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General Awareness

The week from February 27, 2023 to March 05, 2023

At 'The Best FIFA Football Awards 2023', Lionel Messi was named 'Best Male Player', while Alexia Putellas was adjudged 'Best Female Player'. Lionel Scaloni and Emiliano Martinez were respectively named the 'Best Coach' and 'Best Goalkeeper' in Men's category. Computer scientist Hari Balakrishnan has been awarded the 2023 Marconi Prize, a top honour for computer scientists awarded by the US-based Marconi Foundation. Dr. Balakrishnan is a professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

New Zealand became the second team in Test cricket history to win a match by one run after defeating England in the second Test. The first such instance happened in 1993 when the West Indies defeated Australia in Adelaide.

French footballer Just Fontaine, who scored the most goals in a single FIFA World Cup edition passed away aged 89. He scored a record 13 goals at the 1958 FIFA World Cup in Sweden, leading France to the semifinals.

Mumbai Indians defeated Gujarat Giants by 143 runs to win the first-ever Women's Premier League match. Batting first, Mumbai Indians put up a total of 207/5, while Gujarat Giants were bundled out for 64 in 15.1 overs. Twitter's co-founder and former CEO Jack Dorsey launched 'Bluesky', an 'open decentralised standard for social media' on the Apple App Store as an invite-only app. It had originally been incubated within Twitter starting from 2019.

Researchers discovered the oldest human genome at Cueva del Malalmuerzo in southern Spain. The genome belongs to a 23,000-year-old individual who lived in probably the warmest region of Europe at the peak of the last Ice Age.

Archaeologists discovered well-preserved spices, including strands of saffron, peppercorns and ginger on the wreck of 'Gribshund', a ship owned by King Hans of Denmark and Norway. The ship had sunk off Sweden's Baltic coast more than 500 years ago.



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