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### **MONTH OF SEPTEMBER’ 2022”**

#### **LAW AND AMENDMENT**

##### **INTERNATIONAL**

###### **North Korea passes law to carry out preventive nuclear strike**

- North Korea has passed a law allowing itself to carry out a preventive nuclear strike.
- The status of the nation as a nuclear weapons state has become irreversible with the new law.
- The law specifically states that it can use nuclear weapons in case of a nuclear or non-nuclear attack by hostile forces on the state leadership and the command organization of the state's nuclear forces.

###### **Emmy Awards announced-I**

- The 74th Emmy Awards took place on 12 Sept 2022 in Los Angeles.
- Succession was named the best drama of the year.
- Michael Keaton won the lead actor in a limited series for the show ‘Dopesick’.
- “Abbott Elementary” star Sheryl Lee Ralph became the second Black winner to win supporting actress in a comedy series.
- Previously, the award was only won by Jackee Harry for ‘227’

###### **Emmy Awards announced-II**

- Ted Lasso won Outstanding Comedy Series.
- Lee Jung-jae won Lead Actor in Drama for Squid Game.
- He has become the first Asian star to win the Emmy award.
- Zendaya won Lead Actress, Drama for Euphoria.
- Jean Smart of 'Hacks' won best actress in a comedy series.
- The White Lotus won Best Limited or Anthology Series.

###### **6th Japan India Maritime Exercise begins in Bay of Bengal**

- The 6th edition of Japan India Maritime Exercise 2022 (JIMEX 22) hosted by the Indian Navy began in the Bay of Bengal on 11 Sept'22.
- The Indian Navy is represented by 3 indigenously designed and built warships; Sahyadri, a multi-purpose stealth frigate, and Anti- Submarine Warfare Corvettes Kadmat and Kavaratti.

###### **Darjeeling zoo adjudged the best zoo in India**

- The Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park of Darjeeling has been recognised as the best zoo in the country.
- Arignar Anna Zoological Park in Chennai came second, followed by the Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens in Mysore, Karnataka
- The ranking list was released by the Central Zoo Authority (CZA) in Sept 2022.
- The Darjeeling zoo was established on August 14, 1958

###### **Liz Truss elected as UK's new Prime Minister**

- UK Foreign Minister Liz Truss was elected as the next Prime Minister of Britain & leader of the governing Conservative Party on 5 September 2022.

- With the win, she has become the third female Prime Minister of the United Kingdom after Theresa May and Margaret Thatcher.
- Liz defeated her rival & former Finance Minister Rishi Sunak by a margin of 20927 votes, after a six-week-long campaign.

### **India and Germany hold consultations on UN and other issues**

- India and Germany held consultations on United Nations and other multilateral issues on 2 September 2022.
- Joint Secretary (UN-Political) in Ministry of External Affairs Prakash Gupta led the Indian delegation.
- Both sides also briefed each other on their respective priorities for the upcoming 77th Session of the UN General Assembly.

### **India overtakes UK to become world's fifth biggest economy**

- India leaped past the UK in the final three months of 2021 to become the fifth-biggest economy, according to a report by Bloomberg.
- The ranking is based on GDP figures compiled by the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- India is behind just the US, China, Japan and Germany.
- India's economy is projected to grow at 7% in 2022-23.
- India registered a growth of 8.7 per cent in 2021-22.

### **Iga Swiatek wins 2022 US Open women's singles title**

- World number one tennis player Iga Swiatek won the US Open women's singles title on 10 September 2022.
- She defeated Tunisia's On Jabeur in the final
- It was Iga Swiatek's third Grand Slam win of her career.
- Poland's Swiatek also won the French Open in 2020 and 2022 besides winning the US Open in 2022.
- The US Open Tennis Championships is held annually in Queens, New York.
- First held: 1881

### **US announces hosting first-ever US-Pacific Island Country Summit**

- The US has announced hosting the first-ever US-Pacific Island Country Summit.
- It will be held in Washington from 28th to 29th September 2022.
- US President Joe Biden will host the Summit.
- The Summit will demonstrate the United States' partnership with Pacific Island countries and the Pacific region.

### **Army Chief reaches Kathmandu on four-day visit to Nepal**

- Indian Army Chief General Manoj Pande is on a 4-day visit to Nepal from 5-8 September 2022.
- This is his first visit to Nepal as Chief of Army Staff.
- During his visit, he will call on the President and Prime Minister of Nepal.
- He will be conferred with the honorary rank of General of Nepal Army on 6 September 2022 in a ceremony at Sital Nivas, the official residence of President of Nepal.

