



Current Affairs - March 2021 to August 2021

Month


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- ▶ **73** *Current Affairs were found in **Last Six Months** for Type - **Sports***

Sports

- ▶ **Miami Open 2021 Tennis (US) -**
 - 🔑 Men's Singles - Hubert Hurkacz (Poland), Defeating Jannik Sinner (Italy)
 - 🔑 Women's Singles - Ashleigh Barty (Australia), Bianca Andreescu (Canada)
 - 🔑 Men's Doubles - Croatia's Nikola Mektić AND Mate Pavić
 - 🔑 Women's Doubles - Japan's Shuko Aoyama AND Ena Shibahara
- ▶ **2020 Asian Weightlifting Championships (Tashkent (Uzbekistan)) -**
 - 🔑 India ranked at 8th place in Big (Total result) Ranking, with 1 Gold and 1 Bronze. China remained at top.
 - 🔑 India ranked at 5th place in all medals - Big (Total result) and Small (Snatch and Clean & Jerk), with 4 Gold and 1 Bronze. China remained at top.
 - 🔑 Jhilli Dalabehera won gold for India in Women's 45 kg Category.
- ▶ **2021 Barcelona Open Men's Tennis -**
 - 🔑 Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain). He defeated Stefanos Tsitsipas (Greece).
 - 🔑 Doubles - Colombia's Juan Sebastián Cabal AND Robert Farah
- ▶ **2021 French Open Tennis Title (Paris) -**

 Men's Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia). He defeated Stefanos Tsitsipas (Greece).

 This is 19th Grand Slam win for Novak Djokovic, and 2nd French Open.

 Women's Singles - Barbora Krejčíková (Czech Republic). She defeated Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (Russia).

 This is Barbora Krejčíková's 1st Grand Slam win.

 Men's Doubles - Pierre-Hugues Herbert (France) AND Nicolas Mahut (France)

 Women's Doubles - Barbora Krejčíková (Czech Republic) AND Kateřina Siniaková (Czech Republic)

 Mixed Doubles - Desirae Krawczyk (US) AND Joe Salisbury (UK)

 Boys' Singles - Luca Van Assche (France)


 Girls' Singles Linda Nosková (Czech Republic)

 About -

 2021 was 125th edition of French Open.


 Other 3 Grand Slam Tournaments are Australian Open, US Open and Wimbledon.

5. ▶ **2021 Italian Open Tennis** -

 Men's Singles - Rafael Nadal (Spain). He defeated Novak Djokovic (Serbia).


 Women's Singles - Iga Świątek (Poland). She defeated Karolína Plíšková (Czech Republic)

 Men's Doubles - Croatia's Nikola Mektić AND Mate Pavić

 Women's Doubles - Sharon Fichman (Canada) AND Giuliana Olmos (Mexico)

6. ▶ **2021 World Athletics U20 Championships** (also known as World Junior Championships) held in **Nairobi** (Kenya).

 Medal Table -



| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|-----------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | Kenya | 8 | 1 | 7 | 16 |
| 2 | Finland | 4 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| 3 | Nigeria | 4 | 0 | 3 | 7 |
| 4 | Ethiopia | 3 | 7 | 2 | 12 |
| 5 | Jamaica | 3 | 6 | 2 | 11 |

 **India Performance** -

 Ranked 21st (Jointly with Greece) in Medal Table, with 3 Medals (2 Silver and 1 Bronze).

 Ranked 12th in Placing Table with 45 Points. Placing table was topped by Kenya.

 Indian Medalists -

 Amit (Silver in Men's 10000 Metre Walk)

 Shaili Singh (Silver in Women's Long Jump)

 Bronze in 4×400 metre Mixed relay (Team Comprised of Barath Sridhar, Priya Mohan, Summy, Kapil, *Abdul Razak Cherankulangara Rasheed)

7. ▶ 2021 World Junior Wrestling Championships (44th edition, held in Ufa (Russia)) -

 Medal Table -

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | Russia | 9 | 2 | 8 | 19 |
| 2 | United States | 7 | 0 | 4 | 11 |
| 3 | Iran | 6 | 2 | 6 | 14 |
| 4 | Belarus | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 |
| 5 | Azerbaijan | 1 | 4 | 6 | 11 |

 **India Performance -**

 India ranked **11th** in medal table, with 11 Medals (4 Silver, 7 Bronze).

 Indian Silver Medalists -

 Ravinder Dahiya - Men's freestyle 61 kg

 Sanju Devi - Women's freestyle 62 kg

 Bhateri Bhateri - Women's freestyle 65 kg


 Bipasha - Women's freestyle 76 kg

8. ▶ 2021 AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships (Kielce, Poland) -

 Medal Table -

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|---------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | India | 8 | 0 | 3 | 11 |
| 2 | Russia | 3 | 5 | 3 | 11 |

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|-------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 3 | Uzbekistan | 3 | 1 | 6 | 10 |
| 4 | Kazakhstan | 2 | 4 | 4 | 10 |
| 5 | Ukraine | 1 | 3 | 2 | 6 |

 India remained at top, with 11 Medals (8 Gold, 3 Bronze).

9. ▶ 2021 Asian Amateur Boxing Championships (DUBAI, UAE) -

 Medal Table -


| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|-------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | Kazakhstan | 8 | 6 | 2 | 16 |
| 2 | Uzbekistan | 7 | 6 | 5 | 18 |
| 3 | Mongolia | 3 | 0 | 5 | 8 |
| 4 | India | 2 | 5 | 8 | 15 |
| 5 | Iran | 0 | 2 | 2 | 4 |

 India's 2 Gold Medals -

 Sanjeet Kumar - Men's Heavyweight (91 kg)


 Pooja Rani - Women's Middleweight (75 kg)

10. ▶ 2021 Belgrade Open Men' Tennis (Serbia) -

 Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia). He Defeated Alex Molčan (Slovakia)

 Doubles - Jonathan Erlich (Israel) AND Andrei Vasilevski (Belarus)

11. ▶ 2021 Emilia-Romagna Open Tennis (Italy) -

 Men's Singles - Sebastian Korda (US). He defeated Marco Cecchinato (Italy)

 Women's Singles - Coco Gauff (US). She defeated Wang Qiang (China)

 Men's Doubles - Simone Bolelli (Italy) AND Máximo González (Argentina)

 Women's Doubles - Coco Gauff (US) AND Caty McNally (US)

12. ▶ 2021 Junior World Weightlifting Championships (Tashkent, Uzbekistan)-

 Medal Table -

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|--------|------|--------|--------|-------|
|------|--------|------|--------|--------|-------|

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|-------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | Kazakhstan | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| 2 | Turkey | 2 | 3 | 1 | 6 |
| 3 | Uzbekistan | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| 4 | Armenia | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| 5 | Indonesia | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |

India ranked 17th (Jointly with Belgium), by winning 1 Silver Medal (won by Achinta Sheuli (Men's 73 KG)).

