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The Vol II of Weekly Current affairs consists of the brief information about every important event /news /days , etc of the second week of April 2022 (8th April 2022 to 14th April 2022 .

- Government of India, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports has contributed USD 72124 towards the UNESCO Fund for Elimination of Doping in Sport 2022. First time in 2021, Government of India made a contribution of USD 28172 towards the UNESCO Fund on the basis of request received from UNESCO.
- “One station one Product” campaign has been launched by south central railway at the six main stations in all its six divisions. SCR in-charge General Manager, Arun Kumar Jain, has inaugurated stalls under the new initiative at Secunderabad Station. The stalls have also been opened at Kacheguda beside Vijayawada, Guntur and Aurangabad Stations. The Government had announced the new initiative in the General Budget 2022-23 and is already under trial at Tirupati.
- On 7th April 2022, China has successfully launched the new satellite “Gaofen-3 03” for Earth Observation. This satellite was launched from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre on a March 4C rocket. The images that will be captured by satellite will help the mitigation and prevention of marine disasters, environmental protection, marine research, agriculture, and water conservancy.
- An anti-corruption Mobile application “1064 Anti-Corruption Mobile App” has been launched by chief minister of Uttarakhand “Pushkar Singh Dhami” . This app is developed by the vigilance department which makes it easier for people to lodge

grievance- related complaints directly with the authorities. This app is available in both Hindi and English .

- A revolutionary initiative “Nandini Ksheera Samridhi Cooperative Bank” has been established by the Basavaraj Bommai, Chief Minister of Karnataka. This initiative will provide greater financial strength for the milk producers. The state government has put Rs 100 crore as share capital while the Milk Board has another Rs 100 Crore. This initiative will bring White Revolution in the dairy sector.
- Kangra tea is likely to win European Union’s geographical indication (GI) tag. Kangra Tea was accorded the GI tag in India in 2005. Since 1999, tea planting and development in Himachal Pradesh's Kangra region have steadily improved.
- Israel Aerospace Industries and Hindustan Aeronautics Limited have signed an MoU to convert civil passengers’ aircraft to “Multi Mission Tanker Transport aircraft” in India.
- Dr. Manoj Soni has been appointed as the Chairman of Union Public Service Commission. He succeeds Pradip Kumar Joshi. Prior to this, Dr Manoj served as the vice-chancellor of two universities and has earned several national and international awards and recognitions .



- The 9th edition of India-Kyrgyzstan Joint Special Forces Exercise – Khanjar 2022 commenced on 25 March 2022 and culminated on 6th April 2022 at Special Forces Training School, Bakloh (HP). Combat shooting, sniping, survival in mountains, hostage rescue drills and unarmed combat were practiced extensively during the Exercise.
- Indus Bank's "Indus Merchant Solutions" App has won Digital CX Award 2022 for "Outstanding Digital CX -SME Payments". The Digital CX Awards, is organised by Digital Banker, a globally trusted financial news service provider that recognises the world's leading Financial Services Organisations (FSO) that blend the best of technology, and innovation, with the power of their people to provide a superior customer experience and reinvent their industry. This year, the awards received over 600 submissions from 127 marquee FSOs across the globe.
- For the first time, Export of agricultural products from has crossed 50 billion USD majorly exports of Sugar, rice, wheat, and other cereals.
- India has successfully test fired "Pinaka Mk-I". This test has been performed by DRDO and Indian Army at the Pokhran firing ranges.
- Dipika Pallikal Karthik and Saurav Ghosal wins first-ever gold medal at World Doubles Squash Championships 2022 at Glasgow, Scotland.
- Falguni Shah, Indian American singer, has won the Best Children's Music Album award for A Colorful World at the 64th Grammy Awards 2022. She has also collaborated with AR Rahman previously. Currently, she sings and writes for her band. The 64th Grammy Awards ceremony was held early this morning in Las Vegas. This year, Jon Batiste won big as he bagged the Album of the year

award. Olivia Rodrigo won the Best New Artist while Silk Sonic won the Song of the Year as well as Record of the year

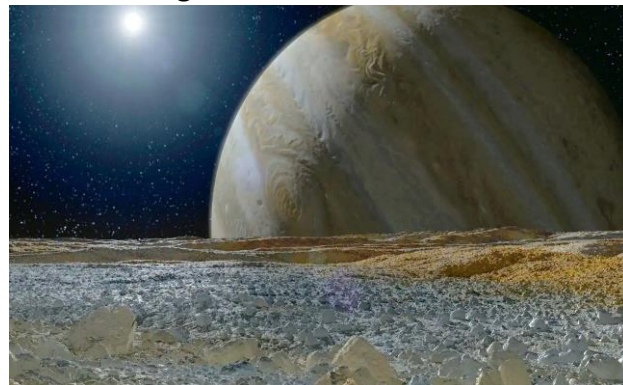
- QS World University Ranking by subject 2022 – IIT Delhi ranked 72 with a score of 78.9 and IIT Bombay ranked 65 with a score of 79.9.
- India has won 10 medals at the Thailand Open International Boxing Tournament 2022 in Phuket.
 - a. Gold Medals - 3
 - b. Silver Medals – 4
 - c. Bronze Medals – 3

Gold Medal Winners – Govind Sahani, Ananta Pralhad Chopde, Sumit

Silver Medal Winners – Amit Panghal, Monika, Ashish Kumar, Varinder Singh.

