

31st August, 2021

1. National Sports Day: 29th August, 2021

National Sports Day is celebrated on 29th August every year to commemorate the birth anniversary of legendary hockey player Major Dhyhan Chand.

On 6th of this month, the Government had announced that India's highest sporting honour Khel Ratna Award has been named as Major Dhyhan Chand Khel Ratna Award in the honour of the hockey wizard.

2. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurates 'My Pad, My Right' project in Tripura

In Tripura, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman inaugurated a project called 'My Pad, My Right' initiated by NABARD and NABFOUNDATION at Killa village in Gomati district on the second and concluding day of her visit to the state.

The project aims to bring livelihood and menstrual hygiene closer to rural women by way of grant, wage support and capital equipment.

The Union Minister also flagged off the mobile ATM van of Tripura State Co-Operative Bank Limited which will cover all Gram Panchayats and Village Committees of South Tripura District. Ms Sitharaman also interacted with women Self-Help Group members under the Micro-Enterprise Development Programme (MEDP) of National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development.

3. INS Airavat reaches Ho Chi Minh City Port in Vietnam with COVID Relief Material as part of Mission Sagar

As part of the ongoing Mission Sagar, INS Airavat reached at Ho Chi Minh City Port in Vietnam with COVID Relief Material. The ship is carrying 100 Metric Tonnes of Liquid Medical Oxygen in five ISO Containers and 300 Oxygen Concentrators of 10 litres per minute capacity each.

INS Airavat, an indigenously built Landing Ship Tank (Large) under the Eastern Naval Command based at Visakhapatnam, is on a deployment to South East Asia for trans-shipment of

COVID Relief aid. The Indian Navy has been proactively engaging with countries in the region and has been at the forefront of numerous humanitarian missions spanning the entire extent of the Indian Ocean including South and South East Asia and East Africa.

India and Vietnam Navies cooperate in various areas including a composite training programme in the fields of the submarine, aviation and technical training and regularly carry out joint exercises in the form of bilateral exercises.

4. Bhavina Patel settles for Silver medal, becomes first Indian table tennis player to enter finals at Tokyo Paralympics

India's Bhavina Patel has settled for Silver medal in the table tennis event at Tokyo Paralympics. Bhavina lost to China's Ying Zhou in the final this morning.

She had entered the final beating China's Zhang Miao in a closely-contested semi-final match yesterday. Bhavina scripted history by becoming the first Indian table tennis player to enter the final in the Paralympics.

5. Tokyo Paralympics: Nishad Kumar wins silver medal in Men's High Jump T47 event

In Tokyo Paralympics, India's Nishad Kumar has won silver medal with a best effort of 2.06 meter in Men's High Jump T47 event.

Nishad Kumar also created a new Asian Record with the effort. Ram Pal finished 5th with a personal best mark of 1.94m.

6. Tokyo Paralympics: Devendra Jhajharia & Sundar Singh Gurjar win silver and bronze in Javelin Throw

Devendra Jhajharia won Silver medal in Men's Javelin Throw F46 Final and Sundar Singh Gurjar won bronze in javelin throw in Tokyo Paralympics.

President Ram Nath Kovind has congratulated Yogesh Kathuniya for winning silver in discus throw, Devendra Jhajharia winning Silver in javelin throw and Sundar Singh Gurjar bronze in

javelin throw. In a tweet, Mr Kovind said, he is delighted to see the Paralympians bring more glory to the nation. He said, every Indian is celebrating their success.

7. Paralympics: Avani Lekhara wins Gold in shooting; Yogesh Kathuniya clinches Silver in Discus Throw

Indian shooter Avani Lekhara has won Gold medal in Women's 10 metre Air Rifle Shooting at Tokyo Paralympics. She has won the first Gold for the country at the Tokyo Paralympic Games. Yogesh Kathuniya won Silver medal in Discus Throw. This is the fifth medal for the country at the Tokyo Paralympics.

8. Javelin Thrower Sumit Antil, Shooter Avani Lekhara win Gold medals in Tokyo Paralympics; India ends Day 6 on historic five-Medal high

In Tokyo Paralympics, India today secured its 2nd Gold medal. India's Sumit Antil today set a new world record to win the gold medal in the men's javelin throw (F64) event at Tokyo. With the best throw of 68.85 metres in the final, he took India's medal count to seven.

Indian shooter Avani Lekhara created history by winning the gold medal in the Women's 10 metre Air Rifle shooting event at Tokyo Paralympics today. The 19-year-old became the first woman from India to win a Paralympics gold medal. Avani finished with a Paralympic Record and in-process equalled the World Record with 249.6 points.

9. Vinod Kumar wins bronze medal in Men's Discus throw F52 event in Tokyo Paralympics

In Tokyo Paralympics, Vinod Kumar wins Bronze medal with a best effort of 19.91 meter in Men's Discus Throw F52 event. Vinod Kumar also broke the Asian Record with the effort.