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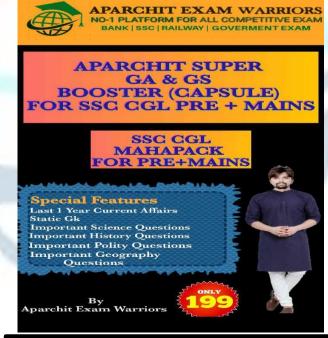




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Aparchit Super Current Affairs Best 350+ MCQ With Facts February 2023 Set 02

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Q. Due to the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria, what is the name given to the operation being run by India?

A) Operation Raksha

B) Operation Madad

C) Operation Dost

D) Operation Goodness

Answer : C

- ✓ Due to the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria, India has launched a campaign named 'Operation Dost' to help the affected people.
- ✓ Foreign Minister S Jaishankar told that India is providing material, supplies, medical supplies and equipment to Turkey and Syria under 'Operation Dost'.
- ✓ Under this operation, India has also arranged search and rescue teams and a field hospital in Turkey and Syria.
- ✓ Recently, over 6 tonnes of emergency relief aid was received at Damascus airport in Syria.

IMPORTANT OPERATION & CODE NAME IN NEWS 2022 -23

OPERATION DOST

Due to the recent earthquake in Turkey and Syria, India has launched a campaign named 'Operation Dost' to help the affected people.

> OPERATION GARUDA

Central Bureau of Investigation has launched a multi-phase 'Operation Garuda' against illicit drug trafficking network.

> OPERATION YATRI SURAKSHA

To give assurance of the safety to the passengers, the Indian railways with the coordination of Railway Protection Force has launched a pan India drive under the code name Operation Yatri Suraksha.

OPERATION "NARCOS"

Railway Protection Force (RPF) recently recovered narcotic products worth Rs 7.40 crore under "Operation Narcos".

OPERATION SANKALP



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Indian Navy's stealth Frigate, INS Talwar is presently deployed for Op-Sankalp commemorating the 3rd continuous year of Indian Navy's presence in the Gulf.

- > OPERATION SATARK
 - Railway Protection Force (RPF) has recently started "Operation Satark" taking action against illicit liquor, fake currency circulation, etc.
- OPERATION GANGA

India launches mission named Operation Ganga to evacuate Indian nationals from Ukraine

Q. Who has won the 'ATD Best Awards-2023' for the sixth consecutive year?

A) NTPC

B) ONGC

C) IOCL

D) GAIL

Answer: A

- ✓ Country's largest power generation company NTPC Limited has been conferred with 'ATD Best Awards 2023' by Association for Talent Development (ATD), USA.
- ✓ NTPC Limited has won this award for the sixth time for showcasing enterprise success in the area of talent development
- ✓ The foundation of NTPC's culture has always been employee involvement through creative techniques.
- ✓ This award is a testimony to the contemporary HR practices of NTPC
- ✓ The ATD Best Awards recognize organisations that demonstrate talent development across the enterprise.
- ✓ Association for Talent Development, USA is the world's largest association in the field of talent development and ATD's Best of Award is considered the most prestigious award in learning and development.

√ About NTPC

- ✓ The NTPC which was earlier known as National Thermal Power Corporation of India is owned by the Government of India. It was set up in 1975.
- ✓ The Vindhyachal Thermal Power Station in the Singrauli district of Madhya Pradesh, with an installed capacity of 4,760MW, is currently the biggest thermal power plant in India.
- ✓ It is a coal-based power plant owned and operated by NTPC.



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- ✓ The total installed commercial capacity of the company was 69454 MW before the JPL deal.
- ✓ Headquarters : New Delhi
- ✓ Chairman and Managing Director: Gurdeep Singh
- Q. Which AI powered chatbot has been launched by Google recently?
 - A) Alphabet
 - B) Bard
 - C) Brain Fast
 - D) Ernie

Answer: B

- ✓ Recently, Google has launched an Artificial Intelligence (AI) powered chatbot named "Google Bard" to compete with ChatGPT.
- ✓ Bard is built on Google's existing language model LaMDA, the language model for the firm's Dialog Application System.
- ✓ According to Google, it will be used by a group of testers first, after which Bard will be introduced to the general public.
- ✓ Bard has been developed to compete with the currently fastest growing user application, ChatGPT, which has overtaken platforms such as Tik Tok and Instagram.
- ✓ What is Chatbot?
- ✓ A chatbot is a software application used to conduct on-line chat conversations via text or text-to-speech in lieu of providing direct interaction with a live human agent.
- ✓ Chatbot in simple language means talking robot.
- √ There are 2 types of chatbots -
- ✓ rule-based chatbot
- ✓ Al-based chatbot
- ✓ Al-based chatbot
- ✓ Al-based chatbots do not have any pre-saved questions and answers in their database, rather they answer with their intelligence. You can ask any question from them and get your answer.
- ✓ It learns according to user behaviour and questions asked by them and keeps on evolving itself very fast.



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- Q. Which companies are unveiled India's first Hydrogen Internal Combustion Engine (H2-ICE) technology solution for heavy duty trucks?
 - A) Larsen & Toubro and Eicher Motors
 - B) Bharat Petroleum and Ashok Leyland
 - C) Adani Group and Mahindra & Mahindra
 - D) Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) and Ashok Leyland

Answer : D

- ✓ India's first Hydrogen Internal Combustion Engine (H2-ICE) truck was unveiled by Prime Minister Narendra Modi during the 'India Energy Week' in Bengaluru.
- ✓ The ICE in the H2-ICE stands for Internal Combustion Engine.
- ✓ It is developed by Reliance Industries (RIL) in association with Ashok Leyland.
- ✓ The H2-ICE truck is the first of its kind in India to be powered by hydrogen.
- ✓ The truck uses hydrogen instead of conventional diesel fuel or liquefied natural gas (LNG), reducing carbon emissions to almost zero.
- ✓ Hydrogen is considered the cleanest fuel. This emits only water and oxygen.
- ✓ The combustion principle in H2-ICE is as follows:
- \checkmark 2H2 + O2 \rightarrow 2H2O
- ✓ Two hydrogen atoms combine with one oxygen atom to form water. The heat energy released during
 this reaction is used to ignite the spark plug.
- ✓ The first H2-ICE was developed by Francois Isaac de Rivaz in the year 1806. It ran on a mixture of hydrogen and oxygen.
- Q. India is the largest milk producer in the world, contributing what percent to the global milk production in the year 2021-22?

A) 22%

B) 24%

C) 28%

D) 26%

Answer: B

✓ India is the world's largest milk producer, contributing 24 per cent to global milk production in the year 2021-22, according to production data from the Food and Agriculture Organization Corporate Statistics Database (FAOSTAT).



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- ✓ India's milk production has registered a growth of 51 per cent during the last eight years 2014-15 and 2021-22 and has increased to 220 million tonnes in the year 2021-22.
- ✓ The Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying runs various schemes to benefit the economically weaker farmers in the dairy sector.
- ✓ The National Program for Dairy Development aims to enhance the quality of milk and milk products and increase the share of organised procurement, processing, value addition and marketing.
- ✓ Rashtriya Gokul Mission launched in December 2014 with an outlay of Rs 2025 crore for the development and conservation of indigenous breeds through selective breeding.
- ✓ Indian Dairy Sector
- ✓ India ranks first in milk production and contributes 24% to global milk production.
- ✓ The top 5 milk-producing states are: Uttar Pradesh (14.9%), Rajasthan (14.6%), Madhya Pradesh (8.6%), Gujarat (7.6%) and Andhra Pradesh (7.0%).
- ✓ Dairy is the single largest agricultural commodity contributing 5% of the national economy, witnessing 6.4% in the past 5 years.
- Q. Who has been named in the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth's list of "world's most talented" students for the second time?

A) Natasha Periyanayagam

B) Shirley Muldowney

C) Julie Mehretu

D) Sylvie Guillem

Answer: A

- ✓ Indian-American schoolgirl Natasha Periyanayagam has been named in the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth's list of "world's most talented" students for the second year in a row.
- ✓ Natasha Periyanayagam is 13 years old and studying at Florence M Gaudiner Middle School in New Jersey, United States.
- ✓ She took the John Hopkins Center for Talented Youth (CTY) exam in 2021. At that time she was a fifth grader.
- ✓ Natasha's performance in the Verbal and Quantitative Aptitude Test was equivalent to achieving a 90 percentile in grade eight, earning her a place on that year's honours list.
- ✓ The list is compiled based on the results of upper-grade-level tests of more than 15,000 students from 76 countries.



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- ✓ Natatha's parents are from Chennai, she loves doodling and reading JRR Tolkien novels in her spare time.
- Q. Central Government has appointed K Satyanarayana Raju as the new Managing Director and CEO of which bank?

A) Bank of Baroda

B) Canara Bank

C) Indian Overseas Bank

D) Kotak Mahindra Bank

Answer: B

- ✓ The Central Government has appointed K Satyanarayana Raju as the new Managing Director and CEO of the state-owned Canara Bank.
- ✓ He will replace LV Prabhakar, who resigned from his post on December 31, 2022.
- ✓ He was working as Executive Director in Canara Bank since March, 2021.
- ✓ Satyanarayana Raju has vast experience in Branch Banking, Corporate Credit, Retail Credit etc.
- ✓ Canara Bank:
- ✓ It is a leading commercial bank of India.
- ✓ It was established in 1906, by Sri Ammembal Subba Rao Pai.
- ✓ Syndicate Bank was merged with Canara Bank on 1 April 2020. After this merger, Canara Bank has become the fourth largest bank in the country.
- ✓ Headquarters Bangalore, India
- Q. Naval Light Combat Aircraft, MIG29 K Fighter Aircraft has successfully performed a maiden landing and take off from India's first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier INS Vikrant. INS Vikrant is built by which company?
 - A) Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited
 - B) Hindustan Shipyard Limited
 - C) Cochin Shipyard Limited
 - D) Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers

Answer: C

✓ Light Combat Aircraft (Navy) and MIG29 K Fighter Aircraft on 6 February successfully performed a maiden landing and take off from India's first Indigenous Aircraft Carrier INS Vikrant.



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- ✓ India's first Made in India aircraft carrier INS Vikrant was commissioned into the Navy by Narendra Modi on 2 September 2022 at the Kochi Shipyard.
- ✓ With this, India has joined the list of countries with the capability to build more than 40,000 ton class aircraft carriers.
- ✓ INS Vikrant is built by Cochin Shipyard Limited. It has been designed by the Warship Design Bureau, formerly known as the Directorate of Naval Design. It is the in-house design organization of the Indian Navy
- ✓ MIG29 K Fighter Aircraft
- ✓ Navy's MiG-29K aircraft has been upgraded by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) with air-to-air and air-to-surface weapons.
- ✓ The MiG-29K, which is procured by the Navy directly from Russia, is equipped with weapons of Russian origin.
- ✓ HAL has also initiated integration of indigenous weapons such as Astra on the MiG-29K.
- Q. The Kala Ghoda Arts Festival 2023 (KGAF) has been organised in which city?

A) Gurugram

B) Hyderabad

C) New Delhi

D) Mumbai

Answer : D

- ✓ Kala Ghoda Arts Festival 2023 is being organised in Mumbai (Maharashtra) from 4 -12 February.
- ✓ In the Kala Ghoda Festival, dance, art and music, architecture, food, handicrafts, graphics, and many other types of art exhibitions are seen.
- ✓ Kala Ghoda Kala Mahotsav is an arts festival organised in Mumbai, which was started in 1999 by Kala Ghoda Foundation.
- ✓ It is named Kala Ghoda because it is held at a place in the South Mumbai area where there is a statue of a black horse.
- ✓ This festival is organised every year starting from the first Saturday of February till the second Sunday.
- ✓ Other Festivals of Maharashtra:
- ✓ Gudi Padwa
- ✓ This festival is generally celebrated by Maharashtrians as Hindu New Year celebrations.
- ✓ Pola Festival



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- ✓ It is a harvest festival and is celebrated all over the state of Maharashtra, especially in the rural areas.
- ✓ Elephanta Festival
- ✓ Elephanta festival is held every year in February. Elephanta is a small island near Mumbai.
- Q. The 2027 Asian Cup football tournament will be held in which country?

