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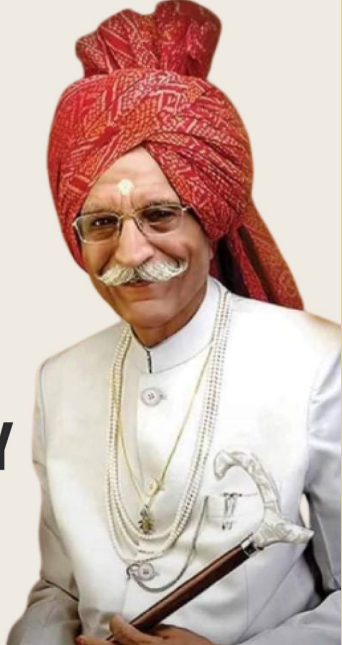
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BESIDES SOUTH KOREA?**



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1 Is There A Nobel Prize For Teachers?

Apparently, the **Global Teacher Prize**, is called teachers' Nobel Prize by journalists.

It highlights and celebrates the profession while giving greater recognition to the work of teachers all over the world.

- **Ranjitsinh Disale**, from Maharashtra, recently won the **2020 Global Teacher Prize**, for promotion of girls' education and starting a “quick-response (**QR**) **coded textbook** revolution”, adopted by NCERT books.
- He has also translated books in local languages for children and 100% attendance of girls was found in the school he taught, in the district.
- The competition had 12,000+ contenders from 140 nations. Disale shared **50%** of his **\$1 million prize** with all other 9 finalists, claiming that it would be “unfair to take it all alone”.



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2 Which Is The Largest Spice Brand?

Surprisingly not M.D.H, which is second. It is Mumbai based company, **Everest Spices**.

Recently, MDH spices owner **Mahashay Dharampal Gulati** passed away at the age of 97, due to cardiac arrest.



- His father founded MDH (Mahashian Di Hatti) spices shop in Sialkot, also called as 'Deggi Mirch Wale'.
- Mahashay was the highest-paid **FMCG** (Fast Moving Consumer Goods) CEO in India (2017).
- Outsourced grinding of spices initially but stopped after grinding firm mixed chana dal (baby chickpea) with haldi (turmeric) as the former was cheaper and gave the same colour. So he always emphasized on **quality**.
- He was also awarded '**Padma Bhushan**' in 2019. Mahashay regularly donated 90% salary to charity.

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3 What Is 'Every Run Counts'?

It is a campaign run by **Niine** where it has pledged to provide menstrual hygiene to **9 girls** for every run scored by the Rajasthan Royals team in **IPL**.

Scotland has now passed the 'Period Poverty Bill' and became the first country to make **sanitary products free**.



- Period poverty is a problem where people with low income cannot afford suitable menstrual products.
- Monica Lennon, Labour Party's Member of the Scottish Parliament introduced the Bill at the end of 2016, calling it "practical and progressive".
- The Scottish government has provided funds of \$7 million to support the cause. It is now a legal duty of local authorities to provide free sanitary products to "anyone who needs them."

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4 Who Was The First To Introduce Female Conscription?

Norway introduced female Conscription or compulsory military service in 2015, making it the first **NATO** member to have a legally mandatory national service for both men and women.

South Korea recently deferred the military service of K-Pop stars 'BTS' as an exception. Otherwise it has conscription for males in the age group 18-28.

- In **Israel**, Conscription for Jews (both women and men) is after the age of 18.
- **North Korea** has the longest conscription in the world i.e 6-7 years for women and 10-11 years for men, after they turn 17.
- **Russia** has a year long conscription for men between the age of 18 and 27.



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