Bronze Medal Winners – Manisha, Bhagyabati Kachari, Pooja.

- Jupiter's near identical twin has been discovered by the Astronomers. This planet is about 17000 light years away from the earth. This planet is named as K2-2016-BLG-0005Lb. This planet orbits at a similar distance from its star as Jupiter is from the Sun (462 million miles). This planet has been spotted by the use of Albert Einstein's Theory of Relativity and Gravitational Microlensing.



- "Airport as Venue for Skilled Artisans of the Region (AVSAR)" initiative has been launched by the Airport authority of India (AAI) to encourage the talent of artisans and crafts man and provide them with the right

opportunities. Under this scheme, an Area of 100-200 square feet has been dedicated at each AAI operated airport. The space is being allotted to the self-help groups on a turn-by-turn basis for duration of 15 days. The SHGs are run by local women for showcasing and marketing their homemade local products such as pickles, bamboo ,etc.

- The SEBI (Securities and Exchange Board of India) has formed two expert panels to look into the responsibilities , functions , qualifications of sponsors and trustee at asset management firms (AMCs).
- World Homeopathy Day is observed on 10th April. This day is celebrated to spread awareness about homoeopathy and its contribution to the world of medicine. This day is also the birth anniversary of Dr. Christian Friedrich Samuel Hahnemann.
- The reserve bank of India has fined IDBI Bank and Axis Bank Rs 93 lakh each for a variety of infraction including those connected to KYC Standards. A monetary penalty of Rs 93 lakh has been imposed on Axis Bank for non-compliance of certain directions issued by RBI. IDBI Bank has been penalised for non-compliance of directions on 'frauds - classification and reporting by commercial banks and select financial institutions'.
- Infosys And Roll – Royce has launched a “Aerospace Engineering and digital innovation centre” in Bengaluru, Karnataka. This centre has been established to provide high-end research and development (R&D) services integrated with advanced digital capabilities to Rolls-Royce’s engineering and group business services from India.
- Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has established an “Animation, visual effects ,gaming and comics” (AVGC) promotion task force .This task force is led by Sh Apurva Chandra (Secretary – Information and

Broadcasting). The AVGC Promotion Task Force will help India achieve its potential of capturing 5 percent of the global \$40 billion market share by 2025, with an annual growth of around 25-30 percent, and creating over 1,60,000 new jobs annually.

- The union cabinet has recently approved the continuation of the Atal Innovation Mission until March 2023. AIM’s stated goals include developing 10,000 Atal Tinkering Labs (ATLs), 101 Atal Incubation Centres (AICs), and sponsoring 200 entrepreneurs through the Atal New India Challenges
- Amit Shah, Home Minister has inaugurated the Seema Darshan Project at Nadabet on the Indo-Pak border in Banaskantha District of Gujarat to provide opportunity for the citizen to observe the life and work of the BSF personnel on our border.
- The first Khelo India National Ranking Women Archery will be held in TATA Archery Academy, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand.
- President of India, Shri Ram Nath Kovind has inaugurated a four-day long Madhavpur Ghed Fair at Madhavpur Ghed , Porbandar in Gujarat . This fair will be organized from 10th April to 13th April 2022.
- India has successfully test fired the anti-tank guided missile(a helicopter-based version of Nag Missile) named as Helina from chopper in Pokhran desert ranges , Rajasthan . The test was part of user validation trials of the the third generation “Fire and Forget” class missiles developed by DRDO. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh congratulated the DRDO and the Indian Army for the maiden achievement through joint work. Helina (Helicopter based NAG) is a fire-and-forget ,third generation anti-tank guided missile which works on Infrared Imaging Seeker Technology. HELINA has been designed and developed indigenously by Defence

Research and Development Organisation (DRDO).



- 9th April 2022 was observed as 57th CRPF Valour Day . On this day in 1965 , a small contingent of CRPF created history by defeating Pakistan army at the Sardar Post in Rann of Kutch , Gujarat.
- Researchers have launched India’s first indigenously developed Polycentric Prosthetic Knee, which aims to improve the quality of life for thousands of above-knee amputees. Called ‘Kadam,’ this ‘Made in India’ product is a polycentric knee for Above Knee Prosthesis developed in association with Society for Biomedical Technology (SBMT) and Mobility India. Kadam makes it possible for above-knee amputees to walk with a comfortable gait. Not just mobility, it also aims to improve the quality of life of users through increased community participation, access to education, livelihood opportunities and overall well-being.
- 13th April is observed as the Siachen Day. This day is celebrated to mark the courage of Indian Army under operation “Operation Meghdoot”.



- 11TH April is observed as World Parkinson’s Day . This day is celebrated to create awareness of Parkinson’s disease. The theme for World Parkinson’s Day 2022 is “Integrated Health Care”. Parkinson's disease is a brain disorder that leads to shaking, stiffness, and difficulty with walking, balance, and coordination.
- The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and Arbor Day Foundation have jointly recognized Mumbai and Hyderabad as the “2021 Tree City of the World”. The two Indian cities have won the recognition for their “commitment to growing and maintaining urban trees and greenery in building healthy, resilient and happy cities”. Hyderabad was the only city in India to be recognised as a ‘ 2020 Tree City of the World’.
- According to a report released by “NASA’s Orbital Debris Program Office’s Orbital Debris Quarterly News” , there are 24,182 pieces of space debris larger than 10cm in lower earth orbits near 2000 km of the planet’s surface.