A) India

B) Japan

C) South Korea

D) Saudi Arabia

Answer: D

- ✓ Saudi Arabia has been selected to host the 2027 Asian Cup football tournament during the 33rd AFC Congress recently held in Manama, Bahrain
- ✓ India also submitted a bid to host the 2027 Asia Cup but later withdrew its name.
- ✓ Asian cup football tournament 2027
- ✓ Slogan: Forward for Asia
- ✓ Host Cities: Dammam, Riyadh and Jeddah
- √ 2023 Asian Football Cup
- ✓ The host country of the 2023 Asian Football Cup is Qatar. Its original host was China which expressed
 its inability to hold the tournament due to the COVID-19 situation.
- ✓ About 24 teams will participate in this tournament.
- ✓ It will be organized from 16 June to 16 July 2023.
- ✓ Asian Football Federation (AFC)
- ✓ The Asian Football Confederation (AFC) is the governing body of Asian football and one of the six continental confederations of FIFA.
- ✓ It was formed in 1954 in Manila, Philippines.
- ✓ Currently Members 47
- ✓ Headquarters Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- ✓ AFC President Sheikh Salman bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa of Bahrain
- Q. Who has won the National Ice Hockey Championship 2023 title?

A) BSF

B) ITBP

C) SSB

D) CISF

Answer: B



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- ✓ Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) has won the National Ice Hockey Championship 2023 title.
- ✓ The12th edition of the competition has been organized in Ladakh, Leh.
- ✓ The championship was organized by the Ice Hockey Association of India (IHAI).
- ✓ The ITBP team won the title for the third consecutive time by defeating Ladakh Scouts in the final with a score of 1-0.
- ✓ Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)
- ✓ It was established in 1962, after the Indo-China War of 1962. It is usually deployed in the Himalayan mountains along the border with China.
- ✓ Motto: Bravery Perseverance Dedication
- ✓ Headquarters: New Delhi
- ✓ Director General: Anish Dayal Singh
- Q. Which state government has signed an agreement with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) to conduct the Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) test for students of government schools?

A) Gujarat

B) Maharashtra

C) Rajasthan

D) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: A

- ✓ The Gujarat government 4 February signed an agreement with the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) to conduct the Programme for International Student Assessment
 (PISA) test for students of government schools.
- ✓ The agreement was signed in the presence of Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel and OECD Paris
 Director Andreas Schleicher.
- ✓ This is a significant step towards the objective of achieving grade-appropriate learning outcomes in government schools.
- ✓ Gujarat is the first state in the country to sign such an agreement.
- ✓ PISA measures the ability of 15-year-olds to read and apply math and science skills to meet real-life challenges.
- ✓ About Program for International Student Assessment (PISA)
- ✓ It is an international assessment that measures the maths and science literacy of 15-year-old students every 3 years.



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- ✓ It was first organized in 2000.
- ✓ This worldwide study is conducted by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) in member and non-member nations.
- Q. Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell has signed a 'Letter of Intent' with whom for cooperation in the field of data and research?

A) International Solar Alliance

B International Energy Agency

C) OPEC

D) NTPC

Answer: B

- ✓ Petroleum Planning and Analysis Cell (PPAC) under the Government of India has entered into an agreement with the International Energy Agency (IEA) at its headquarters in Paris to strengthen cooperation in the field of data and research and to promote global energy security, sustainability and sustainability. Signed a letter of intent (SoI).
- ✓ Information about its global oil and gas markets and technologies related to the oil and gas sector will also be provided.
- ✓ The International Energy Agency is an autonomous intergovernmental organization based in Paris, established in 1974.
- Q. Which state government has launched the country's first new mobility-focused cluster to accelerate the growth of sustainability mobility in the country?

A) Kerala

B) Tamil Nadu

C) Telangana

D) Madhya Pradesh

Answer : C

- ✓ The Telangana government has launched the country's first new mobility-focused cluster, Telangana Mobility Valley' (TMV).
- ✓ It aims to attract investments of around Rs 50,000 crore and generate more than 4 lakh jobs in the next five years in the state.
- ✓ TMV aims to facilitate companies across all segments of sustainable mobility including Electric 2Wheelers/ 3 wheelers/ 4 wheelers, Advanced Cell Chemistry and Hydrogen fuel cells, Tier 1 and Tier 2 Component manufacturers and Auto Engineering R&D companies among others.



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- ✓ The government has also set up the Kalam Centre For Automotive Excellence to upskill youth in e-Mobility.
- Q. Who has bagged the 'Mathrubhumi Book of The Year' award at the fourth edition of the Mathrubhumi International Festival of Letters (MBIFL 2023)?

A) Yatindra Mishra

B) Peggy Mohan

C) Kulpreet Yadav

D) Shailendra Joshi

Answer: B

- ✓ Author Dr Peggy Mohan has won the 'Mathrubhumi Book of the Year' award during the 4th edition of Mathrubhumi International Festival of Letters (MBIFL 2023).
- ✓ He has been given this award for his book 'Wanderers, Kings and Merchants', which portrays the development of language as a result of migration.
- ✓ In this award, he was given a statuette and two lakh rupees as a cash prize.
- ✓ The award was presented to Dr Peggy Mohan by Nobel Laureate Abdulrazak Gurnah at the closing ceremony of MBIFL 2023.
- ✓ Dr Peggy Mohan:
- ✓ She is a Trinidadian-born writer and a linguist.
- ✓ He holds a PhD in Linguistics from the University of Michigan, USA.
- ✓ He worked as Professor of Language Studies at Jawaharlal Nehru University and Jamia Millia University, New Delhi.
- ✓ Mathrubhumi International Festival of Letters (MBIFL):
- ✓ Mathrubhumi International Festival of Letters was started in the year 2018.
- ✓ MBIFL 2023 was inaugurated by Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan.
- ✓ This was the 4th edition of MBIFL with the theme "Shadows of History, Light of the Future ".
- Q. The Monetary Policy Committee has increased the reporate to what percent?

A) 6.50%

B) 6.25%

C) 6.75%

D) 7.00%

Answer: A

✓ The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has increased the policy repo rate by 0.25 percent in the bi-monthly monetary policy review with the aim of bringing inflation under control.



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- ✓ After which the new repo rate has increased to 6.50 percent.
- ✓ The Gross Domestic Product (GDP) growth forecast for the current financial year 2022-23 has been increased by RBI from 6.8 percent to 7 percent.
- ✓ At the same time, in the next financial year 2023-24, the growth rate in gross domestic product (GDP) has been estimated to be 6.4 percent.
- ✓ RBI has estimated retail inflation to be 6.5 per cent in the current financial year and 5.3 per cent in the next financial year.
- ✓ In order to bring inflation under control, the repo rate has been increased by 2.50 percent in total six times since May this year.
- ✓ Repo Rate 6.5%
- √ Standing Deposit Facility (SDF) rate 6.25%
- ✓ Marginal Standing Facility (MSF) rate 6.75%
- ✓ Bank Rate 6.75%
- ✓ Reverse Repo Rate 3.35%
- ✓ CRR 4.50%
- ✓ SLR 18.00%
- ✓ Repo rate:
- ✓ Repo rate is the interest rate at which commercial banks borrow money from the central bank to meet their immediate needs.
- ✓ An increase in this means that borrowing from banks and financial institutions will be costlier and the monthly instalment (EMI) of existing loans will increase.
- Q. What is the estimated real GDP growth in the recently released Monetary Policy Statement?

A) 6.4%

B) 6.0%

C) 7.0%

D) 7.4%

Answer: A

- ✓ In the first monetary policy statement of the year, the Reserve Bank of India projected real gross domestic product (GDP) growth for 2023-24 at 6.4 per cent.
- ✓ Also, the growth rate has been estimated to be 7.8 percent in Q1, 6.2 percent in Q2, 6 percent in Q3 and 5.8 percent in Q4.



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✓ RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das said that the real GDP growth in 2022-23 is estimated to be 7%. This
has been announced after the meeting of the six-member Monetary Policy Committee headed by RBI
Governor Shaktikanta Das.

Q. NISAR (NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar) satellite is proposed to be launched in which year?

A) 2024

B) 2025

C) 2027

D) 2023

Answer: D

- ✓ An Earth-observation satellite jointly developed by National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and ISRO will be sent to India in late February 2023 for a possible launch in September.
- ✓ Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) Chairman S Somnath recently visited NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) in California to oversee the final power test of the NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar (NISAR) satellite before it is sent to India.
- ✓ The mission will help study Earth's land and ice surfaces in greater detail than ever before.
- ✓ This SUV-sized payload will be carried in a special cargo container for the 14,000 km flight to the UR Rao Satellite Center in Bengaluru.
- ✓ About 'NISAR' satellite
- ✓ ISRO and NASA had tied up in 2014 to build a satellite weighing 2,800 kg.
- ✓ In March 2021, ISRO sent its S-band SAR payload developed in India to NASA for integration with the L-band payload manufactured by JPL.
- ✓ This is an important step in better understanding the Earth and the changing climate.
- ✓ It will provide important information on the Earth's crust, ice sheets and ecosystems.
- ✓ The NISAR spacecraft will be integrated into the satellite bus at the UR Rao Satellite Center for launch.
- Q. World's first 'Super' magnets for testing in nuclear fusion plant is developed by Tokamak Energy. In which country is Tokamak Energy based?

A) Germany

B) France

C) United Kingdom

D) United States

Answer: C

✓ World's first 'Super' magnets for testing in nuclear fusion plant developed by UK's Tokamak Energy.



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- ✓ Tokamak Energy announced that the Demo4 magnet has a magnetic field strength that is nearly a million times stronger than the Earth's magnetic field, making it capable of confining and controlling the extremely hot plasma created during the nuclear fusion process.
- ✓ Nuclear fusion has been hailed as the "holy grail" of clean energy, with scientists working on the technology since the 1950s.
- ✓ Tokamak Energy is aiming to be the first private company to produce commercial fusion energy, with the goal of demonstrating grid-ready fusion in the early 2030s.
- Q. Which Payments Bank has launched its current account "BizKhata" which offers unlimited transactions and instant activation for account holders across the country?

A) Jio Payments Bank

B) Paytm Payments Bank

C) Airtel Payments Bank

D) India Post Payments Bank

Answer: C

- ✓ Airtel Payments Bank has launched its current account "BizKhata" which offers unlimited transactions and instant activation for account holders across the country.
- ✓ Airtel Payments Bank's BizKhata has been designed specifically for these small merchants and business owners.
- ✓ It brings all business transactions to one platform and allows them to maintain clear records while enjoying multiple banking benefits, like Zero Minimum Balance, Secure, hassle-free payments, Auto Sweep Out etc.
- ✓ Airtel Payments Bank

√ Founded: 2017

✓ Headquarters : New Delhi

✓ MD & CEO : Anubrata Biswas

✓ Stake: Bharti Airtel Limited(80.01%) & Kotak Mahindra Bank(19.9%)

✓ Subsidiaries : YTS Solutions Pvt. Ltd

Q. Who has been awarded the Golden Book Awards 2023 for the book 'Now You Breathe'?

A) Rakhi Kapoor

B) Chetan Bhagat

C) Shashi Tharoor

D) Amartya Sen

Answer: A



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- ✓ Author Rakhi Kapoor has been awarded the Golden Book Awards 2023 for her book 'Now You Breathe

 Overcoming Toxic Relationships and Abuse in the category Powerful Relationship Guide'.
- ✓ The Golden Book Awards is one of Asia's prestigious award programs which celebrates the best works on literature.
- ✓ Now You Breathe is author Rakhi Kapoor's twenty-fifth book.
- ✓ Rakhi was awarded the author of the year at the National Achievers Award in December 2022 at the Constitution Club of India.
- ✓ She has also won the prestigious Writeinfluence award and Author of the year nonfiction in the Ukiyoto Literary Awards
- Q. Union Minister Hardeep Singh Puri has announced that the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) scheme has been extended up to __.
 - A) 2025
 - B) 2024
 - C) 2030
 - D) 2026

Answer: B

- ✓ Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri has announced that the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) scheme has been extended up to 2024
- ✓ Around 123 lakh houses were sanctioned under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U) during the last financial year, of which 68 lakh houses were completed till last month.
- ✓ The central government has sanctioned Rs 2 lakh crore under the scheme, out of which Rs 1.36 lakh crore has been released so far.
- ✓ The survey conducted by the States and Union Territories shows that there is a demand of 112 lakh houses under PMAY-U in the country.
- ✓ Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana-Urban (PMAY-U)
- ✓ It was launched on 25 June 2015 by the Government of India and it is being implemented by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
- ✓ The scheme aims to provide pucca houses to all the eligible beneficiaries by 2022.
- ✓ Around 1.12 crore houses are to be constructed under the scheme.