13. ▶ 2021 Monte-Carlo Masters Men's Tennis Title (France) -

• Singles - Stefanos Tsitsipas (Greece)

• Doubles - Croatia's Nikola Mektić AND Mate Pavić

14. ▶ 2021 Senior Asian Wrestling Championships held in Almaty (Kazakhstan) -

• India won 14 medals and stood 3rd in medal table, Including 5 Gold, 3 Silver & 6 Bronze.

• Gold Winners -

• Ravi Kumar Dahiya – 57 kg Men's freestyle

• Vinesh Phogat – 53 kg Women's freestyle

• Anshu Malik – 57 kg Women's freestyle

• Sarita Mor – 59 kg Women's freestyle

• Divya Kakran – 72 kg Women's freestyle

• Iran and Kazakhstan topped medal tally with 17 medals each.

15. ▶ 2021 Swiss Open Badminton -

• Men's singles - Viktor Axelsen (Denmark)

• Women's singles - Carolina Marín (Spain). She defeated **P. V. Sindhu** of India.




• Men's doubles - Denmark's Kim Astrup AND Anders Skaarup Rasmussen

• Women's doubles - Malaysia's Pearly Tan Koong Le AND Thinaah Muralitharan

16. ▶ 2021 Yonex **All England Badminton Championships** (Birmingham) -

• Men's singles - Lee Zii Jia (Malaysia). He defeated Viktor Axelsen (Denmark).

• Women's singles - Nozomi Okuhara (Japan). She defeated Pornpawee Chochuwong (Thailand).

-  Men's doubles - Japan's Hiroyuki Endo AND Yuta Watanabe
-  Women's doubles - Japan's Mayu Matsumoto AND Wakana Nagahara
-  Mixed doubles - Japan's Yuta Watanabe AND Arisa Higashino

17. ▶ **2021 World Archery Youth Championships** (17th edition), hosted in Wrocław (Poland) -





-  India Remained Best Performing Nation, with 15 Medals.

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | India | 8 | 2 | 5 | 15 |
| 2 | France | 3 | 2 | 1 | 6 |
| 3 | Mexico | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| 4 | Japan | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| 5 | Estonia | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |



18. ▶ **Brisbane** (Australia) won rights to host 2032 Olympics, during 138th Session of International Olympic Committee in Tokyo.

-  Australia has earlier hosted Olympics earlier in 2000 (Sydney) and Melbourne (1956).
-  Next (2024) Olympics will be hosted in Paris (France), Followed by 2028 Olympics in Los Angeles (USA).




19. ▶ **COPA America 2021** (47th Edition of South American Football Championship) -

-  Argentina won the title, defeating Brazil. It was 15th COPA America title win for Argentina.
-  Top scorers were Lionel Messi (Argentina) and Luis Díaz (Colombia), with 4 goals each.
-  Best player - Lionel Messi (Argentina)
-  Best goalkeeper - Emiliano Martínez (Argentina)

20. ▶ **Geneva Open Men's Tennis 2021** -

-  Singles - Casper Ruud (Norway). He defeated Denis Shapovalov (Canada)
-  Doubles - John Peers (Australia) AND Michael Venus (New Zealand)

21. ▶ **Italy** won EURO 2020 (European Football Championship), Defeating **England** in Finals played in Wembley Stadium (London).

-  It is 2nd EURO Title for Italy, after their 1st in 1968.
-  Italian goalkeeper Gianluigi Donnarumma has been named Player of the Tournament.
-  Top scorers were Patrik Schick (Czech Republic) and Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal), scoring 5 goals each.

22. ▶ **Madrid Open Tennis 2021** (Spain) -

- 🖋️ Men's Singles - Alexander Zverev (Germany). He defeated Matteo Berrettini (Italy)
- 🖋️ Women's Singles - Aryna Sabalenka (Belarus). She defeated Ashleigh Barty (Australia)
- 🖋️ Men's Doubles - Marcel Granollers (Spain) AND Horacio Zeballos (Argentina)
- 🖋️ Women's Doubles - Czech Republic's Barbora Krejčíková AND Kateřina Siniaková

23. ▶ **Tokyo (Japan) Summer Olympic Games 2020** (23 July to 8 August 2021, postponed from 2020 due to Covid-19 Pandemic) -


🖋️ **Stats -**

- 🖋️ It was 32nd edition of Olympic Games, continuing since 1896.
- 🖋️ Motto of Tokyo Olympics 2020 - United by Emotion.
- 🖋️ Miraitowa is official mascot of 2020 Summer Olympics, and Someity is official mascot of 2020 Summer Paralympics (to be held in Tokyo in August - September 2021).
- 🖋️ 11656 Athletes participated in 339 Events of 33 sports with 205 Nations participating.
- 🖋️ New Sports included in Olympics in Tokyo 2020 Edition - Karate, Skateboarding, Sport climbing, Surfing. Also, Baseball and softball returned after being excluded for 2 Olympics.

