, and Uzbekistan were the other competing candidates.

India as a host:

India has proposed venues namely DY Patil Stadium, Trans Stadia Arena and Fatorda Stadium for the tournament. India was offered to host the tournament as it is committed to developing the women's game. India has hosted the AFC U-16 Championships in 2016 and the FIFA U-17 World Cup 2017. The Asian Football Confederation's Women's committee also agreed that India will continue raising the standards of the AFC Women's Asian Cup.

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The Central Asian Football Association is an association of the football playing nations in Central Asia. In June 2014, the association was in principle approved by the Asian Football Confederation and approved at the Extraordinary Congress in January 2015 during the 2015 AFC Asian Cup.

- President: Rustam Emomali
- Founded: 9 January 2015
- Headquarters: Dushanbe, Tajikistan
- Type of business: Sports organization

India won 11 medals at the Brazil Para Badminton International Championships

- India finished Brazil Para Badminton International Championships with 11 medals in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Among the total are 11 medals, 4 gold, 5 silver, and 2 bronze medals.
- Indian shuttler Pramod Bhagat claimed two gold medals in men's singles SL3 and men's doubles SL3-SL4 categories.
- With this win, he was qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games.
- Suhas Lalinakere Yathiraj won gold in men's singles SL4.

Extra Shots:

Brazil Para Badminton International Championships:

Brazil Para-Badminton International Championships was held at Sao Paulo, Brazil. It was held from 10-15 February 2020. The championship was organized by Badminton World Federation (BWF). The games included events namely Men's Singles, Men's Doubles, Women's Singles, Women's Doubles & Mixed Doubles.

Ross Taylor becomes world's first cricketer to play 100 matches in all 3 formats

- Ross Taylor has become the first player in the cricketing world to play 100 matches in all the three formats of the game.
- He reached the landmark feat during the first international cricket match of India and New Zealand bilateral test series started at Basin Reserve in Wellington.
- Former New Zealand wicket-keeper Ian Smith presented Ross Taylor with 100th Test cap before the match.
- With this, he has represented New Zealand in 100 or more times in all the three formats of cricket at international level.

Ross Taylor has represented New Zealand in 231 One Day International matches, 100 T20 International matches and 100 Test matches.

India's Grandmaster D Gukesh wins 34th Cannes Open in France

- India's Grandmaster D Gukesh has won the 34th Cannes Open in France.
- He defeated Harutyun Bargseghyan of France in 50 moves to win the chess tournament.
- Siva Mahadevan of India secured the 10th place with six points.
- D Gukesh from Tamil Nadu also became the world's second youngest Grandmaster ever in 2019 when he won the Hillerod 110th Anniversary Open event in Denmark.

Russia to host new edition of AIBA World Cup 2020

- Russia will be the first country to host the new format of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Team World Cup 2020.

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- AIBA Executive committee members voted in favour to approve the Russian bid at its meeting in Budapest, Hungary.
- The tournament will be coinciding with the 75th anniversary of the victory in World War II under the motto “Boxing for peace”.

Extra Shots:

Russia (Capital/Currency): Moscow/Ruble

- Prime Minister: Dmitry Medvedev
- President: Vladimir Putin

AIBA: The International Boxing Association or AIBA, originally the Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur, is a sport organization that sanctions amateur boxing matches and awards world and subordinate championships.

- Headquarters location: Lausanne, Switzerland
- President: Gafur Rakhimov
- Abbreviation: AIBA
- Founded: 1946

ICC bans Omani player Yousuf Abdulrahim Al Balushi from cricket for 7 years

- The International Cricket Council (ICC) banned Oman player Yousuf Abdulrahim Al Balushi from all forms of cricket for 7 years.
- The player has been reprimanded for breaching the ICC’s Anti-Corruption Code as he was found guilty for breaching various counts in the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup qualifiers 2019.
- Al Balushi breached Article 2.1.1 of the Anti-Corruption Code: being party to an agreement or effort to fix or contrive in any way the result, progress, conduct or any other aspect of matches.
- Besides, he also breached Article 2.1.4, Article 2.4.4 and Article 2.4.7: All relating to corrupt practices.

