

The week from 18 September 2023 to 24 September 2023

The Maharashtra government issued an official notification renaming Aurangabad and Osmanabad districts as Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar and Dharashiv, respectively. Chhatrapati Sambhaji was the eldest son of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj.

International Equal Pay Day was observed on 18 September 2023. It highlights the struggle for equal pay for women. Even in USA, women earn 82 cents for every dollar earned by men. In other words, a woman needs to work for 15 hours to earn what a man would in 12 hours.

Writer and film-maker Gita Mehta, 80, passed away. Daughter of legendary freedom fighter Biju Patnaik, and sister of current Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik, her works include Karma Cola, Snakes and Ladders and A River Sutra. Mehta's books have been translated into 21 languages.


The world-famous Hoysala temples of Belur, Halebid and Somanathapura in Karnataka have been added to the UNESCO World Heritage list, thus becoming the 42nd Indian WHS.

With the Indian Parliament shifting to a new, state-of-the-art building, PM Modi announced that the old Parliament building would henceforth be called 'Samvidhan Sadan' or 'Constitution House.' It was designed by Edwin Lutyens and Herbert Baker and completed in 1927.

The Parliament passed the Women Reservation Bill which mandates that one-third of the seats in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies will be reserved for women candidates. The Lok Sabha passed the bill with 454 votes in favour and 2 against; while the Rajya Sabha passed the bill unanimously with 214 votes in favour and none against.

A comic book titled "Chacha Chaudhary aur Chunavi Dangal," was launched by Chief Election Commissioner Shri Rajiv Kumar. It is designed to increase awareness about the electoral process amongst youth, and uses the iconic characters Chacha Chaudhary, Sabu, and Billoo created by late cartoonist Pran Kumar Sharma.

The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI), handed out 'Golden Tickets' for the 2023 LOI World Cup to several iconic Indians including legendary actor Amitabh Bachchan, cricketing maestro Sachin Tendulkar and the cult superstar of South Indian cinema, Rajinikanth.



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