🖋️ **India at 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games -**

- 🖋️ India sent its largest ever delegation (126 athletes) at Tokyo Olympics, compared to 117 athletes in last (Rio) Olympics 2016. Mary Kom (Boxing) & Manpreet Singh (Hockey) were Indian flag bearer in Opening Ceremony and Wrestler Bajrang Punia was flag bearer in Closing Ceremony.
- 🖋️ India won Total **7 Medals** at 2020 Summer Olympics, as India's Best Olympic Tally Ever, with **1 Gold, 2 Silver, 4 Bronze**. India's earlier best was 2012 London Olympics (6 Medals).
- 🖋️ India ranked **48th** in Medal Tally.
- 🖋️ Indian Medalists -
 - 🖋️ Gold -
 - 🖋️ **Neeraj Chopra** (Men's javelin throw). He is First Indian to win an Athletics Olympic Gold Medal. He won gold with throw of 87.58 Metres in Final. He also achieved number 2 rank in World Athletics ranking, after securing Gold Medal at Tokyo Olympics, now ranked only behind German athlete Johannes Vetter.
 - 🖋️ Silver -
 - 🖋️ **Saikhom Mirabai Chanu** (Weightlifting Women's 49 kg)
 - 🖋️ **Ravi Kumar Dahiya** (Wrestling Men's freestyle 57)
 - 🖋️ Bronze -

 **P. V. Sindhu** (Badminton Women's singles)

 It is 2nd consecutive Olympic medal for PV Sindhu, after Silver in 2016 Rio Olympics. She defeated He Bingjiao (China) to win bronze at 2020 Tokyo Olympics.


 **Lovlina Borgohain** (Boxing Women's welterweight)

 **India men's hockey team.**

 India defeated Germany 5-4 to win bronze. This is First Hockey Olympics medal for India in 41 years (Gold in 1980 Olympics).


 **Bajrang Punia** (Wrestling Men's freestyle 65 kg)


 Other Notable Indian Performers -

 Indian women's hockey team reached semi-finals at Olympics for first time ever. They suffered loss in bronze medal match against Britain.

 Indian golfer Aditi Ashok narrowly missed out on becoming first Indian golfer to win an Olympic medal, after She stood 4th.


 Other India related Facts -


 Indian Olympic Association named B K Sinha to perform dual role of Security as well as Press Attache of Indian contingent at Tokyo Games.

 Noted composer A.R. Rahman composed official song of Indian contingent for the Tokyo Olympics, titled *Cheer4India: Hindustani Way*, sung by Ananya Birla.

 Deepak Kabra became first Indian to be selected for judging gymnastics competition of Olympic Games.

 Joint-Secretary General of National Rifle Association of India, Pawan Singh, became first Indian juror for shooting, at Tokyo Olympics 2020.


 Athletics Federation of India named 7th August to be observed annually as javelin throw day, in honour of Olympic gold medalist Neeraj Chopra.

 **Medal Tally (Top 10 Nations) -**




| Rank | Team | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|--------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | USA | 39 | 41 | 33 | 113 |
| 2 | China | 38 | 32 | 18 | 88 |





| Rank | Team | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 3 | Japan | 27 | 14 | 17 | 58 |
| 4 | Great Britain | 22 | 21 | 22 | 65 |
| 5 | ROC * | 20 | 28 | 23 | 71 |
| 6 | Australia | 17 | 7 | 22 | 46 |
| 7 | Netherlands | 10 | 12 | 14 | 36 |
| 8 | France | 10 | 12 | 11 | 33 |
| 9 | Germany | 10 | 11 | 16 | 37 |
| 10 | Italy | 10 | 10 | 20 | 40 |

 * For 2nd consecutive Olympic Games, Russia competed under a different name, known as ROC (Russian Olympics Committee) in 2020 Summer Olympics. Earlier in 2018 Winter Olympics, Russian athletes competed under name Olympic Athletes from Russia (OAR).

Notable Facts / New Records at Tokyo Summer Olympics -

 Bangladeshi Nobel Peace Prize winner **Muhammad Yunus** received **Olympic Laurel** at Tokyo Olympic Games 2020, the second time the trophy has been awarded. Yunus founded the *Grameen Bank* in 1983 and was awarded Nobel Peace Prize in 2006.

 Gold winners in Sports included for the first time in Olympics, during 2020 Games -

-  Skateboarding - Japan's Yuto Horigome.
-  Karate (Okinawa) - Japan's Ryo Kiyuna.
-  Sport Climbing - Spain's Alberto Ginés López.
-  Surfing - Brazil's Italo Ferreira.

Winners in Notable Events at Tokyo Olympics 2020 -

 Field Hockey -

 Male - Gold - Belgium, Silver - Australia, Bronze - **India**

 Female - Gold - Netherlands, Silver - Argentina, Bronze - Great Britain

 Football -

 Male - Gold - Brazil, Silver - Spain, Bronze - Mexico

- 🏆 Female - Gold - Canada, Silver - Sweden, Bronze - US
- 🏆 Handball
 - 🏆 Male - Gold - France, Silver - Denmark, Bronze - Spain
 - 🏆 Female - Gold - France, Silver - ROC, Bronze - Norway
- 🏆 Basketball
 - 🏆 Male - Gold - USA, Silver - France, Bronze - Australia
 - 🏆 Female - Gold - USA, Silver - Japan, Bronze - France
- 🏆 Badminton
 - 🏆 Male Singles - Gold - Viktor Axelsen (Denmark), Silver - Chen Long (China), Bronze - Anthony Sinisuka Ginting (Indonesia)
 - 🏆 Female Singles - Gold - Chen Yufei (China), Silver - Tai Tzu-ying (Chinese Taipei), Bronze - **P V Sindhu (India)**
- 🏆 Tennis
 - 🏆 Male Singles - Gold - Alexander Zverev (Germany), Silver - Karen Khachanov (ROC), Bronze - Pablo Carreño Busta (Spain)
 - 🏆 Female Singles - Gold - Belinda Bencic (Switzerland), Silver - Markéta Vondroušová (Czech Republic), Bronze - Elina Svitolina (Ukraine)
- 🏆 Rugby Sevens
 - 🏆 Male - Gold - Fiji, Silver - New zealand, Bronze - Argentina
 - 🏆 Female - Gold - New zealand, Silver - France, Bronze - Fiji
- 🏆 Table Tennis
 - 🏆 Male Singles - Gold - Ma Long (China), Silver - Fan Zhendong (China), Bronze - Dimitrij Ovtcharov (Germany)
 - 🏆 Female Singles - Gold - Chen Meng (China), Silver - Sun Yingsha (China), Bronze - Mima Ito (Japan)
- 🏆 Volleyball
 - 🏆 Male - Gold - France, Silver - ROC, Bronze - Argentina
 - 🏆 Female - Gold - USA, Silver - Brazil, Bronze - Serbia
- 🏆 Athletics -
 - 🏆 Men's
 - 🏆 100 metres - Marcell Jacobs (Italy)
 - 🏆 200 metres - Andre De Grasse (Canada)

