

Today's Event – 14TH November 2021

- 1680 – German astronomer Gottfried Kirch discovers the Great Comet of 1680, the first comet to be discovered by telescope
- 1770 – James Bruce discovers what he believes to be the source of the Nile.
- 1851 – *Moby-Dick*, a novel by Herman Melville, is published in the USA.
- 1889 – Pioneering female journalist Nellie Bly (aka Elizabeth Cochrane) begins a successful attempt to travel around the world in less than 80 days. She completes the trip in 72 days.
- 1910 – Aviator Eugene Burton Ely performs the first takeoff from a ship in Hampton Roads, Virginia, taking off from a makeshift deck on the USS *Birmingham* in a Curtiss pusher.
- 1914 – The Joensuu City Hall, designed by Eliel Saarinen, was inaugurated in Joensuu, Finland
- 1918 – The Provisional National Assembly of the new republic of Czechoslovakia meets to devise a constitution.
- 1921 – The Communist Party of Spain is founded, and issues the first edition of *Mundo obrero*.
- 1922 – The British Broadcasting Company begins radio service in the United Kingdom
- 1938 – The Lions Gate Bridge, connecting Vancouver to the North Shore region, opens to traffic.
- 1952 – The *New Musical Express* publishes the first regular UK Singles Chart.
- 1957 – The "Apalachin Meeting" in rural Tioga County in upstate New York is raided by law enforcement; many high-level Mafia figures are arrested while trying to flee.
- 1960 – Ruby Bridges becomes the first Black child to attend an all-White elementary school in Louisiana.
- 1965 – Vietnam War: The Battle of Ia Drang begins: The first major engagement between regular American and North Vietnamese forces.
- 1967 – The Congress of Colombia, in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the death of Policarpa Salavarrieta, declares this day as "Day of the Colombian Woman".
- 1967 – American physicist Theodore Maiman is given a patent for his ruby laser systems, the world's first laser.
- 1969 – Apollo program: NASA launches Apollo 12, the second crewed mission to the surface of the Moon.
- 1970 – Soviet Union enters ICAO, making Russian the fourth official language of organization.
- 1970 – Southern Airways Flight 932 crashes in the mountains near Huntington, West Virginia, killing 75, including almost all of the Marshall University football team.
- 1971 – *Mariner 9* enters orbit around Mars.
- 1973 – In the United Kingdom, Princess Anne marries Captain Mark Phillips, in Westminster Abbey.

- 1973 – The Athens Polytechnic uprising, a massive demonstration of popular rejection of the Greek military junta of 1967–74, begins.
- 1975 – With the signing of the Madrid Accords, Spain abandons Western Sahara.
- 1977 – During a British House of Commons debate, Labour MP Tam Dalyell poses what would become known as the West Lothian question, referring to issues related to devolution in the United Kingdom.
- 1978 – France conducts the *Aphrodite* nuclear test as 25th in the group of 29 1975–78 French nuclear tests.
- 1979 – US President Jimmy Carter issues Executive Order 12170, freezing all Iranian assets in the United States in response to the hostage crisis.
- 1982 – Lech Wałęsa, the leader of Poland's outlawed Solidarity movement, is released after eleven months of internment near the Soviet border.
- 1984 – Zamboanga City mayor Cesar Climaco, a prominent critic of the government of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos, is assassinated in his home city.
- 1990 – After German reunification, the Federal Republic of Germany and Poland sign a treaty confirming the Oder–Neisse line as the border between Germany and Poland.
- 1991 – American and British authorities announce indictments against two Libyan intelligence officials in connection with the downing of the Pan Am Flight 103.
- 1991 – Cambodian Prince Norodom Sihanouk returns to Phnom Penh after thirteen years in exile.
- 1995 – A budget standoff between Democrats and Republicans in the U.S. Congress forces the federal government to temporarily close national parks and museums and to run most government offices with skeleton staffs.
- 2001 – War in Afghanistan: Afghan Northern Alliance fighters take over the capital Kabul.
- 2003 – Astronomers discover 90377 Sedna, the most distant trans-Neptunian object.
- 2008 – The first G-20 economic summit opens in Washington, D.C.
- 2012 – Israel launches a major military operation in the Gaza Strip, as hostilities with Hamas escalate.
- 2016 – A magnitude 7.8 earthquake strikes Kaikoura, New Zealand, at a depth of 15 km (9 miles), resulting in the deaths of two people.
- 2017 – A gunman kills four people and injures 12 others during a shooting spree across Rancho Tehama Reserve, California. He had earlier murdered his wife in their home.
- 2019 – A shooting occurs at Saugus High School in Santa Clarita, California, resulting in 3 deaths (including the perpetrator) and 3 injuries

National Events-

- Maharashtra Transport Minister Anil Parab on Saturday met NCP supremo Sharad Pawar in connection with the MSRTC strike that entered its seventh day.
- The police imposed curfew in the riot-hit town of Amravati in eastern Maharashtra on Saturday morning, after an irate mob of people went on a rampage vandalising several shops and private properties.