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Q. The National School of Drama (NSD) will organize which edition of Bharat Rang Mahotsav (BRM) from 14 to 26 February 2023?

A) 22nd

B) 26th

C) 29th

D) 30th

Answer: A

- ✓ National School of Drama (NSD) will organise the 22nd edition of Bharat Rang Mahotsav (BRM) from February 14 to 26, 2023.
- ✓ This International Theater Festival will be held in Delhi, Rajahmundry, Jaipur, Ranchi, Jammu, Guwahati, Srinagar, Bhopal, Nashik and Kevadia.
- ✓ The closing ceremony will be held on February 26 at Kevadia.
- ✓ This will be the first BRM after a break of two years due to Covid.
- ✓ The 22nd Bharat Rang Mahotsav will see a scintillating display of plays and cultural performances, panel discussions on several topics of global and strategic importance of theatre in a global perspective.
- ✓ The plays will be performed in 16 different Indian languages.
- ✓ Bharat Rang Mahotsav
- ✓ Bharat Rang Mahotsav was established two decades ago by the National School of Drama to encourage the development of theater across the country.
- ✓ It hosts theater companies from around the world, and is the largest theater festival in Asia.
- Q. Who signed an MoU with the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) to set up digital forensic laboratories?
 - A) Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI)
 - B) National Investigation Agency (NIA)
 - C) Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGGI)
 - D) Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)

Answer: C

✓ The Directorate General of GST Intelligence (DGGI) and the National Forensic Sciences University (NFSU) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for setting up of digital forensic laboratories along with exchange of information and knowledge, technological advancement and skill development in the field of digital forensics.



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- ✓ DGGI is the apex intelligence organisation under Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) for collection and dissemination of information and for taking necessary measures to check evasion of GST.
- ✓ NFSU is an institution of national importance established by Parliament of India to promote studies and research in forensic sciences and related fields
- Q. Who has signed a MoU with Indonesia-Malaysia-Thailand Growth Triangle Joint Business Council (IMT-GT JBC), Malaysia?

A) NTPC

B) PGCI

C) ONGC

D) EESL

Answer: D

- ✓ Energy Efficiency Services Limited (EESL) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Indonesia-Malaysia-Thailand Growth Triangle Joint Business Council (IMT-GT JBC), Malaysia.
- ✓ Reason : To promote the adoption of energy efficiency and sustainable practices in the region.
- ✓ Under this partnership, EESL will implement Rooftop Solar, Electric Mobility, UJALA, and Building Energy Efficiency Programme in Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand
- Q. Who announced the formation of three working groups under the 'Trade and Technology Council'?

A) India and the United States

B) India and African Union

C) India and the European Union

D) India and United Arab Emirates

Answer : C

- ✓ India and the European Union (EU) announced the formation of three working groups under the 'Trade and Technology Council (TTC)' that was set up to deepen strategic ties with the trade bloc.
- ✓ The working group will cover critical issues, such as:
- ✓ * Strategic technologies, digital governance, and connectivity
- ✓ * Green and clean energy technologies
- ✓ * Trade, investment, and resilient value chains
- ✓ The TTC was jointly launched by PM Modi and EC Chief, Ursula von der Leyen in April 2022 in New Delhi..



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- Q. Which companies are launched a digital skills programme initiative to train rural women in India?
 - A) BSNL and GSMA

B) Reliance Jio and GSMA

C) Bharti Airtel and GSMA

D) Vodafone Group and GSMA

Answer: B

- ✓ Reliance Jio and global mobile network operators' organisation GSMA announced the roll-out of their digital skills programme to train rural women in India.
- ✓ The programme aims to provide need-based training to rural women and individuals from marginalised/low-income groups to help them make meaningful use of digital access.
- ✓ The national roll-out phase is now underway, with the programme being rolled out across 10 states.
- ✓ A total of 330 million women in India still do not use mobile internet, compared to 248 million men
- Q. Which company has launched a service that will allow the fintech firm's Indian users traveling abroad to pay foreign merchants using Unified Payments Interface (UPI)?

A) Google Pay

B) PhonePe

C) Paytm

D) Amazon Pay

Answer : B

- ✓ PhonePe has launched a service that will allow the fintech firm's Indian users traveling abroad to pay foreign merchants using Unified Payments Interface (UPI).
- ✓ 'UPI international' supports merchant outlets in UAE, Singapore, Nepal and Bhutan that have a local QR (quick response) code.
- ✓ PhonePe, with a recent \$350 million investment from General Atlantic and a \$12 billion pre-money valuation, became the most valuable fintech company in India.
- ✓ According to a report by Bain and Company, the money will enable PhonePe to expand its business and compete with Google Pay, Paytm, and Amazon Pay in the \$350 billion Indian fintech market by 2026.
- Q. Which of the following ministry has launched the "Yuva Sangam" portal aimed at building empathy between the youth of northeastern states and those from other parts of the country?

A) Ministry of Finance

B) Ministry of Home affairs

C) Ministry of Defence

D) Ministry of Education



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Answer: D

- ✓ "Yuva Sangam Portal" launched at Indira Gandhi Kala Kendra, Delhi by Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, chaired by Sports and Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur, Law and Justice Minister Kiren Rijiju, Tourism, Culture and North Eastern Affairs Minister G Kishan Reddy Went.
- ✓ The Ministry of Education has launched a pilot project with the Yuva Sangam portal under Ek Bharat-Shreshtha Bharat.
- ✓ Under the project, 1000 youth in the age group of 18 to 30 years (300 from North East, 700 from other states) will be sent to youth exchange programs in the North East and other states of the country.
- ✓ Through Yuva Sangam, the youth of the North East will get an opportunity to know the tradition, culture, tourist places, food, language and diversity of the eight states of the country and the youth of other states of the country.
- ✓ Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat:
- ✓ Ek Bharat-Shreshtha Bharat was announced by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the year 2015 on the occasion of Sardar Vallabh Patel's 140th birth anniversary and was launched by the Finance Minister in the budget for the financial year 2016-17.
- ✓ It is an initiative of the Ministry of Education
- Q. Which state government has launched 108 Namma Clinics within the municipal limits?
 - A) Karnataka
 - **B) Tamil Nadu**
 - C) Kerala
 - D) Uttar Pradesh

Answer: A

- ✓ Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai has launched 108 Namma Clinics within the municipal limits of the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP).
- ✓ To integrate promotive, preventive and curative healthcare services under one roof and provide quality primary care to people in their neighbourhood.
- ✓ Along with the treatments for common ailments like cough and fever, there will also be examination and testing of blood pressure and diabetes at the clinics. Even the medicines will be provided free of cost.
- ✓ Around 438 clinics are being set up in the urban areas across the state



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- Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicates to the nation the Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) helicopter factory in Karnataka's Tumakuru.
- Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah has laid the foundation stone of the Central Detective Training Institute (CDTI) at Devanahalli in Karnataka.
- ➤ Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Thakur inaugurated the Sports Science Centre here at M.G. Stadium in Udupi, Karnataka.
- Puneeth Rajkumar conferred 'Karnataka Ratna' posthumously.
- > Karnataka government honored the late actor with the Karnataka Ratna award on 1st November 2022.
- > Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated several development programs in Karnataka and Maharashtra ahead of the elections.
- ➤ Karnataka introduces the VentuRISE Global Startup Challenge.
- Karnataka govt and Isha Foundation inked an MoU to promote agriculture.
- ➤ Karnataka came at the top position while comparing the total installed capacity of grid-interactive renewable power of all the states of the country. The state had a total installed capacity of 15,463 megawatts (mw), according to an RBI publication.
- ➤ Karnataka cabinet decided to promulgate an ordinance to raise reservations for Scheduled Caste (SCs) by 2 percent and for Scheduled Tribe (STs) by 4 percent.
- Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai has launched a new health and wellness app AAYU to address and help heal chronic diseases and lifestyle disorders through yoga.
- Karnataka govt launched Social Awareness Campaign "SAANS".
- > The government of Karnataka has introduced the Vinaya Samarasya initiative
- India's first 3D-printed post office is slated to come up in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi has addressed the inaugural function of Invest Karnataka, the Global Investors Meet via video conferencing.



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Q. Which is India's first fintech application to support credit cards on UPI?

A) Paytm

B) MobiKwik

C) PhonePe

D) BharatPe

Answer: B

- ✓ MobiKwik becomes the first fintech app to support RuPay Credit Card on UPI.
- ✓ With RuPay credit cards now linked directly to UPI IDs, MobiKwik customers can easily make payments at merchants by scanning the UPI QR code and using the UPI PIN for payment authentication.
- ✓ This facility will provide an easy and secure payment experience to MobiKwik customers.
- ✓ It will also open up new opportunities for merchants to be part of the credit ecosystem, with the acceptance of credit cards using asset-light QR codes without the need for point-of-sale (POS) terminals.
- ✓ RuPay credit cards are issued by all major banks (private and public sector) for both commercial and retail use.
- ✓ The integration of RuPay Credit Card with UPI is in line with the vision of National Payments Corporation
 of India (NPCI) and RBI
- ✓ RuPay Credit Card promotes credit card acceptance in India for merchants who are not part of the credit ecosystem.
- ✓ About UPI
- ✓ Unified Payments Interface (UPI) is a single platform that integrates various banking services and facilities under one umbrella.
- ✓ It is developed by National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI).
- ✓ The names of the top UPI apps currently are PhonePe, Paytm, Google Pay, Amazon Pay and BHIM.
- ✓ NPCI launched UPI in 2016 with 21 member banks.
- Q. The first G2O Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group Meeting under India's presidency is being started in Which City from February 9 to 11, 2023?

A) Mumbai

B) Delhi

C) Bengaluru

D) Lucknow

Answer: C



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- ✓ The first G-20 Environment meeting under the G-20 India Presidency will be held at the Taj West End
 in Bengaluru during February 9 -11.
- √ Theme: LiFE is an "important and cross-cutting"
- ✓ It has scheduled four meetings of the Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group (ECSWG), which will be hosted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.
- ✓ India will chair the G-20 for one year till 30 November 2023.
- ✓ The forum will bring together G-20 member states, guest countries and international organisations invited by India.
- ✓ Through the Sherpa Track, 13 working groups and 2 initiatives will meet under the chairmanship of India to discuss priorities and provide recommendations.
- ✓ Agenda of the meeting
- ✓ Promotion of Blue Economy along with Coastal Sustainability
- ✓ Restoration of Degraded Lands and Ecosystems' and 'Enhancement of Biodiversity
- ✓ Strengthening of Circular Economy
- Q. Ministry of Defence has signed an agreement with which company for procurement of 41 sets of modular bridges?
 - A) Adani Group

- B) Reliance Infrastructure
- C) Hindustan Construction Company D) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)

Answer : D

- ✓ The Ministry of Defence has approved the proposal to indigenously manufacture 41 sets of Modular Bridges for the Corps of Engineers of the Indian Army.
- ✓ The ministry signed the procurement contract of Modular Bridges with Larsen & Toubro (L&T) at an estimated cost of ₹2,585 crore
- ✓ The defence ministry called it a game-changing bridge which is designed and developed by Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) and shall be produced by Larsen & Toubro (L&T) as a DRDO-nominated production agency.
- ✓ "Each set of Modular Bridge shall consist of seven carrier vehicles based on 8x8 Heavy Mobility

 Vehicles and two launcher vehicles based on 10x10 Heavy Mobility Vehicles.