- 🏅 High jump - Gianmarco Tamberi (Italy) AND Mutaz Essa Barshim (Qatar) tied for Gold with 2.37 m Jump.
- 🏅 Long jump - Miltiadis Tentoglou (Greece)
- 🏅 Pole vault - Armand Duplantis (Sweden)
- 🏅 Shot put - Ryan Crouser (US)
- 🏅 Discus throw - Daniel Ståhl (Sweden)
- 🏅 Hammer throw - Wojciech Nowicki (Poland)
- 🏅 Javelin throw - **Neeraj Chopra (India)**

🏅 Women's


- 🏅 100 metres - Elaine Thompson-Herah (Jamaica)
- 🏅 200 metres - Elaine Thompson-Herah (Jamaica)
- 🏅 High jump - Mariya Lasitskene (ROC)
- 🏅 Long jump - Malaika Mihambo (Germany)
- 🏅 Pole vault - Katie Nageotte (US)
- 🏅 Shot put - Gong Lijiao (China)
- 🏅 Discus throw - Valarie Allman (US)
- 🏅 Hammer throw - Anita Włodarczyk (Poland)
- 🏅 Javelin throw - Liu Shiying (China)


24. ▶ **Wimbeldon 2021** Tennis Championships (London) -

- 🏅 Men's Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia). He defeated Matteo Berrettini (Italy).
 - 🏅 This is Novak's record-equalling 20th Grand Slam win and 6th Wimbledon Title. He now equals Roger Federer (Switzerland) and Rafael Nadal (Spain), in terms of most Grand Slam Titles.
- 🏅 Women's Singles - Ashleigh Barty (Australia). She defeated Karolína Plíšková (Czech Republic).
 - 🏅 It is Ashleigh Barty's 1st Wimbledon and 2nd Grand Slam Title.
- 🏅 Men's Doubles - Croatia's Nikola Mektić AND Mate Pavić
- 🏅 Women's Doubles - Hsieh Su-wei (Chinese Taipei) AND Elise Mertens (Belgium)
- 🏅 Mixed Doubles - Neal Skupski (UK) AND Desirae Krawczyk (US)
- 🏅 Boys' Singles - **Samir Banerjee (Indian American)**
- 🏅 Girls' Singles - Ane Mintegi del Olmo (Spain)

25. ▶ Alpine's French F1 Racer **Esteban Ocon** won Hungarian Grand Prix 2021 -


 F1 Season 2021 -

|  Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | Esteban Ocon (France) | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |


26.  American Basketball League *National Basketball Association (NBA)* announced creation of a new award **Kareem Abdul-Jabbar Social Justice Champion Award**, to recognise players who are making strides in fight for social justice. Winner will receive \$100000 for charity of his choice.

 Also, American professional basketball player Kobe Bryant has been posthumously inducted into Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame, as a part of Class of 2020.

27.  Archery World Cup 2021 (Leg 1 - Guatemala) -

 India won 3 Gold Medals -

 Atanu Das (Men's individual)

 Deepika Kumari (Women's individual)


 Komalika Bari, Ankita Bhakat, Deepika Kumari (Women's Team)

 Also, India won 1 Bronze in Mixed Team event (Ankita Bhakat, Atanu Das).

28. ▶ Archery World Cup 2021 (Leg 3 - Paris (France)) -

 Medal Tally -

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | India | 7 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| 2 | United States | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 |
| 3 | Netherlands | 3 | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| 4 | Colombia | 3 | 3 | 1 | 7 |
| 5 | Denmark | 3 | 2 | 0 | 5 |

 India won 4 Gold Medals -

 Deepika Kumari - Gold in Women's Individual. With this, She completed her hat-trick of Gold at Archery World Cup.

 Komalika Bari, Ankita Bhakat, Deepika Kumari - Gold in Women's Team

 Deepika Kumari Atanu Das - Gold in Mixed Team

 Abhishek Verma - Gold in Men's Individual

 Earlier -

 In Leg 2 in Lausanne (Switzerland), India Did not win any Medal.

 In Leg 1 in Guatemala City, India won 3 Gold Medals and 1 Bronze.

29. ▶ Barcelona FC (Spain) won UEFA Women's Champions League for the first time, defeating Chelsea FC (UK).

30. ▶ English Football Club *Chelsea* defeated *Manchester City* to win 2020-21 UEFA Champions League title.

31. ▶ English player **Mark Selby** won World Snooker Championship for fourth time, defeating Shaun Murphy in Sheffield (England)

32. ▶ FIFA suspended Pakistan Football Federation (PFF) and Chadian Football Association (FTFA), amid claims of mis-administration.

33. ▶ Forbes' Highest Paid Athletes 2021 -

 Top 5 -


| Rank | Name | Sports | Earning |
|------|--------------------------|--------|---------------|
| 1 | Conor McGregor (Ireland) | MMA | \$180 million |
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|---|------------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| 2 | Lionel Messi (Argentina) | Soccer | \$130 million |
| 3 | Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) | Soccer | \$120 million |
| 4 | Dak Prescott (United States) | Football | \$107.5 million |
| 5 | Lebron James (United States) | Basketball | \$96.5 million |

 Women -



-  Japanese Tennis Player Naomi Osaka is highest Paid Female Athlete for 2nd consecutive year, with 60 Million USD earnings. She is ranked 12th in overall list.

34. ▶ ICC (International Cricket Council) announced Format Changes for upcoming global events -

-  Men's ODI World Cup in 2027 and 2031 will be a 14-team event.
-  Men's T20 World Cup will now be expanded to include 20 teams from 2024 onwards.


35. ▶ ICC confirmed Men's T20 World Cup 2021 to be hosted by UAE and Oman, shifted away from India due to COVID-19 situation.

