

The week from 17 June to 23 June 2024

On June 19, PM Modi inaugurated the new campus of Nalanda University, an international institution of learning near the ancient ruins of Nalanda in Rajgir, Bihar. Mr Modi stated that Nalanda represents India's academic legacy and the enduring nature of knowledge.

The Madhya Pradesh government has completed preparations for its ambitious cheetah reintroduction project at Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary. This is slated to be the second home for African cheetahs in India after Kuno National Park.

Eminent children's film maker Vinod Ganatra has become the first Indian to be conferred with South Africa's prestigious 'Nelson Mandela Lifetime Achievement Award' for his outstanding contribution to children's cinema.

According to the Celebrity Brand Valuation Report 2023 released by global consulting firm Kroll, cricketer Virat Kohli has reclaimed the top spot as India's most valued celebrity brand with a brand value of \$227.9 million (approx. rs 1,900 crores).

Indian javelin star Neeraj Chopra added another feather to his cap by clinching the gold medal in the men's javelin throw event at the Paavo Nurmi Games 2024 in Turku, Finland.

Farmer, Siddhesh Sakore, founder of AGRO RANGERS from Maharashtra, was recognised as a Land Hero by the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) on World Desertification and Drought Day. At a programme in Bonn, Germany, he was honoured with 9 other Heroes.

According to the Global Energy Transition Index released by the World Economic Forum (WEF) on 19 June 2024, India has been ranked 63rd out of 120 countries, improving from last year's 67th position. The top 3 positions have been claimed by Sweden, Denmark and Finland respectively.

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