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- Q. Which company has launched India's first traffic management system for drones?
 - A) Dron Vayu Private Limited
 - **B) Airmid Aviation Services Pvt Ltd**
 - C) Skye Air Mobility Private Limited
 - D) VTSKY Aviation Services Pvt Ltd

Answer: C

- ✓ Skye Air Mobility Private Limited, a Gurugram-based drone solutions provider launched traffic management system for drones in India.
- ✓ Launched in the presence of Minister of Road Transport and Highways of India "Nitin Gadkari", the software will allow drone operators to plan routes, make flight plans and assess risks before running drone-based operations in the country.
- ✓ The solution, called Skye UTM, is a first-of-its-kind for India.
- ✓ Globally, several companies, such as US-based AirMap and Netherlands-based Airbus, offer such solutions
- Q. Who has launched E20 petrol and became one of the first fuel retailers in India to make E20 blended petrol available?

A) ONGC

B) Jio-bp

C) Hindustan Petroleum

D) Bharat Petroleum

Answer: B

- ✓ Jio-bp, the fuel and mobility joint venture between Reliance Industries Limited and bp announced the initial rollout of E20 petrol.
- ✓ A blend of 20 per cent ethanol and 80 per cent fossil-based fuel.
- ✓ Jio-bp said it is one of the first fuel retailers in India to make E20 blended petrol available.
- ✓ E20 blending in petrol is being introduced in the country by the government of India.
- ✓ Aim: to reduce the country's oil import cost, energy security, lower carbon emission, and better air quality, among others.
- ✓ The government had advanced the target of E20 fuel from 2030 to 2025...



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Q. Nearly 600 sea lions die due to bird flu (H5N1) in Which country?

A) Peru

B) Bolivia

C) Colombia

D) Costa Rica

Answer: A

- ✓ In Peru, about 585 sea lions and 55,000 wild birds have died in recent weeks due to the H5N1 bird flu virus
- ✓ According to the Sarnap Natural Area Conservation Agency, after discovering 55,000 dead birds in eight protected coastal areas, rangers found that all of them died due to bird flu.
- ✓ Along with this, 585 sea lions have also died in 7 protected marine areas.
- ✓ Dead birds include pelicans, different types of gulls and penguins.
- ✓ H5N1 has also been confirmed in dead sea lions in laboratory tests. After this the authorities announced
 the Biological Vigilance Protocol.
- ✓ Avian Influenza (H5N1)
- ✓ Bird flu, also known as avian influenza (AI), is a highly contagious viral disease that affects species of food-producing birds (chickens, turkeys, quail, guinea fowl, etc.), as well as domesticated birds and wild animals.
- ✓ Avian influenza virus subtypes are A(H5N1), A(H7N9), A(H9N2) and A(H10N3).
- ✓ Types B and C mostly infect humans and usually cause mild illness.
- ✓ About Peru
- ✓ Peru is the third largest country in South America, after Brazil and Argentina.
- ✓ President : Dina Boluarte

✓ Capital : Lima

✓ Currency : Sol

✓ Major Mountain Ranges.: Andes

✓ Major Rivers : Amazon, Ucayali, Madre de Dios

Q. India's First Glass Igloo Restaurant has been opened in _, Jammu & Kashmir.

A) Gulmarg

B) Sonamarg

C) Pahalgam

D) Srinagar

Answer: A



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- ✓ India's First Glass Igloo Restaurant in Gulmarg, Jammu & Kashmir
- ✓ Glass igloo restaurant has been opened in the middle of the snow-covered mountains in Gulmarg and has become the center of attraction for tourists in the hill station in Kashmir.
- ✓ Tourists are seen enjoying their meals and taking photographs in the glass-wall restaurant.
- ✓ This unique glass igloo restaurant is developed by Kolahoi Green Heights, a hotel in Gulmarg
- Q. Which of the following ministry has signed an MoU with Digital Green under a public-private partnership framework to build a national-level digital extension platform?
 - A) Ministry of Environment and Forests
 - B) Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
 - C) Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare
 - D) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy

Answer: C

- ✓ The Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare has signed an MoU with Digital Green under a publicprivate partnership framework to build a national-level digital extension platform.
- ✓ The platform will host a digital library of curated multi-format multi-lingual content, helping extension workers access.
- ✓ It also upskills the vast network of extension workers for agriculture, horticulture, fisheries, and rural livelihood missions.
- ✓ There are over two lakh extension workers in the country in agriculture, livelihood and allied sectors.
- Q. Who has been awarded the Hurun India's award 2022 for his remarkable achievements in the world of business?

A) Rakesh Makhija

B) VP Nandakumar

C) Raj Vikash Verma

D) Sanjiv Chadha

Answer : B

- ✓ MD & CEO of Manappuram Finance Ltd, VP Nandakumar has bagged the Hurun India's award for his remarkable achievements in the world of business.
- ✓ He received The Hurun Industry Achievement Award 2022 from top Hurun India officials at a function held in Mumbai.



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- ✓ While V.K. Mathews, founder, and executive chairman, of IBS Software, has been conferred the Hurun Industry Achievement Award 2022.
- ✓ V.K. Mathews was nominated on the basis of the research made by the Hurun global team.
- Q. The inaugural season of the Women's Premier League (WPL) 2023 will be held in which city?

A) Chennai

B) Hyderabad

C) Bengaluru

D) Mumbai

Answer: D

- ✓ The inaugural season of the Women's Premier League (WPL) 2023 will be held in Mumbai (Maharashtra) from 4 to 26 March 2023 in Mumbai.
- ✓ The Brabourne Stadium and the DY Patil Stadium will host all the matches with the tournament opener expected to be played between Gujarat Giants and Mumbai Indians-owned franchise.
- ✓ The auction of WPL players will take place on February 13 in Mumbai.
- ✓ With the five teams fetching Rs 4669.99 crore and the BCCI selling the media rights for Rs 951 crore, the WPL is the second biggest T20 League in the world behind the Indian Premier League.
- ✓ Apart from three IPL team owners Mumbai Indians, Royal Challengers Bangalore and Delhi Capitals
 Capri Global Holdings (Lucknow) and the Adani Sportsline have bought the five franchises.
- ✓ Around 1500 players have registered for the league.
- ✓ IPL chairman : Arun Dhumal
- Q. Who won the Kenya Ladies Open title 2023 golf tournament held at Vipingo Ridge, Kenya?

A) Anirban Lahiri

B) Sharmila Nicollet

C) Aditi Ashok

D) Diksha Dagar

Answer: D

- ✓ Indian golf player, Aditi Ashok has clinched her fourth Ladies European Tour (LET) title at the Kenya Ladies Open 2023 golf tournament held at Vipingo Ridge, Kenya.
- ✓ Aditi last won a Ladies European Tour golf tournament in 2017.
- ✓ She carded a 12-under to win ahead of Alice Hewson (England) and April Angurasaranee (Thailand), who finished with identical final scores of 3-under.
- ✓ Meanwhile, India's Avani Prashanth finished tied-ninth and Amandeep Drall came tied-52nd.



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Q. Who has launched the 'Digital Payments Utsav' in New Delhi?

A) Nitin Gadkari

B) Ashwini Vaishnaw

C) Nirmala Sitharaman

D) Anurag Thakur

Answer: B

- ✓ Electronics & Information Technology and Communications Minister Ashwini Vaishnav launched the 'Digital Payments Utsav' in New Delhi on 9 February.
- ✓ A comprehensive month-long campaign "Digital Payments Utsav" has been planned from for the promotion of Digital Payments across the country,
- ✓ It will focus on G-20 Digital Economy Working Group event cities, namely Lucknow, Hyderabad, Pune and Bengaluru.
- ✓ Minister of State for Electronics and Information Technology and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship Rajeev Chandrasekhar was the guest of honour at the event.
- ✓ G-20 co-branded QR codes and a coffee table book showcasing India's journey to global leadership in
 digital payments and digital inclusion were released at the event
- ✓ The 'Digital Payments Utsav' will also highlight how digital payments are ensuring financial inclusion and empowering small traders, street vendors and common people of the country.
- ✓ The Digital Payments Utsav will also introduce digital payments as a 'whole of government' initiative with active participation from other central ministries.
- ✓ MeitY is striving to increase access to easy and convenient digital payment solutions for all citizens.
- Q. Who was honoured with the Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA) Lifetime Achievement Award at the Annual Conclave 2023 in New Delhi?

A) K.M. Mammen

B) Amit Tolani

C) Gaganjot Singh

D) Raghupati Singhania

Answer: A

- ✓ MRF's chairman and managing director KM Mammen has been honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA).
- ✓ The award was presented by Maruti Suzuki India's managing director and CEO, Hisachi Takeuchi, at ATMA's Annual Conclave 2023 in New Delhi



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- ✓ Mammen was awarded the Lifetime Achievement honour for his exceptional leadership qualities, his contribution to the Indian tyre industry and for being at the forefront for over 20 years
- Q. Kamran Akmal has announced his retirement from all forms of professional cricket. He is from which country?

A) South Africa

B) Bangladesh

C) Pakistan

D) Afghanistan

Answer: C

- ✓ Pakistan wicket-keeper Kamran Akmal has announced his retirement from all forms of professional cricket.
- ✓ He is currently serving as a batting consultant for Peshawar Zalmi.
- ✓ He made his Test match debut against Zimbabwe in November 2002 and he also made his ODI debut
 against Zimbabwe in November 2002.
- ✓ He featured in 53 Tests, 157 ODIs, and 58 T20 Internationals for Pakistan
- Q. When is World Pulses Day celebrated?

A) February 10

B) February 8

C) February 9

D) February 11

Answer : A

- ✓ Every year February 10 is celebrated as World Pulses Day
- ✓ This year's theme is "Pulses for a sustainable future".
- ✓ On December 20, 2013, it was decided to celebrate International Pulses Day by a resolution of the United Nations General Assembly.
- ✓ 'International Pulses Day' was celebrated for the first time in the year 2016. Later, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution to observe 10 February 2019 as World Pulses Day. Since then, World Pulses Day is celebrated on 10 February.
- ✓ Purpose of celebrating the day:
- ✓ The United Nations wants to increase the production of pulses to provide nutritious food to poor malnourished countries in the world.
- ✓ What are pulses?



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- ✓ Pulses are called that grain from which lentils are made. It is the main source of protein in the vegetable world. Peas, gram, lentils, kidney beans, urad, horse gram, moong etc. are examples of this.
- ✓ India is the largest producer of pulses. Which produces about 25 percent of the total pulses produced in the world.
- ✓ Rajasthan ranks first in India in the production of pulses.
- ✓ Indian Institute of Pulses Research Kanpur
- Q. The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$130 million (over Rs 1,072 crore) loan to enhance agricultural productivity and farmers' income in which state?

A) Maharashtra

B) Uttar Pradesh

C) Himachal Pradesh

D) Uttarakhand

Answer: C

- ✓ The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$130 million (over Rs 1,072 crore) loan to enhance agricultural productivity and farmers' income in Himachal Pradesh and promote horticulture agribusiness.
- ✓ ADB aims to benefit Himachal Pradesh, where more than half of its land area is mountainous and 90 percent of its population lives in rural areas dependent on agriculture.
- ✓ Through this, improving subtropical horticulture in the state will create a lot of economic opportunities for the farming families.

ADB IN NEWS 2022-23

- ➤ ADB approves \$130 million loan to promote horticulture in Himachal Pradesh.
- ➤ ADB to provide \$1.2 billion loan for infrastructure projects.
- ADB to provide \$125 million loan to improve Urban Services in Tamil Nadu.
- Asian Development Bank (ADB) approved a USD 350 million (about Rs 2,900 crore) loan to improve the road connectivity in Maharashtra.
- ADB to invest Rs 200 crore in the VA Tech Wabag water company.
- > Asian Development Bank announces \$14 billion support for food security in Asia Pacific.
- > IndusInd Bank and ADB collaborate to improve financing for supplier chains
- > ADB, India sign \$96.3 mn loan to improve water supply, sanitation services in Himachal Pradesh.
- Maharashtra to take ₹4,000 crore loan from ADB to set up medical colleges in 12 districts.