 Background -

-  Originally, It was to be held in Australia in 2020, but was postponed due to COVID-19 pandemic.
-  ICC later confirmed India would host the 2020 tournament (shifted to 2021), with Australia named as host for 2022 tournament.
-  Now, UAE and Oman have been named as hosts of 2021 Edition, due to Covid Situation in India.

36. ▶ ICC inducted 10 new cricketers into ICC Hall of Fame, including 4 special inductees.

-  **Vinoo Mankad (India)** - He was first Indian to score 1000 test runs and take 100 test wickets.


-  Aubrey Faulkner (South Africa)
-  Learie Constantine (West Indies)
-  Ted Dexter (England)
-  Desmond Haynes (West Indies)
-  Andy Flower (Zimbabwe)

 Special Inductees -

-  Monty Noble (Australia)
-  Stan McCabe (Australia)
-  Bob Willis (England)
-  Kumar Sangakkara (Sri Lanka)

37. ▶ ISSF World Cup 2021 (**New Delhi**) -

 Indian Gold Medalists -

 50 metre rifle three positions - Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar

 25 Metre Pistol - Chinki Yadav


 10 Metre Air Pistol - Yashaswini Singh Deswal

 Medal Table (As of Now) -




| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | India | 15 | 9 | 7 | 31 |
| 2 | USA | 6 | 6 | 3 | 15 |
| 3 | Russia | 5 | 5 | 1 | 11 |
| 4 | Italy | 4 | 2 | 3 | 9 |
| 5 | Spain | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| 6 | Slovakia | 2 | 2 | 2 | 6 |
| 7 | Denmark | 2 | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| 8 | Great Britain | 2 | 1 | 0 | 3 |
| 9 | Croatia | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| 10 | Poland | 1 | 4 | 3 | 8 |

38. ▶ ISSF World Cup 2021 (Osijek (Croatia)) -

 India won 1 Gold (Rahi Sarnobat (25 Metre Women's Pistol)), 1 Silver (Manu Bhaker/Saurabh Chaudhary (Mixed Team 10 Metre Air Pistol)) and 1 Bronze (Saurabh Chaudhary (10 metre air Men's pistol)).

 Earlier in New Delhi, India had won 31 Medals (15 Gold, 9 Silver, 7 Bronze).

 India is currently at top of Medal Tally -



| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|----------------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 1 | India | 16 | 10 | 8 | 34 |
| 2 | United States | 7 | 6 | 3 | 16 |
| 3 | Russia | 6 | 7 | 1 | 14 |

| Rank | Nation | Gold | Silver | Bronze | Total |
|------|--------------|------|--------|--------|-------|
| 4 | Italy | 6 | 2 | 3 | 11 |
| 5 | Spain | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 |

39. ▶ India Finished 7th in Matteo Pellicone Ranking Series Wrestling 2021 (Italy), with 8 medals Including 2 Gold (Bajrang Punia (65 kg), Vinesh Phogat (Women's Freestyle 53 kg).
40. ▶ India won 13 medals at World Cadet Championship 2021 in Budapest (Hungary), including 5 Gold, 1 Silver and 7 Bronze. Gold Winners -
- ✍ Priya Malik - Women's 73 kg
 - ✍ Tannu - Women's 43 kg
 - ✍ Komal Panchal - Women's 46 kg
 - ✍ Aman Gulia - Men's 48 kg
 - ✍ Sagar Jaglan - Men's 80 kg
41. ▶ India's 2nd largest Cricket stadium will be Built in Jaipur (Rajasthan), with 75000 capacity and cost 290 Crores. For this purpose, Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has given grant of 100 crores to Rajasthan Cricket Association.
42. ▶ Indian won 10 Medals at 35th Boxam International Boxing Tournament in Castellon (Spain). It includes 1 Gold (Manish Kaushik (63 KG), 8 Silver and One Bronze (Mary Kom).
43. ▶ India's Varun Kapur and Malvika Bansod won men's and women's singles titles at 2021 Uganda International Badminton tournament.
44. ▶ International Cricket Council (ICC) inducted Mongolia, Switzerland, and Tajikistan as its new member countries, at ICC's 78th AGM. There are now 106 ICC member countries, including 94 associates.
45. ▶ International Olympic Committee (IOC) proposed Brisbane (Australia) as host of 2032 Summer Olympics.
- ✍ Note that 2024 Olympics will be held in Paris (France) and 2028 Olympics will be hosted in Los Angeles (US).
46. ▶ Jamaican sprinter Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce became second-fastest woman, after she completed 100 meters in 10.63 seconds at JOA/JAAA's Destiny Olympic meet in Kingston. She got fastest time in 33 years and fourth-best in history.
- ✍ Griffith-Joyner holds women's 100 meters world record of 10.49, 10.61, and 10.62 seconds made in 1988 in Indianapolis.
47. ▶ Mercedes' British F1 Racer **Lewis Hamilton** won **Spanish** Grand Prix 2021 -
- ✍ This is Fifth Consecutive Spanish GP Win for Lewis Hamilton.
 - ✍ F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

48. ▶ Mercedes' British F1 Racer Lewis Hamilton won Portuguese Grand Prix -

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

49. ► Mercedes' British F1 Racer Lewis Hamilton won Season Opening Bahrain Grand Prix.

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

50. ► Mercedes' British F1 Racer **Lewis Hamilton** won British Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

51. ▶ Ministry of Youth affairs & Sports granted recognition to *WAKO India Kickboxing Federation* as National Sports Federation (NSF), for promotion and development of **Kickboxing** sport in India.

