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- Q. Which financial institutions has approved a loan of USD 1 billion to support India's flagship PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission(PM-ABHIM)?
 - A) World Bank

- **B) Asian Development Bank**
- C) International Monetary Fund
- D) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank

Answer: A

- ✓ World Bank has approved a loan of USD 1 billion to support India's flagship PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission(PM-ABHIM).
- ✓ The loan comprises two complementary loans of USD 500 million each. These are "Transforming India's Public Health Systems for Pandemic Preparedness Program (PHSPP)" and "India's Enhanced Health Service Delivery Program (EHSDP).
- ✓ The project PHSPP aims to increase the resilience and preparedness of India's health system for a pandemic and support activities for strengthening existing health units at points of entry and establishing new health units at PoEs.
- ✓ The EHSDP aims to support comprehensive primary health care service delivery in some prioritised states.

WORLD BANK IN NEWS 2022.

- World Bank clears US\$1 billion loan for PM Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission.
- World Bank approved USD 245 million loan to modernize India's railway logistics infra.
- World Bank approved USD 250 million loan for India's road safety programme.
- World Bank has approved additional financing of USD 250 million for Outcomes for Accelerated Learning.
- World Bank has approved a Rs 1,000 crore project to take rainfed farming to new heights in the hilly regions of Uttarakhand.
- World Bank has slashed its growth forecast for India for the current financial year to 7.5 percent.
- Global Economic Prospects report released, the World Bank
- World Bank announces up to \$30 bn to address food security crisis.
- World bank sanctioned USD 350 million for SRESTHA-G project of Gujarat.



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- World Bank approved \$47 million program for India's Mission Karmayogi program.
- World Bank provided USD 600 million in financial assistance to Sri Lanka to make payments for essential imports.
- ➤ World bank Report States Extreme Poverty in India Decline by 12.3% between 2011-2019.
- ➤ World Bank cuts global economy growth forecast to 3.2% for 2022.
- > Gujarat Govt to receive Rs 7,500 Cr Loan from World Bank, AIIB.
- > Junaid Ahmad World Bank's India Director, appointed as vice president of operations.
- India and World Bank inks US\$125 million loan to support access to Social Protection Services in West Bengal.
- > WORLD BANK

Founded: 1944

Headquarters: Washington Dc

President : David Malpass MD&CFO : Anshula Kant

Chief Economist : Carman Reinhart Executive Director : Rajesh Khullar

Member Countries: 189

- World Bank Group: 5 (IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA and ICSID).
- All of these efforts support the Bank Group's twin goals of ending extreme poverty by 2030 and boosting shared prosperity of the poorest 40% of the population in all countries.
- ➤ World Bank was created at the 1944 Bretton Woods Conference, along with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- India is a member of IBRD, IFC, IDA and MIGA. The country is not a member of the ICSID
- Q. Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved loan worth USD 96.3 million to fund safe drinking water and sanitation project in which state?

A) Maharashtra

B) Chhattisgarh

C) Meghalaya

D) Himachal Pradesh

Answer : D



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- ✓ The Manila-headquartered funding agency, Asian Development Bank (ADB), has approved loan worth USD 96.3 million (about Rs 770 crore) to fund safe drinking water and sanitation project in the Indian state of Himachal Pradesh.
- ✓ The ADB has provided the loan under the Himachal Pradesh Rural Drinking Water Improvement and Livelihood Project.
- ✓ This project is in line with the Jal Jeevan Mission, a national flagship programme of Government of India, which aims to provide piped water to all rural households by 2024.
- ✓ It will connect 75,800 households to the service, providing uninterrupted water supply to about 370,000 residents across 10 districts

ADB IN NEWS 2021-22

- > ADB approves USD 96.3 million loan for safe drinking water project in Himachal Pradesh.
- > ADB approves \$2 million loan to support urban development in Nagaland.
- > ADB and HSBC India partners to establish \$100 million Partial Guarantee Program for Microfinance in India.
- > IIFL Home Finance signs \$68-million loan agreement with ADB for affordable Green Housing.
- > ADB lends record USD 4.6 bn loans to India in 2021.
- ➤ ADB approves \$112 million loan to establish Assam Skill University.
- ➤ ADB approves \$500-million loan to improve quality of school education.
- > ADB has approved a Rs 2653.05 crore (USD 350 million) policy-based loan to improve urban services in India
- India and ADB sign USD 300 million loan agreement to improve primary health care in India.
- ADB approves USD1.5 bn loan to India for COVID-19 vaccine procurement.
- ADB approved \$61 Million loan under 'Agartala City Urban Development Project.
- > ADB approves \$250 million loan for India's National Industrial Corridor Development Program (NICDP).
- > ADB, India Sign \$100 Million Loan for Agribusiness Development in Maharashtra.
- > ADB and India sign \$251 million loan for Integrated Urban Flood Management in Chennai.
- ADB, AIIB processing \$2 billion loan for India to buy COVID-19 vaccines (ABD USD 1.5 billion, AIIB, USD 500 million).



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- India and ADB inks \$4.5 million project readiness financing loan to support urban mobility in Mizoram.
- > ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB)

> Founded: 19 December 1966

HQ: Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, Philippines

President : Masatsugu Asakawa (Japan) Vice President : Ashok Lavasa (Indian? Director of ADB for India : Takeo Konishi

Executive Director: Sameer Kumar

Member Countrries: 68 (Nuie).

- > ADB has grown to encompass 68 members; of which 49 are from within Asia and the Pacific and 19 outside.
- > Japan is the largest contributor in the subscribed capital of the country.
- Asian Development Outlook, reports published by ADB.

Q. What is the name of India's first pilot-less passenger drone, unveiled by PM Modi?

A) Mirage

B) Dornier

C) Varuna

D) Apache

Answer: C

- ✓ PM Modi unveils India's first pilot-less passenger drone Varuna
- ✓ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi unveiled India's first pilot-less drone that can carry human payloads.

 The drone is names as Varuna.
- ✓ The human carrying pilot-less drone has been designed and developed by Mumbai-based startup Sagar Defence Engineering.
- ✓ This drone has been made specifically for the use by the Indian Navy. It can land and take off from moving warships as well.
- ✓ Varuna has the capacity to carry one person inside.
- ✓ It has a range of 25 kms with a payload of 130 kgs; and around 25-33 minutes of flight time.



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Q. Which of the following Bank has launched its mobile app named Canara ai1?

A) Canara Bank

B) Bank of Baroda

C) Kotak Mahindra Bank

D) Punjab National Bank

Answer: A

- ✓ Canara Bank has come out with its mobile banking app Canara ai1.
- ✓ The app has been launched as a one-stop solution to cater to the banking needs of its customers.
- ✓ Canara ai1 will eliminate the need to have multiple mobile apps for availing different specific services.
- ✓ The app is launched with more than 250 features, in 11 languages to cater to multiple sections of society in their preferred language.
- ✓ CANARA BANK

Founded: 1906

HQ: Bengaluru, Karnataka

MD & CEO: Lingam Venkata Prabhakar

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Q. Who is the author of the book is titled In the Shadow of a Legend: Dilip Kumar?

A) Faisal Farooqui

B) Faizan Khan

C) Arshad Ali

D) Rubina Akter

Answer : A

- ✓ A new book on legendary actor of India cinema, Yusuf Khan, better known as Dilip Kumar, has been released by author Faisal Farooqui.
- ✓ The book is titled In the Shadow of a Legend: Dilip Kumar.
- ✓ It is a tribute to Dilip Kumar and throws light on some little-known stories from his illustrious life.
- ✓ Farooqui is the founder and CEO of Mouthshut.com, one of India's leading review and rating platforms.
- ✓ Legendary actor Dilip Kumar passed away on July 07, 2021, at the age of 98 years due to prolonged illness
- ✓ Autobiography of Dilip Kumar: "Dilip Kumar: The Substance and the Shadow".

Q. Who has appointed as the next Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Vodafone Idea?

A) Pawan Munjal

B) C. P. Gurnani

C) Akshaya Moondra

D) Kalanithi Maran



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Answer : C

- ✓ Vodafone Idea has appointed Akshaya Moondra as the next Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the company for a period of three years, with effect from August 19, 2022.
- ✓ Moondra is currently the chief financial officer (CFO) at Vodafone Idea.
- ✓ He will replace Ravinder Takkar, whose tenure as Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of the company will end on August 18, 2022.
- ✓ Takkar shall continue to be a Non-Executive and Non-Independent Director of the Company.
- √ Vi or Vodafone Idea Limited

Founded: 31 August 2018

Headquarters: Mumbai (Corp.) & Gandhinagar (Reg.)

Chairman: Himanshu Kapania

CEO: Akshaya Moondra

- ✓ OWNERS
- ✓ Government of India
- √ (35.8%)
- ✓ Vodafone Group plc
- ✓ (28.5%)
- ✓ Aditya Birla Group
- ✓ (17.80%)
- Q. First Khelo India Fencing Women's League began on July 25, 2022 at which stadium?
 - A) Jaitley Stadium, New Delhi
 - B) Narendra Modi Stadium, Ahmedabad
 - C) Talkatora Indoor Stadium, New Delhi
 - D) Wankhede Stadium, Mumbai

Answer: C

- ✓ The first Khelo India Fencing Women's League began on July 25, 2022 at the Talkatora Indoor Stadium, New Delhi.
- ✓ The Khelo India Fencing Women's League is the first-of-its-kind national fencing competition for women.



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- ✓ The competition will end on July 29, 2022. It will take place in over three phases.
- ✓ Over 300 women across 20 States have registered to participate in the event.
- ✓ A total of one crore 54 lakh has been sanctioned by
- ✓ The Sports Authority of India has sanctioned a total of Rs 1 crore 54 lakh for the conduct the league. The prize money for each phase has been earmarked at over Rs. 17 Lakh
- ✓ Bhavani Devi, is an Indian sabre fencer. She is the first Indian fencer to ever qualify for the Olympics after qualifying for the 2020 Summer Olympics
- The New Development Bank has approved USD 875 million for water, sanitation, Q. ecotourism, and transport for which countries?

A) South Africa, Brazil & Russia B) India, Brazil & China

C) Bangladesh, UAE & Iran

D) India, France, and Germany

Answer: B

- ✓ New Development Bank has approved USD 875 million for water, sanitation, ecotourism and transport.
- Investments will support the Brazil, China and India towards the Sustainable Development Goals.
- ✓ In India, NDB will direct USD 79 million for the Meghalaya Ecotourism Infrastructure Development Project. Investments will foster much-needed infrastructure in Meghalaya state that will lead to the establishment of 5 ecotourism circuits. The project includes the construction of 114km of roads and bridges. NDB will also direct USD 70 million to the Lamphelpat Waterbody Rejuvenation Project.
- ✓ In China, NDB approved EUR 265 million for the expansion of the Lanzhou Zhongchuan International Airport and RMB 805 million for the expansion of the Xi'an Xianyang International Airport.
- ✓ In Brazil, NDB will channel USD 300 million that will contribute to connecting 592 thousand households to water supply and 727 thousand to sewage collection networks in the state of Sao Paulo. It also promotes environmental protection by augmenting wastewater treatment capacity, among other development outputs.
- Which state cabinet has approved the new Employment Policy 2022-25 to provide job Q. reservation for locals in industries?

A) Odisha

B) Madhya Pradesh

C) Tamil Nadu

D) Karnataka

Answer: D



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- ✓ Karnataka state cabinet has approved the new Employment Policy 2022-25 to provide job reservation for local Kannadigas in industries.
- ✓ Under the new policy, industries in expansion mode have to create additional jobs as specified for locals.
- ✓ The policy aims at generating more employment in Karnataka.
- ✓ Guidelines have been framed, under which they have specifically mentioned additional jobs for every incremental investment in medium, large, mega, ultra-mega and super-mega industries..
- ✓ Medium scale firms with Rs 10 crores investment and minimum 20 staff have to give 10 jobs to locals
- ✓ Large scale firms with Rs 50 crores investment with at least 60 staff has to create 50 more jobs
- ✓ Mega scale firms with Rs 50 crores investment and a minimum 260 employees has to create additional 50 jobs for locals
- ✓ Ultra-mega scale firms with Rs 50 crores investment and a minimum of 510 employees has to create 50 jobs
- ✓ Mega scale companies with Rs 100 crores investment and a minimum of 1,000 employees has to create 50 jobs.
- Q. Which district has become the first 'Har Ghar Jal' certified district in the country?

A) Chhatarpur

B) Burhanpur

C) Chhindwara

D) Hoshangabad

Answer: B

- ✓ Burhanpur also known as the 'Darwaza of Dakhin' in Madhya Pradesh has becomes the first 'Har Ghar Jal' certified district in the India.
- ✓ Only 37,241 rural households (36.54 per cent) out of a total of 1,01, 905 households in Burhanpur had potable drinking water through tap connections at the time of the launch of Jal Jeevan Mission on 15th August 2019.
- ✓ In addition to the households, all 640 schools, 547 Anganwadi centres and 440 other public institutions now also have tap connections. The 440 public institutions include 167 Gram Panchayats, 50 healthcare centres, 109 community centres, 45 ashramshalas, 2 community toilets and 67 other government offices



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- ✓ The villages confirm that every household is getting a regular supply of water of prescribed quality and that there are no leakages from the distribution pipeline in the village, and that all the roads dug up to lay the water pipeline are restored upon completion of the water supply works.
- ✓ Village Water and Sanitation Committee (VWSC) has been formed in all 254 villages. VWSC is responsible for the operation, maintenance and repair of water supply infrastructure developed under 'Har Ghar Jal' programme.
- ✓ Goa, Telangana and Haryana, A&N Islands, D&N Haveli & Daman & Diu and Puducherry have provided 100 per cent tap water coverage.
- ✓ As per the report, Burhanpur is the only district in the country where all people in each of the 254 villages have access to safe drinking water through taps, ensuring that 'No One is Left Out'.
- ✓ Burhanpur district is also known as the 'Darwaza of Dakhin'.
- Q. Who has won the prestigious Global Energy Prize for outstanding contributions to transportation electrification and energy efficiency technologies while reducing power generation emissions?

A) Vneet Jaain

B) Nalin Singhal

C) Shreekant amin

D) Kaushik Rajashekara

Answer: D

- ✓ Kaushik Rajashekara, an Indian-origin professor of engineering at the University of Houston, has won the prestigious Global Energy Prize for outstanding contributions to transportation electrification and energy efficiency technologies while reducing power generation emissions.
- ✓ Only three people in the world were selected this year for the honour, bestowed by the Global Energy Association, out of a record 119 nominations from 43 countries
- ✓ Rajashekara is joined as a 2022 laureate by Viktor Orlov, chief specialist of the Centre for Innovative Technologies (Rosatom in Russia) and pioneer in thermonuclear physics; and Mercouri Kanatzidis, professor of chemistry and materials science at Northwestern University and senior researcher at the Argonne National Laboratory.
- ✓ The awarding ceremony will be held during Russian Energy Week in Moscow on October 12-14.



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Q. Which state government has decided to appoint Deloitte India as a consultant for bringing the state's economy to the USD 1 trillion mark?

A) Chhattisgarh

B) Uttar Pradesh

C) Maharashtra

D) Tamil Nadu

Answer: B

- ✓ Uttar Pradesh government has decided to appoint Deloitte India as a consultant to suggest plans for bringing the state's economy to the USD 1 trillion mark.
- ✓ The decision in this regard has taken on the recommendation of a high-power committee, at a cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath.
- ✓ With a gross state domestic product (GSDP) of \$238.8 billion, currently UP is ranked the 3rd largest economy in India.
- ✓ To fulfil the Prime Minister's resolve to make India a USD 5 trillion economy, the role of the most populous state of Uttar Pradesh is very important. A sector-wise action plan is being prepared by the state government to fulfil the goal of bringing the economy of Uttar Pradesh to 1 trillion US dollars.
- ✓ Deloitte is an international professional services network headquartered in London
- Q. India and which country have agreed to effectively implement the Comprehensive Border Management Plan (CBMP)?

A) Bangladesh

B) Sri Lanka

C) Bhutan

D) Maldives

Answer: A

- ✓ India and Bangladesh have agreed to effectively implement the Comprehensive Border Management Plan (CBMP).
- ✓ It will control border crimes including smuggling of drugs and narcotics, arms and ammunition, fake currency and gold among other things.
- ✓ A Joint Record of Discussion (JRD) was signed between Border Security Force and Border Guards Bangladesh.
- ✓ Both the countries agreed to strengthen the joint border patrolling especially during the night as a precautionary and effective way to bring down death and injury to unarmed citizens of both countries to zero



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✓ BANGLADESH

Capital : Dhaka Currency : Taka

President: Abdul Hamid

Prime Minister: Sheikh Hasina

Q. Tokyo-based International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH) has appointed whom as its official representative in India?

A) Ravindra Singh

B) Om Prakash Gupta

C) Ennarasu Karunesan

D) Pawan Singh

Answer : C

- ✓ International Association of Ports and Harbours (IAPH), a global ports forum for industry collaboration, has named Ennarasu Karunesan as its India representative.
- ✓ He currently serves as an advisor to Indian Ports.
- ✓ IAPH is the global trade association for seaports worldwide.
- ✓ International Association of Ports and Harbours (IAPH)
- ✓ Headquarters : Tokyo, Japan
- Q. The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has introduced a new A+ category for in domestic cricket

A) Batsman

B) Umpires

C) Coaches

D) Bowlers

Answer: B

- ✓ Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) has introduced a new A+ category for its umpires and Nitin Menon, along with ten other officials, have been grouped in the category.
- ✓ The others in the A+ category include four international umpires Anil Chaudhary, Madangopal Jayaraman, Virender Kumar Sharma and K N Ananthapadmabhanan. Rohan Pandit, Nikhil Patwardhan, Sadashiv Iyer, Ulhas Gandhe and Navdeep Singh Sidhu are also part of the A+ category
- ✓ Twenty umpires including C Shamshuddin form the A group, 60 are in Group B, 46 in Group C and 11 in Group D which falls in the 60-65 age bracket.



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- ✓ Umpires in A+ and A category are paid Rs 40,000 a day for a first-class game while Rs 30,000 a day are paid in the B and C category.
- ✓ Claire Polosak set to become first female match official in men's Test match

Q. When is the Income Tax Day observed by the CBDT?

A) 22 July

B) 23 July

C) 24 July

D) 21 July

Answer: C

- ✓ The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) observed the 163rd Income Tax Day (also known as Aaykar Diwas) on July 24, 2022.
- ✓ In India, the Income Tax Day is celebrated every year on July 24, as it was on this day in 1860 that Income Tax was introduced for the first time in India by Sir James Wilson.
- ✓ The purpose of this tax was to compensate for the losses incurred by the British regime during the first war of independence against British Rule in 1857.
- ✓ July 24 was first celebrated as the Income Tax day in 2010, to mark 150 years of income tax in India.