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- ADB cuts India GDP growth forecast for FY23 to 7.2%.
- > 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.
- 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 Countries: 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.
- It is a regional multilateral financial institution focused on countries in the Asia and Pacific region.
- ➤ It currently has 68 members of which 49 are from the Asia and Pacific region and 19 from outside.

Q. The World Government Summit 2023 is set to begin in which city?

A) Dubai

B) London

C) Paris

D) Tokyo

Answer: A

- ✓ The World Government Summit 2023 is set to begin on 13th February 2023 in Dubai.
- ✓ The World Government Summit will be held under the theme of "Shaping Future Governments".
- ✓ It will bring together global thought leaders, global experts, and decision-makers to share and contribute to the development of tools, policies, and models that will be critical in shaping future governments.



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- ✓ The World Government Summit will feature 20 presidents, including Egyptian President, Abdel Fattah El-Sisi; President of the Republic of Türkiye, Recep Tayyip Erdogan; President of Senegal and Chairperson of the African Union, Macky Sall, among others.
- ✓ About World Government Summit
- ✓ The World Government Summit is a global forum held annually in Dubai, that brings together leaders in government, business, technology, and civil society to discuss pressing issues facing humanity and to shape the future of governments worldwide.
- ✓ The summit aims to drive positive change and to promote innovation in the public sector by exploring new ideas, technologies, and best practices in governance.
- Q. Which edition of the India-Mongolia Joint Working Group has been held in New Delhi?

A) 14th

B) 16th

C) 11th

D) 19th

Answer: C

- ✓ The 11th meeting of the India-Mongolia Joint Working Group was held on 10 February 2023 in New Delhi.
- ✓ Co-chaired by Dr. Ajay Kumar, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Defence, India and Brigadier General Gankhuyag Davgdorj, State Secretary, Ministry of Defence, Mongolia, the meeting of the Joint Working Group took place for the first time since the pandemic.
- ✓ Both the countries reviewed the progress of various bilateral defense cooperation initiatives and identified measures to further enhance the existing areas of cooperation
- ✓ India -Mongolia Relation
- ✓ India established diplomatic relations with Mongolia in 1955 and upgraded relations with Mongolia to a strategic partnership.
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Mongolia in 2015 upgraded it to a "strategic partnership" and declared it as an essential component of the 'Act East Policy'.
- ✓ Mongolia has publicly voiced its support for India's membership for a permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC).
- ✓ Both the countries are members of the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) and the World Trade Organization (WTO).
- ✓ Mongolia



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- It is located in North Central Asia.
- ✓ Capital: Ulaanbaatar
- ✓ Currency: Tugrik
- ✓ President: Ukhnaagiin Khurelsukh
- Q. The inception meeting of the G-20 empower group of the Ministry of Women and Child Development has begun in which city?

A) Agra

B) Lucknow

C) Varanasi

D) Prayagraj

Answer: A

- ✓ The inception meeting of the G-20 empower group of the Ministry of Women and Child Development has begun in Agra.
- ✓ The theme of the meeting is Empowering Women to Lead across Sectors: Role of Digital Skilling and Future Skills.
- ✓ The Ministry of Women and Child Development is the nodal ministry of India for G20 EMPOWER.
- ✓ Dr. Sangita Reddy, Joint Managing Director, Apollo Hospitals Enterprises Limited, is the chairperson of EMPOWER 2023 during India's G20 Presidency.
- ✓ Under India's G20 presidency, EMPOWER will host three meetings in February, April and June 2023 in Agra, Thiruvananthapuram and Bhopal respectively.
- Q. Which company has launched #DigitalSuraksha campaign in partnership with MeitY?

A) Google

B) Microsoft

C) Meta

D) Amazon

Answer: C

- ✓ Meta has launched in partnership with the ministry of electronics and information technology (MeitY) for the G20 stay safe online campaign.
- ✓ As part of the partnership, the company claims that it will create and share helpful resources in multiple Indian languages through various channels, and spread awareness on how to stay safe online.
- ✓ Meta has also launched its #DigitalSuraksha campaign to build on the company's efforts to offer a safer and more inclusive internet to everyone.



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✓ The first phase of #DigitalSuraksha includes a partnership with Delhi Police to provide digital literacy to users in Delhi.

Q. Which country will host the 12th World Hindi Conference 2023?

A) Fiji

B) Mauritius

C) Spain

D) Senegal

Answer: A

- ✓ The Minister of State for External Affairs V Muraleedharan has announced at an event in New Delhi on 27 October 2022 that the 12th World Hindi Conference will be held in Nadi, Fiji from 15-17 February 2023.
- ✓ The event is being organised by the External Affairs Ministry, Government of India and the Government of Fiji. The event will be used to promote Hindi as a global language.
- ✓ Why Fiji?
- ✓ It is for the first time that Fiji will be hosting the conference. English, Fijian and Fijian Hindi are the three official languages of Fiji.
- ✓ Around 30% of the Fijian population is of Indian descent and majority of them speak Hindi.
- ✓ The first world Hindi conference to popularize Hindi as a global language was held in Nagpur in 1975. Indira Gandhi was the Prime Minister of India.
- ✓ Every year 14 September is observed as Hindi Diwas in India. On this day in 1949 the Constituent Assembly adopted Hindi as the official language of the country.
- √ Republic of Fiji
- ✓ It is an archipelago consisting of around 300 islands in the South Pacific Ocean.
- ✓ Capital: Suva
- ✓ Currency: Fijian Dollar
- ✓ Prime Minister : Frank Bainimarama
- Q. Quad countries have recently launched Quad Cyber Challenge to strengthen cyber security. Which country is not a part of the Quad group?

A) China

B) Japan

C) United States

D) India

Answer: A



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- ✓ Quad countries India, Australia, America and Japan have recently launched Quad Cyber Challenge to strengthen cyber security.
- ✓ Its main objective is to strengthen the cyber security system in the Indo-Pacific region.
- ✓ With the help of the 'Quad Cyber Challenge', the four countries will jointly make efforts to improve cyber security
- √ 'Quad Cyber Challenge:'
- ✓ The National Cyber Coordination Office along with the National Security Council Secretariat is coordinating the Quad Cyber Challenge on behalf of India.
- ✓ The Quad countries have invited internet users from the Indo-Pacific and surrounding regions to participate in this cyber challenge.
- ✓ The 'Quad Cyber Challenge' will help in practising safe and responsible cyber habits.
- ✓ With its help, efforts will be made to promote a secure and resilient cyber ecosystem. Along with this, cyber security awareness and action plan will be prepared through 'Quad Cyber Challenge'.
- ✓ Quad Security Dialog:
- ✓ Quad or Quadrilateral Security Dialogue is a group of four countries: America, Japan, Australia and India.
- ✓ The concept of Quad was given by the former Prime Minister of Japan Shinzo Abe in the year 2007.
- ✓ The group is now seen primarily as a group countering Chinese influence in the region.
- ✓ The 2022 Quad summit was held in Japan and the next one will be held in Australia in 2023.
- Q. Appasaheb Dharmadhikari has honoured with the Maharashtra Bhushan Award for the year 2022. Who is he?

A) Politician

B) Theatre artist

C) Social Worker

D) Historian

Answer : C

- ✓ Social worker and reformer 'Nirupankar' Dattatreya Narayan Dharmadhikari, popularly known as Appasaheb Dharmadhikari, has honoured with the Maharashtra Bhushan Award for the year 2022.
- ✓ His father Nanasaheb Dharmadhikari has also conferred the same award in 2008 by then-chief minister Ashok Chavan.
- ✓ Appasaheb was honored with Padma Shri in 2017.
- ✓ The award comprising a medal, citation and Rs 25 lakh will be conferred on Appasaheb Dharmadhikari.



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- Q. Who among the following is the author of new novel "Victory City"?
 - A) Salman Rushdie

B) Chetan Bhagat

C) Shashi Tharoor

D) Amartya Sen

Answer: A

- ✓ British author, Salman Rushdie has released his new novel "Victory City".
- ✓ This novel was published by Penguin Random House.
- ✓ It is an "epic tale" of a 14th-century woman who defies a patriarchal world to rule a city.
- ✓ This novel purports to be a translation of a historical epic originally written in Sanskrit.
- ✓ Rushdie won the Booker Prize in 1981 for his second novel, Midnight's Children.
- √ 12 Notable Salman Rushdie Books are –
- ✓ Grimus (1975)
- ✓ Midnight's Children (1981)
- √ Shame (1983)
- ✓ The Satanic Verses (1988)
- ✓ The Moor's Last Sigh (1995)
- ✓ The Ground Beneath Her Feet (1999)
- ✓ Fury (2001)
- ✓ Shalimar the Clown (2005)
- √ The Enchantress of Florence (2008)
- ✓ Two Years Eight Months and Twenty-Eight Nights (2015)
- ✓ The Golden House (2017)
- ✓ Quichotte (2019)
- Q. Who has inaugurated the 2nd Indian Rice Congress at ICAR-National Rice Research Institute, Cuttack?

A) Droupadi Murmu

B) Jagdeep Dhankhar

C) Narendra Modi

D) Amit Shah

Answer: A

✓ President Draupadi Murmu attended the 2nd Indian Rice Congress at the National Institute of Rice Research (ICAR) in Cuttack, Odisha on February 11.



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- ✓ President Draupadi has called for reduction in the use of chemical fertilizers to save soil health.
- ✓ She underlined the importance of bio-fortified rice as rice is the only source of nutrition for a large number of poor people.
- ✓ She called upon the scientists to develop more and more eco-friendly varieties of rice to address the challenges of drought, water scarcity, soil health and climate change.
- ✓ The government has started a pilot project to distribute bio-fortified rice through the PDS and provision has been made in the budget for the same.
- ✓ Under Aatmanirbhar package, the government has approved Rs 1.5 lakh crore for the development of the agriculture sector
- ✓ About Rice
- ✓ Rice is a staple food for most of the population in India. It is a Kharif crop.
- ✓ It requires high temperature (above 25 °C) and high humidity with annual rainfall above 100 cm.
- ✓ West Bengal is the major rice producing state where three crops of rice are grown, called 'Aus', 'Aman' and 'Boro'.
- ✓ Rice is cultivated in about one-fourth of the total cropped area in India.
- Major producing states: West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and Punjab.
- ✓ India is the second largest producer of rice after China.

Q. Which edition of Khelo India Winter Games begins in Kashmir on 10th Feb 2023?

A) 2nd Edition

B) 3rd Edition

C) 4th Edition

D) 5th Edition

Answer: B

- ✓ Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated the Khelo India Winter Games at Gulmarg in Baramulla district of Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ The competition will be organised from 10 14 February 2023.
- ✓ In this, 1500 players from 29 states of the country will participate.
- ✓ The Khelo India Winter Games is supported by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports and is being organised by the Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council as well as the Winter Games Association, Jammu and Kashmir.
- ✓ This is the third edition of Khelo India Winter Games. It was started in the year 2020.



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- ✓ Sports like snow shoe race, ice skating, ice hockey, skiing, snowboarding will be organised in the fiveday competition.
- ✓ Jammu and Kashmir had topped the previous two editions of the Khelo India Winter Games
- Q. Who inaugurated the Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav- 2023 (RSM) at Azad Maidan, Churchgate in Mumbai on 11th Feb 2023.

A) Ganeshi Lal

B) Acharya Devvrat

C) Bhagat Singh Koshyari

D) Thawar Chand Gehlot

Answer: C

- ✓ Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari inaugurated the Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav- 2023 (RSM) at Azad Maidan, Churchgate in Mumbai.
- ✓ The Mahotsav is organized by the Ministry every year in different states of India. The nine-day event will go on till 19th February
- Q. Who has inaugurated AMRPTEX 2023 National Philatelic Exhibition at Pragati Maidan, Delhi?