### **Winners of Ramon Magsaysay Awards 2022 announced**

- ✓ The Ramon Magsaysay Award Foundation has announced the winners of the 64th Ramon Magsaysay Award 2022.
- ✓ The awardees are: Sotheara Chhim (Cambodia), Bernadette Madrid (Philippines), Tadashi Hattori (Japan) & Gary Benchehib (Indonesia).
- ✓ The award is named after Ramon Magsaysay, the 7th president of the Republic of the Philippines.
- ✓ It is regarded as “Asia's Nobel Prize”.
- ✓ First awarded: 1958

## **Indian GM Aravindh Chithambaram wins Dubai Open chess tournament**

- ✓ Indian Grandmaster Aravindh Chithambaram on 4 September 2022 won the 22nd Dubai Open chess tournament with 7.5 points from nine rounds.
- ✓ Chithambaram defeated R Praggnanandhaa in the ninth and final round.
- ✓ Seven Indians finished in the top 10 at the tournament with R Praggnanandhaa sharing the second spot with five others.

## **Subroto Cup International Football Tournament kicks off in New Delhi**

- ✓ The Subroto Cup International Football Tournament kicked off on 6 September 2022.
- ✓ The 61st edition of the tournament will be staged across four venues in Delhi till 13 October 2022.
- ✓ The first match was played between NCC versus Chandigarh.
- ✓ The Subroto Cup is an annual school's football tournament inaugurated in 1960 by the first Indian Air Force chief, Air Marshal Subroto Mukerjee.

## **New Zealand's Colin de Grandhomme retires from international cricket**

- ✚ New Zealand all-rounder Colin de Grandhomme announced his retirement from international cricket on 31 August 2022.
- ✚ Colin represented New Zealand in 29 Tests, 45 ODIs, and 41 T20Is.
- ✚ He was a part of the New Zealand team that won the inaugural ICC World Test Championship.
- ✚ He made his international debut in 2012.
- ✚ He scored 1,432, 742, and 505 runs in Test, ODI, and T20I cricket, respectively.

## **Anishka Biyani wins Gold medal in Malaysian chess meet**

- ✚ Six-year-old Anishka Biyani won the gold medal in the Malaysian Age Group Rapid Chess Championship at Kuala Lumpur on 4 September 2022.
- ✚ Anishka, a first-grade student of Dhirubhai Ambani school, achieved the feat in the Under-6 Open category.
- ✚ In July 2022, Anishka also qualified as one of the best under-7 players in the All India FIDE rating chess tournament held in Hyderabad.

## **UNESCO expert visits Hoysala temple in Halebeedu**

- ✚ Tiong Kian Boom, an expert from International Commission on Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), visited Hoysaleswara temple in Halebeedu, Karnataka on September 14, 2022.
- ✚ The Hoysala structure is an aspirant for the tag of World Heritage Site, which is given by UNESCO.
- ✚ It is a 12th-century Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Shiva

## **India & UAE sign MoU to establish Cultural Council Forum**

- ✚ India and UAE signed an MoU to establish the Cultural Council Forum to deepen the partnership between the two countries.
- ✚ It was signed during the 14th India-UAE Joint Commission Meeting in Abu Dhabi on 1 September 2022.
- ✚ The meeting was co-chaired by EAM S Jaishankar and his UAE counterpart Sheikh Abdulla bin Zayed Al Nahyan.
- ✚ UAE Capital: Abu Dhabi
- ✚ President: Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan

## **International Day of Charity: 5 September**

- ❖ Every year on 5 September, people around the world observe the International Day of Charity to mark the death anniversary of Mother Teresa.
- ❖ She was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979 for her efforts in the fight against poverty and suffering.
- ❖ This day was first marked by the UN General Assembly in 2012.
- ❖ This day encourages all NGOs and volunteer groups to carry out charitable endeavours.