Q. What was the total FDI inflow attracted by India in FY 21-22 as per the data by Ministry of Commerce & Industry?

A) USD 92,134 million

B) USD 84,835 million

C) USD 64,346million

D) USD 75,765million

Answer: B

- ✓ India received highest annual FDI inflows of USD 84,835 million in FY 21-22; Singapore emerged top country for FDI inflows
- ✓ According to the data by the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Singapore has emerged as the top source nation in terms of foreign direct investment (FDI) equity flows into India for the financial year 2021-22.
- ✓ India received an annual FDI inflows of USD 84,835 million in FY 21-22.
- ✓ **Top 5 Source Countries :** From the overall FDI inflows, 27.01% came from Singapore. It was followed by USA (17.94%), Mauritius (15.98%), Netherland (7.86%) and Switzerland (7.31%) as top 5 source country.



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- ✓ The overall FDI in 2021-22 is recorded to be highest ever annual inflow, and an increase by USD 2.87 billion from previous fiscal.. In 2020-21 the FDI inflow was USD 81,973 million and USD 74,391 million in FY 19-20
- √ Top 5 sectors to receive highest FDI Equity Inflow during FY 2021-22
- 1. Computer Software & Hardware 24.60%
- 2. Services Sector (Fin., Banking, Insurance, Non Fin/Business, Outsourcing, R&D, Courier, Tech. Testing and Analysis, Other) 12.13%
- 3. Automobile Industry 11.89%
- 4. Trading 7.72%
- 5. Construction (Infrastructure) Activities 5.52%
- √ Top 5 States receiving highest FDI Equity Inflow during FY 2021-22
- 1. Karnataka 37.55%
- Maharashtra 26.26%
- 3. Delhi 13.93%
- 4. Tamil Nadu 5.10%
- 5. Haryana 4.76%
- ✓ Manufacturing Sectors: The FDI Equity inflow in Manufacturing Sectors increased by 76% in FY 2021-22 (USD 21.34 billion) compared to previous FY 2020-21 (USD 12.09 billion).
- ✓ The FDI during FY 2021-22 were reported from 101 countries, as against 97 countries during FY 2020-21.
- Q. Which country was the largest source of FDI in India in FY21-22?
 - A) Netherland
 - **B) Mauritius**
 - C) Singapore
 - D) United States

Answer: C

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- Q. Which sector received the highest FDI inflow in financial year 2021-22?
 - A) Automobile Industry

B) Trading

C) Services Sector

D) Computer Software & Hardware

Answer : D

- √ Top 5 sectors to receive highest FDI Equity Inflow during FY 2021-22
 - 1. Computer Software & Hardware 24.60%
 - 2. Services Sector (Fin., Banking, Insurance, Non Fin/Business, Outsourcing, R&D, Courier, Tech. Testing and Analysis, Other) 12.13%
 - 3. Automobile Industry 11.89%
 - 4. Trading 7.72%
 - 5. Construction (Infrastructure) Activities 5.52%
- Q. Which state was the highest receiver of FDI Equity Inflow during FY 2021-22?

A) Maharashtra

B) Kerala

C) Tamil Nadu

D) Karnataka

Answer : D

- ✓ Karnataka was the highest receiver of FDI Equity inflow during FY 2021-22 with 37.55 percent inflow, followed by Maharashtra (26.26 percent), Delhi (13.93 percent), Tamil Nadu (5.10 percent) and Haryana (4.76 percent).
- Q. Name the Indian female entrepreneur who has topped the 'Kotak Wealth Hurun–Leading Wealthy Women' ranking 2021?

A) Radha Vembu

B) Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw

C) Leena Gandhi Tewari

D) Roshni Nadar Malhotra

Answer : D

- ✓ Roshni Nadar retained as India's richest woman for second year in a row.
- ✓ HCL Technologies' Chairperson Roshni Nadar Malhotra has retained her position as the richest woman in India, for the second year in a row according to the third edition of 'Kotak Private Banking Hurun – Leading Wealthy Women List'.
- ✓ The total net worth of Roshni Nadar as on December 31, 2021 stood at Rs 84,330 crore.



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- ✓ She was followed by Falguni Nayar, owner of beauty brand Nykaa, with a total wealth of Rs 57,520 crore. Falguni is also the richest self-made woman in the list. It must be noted that she is also the world's tenth richest self-made woman.
- ✓ Biocon's Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw took third spot with a total wealth of Rs 29,030 crore.
- ✓ Biocon's Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw took third spot with a total wealth of Rs 29,030 crore.
- ✓ The cumulative wealth of top 100 women in the list has increased 53% in a year to Rs 4.16 lakh crore in 2021 from Rs 2.72 lakh crore in 2020.
- ✓ The youngest self-made woman on the list was 33-year-old Kanika Tekriwal of Jetsetgo.
- ✓ The average wealth of women in 2021 rose to Rs 4,170 crore against Rs 2,725 crore in 2020.
- Q. Who becomes the second Richest Woman in India?
 - A) Radha Vembu

- B) Falguni Nayar
- C) Roshni Nadar Malhotra
- D) Kiran Mazumdar Shaw

Answer: B

- ✓ Richest women in India
 - 1. Roshni Nadar Malhotra HCL- 84,330 crore
 - 2. Falguni Nayar Nykaa 57,520 crores
 - 3. Kiran Mazumdar Shaw Biocon 29,030 crores
 - 4. Nilima Motaparti Divi's Laboratories 28,180 crores
 - 5. Radha Vembu Zoho 26, 260 crores
- Q. Who is the youngest on the list of richest women in India?
 - A) Radha Vembu
 - B) Kanika Tekriwal
 - C) Nilima Motaparti
 - D) Neha Narkhede

Answer: B

- ✓ The youngest self-made woman on the list was 33-year-old Kanika Tekriwal of Jetsetgo.
- ✓ The average wealth of women in 2021 rose to Rs 4,170 crore against Rs 2,725 crore in 2020



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- Q. Which of the following pair will be India's flag bearer at the opening ceremony of Birmingham Commonwealth Games 2022?
 - A) Mirabai Chanu and Bajrang Punia
 - B) Lovlina Borgohain and Neeraj Chopra
 - C) PV Sindhu and Manpreet Singh
 - D) Manika Batra and Ravi Kumar Dahiya

Answer: C

- ✓ Manpreet Singh and PV Sindhu chosen as India's flag-bearers for opening ceremony of 2022 Birmingham CWG
- ✓ The Indian Men's National Hockey team captain, Manpreet Singh, was named as the flag bearer for Indian contingents by the Indian Olympic Association (IOA) during the 2022 Commonwealth Games opening ceremony in Birmingham.
- ✓ It must be recalled that India shuttler P.V. Sindhu was chosen as the female flagbearer of the Indian contingent.
- ✓ The Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games Organising Committee made it mandatory for each nation to name two Flagbearers, one male and one female, for the Opening Ceremony.
- ✓ Manpreet Singh led the Indian men's hockey team at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics in 2021, which won bronze medal.
- ✓ INTERSTING FACTS COMMONWEALTH GAMES
- ✓ XXII Commonwealth Games 2022 : Birmingham, England
- ✓ XXIII Commonwealth Games 2026 : Australia
- ✓ XXIV Commonwealth Games 2030 Canada
- ✓ The first commonwealth games were held in 1930 at Hamilton, Canada.
- ✓ India for the first time participated in the second commonwealth games held in 1934 in London.
- ✓ India hosted the 19th Commonwealth games in 2010 in New Delhi.
- ✓ After Olympics, Commonwealth Games is the second-largest sports festival in the world.
- ✓ Since 1930, the games have been conducted every four years except for 1942 and 1946.
- ✓ Australia has hosted the Commonwealth Games five times i.e. in 1938, 1962, 1982, 2006, and 2018, this is more times than any other nation.



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- ✓ England have hosted the Games on two occasions, in London during 1934 and in 2002 in the North West region of England and the city of Manchester. They will welcome the Commonwealth for a third time on the twentieth anniversary of the Manchester Games, as the city of Birmingham prepares to host the 2022 edition.
- Q. According to a government report, how many tigers have died in India in the last three years between 2019 and 2021?

A) 308

B) 329

C) 278

D) 407

Answer: B

- ✓ India lost 329 Tigers and 307 Elephants in 3 years between 2019 and 2021
- ✓ As per a recent data presented by Union Minister of State for Environment Ashwini Kumar Choubey, India lost 329 tigers in the last three years, between 2019 to 2021.
- ✓ These deaths were recorded as 96 tigers in 2019, 106 in 2020 and 127 in 2021. The cause of death mainly included poaching, natural and unnatural causes.
- ✓ The data showed that 68 tiger did due to natural causes, 5 died because of unnatural causes, while 29 deaths were attributed to poaching and 30 to 'seizure'. Death cause of 197 tiger are still under scrutiny.
- ✓ However, the number of poaching cases was found to be reduced from 17 in 2019 to four in 2021.
- ✓ A similar survey was done for elephants also. This survey revealed that as many as 307 elephants died between 2019 and 2021 due to poaching, electrocution, poisoning and train accidents.
- ✓ The cause of deaths in the last three years is shown below:
- ✓ 222 elephants died due to electrocution. Odisha, Tamil Nadu and Assam reported 41, 34 and 33 such
 deaths, respectively.
- √ 45 elephants have died in train accidents. Odisha and West Bengal reported 12 and 11 such deaths respectively.
- ✓ 29 elephants have died due to poaching. Meghalaya and Odisha reported 12 and 7 such deaths respectively.
- √ 11 elephants have died due to poisoning, which included 9 in Assam.



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Q. As per recent government data, how many elephant died in the last three years in India?

A) 293

B) 167

C) 307

D) 256

Answer: C

TIGER IN NEWS 2021-22

- International Tiger Day observed globally on 29 July.
- ➤ Theme 2022 : India launches Project Tiger to revive the tiger population.
- India lost 329 tigers in the last three years, between 2019 to 2021.
- ➤ 20th NTCA in Arunachal Pradesh is chaired by Bhupender Yadav. The 20th Meeting of the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) was held in Pakke tiger reserve in Arunachal Pradesh.
- > Recently, a massive fire broke out in the Sariska Tiger Reserve, Rajasthan.
- > Sathyamangalam Tiger Reserve (Erode district, Tamil Nadu)bags TX2 award.
- Ramgarh Wildlife Sanctuary set to be notified as 4th tiger reserve of Rajasthan.
- > Guru Ghasidas National Park and Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary will become 53rd Tiger Reserve of the country, approval from NTCA.
- > Parambikulam Tiger Conservation Foundation of Kerala wins Earth Heroes Awards 2021
- ➤ 14 Tiger Reserves of India get Global Conservation Assured Tiger Standards (CA|TS) Recognition.
- Ramgarh Vishdhari Wildlife Sanctuary in Rajasthan is declared as the 52nd Tiger reserve in India in 2021.
- Meghamalai Wildlife Sanctuary in Tamil Nadu is declared as the 51st Tiger reserve in India in 2021.
- India's first tiger reserve hot air balloon safari launched in Bandhavgarh Tiger Reserve of Madhya Pradesh.
- Panna Tiger Reserve of Madhya Pradesh gets UNESCO Biosphere Reserve status.
- India has achieved its 2022 target of doubling tiger population.
- > 53 tiger reserves are there in India.



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- Q. India's first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC-I) is planned to be commissioned by 2022. The carrier is being built by which company?
 - A) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited
 - B) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd
 - C) Goa Shipyard Limited
 - D) Cochin Shipyard Limited

Answer : D

- ✓ Indian Navy receives first indigenous aircraft carrier Vikrant from Cochin Shipyard Limited
- ✓ Indian Navy took the delivery of the country's first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier (IAC) 'Vikrant' from Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) on July 28, 2022 in Kochi.
- ✓ Vikrant has been designed by the Indian Navy's in-house Directorate of Naval Design (DND) and built by Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL), Kochi, a Public Sector Shipyard under the Ministry of Shipping (MoS).
- ✓ With the delivery of Vikrant, India has joined a select group of nations having the niche capability to indigenously design and build an Aircraft Carrier.
- ✓ This IAC has been christened after her illustrious predecessor, INS Vikrant, India's first Aircraft Carrier which played a vital role in the 1971 Indo-Pakistan war.
- ✓ Once the IAC Vikrant is commissioned in the Indian Navy, it will be Indian Naval Ship (INS) Vikrant.
- ✓ The carrier has been built at an overall cost of approx Rs 20,000 crore
- ✓ Key Features of Vikrant
- ✓ Displacement 45,000 tons
- ✓ Length 262 metres long,
- ✓ Width 62 metres
- ✓ Height 59 metres
- ✓ Decks 14
- ✓ Speed 28 knots (56 km/h; 35 mph)
- ✓ Range 8,000 nautical miles (15,000 km; 9,200 mi)
- ✓ It has over 2,300 compartments, and can accommodate a crew of around 1700 people.
- ✓ The warship will operate 30 aircraft including Russian MiG-29K fighter jets, Kamov-31 helicopters, MH-60R multi-role helicopters.



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Q. What is the name of the first indigenous aircraft carrier of India?

A) INS Virat

B) INS Vikrant

C) INS Vikramaditya

D) INS Arihant

Answer : B

Q. Which country will host the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup in 2022?

A) China

B) India

C) Peru

D) Qatar

Answer: B

- ✓ Cabinet approves Signing of Guarantees for hosting FIFA Under 17 Women's World Cup 2022 in India in October
- ✓ The Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) Under 17 Women's World Cup 2022 is scheduled to be held in India between October 11 and 30, 2022.
- ✓ FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup 2022 will be the seventh edition of the biennial youth tournament.
- ✓ FIFA unveils 'Ibha' as official mascot for U-17 2022 Women's World Cup to be held in India.
- ✓ This will be the first-ever FIFA women's competition to be hosted by India.
- ✓ All India Football Federation (AIFF) has proposed to hold the matches in 3 venues namely Bhubaneshwar; Navi Mumbai and Goa.
- ✓ Union Cabinet has approved a financial outlay of Rs. 10 crore assistance to AIFF for the same.

FIFA IN NEWS 2021-22

- > FIFA U-17 women's World Cup to be held in India in October 2022.
- Adidas Unveils Official Al Rihla FIFA World Cup Ball for Qatar 2022.
- > Byju's named as official sponsor of FIFA World Cup 2022 in Qatar.
- Chelsea wins 2021 FIFA Club World Cup Champions.
- Best FIFA Men's Player Robert Lewandowski (Bayern Munich, Poland).
- > Best FIFA Women's Player Alexia Putellas (Barcelona, Spain).
- > FIFA Ranking 2022: India ranked 104th.
- > FIFA Rankings, Brazil is at 1st position.



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- > FIFA unveils 'lbha' as official mascot for U-17 2022 Women's World Cup to be held in India.
- > FIFA WORLD CUP
- 2022 : Qatar (32 Teams)
- > 2026 : Canada, Mexico, US (48 teams)
- > FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup
- > 2022 : Costa Rica
- > FIFA U-17 World Cup
- 2022- Women's : India
- 2023 Women's : Australia and New Zealand
- Most successful team(s) Men's : Brazil (5 titles)
- Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA)
- Founded: 21 May 1904
- > Founded : Paris, France
- Headquarters : Zürich, Switzerland
- Membership: 211
- Languages: English, French, German, Spanish & Italian
- > First President : Robert Guérin
- President : Gianni Infantino (Switzerland)
- Secretary General : Fatma Samoura

Q. Which country's Cricket Ground has been named after India's legendary cricketer Sunil Gavaskar?

A) Australia

B) United Kingdom

C) South Africa

D) Sri Lanka

Answer: B

- ✓ In honour of the former legendary Indian cricketer, Sunil Gavaskar, the UK government has named a Cricket Ground in Leicester of England after him.
- ✓ Sunil Gavaskar himself unveiled the plaque installed in his honour, at the Bhara Sports and Cricket club at Leicester on July
- √ 23, 2022.



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- ✓ The proposal for naming the 5-acre ground after the Indian legend was taken by Keith Vaz, UK's longest serving Parliamentarian of Indian origin.
- Q. Union Cabinet chaired by PM Modi has approved how many lakh crore revival package for BSNL?

A) Rs 1.26 Lakh Crore

B) Rs 1.51 Lakh Crore

C) Rs 1.64 Lakh Crore

D) Rs 1.80 Lakh Crore

Answer: C

- ✓ Union Cabinet approves Rs 1.64 Lakh Cr revival package for BSNL
- ✓ The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has approved a revival package for the state-owned telecom operator, Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) worth Rs 1.64 Lakh Crore, to make BSNL financially viable.
- ✓ The revival package approved will focus on infusing fresh capital for:
- ✓ Upgrading BSNL services
- √ Administrative allotment of Spectrum
- √ Financial support for capex
- ✓ Viability gap funding for rural wireline operations
- ✓ Increase in authorized capital: The authorized capital of BSNL will be increased from current Rs 40,000 crore to Rs 1,50,000 crore
- ✓ De-stressing its balance sheet
- ✓ Debt structuring
- √ Financial support for AGR dues
- ✓ Re-issue of preference shares
- ✓ Augmenting its fiber network by merging Bharat Broadband Nigam Limited (BBNL) with BSNL
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- ✓ The cabinet has cleared the merger of Bharat Broadband Network Limited (BBNL) with BSNL to facilitate wider utilization of infrastructure laid under BharatNet. BBNL is the special purpose vehicle (SPV) formed to implement the ambitious BharatNet project.
- ✓ Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL)

Founded: 2000

Headquarters: New Delhi



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Chairman & MD: Pravin Kumar Purwar

- Q. ONGC has signed an MoU with which of the following company to jointly pursue opportunities in renewables, green hydrogen, green ammonia, and other derivatives of green hydrogen?
 - A) Greenko Pvt Ltd
 - B) Coca-Cola India Pvt
 - C) IBM India Pvt. Ltd.
 - D) Microsoft India Corporation India Pvt

Answer: A

- ✓ Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) has signed an MoU with renewable energy company Greenko ZeroC to make green hydrogen and to jointly pursue opportunities in renewables, and other derivatives of green hydrogen.
- ✓ Under the partnership, the companies will jointly develop a 1-MMTPA green ammonia production and storage facility in the country for export purposes.
- ✓ The activities envisaged under this MoU will contribute toward India's target of producing 5 million tonnes of Green hydrogen per annum by 2030. This MoU will also act as a stepping stone for ONGC to achieve renewable energy targets as per its Energy Strategy 2040.
- ✓ The companies have joined hands at a time when energy companies in India are diversifying their portfolio and investing in renewable energy as the government has set a target for the country to turn carbon neutral by 2070.
- ✓ Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)

Founded: 1956

Headquarteres : New Delhi

CMD: Alka Mittal,

Owner: Government of India (60.409%)
Life Insurance Corporation of India (9.69%)

Gas Authority of India Limited(5.45%)

Indian Oil Corporation (5.45%)



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- Q. Bharat Forge subsidiary BF Infrastructure has partnered with which of the following company for manufacturing high-speed trains in India?
 - A) Talgo

B) Colmar

C) Cowans Sheldon

D) Midland Railway Workshops

Answer: A

- ✓ Bharat Forge subsidiary BF Infrastructure has signed an agreement with Talgo for manufacturing highspeed passenger trains in India.
- ✓ Talgo is a wholly owned subsidiary of Spain-based high-speed passenger train manufacturer Patentes
 Talgo.
- ✓ The alliance will address emerging business opportunities in the railways industry and tap upcoming domestic requirements in the field.
- ✓ The proposed collaboration will focus on setting up manufacturing, maintenance and life cycle support hub for new generation, energy efficient, lightweight aluminum high-speed trains.
- ✓ The tie-up with Talgo India comes in the backdrop of the Indian Railway's tender for the manufacturing and maintenance of 100 new generation light weight energy.
- Q. Which statement is NOT correct about Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam?
 - A) Kalam received Bharat Ratna in 1997
 - B) Kalam was elected 12th President of India
 - C) 27 July 2022 marked the 7th death anniversary for Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam
 - D) Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's autobiography is called Wings of Fire

Answer: B

- ✓ 27 July 2022 marked the 7th death anniversary of former President and Bharat Ratna Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam.
- ✓ He was also popularly known as the Missile Man of India.
- ✓ He made significant contribution as Project Director to develop India's first indigenous Satellite Launch Vehicle (SLV-III) which successfully injected the Rohini satellite in the near-earth orbit in July 1980.
- ✓ Kalam died of heart attack in 2015 when he was delivering a lecture in Shillong.
- ✓ Dr. Abul Pakir Zainulabdeen Abdul Kalam was born on 15th October 1931 at Rameswaram in Tamil Nadu. Dr. Kalam specialized in Aeronautical Engineering from Madras Institute of Technology (MIT).