A) Narendra Modi

B) Jyotiraditya Scindia

C) Piyush Goyal

D) Ashwini Vaishnaw

Answer: D

- ✓ The Minister for Communications, Electronics & Information Technology and Railways, Ashwini Vaishnaw inaugurated AMRITPEX 2023 National Philatelic Exhibition on 11 February in New Delhi
- ✓ This five day Mahakumbh of Stamps (11th to 15th February, 2023) in Hall 5, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, is being organized as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Celebrations.
- ✓ The themes of the exhibition include Amrit Mahotsav of Independence and New India, women power, youth power, nature and wildlife, and culture and history of India.
- ✓ The Minister of State for Communications, Devusinh Chauhan, Secretary, Department of Posts, Vineet Pandey, Director General Postal Services, Alok Sharma were present on the occasion.
- ✓ Commemorative Postage Stamp
- ✓ The Department of Posts also released a commemorative postage stamp on the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence.



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- ✓ This stamp has been prepared from the best entries of the National Comprehensive Design Competition in which more than 4 lakh students participated.
- ✓ The competition was organised on an all India basis in collaboration with the Department of School Education and Ministry of Culture, Government of India.
- ✓ India Post
- ✓ India Post is the central postal system of India and was established on 1 April 1854.
- ✓ It works under the Ministry of Communications, Government of India.
- ✓ India's postal system is one of the most widely distributed networks in the world.
- ✓ India is divided into 23 postal circles headed by the Chief Postmaster.
- ✓ Postal Index Number is a 6 digit code of post office introduced on 15 August 1972.
- ✓ It is quite popular in rural India as it is one of the oldest institutes in India in terms of better service
- Q. Which day is declared as the International Day of Women and Girls in Science?
 - A) 11 February
 - B) 10 February
 - C) 13 February
 - D) 12 February

Answer: A

- ✓ International Day of Women and Girls in Science is observed every year on 11 February
- ✓ It was announced by the United Nations General Assembly to celebrate this day on 22 December 2015 to ensure the strong role of women in the field of science and technology as well as to increase gender empowerment.
- ✓ This day is celebrated jointly by UNESCO and the United Nations Women's Association (UN Women).
- ✓ Efforts of the Government of India to increase the role of women and girls in the field of science:
- ✓ Vigyan Jyoti Scheme:
- √ Vigyan Jyoti Yojana has been launched by the Department of Science and Technology (DST).
- ✓ The scheme aims to increase the percentage of women in the STEM education sector.
- ✓ GATI Scheme:
- ✓ Gender Advancement for Transforming Institutions (GATI) will create a comprehensive charter and framework for assessing gender equality in STEM.



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- ✓ KIRAN Scheme:
- ✓ The Kiran scheme was launched by the Department of Science and Technology under the Union Ministry of Science and Technology.
- ✓ The full form of Kiran is 'Knowledge Involvement in Research Advancement through Nurturing'.
- Q. The World Unani Day is marked annually on which day?

A) 10 February

B) 12 February

C) 11 February

D) 13 February

Answer: C

- ✓ Every year 11 February is celebrated as World Unani Day with the aim of spreading public awareness about health care through Unani medicines.
- ✓ The theme for World Unani Day 2023 is "Unani Medicine for Public Health"...
- ✓ The first World Unani Day was celebrated by the Ministry of AYUSH, Government of India, in 2017 at
 the Central Research Institute of Unani Medicine (CRIUM), Hyderabad.
- ✓ The purpose of this day is to spread public awareness about healthcare through Unani medicines.
- ✓ The day is celebrated on the birth anniversary of Hakim Ajmal Khan, a social reformer and great Indian Unani physician.
- ✓ Hakim Ajmal Khan was an Unani physician, an educationist and the founder of scientific research in Unani medicine.
- ✓ He was one of the founders of Delhi's Jamia Millia Islamia University.
- ✓ What is the Unani System of Medicine?
- ✓ Unani medicine is an alternative medicine system.
- ✓ It originated in ancient Greece.
- ✓ This includes the use of herbal remedies, dietary habits, and complementary therapies.
- ✓ Hippocrates is considered the father of this medical method.
- ✓ In India, this system of medicine started with the establishment of the Delhi Sultanate in the 13th century.
- Q. Country's strictest Anti-Copying Law has come into force in Which State?

A) Maharashtra

B) Punjab

C) Jharkhand

D) Uttarakhand



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Answer: D

- ✓ The country's strictest Anti-Copying Law has come into force in Uttarakhand.
- ✓ Governor Lieutenant General Gurmeet Singh has approved the Uttarakhand Competitive Examination (Measures for Prevention and Prevention of Unfair Means in Recruitment) Ordinance 2023.
- ✓ Under this Anti-Copying Law, a provision to impose a fine of 10 crores rupees along with life imprisonment or 10 years in jail for the copycat mafia.

UTTARAKHAND IN NEWS 2022-23

- Uttarakhand tableau which showcased the state's wildlife and religious sites at the 74th Republic Day parade has won the top prize.
- India's First Green Solar Panel Factory to Build by Luminous in Uttarakhand.
- > Uttarakhand awarded for adventure tourism & all round development of tourism.
- Uttarakhand Chief Minister launches Lakhpati Didi Yojana.
- The Uttarakhand High Court will be shifted from Nainital to Haldwani.
- Uttarakhand Plans Genetic Enhancement of Its Indigenous Badri Cow.
- Uttarakhand Government appoints Prasoon Joshi as its Brand Ambassador.
- Uttarakhand Gaurav Samman: NSA Ajit Doval and late CDS Gen Rawat to receive award.
- Uttarakhand CM Launched SBI Foundation and HESCO's Project for Chamoli.
- Uttarakhand Foundation Day is observed on November 9 every year.
- Uttarakhand Governor Approved 30% Women's Reservation Bill.
- ➤ PM Modi has inaugurated connectivity projects worth 3,400 crores in Mana village of Chamoli district of Uttarakhand.
- ➤ Uttarakhand recently received the first prize in two categories the best adventure tourism destination and all-round development of tourism from the Union tourism ministry.
- India's first commercial space observatory will be set up in the Garhwal division of Uttarakhand.
- Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has launched the "Mukhyamantri Udyaman Khiladi Unnayan Yojana" on the occasion of National Sports Day.
- Uttarakhand education department launched an e-governance portal "Samarth".
- India-US Armies to hold mega military exercise "Yudh Abhyas" from October 14 to 31, 2022, at Auli in Uttarakhand.



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- > Uttarakhand becomes first state in India to implement New Education Policy (NEP) at pre-primary level.
- > Uttarakhand govt decides to develop one Sanskrit-speaking village in each district.
- ➤ World Bank has approved a project worth ₹1,000 crore for taking rain-fed farming to new heights in the hilly regions of Uttarakhand.
- > Chief minister Pushkar Singh Dhami introduces e-FIR service and a police app for Uttarakhand.
- Uttarakhand to launch "Him Prahari" scheme for ex-servicemen & youngsters.
- Rishabh Pant appointed as the State Brand Ambassador of Uttarakhand.
- Uttarakhand becomes the 1st Indian state to roll out drone in healthcare.
- Defence Minister Rajnath Singh approves new Defence Estates Circle for Uttarakhand.
- Pushkar Singh Dhami takes oath as 11th CM of Uttarakhand.
- India's 1st liquid-mirror telescope in Uttarakhand will be Asia's largest.
- ➤ The telescope, built by astronomers from India, Belgium and Canada, is located at an altitude of 2,450 metres at the Devasthal Observatory campus of Aryabhatta Research Institute of Observational Sciences (ARIES) in Nainital district, Uttarakhand.

Q. Which company has launched the first traffic management system for drones in India?

A) Aarav Unmanned Systems

B) Skye Airon

C) Skylark Dronetech

D) Teja Aerospace and Dynamics

Answer : B

- ✓ A Gurugram-based drone solutions provider, Skye Airon has launched the first traffic management system for drones in India.
- ✓ The software will allow drone operators to plan routes, make flight plans and assess risks before running drone-based operations in the country. The solution, called Skye UTM, is a first-of-its-kind for India.
- ✓ It was unveiled by the Minister of Road Transport and Highways of India, Nitin Gadkari.
- ✓ Unmanned traffic management systems will play a key role in how airspace will be managed, allowing multiple beyond visual line-of-sight (BVLOS) drone operations to be run by different firms at the same time.



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- ✓ Globally, several companies, such as US-based AirMap and Netherlands-based Airbus, offer such solutions.
- Q. The Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with which of the following company for the procurement of 41 sets of Modular Bridges at an estimated cost of Rs 2,585 crore for the Corps of Engineers, Indian Army?

A) Larsen & Toubro (L&T)

B) Reliance Industries Limited

C) Hindustan Unilever Limited

D) Tata Advanced Systems

Answer: A

- ✓ The Ministry of Defence has signed a contract with Larsen & Toubro (L&T) for the procurement of 41 sets of Modular Bridges at an estimated cost of Rs 2,585 crore for the Corps of Engineers, Indian Army.
- ✓ Each set of Modular Bridge shall consist of seven carrier vehicles based on 8×8 Heavy Mobility Vehicles and two launcher vehicles based on 10×10 Heavy Mobility Vehicles.
- ✓ Each set shall be capable of mechanically launching a single-span fully decked 46-meter assault bridge.
- ✓ The bridge can be employed over various types of obstacles like canals & ditches with quick launching
 and retrieval capabilities.
- Q. Who has been named in the world's brightest students list by the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth?

A) Jaykumar Sammed

B) Alexandr Predke

C) Natasha Perianayagam

D) Aravindh Chithambaram

Answer : C

- ✓ An Indian-American girl, Natasha Perianayagam has been named in the world's brightest students list by the Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth.
- ✓ Perianayagam has been named in the world's brightest students list for the second consecutive year.
- ✓ She is 13 years old and is studying at Florence M Gaudineer Middle School, in New Jersey, the United States.
- ✓ The list was curated on the basis of the results of the above-grade-level tests of over 15,000 students across 76 countries.
- ✓ Natasha Perianayagam has also taken the Johns Hopkins Center For Talented Youth (CTY) test in Spring 2021, when she was a Grade 5 student



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Q. India has received foreign inward remittances of how many US dollars in 2021-22?

A) USD 74,127 million

B) USD 89,127 million

C) USD 69,127 million

D) USD 85,127 million

Answer: B

- ✓ India has received foreign inward remittances of USD 89,127 million in 2021-22, which was the highest ever received in a single year.
- ✓ This was stated by Union Minister of State for Finance Shri Pankaj Chaudhary in a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha.
- ✓ In 2017-18, the remittances were at USD 69,129 million, and have been rising since.
- ✓ The highest share of 5 major countries in inward remittances to India through Authorised Dealer (ADs) banks are from the United States (23.4%), followed by United Arab Emirates (18%), United Kingdom (6.8%), Singapore (5.7%), and Saudi Arabia (5.1%).
- Q. Which state government has launched an online portal "Family ID One Family One Identity" to make access to government schemes easier for the families of the state?

A) Maharashtra

B) Haryana

C) Uttar Pradesh

D) Punjab

Answer: C

- ✓ The UP government has launched an online portal, "Family ID One Family One Identity" to make access to government schemes easier for the families of the state.
- ✓ Its objective is to provide free or subsidised ration to those families who do not have ration cards and are not eligible for the National Food Security Scheme.
- ✓ Through the portal, families can create their ID and can avail the benefits of the schemes.
- ✓ For those who already have an ID, the family ID will be the same as the ration card ID.
- ✓ For others, ID will be generated through the portal and all the families will get a unique identity.
- ✓ It will create a comprehensive database of households in Uttar Pradesh
- ✓ This ID will also be useful for other purposes. For example, a family member can use the ID to determine caste and apply for the same for a birth certificate.
- ✓ The National Food Security Scheme, which provides free or subsidised ration to people living in Uttar Pradesh, can also be availed through the portal.



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Q. The first G20 Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group Meeting under India's presidency is started in which city?

A) Chennai

B) Mumbai

C) Varanasi

D) Bengaluru

Answer: D

- ✓ The first G20 Environment and Climate Sustainability Working Group Meeting under India's presidency is started in Bengaluru from 9 to 11 February 2023.
- ✓ Hosted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, the conference has chaired by the Secretary of the ministry, Leena Nandan.
- ✓ As a matter of priority, the working group will be focusing on arresting land degradation, accelerating ecosystem restoration, and enriching biodiversity; promoting a sustainable and climate-resilient blue economy; and encouraging resource efficiency and circular economy.
- ✓ Theme LIFE is an "important and cross-cutting"
- Q. Minister of State for Textiles, Darshana Jardosh has inaugurated the 68th India International Garment Fair at India Export Mart in which city?