52. ▶ Misc. Sports News (April 2021) -

- 🏏 India won Road Safety world T20 Cricket series, by beating Sri Lanka. It was hosted in Raipur (Chhattisgarh).
- 🏏 India's Aniyam Midhun won gold at South Asian Wushu Championships in Nepal, in 70-kg category.
- 🏏 AIBA Men's World Boxing Championships 2023 will be held in Tashkent (Uzbekistan Capital).
- 🏏 Sports Minister Kiren Rijiju inaugurated Khelo India State Centre of Excellence for Rowing discipline at J & K Sports Council Water Sports Academy in Srinagar.
- 🏏 4 Indian sailors qualified for upcoming Tokyo Olympics 2021, Including pair of Ganapathy Chengappa, Varun Thakkar, and Vishnu Saravanan. Earlier, Nethra Kumanan became first Indian woman sailor for qualifying for Olympics.
- 🏏 Indian WWE Wrestler *Great Khali* has been inducted into WWE Hall of Fame Class of 2021.
- 🏏 18 year old Sonam Malik became India's youngest woman wrestler to qualify for Tokyo Olympic Games.
- 🏏 Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu created world record in Clean and Jerk Category, after she lifted 119 kg at Asian Weightlifting Championships in Tashkent.
- 🏏 Former Zimbabwe Cricketer Heath Streak And Sri Lanka's Dilhara Lokuhettige have been banned by ICC for 8 years from cricket, amid charges of corrupt approaches.
- 🏏 Water Sports and Adventure Institute (WSAI), established by Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) at Tehri Dam in Uttarakhand, has been inaugurated.
- 🏏 Tamil Nadu's Arjun Kalyan became India's 68th Chess Grandmaster. Viswanathan Anand became India's first Grandmaster, in 1988.
- 🏏 2021 Khelo India Youth Games will be held in Nov - Dec 2021, on venues in Haryana and Delhi.

53. ▶ Misc. Sports News / Events (August 2021) -

- 🏏 Sri Lankan Cricketer Isuru Udana announced retirement from international cricket.
- 🏏 Nepal Cricketer Paras Khadka announced retirement from international cricket.
- 🏏 Indian women's hockey team chief coach Sjoerd Marijne (Netherlands) stepped down from his post, after India's bronze medal win against Great Britain at Tokyo Olympics 2020.
- 🏏 Wrestler Labhanshu Sharma from Uttarakhand won Bharat Kesari Wrestling Dangal 2021, organised in Tamil Nadu.
 - 🏏 Bharat Kesri Dangal is freestyle wrestling competition organised by Haryana Govt, to commemorate martyrdom of Shaheed Bhagat Singh, Rajguru and Sukhdev.

- ✍️ England's James Anderson Became 3rd highest wicket-taker in Test cricket, overtaking India's Anil Kumble's tally of 619 Test wickets.
- ✍️ Poland's Jan-Krzysztof Duda won FIDE World Cup 2021 Chess Title.
- ✍️ Indian wrestler Vinesh Phogat has been temporarily banned by Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) on disciplinary grounds, during her Tokyo Olympics campaign.
- ✍️ World Cup-winning U19 India captain Unmukt Chand announced his retirement from all forms of cricket.
- ✍️ International Cricket Council announced campaign for bidding for inclusion of Cricket at 2028 Los Angeles Olympics.
- ✍️ Pune's 20 year old Chess player Harshit Raja became 69th Chess Grandmaster of India, at Biel Masters Open 2021 where he drew against Dennis Wagner (Germany).
- ✍️ Indian Chess Grandmaster Raunak Sadhwani won 19th Spilimbergo Open chess tournament in Italy.
- ✍️ Odisha Govt extended tenure of its sponsorship of Indian Hockey team, for 10 more years, after current sponsorship ends in 2023.
- ✍️ Indian Table Tennis Players G Sathiyam and Manika Batra won mixed doubles title at *World Table Tennis Tour Contender Budapest 2021*.
- ✍️ South African Cricketer and Fast Bowling Legend Dale Steyn announced retirement from all forms of cricket.
- ✍️ Indian cricketer Stuart Binny retirement from all forms of cricket.
- ✍️ Raksha Mantri Rajnath Singh named Army Sports Institute in Pune Cantt after Olympic Gold Medalist Javelin Thrower *Neeraj Chopra*
- ✍️ Indian Chess player S P Sethuraman won 2021 Barcelona Open chess tournament, remaining unbeaten by winning six matches and drawing three.
- ✍️ Indian Table Tennis Player G Sathiyam won men's singles title at ITTF Czech International Open 2021, defeating Yevhen Pryshchepa of Ukraine.

54. ▶ Misc. Sports News / Events (July 2021)-

- ✍️ India's Abhimanyu Mishra became youngest ever Grandmaster in Chess, at 12 years age, getting past earlier record of 12 years and 7 months set by GM Sergey Karjakin in 2002.
- ✍️ India Female Cricketer Mithali Raj became highest run-getter in women's cricket across all formats, overtaking England's Charlotte Edwards's 10273 Runs.
- ✍️ Norway's Karsten Warholm broke long-standing world record in 400m hurdles during Bislett Games, breaking Kevin Young's mark of 46.78 seconds with new record of 46.70 seconds.
- ✍️ Indian wrestler Sumit Malik has been banned for two years by world governing body UWW, for doping Violations.

- 🏏 Women's Asia Cup Football 2022 will be Hosted by India, in Mumbai and Pune.
- 🏏 India's Nihal Sarin won Silver Lake Open chess tournament in Serbia.
- 🏏 Windies' Cricketer Chris Gayle became first batsman to score 14000 runs in T20 Cricket.
- 🏏 Badminton World Federation announced India as host of World Badminton Championships 2026.
- 🏏 Haryana Govt postponed organizing *Khelo India Youth Games 2021* to February 2022, amid possibility of 3rd wave of Covid-19 pandemic.
- 🏏 Bangladesh cricketer Mahmudullah Riyad announced retirement from Test cricket.
- 🏏 Indian Cricketer Pankaj Singh announced his retirement from all forms of Cricket.
- 🏏 German Footballer Toni Kroos announced his retirement from Football.
- 🏏 2nd edition of 'Khelo India' University-level sports will be held at Kanteerava Stadium in Bengaluru (Karnataka), in March 2022.
- 🏏 All India Football Federation (AIFF) nominated Gokulam Kerala FC to represent India in the AFC Club Championship 2020-21.
- 🏏 Indian Chess Player Viswanathan Anand defeated Vladimir Kramnik to win Sparkassen Trophy at Dortmund (Germany).
- 🏏 Assam Govt announced assured jobs for all National Games medalists from state. Also, those who won medals in National Games so far, would be given Sports Pension.
- 🏏 Madhya Pradesh shooter Rubina Francis has set a world record at Para Sport Cup in Peru, in 10-metre air pistol para-event for women. She Scored 238.1 points, to get past world record of Aysegul Pehlivanlar of Turkey.
- 🏏 England Cricketer Ben Stokes announced to go on an indefinite break from all forms cricket.

