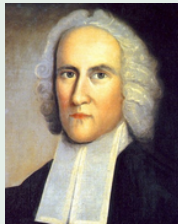




*“Truth is the agreement of our ideas  
with the ideas of God.”  
— Jonathan Edwards*

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**Widely acknowledged to be America's most important and original philosophical theologian. An important preacher and writer, Edwards was one of the prime forces behind the 1740 Great Awakening, a Christian Protestant revival movement based on individual piety and renewed religious devotion.**

Today, there is a lot of news around the Pandora Papers. This is a leak of almost 12 million documents that reveal hidden wealth, tax avoidance by some of the world's rich and powerful.

This is the result of an investigation by the International Consortium of Investigative Journalists (ICIJ) in Washington DC. It has been working with more than 140 media organisations. More than 600 journalists in 117 countries have been studying the files for months

**Pandora Papers**

**The Pandora Papers leak**

## **What are the Pandora Papers?**

includes 6.4 million documents, almost three million images, more than a million emails and almost half a million excel spreadsheets.

The Pandora Papers reveal how the rich, and the famous have set up offshore accounts in other countries and put their money there to avoid paying tax. Such companies exist in name only, with no staff or office. It also reveals how they have set up trusts to hide their real identities so that tax authorities cannot reach them.  
**Who are on the list?**

The Pandora Papers include more than 330 politicians from 90 countries. They include at least 380 persons of Indian nationality. Some well-known Indians on the list include cricketer Sachin Tendulkar and businessman Anil Ambani.

According to the ICIJ, the money that is hidden ranges from US\$5.6 trillion to US\$32 trillion. The International Monetary Fund has said the use of such means costs governments worldwide up to US\$600 billion in lost taxes each year.

## **DID YOU KNOW ?**

- A study in Japan has revealed that the trees produce an organic compound which is called phytoncide and it is helpful in health-boosting.



## See the world's largest khadi national flag in Leh

This year on Gandhi Jayanti, Ladakh's Lieutenant Governor R K Mathura unveiled the world's largest khadi national flag in Leh, Ladakh. What is khadi?

Khadi in India is a type of cloth that is hand-woven and is made from a kind of cotton or silk thread made on a spinning wheel.

The historic event was organised by the Fire and Fury Corps on a hill overlooking the Leh valley. They conducted the event to celebrate the 152nd birth

anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi along with 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav'. The flag measures 225 feet by 150 feet and weighs around 1000 kg. They took 49 days to create the flag

The world's largest khadi national flag .150 troops of the Indian Army's 57 Engineer Regiment carried the national flag. And then, they trekked for around two hours to reach the top of the hill at a height of over 2,000 feet.

Indian billionaire Anand Mahindra took to Twitter and shared a video of the world's largest khadi national flag. He said that he could not help but get goosebumps on watching the clip. Many other people also shared similar clips on Twitter.



## DID YOU KNOW ?

- The Bernardinelli-Bernstein comet is so large that astronomers initially thought it was a dwarf planet.
- Ladakh is the largest and the second least populous union territory of India.
- Qatar's has about 2.5 million residents but most of them are foreigners and ineligible to vote

## WORD OF THE DAY

Today's Word of the Day is "obsolescence" and its noun meaning The process of becoming obsolete or outdated and no longer used.

**Pronunciation :** 'ɒbsə'les(ə)ns

**Usage:** computers are infamous for their rapid obsolescence'

## Origin

The word obsolescence is the noun form of the more common obsolete, meaning "something no longer used." Both words stem from the Latin *obsolescere*, which means, logically enough, "to fall into disuse." Your phone or your car may be designed for obsolescence, meaning they are meant to stop working or go out of style.

## Synonyms :

antiquation, datedness, obsolescence, old-fashionedness age, agedness, ancientness, antiquity, hoariness fustiness, agelessness

**Antonym:** modernness

## Hindi Meaning

OBSOLESCENCE= पुरानी पड़ जाने की व्यवस्था

## ENGLISH CLUB

### Phrasal Verb-keep away

**Meaning:** If you keep something or someone away, you don't let the thing or the person come near.

**Usage:** visited my grandfather's fruit orchard and helped him make scarecrows to keep the birds away.

## Today's Idiom

stick out like a sore thumb |  
stand out like a sore thumb

**Meaning:** If someone sticks out like a sore thumb, or stands out like a sore thumb, everyone notices them because they're not the same as the people around them.

**Usage:** When I was in the Nigerian countryside I stood out like a sore thumb. I was the only white person around..

## Saying of the Day

Money is the root of all evil

According to this saying, all immorality and wickedness is caused by money. This saying is a misquotation, and the original version ("the love of money is the root of all evil") implies that all immorality and wickedness is caused by people loving money, not by money itself.

Note: root (noun) = origin; source | evil (noun) = something very bad; sin; extreme wickedness

Origin: This saying is a misquotation from the Bible (Timothy 6:10): "For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

## Today's Historical Events

**1789 French Revolution: Women of Paris march to Versailles in the March on Versailles to confront Louis XVI about his refusal to promulgate the decrees on the abolition of feudalism, demand bread, and have the King and his court moved to Paris**

### Historical Context

**The women's march began three months after the storming of the Bastille, in the markets of Paris amid anger at the price of and**



**scarcity of bread. Before long the women were ransacking Paris' city hall, the Hôtel de Ville, for weapons and intent on marching to Versailles itself, 13 km away.**

**By the time the marchers had reached Versailles six hours later their numbers had swelled to ten thousand with men and soldiers joining them. They occupied the National Assembly and broke into the palace killing a few guards and nearly capturing Marie Antoinette.**

**They forced King Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette to appear to hear their grievances and only abandoned their protests when the king and queen agreed to abandon Versailles for Paris.**

## Science News

**Gut bacteria influence brain development. Researchers discover biomarkers that indicate early brain injury in extreme premature infants.**

**Date: September 3, 2021 Source: University of Vienna**

**Summary: Extremely premature infants are at a high risk for brain damage. Researchers have now found possible targets for the early treatment of such damage outside the brain: Bacteria in the gut of premature infants may play a key role.**