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- ✓ Dr. Kalam is one of the most distinguished scientists of India with the unique honour of receiving honorary doctorates from 30 universities and institutions.
- ✓ He was elected 11th President of India on 25th July 2002.
- ✓ Kalam received the prestigious Padma Bhushan (1981), Padma Vibhushan (1990), and Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian honour (1997).
- ✓ Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was also known as the Missile man of India.
- ✓ His full name is Avul Pakir Jainulabdeen Abdul Kalam.
- ✓ He served as the president of India from 2002 to 2007.
- ✓ Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam's autobiography is called Wings of Fire.
- ✓ He is the first scientist to become the President of India.
- ✓ He is the first President of India to visit the Siachen glacier.
- ✓ Notable works of A.P.J Abdul Kalam are:
- ✓ India 2020.
- ✓ Ignited Minds.
- ✓ Indomitable Spirit.
- ✓ Advantage India: From Challenge to Opportunity.
- Q. Padam Shri awardee and famous as Bengal's 'one rupee doctor' who has passed away recently.

A) Atulananda Goswami

B) Avdhash Kaushal

C) Sushovan Bandyopadhyay

D) Enamul Haque

Answer : C

- ✓ Sushovan Bandyopadhyay famous as Bengal's 'one rupee doctor' has passed away in Kolkata.
- ✓ He treated people for just one rupee and is fondly known as 'Ek Takar Daktar' (one rupee doctor).
- ✓ He was awarded the Padma Shri in 2020. The same year his name was recorded in the Guinness
 World Records for treating the maximum number of patients.
- Q. Which company has signed a contract worth over \$100 million with US-based Honeywell for the manufacturing of HTT-40 engines?

A) Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd

B) Bharat Electronics Ltd.

C) Astra Microwave Products Ltd.

D) Reliance Naval & Engineering Ltd.



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Answer: A

- ✓ Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) on 27 July 2022 signed a contract worth over \$100 million with US-based Honeywell.
- ✓ Under this contract, Honeywell will supply and manufacture 88 engines for the HAL's Hindustan Trainer Aircraft (HTT-40).
- ✓ It will also provide maintenance services for HTT-40.
- ✓ HTT-40 is an Indian training aircraft built by HAL for Indian Air Force.
- ✓ Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL)

Founded: 1940

Headquarters: Bangalore, Karnataka

Chairman & MD: R Madhavan

- Q. Largest pink diamond in 300 years named 'Lulo Rose', has been found in which country?
 - A) Angola

B) South Africa

C) Australia

D) Madagascar

Answer: A

- ✓ A rare pure pink diamond, believed to be the largest found in 300 years, has been unearthed in Angola, a country in Central Africa.
- √ It is a 170-carat pink diamond & has been named 'The Lulo Rose.'
- ✓ It weighs just 34 grams.
- ✓ Miners in Angola discovered it at the Lulo mine in Angola's diamond-rich northeast.
- ✓ The Lulo Rose is a type 2a diamond, meaning it has few or no impurities
- Q. Which company has received approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to start non-banking finance company (NBFC) operations in July 2022?
 - A) Piramal Enterprises

B) Muthoot Finance Ltd

C) HDB Finance Services

D) Bajaj Finance Limited

Answer: A

✓ Piramal Enterprises on 26 July 2022 received approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to start non-banking finance company (NBFC) operations.



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- ✓ The licence is for initiating an NBFC not accepting public deposits.
- ✓ NBFCs are entities that provide bank-like financial services but don't hold a banking license & are unregulated.
- ✓ Piramal Group CEO: Ajay Piramal
- Q. Dinesh Shahra Foundation (DSF) has instituted a first-of-its-kind 'Dinesh Shahra Lifetime Award' for Excellence in which field?

A) Physics

B) Literature

C) Music

D) Medicine

Answer: C

- ✓ Dinesh Shahra Foundation (DSF) has instituted a first-of-its-kind 'Dinesh Shahra Lifetime Award' for Excellence in Music.
- ✓ The initiative is supported by the Indian Arts & Cultural Society.
- ✓ The event 'Mausiqui' was a tribute to deceased legends Pandit Shivkumar Sharma and Lata Mangeshkar who have made invaluable contributions to Indian music.
- ✓ The Dinesh Shahra Foundation (DSF) was founded out of gratitude for all the knowledge capital Dinesh Shahra has gained over the last 50 years.
- Q. The International Tiger Day falls on which day of the year annually?

A) 26 July

B) 28 July

C) 27 July

D) 29 July

Answer : D

- ✓ International Tiger Day (also called Global Tiger Day) is celebrated every year on July 29 to raise awareness for tiger conservation.
- ✓ The day was created in 2010 at the Saint Petersburg Tiger Summit in Russia to put in place a global system for protecting the natural habitats of tigers and raise public awareness and support for tiger conservation issues.
- ✓ During the Summit, 13 tiger range countries came together to create Tx2, the global goal to double the number of wild tigers by the year 2022.



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- ✓ The theme/Slogan for 2022 International Tiger Day celebration is "India launches Project Tiger to revive the tiger population".
- ✓ The day was built up in 2010 at Saint Petersburg Tiger Summit in Russia
- ✓ Tiger's scientific name : Panthera tigris
- ✓ Project Tiger : 1973
- ✓ Total tiger reserve in India: 53
- ✓ Royal Bengal Tiger is the National Animal of India.
- ✓ The tiger reserves of India were set up in 1973 and are governed by Project Tiger, which is administrated by the National Tiger Conservation Authority.
- ✓ Till now, 53 protected areas have been designated tiger reserves in India. India is home to 80% of tigers in the world.
- ✓ Bandipur tiger reserve was the first tiger reserve in India which created in 1973-74.
- ✓ India has the highest tiger population in the world.
- √ 53 tiger reserves are there in India.
- ✓ Nagarjunsagar-Srisailam Tiger Reserve (NSTR) with size of 3,728 km2. In state of Andhra Pradesh is the Largest Tiger reserve in India.
- ✓ Bor tiger reserve in Maharashtra with size of 138 sq km. is the Smallest Tiger reserve in India.
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh with 6 Tiger reserve is the maximum number of tiger reserves in India.
- ✓ Madhya Pradesh state with 526 Tigers is the highest tiger population in India.
- ✓ Corbett Tiger Reserve is the highest density of tigers in India.
- √ 1st tiger census 2006 : 1,411 Tigers
- ✓ 2nd Census 2010 : 1706 Tigers
- √ 3rd Census 2014 : 2226 Tigers
- √ 4th Census 2018: 2967 Tiger
- ✓ Tiger census conducted By : National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)
- ✓ TIGER POPULATION IN INDIA
- ✓ 1st : Madhya Pradesh : 526 Tigers
- ✓ 2nd : Karnataka : 524 Tigers
- √ 3rd: Uttarakhand: 442 Tigers
- √ 4th : Maharashtra : 312 Tigers



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√ 5th : Tamil Nadu : 264 Tigers

- Q. What is the theme of the 2022 International Tiger Day?
 - A) Fresh Ecology For Tigers' Protection.
 - B) Connect2Tiger
 - C) Their Survival is in our hands
 - D) India launches Project Tiger to revive the tiger population

Answer : D

- Q. Who has become the first-ever Indian to win silver at World Athletics Championships?
 - A) Eldhose Paul

B) Rohit Yadav

C) Neeraj Chopra

D) Avinash Sable

Answer: C

- ✓ Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra has won the silver medal in the javelin throw final of the World Athletics Championships in Eugene, Oregon.
- ✓ Neeraj produced his best throw of 88.13m to finish second.
- ✓ Anderson Peters of Grenada won gold with a throw of 90.54m. Jakub Vadlejch claimed bronze with a 88.09m throw.
- ✓ With this win, Neeraj has scripted history, as he became only the second Indian and first male track and field athlete to win a medal at World Championships.
- ✓ 19-years-ago, legendary long jumper Anju Booby George was the first Indian to win a medal. She clinched bronze in the 2003 World Championships in Paris
- ✓ World Rankings Men's Javelin Throw 2022
 - 1. Anderson Peters (Grenada, West Indies) 93.07 Meters
 - 2. Johannes Vetter (Germany) 90.88 meters
 - 3. Jakub Vadlejch (Czech Republic) 89.94 Meters
 - 4. Neeraj Chopra (Indian) 89.83 meters

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Neeraj Chopra clinches silver in javelin at World Athletics Championships, With a throw of 88.13 metres.



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- At the renowned Diamond League competition in Stockholm, , Neeraj Chopra wins the silver medal with throw of 89.94 metres.
- ➤ India javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra won the gold medal at the ongoing Kuortane Games in Finland.
- Neeraj Chopra took the top spot with a best throw of 86.69m.
- ➤ India's ace javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra set a new national record as he threw 89.30 metres at the Paavo Nurmi Games in Finland.
- ➤ Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has announced to build a stadium in Olympic gold-medallist Neeraj Chopra's native village Khandra, Panipat.
- ➤ Neeraj Chopra wins Sportsman of the Year award: Sportstar Aces 2022.
- Neeraj Chopra honoured with Param Vishisht Seva Medal.
- Neeraj Chopra to be conferred with Padma Shri 2022.
- GoodDot ropes in Neeraj Chopra as its brand ambassador.
- Disney Byju's early learn app signs Neeraj Chopra as brand ambassador.
- Neeraj Chopra's javelin gets highest bid of ₹1.5 crore during e-auction of PM Modi's gifts.
- Tata AIA Life Insurance appoints Neeraj Chopra as Brand Ambassador.
- Rajnath Singh names Army Sports Institute, Pune as "Neeraj Chopra Stadium".
- ➤ Neeraj Chopra achieves number 2 spot in World Athletics rankings (top : German athlete Johannes Vetter).
- Neeraj Chopra wins Olympic gold medal in Javelin throw.
- The men's javelin must weigh at least 800g and be 2.6m-2.7m long while the women's javelin must weigh 600g and be 2.2m-2.3m long.
- Neeraj Chopra Wins First-Ever Gold in Athletics For India in Olympics.
- > RBI appoints Neeraj Chopra for banking fraud awareness campaign.
- > 7th August to be named "Javelin Throw Day" to honour Neeraj Chopra.
- Neeraj Chopra jumps 14 places to 2nd in world Athletics rankings after historic gold medal at Tokyo Olympics.
- Neeraj Chopra presently holds the rank of Subedar in the Indian Army.
- Neeraj Chopra is from Khandra village, Panipat district, Haryana



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Q. Who has been elected as the 15th President of India?

A) Margaret Alva

B) Jagdeep Dhankhar

C) Yashwant Sinha

D) Draupadi Murmu

Answer: D

- ✓ The former Governor of Jharkhand, Droupadi Murmu, has been elected as the 15th President of India after she secured majority votes in the 16th Presidential election 2022.
- ✓ She defeated opposition candidate Yashwant Sinha with 676,803 electoral votes (64.03% of total) in 21 of the 28 states (including in the union territory of Puducherry).
- ✓ Murmu will be replacing incumbent President Ram Nath Kovind, whose tenure ends on July 24, 2022.
- ✓ She will be administered oath by the CJI, Mr. NV Ramana and assume the office on July 25, 2022.
- ✓ Droupadi Murmu is a tribal leader from Rairangpur in the Mayurbhani district in Odisha.
- ✓ She is the first-ever politician from Scheduled Tribe (ST) community as well as from Odisha to be elected as the President of India.
- ✓ Draupadi Murmu has become the 15th President of India after winning against the opposition's candidate Yashwant Sinha.
- ✓ Draupadi Murmu become India's First Tribal and second woman to hold the post after Pratibha Patil.
- ✓ She is also the youngest President.
- ✓ She had served as the ninth Governor of Jharkhand from 2015 to 2021, becoming the first woman Governor of Jharkhand.
- ✓ She was a presidential candidate for the National Democratic Alliance (NDA) in the 2022 election.
- ✓ Draupadi Murmu was born in a Santali tribal families in Uparbeda village of Mayurbhanj district in Odisha
- ✓ Santhal or Santal are India's third largest scheduled tribe community after Gonds and Bhils.
- ✓ Murmu joined the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) in 1997 and was elected as the councillor of the Rairangpur Nagar Panchayat.
- ✓ Odisha's tale of two presidents, Droupadi Murmu and VV Giri.
- ✓ VV Giri, the first President from Odisha.
- ✓ Dr. Rajendra Prasad was the first President of India.
- ✓ List of Presidents of India
 - 1. Dr. Rajendra Prasad (First President of India)



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- 2. Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- 3. Dr. Zakir Husain (First Muslim President of India)
- 4. V. V. Giri (only person to be elected President as an independent candidate)
- 5. Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed
- 6. Neelam Sanjeeva Reddy (Only Presidential of India who was unopposed)
- 7. Giani Zail Singh (First Sikh President of India)
- 8. R. Venkataraman
- 9. Dr. Shankar Dayal Sharma
- 10. K R Narayanan (First Dalit President of India)
- 11. Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam (First Scientist president of India)
- 12. Pratibha Singh Patil (First woman president of India)
- 13. Pranab Mukherjee
- 14. Ram Nath Kovind
- 15. Draupadi Murmu (First Trible President of India)
- ✓ The President of India is the head of the State.
- ✓ The President is the first citizen of India.
- ✓ Article 52 states that the President is the head of the state and the head of all armed forces
- ✓ Article 53 states that the President is the head of the Union Executive.
- ✓ Unity and integrity are recognized by the name of the President.
- ✓ The qualification of the President is defined in Article 58.
- ✓ The president comes under article 52 to 78 in part 5.
- ✓ In the Election of the President elected members of Lok Sabha, Rajya Sabha, State Legislative Assembly will participate.
- ✓ No member of the State Legislative Council will participate in President's election.
- ✓ President can be removed by the Impeachment Process which is defined in Article 61.
- ✓ Qualifications of the President are
- ✓ He should be an Indian Citizen.
- ✓ His age should be a minimum of 35 years.
- ✓ He should not hold any office of profit under the central government, state government, or any public authority.



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- ✓ Once President is elected, he holds office for five years.
- ✓ Related Constitutional Provisions:
- ✓ Article 54: Election of President
- ✓ Article 55: Manner of election of President.
- ✓ Article 56: Term of office of President
- ✓ Article 57: Eligibility for re-election.
- ✓ Article 58: Qualifications for election as President
- ✓ The salary of Indian presidents in ₹5 lakh per month after it was raised from ₹1.5 lakh per month in 2016.
- ✓ Presidents get a pension of ₹1.5 lakh per month after retirement, along with other benefits
- Q. Which country successfully launched its space station module called 'Wentian'?

A) China

B) Israel

C) Iran

D) Russia

Answer: A

- ✓ On July 24, 2022, the Chinese space agency successfully launched the second of three modules needed to complete its new Tiangong space station, under its ambitious space programme.
- ✓ The uncrewed craft is named Wentian, which literally means "quest for the heavens".
- ✓ This module was launched by a Long March 5B rocket from the Wenchang launch centre on China's tropical island of Hainan.
- ✓ The first and central module called Tiangong, which means "heavenly palace", was launched in April 2021.
- ✓ The third and final module named Mengtian, is scheduled to be launched in October 2022.
- ✓ Until the final module arrives, the space station will have a "rather unusual L-shape".
- ✓ Once all the three modules are complete, the Tiangong space station will acquire T-shape.
- ✓ The Tiangong space station will be around 20% as massive as the International Space Station (ISS), which has a mass of about 460 tons.
- ✓ It must be noted that China has been excluded from the International Space Station (ISS) since 2011, when the United States banned NASA from engaging with the country, so China is setting up its own space station.



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Q. Which bank will be among the world's top 10 most valuable banks after its merger with its parent?

A) Axis Bank

B) HDFC Bank

C) Yes Bank

D) ICICI Bank

Answer: B

- ✓ HDFC Bank will be among the world's top 10 most valuable banks after its merger with parent HDFC.
- ✓ The combined market cap of HDFC Bank and HDFC would be around \$160 billion.
- ✓ HDFC Bank is a systemically important bank in India along with SBI and ICICI Bank.
- ✓ Recently in April, RBI approved HDFC Bank's proposed merger with parent and mortgage lender Housing Development Finance Corp Ltd (HDFC).
- ✓ The Financial Stability Board, an international body which makes recommendations on financial regulation, had termed JP Morgan the most systemically important bank for 2021 followed by BNP Paribas, Citigroup and HSBC.
- ✓ HDFC BANK

Founded: 1994

Founder: Hasmukhbhai Parekh HQ: Mumbai, Maharashtra

MD & CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan Tagline: We understand your world



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Q. Who is the first Indian President to be born in independent India?

A) Droupadi Murmu

B) Ram Nath Kovind

C) Pranab Mukherjee

D) Pratibha Patil

Answer: A

- ✓ Droupadi Murmu took oath as the 15th President of India on July 25, 2022. The Chief Justice of India, NV Ramana administered the oath of office of President in the Central Hall of Parliament.
- ✓ The oath of the office to the President is administered by the Chief Justice of India and in his absence, the seniormost judge of the Supreme Court.
- ✓ She has become the second woman President of India and first-ever tribal woman to hold the highest Constitutional post.
- ✓ She is also the first Indian President to be born in independent India.
- ✓ Article 60 of the Indian Constitution tells about the Oath and Affirmation of the President of India.
- ✓ PRESIDENT OF INDIA (Articles 52-62)
- ✓ Article 52 States about The president of India in the constitution.



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- ✓ Article 53 The executive power of the union.
- ✓ Article 54 Election of the president.
- ✓ Article 55 Manner of the election of the president.
- ✓ Article 56 Term of office of president.
- ✓ Article 57 Eligibility of re-election.
- ✓ Article 58 Qualification for the election of the president.
- ✓ Article 59 Conditions of the president's office.
- ✓ Article 60 Oaths or affirmation by the president.
- ✓ Article 61 States the procedure for the impeachment of the president.
- Q. In July 2022, India has contributed how many million dollars to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) for Palestine Refugees in Near East?
 - A) USD 4.5 million
 - B) USD 1.5 million
 - C) USD 2.5 million
 - D) USD 3.5 million

Answer: C

- ✓ The Government of India contributed USD 2.5 million to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA), on July 22, 2022.
- ✓ This is the first half portion of the annual contribution of total US \$5 million from India to UNRWA.
- ✓ India has been supporting the work of UNRWA and is committed to the wellbeing of Palestine refugees through timely contribution to the agency.
- ✓ Since 2018, India has contributed around USD 20 million in support of core UNRWA services to Palestine refugees across the Middle East.
- ✓ The UNRWA was established as a humanitarian agency in 1949. The agency is fully funded through voluntary contributions and grants from donor countries.
- ✓ In 2022, UNRWA needs US\$1.6 billion from the international community to cover expenses and provide services and humanitarian development programs for Palestinian refugees.
- ✓ UNRWA headquarters : Amman, Jordan and Gaza, Palestinian Authority.



