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Nolan's Oppenheimer sweeps Golden Globes on a bittersweet night for Gerwig's Barbie

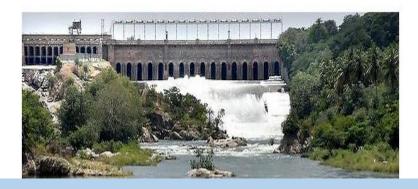


- Golden Globe Awards presented annually by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association (HFPA) in recognition of outstanding achievement in motion pictures and television during the previous year.
- Oppenheimer took five prizes including best drama, best director for Nolan, best score, as well as acting trophies for Cillian Murphy

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Karnataka HC bans mining activity near KRS reservoir

High Court says ban will apply even on existing mining licences, adding, it will be in force till the completion of a study by experts and decision taken by the State committee on dam safety



- The dam built across the river Kaveri at Kannambadi, initially called as 'Kannambadi Katte', was later named as Krishnaraja Sagara in 1917 after the king Krishnaraja Odeya IV.
- The Brindavan Gardens located at the bottom of the dam site has made this place world famous. This place known as a 'Tourists paradise' With a view to supply water to the hydro-electric power station at Shivasamudra, drinking water to the Mysore City, as well as for a continuous supply of Kaveri water to irrigational purposes, the Engineers and Planners of the erstwhile Mysore State thought of this dam.

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Hedge funds dump large tech stocks





- Hedge funds pool investors' money and invest the money in an effort to make a positive return.
- Hedge funds typically have more flexible investment strategies than, for example, mutual fund

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Private industry leads U.S.'s first Moon landing since Apollo





A brand new rocket, United Launch Alliance's Vulcan Centaur, lifted off from Cape Canaveral Space Force Station in Florida for its maiden voyage, carrying **Astrobotic's**Peregrine Lunar Lander.

Peregrine will touch down on a mid-latitude region of the Moon called Sinus Viscositatis, or Bay of Stickiness, on February 23.

ULA's new rocket is planned to have reusable first stage booster engines, which the company, a joint venture between Lockheed Martin and Boeing, expects will help save cost.

Indian Express: Intellectual Property Rights

From red ant chutney to black rice, the 7 Odisha products that have bagged GI tags

A marker of authentic products, the GI tags also help protect the interests of the local growers and artisans by preventing duplicity of the products. Consumers, through the tags, can know which goods are certified. Here is a quick look at the products and what makes them distinctive.

• Seven products: Kapdaganda shawl, Lanjia Saura
Painting, Koraput Kala Jeera Rice, Similipal Kai chutney,
Nayagarh Kanteimundi Brinjal, Odisha Khajuri Guda,
Dhenkanal Magji

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- Geographical Indications of goods refer to the place of origin of a product.
- Such tags are accorded as they convey an assurance of quality and distinctiveness, attributable to the fact of its origin in a specific geographical locality, region or country.
- In India, the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, awards GIs.
- A GI registration is given to an area, not a trader, but once a product gets the registration, traders dealing in the product can apply to sell it with the GI logo.
 Authorised traders are each assigned a unique GI number.
- If any unauthorised trader tries selling the product under that name, they can be prosecuted under The Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act, 1999.

PIB: Science and Technology

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India International Science Festival (IISF) 2023 promo film and brochure released during Curtain Raiser Event at THSTI, Faridabad

Theme of IISF 2023 is "Science and Technology Public Outreach in Amrit Kaal"

IISF-2023 to benefit a large number of schoolchildren, especially from the state, says State Higher Education Minister Shri Moolchand Sharma

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- The India International Science Festival (IISF) is a collaborative endeavour between Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Department of Space and Department of Atomic Energy in partnership with Vijnana Bharati - a science movement spearheaded by scientists of the nation with swadeshi spirit.
- IISF's primary objective is to commemorate the world of science, making it accessible to all.
- The essential notion is to engage general populace with science in an enjoyable and entertaining manner, thereby contributing to health, prosperity and meaningful life.
- This festival aims to celebrate and highlight a wide range of achievements in the field of science, technology and innovations in India.
- The theme of IISF 2023 is "Science and Technology Public Outreach in Amrit Kaal".

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PM Narendra Modi greets people on occasion of Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas

- 9 January commemorates the return of Mahatma Gandhills
 from South Africa to India in 1915. To mark this day, the
 tradition of celebrating Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD)
 started in 2003.
- 1st PBD Convention was organised on 9 January 2003 to mark the contribution of the overseas Indian community to the development of India.
- Since 2015, under a revised format, PBD Convention has been organised once every 2 years.