## **India to host Quad senior officials' meeting**

- ❖ India will host an official-level meeting of the Quad grouping on September 5-6, 2022 in New Delhi.
- ❖ It will be the first such "Senior Officers Meeting" to be held since tensions with China over Taiwan have risen.
- ❖ The meeting will review progress of initiatives that were discussed during the Quad summit in Tokyo in May 2022.
- ❖ Quad Members: India, Australia, Japan & the US
- ❖ Established: 2007

## **Volker Turk appointed as next UN High Commissioner for Human Rights**

- ❖ Volker Turk of Austria has been appointed as the next United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights.
- ❖ He is currently coordinating global policy work as an Under-Secretary-General in the UN's Executive Office.
- ❖ Previously, he was the Assistant High Commissioner for Protection at UN refugees, UNHCR, in Geneva.
- ❖ Turk will succeed Michelle Bachelet of Chile

## **Suella Braverman inducted as Home Secretary in UK Cabinet**

- ✚ Indian-origin barrister Suella Braverman is the new Home Secretary of United Kingdom.
- ✚ She has been appointed new Home Secretary by Prime Minister Liz Truss.
- ✚ She has succeeded her colleague of Indian origin Priti Patel.
- ✚ She had served as the Attorney General in the earlier government led by Boris Johnson.

## **First Homoeopathy International Health Summit held in Dubai**

- ✚ The first edition of the "World Health Summit for Pride of Homoeopathy" was held in Dubai on 29 August 2022.
- ✚ Aim: to promote a homoeopathic system of medicine, drugs, and practices.
- ✚ Theme of summit: "Diseases caused by climate change and global warming".
- ✚ It was organised by Burnett Homoeopathy Pvt Ltd & was addressed by Ashwini Kumar Choubey, MoS, Environment Forest & Climate change.

## **Sanjay Verma appointed next high commissioner to Canada**

- Senior diplomat Sanjay Kumar Verma has been appointed as India's next high commissioner to Canada.
- He is a 1988 batch officer of the Indian Foreign Service and is currently the ambassador of India to Japan.
- He has also served as Consul General of India in Milan, Italy.
- Amit Kumar, currently Consulate General of India in Chicago, has been named the next ambassador to the Republic of Korea.

## **All India Football Federation**

- The All India Football Federation is the governing body of football in India under jurisdiction of Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.
- Formed in 1935 at Darbhanga, the federation was one of the founding members of the Asian Football Confederation.
- It is headquartered in New Delhi.
- It is also part of the South Asian Football Federation, the organization that runs football in South Asia.

## **Kargil International Marathon inaugurated**

- In Ladakh, Chief of Army Staff General Manoj Pandey inaugurated the Kargil International Marathon in September 2022.
- It was inaugurated with by flagging off a 42 Km Full Marathon.



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- Over 2000 runner took part in the Full (10 Km) and Half (5 Km) run in the marathon organized by Ladakh Autonomous Hill Development Council Kargil, Ladakh Police in collaboration with Sarhad Pune

### **India beat Nepal 4-0 to clinch SAFF U-17 Championship title in Colombo**

- In football, India clinched the SAFF under-17 Championship title, defeating Nepal 4-0 in the final in Colombo on September 14, 2022.
- India captain Vanlalpeka Guite was named the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament, while goalkeeper Sahil won the Best Goalkeeper awards.
- India also won previous season title by beating Nepal 7-0 on 31 August 2019

### **Rachael Haynes announces retirement from international cricket**

- ❖ Australian woman cricketer Rachael Haynes has announced her retirement from international cricket.
- ❖ She is also retiring from state cricket.
- ❖ She would, however, play one more season for Sydney Thunder in the Women's Big Bash League.
- ❖ She has scored 3,818 runs in more than 150 internationals over all three formats since her debut in 2009 and won six global titles with Australia.

### **Kalyan Chaubey appointed as President of AIFF**

- ❖ The All India Football Federation (AIFF) has got a former player as its first president in its 85-year history with Kalyan Chaubey beating Bhaichung Bhutia in the election.
- ❖ Chaubey is a former goalkeeper with Mohun Bagan and East Bengal.
- ❖ Karnataka Football Association president N A Haris, won the election for the post of vice president, beating Manvendra Singh of Rajasthan FA.

### **Max Verstappen wins 2022 Dutch F1 Grand Prix**

- ❖ Red Bull's Max Verstappen won the Dutch Formula 1 Grand Prix on 4 September 2022.
- ❖ Mercedes' George Russell & Ferrari's Charles Leclerc came at the 2nd and 3rd positions respectively.
- ❖ Verstappen has now won 10 of this season's 15 races.
- ❖ It was his 72nd podium finish & he collected 26 points from this race.
- ❖ Verstappen won the Dutch GP in 2021 as well. • He has now won a total of 30 races.

### **Barack Obama wins Emmy award for his narration in Netflix documentary**

- Former US President Barack Obama has won the Emmy Award for his narration in the Netflix documentary "Our Great National Parks", which features national parks from across the globe.
- Obama is the 2nd US president after Dwight Eisenhower, to win an Emmy award.
- Earlier, Obama has also received Grammy Awards for the audiobook readings of his memoirs "The Audacity of Hope" & "A Promised Land."