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- Q. Which country won the most medals at the 2022 World Athletics Championships in Eugene, Oregon, United States?
 - A) China

B) Russia

C) Norway

D) United States

Answer: D

- ✓ The World Athletics Championship 2022 was held in Eugene, Oregon, United States, from July 15–24, 2022.
- ✓ A total of 22 Indian athletes, including 18 men and 4 women, represented the country at the sports event.
- ✓ However, the campaign of Indian contingents ended with one silver medal, which was earned by Neeraj Chopra in the javelin throw event.
- ✓ The United States has topped the medal tally with overall 33 medals, which include 13 gold, 9 silver, and 11 bronze medals.
- ✓ It is followed by Ethiopia (10 [4-4-2]) and Jamaica (10 [2-7-1]) at second and third place respectively.
- ✓ A total of 179 nations plus the Athlete Refugee Team took part in the event.
- ✓ The moto of the World Athletics Championship 2022 was Feel the Glory.
- Q. The govt has amended the __to allow the tricolour to be displayed in the open & on individual houses through day & night in July 2022.

A) Constitution

B) Flag Code of India

C) Indian Penal Code

D) Code of Judicial Conduct

Answer: B

- ✓ Centre amends Flag Code of India 2002 to allow people to display tricolour 24X7
- ✓ Centre has made changes in the Flag Code of India 2002 allowing the tricolour to be flown by the public both day and night.
- ✓ This is in line with the "Har Ghar Tiranga" campaign launched by the government from August 13 to 15 as part of the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' to commemorate 75 years of a progressive independent India.
- ✓ Under the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union home minister Amit Shah have appealed to every citizens to hoist the tricolour at their homes from August 13 to 15.



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- ✓ It must be noted that the display, hoisting and use of the Indian national flag is governed by the Flag Code of India, 2002 and the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971
- ✓ Amendments made in Flag Code of India, 2002
- ✓ First amendment permits tricolour to be flown day and night. Earlier, the tricolour was allowed to be flown from sunrise to sunset, irrespective of weather conditions.
- ✓ The Flag Code of India, 2002 has been amended through an order on July, 20, 2022 and clause (xi) of paragraph 2.2 of Part-II of the Flag Code of India, 2002 shall now be read as under: (xi) "where the Flag is displayed in open or displayed on the house of a member of public, it may be flown day and night"
- ✓ Similarly, in December 2021, the government had amended the provision for material used to make the Indian flag. Now machine made and polyester material can also be used for making flag. Earlier machine made and polyester flags were not allowed to be used.
- ✓ The amendment in December 2021 said, "The National Flag shall be made of handspun and hand woven or machine made, cotton/ polyester/ wool/ silk khadi bunting."
- Q. Who has signed an agreement with the Indian Institute of Management-Kozhikode (IIMK) to boost start-ups in the maritime sector?

A) Hindustan Shipyard

B) Cochin Shipyard Limited

C) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders

D) Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers

Answer: B

- ✓ Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL) and the Indian Institute of Management-Kozhikode (IIMK) have signed an agreement to boost start-ups in the maritime sector.
- ✓ The CSL and IIMK's business incubator Laboratory for Innovation Venturing and Entrepreneurship (LIVE) plan to augment initiatives to develop an ecosystem for supporting the startups in maritime sector from the technical, regulatory, financial, and marketing points of view by bringing the stakeholders together.
- ✓ Under this initiative, start-ups can get up to Rs 50 lakh as seed grants, Rs one crore as prototyping grants and equity funding for start-ups at the scale up stage
- ✓ Cochin Shipyard Limited (CSL).

Founded: 29 April 1972

Headquarters: Kochi, Kerala



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Chairman & MD: Madhu S. Nair

Cochin Shipyard Ltd (CSL) is the largest shipbuilding and maintenance facility in India.

- Q. Which state government has launched the tourism policy 2021 for the state?
 - A) Chhattisgarh

B) Jharkhand

C) Rajasthan

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: B

- ✓ Jharkhand Chief Minister Hemant Soren has launched the tourism policy 2021 for the state.
- ✓ To revive, renew and revamp the tourism sector of the state, to provide a different dimension and perspective as to how the world views the state of Jharkhand.
- ✓ Under the policy, the government would provide a single window system, capital investment subsidy at 20-25% up to a limit of Rs 10 crore, and reimbursement of 75% of net GST paid for a period of five years to the investors in state's tourism sector
- Q. The Governor of which state has approved a proposal for the creation of Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary?

A) Odisha

B) Gujarat

C) Assam

D) Chhattisgarh

Answer: C

- ✓ Assam's Barak Valley will soon get a second wildlife sanctuary with Governor Jagdish Mukhi approving a proposal for the creation of Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary.
- ✓ The Barak Valley also houses the Borail Wildlife Sanctuary.
- ✓ In exercise of the power conferred by Section 35 of Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972 as amended up to date, the Governor of Assam is pleased to declare its intention to constitute the area described in the Schedule annexed hereto as the Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary
- ✓ The Barak Bhuban Wildlife Sanctuary will be spread over an area of 320 sq km between the Barak river and the Sonai river.
- ✓ The area has eight recorded species of primates slow loris, rhesus macaque, pig-tailed macaque, stump-tailed macaque, Assamese macaque, capped langur, phayre's leaf monkey and hoolock gibbon.
- ✓ It's also an important habitat for king cobra, according to the Cachar Forest Division.



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- ✓ Named after the second-largest river in the northeast, the Barak Valley is home to 550 species of birds and 100 species of mammals.
- Q. World Health Organization has recently declared which outbreak as a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC)?

A) Monkeypox

B) Bird-Flu

C) Tomato Flu

D) African swine fever

Answer: A

- ✓ World Health Organization (WHO) has declared monkeypox a global health emergency. It came at the end of the second meeting of the WHO's emergency committee on the virus.
- ✓ The classification is the highest alert that the WHO can issue and follows a worldwide upsurge in cases.
- ✓ Kerala reports India's first confirmed monkeypox case.
- ✓ More than 16,000 cases have now been reported from 75 countries.
- ✓ There have been five deaths so far.
- ✓ World health organization previously declared emergencies for public health crises such as the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2014 West African Ebola outbreak, the Zika virus in Latin America in 2016 and the ongoing effort to eradicate Polio.
- ✓ Monkeypox is a viral zoonotic disease with symptoms similar to smallpox, although with less clinical severity.
- ✓ The infection was first discovered in 1958 following two outbreaks of a pox-like disease in colonies of monkeys kept for research which led to the name 'monkeypox'.
- ✓ There is no specific treatment or vaccine available for Monkeypox infection,
- ✓ But the European Union has recommended a Small Pox Vaccine, Imvanex to treat monkeypox after the WHO declared monkeypox a global health emergency
- ✓ World Health Organization (WHO)

Formation: 7 April 1948

Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland

First President : Andrija Štampar

Director General: Tedros Adhanom (Ethiopia)

Deputy Director General: Soumya Swaminathan (Indian)



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Member Countries: 194

Q. Which bank has announced the appointment of Rama Subramaniam Gandhi as an additional independent director of the bank for a period of five years?

A) Axis Bank

B) HDFC Bank

C) ICICI Bank

D) Yes Bank

Answer: D

- ✓ YES Bank has announced the appointment of Rama Subramaniam Gandhi as an additional independent director of the bank for a period of five years.
- ✓ Gandhi is currently a financial sector policy expert and adviser. Currently, he advises banks, finance companies, fintech entities, payment system entities, investors and funds on subjects ranging from financial regulations and Indian economy.
- ✓ He is an independent director on the boards of several financial sector entities.
- ✓ Gandhi was a Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India for three years from 2014 to 2017.
- ✓ He had a three-year secondment to the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI), the capital market regulator
- Q. Which tennis player has won the 2022 Swiss Open held in Gstaad, Switzerland?
 - A) Matteo Berrettini
 - **B) Rafael Nadal**
 - C) Novak Dojokovic
 - D) Casper Ruud

Answer: D

- ✓ Norway's Casper Ruud won 2022 Swiss Open held in Gstaad, Switzerland on 24 July 2022.
- ✓ He defeated Italy's Matteo Berrettini in the final by 4-6, 7-6(4), 6-2.
- ✓ It was Ruud's 9th Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) title.
- ✓ The Swiss Open is Ruud's 3rd title in 2022, the other two titles are Buenos Aires and Geneva Open



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- Q. Which of the following has announced the launch of its Nifty Next 50 ETF and NIFTY 100 ETF?
 - A) SBI Mutual Fund

B) HDFC Mutual Fund

C) Axis Small Cap Fund

D) ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund

Answer: B

- ✓ HDFC Mutual Fund has announced the launch of HDFC Nifty Next 50 ETF and HDFC NIFTY 100 ETF, in a bid to to expand its suite of HDFC MF index solutions.
- ✓ These funds offer exposure to the Indian large-cap space.
- ✓ The new fund offer will open for subscription on July 25 and close on August 1, 2022.
- ✓ Aditya Birla Sun Life Mutual Fund (MF) has launched Aditya Birla Sun Life Nifty G-sec Jun 2027 ETF on 24 March 2022.
- ✓ Nippon India Mutual Fund (MF) launched Nippon India Nifty AAA CPSE Bond Plus SDL- Apr 2027 Maturity 60:40 Index Fund on 25 March 2022.
- ✓ Mirae Asset Mutual funds launch Nifty SDL Jun 2027 Index Fund in March 2022.
- ✓ ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund (MF) has launched ICICI Prudential Nifty SDL (state development loans)
 Sep 2027 Index Fund
- Q. Who became the first Bangladeshi to scale the second highest mountain peak K2 in Pakistan?
 - A) Nishat Majumdar
 - B) Wasifa Nazreen
 - C) Shivangi Pathak
 - D) Malavath Purna

Answer: B

- ✓ Mountaineer Wasifa Nazreen became the first Bangladeshi to scale the second highest mountain peak K2 in Pakistan.
- ✓ She climbed the 8611 metres or 28,251 feet high K2 mountain peak and returned to the base camp on 22 July 2022.
- ✓ Wasifa Nazreen climbed Mount Everest in 2012.
- ✓ She is the second woman from Bangladesh to do so.



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Q. The Kargil Vijay Diwas is observed every year since 1999 on which day?

A) 24 July

B) 25 July

C) 27 July

D) 26 July

Answer : D

- ✓ Kargil Vijay Diwas is celebrated every year on July 26 since the year 1999, to mark India's victory over Pakistan in the Kargil conflict.
- ✓ The day is dedicated to our Kargil War's Heroes and is named after the successful Operation Vijay.
- √ The 23rd anniversary of Kargil Vijay Diwas was celebrated across India on 26 July 2022.
- ✓ The Kargil war was started on 3rd May 1999 till lasted 26 July 1999 {2 Months, 3Weeks, and 2 days}.
- ✓ The official war name was "Operation Vijay". 26th July 1999 is celebrated as the Kargil Vijay Diwas.
- ✓ The main war was an Armed conflict between India and Pakistan that took place in the Kargil district of Kashmir along the Line of Control (LOC) of India and Pakistan.
- ✓ The Indian Air Force played an important role along with Indian Army
- ✓ The operation done by the Indian Air Force during the Kargil war was named "Operation White Sagar" or Safed Sagar.
- ✓ The war was finally ended on the 26th of July 1999. The Indian Army along with the help of The Indian Force defeated the Pakistan Army.
- ✓ The Kargil war memorial is situated in Tiger Hill, Ladakh.
- ✓ During the Kargil war of 1999
- ✓ President of India: K. R. Narayanan
- ✓ Prime Minister of India : Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- ✓ Chief of the Army Staff: Ved Prakash Malik
- ✓ Chief of the Air Staff Anil Yashwant Tipnis
- ✓ Nawaz Sharif was the Prime Minister of Pakistan during the Kargil Warr.
- ✓ Operation Badr is the Pakistani operation of infiltrating into Kashmir during the Kargil War.
- ✓ Captain Vikram Batra remembers the Kargil War Hero and Param Vir Chakra Awardee.
- ✓ Kargil war hero Vikram Batra interview when he said "Yeh Dil Mange More".
- ✓ Shershaah is a 2021 Indian Hindi-language biographical war film based on the life of Vikram Batra, martyred in Kargil War, directed by Vishnuvardhan.



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- ✓ "Kargil: Untold stories from the War", the book published by Penguin Random House, is authored by Rachna Bisht Rawat.
- Q. Which airport has emerged as the world's busiest airport for 2021 as per the World Airport Traffic Dataset?
 - A) Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL)
 - B) Shanghai Pudong International Airport
 - C) Guangzhou Bai Yun International Airport
 - D) Hong Kong International Airport

Answer: A

- ✓ The Airports Council International (ACI) World released the annual World Airport Traffic Dataset on July 25, 2022 to reveal the global air traffic rankings of the top 20 aviation industry for the full year 2021.
- ✓ Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) has topped the 2021 Rankings with 7.6 crore passengers in terms of passenger footfall in the year 2021.
- ✓ From India, the Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport in New Delhi has been ranked among the top 20, as the 13th busiest airport. IGIA witnessed 3.7 crore passengers footfall in 2021, which is 30.3% more than 2.8 crore in 2020, when IGI was ranked 16th.
- ✓ The list of top 20 busiest airport represents 19% of global traffic (863 million passengers).
- ✓ The ranking provides a view of air transport demand across the world's airports in three areas: passengers (international and domestic), air cargo (freight and mail) and aircraft movements (air transport movements and general aviation).
- ✓ Airports Council International (ACI) Established in 1991, its headquarters (ACI World) are based in Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
- Q. Which Indian airport has become the 13th busiest airport in world for 2021 as per the World Airport Traffic Dataset?
 - A) Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Hyderabad
 - B) Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi
 - C) Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru
 - D) Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport, Mumbai

Answer: B



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AIRPORT IN NEWS 2021-22

- Airports Council International (ACI) World released the annual World Airport Traffic Dataset
- > Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL), United States busiest airports in the world.
- Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport in New Delhi 13th busiest airport in world. {Indian Busiest airport}.
- > Delhi Airport or Indira Gandhi International Airport becomes India's first to run entirely on hydro and solar energy.
- > Qatar's Hamad International Airport has been named the World's Best Airport.
- > Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru was named the finest regional airport in India and South Asia.
- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA), Mumbai launched Vertical Axis Wind Turbine & Solar PV hybrid System.
- Government set the target to create 220 new airports by 2025.
- Chennai International Airport ranks 8th in Global List for 'On-Time Performance'.
- Cochin International Airport bags 'Covid champion' award at Wings India 2022.
- ➤ Kempegowda International Airport in Bengaluru won two the 'Best Airport' under the General Category, and the 'Aviation Innovation' Award.
- Six Indian Airports named the ACI World's ASQ Awards 2021.
 - 1. Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport (CSMIA)
 - 2. Indira Gandhi International Airport, New Delhi
 - 3. Rajiv Gandhi International airport, Hyderabad
 - 4. Cochin International Airport, Cochin
 - 5. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad
 - 6. Chandigarh Airport, Chandigarh
- Kochi Airport to become power-positive with new solar plant.
- > Airport Council International recognises Mangaluru International Airport with the 'Voice of the Customer' Award.
- ➤ Chennai International Airport ranks 8th in Global List for 'On-Time Performance' for 2021 by Cirium.



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- > GMR Hyderabad International Airport wins the National Energy Conservation Awards 2021.
- > PM Modi lays foundation stone of Noida International Airport at Jewar in Uttar Pradesh.
- ➤ Hisar Airport renamed as Maharaja Agrasen International Airport, Haryana.
- > PM Modi inaugurates Kushinagar International Airport in Uttar Pradesh.
- Airports Authority of India (AAI) manages a total of 137 Airports, which includes 103 Domestic Airports, 24 International Airports, and 10 Customs Airports.
- Q. In July 2022, Five new wetlands from India have been added to the list of Ramsar sites. Which of the given options is not true with respect to the location of these wetlands?
 - A) Sakhya Sagar, Madhya Pradesh
 - B) Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Tamil Nadu
 - C) Pala wetland, Manipur
 - D) Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest, Tamil Nadu

Answer: C

- ✓ Five new wetlands of International importance have been designated in India.
- ✓ With this, the total Ramsar sites in the country have been increased from 49 to 54 Ramsar sites.
- ✓ The five newly designated wetlands are:
 - 1. Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Tamil Nadu
 - 2. Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest, Tamil Nadu
 - 3. Pichavaram Mangrove, Tamil Nadu
 - 4. Pala wetland, Mizoram
 - 5. Sakhya Sagar, Madhya Pradesh.
- ✓ Karikili Bird Sanctuary: Karikili Bird Sanctuary is a 61.21-hectare protected area located in the Kancheepuram District of Tamil Nadu.
- ✓ Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest : Pallikaranai wetland is a freshwater marsh located in Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- ✓ **Pichavaram Mangrove**: Pichavaram mangrove is located in a village near Chidambaram in Cuddalore District of Tamil Nadu
- ✓ Pala wetland : The Pala wetland is the largest natural wetland in Mizoram.



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- ✓ **Sakhya Sagar**: Sakhya Sagar Lake is an integral part of the beautiful ecology of the Madhav National Park in Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh.
- ✓ What are Ramsar Sites
- ✓ A Ramsar Site is a wetland site designated to be of international importance under the Ramsar Convention. The name Ramsar comes from Ramsar City of Iran, where this treaty was signed.
- ✓ The Convention on Wetlands is also known as the Ramsar Convention. It is an intergovernmental environmental treaty established in 1971 by UNESCO and came into force in 1975.
- ✓ Wetlands declared as Ramsar sites are protected under strict guidelines of the convention.
- ✓ The aim of the Ramsar list is to develop and maintain an international network of wetlands which are important for the conservation of global biological diversity and for sustaining human life through the maintenance of their ecosystem components, processes and benefits.

RAMSAR SITES IN NEWS 2021-22

- Government of India Designates 5 New Ramsar Sites, taking total number to 54.
 - 1. Karikili Bird Sanctuary, Tamil Nadu
 - 2. Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest, Tamil Nadu
 - 3. Pichavaram Mangrove, Tamil Nadu
 - 4. Pala wetland, Mizoram
 - 5. Sakhya Sagar, Madhya Pradesh.
- Khijadia Wildlife Sanctuary in Gujarat & Bakhira Wildlife Sanctuary in UP listed as India's 48th & 49th Ramsar sites.
- 2nd February 2022 marked the 51st anniversary of the Ramsar Convention, the day which is also celebrated as World Wetlands Day.
- > Uttar Pradesh's Haiderpur Wetland Recognized as 47th Ramsar Site in India.
- Four new sites of India added to Ramsar list as 'wetlands of International importance (Thol Gujarat, Wadhwana-Gjarat, Sultanpur Haryana & Bhindawas -Haryana).
- Ladakh's Tso Kar wetland complex added to list of Ramsar sites.
- Lonar Lake in Buldhana district of Maharashtra selected under 'Ramsar site'.
- Keetham lake, also known as Sur Sarovar, in Agra of Uttar Pradesh added to Ramsar sites.
- Asan Conservation Reserve gets first Ramsar site tag from Uttarakhand, Dehradun district.



