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General Awareness

The week from May 08, 2023 to May 14, 2023

The Central Government said that public broadcaster, previously known as All India Radio (AIR), would be exclusively referred to as Akashvani in all broadcasts and programmes. The term 'Akashvani', meaning 'a voice from the sky', was coined by Rabindranath Tagore in 1939.

Argentine footballer Lionel Messi won the 'Sportsman of the Year' honour at the 2023 Laureus Sports Awards. Jamaican sprinter Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce was adjudged 'Sportswoman of the Year'.

Union Minister Kiren Rijiju launched the trailer of the first-ever movie made in the Tagin language of Arunachal Pradesh. The movie 'Love in 90s', directed by Tapen Natam will display the culture of the Tagin community. Barbara Kingsolver and Hernan Diaz shared the 2023 Pulitzer Prize for fiction, while Robert Samuels and Toluse Olorunnipa were the winners in 'general nonfiction' category. The opera 'Omar' by Rhiannon Giddens and Michael Abels won the Pulitzer for music.

Scientists have published the first human "pangenome" – a full genetic sequence that incorporates the genomes of 47 individuals. The project aims to map the entirety of human genetic variation, which would help study potential links between genes and diseases.

19-year old shooter Rhythm Sangwan broke a 29-year-old world record in the women's 25m pistol event at the ISSF World Cup 2023 held at Baku, Azerbaijan. Sangwan's score of 595 bettered Bulgarian shooter Diana Iorgova's 1994 record score of 594.

A predatory alligator gar, a fish with a crocodile-like mouth, was discovered by the Lake Conservation and Management Authority in Dal Lake, Srinagar. This non-native fish species is usually found in North America.

The Congress(I) won a handsome majority in the Karnataka Assembly elections held on May 10. The party won 135 out of the 224 seats in the assembly, thus achieving a simple majority. The ruling BJP won 66 seats with the JD(S) in third place with 19.



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