### **Smart Solutions Challenge & Inclusive Cities Awards 2022 presented**

- The Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri presented Smart Solutions Challenge & Inclusive Cities Awards 2022 on 1 September 2022.
- These awards are an initiative of the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) and UN to address city-level accessibility and inclusion challenges faced by persons with disabilities (PwD), women and girls, and the elderly.

### **Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to pay four-day visit to India**

- Bangladesh Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina will be on a four-day visit to India from 5 September 2022.
- She will hold bilateral consultations with Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- She had, earlier, visited India in October, 2019.
- While, from India's side, former Indian President Ram Nath Kovind and PM Narendra Modi had visited Bangladesh between March and December 2021.

## **PM commissions India's first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant**

- PM Modi commissioned the first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant on 2 September 2022 at Cochin Shipyard Limited in Kochi.
- He also unveiled the new Naval Ensign (Nishaan).
- Naval Ensigns are flags that naval ships or formations bear to denote nationality.
- The current Indian Naval Ensign consists of a St. George's Cross -- a red cross with white background.

## **Apeksha Fernandes: 1st Indian woman to reach WJS C'ships final**

- Apeksha Fernandes became the first Indian woman to reach the final of the World Junior Swimming Championships on 31 August 2022.
- Fernandes clocked her 'Best Indian Time' of 2:18.18 to qualify for the final.
- She finished 8th in the 200m women's category event.
- The 8th World Junior Swimming Championships is taking place from 30 August to 4 September 2022 in Lima, Peru

## **Carnatic vocalist T.V. Sankaranarayanan passes away**

- Renowned Carnatic vocalist & the Padma Bhushan awardee T.V. Sankaranarayanan passed away at the age of 77 in September 2022.
- He won the Sangita Kalanidhi award of the Music Academy in 2003.
- In 2003, the Central Govt also conferred on him Padma Bhushan.
- He was considered the torch-bearer of the Madurai Mani Iyer style of singing and technique.

## **Bangladesh player Mushfiqur Rahim announces his retirement from T20Is**

- Bangladesh wicketkeeper-batter and former captain, Mushfiqur Rahim on 4 September 2022 announced his retirement from T20 internationals.
- He represented Bangladesh in 102 T20Is, scoring 1,500 runs at an average of 19.48.
- He made his T20I debut in 2006 against Zimbabwe.
- He has now become the second player from Bangladesh to retire from T20Is following Tamim Iqbal's retirement in July 2022.

## **India co-sponsors a UN resolution tabled by Argentina**

- India has co-sponsored United Nations General Assembly resolution that proclaimed September 16 as International Day for Interventional Cardiology.
- The resolution was tabled by Argentina.
- The day will raise awareness about that field of medicine which improves public health and increases life expectancy.

## **Piyush Goyal to visit San Francisco and Los Angeles from 5-10 Sept**

- The Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and Textiles, Piyush Goyal will visit San Francisco and Los Angeles from 5- 10 September 2022.
- He will attend the India-US Strategic Partnership Forum conference and IndoPacific Economic Framework (IPEF) Ministerial meeting.
- IPEF was launched by USA on May 23, 2022 at Tokyo.

## **CCS clears indigenous LCA Mark 2 fighter aircraft project**

- The Cabinet Committee on Security have cleared the development of LCA Mark 2 fighter aircraft.
- It would be a replacement for the Mirage 2000, Jaguar and MiG-29 combat aircraft in the Indian Air Force.
- The DRDO would be developing the aircraft with a GE-414 engine which is the advanced version of the GE-404s.
- GE-404s power the existing LCAs and the 83 LCA Mark 1As.

### **Cabinet approves MoU between India and UAE**

- ✚ The Union Cabinet has approved to sign of an MoU between the Ministry of Education, India, and the Ministry of Education of the Government of UAE on cooperation in the field of education.
- ✚ The MoU will be valid for a period of five years from the date of signing and will be automatically renewable with the consent of both parties.
- ✚ It shall supersede the earlier MoU signed with UAE in 2015.

### **Cabinet approves MoU between India and United Kingdom**

- ✚ The Union Cabinet has approved an MoU between India and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on mutual recognition of academic qualifications.
- ✚ It was signed on 25 April 2022.
- ✚ It will promote bilateral exchange of information about educational structure, programs and standards and increase mobility of students and professionals between the two countries.