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- Kabartal Wetland becomes Bihar's first Ramsar site, Begusarai district.
- > There are 54 Ramsar sites in India.
- Ramsar Convention on Wetlands is an international treaty for "the conservation and sustainable use of wetlands".
- It is also known as the Convention on Wetlands and is named after the city of Ramsar in Iran.
- > Ramsar Convention or the Convention of Wetlands was established in 1971 and came into force in the year 1975, upon receipt by UNESCO.
- Ramsar convention came into force on 1 December 1975.
- India signed the Ramsar Convention on 1 February 1982.
- Sundarban wetlands are the largest Ramsar site in India.
- Chilika Lake (Orissa) and Keoladeo National Park (Rajasthan) were recognized as the first Ramsar Sites of India.
- Uttar Pradesh has the highest number of 10 Ramsar sites in India.
- > Renuka Wetland in Himachal Pradesh is the smallest wetland of India.
- Chilka lake and Keoladeo Ghana National Park is the oldest Ramsar site in India which was declared in 1981.
- World's First Ramsar site was identified in 1974, which was the Cobourg Peninsula in Australia.
- > The United Kingdom has the world's largest number of Ramsar Sites i.e. 175.
- Bolivia has the largest area under Ramsar protection.
- There are a total of 2400 Ramsar Sites in the world, including 54 Ramsar sites in India
- ➤ The Ramsar Convention works with the collaboration of the following organizations:
- International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).
- Birdlife International.
- International Water Management Institute (IWMI).

Wetlands International.

Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust (WWT)

WWF International



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Q. Who has been appointed as a new Chief Economist and Senior Vice President for Development Economics of World Bank?

A) K. V. Kamath

B) Indermit Gill

C) Urjit Patel

D) Raghuram Rajan

Answer: B

- ✓ The World Bank has appointed Indian national Indermit Gill as the Chief Economist and Senior Vice-President for Development Economics at the multilateral development bank.
- ✓ Indermit Gill will be the second Indian, after Kaushik Basu, to become the chief economist of World Bank.
- ✓ Gill will assume the new role from September 1, 2022 and will replace Carmen Reinhart.
- ✓ He is currently working as vice president for equitable growth, finance, and institutions, at World Bank.
- ✓ Kaushik Basu was the first Indian to serve this post from 2012-2016.
- ✓ WORLD BANK

Founded: 1944

Headquarters: Washington Dc

13th President : David Malpass (United States)

MD&CFO: Anshula Kant (Indian)

Chief Economist: Indermit Gill (Indian)

Executive Director: Rajesh Khullar (Indian)

Member Countries: 189

- ✓ World Bank Group: 5 (IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA and ICSID).
- ✓ All of these efforts support the Bank Group's twin goals of ending extreme poverty by 2030 and boosting shared prosperity of the poorest 40% of the population in all countries.
- ✓ World Bank was created at the 1944 Bretton Woods Conference, along with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- ✓ India is a member of IBRD, IFC, IDA and MIGA. The country is not a member of the ICSID
- Q. India is the host country for the FIDE Chess Olympiad 2022. The tournament will be held in which city of the country?

A) Chennai

B) Bhubaneswar

C) Pune

D) New Delhi



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Answer: A

- ✓ The 44th FIDE Chess Olympiad is designated to be held in Chennai from July 28 to August 10, 2022.
- ✓ This will be the first time that India is hosting the Chess Olympiad. The event is being organised in Asia after 30 years, since it kicked off in 1927.
- ✓ This is the first time that India will host the FIDE Chess Olympiad since its inception in 1927.
- ✓ The official logo and mascot of the Olympiad is a chess knight called Thambi (meaning Younger brother in Tamil).
- ✓ AR Rahman unveils anthem 'Vanakkam Chennai' for 44th International Chess Olympiad.
- ✓ The All India Chess Federation (AICF) on signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Tamil Nadu government for the forthcoming 44th Chess Olympiad, slated to be held here from July 28 to August 10.
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched the historic torch relay for the 44th Chess Olympiad at Indira Gandhi Stadium in New Delhi.
- ✓ A record 187 countries will participate in the event, making it the world's biggest chess event.
- ✓ A total of 188 teams in the Open section and 162 in the Women's section will participate in the Olympiad.
- ✓ From India, total 30 Indian players will take part across six teams (Three in open and three women).
- ✓ The main venue of the Chess Olympiad will be the convention centre at the Four Points by Sheraton, while the opening and closing ceremonies will be held at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium (also known as the Marina Arena) Chennai.
- ✓ The Chief Arbiter of the event will be France's International Arbiter Laurent Freyd.
- ✓ International Chess Federation or World Chess Federation (FIDE)

Founded: 1924 { Paris, France}

Headquarters : Lausanne, Switzerland President : Arkady Dvorkovich (Russia)

Q. The International Cricket Council (ICC) has recently inducted 3 new countries as members. Which among the following is not among them?

A) Cambodia

B) Finland

C) Uzbekistan

D) Cote D'Ivoire

Answer: B



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- ✓ Three new countries have received the membership status from the International Cricket Council (ICC) on July 26, 2022, during the ongoing ICC Annual Conference in Birmingham.
- ✓ The three new countries are Cambodia and Uzbekistan from Asia, and Cote D'Ivoire from Africa.
- ✓ With this the total number of member countries of ICC has increased to 108. This includes 96 Associates.
- ✓ Also, the induction of two new Asian teams take the total count of ICC's Asian member countries to 25 while addition of Cote D'Ivoire takes total count of African countries to 21
- ✓ CAMBODIA

Capital: Phnom Penh

Currency: Riel

Prime Minister: Samdech Hun Sen

Angkor Wat is a Buddhist temple complex located in northern Cambodia.

✓ UZBEKISTAN

Capital : Tashkent

Currency: Som

President : Shavkat Mirziyoyev Prime Minister : Abdulla Aripov

✓ Ivory Coast, also known as Côte d'Ivoire

Capital: Yamoussoukro (political) & Abidjan (economic)

Currency: Franc

✓ International Cricket Council (ICC)

Formation: 15 June 1909 Headquarters: Dubai, UAE

Chairman: Greg Barclay (New Zealand)

New CEO: Geoff Allardice (Australia)

Membership: 108 members

Deputy Chairman: Imran Khwaja (Singapore)



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- Q. Name the campaign, Sports Authority of India (SAI) has launched to appease the Indian contingents participating in the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games?
 - A) Come out and play

B) Bring It On

C) Share the Dream

D) Create for India

Answer : D

- ✓ Sports Authority of India (SAI) has started a new initiative to cheer for Team India, under which SAI has launched the campaign "Create for India" to cheer Indian contingents participating in the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games.
- ✓ A 215-member Indian athlete contingent is set to participate across 16 disciplines in this sports event, which is scheduled to take place from July 28, 2022 to August 08, 2022.
- ✓ The motto of the CWG 2022 is "Games for Everyone."
- ✓ XXII Commonwealth Games 2022 : Birmingham, England
- ✓ XXIII Commonwealth Games 2026: Australia
- ✓ XXIV Commonwealth Games 2030 Canada
- ✓ The first commonwealth games were held in 1930 at Hamilton, Canada.
- ✓ India for the first time participated in the second commonwealth games held in 1934 in London.
- ✓ India hosted the 19th Commonwealth games in 2010 in New Delhi.
- ✓ After Olympics, Commonwealth Games is the second-largest sports festival in the world.
- ✓ Since 1930, the games have been conducted every four years except for 1942 and 1946.
- ✓ Australia has hosted the Commonwealth Games five times i.e. in 1938, 1962, 1982, 2006, and 2018, this is more times than any other nation.
- ✓ England have hosted the Games on two occasions, in London during 1934 and in 2002 in the North West region of England and the city of Manchester. They will welcome the Commonwealth for a third time on the twentieth anniversary of the Manchester Games, as the city of Birmingham prepares to host the 2022 edition.
- ✓ Sports Authority of India (SAI)

Founded: 1984

Headquarters: New Delhi

Director General: Sandip Pradhan



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Q. Which of the following entity organised a unique three-day Human Space Flight Expo at Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium in Bengaluru?

A) HAL

B) BDL

C) DRDO

D) ISRO

Answer: D

- ✓ Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) organised a unique three-day Human Space Flight Expo at Jawaharlal Nehru Planetarium in Bengaluru from .
- ✓ The event was held to as a part of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav to commemorate 75 years of India's independence and celebrate India's space achievements.
- ✓ The Expo offered a glimpse of how astronauts will travel during the India's first-ever manned space flight mission "Gaganyaan."
- ✓ Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)

Founded: 15 August 1969

HQ: Bengalore, Karnataka

Founder / 1st Chairman : Vikram Sarabhai

10th Chairman: S Somanath

Aryabhata India's first satellites Launched on 19 April 1975

- ✓ GSAT-1 India's first commercial satellite
- ✓ SLV-3 was India's first experimental satellite launch vehicle,
- ✓ Ariane Passenger PayLoad Experiment, (APPLE) first communication satellite in India 19 June 1981
- ✓ Udupi Ramachandra Rao : satellite Man of India
- Rakesh Sharma became the first Indian to orbit in space in the year 1984.
- ✓ Kalpana Chawla, the first Indian origin woman to go to space is related to Karnal district of Haryana.
- ✓ Yuri Gagarin was the first person to go into space.
- ✓ Neil Armstrong was the first person to land on the Moon.
- ✓ Rohini (RS-1) was an experimental satellite launched by the ISRO.
- ✓ It was launched by the Satellite Launch Vehicle-3 rocket (SLV-3) on July 18, 1980.
- ✓ Satish Dhawan Space Centre is located in Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh.
- ✓ Vikram Sarabhai was the first chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) from 1963 to 1972.



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Q. The CRPF observes its Raising Day every year on 27 July. In 2022, the force will be observing its ___ Raising Day

A) 92

B) 75

C) 84

D) 89

Answer: C

- ✓ Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), observed its 84th Raising Day on 27 July 2022.
- ✓ CRPF is India's largest Central Armed Police Force. It works under the authority of the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). Its headquarter is located in New Delhi.
- ✓ CRPF came into existence as the Crown Representative's Police on 27 July 1939. After Indian Independence, it became the Central Reserve Police Force on enactment of the CRPF Act on 28 December 1949.
- ✓ The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) Valour Day (Shaurya Diwas) is observed on 9 April every year, as a tribute to the brave men of the Force.
- ✓ 2022 marks 57th CRPF Valour Day.
- ✓ Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)

Founded: 1939

Headquarteres : New Delhi

Director General: Kuldiep Singh

Motto: Service and Loyalty

Responsible : Ministry of Home Affairs

RAISING DAY IN NEWS 2021-22

- CRPF 84th Raising Day Observes on 27 July 2022.
- 26 July : Kargil Vijay Diwas
- 23rd Anniversary 2022
- BRO celebrates its 62nd raising day on 7th May 2022.
- 9 April : CRPF Valour Day
- > 57th Anniversary 2022.
- CISF observed its 53rd Raising Day ceremony on March 06, 2022.
- Indian Coast Guard is celebrating its 46th Raising Day on 01 Feb 2022.



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- NDRF celebrates its 17th Raising Day on 19 January 2022.
- > 15 January : Army Day
- > 74 Raising Day 2022
- 1 December : BSF Raising Day
- ▶ 57th Raising Day 2021.
- > 28 November : National Cadet Corps (NCC) Raising Day
- > 73rd Raising Day 2021.
- > 8 October : Air Force Day
- > 89th Anniversary 2021.
- Independence Day on 15th August
- > 75th anniversary 2021.
- Q. Japan Maritime Self Defense Force and the Indian Navy conducted a Maritime Partnership Exercise (MPX) in which sea on July 23, 2022?

A) Bay of Bengal

B) Arabian Sea

C) Andaman Sea

D) Java Sea

Answer: C

- ✓ The Japan Maritime Self Defense Force and Indian Navy undertook a Maritime Partnership Exercise
 (MPX) on July 23, 2022 in Andaman Sea.
- ✓ The exercise between the two navies aimed towards ensuring safe and secure international shipping and trade in Indian Ocean Region (IOR).
- ✓ The main objective of the exercise was to enhance the interoperability and streamlining seamanship and communication procedures.
- ✓ From India, an offshore patrol vessel INS Sukanya participated and from Japan JS Samidare, a Murasame class destroyer, undertook various exercises.
- Q. Who is launched subsidiary of National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) for manure management?

A) Pralhad Joshi

B) Sanjeev Balyan

C) Parshottam Rupala

D) Mansukh Mandaviya



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Answer : C

- ✓ "Shri Parshottam Rupala", Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying here launched NDDB MRIDA Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary company of National Dairy Development Board(NDDB) to take forward manure management initiatives across the country in presence of Dr Sanjeev Kumar Balyan, MoS, FAHD and Dr L Murugan, MoS, FAHD.
- ✓ Shri Atul Chaturvedi, Secretary, DAHD, Govt. of India, Shri Meenesh Shah, Chairman, NDDB, Ms Varsha Joshi, Additional Secretary (CDD), DAHD, and Shri Sandeep Bharti, newly appointed Managing Director of NDDB MRIDA Limited.
- ✓ NDDB has established NDDB MRIDA Limited, an Unlisted Public Limited Company under the Companies Act, 2013 on July 1, 2022 as with the paid-up capital of Rs. 9.50 crore.
- ✓ National Dairy Development Board (NDDB)

Founded: 1965

Founder: Dr Verghese Kurien Headquarters: Anand, Gujarat

- ✓ Meenesh Shah was appointed the Chairman of NDDB in 2021.
- ✓ NDDB's landmark project in 1970, Operation Flood (milk production)
- ✓ India is the world's largest milk producer.
- ✓ Uttar Pradesh is the highest milk producing state in India.
- Q. Who among the following has announced the setting up of joint theatre commands of the triservices to enhance coordination among the armed forces?

A) Rajnath Singh

B) Amit Shah

C) Venkaiah Naidu

D) Arvind Kejriwal

Answer: A

- ✓ Defence Minister "Rajnath Singh" announced the setting up of joint theatre commands of the tri-services to enhance coordination among the armed forces.
- ✓ The defence minister also said India is moving quickly from being the world's largest importer of defence equipment to an exporter.
- ✓ He was speaking during a programme organised by the Jammu Kashmir People's Forum here to pay tributes to the martyrs of the Indian Armed Forces



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- ✓ Rajnath Singh, Defence Minister noted that India was the world's top importer of defence products (of defence products).
- ✓ India is currently among the top 25 countries that export defence goods, despite not being the largest buyer in the world.
- ✓ According to the defence minister, the nation started exporting defence goods worth Rs 13,000 crore and has set a goal to boost that amount to Rs 35,000 to Rs 40,000 crore by 2025–2026.
- Q. Monkeypox vaccine has been approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) for protecting adults from the virus recently. What is the name of this vaccine?

A) INVANEX

B) IMVANEX

C) COVANEX

D) ADVANEX

Answer: B

- ✓ Monkeypox vaccine, Imvanex has been approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA) for protecting adults from the virus as cases soar globally.
- ✓ The vaccine of Bavarian Nordic origin, which is currently used against Smallpox, received the European nod based on the recommendation of the Committee for Medicinal Products for Human Use (CHMP), which showed protection against the monkeypox virus.
- ✓ Globally, over 16,000 cases of monkeypox have been reported from 75 countries. In the current outbreak in countries and amongst the reported monkeypox cases, transmission appears to be occurring primarily through close physical contact, including sexual contact. Transmission can also occur from contaminated materials such as linens, bedding, electronics, clothing, that have infectious skin particles
- Q. India's bioeconomy is expected to touch how much billion by 2025?

A) USD 100 billion

B) USD 150 billion

C) USD 200 billion

D) USD 250 billion

Answer: B

- ✓ India's bioeconomy is likely to touch USD 150 billion by 2025 and USD 300 billion by 2030, as per the India BioEconomy Report 2022 released on July 19, 2022.
- ✓ The report has been brought out by the Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance Council (BIRAC) based on the data from the biotech sector's contribution to the economy.



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✓ As per the report, India's bioeconomy reached over USD 80 billion in 2021 and registered a 14.1 percent

- Q. India's first brain health clinic was launched in which city?
 - A) Hyderabad

growth in 2020.

B) Mumbai

C) Bengaluru

D) New Delhi

Answer: C

- ✓ Karnataka Health Minister Dr K Sudhakar inaugurated India's first brain health clinic in Bengaluru on 22 July 2022.
- ✓ It has been launched to diagnose, treat & follow up patients with common neurological disorders.
- ✓ The clinic was launched under the Karnataka Brain Health Initiative (Ka-BHI) at Jayanagar General Hospital.
- ✓ Ka-BHI aims to train doctors to diagnose brain health issues.
- Q. Who among the followings has won his first Tour de France title 2022?
 - A) Jonas Vingegaard
 - **B) Chris Froome**
 - C) Steven Kruijswjk
 - D) Egan Bernal

Answer: A

- ✓ Jonas Vingegaard of Denmark won his first Tour de France title on 24 July 2022.
- ✓ He finished 3 minutes, 34 seconds ahead of second-place Tadej Pogacar.
- ✓ With this win, Vingegaard has become the first Danish rider to win Tour de France since Bjarne Riis in 1996.
- ✓ It was the 109th edition of the Tour de France which began in Denmark, on 1 July and ended in Paris on 24 July.
- ✓ The Tour De France race is related to the Cycling game.
- ✓ Tour De France is organized by the Amaury Sport Organisation.
- ✓ The first Tour de France race was started in 1903.



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Q. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has accepted the Centre's request for allowing non-financial institutions and non-regulated entities to own more than ____ per cent of IDBI Bank.

A) 50%

B) 30%

C) 40%

D) 20%

Answer : C

- ✓ RBI have accepted the Centre's request for allowing non-financial institutions and non-regulated entities to own more than 40 per cent of IDBI Bank.
- ✓ The government and LIC are going to sell 51-74% of the lender through a strategic divestment.
- ✓ The IDBI Bank was categorized as a 'Private Sector Bank' for regulatory purposes by the Reserve Bank
 of India with effect from 21 January 2019.
- ✓ Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) Bank

Founded: 1964

Headquarteres : Mumbai, Maharashtra

Chairman: M. R. Kumar

MD & CEO: Rakesh Sharma

Q. Which state has signed MoU with Telangana to set up all women-run cooperative bank called "Rajasthan Mahila Nidhi"?

A) Odisha

B) Assam

C) Rajasthan

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: C

- ✓ India's first all women-run cooperative bank coming up in Rajasthan.
- ✓ Government of Rajasthan recently signed a MoU with Stree Nidhi Credit Cooperative Federation of Telangana government to set up first ever all women-run cooperative bank called "Rajasthan Mahila Nidhi".
- ✓ It will promote women's empowerment by extending support to their enterprises.
- ✓ The agreement was signed by RGAV Mission Director Manju Rajpal and Stree Nidhi managing director G Vidhyasagar Reddy.
- ✓ Rajasthan Mahila Nidhi will be set up on the lines of Telangana Stree Nidhi..



