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General Awareness

The week from May 01, 2023 to May 07, 2023

Chinese Grandmaster Ding Liren became the world chess champion after beating Russia's Ian Nepomniachtchi in the 2023 World Chess Championship. The winner was decided via tiebreaks after the score was tied at 7-7 following classical games. Researchers at the Indian Institute of Astrophysics confirmed the detection of Auroras in the night sky of Ladakh, a rare occurrence at lower latitudes. This occurred due to an intense geomagnetic storm that had hit the Earth.

The Indian government evacuated 3,195 of the 3,400 citizens registered with the Indian embassy in Sudan, over a week after launching Operation Kaveri. Apart from this, the government also helped evacuate Sri Lankan, Nepali, and Bangladeshi nationals.

The World Bank confirmed that Indianorigin banker Ajay Banga has been selected as its next President for a fiveyear term. The 63-year-old former Mastercard CEO will take over the role from on 2 June 2023.

Scientists from Harvard University, MIT, and California Institute of Technology observed a star consume a Jupiter-sized planet for the first time. The event took place around 12,000 light-years away near the Aquila constellation. Cristiano Ronaldo topped the 2023 Forbes list of the world's highest-paid athlete, with an earning of \$136 million. He was followed by fellow footballers Lionel Messi and Kylian Mbappe, who earned \$130 million and \$120 million respectively.

American sprinter Tori Bowie passed away aged 32 in Orlando, Florida. Bowie won 4x100m relay gold, 100m silver, and 200m bronze at the Rio 2016 Olympics, and won the 2017 100m World Championships in London.

Charles III was crowned monarch of the UK and 14 Commonwealth Realms at Westminster Abbey, London, while his wife Camilla was crowned the Queen. This was Britain's first coronation since that of Elizabeth II in 1953.



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