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## NATIONAL NEWS

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will unveil the bronze statue of **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel at Kevadia in Narmada district, on the 143rd birth anniversary of Sardar Patel.**
  - At 182 metres, the ‘Statue of Unity’, facing the Sardar Sarovar Dam, is nearly double the height of the Statue of Liberty in New York and taller than the Spring Temple of Buddha in China, which had held the record at 153 metres.
- The **Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER)**, Dr Jitendra Singh laid the foundation stone of new Science Centre, the **“Technology Facility Centre” (TFC) in Jorhat, Assam.** These will help in improving livelihood opportunities for unemployed youth, farmers, women and artisans.
  - This will be established in the premises of the **CSIR-North East Institute of Science & Technology (NEIST).** This will work as a Center of Excellence for all the eight States of Northeast for promoting research as well as job creation.
- the **Union Minister for Shipping, Road Transport and Highways, Mr Nitin Gadkari** and **Kerala Chief Minister Mr. Pinarayi Vijayan** laid foundation of India’s largest **Dry Dock at Cochin Shipyard.** It will have a **water treatment plant** and **Green Belt Development.**
  - It will be used to build specialized and technologically advanced large vessels like LNG Carriers, drill ships etc for the Indian Navy.
- A seminar titled **“Gandhian Thoughts and Sanitation”** was organized by the Ministry of Drinking Water and Sanitation in **Wardha district, Maharashtra.** The seminar was focused on the Gandhian ideology on sanitation and its implementation through Swachh Bharat Mission (SBM).
  - Topics like appropriate technologies in rural sanitation, organic waste management, and preventive sanitation linked with Nai Talim and industrialization: Gandhi’s concept of Swachh evam Swawalambhi Sankul, were discussed.
- The **5th National Summit on Good and Replicable Practices and Innovations in Public Health Care Systems** in India began at Kaziranga in Assam. The objective of the summit is to share and learn the good practices being implemented by several states and organizations for the betterment of the health sector.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

- **Republic of Seychelles** launched the world's **first** sovereign **blue bond** worth **US\$15 million** to finance sustainable marine and fisheries projects. The bond was announced at the **Our Ocean Conference** in **Bali** by the Vice-President of the **Republic of Seychelles, Vincent Meriton**.
  - The bond demonstrates the potential for countries to harness capital markets for financing the sustainable use of marine resources.
- The world's largest airport terminal "**under one roof**" with a capacity to serve **90 million** passengers has been officially opened on October 29 in **Istanbul**, which marks the **Republic Day of Turkey**.
  - The airport has been envisioned to have a total capacity of up to **200 million** passengers, once all four phases are completed in the next **10 years**.

## ECONOMY

- The **World Trade Organization's** dispute settlement body has set up a panel to look into the **India-US** export-subsidy dispute. This was established on the request of the US to examine the allegations on India's export incentive measures.
  - The US has challenged India's export subsidy programmes such as **Merchandise Exports from India Scheme** in the WTO, asserting that these initiatives were harming its companies.
- India is **Asia's most investment savvy economy and more than two-thirds of the country's affluent class** prefer to use various investment products to achieve their financial goals and greater social mobility.
  - The study said, **31 per cent of emerging affluents is selecting mutual funds, a quarter (25 per cent) choosing fixed income investments and 22 per cent equity investments**.

## SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **WhatsApp** has partnered **with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) to train small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and entrepreneurs** on using the messaging platform to connect with customers and growing their businesses. WhatsApp and CII will work to **enhance business communication for Indian SMEs** through CII's SME Technology Facilitation Centre.
  - They will also develop **informative content** to be distributed among entrepreneurs

both in physical and digital formats.

## SPORTS

- **Lewis Hamilton** won his **5th drivers' world championship** and equaled Juan Manuel Fangio's Formula One record. **Max Verstappen** won the **Mexican Grand Prix**, in Mexico. Lewis Hamilton finished in the 4th position in the Mexican Grand Prix. This is the 3rd time he has won the drivers' world championship title without finishing on the race podium.
- Swiss tennis star **Roger Federer** won his **99th career title** after winning the **Basel Open** for the **ninth time** in his career. Federer, who was born in the Swiss city of Basel, won his fourth title of the year in the form of the Basel Open. Federer is now just 10 titles short of the all-time record holder **Jimmy Connors**, who leads with **109**.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **National Unity Day: 31st October**
  - **National Unity day (also known as Rashtriya Ekta Diwas)** is celebrated every year on **31st of October** by the people all through India. It is celebrated to commemorate the **birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel** who really unified the country.
  - National Unity Day was **introduced by the Government of India in 2014** with the aim of celebrating this event every year on 31st October. It would be celebrated as the **143rd birth anniversary** of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.
  - The aim of introducing this event is to pay tribute to the great man, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, on his birth anniversary by remembering his extraordinary works for the country. He really worked hard in keeping India united.