

CURRENT AFFAIRS

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▷ **World Telecommunication Day**

May 17

- 2024 Theme - Digital Innovation for Sustainable Development



▷ **Indian footballer who announced his retirement from international football**

Sunil Chhetri

- The final match for the national team will be a FIFA World Cup qualifier against Kuwait on June 6 in Kolkata.
- Chhetri made his debut on 12 June 2005 in a friendly match against Pakistan. He also scored a goal in that game.
- He was awarded the Arjuna Award in 2011 and the Padma Shri in 2019.
- He was selected as the best football player of the country six times.



Sunil Chhetri

Records:

- 3rd in goal scoring among active players in international football.
- Record for most international matches played and goals scored for India.
- First Indian player to score 50 goals in international football.
- Only Indian player to score a hat-trick in the final of a tournament (AFC Challenge Cup 2008).



▷ **Kudumbashree's year-long project to develop thinking, creativity and entrepreneurial spirit in children**

Mind Blowers



Kamala Beniwal

▷ **Senior Congress Leader and Former Governor of Gujarat, Tripura and Mizoram who passed away in May 2024**

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Shyam Nikhil

▷ **India's 85th GrandMaster in Chess**

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