### **Cabinet approves MoU between India and Maldives**

- ✚ The Union Cabinet has approved the MoU between the National Disaster Management Authority, India and the National Disaster Management Authority of the Republic of Maldives on cooperation in the field of disaster management.
- ✚ It seeks to put in place a system, whereby both will be benefited from the disaster management mechanisms of each other.
- ✚ NDMA headquarters: New Delhi
- ✚ Established: 2005

### **US issues highest number of student visas to Indians in 2022**

- ✚ The United States has issued a record of 82,000 student visas to Indians in 2022.
- ✚ Indian students received more US student visas than any other country.
- ✚ As per the embassy, Indian students comprise nearly 20 percent of all international students studying in the United States, with the Open Doors report in 2021 showing there were 167,582 students from India in the 2020-2021 academic year.

### **5th India-US Maritime Security Dialogue held on 8 September 2022**

- ✚ The 5th India-US Maritime Security Dialogue was held in New Delhi on 8 September 2022.
- ✚ Both sides discussed developments in the global maritime domain, bilateral maritime cooperation endeavors, regional support initiatives and collaborative efforts.
- ✚ They agreed to remain engaged with the objective of further enhancing the India-US Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership.

### **Three Indian cities join UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities**

- ✚ Telangana's Warangal along with Kerala's Nilambur and Thrissur has joined the UNESCO Global Network of Learning Cities (GNLC).
- ✚ These cities have been recognized for their outstanding efforts to make lifelong learning a reality for all at the local level.
- ✚ The UNESCO GNLC is an international network consisting of 294 cities that successfully promote lifelong learning across their communities.

### **India-Japan '2+2 Ministerial Dialogue' to be held in Tokyo on Sept 8**

- ✚ Defence Minister Rajnath Singh along with EAM Dr S Jaishankar will participate in the 2nd India-Japan '2+2 Ministerial Dialogue' in Tokyo on 8 September 2022.
- ✚ The Japanese side will be represented by Yasukazu Hamada and Yoshimasa Hayashi.
- ✚ This Dialogue will review the bilateral cooperation across domains.
- ✚ The year 2022 also marks 70 years of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

### **Britain's Queen Elizabeth II passes away at 96**

- ✚ Queen Elizabeth II, Britain's longest-serving monarch, passed away at the age of 96 on 8 September 2022.



- ✚ She came to the throne at the age of 25 in 1952 after the sudden demise of her father King George VI.
- ✚ Queen Elizabeth ruled over Britain for 70 years.
- ✚ Her eldest son, Prince Charles, 73, will be the new king of the UK, according to centuries of protocol.

### **India ranks 132 in UNDP's Human Development Index 2021**

- ✚ India ranked 132 out of 191 countries in the 2021 human development index (HDI), according to a report released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).
- ✚ Among India's neighbours, Sri Lanka (73rd), China (79th), Bangladesh (129th) and Bhutan (127th) are ranked above India.
- ✚ Switzerland remained at the top spot, followed by Norway and Iceland.
- ✚ India ranked 131 in the 2020 index

### **Carlos Alcaraz beats Casper Ruud to win US Open title**

- ✓ Carlos Alcaraz on 11 Sept 2022 beat Norway's Casper Ruud 6-4 2-6 7-6(1) 6-3 in the US Open final to claim his first Grand Slam title and rise to the top of the world rankings.
- ✓ With the win, Alcaraz became the youngest Grand Slam champion since his compatriot Rafael Nadal at the 2005 French Open champion and the youngest winner of the US Open title since Pete Sampras in 1990.

### **A three-day international conference ANGAN 2022 held**

- ✓ A three-day international conference ANGAN 2022 (Augmenting Nature by Green Affordable New-habitat), titled "Making the Zero-Carbon Transition in Buildings" began on 14th Sept 2022.
- ✓ ANGAN 2.0 is being organised by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) in collaboration with Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation (SDC)
- ✓ It was held under the Indo-Swiss Building Energy Efficiency Project

### **Gautam Adani overtakes Jeff Bezos to become world's second richest**

- ✓ Adani Group's Chairperson Gautam Adani has surpassed Amazon's Jeff Bezos to become the world's second richest person.
- ✓ He is now only behind Tesla CEO Elon Musk, who remains the world's richest man with a net worth of \$273.5 billion.
- ✓ According to the Forbes real-time billionaires list, Adani's net worth stood at \$155.7 billion as of September 16, 2022, up by \$5.5 billion or nearly 4%.