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- ✓ Proposal to set up Rajasthan Mahila Nidhi was put by Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot in 2022-23 budget speech.
- Q. The newly designated Ramsar site Pala wetland is located in which state?

A) Kerala

B) Tamil Nadu

C) Assam

D) Mizoram

Answer : D

Q. The newly designated Ramsar site Pichavaram Mangrove is located in which state?

A) Kerala

B) Telangana

C) Karnataka

D) Tamil Nadu

Answer : D

- Q. The newly designated Ramsar site Karikili Bird Sanctuary is located in which state?
 - A) Madhya Pradesh

B) Mizoram

C) Tamil Nadu

D) Karnataka

Answer : C

Q. Which country will host ICC Women's ODI World Cup 2025?

A) Sri Lanka

B) England

C) Bangladesh

D) India

Answer: D

- ✓ India has won the hosting right for the 2025 ICC Women's Cricket World Cup.
- ✓ On July 26, 2022, the International Cricket Council (ICC) unveiled the list of host countries for the next major ICC white-ball tournaments in the women's category from 2024-27.
 - 1. 2024 ICC Women's T20 World Cup Bangladesh
 - 2. 2025 ICC Women's Cricket World Cup India
 - 3. 2026 ICC Women's T20 World Cup England
 - 4. 2027 ICC Women's T20 Champions Trophy Sri Lanka
- ✓ The 2027 ICC women's T20 Champions Trophy will be the inaugural edition of the tournament
- ✓ ICC announces host nations of next 10 men's tournaments



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- ✓ 2022 ICC Men's T20 World Cup Australia
- ✓ 2024 ICC Men's T20 World Cup USA & West Indies
- ✓ 2025 ICC Men's Champions Trophy Pakistan
- ✓ 2026 ICC Men's T20 World Cup India & Sri Lanka
- ✓ 2027 ICC Men's 50 over World Cup South Africa, Zimbabwe & Namibia
- ✓ 2028 ICC Men's T20 World Cup Australia & New Zealand
- ✓ 2029 ICC Men's Champions Trophy India
- ✓ 2030 ICC Men's T20 World Cup England, Ireland & Scotland
- ✓ 2031 ICC Men's 50 over World Cup India & Bangladesh
- ✓ International Cricket Council (ICC)

Formation: 15 June 1909

Headquarters: Dubai, UAE

Chairman: Greg Barclay (New Zealand)

New CEO: Geoff Allardice (Australia)

Membership: 108 members

Deputy Chairman: Imran Khwaja (Singapore)

- Q. Which of the following pairs is not correctly matched?
 - A) Women's T20 World Cup 2024 Australia
 - B) Women's T20 Champions Trophy 2027 Sri Lanka
 - C) ICC Women's World Cup 2025 India
 - D) Women's T20 World Cup 2026 England

Answer: A

- Q. Which country has announced to quit the International Space Station after 2024?
 - A) China

B) Russia

C) Japan

D) Israel

Answer: B

- ✓ Russia has decided to quit the International Space Station (ISS) after 2024.
- ✓ Moscow's space agency Roscosmos's new chief Yury Borisov announced this decision.



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- ✓ ISS is the world's largest habitable artificial satellite in space and was launched in 2000, being managed by five space agencies- NASA (United States), Roscosmos (Russia), JAXA (Japan), ESA (Europe), and CSA (Canada).
- ✓ NASA Plans to Retire International Space Station in 2031.

RUSSIA IN NEWS 2021-22

- > Russia decides to leave the International Space Station after 2024.
- > Russia overtakes Saudi Arabia to become India's 2nd biggest oil supplier.
- Russia test-fired the "RS-28 SARMAT," world's "most powerful" nuclear-capable intercontinental ballistic missile.
- Russia destroyed the largest plane in the world 'Mriya'.
- Russia successfully tests fired Hypersonic Cruise Missile 'Zircon'.
- Indian Navy stealth frigate Tushil launched in Kaliningrad, Russia.
- Russian filmmaker Klim Shipenko becomes first to shoot film in space.
- > Russian film director Klim Shipenko and actress Yulia Peresild spent 12 days in the ISS for filming 30 minutes duration scenes for the film "The Challenge".
- Imtiaz Ali appointed as Ambassador of Russian Film Festival in India.
- 101 member Indian Army contingent to participate in International Army Games 2021 in Russia.
- 12th INDRA NAVY Exercise between India & Russia held in Baltic Sea.
- Indo-Russia Joint Military Drill 'Exercise INDRA 2021' to be held in August 2021 at Volgograd in Russia.
- Russia successfully test-fires S-500 missile system.
- India ties with Russia as 4th largest forex reserves holder.
- Russia 'building first fully stealth warship'.
- > Russia says it will launch own space station in 2025.
- Russia to revisit Moon after 45 years, Luna 25 set to launch in October 2021.
- Russia Registers World's First Covid-19 Vaccine For Animals named 'Carnivac-Cov'.
- Russia Launches 38 Satellites From 18 Countries Into Space on Soyuz Rocket.
- Russia launches first Arctic-monitoring Satellite 'Arktika-M'.
- China and Russia Inks MoU to jointly build Lunar Space Station.



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- ➤ India to procure 21 MiG-29 and 12 Sukhoi-30MKI fighter aircraft from Russia.
- Russia successfully test-fires Tsirkon hypersonic missile.
- Russia Becomes World's 1st Country to Register COVID-19 Vaccine, 'Sputnik V'.
- Russia first regiment of S-400 anti-air system will be delivered to India .
- India-Russia to sign MoUs on AK-203 assault rifles.
- > RUSSIA

Capital : MoscowCurrency : Ruble

PM : Mikhail MishustinPresident : Vladimir Putin

> 'Roscosmos' Space Agency: Russia

AVIAINDRA Air Exercise : India and Russia
 INDRA Military Exercise : India and Russia

Q. Which country will host the SCO Foreign Ministers Meeting?

A) Kazakhstan

B) Kyrgyzstan

C) Tajikistan

D) Uzbekistan

Answer: D

- ✓ Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Council of Foreign Ministers will be meeting in Uzbekistan on July 28, 2022.
- ✓ The Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar is set to visit Uzbekistan to take part in the meeting.
- ✓ The Union Minister is participating in the meeting at the invitation of the Acting Minister of Foreign Affairs
 of Uzbekistan, Vladimir Norov.
- ✓ This will be the first time when EAM Jaishankar will share a table with his Pakistani counterpart Bilawal Bhutto.
- ✓ Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)

✓ Founded: 2001

✓ HQ : Beijing, China

✓ Secretary General : Zhang Ming (China)



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- ✓ Member Countries = 9 (Iran ,China, India, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan,Pakistan,Russia, Tajikistan & Uzbekistan)
- ✓ SCO Summit 2021 : Dushanbe, Tajikistan.
- ✓ SCO Summit 2022 : Samarkand, Uzbekistan.
- ✓ SCO Summit to be hosted by the Indian side in 2023.
- ✓ The founding members (5) of Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) were China, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan. India and Pakistan officially joined this organisation in 2017.
- ✓ Trick to remember SCO Countries
- ✓ TRICK :- PICK IN KURTA
- ✓ P Pakistan
- ✓ I India
- ✓ C- China
- √ K Kazakhstan
- ✓ IN Iran
- √ K Kyrgyzstan
- ✓ U Uzbekistan
- √ R Russia
- ✓ TA Tajikistan
- Q. Sir Winston Churchill Leadership Award was recently presented to which leader?
 - A) Joe Biden

B) Vladimir Putin

C) Narendra Modi

D) Volodymyr Zelenskyy

Answer : D

- ✓ British Prime Minister, Boris Johnson has presented Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy with the Sir Winston Churchill Leadership Award, drawing comparisons between the two leaders in times of crisis.
- ✓ Zelenskyy accepted the award by video link during a ceremony at Johnson's London office that was attended by members of the Churchill family, Ukrainian Ambassador Vadym Prystaiko and Ukrainians who have received training from British soldiers.



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✓ The Churchill leadership award was first presented in 2006. Past recipients include Prince Charles, former British Prime Ministers Margaret Thatcher and John Major, and former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright

Q. Which country will host Asia Cup 2022?

A) Qatar

B) UAE

C) South Africa

D) Australia

Answer: B

- ✓ 2022 Asia Cup shifted from Sri Lanka to the UAE
- ✓ As informed by the Asian Cricket Council (ACC), the Asia Cup 2022 will now be held in United Arab Emirates (UAE).
- ✓ Earlier this event was scheduled to take place in Sri Lanka. However, due to the economic crisis in the island nation, the tournament has been shifted to UAE.
- ✓ But the hosting rights of the game will still remain with Sri Lanka.
- ✓ The tournament will be held from August 27 to September 11, 2022, in the T20 format.
- ✓ This is the second consecutive time that the tournament will be played in the UAE.
- ✓ Asia Cup was established in 1983 when the Asian Cricket Council was founded.
- ✓ Six Cricket teams participate in Asia Cup i.e. Hong Kong, Sri Lanka, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Afghanistan.
- ✓ The Asia Cup is a men's One Day International and Twenty20 International cricket tournament.
- ✓ Purpose of Asian Cricket Council (ACC) is to promote and develop the sport of cricket in Asia.
- ✓ Nazmul Hassan is the current president of Asian Cricket Council.
- ✓ Headquarters of Asian Cricket Council (ACC) is at Colombo, Sri Lanka

Q. Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has curtailed which airline's flights to 50 percent?

A) Indigo

B) SpiceJet

C) Vistara

D) Air India

Answer: B

✓ Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) has restricted Spicejet's operations to only 50 percent of flights for eight weeks.



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- ✓ The airline assured on July 27, 2022 that there will be no impact on the flight operation as other airlines had already rescheduled their flight.
- ✓ This came after several incidents were reported on aircraft operated by SpiceJet with some aircraft either turning back to its originating airport or landing at the scheduled destination with degraded safety margins.
- ✓ Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA)

✓ Headquarters : New Delhi

✓ Director General : Arun Kumar

Q. Which country's crown prince has unveiled a futuristic eco-city, NEOM?

A) Saudi Arabia

B) Kuwait

C) Oman

D) United Arab Emirates(UAE)

Answer: D

- ✓ NEOM, this word will be synonymous with a new future in the coming time. Named NEOM, the new city being built in Saudi Arabia was first unveiled by Prince Mohammed in 2017, Saudi Arabia's flagship business and tourism development on the Red Sea coast and a significant project in the 2030 Vision that seeks to diversify the economy
- ✓ The project will cover 26,500 square kilometres and a range of sectors, including industrial and logistics sectors, planned for completion in 2025.
- ✓ The word NEOM is derived from "NEO MSTACBEL," whose initials MSTACBEL signify core project areas such as media, sports, technology and energy.
- ✓ And then, the word is abbreviated, and the letter M is the symbol of the word "meem" in Arabic: it is the first letter of the Arabic word for the future (mustaqbal) and also the first letter of Prince's name M, Prince "Mohammed" bin Salman.
- ✓ The letter "M" was then merged with the word "NEO" from the Greek language, meaning new, and thus became the name of the city "NEOM", which is located on the Red Sea in northwestern Saudi Arabia, approximately Spread over an area of 26,500 square kilometres, and made up of 41 coastal islands.
- ✓ United Arab Emirates (UAE)

Capital : Abu Dhabi Currency : Dirham



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President: Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan

Prime Minister: Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Q. Who is unveils anthem 'Vanakkam Chennai' for 44th International Chess Olympiad?

A) Sonu Nigam

B) Sonu Nigam

C) A. R. Rahman

D) Mika Singh

Answer: C

- ✓ The 44th International Chess Olympiad, the world's biggest chess event, will be held at Poonjeri Village in Mamallapuram from 28th July 2022 to 10th August 2022. The venue is a UNESCO heritage site, located about 50 kilometres from Chennai, Tamil Nadu.
- ✓ Directed by Vignesh Shivan, the music video features chief minister MK Stalin, grandmaster Vishwanathan Anand, and music maestro AR Rahman, who has composed and sung the theme song. The music video also features director Shankar's daughter as a Bharatanatyam artiste. The terrific music video has been praised by netizens for showing the culture of Tamil Nadu impressively
- Q. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will to lay foundation stone of Headquarters Building of IFSCA in which state?

A) Karataka

B) Uttar Pradesh

C) Gujarat

D) Maharashtra

Answer: C

- ✓ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will visit India's maiden International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) in Gujarat International Finance Tec-City (GIFT City) on July 29, 2022
- ✓ The Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone of IFSCA Headquarters building, launch the India International Bullion Exchange (IIBX) and NSE IFSC-SGX Connect, the details of which have been covered in Press Release issued by IFSCA on July 25, 2022...
- Q. Which state government has launched the 'Smart E-Beat' system for police attendance and real-time monitoring of patrolling by personnel?

A) Gujara

B) Bihar

C) Haryana

D) Jharkhand

Answer: C



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- ✓ Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has launched an app-based system for police attendance
 and real-time monitoring of patrolling by personnel in Gurugram.
- ✓ The CM launched the 'Smart E-Beat' system at an event at the office of Commissioner of Police and flagged off 119 motorcycle police riders connected with it.
- ✓ The app-based system has been introduced in Gurugram under the Smart Policing Initiative (SPI) and it will help these policemen to mark their attendance and in the monitoring of their rides.
- ✓ The Smart E-Beat system would cover the area of all the 33 police stations located in the urban area
 of Gurugram. As many as 119 motorcycle riders will be deployed, 714 policemen will give duty on the
 rider in three shifts a day
- Q. Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur has released three books showcasing some of the rarest photographs of outgoing President Ram Nath Kovind and his predecessors recently. Which book is not a part of the other three books?
 - A) Miracle Moments in Rashtrapati Bhavan
 - **B) The First Citizen**
 - C) Interpreting Geometries Flooring of Rashtrapati Bhavan
 - D) Moods, Moments and Memories

Answer: A

- ✓ Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur has released three books showcasing some of the rarest photographs of outgoing President Ram Nath Kovind and his predecessors.
- ✓ The books were released during a function at the Rashtrapati Bhavan here and their first copies were presented to President Kovind in the presence of president-elect Droupadi Murmu, Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu and Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- ✓ First Book 'Moods, Moments and Memories...' has a collection of rarely seen images of the former presidents of India from 1950-2017.
- ✓ Second Book 'The First Citizen' has pictorial records of President Kovind's term.
- ✓ Third Book 'Interpreting Geometries Flooring of Rashtrapati Bhavan' documents and analyses the intricate play of geometry applied to evolve the unique flooring patterns in the Rashtrapati Bhavan.



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Q. Bob Rafelson has passed away recently. His TV series 'The Monkees' made him win an Emmy Award for Outstanding Comedy Series in __.

A) 1978

B) 1967

C) 1980

D) 1965

Answer: B

- ✓ Bob Rafelson, co-creator of 'The Monkees' and Director of the film 'Five Easy Pieces' has passed away.
- ✓ Five Easy Pieces earned Rafelson two Oscar nominations, for best picture and screenplay in 1971.
- ✓ Rafelson co-created the Monkees and the TV series of the same name, winning him an Emmy Award for Outstanding Comedy Series alongside Bert Schneider in 1967
- Q. Which former Indian cricketer has been appointed to ICC Cricket Committee?

A) Virender Sehwag

B) Anil Kumble

C) VVS Laxman

D) Javagal Srinath

Answer: C

- ✓ Veteran cricketers VVS Laxman and Daniel Vettori have been appointed to the ICC Men's Cricket Committee as current player representatives. West Indies cricketer Roger Harper was also appointed as the second past player representative, joining former Sri Lankan skipper Mahela Jayawardena
- Q. The World Hepatitis Day is observed annually on which day?

A) 26 July

B) 27 July

C) 28 July

D) 25 July

Answer: C

- ✓ World Hepatitis Day is observed on 28 July every year to raise global awareness of the burden of viral hepatitis, an inflammation of the liver that causes a range of health problems, including liver cancer.
- ✓ The day 28 July was chosen for World Hepatitis Day because it is the birthday of Nobel-prize winning scientist Dr Baruch Blumberg, who discovered hepatitis B virus (HBV). He also developed a diagnostic test and vaccine for the virus.
- ✓ Theme of World Hepatitis Day 2022 'Bringing hepatitis care closer to you'.



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Q. The World Nature Conservation Day is observed every year on _

A) 25 July

B) 26 July

C) 27 July

D) 28 July

Answer: D

- ✓ World Nature Conservation Day is observed every year on July 28 across the world.
- ✓ The main objective of celebrating this day is to raise awareness about protecting nature and adopting
 best practices for conserving our natural resources.
- ✓ The theme of World Nature Conservation Day 2022 is 'Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature.'
- ✓ Meaning of conservation of nature
- ✓ "Conservation means the wise use of the earth and its resources for the lasting good of manking" –
 Gifford Pinchot
- Q. What is the theme of the World Hepatitis Day 2022?
 - A) Invest in eliminating hepatitis
 - B) Hepatitis-free future
 - C) Prevent hepatitis B and C
 - D) Bringing hepatitis care closer to you

Answer : D

Q. Which Institutions has launched the 'Nilekani Centre at Al4Bharat' to promote the Indian language technology?

A) IIT Madras

B) IIT Bombay

C) IIT Kharagpur

D) IIT Hyderabad

Answer: A

- ✓ The Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras on 28 July 2022 launched the 'Nilekani Centre at Al4Bharat' to promote the Indian language technology.
- ✓ It was inaugurated by Nandan Nilekani, co-founder of Infosys.
- ✓ Nilekani will support the centre with a grant of Rs 36 crores.
- ✓ The Al4Bharat was set up as an initiative of IIT Madras to build open-source language Al for Indian languages



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MOST IMPORTANT IIT IN NEWS 2021-22

- ➤ IIT Madras launches 'Nilekani Centre at Al4Bharat' to promote Indian language technology.
- > IIT Madras Retains Top Spot in National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) India Ranking 2022.
- > IIT Kanpur launched NIRMAN Accelerator Program
- ➤ Vedanta has partnered with Detect Technologies, a startup established at IIT Madras, and deployed T-Pulse HSSE Monitoring System.
- > IIT Delhi in the Economics Lab of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences.
- > IIT Hyderabad and Greenko inks a pact to establish sustainable sci-tech school.
- IIT Madras creates robots to clean septic tanks without human under the name "HomoSEP,".
- ➤ Railway Ministry approved Rs. 8.34 crores collaborative project with IIT Madras on Hyperloop technology
- > IIT Bombay tied up with India Meteorological Department to develop user-friendly weather forecasting app
- > IIT Madras establishes AquaMAP Water Management and Policy Centre
- ➤ IIT Madras and RBI Innovation Hub make ties with Boost fintech startups
- For drone-based mineral exploration NMDC Sign MoU with IIT Kharagpur.
- ➤ L&T tie-up with IIT Bombay to develop Green Hydrogen Technology
- ➤ IIT Madras established Policy Centre along with AquaMAP Water Management
- > C-DAC Commissions "PARAM Ganga" Supercomputer at IIT Roorkee under National Supercomputing Mission.
- Indian Institute of Science (IISc.), Bengaluru commissions one of India's most powerful supercomputers 'Param Pravega'.
- Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has signed MoU with IIT Roorkee for establishment of 'BIS Standardization Chair Professor' at IIT Roorkee
- IIT Madras bagged the first position in ARIIA Rankings 2021.
- ➤ IIT-Madras is followed by IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi, IT Kanpur, and IIT Roorkee. The Indian Institute of Science (IISc) in Bengaluru bagged the sixth position in the category



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- > IIT Roorkee has been selected by the prestigious Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) for the Industrial Innovation Awards.
- India's First Artificial Intelligence & Robotics Technology Park (ARTPARK) has been launched at IISc campus, Bengaluru
- > IIT-Delhi tie-up with Indian Air Force (IAF) to improve indigenisation efforts
- > IIT Bombay rolls out language translator 'Project Udaan'
- > IIT Madras Retains Top Spot in Overall Category of NIRF India Ranking 2021
- India to set up its first IIT outside the country in UAE
- Posoco ties up with IIT Delhi for research
- Indian Air Force (IAF) Ties Up with IIT Madras to Develop Solutions to Maintain Weapon Systems.
- > IIT Madras announces online platform 'E-Source' to tackle e-Waste
- IIT Ropar develop's world's first 'Plant based' smart air-purifier "Ubreathe Life"
- > India's first bio-brick based building inaugurated at IIT Hyderabad
- > IIT Madras Develops AI-based algorithm to help identify cancer-causing cell alterations
- IIT-Hyderabad develops cheaper COVID-19 testing kit 'COVIHOME'
- > IIT Madras and Sony India jointly host national-level hackathon 'SAMVEDAN 2021'
- ➤ IIT-Madras develops AI algorithm called 'NBDriver'

Q. The Indian Navy recently received two MH-60 R multirole helicopters from which country?

A) Israel

B) France

C) Russia

D) United States

Answer : D

- ✓ At Cochin International Airport, the American Navy delivered two MH-60 R multipurpose helicopters to the Indian Navy.
- ✓ All 24 MH 60R helicopters will be delivered by the end of 2025, with the third helicopter due to arrive in August of this year.
- ✓ Under its Foreign Military Sales (FMS) programme, the US Department of State has authorised the sale of 24 MH-60R multi-mission helicopters to India. The potential is about USD 2.6 billion.
- ✓ In February 2020, the Indian Navy and the US Navy had signed Rs 15,157 crore (\$2.13 billion) deal to buy 24 MH-60 Romeo helicopters, manufactured by Lockheed Martin, under foreign military sales from the US government.