- With an eye on the 2022 Goa Assembly polls, the TMC on Saturday named Luizinho Faleiro as its candidate for the upcoming bypoll to a Rajya Sabha seat from West Bengal. Faleiro, the former chief minister of Goa, ended his decades-long association with the Congress and joined the TMC in September.
- Alleging a multi-crore Bitcoin scam and its cover-up by the BJP Government in Karnataka, the Congress on Saturday demanded that an independent investigation be conducted into the matter by a Supreme Court-monitored SIT.
- So far one lakh Genome and DNA sequencing has been done for Covid-19 by the Department of Biotechnology (DBT) while five Covid biorepositories with 57,000 samples have been made available for the academia and industry for R&D and product development.

International Events-

- Professor Bimal Patel, Vice-Chancellor of the Rashtriya Raksha University and Member of the National Security Advisory Board of India, has been elected to the International Law Commission for a five-year term, in a hard-fought election at the United Nations.
- Twenty Indian fishermen, who were released recently after languishing in Pakistan's Landhi jail, will be transported to the Wagah border on Sunday to be handed over to the Indian authorities so that they can return home, a senior official said on Saturday.
- Forces loyal to Yemen's internationally recognized government have withdrawn from the strategic port city of Hodeida, allowing the rebels to retake their positions, Yemeni officials and the UN said.
- Sudanese security forces fired live ammunition and tear gas on Saturday to disperse protesters denouncing the military's tightening grip on the country, killing at least one and wounding several, activists said.
- Negotiators at the this year's UN climate talks pored over fresh proposals on Saturday for sealing a deal that could credibly be said to advance worldwide efforts to tackle global warming.

Job alerts-

- IOCL Eastern Region Jobs for Trade / Technician Apprentices and other posts. Last date 04/12/2021
- UPSC Advt No. 16/21 Jobs for Faculty, Joint Assistant Director, Deputy Director, Senior Assistant Controller of Mines and other posts. Last date 02/12/2021
- AFMS Jobs for Postal / Sorting Assistant, Mail Guard, MTS and other posts. Last date 27/11/2021

Sports-

- The feistiness of Australia will clash with the tactical shrewdness of a perennially understated New Zealand when the Trans-Tasman rivals battle for their maiden T20 World Cup trophy here on Sunday.
- Pakistani players were "completely devastated" after their five-wicket defeat to Australia in the T20 World Cup semifinal but the dressing room was different in their opening match against arch-rivals India, batting consultant Matthew Hayden said.
- Sri Lankan great Mahela Jayawardena, former South Africa all-rounder Shaun Pollock and ex England batter Janette Brittin will be inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame before the T20 World Cup final gets underway here on Sunday.

- In-form batter Daryl Mitchell has replaced injured Devon Conway in the New Zealand squad for the upcoming two-Test away series against India.
- The first footballer to be conferred with the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award, Indian maestro Sunil Chhetri on Saturday credited his longevity at the top level as the reason for bagging the highest sporting honour of the country.

Economy –

- Six of the 10 most valued companies together added Rs 1,18,383.07 crore in market valuation last week, with major contribution coming in from Reliance Industries Limited.
- India's October retail inflation inched-up on sequential basis on the back of a marginal rise in food prices along with high fuel and commodity prices.
- Reliance Industries Ltd (RIL) has a second and final payment from those who were issued 42.26 crore company shares in a rights issue. And to assist shareholders, it has re-activated WhatsApp Chatbot 7977111111.
- Insolvency professionals (IPs) should work on a resolution plan within a particular time frame as the value of stressed assets declines every day, an official of the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI) said on Saturday. Speaking at a webinar organised by MCC, whole time member of IBBI Navrang Saini said the IPs should be transparent and they should also ensure that the resolution plans are worked out in a time-bound manner. "Value of a stressed asset declines every passing day. It has also been observed in some cases that the resolution value was almost close to the liquidation value," Saini, also the chairman of IBBI, said. A resolution was supposed to be completed within 180 days. In some cases, it had crossed more than 400 days, he said, adding that there are some hitches still left in the resolution process which will go away with time.

Local –

- Congress protests against farm laws in Thane
- Eateries and bars can operate at 100% capacity in Haryana
- Drones in Bangalore delivers vaccine vials to PHC in 10 minutes
- US visa wait for Kolkata residents to get longer due to covid 19 protocols
- CM Stalin inspects rain hit areas in Chennai

GK –

“Retail Direct Scheme” and “Integrated Ombudsman Scheme” have been launched by which organisation?

- [A] Reserve Bank of India
- [B] Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority
- [C] Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority
- [D] Securities and Exchange Board of India

Which country is set to host the UN climate change conference COP27 in 2022?

- [A] India
- [B] China

- [C] USA
- [D] Egypt

Airports in India are declared as “Major Airports” as per the regulations of which Act?

- [A] Airports Authority of India Act
- [B] Airports Regulation Act
- [C] Civil Aviation Act
- [D] Airports Economic Regulatory Authority Act

Two-day Regional Conference on “Strengthening the State Institutes of Public Administration” was held at which place?

- [A] Mumbai
- [B] Delhi
- [C] Ahmadabad
- [D] Lucknow

“Historical Resolution” which is in the news recently, is associated with which country?

- [A] USA
- [B] Japan
- [C] China
- [D] New Zealand