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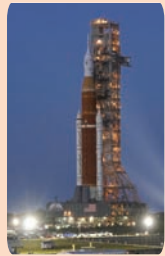
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USA

NASA's Artemis I takes off

As part of NASA's crewless Artemis I mission, the new 322-ft-tall moon rocket took off from Kennedy Space Center for a 25-day flight on November 16. Having launched exactly 50 years after Apollo programme, the rocket ship will be orbiting the moon, aiming to come within about 80 miles of its surface, and come back to test the Orion module. If successful, the mission will help in further exploration of the moon and Mars.



UK

Launch of YPS

With an aim to strengthen links between United Kingdom and India, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak, along with Indian PM Narendra Modi, gave a go ahead to the Young Professionals Scheme on November 16, 2022. Under the scheme, UK will annually offer 3000 places to 18-30 years old Indian degree holders to live and work in the nation for up to two years. With its implementation in early 2023, India will become the first visa-national country ever to have benefited from such a scheme.



SOUTH KOREA

BTS shines at Grammys

The boy band BTS has bagged three nominations at Grammys 2023, becoming the only Korean act to have been nominated five times. The septet is nominated for Best Pop Duo/Group Performance for the third year in a row. They are also nominated as featured artists for Album of the Year award for Coldplay's 'Music of the Spheres', and for Best Music Video for their Korean track 'Yet To Come', making it the first ever song in Korean language to have been nominated at the Grammys.



GERMANY

Floating terminal for LNG

The nation has unfurled their first floating terminal for Liquefied Natural Gas in North Sea as a fallback to the pipeline fuel supply cut exercised by Russia. A first-of-its-kind, the terminal includes a storage and regasification unit that will allow ships to deliver gas in liquid form. Working on building its energy reserves for a long time now, the country's gas storage facilities have also reportedly reached 100% capacity prior to the expected time.



KENYA

Nairobi to import trees

In a bid to make Nairobi a green city, governor Sakaja plans to import grown trees from Malaysia and plant them in the county. He also plans on launching a tree planting programme for the unemployed, granting them 20 USD per week. However, the decision has met severe criticism online with many questioning the need to do so in the first place when Kenya can plant its own trees any time.



AFGHANISTAN

Women banned from gyms

The Taliban regime has now banned women from visiting gyms, public baths and parks, after having already curtailed their right to education and employment. The blow, as per a spokesman from the Ministry of Virtue and Vice, came after the citizens failed to obey gender segregation rules put in place by the administration. The appointed teams will soon be conducting regular monitoring sessions to see if women are still using these establishments.



INDIA

India gets G20 presidency

India gained the presidency of the next G20 summit at the 17th inter-governmental meeting held in Bali, Indonesia, from November 15-16, 2022. The nation is all set to officially presume the chair from December 1, 2022, with the theme 'One Earth, One Family, One Future'. Citing data for development as the focal point of the same, PM Narendra Modi iterated that India's presidency will be all inclusive, ambitious, decisive and action-oriented.

News Flash

► **Japan:** Nation rocked by a 6.1 magnitude earthquake on Nov 14, 2022 ► **Egypt:** 21 killed as a bus fell into a canal in the Nile River Delta region ► **Australia:** 800 people aboard a cruise ship on a 12-day long voyage tested COVID positive