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✓ INDIA BUY HELICOPTERS /AIRCRAFT FROM OTHER COUNTRIES

1. Mirage aircrafts : France

2. P-8I aircraft: United States

3. MH-60 Romeo helicopters: USA

4. Apache AH-64E helicopters : USA

5. Chinook helicopters: USA

6. Cheetah helicopters: France

7. Chetak helicopters: France

8. Kamov helicopters: Russia

Q. Who becomes first Indian state to launch semiconductor policy 2022-27?

A) Karnataka

B) Haryana

C) Gujarat

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: C

- ✓ The Gujarat government has announced a dedicated 'Gujarat Semiconductor Policy 2022-27' with a view to generating at least 2,00,000 new employment opportunities during a period of five years.
- ✓ The Gujarat government has also decided to develop a "semicon city" which would be a part of the Dholera Special Investment Region.
- ✓ The projects approved under the Design-linked Incentive scheme of the Government of India will not be eligible for availing of the benefits under the new policy, said the state government press release.

GUJARAT IN NEWS 2021-22

- Gujarat becomes first Indian state to launch semiconductor policy 2022-27.
- Gujarat's IFSCA (International Financial Services Centres Authority) Headquarters Building will officially break ground thanks to PM Modi.
- 36th National Games also known as National Games Gujarat 2022, will be hosted by Gujarat.
- Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel launches 17th 'Shala Praveshotsav'.
- Gujarat government inked an agreement with Isha Outreach to conserve soil.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the renovated Shree Kalika Mata temple at Pavagadh Hill in Gujarat's Panchmahal district.



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- India's first 'Balika Panchayat' constituted in five villages of Gujarat.
- Gujarat to host the National Education Ministers' Conference.
- > Tata Motors Inks Pact For Potential Acquisition Of Ford India's Plant In Gujarat.
- > PM has launched the country's first liquid nano urea plant at Kalol, Gujarat.
- ➤ World bank sanctioned USD 350 million for SRESTHA-G project to Gujarat.
- > India's first steel road featured in Gujarat.
- Gujarat government inked an agreement with Isha Outreach to conserve soil.
- > Prime Minister Narendra Modi used video conferencing to address the Utkarsh Samaroh in Bharuch, Gujarat.
- > The country is set to get its first high-speed rail training center at Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Exide and Switzerland's Leclanché's joint venture Nexcharge begins production in Gujarat.
- Maharashtra and Gujarat celebrated their statehood day on 1st May 2022.
- > PM Modi inaugurated development projects worth Rs 22,000 crores in Dahod, Gujarat.
- India's first steel road featured in Gujarat.
- India and the WHO have agreed to establish a global traditional medicine centre in Jamnagar, Gujarat.
- Gujarat Govt to receive Rs 7,500 Cr Loan from World Bank, AIIB.
- Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel unveils new Biotechnology Policy 2022-27 to strengthen innovation ecosystem.
- Adani Group inks MoU with South Korea's largest steelmaker POSCO to develop steel mill in Gujarat.
- Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel launched Student Start-ups and Innovation Policy 2.0
- Gujarat Alkalies and Chemicals Limited (GACL) and GAIL (India) Limited team up to establish bioethanol plant in Gujarat.
- SBI to acquire 9.95% stake in GIFT-IFSC-based Clearing Corp.
- Gujarat became India's Largest Manufacturing Hub, according to data from the RBI
- Gujarat CM launches 'Aatmanirbhar Gram Yatra' from Mahemdabad near Ahmedabad
- Gujarat launches e-Sarkar app on pilot basis for paperless administration
- > Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel launched 'Go Green' Scheme
- India's first 'test tube' Banni buffalo calf born in Gujarat



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- Bhupendra Patel has been chosen as the new Chief Minister of Gujarat
- > PM Modi addresses Investor Summit in Gujarat virtually and launches 'Vehicle Scrappage Policy'
- ➤ DefExpo-2022 is scheduled to be held in Gujarat's Gandhinagar from March 2022.
- Dholavira, the Harappan City in Gujarat's Rann of Kutchch inscribed as India's 40th UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- India's first maritime arbitration centre to be set up in Gandhinagar, Gujarat.
- Amazon has launched its first Digital Kendra in India in Surat, Gujarat.
- Gujarat CM Vijay Rupani e-launches Agricultural Diversification Scheme-2021.
- > Gujarat CM has launched a web portal named "e-Nirman".
- Gujarat Maritime Board to Set-up India's First International Maritime Services Cluster at GIFT City.

Q. How many billion dollar deal has Egypt signed with India for Suez Canal Economic Zone?

- A) \$5 billion
- B) \$8 billion
- C) \$7 billion
- D) \$6 billion

Answer: B

- ✓ Egypt has signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with an Indian company to build a green hydrogen factory in the Suez Canal Economic Zone.
- ✓ The Indian ReNew Power Private Limited will build a factory that will produce 20,000 tonnes of green hydrogen per year.
- ✓ The total worth of this project is estimated at \$8 billion.
- ✓ Suez Canal location : Egypt
- ✓ The Suez Canal connects the Gulf of Suez (a northern branch of the Red Sea) with the Mediterranean Sea.
- ✓ The length of this canal is approx 193.30 km (120 miles). It is an artificial sea-level waterway which is located in Egypt



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Q. The Centre has set up Rashtriya Khanij Puraskar to promote which activity across the country?

A) Mining

C) Sports

C) Farming

D) Handloom

Answer : A

- ✓ Union Ministry of Mines has set up a Rashtriya Khanij Puraskar, a National Award to promote mining across the country.
- ✓ The Rashtriya Khanij Puraskar has been set up to incentivize States that take initiative in the exploration, auction and operationalisation of mineral blocks.
- ✓ The Rashtriya Khanij Puraskar will be awarded in three categories of minerals
- Q. Which brand has replaced Paytm as the BCCI's title sponsor for all international and domestic cricket matches in July 2022?

A) Dream 11

B) Mastercard

C) TATA Group

D) Physics wallah

Answer: B

- ✓ Mastercard has replaced Paytm as the title sponsor for all international and domestic cricket matches organised by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI).
- ✓ The series against Australia in September 2022 will be Mastercard's 1st series as Title Sponsor of the BCCI.
- ✓ Paytm has been BCCI's title sponsor since 2015 but on 5 July 2022, it requested to transfer its rights to Mastercard.
- ✓ MASTERCARD

Founded: 1966

Headquarteres: New York, U.S

Executive Chairman: Ajay Banga

Bresident and CEO: Michael Michael

President and CEO: Michael Miebach

Q. Which of the following has been unveiled as the official slogan of 2024 Paris Olympics?

A) Bely Mishka

B) Citius, Altius, Fortius

C) Hot. Cool. Yours

D) Games Wide Open'



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Answer: D

- ✓ Organisers of the 2024 Paris Olympics unveiled "Games Wide Open" as their official slogan on 25 July 2022.
- ✓ Having previously hosted in 1900 and 1924, Paris will be hosting the Summer Olympics third time in 2024.
- ✓ The 2024 Summer Olympics are scheduled to take place from July 26 to August 11 2024.
- ✓ Athletes will compete in a total of 329 events in 32 sports.
- Q. ReNew Power has signed an MoU to set up a green hydrogen manufacturing facility at the Suez Canal Economic Zone in which country?

A) Egypt

B) Kuwait

C) Israel

D) Morocco

Answer: A

- ✓ ReNew Power has signed an MoU with the Egyptian government to set up a green hydrogen manufacturing facility at the Suez Canal Economic Zone in Egypt.
- ✓ According to the MoU, ReNew will set up a plant with a capacity to produce 20,000 tonnes of green hydrogen a year.
- ✓ The facility will entail a total investment of up to \$8 billion.
- ✓ ReNew Power is a renewable energy company based in Gurgaon, Haryana.
- ✓ EGYPT

Capital: Cairo

Currency: Pound

Prime Minister : Moustafa Madbouly

President: Abdel Fattah el-Sisi

- ✓ Egypt is known as the "Gift of the Nile".
- ✓ Cairo is the capital of Egypt and is located on the Nile river.
- ✓ The Nile is the longest river in Africa and the drainage basin of the Nile River covers 11 countries.
- ✓ The Nile is about 6,650 km in length.
- ✓ Lake Nasser is built across the Nile river.
- ✓ The Nile is the longest river in the world.



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- ✓ It flows across the eastern African region from South to North.
- Q. Who has received the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) Distinguished Indologist award for 2021?

A) Justin Trudeau

B) Chrystia Freeland

C) Carolyn Bennett

D) Jeffrey Armstrong

Answer: D

- ✓ Canadian scholar Jeffrey Armstrong has received the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) Distinguished Indologist award for 2021.
- ✓ He was presented the award on 26 July '22 in Vancouver, Canada.
- ✓ This award has been conferred upon Armstrong "in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the study of India's history & culture.
- ✓ This award was instituted in 2015.
- ✓ ICCR was founded in 1950 by Maulana Abul Kalam Azad.
- Q. Name the Formula One driver who has recently announced his retirement from Formula One?

A) Max Verstappen

B) Sebastian Vettel

C) Carlos Sainz

D) Lewis Hamilton

Answer: B

- ✓ Four-time world champion of F1 racing, Sebastian Vettel, has announced his retirement from Formula One. at the end of the 2022 season.
- ✓ The German racing driver competes for Aston Martin and Mercedes.
- ✓ Vettel is the youngest World Champion in Formula One.
- Q. Which state government has issued an order to implement the first phase of the Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme at 1,545 government primary schools?

A) Odisha

B) Telangana

C) Tamil Nadu

D) Karnataka

Answer : C

- ✓ Tamil Nadu government has issued an order to implement the first phase of the Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme at 1,545 government primary schools.
- ✓ It will benefit over 1.14 lakh children in Classes I-V during 2022-23.



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- ✓ The cost would be Rs. 33.56 crores.
- ✓ Every student is to be provided a 150-500 gram breakfast with sambar with vegetables. On two days, the breakfast will be made of millets.

TAMIL NADU IN NEWS 2021-22

- Tamil Nadu govt rolls out 'Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme'.
- > Singapore-based IGSS signs MoU to set up 300-acre semiconductor park in Tamil Nadu.
- > Tata Power signed an MoU with Tamil Nadu government to setup solar manufacturing plant.
- > Tamil Nadu pips West Bengal to become the largest State in terms of outstanding microfinance loan portfolio.
- > Tamil Nadu launched Ennum Ezhuthum scheme to bridge learning gap.
- > Tamil Nadu launched Nalaya Thiran skilling programme for college students.
- Tamil Nadu Govt signed MoU with India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) for pensioner's digital life certificate.
- > Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin flagged off the luxury cruise liner "Empress" from Chennai port.
- > Tamil Nadu government notified the Nanjarayan lake, a bio-diversity hotspot, as the 17th bird sanctuary.
- > Tamilnadu Petroproducts became world's first LAB manufacturing company to get BIS certification
- Tamil Nadu government launched 'Kaaval Uthavi' app for public during emergency.
- > Tamil Nadu govt announced breakfast scheme for primary school students.
- M K Stalin, the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, inaugurates the Periyar Memorial Samathuvapuram.
- > Tamil Nadu Chief Minister announced to Celebrate April 14 As 'Equality Day'.
- > Tamil Nadu government has announced that December 18, every year will be observed as Minorities Rights Day.
- > Tamil Nadu and Puducherry beaches get coveted 'blue flag' certification.
- Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy Finals: Tamil Nadu defeats Karnataka.
- Karthigai Deepam Festival Tamil Nadu.



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- > Tamil Nadu sets up first ever SPV to professionally manage three critical natural conservation missions
- India's first dugong conservation reserve to come up in Tamil Nadu.
- ➤ Tamil Nadu's 'Kanniyakumari Clove' gets GI Tag.
- ➤ ADB approves \$150 million loan for urban poor housing project in Tamil Nadu.
- President Ramnath Kovind appoints new Governors of R. N. Ravi.
- Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin has been sworn in as Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.
- Srivilliputhur Megamalai Tiger Reserve Tamil Nadu set to create state's 5th tiger reserve.
- > Electronics signs MoU with Tamil Nadu to set up mobile components unit.
- Raghuram Rajan named in Tamil Nadu economic advisory panel.
- Ola to set up world's largest scooter factory in Tamil Nadu
- Q. Which Ministry has launched the 11th agricultural census to collect data on various parameters, including operational holdings?

A) Ashwini Vaishnaw

B) Hardeep Singh Puri

C) Narendra Singh Tomar

D) Mansukh Mandaviya

Answer : C

- ✓ Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar launched the eleventh agricultural census to collect data on various parameters, including operational holdings.
- ✓ For the first time, the data will be collected through smartphones and tablets.
- ✓ The agricultural census is the main source of information on various parameters, such as the number
 and area of operational holdings, their size, land use etc.
- ✓ The ministry is implementing an agriculture census scheme from 1970-71.
- ✓ The tenth edition of the census was conducted with the reference year 2015-16.
- ✓ This is the first time that data collection for the agricultural census will be conducted on smartphones and tablets so that data is available in time.
- ✓ Most of the states have digitised their land records and surveys, which will further accelerate the collection of agricultural census data.



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- Q. With which of the following have Reliance New Energy signed a program agreement under government's Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for advanced chemistry cell (ACC) battery storage?
 - A) Ather Energy, and Vaibhav Global
 - B) Gitanjali Group, and Ola Electric
 - C) BYD Auto, and Vaibhav Global
 - D) Ola Electric, and Rajesh Exports

Answer : D

- ✓ Reliance New Energy, Ola Electric, and Rajesh Exports have signed a program agreement under government's Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for advanced chemistry cell (ACC) battery storage.
- ✓ As per the agreement, the companies will build a total of 50 gigawatt hours (Gwh) of battery storage.
- ✓ They will receive ₹ 18,100 crore under government's incentive program.
- Q. Tadoba Tiger Reserve, which hosted the Global Tiger Day Celebrations, is located in which of the following state?

A) Uttarakhand

B) Tamil Nadu

C) Maharashtra

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer: C

- ✓ Global Tiger Day celebrations were held in Forest Academy in Chandrapur. Union Minister received the guard of honour by Special Tiger Protection Force, an exclusive regimented strike force from Tiger Reserves of Maharashtra & Kerala Forest Department.
- ✓ Tadoba Tiger Reserve, Maharashtra plays host for National Global Tiger Day Celebrations 2022.
- ✓ Shri Bhupender Yadav congratulated all tiger range countries, and commended India in particular for setting a benchmark in conservation for having & protecting more than 70% of global tiger population.
- Q. The Union cabinet has cleared a Bill to amend the Competition Act of which year?

A) 2002

B) 2005

C) 2008

D) 2006

Answer: A

✓ The Union cabinet has cleared a Bill to amend the two-decade-old Competition Act 2002.



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- ✓ It aims to reform the competition regulation ecosystem.
- ✓ The Competition (Amendment) Bill seeks to introduce changes to the governing structure of the Competition Commission of India (CCI) and modify the substantive provisions in law to address the needs of new age markets.
- ✓ The proposed Bill is set to expand the scope of prohibited anti-competitive agreements to cover new age marketing arrangements which do not squarely fit into conventional supply chain arrangements for which explicit regulatory provisions are given in the law.
- Q. Which online cab service will Kerala government launched?
 - A) Kerala Yatra
 - B) Kerala Savari
 - C) Kerala Drive
 - D) Kerala Vihari

Answer: B

- ✓ Kerala government is all set to come up with an alternative to the popular corporate online cab service by launching its own e-taxi service from next month, considered to be the first such initiative by any state government in the country.
- ✓ Named 'Kerala Savari', the online taxi hiring service is being rolled out by the state Labour Department linking the existing auto-taxi networks in the state with an aim to ensure safe and dispute-free travel for the public at affordable rates prevailing in the state.
- Q. Which of the following Space Agency has earned 279 million dollars in foreign exchange by launching satellites for global clients?

A) ISRO

B) JAXA

C) NASA

D) SpaceX

Answer: A

- ✓ ISRO has earned 279 million dollars in foreign exchange by launching satellites for global clients.
- ✓ ISRO in association with its commercial arms has successfully launched 345 foreign satellites from 34 countries on-board Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV).
- ✓ Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)



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Founder / 1st Chairman: Vikram Sarabhai

10th Chairman: S Somanath

- ✓ Aryabhata India's first satellites Launched on 19 April 1975
- ✓ GSAT-1 India's first commercial satellite
- ✓ SLV-3 was India's first experimental satellite launch vehicle,
- ✓ Ariane Passenger PayLoad Experiment, (APPLE) first communication satellite in India 19 June 1981
- ✓ Udupi Ramachandra Rao : satellite Man of India
- ✓ Rakesh Sharma became the first Indian to orbit in space in the year 1984.
- ✓ Kalpana Chawla, the first Indian origin woman to go to space is related to Karnal district of Haryana.
- ✓ Yuri Gagarin was the first person to go into space.
- ✓ Neil Armstrong was the first person to land on the Moon.
- ✓ Rohini (RS-1) was an experimental satellite launched by the ISRO.
- ✓ It was launched by the Satellite Launch Vehicle-3 rocket (SLV-3) on July 18, 1980.
- ✓ Satish Dhawan Space Centre is located in Sriharikota in Andhra Pradesh.
- ✓ Vikram Sarabhai was the first chairman of the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) from 1963 to 1972.