A) Bengaluru

B) Chandigarh

C) Chennai

D) Greater Noida

Answer : D

- ✓ Minister of State for Textiles, Darshana Jardosh has inaugurated the 68th India International Garment Fair at India Export Mart of Greater Noida in Uttar Pradesh.
- ✓ India's annual textile and apparel export stood at 44.4 billion US dollars in the financial year 2022 with an increase of 41% compared to 2021.
- ✓ India is the second largest textile and clothing exporter in the world
- Q. Who among the following has inaugurated Arabic Academy in Mumbai?

A) Draupadi Murmu

B) Narendra Modi

C) Amit Shah

D) Piyush Goyal

Answer: B

- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated Arabic Academy in Mumbai.
- ✓ The academy belongs to the Dawoodi Bohra community.



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- ✓ The Bohras account for 10 percent of the total Muslim population in India. The community, which hails from South Asia, has ancestral ties to Gujarat.
- ✓ PM Modi also shared the stage with His Holiness Syedna Mufaddal Saifuddin, the present leader of the worldwide Dawoodi Bohra community.
- Q. Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has laid the foundation stone of 'Himachal Niketan' in which city?

A) New Delhi

B) Chennai

C) Mumbai

D) Hyderabad

Answer: A

- ✓ Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu has laid the foundation stone of 'Himachal Niketan' in New Delhi.
- ✓ It is being established to provide accommodation facilities to the students and residents of Himachal Pradesh visiting Delhi.
- ✓ The building will be made at a cost of Rs 57.72 crore. Besides two VIP rooms, there will be 36 general rooms exclusively for the students with all facilities, and 40 other general suites.
- Q. Which Small Finance Bank has launched a mobile banking application with 3 Vs voice, visual, and vernacular-enabled features to provide banking access to individuals with limited reading and writing skills?

A) Capital Small Finance Bank

B) AU Small Finance Bank

C) Fincare Small Finance Bank

D) Ujjivan Small Finance Bank

Answer : D

- ✓ Ujjivan Small Finance Bank has launched Hello Ujjivan, a mobile banking application with 3 Vs voice, visual, and vernacular-enabled features to provide banking access to individuals with limited reading and writing skills.
- ✓ It aims to instill banking habits in its micro-banking and rural customers through the app.
- ✓ The app is accessible by voice in eight regional languages: Hindi, Marathi, Bengali, Tamil, Gujarati, Kannada, Oriya, and Assamese.



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- ✓ Users can speak to the app to perform banking transactions and access services such as paying loan EMIs, opening FD and RD accounts, transferring funds and more.
- ✓ The app was co-created with Navana AI
- ✓ Ujjivan Small Finance Bank
- √ Founded: 1 February 2017
- ✓ Headquarters: Bengaluru, Karnataka
- ✓ MD & CEO: Ittira Davis
- ✓ Tagline: "We believe in your belief"
- Q. Which bank has launched a wealth management platform in partnership with Geojit Financial Services Ltd?

A) Indian Overseas Bank

B) South Indian Bank

C) Kotak Mahindra Bank

D) Canara Bank

Answer: B

- ✓ South Indian Bank has launched a wealth management platform in partnership with Geojit Financial Services Ltd.
- ✓ It will help the bank's high net worth (HNI) customers to invest their money in the best financial instruments available in the market.
- ✓ Under this platform, SIB will be offering:
- ✓ Portfolio management services.
- ✓ Alternative investment fund.
- ✓ Systematic investment plan.
- ✓ Mutual fund Bond
- ✓ Real estate funds
- ✓ Structured products
- ✓ South Indian Bank has tied up with Geojit Financial Services Ltd, an investment services company with experience of over 35 years in providing effective financial solutions, to operationalise the service offering.
- ✓ South Indian Bank

√ Founded: 1929



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✓ Headquarters : Thrissur, Kerala

✓ MD & CEO : Murali Ramakrishnan

✓ Tagline: Experience Next Generation Banking

Q. Who has inaugurated 1st International Conference on Communication, Electronics and Digital Technologies – NICE-DT 2023 and Digital Skilling?

A) Dr Tessy Thomas

B) Abhishek Singh

C) Dr Samir V Kamat

D) Alkesh Kumar Sharma

Answer : D

- ✓ The Secretary, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology (MeitY), Shri Alkesh Kumar Sharma has said that Digital Skilling, Up-skilling and Re-skilling are critical to maintain and expand persons' capabilities and employability to participate in rapidly changing economy.
- ✓ Shri Alkesh Kumar Sharma inaugurating the lead event of G20, the 1st International Conference on Communication, Electronics and Digital Technologies NICE-DT 2023 and Digital Skilling organized by the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT),
- Q. First National Lok Adalat of 2023 held in Which State/UT?

A) Gujarat

B) Uttarakhand

C) Jammu & Kashmir

D) Himachal Pradesh

Answer: C

- ✓ Jammu & Kashmir Legal Services Authority organized first National Lok Adalat of the calendar year 2023 throughout the Union Territory.
- ✓ During the day-long National Lok Adalat, out of a total number of 88,723 cases taken up by 142 Benches at various courts across the UT, 75,250 Cases were disposed off and an amount of Rs. 45,05,14,697/was awarded as compensation/settlement amount in Motor Accident Claims, civil, criminal, labour disputes, Electricity and Water Bills cases, Land Acquisition, Family matters, cheque dishonour and Bank Recovery cases.
- Q. The National Women's Day is commemorated in India every year on February 13, to mark the birth anniversary of whom?

A) Indira Gandhi

B) Mother Teresa

C) Sarojini Naidu

D) Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit



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Answer: C

- ✓ In India, the National Women's Day is observed every year on 13 February.
- ✓ The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Sarojini Naidu, the political activist and poet who was an important figure in India's struggle for independence from colonial rule..
- ✓ Sarojini Naidu was born on February 13, 1879.
- ✓ She earned the title as the Nightingale of India or 'Bharat Kokila', by Mahatma Gandhi, because of colour, imagery and lyrical quality of her poetry.
- ✓ Apart from being famous for her literary contribution, Naidu is also recognised for her contribution for women's equal rights.
- Q. The World Radio day is celebrated annually on which day?

A) 11 February

B) 13 February

C) 10 February

D) 12 February

Answer: B

- ✓ World Radio Day is celebrated every year on 13 February across the world
- ✓ The day is observed every year to raise awareness among the public and media about the importance
 of radio and to encourage access to information through radio.
- ✓ The theme for this 12th edition of World Radio Day 'Radio and Peace'.
- ✓ The theme of this year focuses on the role of radio as an independent medium of peace making.
- ✓ The sub-theme of the World Radio day 'Radio in Conflict Prevention and Peacebuilding' and 'Support to Independent Radio'.
- ✓ The United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) highlights independent radio as a pillar for conflict prevention and peace building in the world.
- ✓ On 3 November 2011, UNESCO declared 13 February as World Radio Day as United Nations Radio was first established on this day in 1946
- Q. The National Productivity Day is celebrated in India every year on which day?

A) 12 February

B) 13 February

C) 11 February

D) 10 February

Answer: A



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- ✓ In India, the National Productivity Day is observed every year on February 12 by the National Productivity Council (NPC).
- ✓ Theme of National Productivity Day 2021 is Udyog Manthan for Productivity
- ✓ Additionally, the week from February 12 to 18 is observed as the National Productivity Week, to create awareness about productivity, so that maximum output with optimum utilization of resources can be planned and achieve.
- ✓ The day is observed to commemorate the formation of National Productivity Council (NPC), that aims to stimulate and promote productivity and quality consciousness across all sectors in the country.
- ✓ NPC is an autonomous registered society under Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce & Industry
- Q. Who has been elected as the 22nd President of Bangladesh?
 - A) Zillur Rahman

- B) Ashraf Ghani
- C) Mohammad Shahabuddin Chuppu D) lajuddin Ahmed

Answer: C

- ✓ Mohammad Shahabuddin elected President of Bangladesh
- ✓ According to the notification issued by the Election Commission of Bangladesh on 13th February Mohammad Shahabuddin will be the next President of Bangladesh.
- ✓ He will be the 22nd President of Bangladesh
- ✓ He was the only candidate to file his nomination after the time for nomination and withdrawal was over.
- ✓ Retired judge, Anti-Corruption Commission commissioner and freedom fighter Mohammad Shahabuddin was nominated for the post by the ruling Awami League.
- ✓ The term of current President Abdul Hamid ends on April 23.
- ✓ He served as the President of Bangladesh for two consecutive terms.
- ✓ The Constitution of Bangladesh does not allow any person to hold the presidency for more than two
 terms.
- ✓ About Mohammad Shahabuddin
- ✓ He was born in 1949 in Pabna. He took part in the Liberation War of Bangladesh in 1971.
- ✓ After the assassination of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman on 15 August 1975 along with most of his family members, he was imprisoned for several years.
- ✓ He is a member of the Awami League Advisory Council.



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✓ People's Republic of Bangladesh

✓ Capital : Dhaka✓ Currency : Taka

✓ Prime Minister: Sheikh Hasina Wazed✓ President: Mohammad Shahabuddin.

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Mohammad Shahabuddin : Bangladesh

Nikos Christodoulides : CyprusLuiz Inácio Lula da Silva : Brazil

Kassym-Jomart Tokayev : Kazakhstan

Natasa Pirc Musar : first female Presiden of Slovenia

Alexander Van der Bellen : Austria

Joao Lourenco : AngolaWilliam Ruto : Kenya

Gustavo Petro : Colombia

Bajram Begaj : Albania

Ranil Wickremesinghe : Sri Lanka

> Ferdinand Marcos Jr. : Philippine

Draupadi Murmu: 15th President of India

> Hassan Sheikh Mohamud : Somalia

Emmanuel Macron : FranceAleksandar Vučić : Serbia

Serdar Berdymukhamedov: Turkmenistan

Katalin Eva Novak : Hungary

Gabriel Boric Font : Chile

Yoon Suk-yeol : South Korea

> Frank-Walter Steinmeier : Germany

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Shavkat Mirziyoyev : Uzbekistan

> Sandra Mason : Barbados

Hakainde Hichilema : Zambia

Ebrahim Raisi : Iran

Ukhnaa Khurelsukh : Mongolia

➤ Isaac Herzog : Israel

Guillermo Lasso : Ecuador

Q. Which Country President presents Global Best M-GOV Awards on IIT Indore students?

A) Egypt

B) Ethiopia

C) Tunisia

D) Israel

Answer: A

- ✓ Egyptian President bestows Global Best M-GOV Awards on IIT Indore students.
- ✓ Students of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)Indore won an award of AED (Emirates Dirham) 1 million along with a gold medal at the World Government Summit in Dubai.
- ✓ Niyati Totala and Neil Kalpeshkumar Parikh who are students of Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Indore were awarded this prestigious medal by the President of Egypt, Abel Fattah El-Sisi.
- √ These students are the makers of the 'Blockbill' app.
- √ 'Blockbill' app
- ✓ BlockBill is a blockchain-based receipt generation app that generates digital receipts for all its users' transactions
- ✓ This app solves many problems, transitioning from producing thermal paper to printing receipts.
- ✓ "M-Gov Award" and the "GovTech Award"
- ✓ These are annual awards organised by the Government of the United Arab Emirates as part of the World Government Summit.
- ✓ These awards are given to leading students, researchers, government agencies and institutions, private sector companies and startups for developing innovative solutions using the latest technologies
- ✓ World Government Summit 2023



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- ✓ It was held under the theme of "Shaping Future Governments" at Madinat Jumeirah, Dubai, United Arab Emirates on 13 -15 February 2023.
- ✓ The participants of this summit reaffirm its important role as a unique platform for building a better future for humanity
- Which Ministry has formed a committee to draft revised Guidelines for the Q. operationalization of Roll-on-Roll off (Ro-Ro) and Roll-on-Passenger (Ro-Pax) ferry service?