55. ▶ Misc. Sports News / Events (March 2021) -

- 🏏 All-India Football Federation announced Odisha as host of Indian Women's League (IWL) Football, for which dates to be announced later.
- 🏏 Mumbai City FC defeated ATK Mohun Bagan in Goa, to win ISL League Winners Shield and AFC Champions League spot that comes with it.
- 🏏 Indian Boxers won 2 medals at Strandja Memorial tournament in Sofia (Bulgaria) - Deepak Kumar (Silver in 52kg) and Naveen Boora (Bronze in 69kg).
- 🏏 Windies Cricketer Kieron Pollard became 3rd Player to hit six sixes in an over in International Cricket, doing the same against Sri Lanka. Earlier Batsmen are Yuvraj Singh (India) and Herschelle Gibbs (South Africa).
- 🏏 Koneru Humpy (Chess player from Andhra Pradesh) won BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year award for 2020.
- 🏏 Bhavani Devi became first Indian fencer to qualify for Olympics in Women's individual Sabre.
- 🏏 Indian Female cricketer Mithali Raj became first Indian to complete 10000 international runs in all formats.

- 🏏 Haryana men and Kerala women won 69th National volleyball championships in Bhubaneswar.
- 🏏 Delhi Govt Announced that Delhi will bid to host 2048 Olympics.
- 🏏 Hashmatullah Shahidi became first batsman from Afghanistan to score double hundred in Test cricket, scoring it against Zimbabwe.
- 🏏 International Cricket Council imposed eight years ban on former UAE players Mohammad Naveed and Shaiman Anwar Butt.
- 🏏 Indian Cricketer Virat Kohli became first batsman to make 3000 runs in men's T20I cricket.
- 🏏 In 2021 Federation Cup Senior Athletics Championships in Patiala (Punjab) -
 - 🏏 Avinash Sable has set new national record in men's 3000m steeplechase event, with timing of 8:20.20. He broke his own record of 8:21.37.
- 🏏 India won 7 medals (2 Gold, 1 Silver & 4 Bronze) and finished at 3rd Position in 2021 World Shooting Para Sport World Cup at Al Ain, UAE. Ukraine topped with 11 Medals. For India, Gold were won by Singhraj and Manish Narwal.
- 🏏 India defeated Sri Lanka to win Road Safety World Cricket Series, hosted at Shaheed Veer Narayan Singh International Stadium in Raipur (Chhattisgarh).
- 🏏 *Girl Gang* track by New Zealand singer Gin Wigmore has been announced as official song of 2022 ICC Women's World Cup, to be hosted in New Zealand.
- 🏏 India finished 3rd with 7 medals (Including 1 gold) at Al Ain 2021 Para Shooting World Cup (UAE). Manish Narwal and Singhraj were gold winners for India.

56. ▶ Misc. Sports News / Events (May 2021) -

- 🏏 Indian boxer Amit Panghal (52kg) won bronze at Governor's Cup in St. Petersburg (Russia).
- 🏏 Manchester City FC won English Football league 2020–21 *EFL Cup* and *Premier League* 2020-21 season.
- 🏏 BCCI Announced Suspension of Indian Premier League 2021 (14th Edition), amid worsening COVID-19 Pandemic.
- 🏏 Badminton World Federation named India's PV Sindhu and Canada's Michelle Li as athlete ambassadors for International Olympic Committee's (IOC) *Believe in Sport* campaign, aimed at preventing competition manipulation.
- 🏏 Sri Lankan Cricketer Thisara Perera announced retirement from international cricket.
- 🏏 Arzan Nagwaswalla (Gujarat) became first Parsi cricketer to break into Indian Cricket team since 1975, after he was named as a reserve player in Test squad named for World Test Championship final.
- 🏏 New Zealand Cricketer BJ Watling announced his retirement from international cricket, after playing World Test Championship final against India.
- 🏏 Kazakhstan tennis player Roman Khassanov has been banned for 10 years, amid charges of corruption.
- 🏏 New Zealand will host 2021 Women's Rugby World Cup, in Oct - Nov 2022.

- 🏏 Arjan 'Singh' Bhullar became first Indian fighter to win ONE Heavyweight World Title at top-level (Mixed Martial Arts) MMA Championship in Singapore, defeating longtime heavyweight king Brandon 'The Truth' Vera.
- 🏏 England Cricketer Harry Gurney retired from International Cricket.
- 🏏 U-17 FIFA women's World Cup will be held in India in October 2022.
- 🏏 Badminton Association of India President Himanta Biswa Sarma has been elected as Member of BWF Council for period 2021-25.
- 🏏 Indian hockey team goalkeeper PR Sreejesh has been re-appointed as a member of the International Hockey Federation (FIH) Athletes' Committee.
- 🏏 Atletico Madrid won Spanish Soccer League *La Liga* title, defeating Real Madrid.
- 🏏 Ireland and England Cricketer Boyd Rankin Retired from International Cricket.
- 🏏 England's Richard Bland won British Masters golf tournament 2021, with India's Shubhankar Sharma finishing Tied-34th.
- 🏏 Czech Republic Tennis Player Barbora Strýcová (Former top-ranked doubles player) Announced her Retirement from Tennis.
- 🏏 Phil Mickelson (US) won PGA Golf Championship 2021, becoming oldest winner of this major golf championship.
- 🏏 Ashok Kumar is named as only Indian referee to officiate in wrestling in Tokyo Olympics.
- 🏏 Noted German footballer Sami Khedira announced retirement from Football.