Extra Shots:

ICC: The International Cricket Council is the global governing body of cricket. It was founded as the Imperial Cricket Conference in 1909 by representatives from Australia, England and South Africa. It was renamed as the International Cricket Conference in 1965, and took up its current name in 1989.

- Chairperson: Shashank Manohar
- CEO: Manu Sawhney
- Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Founded: 15 June 1909
- Membership: 104 members

11-year-old Jiya Rai creates world record in open water swimming

- Jiya Rai, the 11-year-old girl created a world record by becoming the youngest and the fastest specially-abled girl to swim 14 kilometres in open water in 3 hours 27 minutes and 30 seconds.
- This record creates under the supervision of the Swimming Association of Maharashtra.
- Jiya’s achievement has qualified for registration in the India Book of Records, Asia Book and Limca Book of Records.
- She was felicitated with a Certificate and Trophy for this record-breaking achievement.

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- The young champion has come a long way since she was diagnosed with Autism Spectrum Disorder and Delay in Speech at a tender age of about two years.

India will host Commonwealth Shooting and Archery Championships 2022

- India will host the Commonwealth Shooting and Archery Championships in January 2022.
- The Commonwealth Games Federation (CGF) announced this decision after the Executive Board meeting in London.
- The two events will be held in Chandigarh in January 2022, while the Birmingham Commonwealth Games is scheduled from 27th of July to 7th of August, 2022.
- The decision is being considered a big win for India after IOA threatened to boycott the 2022 Birmingham Games for dropping shooting from the roster in July last year.

Extra Shots:

CGF: The Commonwealth Games Federation, currently branded as Commonwealth Sport, is the international organisation responsible for the direction and control of the Commonwealth Games and Commonwealth Youth Games, and is the foremost authority in matters relating to the games.

- Headquarters location: London, United Kingdom
- CEO: David Grevemberg
- President: Louise Martin
- Vice-Patron: The Earl of Wessex
- Patron: Queen Elizabeth II
- Founded: 1932

Kamal, Sathiyam won silver at World Tour Hungarian Open

- Indian men's doubles pair of Achanta Sharath Kamal and Gnanasekaran Sathiyam clinched the silver medal at the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) World Tour Hungarian Open under Men's doubles category.
- They were defeated by German combination of Benedikt Duda and Patrick Franziska at Budapest who secured 5-11, 9-11, 11-8, 9-11.
- Kamal and Sathiyam defeated top seeds Ho Kwan Kit and Wong Chun Ting of Hong Kong 3-2 in the semi-finals.
- This is the second time Sharath Kamal has won a medal from the tournament.
- He has won bronze with Manika Batra in mixed doubles.

Result:

Men's singles: Japan Tomokazu Harimoto

Women's singles: Japan Mima Ito

Men's doubles: Germany Benedikt Duda, Patrick Franziska

Women's doubles: Japan Miu Hirano, Kasumi Ishikawa

Extra Shots:

Hungarian Open:

- Founded on: 2010
- Held at: Budapest, Hungary

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- The tournament has been held since 2015. Currently, the championship is a part of the ITTF World Tour.

[Maria Sharapova announces retirement from tennis](#)

- Five-time Grand Slam champion Maria Sharapova has announced her retirement from tennis.
- The Russian won her first Grand Slam at Wimbledon in 2004 aged 17 and completed the career slam, all four major titles, by winning the French Open in 2012.
- She became world number one in 2005 and won the US Open the next year.
- She won the 2004 WTA Tour Championships, the 2008 Fed Cup and a silver medal at the 2012 London Olympics.
- In 2016, she served a 15-month ban after testing positive for meldonium. After returning from her ban in 2017, Sharapova struggled to recapture her best form and suffered from a number of injuries. She has dropped to 373 in the world, her lowest ranking since August 2002, and has lost in the first round of her past three Grand Slam tournaments.

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