



Current Affairs - June 2021 to August 2021

Month


Type



- ▶ **37** *Current Affairs* were found in **Last Three Months** for Type - **Sports**

Sports

1. ▶ **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.

2. ▶ **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)

3. ▶ **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

4. ▶ 2021 Belgrade Open Men' Tennis (Serbia) -

-  Singles - Novak Djokovic (Serbia). He Defeated Alex Molčan (Slovakia)
-  Doubles - Jonathan Erlich (Israel) AND Andrei Vasilevski (Belarus)

5. ▶ 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)

6. ▶ 2021 Junior World Weightlifting Championships (Tashkent, Uzbekistan)-

 Medal Table -

	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)).

7. ▶ 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

Rank	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
3	Mexico	3	1	0	4
4	Japan	2	1	0	3
5	Estonia	2	0	1	3

8. ▶ **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).
9. ▶ **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)
10. ▶ **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.
11. ▶ **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
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)

12. ► **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)

13. ► 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
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British Grand Prix	Lewis Hamilton (UK)	18 July
Hungarian Grand Prix	Esteban Ocon (France)	1 August
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Dutch Grand Prix		5 September
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Russian Grand Prix		26 September
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United States Grand Prix		24 October





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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

14. ▶ 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.

15. ▶ 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.

16. ▶ 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.

17. ▶ 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)

18. ▶ 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 -




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1	India	16	10	8	34
2	United States	7	6	3	16
3	Russia	6	7	1	14
4	Italy	6	2	3	11
5	Spain	2	2	4	8

19. ▶ 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

20. ▶ 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.

21. ▶ 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.

22. ▶ 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).

23. ▶ 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.

24. ▶ Mercedes' British F1 Racer **Lewis Hamilton** won British Grand Prix 2021 -

 F1 Season 2021 -

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25. ▶ 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.

26. ▶ 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 Kesari 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.

27. ▶ 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.

28. ▶ 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.

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

30. ▶ 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.

31. ▶ 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.

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

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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
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

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

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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	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

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

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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		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
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

35. ▶ 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
Australian Grand Prix		21 November
Saudi Arabian Grand Prix		5 December
Abu Dhabi Grand Prix		12 December

36. ▶ 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
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Russian Grand Prix		26 September
Japanese Grand Prix		10 October
United States Grand Prix		24 October
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São Paulo Grand Prix		7 November
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37. ▶ US defeated Mexico to win its 7th CONCACAF Gold Cup 2021 Football Title.

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