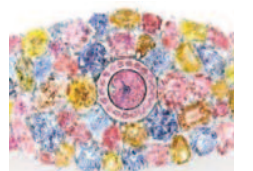


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UK

Ruckus after Euro 2020 loss

After England's football team lost to Italy at the Euro 2020, hundreds of angry fans took to the streets and the Wembley stadium, and started riot-like ruckus. Many climbed street lamps and damaged other public property, setting off flares, and an increase in racially charged acts was also observed. The police arrested at least 86 people, 53 at the stadium, after 19 officers were injured.



BELGIUM

First carbon border tax

The European Union, headquartered in Brussels, has planned for the first ever carbon border tax in the world. The tax will be applied on imports of carbon-intensive steel, aluminium, cement, fertilisers and electricity. In an effort to curb climate change, the initiative is being pushed forward to meet the new climate target. European Commission plans on phasing in the tax from 2026.



IRAQ

Fire at COVID-19 hospital kills 92

A blazing fire at the Al-Hussein hospital set up for treating COVID-19 patients in Nasiriya, Baghdad, killed at least 92 people and injured around 50. Officials believe the starting point of the fire to be oxygen tanks that exploded in an ICU. This comes as the second fire in months in Baghdad where exploding oxygen tanks at the Ibn Al-Khatib Hospital killed at least 82 people in April.



INDONESIA

Newest epicentre for COVID-19

Surpassing India's daily Coronavirus numbers, Indonesia has become the newest epicentre for the virus outbreak in Asia. The number of cases in the country, which were less than 10,000 a month ago, have soared to over 40,000 for two consecutive days, and the officials are not only concerned about the new variant, but also about exhausting supplies and hospital workers.



INDIA

Suo moto cognizance over Kanwar Yatra

Disturbed by the UP government's decision to allow Kanwar Yatra amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, the Supreme Court has issued notices to both the centre and the state government. In response, UP Health Minister has claimed that the state is prepared for the yatra and "will make sure that all protocols are in place." In the year 2019, nearly 2-3 crore people had visited pilgrimage spots in western UP during Kanwar Yatra.



SOUTH AFRICA

Jailing President Zuma starts riots

A terrible series of ongoing riots were witnessed in the country after former President Jacob Zuma was jailed. The supporters of Jacob Zuma blocked the highways, looted the warehouses in small towns and major cities in KwaZulu-Natal and Gauteng provinces, causing a deadly stampede killing at least 72 people. To control the unrest, military has been deployed and a total of 1234 violators have been arrested till now.



ITALY

Ban of big cruise ships

After UNESCO's threat of putting Venice on its endangered list, Italy permanently banned big cruise ships weighing more than 25,000 tonnes from docking the world heritage site starting August 1, 2021. The PM has stated that the workers and companies affected by the change will be compensated, and the move means that only small passenger ferries will be able to use the Giudecca canal to enter Venice.



USA

Wobbling moon to cause floods

The NASA Sea Level Change Team at University of Hawaii has warned that a rapid increase will be seen in the number of floods to be witnessed in the 2030s due to the moon's wobble, that influences how earth's tides ebb and flow, combined with climate change. Calling it a 'double whammy', scientists have said that the coastal communities will either have to adapt or evict the land.