Q. Sakurajima volcano has erupted recently. This is located in which country?

A) Japan

B) Russia

C) Italy

D) Indonesia

Answer: A

- ✓ Japan's Sakurajima volcano located on the island of Kyushu, erupted, prompting evacuations in the region.
- ✓ Sakurajima is one of Japan's most active volcanoes and eruptions of varying levels take place on a regular basis.
- ✓ The authorities have raised the alert level to the highest level of 5.
- ✓ Earlier this year, on January 15, The Hunga Tonga volcano eruption destroyed the uninhabited island of Hunga Tonga Ha'apai.



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Q. Which of the following has launched its Nifty IT Index Fund?

A) SBI Mutual Fund

B) HDFC Mutual Fund

C) Kotak Mutual Fund

D) ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund

Answer: D

- ✓ ICICI Prudential Mutual Fund has launched ICICI Prudential Nifty IT Index Fund, an open-ended index scheme replicating the Nifty IT index.
- ✓ The new fund offer (NFO) opened for subscription 28 July and will close on 8 August, 2022.
- ✓ The NIFTY IT index captures the performance of Indian information technology companies.
- ✓ The index comprises 10 companies.

Q. The World Day Against Trafficking in Persons is observed every year on which day?

A) 31 July

B) 30 July

C) 28 July

D) 29 July

Answer : B

- ✓ World Day Against Trafficking in Persons is observed every year on July 30.
- ✓ The day was designated by the UN General Assembly in 2013 to raise awareness of the situation of victims of human trafficking and for the promotion and protection of their rights.
- ✓ The 2022 theme for World Day Against Trafficking in Persons is "Use and abuse of technology"

Q. Who has won the Formula One (F1) Hungarian Grand Prix 2022?

- A) Lewis Hamilton
- B) George Russell
- C) Max Verstappen
- D) Carlos Sainz

Answer: C

- ✓ Max Verstappen (Red Bull Netherlands) has won the Formula One (F1) 2022 Hungarian Grand Prix, held on July 31, 2022.
- ✓ For Max, this is his overall 28th race win and the 10th win of the 2022 season.



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✓ Lewis Hamilton (Mercedes-Great Britain) stood second and George Russell (Mercedes – Britain) came third.

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- Max Verstappen (Red Bull Netherlands) wins F1 Hungarian Grand Prix 2022
- Max Verstappen wins the title of 2022 French Grand Prix.
- Ferrari racer Charles Leclerc has won the Austrian F1 Grand Prix 2022.
- Ferrari racing driver Carlos Sainz (Spain) won maiden F1 British Grand Prix 2022
- Red Bull driver Max Verstappen won Canadian Grand Prix 2022 (his sixth victory of the season)
- Red Bull's Max Verstappen won the Azerbaijan Formula One Grand Prix 2022
- ➤ Red Bull racing driver Sergio Pérez (Mexican) has won the Formula 1 (F1) Grand Prix (GP) De Monaco 2022
- > F1 world champion Max Verstappen has won the inaugural Miami Grand Prix
- Max Verstappen wins Spanish Grand Prix
- Max Verstappen (Red Bull-Netherlands) won the Emilia-Romagna Grand Prix in Italy.
- Max Verstappen wins 2022 Saudi Arabian Grand Prix
- Charles Leclerc (Ferrari- Monaco) has won the Formula One (F1) 2022 Australian Grand Prix.
- Charles Leclerc (Ferrari- Monaco) has won the Formula One Bahrain Grand Prix 2022
- Q. Which of the following organizations has partnered with IOA to host the first-ever India House at Paris Olympics 2024?

A) Physics wallah

B) Tata Group

C) Reliance Industries

D) Adani Group

Answer: C

- ✓ Reliance Industries (RIL) on 27 July 2022 partnered with Indian Olympic Association (IOA) to elevate the performances of Indian athletes.
- ✓ Under this partnership, RIL & IOA will together establish the first-ever India House at Paris Olympics 2024.
- ✓ The Olympic Hospitality House provides a vision and an understanding of the country and also serves
 as an avenue to engage officials, sportspeople and their families, and the public.



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- ✓ In the run-up to the Paris 2024 Olympics, India will also be hosting the 140th prestigious IOC Session in June 2023 at the state-of-the-art Jio World Centre in Mumbai.
- Q. Airport Authority of India (AAI) has signed an MoU with which of the following naval command to boost connectivity under Udaan Scheme?

A) Andaman Nicobar Command

B) Northern Naval Command

C) Southern Naval Command

D) Western Naval Command

Answer: A

- ✓ Andaman Nicobar Command signed an MoU with Airport Authority of India to boost inter-island connectivity under Udaan Scheme in Port Blair.
- ✓ As per the MoU, naval airfields at Shibpur (in Diglipur) in North Andaman and in Campbell Bay will be utilized for civil operations.
- ✓ Passenger flights will be connecting Port Blair directly to Diglipur and Campbell Bay, the two extreme corners of the archipelago.
- ✓ A low-cost 20-passenger flight to be operated between these islands as per the vision of the Udaan Scheme.
- ✓ Presently, Heli services are available to Diglipur and Campbell in a very limited capacity.
- ✓ Diglipur is the third most populous town in Andaman while a major transshipment port is to come up in Campbell Bay
- ✓ Airports Authority of India (AAI)

Founded: 1955

Headquarters : New Delhi Chairman : Sanjeev Kumar

Q. The Indian Vegetable Oil Producers Association (IVPA) and Palm Oil Council of which country have signed an MoU to promote the use of palm oil?

A) Indonesia

B) Vietnam

C) Malaysia

D) Madagascar

Answer: C

✓ Indian Vegetable Oil Producers' Association (IVPA) and the Malaysian Palm Oil Council (MPOC) have signed an MoU to further cooperation between the two organizations to promote the use of palm oil.



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- ✓ The MoU also seeks to create greater awareness of Malaysian palm oil, benchmarked through the Malaysian Sustainability Palm Oil (MSPO) certification standards.
- ✓ The MoU aims to help educate Indian consumers on the nutritional and health benefits of palm oil and improve overall understanding of palm oil and its applications while elucidating its strengths and benefits.
- ✓ MALAYSIA

Capital: Kuala Lumpur

Currency: Ringgit

Prime Minister: Ismail Sabri Yaakob

Q. Which Union Minister has inaugurated a conference on drug trafficking and national security?

A) Nirmala Sitharaman

B) Amit Shah

C) Narendra Modi

D) Draupadi Murmu

Answer: B

- ✓ Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated a conference on drug trafficking and national security at Punjab Raj Bhavan.
- ✓ Shah also inaugurated several developmental projects.
- ✓ At the conference, over 30,000 kg of drugs will be burnt and disposed of by Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) teams in Delhi, Chennai, Guwahati and Kolkata.
- ✓ The NCB started the drug disposal campaign on June 1 and over 51,217 kg of narcotics have been disposed of by it in 11 states.
- ✓ As part of the 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' celebrations, the NCB took a pledge to destroy 75,000 kg of drugs on the occasion of the 75th anniversary of Independence
- Q. Who has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to the United Kingdom (UK)?

A) Vikram Doraiswami

B) Alok Ranjan Jha

C) Ruchira Kamboj

D) Santosh Jha

Answer: A

- ✓ India to have new envoys in Bangladesh, UK, Japan, Canada, South Korea
- Senior diplomat Pranay Verma has appointed India's new high commissioner to Bangladesh.



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- ✓ Verma is a 1994-batch Indian Foreign Service officer.
- ✓ He is currently serving as India's Ambassador to Vietnam.
- ✓ He will succeed current High Commissioner Vikram Doraiswami
- ✓ Doraiswami is set to assume charge as Indian High Commissioner to the UK.
- ✓ Indian High Commissioner to the UK Gaitri Issar Kumar retired from service on June 30.
- ✓ The incumbent in Japan, Sanjay Verma, is being appointed as high commissioner to Canada.
- ✓ Neeta Bhushan, currently serving as additional secretary in the Central Europe division in the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) will be the new envoy to New Zealand.
- ✓ Chicago Amit Kumar is set to be appointed as the new ambassador to South Korea
- √ Namgya C Khampa is likely to be appointed as the new envoy to Kenya

Q. Mukhyamantri Mahtari Nyay Rath' was launched by which of the following state?

A) Odisha

B) Assam

C) Chhattisgarh

D) Jharkhand

Answer : C

- ✓ Chhattisgarh CM Bhupesh Baghel on 28 July 2022 flagged off the 'Mukhyamantri Mahtari Nyay Rath' with the aim of making the women of the state aware of their constitutional rights & laws.
- ✓ It will travel throughout the state informing people about women's rights through short films.
- ✓ There will be a large LED screen on which nationally-awarded educational short films in Chhattisgarhi and Hindi languages will be shown.
- ✓ Each chariot will have two lawyers, who will listen to the grievances of women & provide information &
- ✓ The rath yatra is being commenced on the occasion of the Hareli Tihaar. On this day, farmers worship the plow and agricultural implements, while respecting the pair of bullocks.
- Q. The President Ibrahim Mohamed Solih of which country will pay an official visit to India from 1st to 4th August 2022?

A) Vietnam

B) Madagascar

C) Ethiopia

D) Maldives

Answer: D



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- ✓ President of Maldives Ibrahim Mohamed Solih will pay an official visit to India from 1st to 4th August 2022.
- ✓ He will meet President Droupadi Murmu and hold talks with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- ✓ He will be holding a discussion with an Indian business delegation.
- ✓ He will also visit Mumbai and participate in business events there.
- ✓ MALDIVES

Capital: Malé.

Currency: rufiyaa

President: Ibrahim Mohamed Solih

Q. Who among the following gave away Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) Awards in New Delhi?

A) Rajnath Singh

B) Giriraj Singh

C) Nirmala Sitharaman

D) Narendra Singh Tomar

Answer: D

- ✓ Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar gave away Agriculture Infrastructure Fund (AIF) Awards in New Delhi on 30 Jul'22.
- ✓ It was presented to the Banks and States for their contribution to the AIF scheme.
- ✓ AIF was launched in 2020, under the Aatmanirbhar Bharat Package.
- ✓ It provides a medium-long term credit facility for investment in the creation of post-harvest management infrastructure
- Q. Pranay Kumar Verma has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to Which country?

A) Bhutan

B) United Kingdom

C) Brazil

D) Bangladesh

Answer : D

- ✓ IFS officer of 1994 batch Pranay Kumar Verma has been appointed as India's next High Commissioner to Bangladesh.
- ✓ He is currently serving as India's Ambassador to Vietnam.
- ✓ Verma will succeed current High Commissioner Vikram Doraiswami.



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- ✓ Simultaneously, Sandeep Arya, an IFS officer of the 1994 batch has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Vietnam.
- Q. Which state held the most number of sittings of the State Assembly in 2021?
 - A) Kerala
 - B) Odisha
 - C) Karnatak
 - D) Tamil Nadu

Answer: A

- ✓ As per the recent study of the think tank PRS Legislative Research (PRS), Kerala held the most number of sittings of the State Assembly in 2021 at 61 days. Between 2016 and 2019, it remained at the top with an average of 53 days.
- ✓ Kerala is followed by Odisha with 43 sitting days, Karnataka with 40 days and Tamil Nadu with 34 days
- Q. Peechi Wildlife Sanctuary, where a new damselfly species (Protosticta anamalaica) was spotted, is in which state?
 - A) Assam
 - B) Kerala
 - C) Meghalaya
 - D) Nagaland

Answer: B

- ✓ The odonates' checklist of Kerala has now grown to 182 with the discovery of a new damselfly species from the Western Ghats in the Peechi Wildlife Sanctuary in Thrissur.
- ✓ Three entomologists, Kalesh Sadasivan, Vinayan P. Nair and Abraham Samuel of the Travancore Nature History Society (TNHS), have identified the species, Anamalai Reed-tail (scientific name: Protosticta anamalaica Sadasivan, Nair and Samuel, 2022). The discovery has been published in the Journal of Threatened Taxa.
- ✓ Peechi-Vazhani Wildlife Sanctuary is a wildlife sanctuary headquartered in Peechi, Thrissur District of Kerala, India.



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- Q. Logistics Data Bank (LDB) Project, which was seen in the news, is associated with which Ministry?
 - A) Ministry of MSME
 - **B) Ministry of Heavy Industries**
 - C) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
 - D) Ministry of Commerce and Industry

Answer : D

- ✓ LDSL-NICDC Logistics Data Bank's LDB project has achieved a milestone of handling 50 million EXIM containers since its inception six years ago.
- ✓ Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and Textiles, Shri Piyush Goyal congratulated the entire team of NLDSL for achieving the milestone.
- ✓ LDB was conceived as one of the smart community projects between India and Japan during the initial stages of planning of the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor project. LDB handles 100 percent of India's EXIM container volume.
- ✓ The LDB system has contributed in improving India's rank in the benchmarking tool of the World Bank i.e. Logistics Performance Index (LPI) and Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) to help countries identify the challenges and opportunities in trade logistics.
- Q. The World Ranger Day is observed on which day of the year annually?

A) 29 July

B) 31 July

C) 28 July

D) 30 July

Answer: B

- ✓ World Ranger Day is celebrated every year on 31 July.
- ✓ Purpose: Commemorate the Rangers killed or injured while on duty and to celebrate the work that Rangers do to protect the world's natural and cultural heritage.
- ✓ A Ranger is a person tasked with preserving and protecting parklands and natural protected areas. A Ranger typically refers to a forest ranger or a park ranger.
- ✓ It was on this day in 1992 that International Ranger Federation (IRF) was founded.
- ✓ The first World Ranger Day was observed in 2007, on the occasion of the 15th anniversary IRF.



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Q. As of July 2022, How many Ramsar conservation have been enlisted from India so far?

A) 71

B) 49

C) 54

D) 65

Answer : C

| S. No. | Name of the Ramsar Site | Location | Designation Date |
|--------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | Ashtamudi Wetland | Kollam district, Kerala | 19 August 2002 |
| 2 | Beas Conservation | Harike Punjab | 26 September 2019 |
| | Reserve | | |
| 3 | Bhitarkanika Mangroves | Odisha India | 19 August 2002 |
| 4 | Bhoj Wetland | Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh | 19 August 2002 |
| 5 | Chandra Taal | Lahul, Himachal Pradesh | 8 November 2005 |
| 6 | Chilika Lake | Odisha | 1 October 1981 |
| 7 | Deepor Beel | Guwahati, Assam | 19 August 2002 |
| 8 | East Kolkata Wetlands | Kolkata West Bengal | 19 August 2002 |
| 9 | Harike Wetland | Harike, Punjab | 23 March 1990 |
| 10 | Hokera Wetland | Zainakote, Jammu and | 8 November 2005 |
| | | Kashmir | |
| 11 | Kanjli Wetland | Kapurthala Punjab | 22 January 2002 |
| 12 | Keoladeo National Park | Bharatpur Rajasthan | 1 October 1981 |
| 13 | Keshopur-Miani | Punjab | 26 September 2019 |
| | Community Reserve | | CONT. |
| 14 | Kolleru Lake | Andhra Pradesh | 19 August 2002 |
| 15 | Loktak Lake | Bishnupur, Manipur | 23 March 1990 |
| 16 | Nalsarovar Bird Sanctuary | Ahmedabad, Gujarat | 24 September 2012 |
| 17 | Nandur Madhameshwar | Nashik, Maharashtra | 21 June 2019 |
| 18 | Nangal Wildlife Sanctuary | Nangal, Punjab | 26 September 2019 |
| 19 | Nawabganj Bird Sanctuary | Unnao, Uttar Pradesh | 19 September 2019 |
| 20 | Parvati Aranga Bird | Gonda, Uttar Pradesh | 2 December 2019 |
| | Sanctuary | | |
| 21 | Point Calimere Wildlife | Tamil Nadu | 19 August 2002 |
| | and Bird Sanctuary | | |
| 22 | Pong Dam Lake | Kangra, Himachal Pradesh | 19 August 2002 |
| 23 | Renuka Lake | Simaur, Himachal Pradesh | 8 November 2005 |
| 24 | Ropar Wetland | Ropar, Punjab | 22 January 2002 |
| 25 | Rudrasagar Lake | Melaghar, Tripura, India | 8 November 2005 |



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| 26 | Saman Bird Sanctuary | Mainpuri, Uttar Pradesh | 2 December 2019 |
|----|--|-------------------------|-------------------|
| 27 | Samaspur Bird Sanctuary | Uttar Pradesh | 3 October 2019 |
| 28 | Sambhar Lake | Rajasthan | 23 March 1990 |
| 29 | Sandi Bird Sanctuary | Hardoi, Uttar Pradesh | 26 September 2019 |
| 30 | Sarsai Nawar Jheel | Etawah, Uttar Pradesh | 19 September 2019 |
| 31 | Sasthamkotta Lake | Kollam, Kerala | 19 August 2002 |
| 32 | Sundarban Wetland | West Bengal | 1 February 2019 |
| 33 | Surinsar-Mansar Lakes | Jammu and Kashmir | 8 November 2005 |
| 34 | Tsomoriri | Ladakh | 19 August 2002 |
| 35 | Upper Ganga River (Brijghat to Narora Stretch) | Uttar Pradesh | 8 November 2005 |
| 36 | Vembanad-Kol Wetland | Kerala | 19 August 2002 |
| 37 | Wular Lake | Jammu and Kashmir | 23 March 1990 |
| 38 | Asan Barrage | Uttarakhand | 21 July 2020 |
| 39 | Kanwar Taal or Kabar Taal Lake | Begusarai, Bihar | 21 July 2020 |
| 40 | Sur Sarovar | Agra, Uttar Pradesh | 13 November 2020 |
| 41 | Lonar Lake | Buldhana, Maharashtra | 13 November 2020 |
| 42 | Tso Kar | Leh, Ladakh | 17 November 2020 |
| 43 | Bhindawas Wildlife Sanctuary | Haryana | 14 August 2021 |
| 44 | Sultanpur National Park | Haryana | 14 August 2021 |
| 45 | Thol Lake Wildlife Sanctuary | Gujarat | 14 August 2021 |
| 46 | Wadhvana Wetland | Gujarat | 14 August 2021 |
| 47 | Haiderpur Wetland | Uttar Pradesh | 9 December 2021 |
| 48 | Khijadiya wildlife sanctuary | Gujarat | 2 February 2022 |
| 49 | Bakhira wildlife sanctuary | Uttar Pradesh | 2 February 2022 |
| 50 | Pallikaranai Marsh Reserve Forest | Tamil Nadu | 26 July 2022 |
| 51 | Kaikill Bird Sanctuary | Tamil Nadu | 26 July 2022 |
| 52 | Pichavaram Mangrove | Tamil Nadu | 26 July 2022 |
| 53 | Pala wetland | Mizoram | 26 July 2022 |
| 54 | Sakhya Sagar | Madhya Pradesh | 26 July 2022 |



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