A) Ministry of Power

B) Ministry of Tourism

C) Ministry of Home Affairs D) Ministry of Shipping

Answer: D

- ✓ The Shipping Ministry has formed a committee to draft revised Guidelines for operationalization of Roll on-Roll off (Ro-Ro) and Roll on-Passenger (Ro-Pax) ferry service.
- ✓ This committee, headed by the Chairman, Deendayal Port Authority, would also draft the Model Concession Agreement for Ro-Ro or Ro-Pax Terminal Operator and Model License Agreement for Operation of the ferry services in the country.
- ✓ * This move is in line with efforts to promote coastal shipping through the Public Private Partnership (PPP) route spelled out in the union budget 2023-24.
- ✓ The Committee shall delve into the ground realities such as safety standards of vessels, control mechanism on excess boarding of passengers/cargo, online ticketing system, revenue accounting and revenue sharing mechanism among others.
- Govt launches app '____' and CMSMS to curb unauthorized mining. Q.

A) UMANG

B) MyGov.in

C) Khanan Prahari

D) NextGen mParivahan

Answer: C

- √ 'Khanan Prahari' Mobile app to Curb Illegal Mining launched.
- ✓ The government on 13 February launched a mobile app namely 'Khanan Prahari' and a web app Coal Mine Surveillance and Management System (CMSMS).
- ✓ It has been launched to report unauthorised coal mining activities so that monitoring and appropriate action can be taken by the concerned law and order enforcing authority
- ✓ CMSMS Application



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- ✓ CMSMS has been developed to take transparent action to curb illegal mining and use of space technology as an e-governance initiative of Government of India
- ✓ Objective of CMSMS Application
- ✓ To ascertain the participation of citizens against illegal mining by receipt of complaints of citizens through Mobile App Khanan Prahari
- ✓ Monitoring and taking action on any illegal coal mining activity being carried out within the leasehold limits.
- ✓ "Khanan Prahari' Mobile App
- ✓ It is a mobile app of the Ministry of Coal to report illegal coal mining.
- ✓ It is a tool for geo-tagged photographs of any illegal coal mining incident as well as information to any citizen from the location of the incident.'
- Q. According to the Financial Times (FT) Global MBA Ranking 2023, the Post Graduate Programme (PGP) of the Indian School of Business (ISB) what is the Global Rank?

A) 39th

B) 35th

C) 31st

D) 26th

Answer: A

- ✓ The Post Graduate Programme (PGP) from the Indian School of Business (ISB) continues to be ranked the first in India in the Financial Times (FT) Global MBA Ranking 2023.
- ✓ As per the rankings released on Monday (13th Feb 2023), ISB which has campuses in Hyderabad and Mohali, is the only Indian B-school in the top 50 worldwide.
- ✓ Indai Rank is 1st
- ✓ * Global Rank is 39th.
- ✓ * Asia Rank is 6th
- ✓ Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Ahmedabad has been ranked 51 globally and IIM Bangalore has been ranked 52.
- ✓ ISB is also ranked the first in India and 61 globally for research, reinforcing its vision of being a researchled management institution.
- ✓ This ranking also demonstrates the quality of research output generated by its faculty year on year.
- ✓ * Alumni from the PGP Class of 2019 were surveyed on a multitude of criteria for this year's ranking.



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- ★ The ranking saw ISB perform well on aspects such as salary percentage increase (#2), alumni network
 (#12), career progress (#28), and career services (#29).
- Q. Who signed a MoU with Ocean Cleanup to eliminate plastic pollution in oceans and rivers around the globe?
 - A) UNICEF
 - **B) United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)**
 - C) United Nations Population Fund (UNPF)
 - D) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

Answer: B

- ✓ he United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)
 with Ocean Cleanup to eliminate plastic pollution in oceans and rivers around the globe.
- ✓ Aim : Aimed at advancing sound plastic waste management systems and reducing overall plastic pollution, and accelerating the deployment of interception technologies in rivers to end marine plastic pollution.
- ✓ United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

✓ Formation : 22 November 1965

√ Headquarters: New York City

✓ Head : Achim Steiner✓ Total Countries : 170

Q. India's First AC Double Decker Electric Bus Introduced in Which city?

A) Chennai

B) Kolkata

C) Mumbai

D) Delhi

Answer : C

- ✓ India's first electric AC double-decker bus inaugurated in Mumbai
- ✓ The Brihanmumbai Electric Supply and Transport Undertaking (BEST) inaugurated the country's first electric air-conditioned (AC) double-decker bus on 13 February in Mumbai.
- ✓ According to BEST, the regional transport agency in Mumbai is yet to complete the registration process for the electric bus.



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- ✓ After the approval of this bus, this bus will ply between Kurla Bus Depot and Bandra-Kurla Complex (BKC).
- √ The ticket price has been kept at a minimum of Rs 6 for a distance of 5 km.
- ✓ The seating capacity of the Electric Double Decker Bus is 73.
- ✓ It is equipped with CCTV cameras and automatic doors and can be charged in 80 minutes.
- ✓ At present, the transport department has 45 electric AC buses of various sizes, and 100 more will be inducted this year.
- ✓ The Electric Buses or SWITCH EiV boasts of latest technology, state-of-the-art design, highest safety and best-in-class comfort features for 22 passengers
- Q. Who will serve as the new president of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) from 2023-2024?

A) John Peterson

B) Dr Rajiv Bahl

C) Aniket Sunil Talati

D) Srichand P Hinduja

Answer : C

- ✓ The Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) 12th Feb 2023 elected its new president and vice-president for the term 2023-24.
- ✓ Aniket Talati is the director of ICAI Accounting Research Foundation (ICAI ARF), Indian Institute of Insolvency Professionals of ICAI (IIIPI) and Extensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) India and the member of various other committees, boards and directorates of ICAI.
- ✓ Ranjeet Kumar Agarwal has been a chartered accountant for the last 24 years. He is also a Company Secretary and DISA from ICAI.
- ✓ Council of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)
- ✓ Established: 1949
- ✓ Headquarters: New Delhi.
- Q. PM Narendra Modi celebrated the _ birth Anniversary of Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati in Delhi on 12th Feb 2023.

A) 200th

B) 197th

C) 195th

D) 190th



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Answer: A

- ✓ The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the year-long celebrations commemorating the 200th birth anniversary of Maharishi Dayanand Saraswati, at Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium in Delhi 12th February 2023.
- ✓ He also released a logo for commemoration.
- ✓ Upon arriving at the venue, the Prime Minister walked past the panorama and live representations of Arya Samaj and also offered Ahuti Arpan in the ongoing Yagya
- ✓ Swami Dayanand Saraswati founded the Arya Samaj.
- ✓ Arya Samaj was founded by Swami Dayananda Saraswati in 1875.
- ✓ He translated the Vedas and wrote three books named Satyartha Prakash, Veda Bhasya Bhumika, and Veda Bhasya.
- ✓ He gave the slogan "Go back to Vedas".
- ✓ Dayananda Anglo Vedic (D.A.V) schools were established based on his philosophy and teachings
- Q. The Annual Meeting of Members of the River Cities Alliance (RCA) "DHARA" is being organized in Which City from 13th 14th February 2023?

A) Chennai

B) Hyderabad

C) Kolkata

D) Pune

Answer : D

- ✓ DHARA Annual Meeting of Members of the River Cities Alliance to be held In Pune.
- ✓ A first of its kind two-day international conference, DHARA 2023, is being organised in Pune to discuss strategies for managing urban rivers.
- ✓ DHARA stands for -Driving Holistic Action for Urban Rivers.
- ✓ DHARA is the annual meeting of the members of the River Cities Alliance (RCA).
- ✓ The meeting is being organised by the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) in association with National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) from 13 to 14 February in Pune.
- ✓ Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat will deliver the keynote address on the inaugural day of the event, while Kaushal Kishor, Minister of State for Housing and Urban Affairs, will deliver the concluding speech on the second day.



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- ✓ DHARA 2023 will provide a forum for commissioners, additional commissioners, chief engineers and senior planners of the 95 member river cities in India to discuss management and solutions for local water bodies.
- ✓ The event has strong synergy with the Urban 20 (U20) initiative under India's G20 Presidency.
- ✓ River Cities Alliance (RCA)
- ✓ It was launched in 2021 as a dedicated platform for river cities of India for discussion and exchange of information for sustainable management of urban rivers.
- ✓ It was started with 30 cities in 2021 and currently has 95 cities as members across India.
- ✓ It is formed by the successful partnership of the two Ministries Ministry of Jal Shakti and Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
- ✓ It focuses on three broad themes networking, capacity building and technical support.
- ✓ It will enable cities to learn from each other's success and failure and connect people to rivers.
- Q. Who inaugurated the 14th edition of Aero India Show on 13 February 2023 in Bangalore (Karnataka)?

A) Droupadi Murmu

B) Rajnath Singh

C) Narendra Modi

D) Amit Shah

Answer : C

- ✓ PM Narendra Modi inaugurated Asia's biggest air show Aero India 2023 in Bengaluru.
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 14th edition of Aero India show in Bengaluru on 13 February
- ✓ The 14th edition of Aero India 2023 is being organised by the Indian Department of Defense Production from February 13 to 17 at the Yelahanka Air Force Station in Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- ✓ The theme of the five-day event is 'The Runway to a Bllion Opportunities'.
- ✓ The main objective of the event is to promote indigenous production and exports of aerial platforms and attract foreign investment.
- √ 98 countries are participating in the event and MoUs worth Rs 75,000 crore are expected to be signed during the event.
- ✓ Defence Ministers' Conference, CEOs' Round Table, Brainstorm Startup Event, India and Karnataka Pavilion and an Air Show are the highlights of the event.
- ✓ In the India Pavilion section, 115 Indian companies will display 227 products made in India.



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- ✓ LCA Tejas Mark 1 is the main attraction of these products.
- ✓ Made in India Tejas Light Combat Aircraft, Advanced Light Helicopter Dhruv Mark III and IV, Light Combat Helicopter Prachanda participating in HAL's HTT 40 Trainer Air Show.
- ✓ Significance of Aero India 2023
- ✓ The event will promote the export of indigenous air platforms Light Combat Aircraft (LCA)-Tejas, HTT-40, Dornier Light Utility Helicopter (LUH), Light Combat Helicopter (LCH) and Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH).
- ✓ The event will help integrate domestic MSMEs and start-ups into the global supply chain.
- ✓ It will attract foreign investment including partnership for co-development and co-production.
- ✓ This event will make a significant contribution to the development of the aerospace and aviation sector.
- Q. RBI's financial literacy week 2023 starts from __.
 - A) 10 February to 14 February 2023
 - B) 11 February to 15 February 2023
 - C) 12 February to 16 February 2023
 - D) 13 February to 17 February 2023

Answer : D

- ✓ RBI's 'Financial Literacy Week' started on 13th and will last till February 17, 2023. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has been conducting this every year since 2016 to propagate financial education messages on a particular theme among members of public across the country.
- ✓ Last year (2022), RBI observed 'financial literacy week' from February 14 to February 18, 2022. The central bank held an event to propagate financial education messages on the theme of "Go Digital Go Secure".
- ✓ Financial Literacy Week 2023 Theme: The theme for this year's Financial Literacy Week to be observed during February 13 17, 2023 is "Good Financial Behaviour, Your Saviour", with emphasis on "Saving, planning, and budgeting" and "Prudent use of digital financial services" which aligns with overall strategic objectives of the National Strategy for Financial Education: 2020-2025.



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- Q. What is the theme of Financial Literacy week 2023 being observed by RBI in 2023?
 - A) Credit Discipline and Credit from Formal Institutions
 - B) Go Digital, Go Secure
 - C) Good Financial Behaviour, Your Saviour
 - D) MSME

Answer : C

- ✓ The theme for this year's Financial Literacy Week to be observed during February 13 17, 2023 is "Good Financial Behaviour, Your Saviour",
- Q. The Financial Literacy Week is organised annually by which among the following organisations?

A) SEBI

B) IRDAI

C) SBI

D) RBI

Answer : D

Q. Since when is Reserve Bank of India celebration the Financial Literacy week?

A) 2010

B) 2015

C) 2016

D) 2013

Answer : C



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