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AFRICA



NASA LAUNCH ZIMBABWE AND UGANDA'S FIRST SATELLITES

Zimbabwe and Uganda have launched their first homegrown satellites into space yesterday aboard a NASA rocket. Zimbabwe's satellite, named ZimSat-1, was designed and assembled by three of the country's scientists who were supported and trained in Japan.

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AFRICA'S ARTS AND CULTURE HIGHLIGHTS 2022: A RECAP

2022 was an eventful year for culture in Africa from cinema to architecture and music. "The Amazon", unveiled in Cotonou and covered in bronze with an overall height of 30 meters the eponymous statue, was inaugurated in the Beninese capital. The monument pays tribute to the women fighters known as Agoonjié. The American movie "The Woman King", was freely inspired by their story. Far from Hollywood, African cinema is alive and kicking.

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SINGAPORE



EMBRACE BODILY AND SPIRITUAL WELLNESS AT ACM

From 25 November 2022 to 26 March 2023, the Asian civilizations museum (ACM) will present body & spirit: the human body in thought and practice, an exhibition that examines wellness and mental, physical, and spiritual well-being. The special exhibition showcases an astounding collection of sacred and ritual art with more than 100 pieces from the national collection, private collectors, and local communities.

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OUR TOP DINNER PICKS TO RING IN 2023

Wear your best outfit and spend the last moment of 2022 with luxurious dinner options at these distinctive venues: A Classic Time at Raffles, full fireworks views at Smoke & Mirrors, Artemis and Ce La Vie and then there’s a choice of breakfast, afternoon tea or dinner at Andaz Hotel. There is probably no better way to say goodbye to 2022 and welcome 2023, to these top dining destinations for New Year’s Eve.

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UNIQUE EXPERIENCES ONLY IN SINGAPORE

Singapore consistently ranks among the top tourist destinations. Singapore provides not only the typical tourist attractions; but also once-in-a-lifetime experiences that are unavailable elsewhere. take a look at these unforgettable tourist attractions that are only found in Singapore!

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ALI WAL URBAN ART FESTIVAL RETURNS IN JANUARY

The 7th Aliwal Urban Art Festival (AUAF), put on by Arts House Limited (AHL), will take place at the Aliwal Arts Centre (AAC) on January 14, 2023, to highlight Singapore’s thriving urban culture scene, and will feature well-known local artists from various urban art disciplines in a fun selection of free events like live graffiti painting, music and dance performances, and a pop-up artists’ market in Kampong Gelam.

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GET GLIMPSE OF SINGAPORE LIFE AND HERITAGE THROUGH NHB EVENTS

The wide-ranging program organized by Singapore national heritage board (NGB) for you to bring your children from December to January 2023.

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INDONESIA



INDONESIAN PAPERMOON PUPPET THEATRE WON THE HEARTS OF SINGAPOREANS AT ESPLANADE

A multicultural eco-tale of remembrance and reconnection, "Stream of Memory," was presented by the Papermoon Puppet Theatre at the Singtel Waterfront Theatre at the Esplanade on December 13–18, 2022. This poetic non-verbal production was intended to revive our memories of nature and strengthen our bonds with one another in response to the disappearing rivers being drained by urbanization and modern life.

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WANTED: INDONESIAN HEALTHCARE WORKERS FOR SINGAPORE

Healthcare assistant (HCA), enrolled nurse (EN), and registered nurse (RN) positions are becoming widely available in Singapore for Indonesian health professionals. THE Director General of Binapenta and PKK of the Ministry of Manpower (KEMNAKER) Suhartono disclosed that these openings are either at Singaporean hospitals or medical facilities.

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INDONESIA – SINGAPORE AGREEMENT FOR QR CODE PAYMENT PROCESSING IN 2023

Bank Indonesia (BI) and the monetary authority of Singapore (MAS) have announced the start of cross-border QR payment linkage cooperation between Indonesia and Singapore in the second half of 2023. this will enable users to make retail payments instantly, safely, and effectively by scanning the QRIS code (quick response code Indonesian standard) or the net QR code displayed by retailers.

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OPENS BORDERS – INDONESIA RELAXES COVID REGULATIONS

The Indonesian government's new travel regulations have relaxed restrictions arising from the COVID pandemic. The re-opening of the country's borders allows visitors who have received all necessary vaccinations (two doses) to enter the country with simpler requirements

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SAUDI ARABIA



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WORLD ARABIC LANGUAGE DAY CELEBRATION

The world's Arabic language day festivities were held at the royal embassy of the kingdom of Saudi Arabia in the Republic of Singapore on 19th December 2022. The celebration featured a wide range of events and activities in addition to visual content that focused on critical and fascinating subjects that highlighted the Kingdom's contribution to the Arabic language

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SAUDI ARABIA LAUNCH ITS FIRST ELECTRIC VEHICLE

November 4th was the launch date of Ceer, the first Saudi electric vehicle brand that will contribute to Saudi Arabia's automotive manufacturing sector. The launch comes in line with PIF's strategy to focus on unlocking the capabilities of promising sectors locally that can help drive the diversification of the economy and help achieve the objectives of Vision 2030.

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SAUDI ARABIA RELAXES EXPORTS OF SOME RESTRICTED GOODS

Several recommendations and decisions were made prior to the second meeting of the committee for organizing the governance of export prohibition and restriction procedures. among them was the organization and management of export procedures for more than 1,481 customs items.

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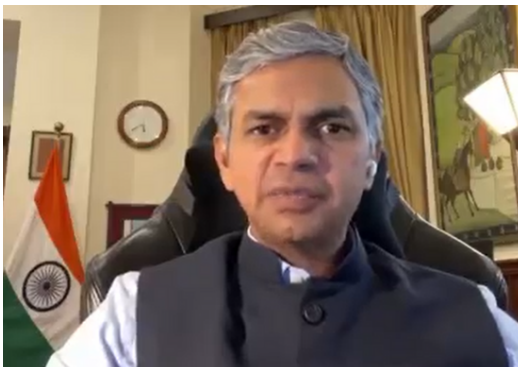
INDIA



UTTAR PRADESH-SINGAPORE INK PIVOTAL AGREEMENTS AS PRECURSOR TO GLOBAL INVESTOR'S SUMMIT

A fresh impetus has been instilled in the development of India-Singapore ties with the Uttar Pradesh government, signing several agreements with investors in Singapore ahead of its major global investors' summit to be held in Lucknow from February 10-12, 2023.

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THE 17TH PBD CONVENTION ON 8 – 10 JANUARY 2023 IN INDORE, MADHYA PRADESH

The 17th PBD Convention will be held from 8 – 10 January 2023 in Indore, Madhya Pradesh. The theme of the 17th PBD is "Diaspora: Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal".

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