57. ▶ Misc. Sports News /Events (June 2021) -

- 🏏 Atletico Madrid won Spanish Soccer League La Liga 2020-21 Season.
- 🏏 Indian Footballer Sunil Chhetri became second-highest active international goal scorer, overtaking Argentina's Lionel Messi, in preliminary round match for FIFA World Cup 2022 and AFC Asian Cup 2023 Joint Qualifiers.
- 🏏 Oman has been named as host of inaugural International Hockey Federation (FIH) Hockey5s World Cup, to be held in 2024.
- 🏏 Former Cricketer Virender Sehwag launched AI-Based Cricket learning portal CRICURU.
- 🏏 Indian Female Wrestler Vinesh Phogat won Gold in 53 kg Women's Freestyle, in Poland Open Wrestling 2021. Also, India's Ravi Kumar Dahiya won Silver in 61 kg.
- 🏏 Social Justice and Empowerment ministry will establish 5 *Divyangta Khel Kendras* across country.
- 🏏 Ireland Cricketer Kevin O'Brien announced his retirement from one-day internationals.
- 🏏 Filipino Female Golfer Yuka Saso won U.S. Women's Open Golf 2021.
- 🏏 Indian Female Cricketer Shafali Verma became youngest Indian cricketer to make debut across all formats, at 17 years age.
- 🏏 Jharkhand State Cricket Association signed MoU with SAIL Bokaro Steel Plant, for construction of an International Cricket Stadium in Bokaro city.

58. ▶ New Zealand won First ICC World Test Championship 2019-2021, defeating India in finals at Southampton (England).

59. ▶ Poland's Robert Lewandowski won **European Golden Boot** for 2020-21 Saeason, for his 41 goals in 29 Bundesliga appearances for Bayern Munich (Germany), to claim top scorer spot in Europe.
60. ▶ Portugese Footballer Cristiano Ronaldo became joint-top scoring men's international player of all time, with 109 goals in 176 matches. He is currently tied with Iran's Ali Daei, who scored 109 times in 149 matches.
61. ▶ Punjab Govt renamed Mohali International Hockey Stadium after triple Olympian and Padma Shri Awardee Hockey Player *Balbir Singh Sr.*
62. ▶ Recommendations by Sports federations for National Sports Awards -
- ✎ Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) nominated names R Ashwin and Mithali Raj for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award. It also recommended KL Rahul, Jasprit Bumrah and Shikhar Dhawan for Arjuna Award.
 - ✎ Hockey India nominated men's hockey team goalkeeper PR Sreejesh and former India women's hockey team player Deepika for Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award.
63. ▶ Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch F1 racer **Max Verstappen** won Belgian Grand Prix 2021 -

✎ F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | Esteban Ocon (France) | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

64. ► Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch F1 racer Max Verstappen won Austrian Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

65. ► Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch F1 racer Max Verstappen won Emilia Romagna Grand Prix -

 F1 Season 2021 -



| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
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| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

66. ▶ Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch F1 racer Max Verstappen won French Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -



| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

67. ▶ Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch F1 racer Max Verstappen won Monaco Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
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| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

68. ► Red Bull's Belgian-Dutch F1 racer Max Verstappen won Styrian Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
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| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

69. ▶ Red Bull's Mexican F1 racer Sergio Pérez won Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -

| Grand Prix | Winner | Race date |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|
| Bahrain Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 28 March |
| Emilia Romagna Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 18 April |
| Portuguese Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 2 May |
| Spanish Grand Prix | Lewis Hamilton (UK) | 9 May |
| Monaco Grand Prix | Max Verstappen (Belgian-Dutch) | 23 May |
| Azerbaijan Grand Prix | Sergio Pérez (Mexico) | 6 June |
| French Grand Prix | | 20 June |
| Styrian Grand Prix | | 27 June |
| Austrian Grand Prix | | 4 July |
| British Grand Prix | | 18 July |
| Hungarian Grand Prix | | 1 August |
| Belgian Grand Prix | | 29 August |
| Dutch Grand Prix | | 5 September |
| Italian Grand Prix | | 12 September |
| Russian Grand Prix | | 26 September |
| Japanese Grand Prix | | 10 October |
| United States Grand Prix | | 24 October |
| Mexico City Grand Prix | | 31 October |
| São Paulo Grand Prix | | 7 November |
| Australian Grand Prix | | 21 November |
| Saudi Arabian Grand Prix | | 5 December |
| Abu Dhabi Grand Prix | | 12 December |

70. ▶ Sports Ministry approved 143 opening Khelo India Centres across 7 States, with budget 14.30 Crores, to be entrusted with one sports discipline each. States include Maharashtra (36), Mizoram (2), Goa (52), Karnataka (4), Madhya Pradesh (31), Arunachal Pradesh (16) and Manipur (2).

71. ▶ To commemorate 50th anniversary of first One-Day International, five ODI cricketers of the decade have been named in 2021 edition of the Wisden Cricketers' Almanack.

🖋️ 2011 to 2020 - Virat Kohli (India).

🖋️ 2001 to 2010 - Muttiah Muralitharan (Sri Lanka)

🖋️ 1991 to 2000 - Sachin Tendulkar(India)

🖋️ 1981 to 1990 - Kapil Dev (India)

🖋️ 1971 to 1980 - Viv Richards (West Indies)

🖋️ About First ODI -

🖋️ First ODI was played on 5 January 1971 between Australia and England at Melbourne Cricket Ground. When first three days of Test Match were washed out, officials decided to play a one-off one day game consisting of 40 eight-ball overs per side.

🖋️ Also, in 2021 Edition of Awards -

🖋️ England all-rounder Ben Stokes named *Cricketer of the Year* for 2nd successive time.

🖋️ Dom Sibley (Eng), Zak Crawley (Eng), Jason Holder(WI), Mohammed Rizwan (Pakistan) and Darren Stevens (ENG) are named Wisden Cricketers of Year in 2021 edition of Wisden Almanack.

🖋️ Australia's Beth Mooney named as *Leading Women's Cricketer in the World*.

🖋️ West Indian all-rounder Kieron Pollard named Leading T20 Cricketer in World.

72. ▶ US defeated Mexico to win its 7th CONCACAF Gold Cup 2021 Football Title.

🖋️ CONCACAF Gold Cup is biennial men's football championship of North, Central American, and Caribbean region organized by CONCACAF.

73. ▶ UT of Jammu and Kashmir topped medal tally in 2nd edition of Khelo India Winter National Games, winning 11 gold, 18 silver and 5 bronze medals. The five-day event held at Gulmarg in north Kashmir's Baramulla district.

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