### **UNICEF appoints climate activist Vanessa Nakate as Goodwill Ambassador**

- ✓ 25-year-old Ugandan climate activist Vanessa Nakate has been appointed as the newest UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador.
- ✓ She has been recognized by UNICEF for her outstanding global advocacy for climate justice for current and future generations.
- ✓ Most recently, UNICEF appointed actress Millie Bobby Brown as its youngest-ever Goodwill Ambassador.
- ✓ UNICEF HQ: New York
- ✓ President: Catherine M. Russell

### **10th IBSA Trilateral Ministerial Commission meeting held in New York**

- ✓ It was held on 21 September 2022.
- ✓ It was chaired by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar.
- ✓ Minister of Foreign Affairs of Brazil Carlos Alberto Franco França and Minister of Health of South Africa Dr. Joe Phaahla were also present during the meeting.
- ✓ The Ministers reviewed the entire gamut of IBSA cooperation.
- ✓ IBSA-India-Brazil-South Africa
- ✓ IBSA Dialogue Forum was founded in 2003

### **India wins UN award for hypertension control initiative**

- India on 21 Sept 2022 won a United Nations award for its 'India Hypertension Control Initiative (IHCI)'.
- The IHCI has been recognized for its exceptional work within India's existing primary healthcare system.
- Under this initiative, more than 34 lakh people with hypertension are taking treatment in Govt. health facilities.
- IHCI launched: 2017
- Union Health Minister: Mansukh Mandaviya

### **Valery Polyakov, took longest single trip to space, passes away**

- Valery Polyakov, the Soviet cosmonaut who set the record for the longest single stay in space, passed away at the age of 80 on 19 Sept 2022.
- Polyakov's record of 437 days in space began on January 8, 1994, when he and two others blasted off on a two-day flight to the Soviet space station Mir.
- Polyakov previously had spent 288 days in space on a mission in 1988-89

### **International Literacy Day: 8 September**

- International Literacy Day is observed on the 8th of September every year.
- It is observed to make people aware of the meaning and importance of literacy for individuals and societies.
- Literacy refers to a person's ability to read or write.
- UNESCO established this Day in 1966 & it was first celebrated on 8 September 1967.
- 2022 Theme: "Transforming Literacy Learning Spaces"

### **International Red Panda Day: 17 September**

- International Red Panda Day is celebrated every year on the third Saturday of September.
- In 2022, this day falls on 17 Sept.
- This day is commemorated to raise awareness about the red panda conservation issues.
- Red pandas are native to the rainy mountain forests of India, Nepal, Bhutan, northern Myanmar and central China.
- This day was first celebrated in 2010

### **International Equal Pay Day: 18 September**

- International Equal Pay Day is observed on September 18 every year.
- Aim: to highlight the issue of the gender pay gap and raise awareness about the same at the international level.
- This day was observed for the first time in 1996 by the National Committee on Pay Equity.
- It was officially recognized by the Equal Pay International Coalition in 2019 and in 2020, it got recognition from the UN.

### **World Rhino Day: 22 September**

- World Rhino Day is celebrated on September 22 every year to curb rhino poaching and save the endangered species.
- It was first announced by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) in 2010.
- There are 5 species of rhino – white & black rhinos in Africa, & the greater one-horned, Javan & Sumatran rhino species in Asia.
- India is home to the largest number of Greater One-Horned Rhinoceros in the world

## NATIONAL

### **CJI inaugurates NALSA's Centre for Citizen Services**

- Chief Justice of India, Justice Uday Umesh Lalit inaugurated NALSA's Centre for Citizen Services at Jaisalmer house in New Delhi on 6 September 2022.
- It will provide free legal services to the weaker sections of the society.
- NALSA or National Legal Services Authority of India was formed on 9 November 1995 under the authority of the Legal Services Authorities Act 1987.

### **Centre announces constitution of a national level committee**

- Centre has announced the constitution of a national level committee for drafting of the national cooperation policy.
- The committee under the Chairmanship of former Union Minister, Suresh Prabhu consists of 47 members from all parts of the country.
- The new policy is being formulated to realize the vision of Sahakar Se Samridhhi under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

### **Former Davis Cup captain Naresh Kumar passes away**

- Former Indian tennis player and Davis Cup captain Naresh Kumar passed away at the age of 93 on 14 Sept 2022.
- He made his debut for India in the Davis Cup in 1952 & played a record number of 101 Wimbledon matches
- He won five singles titles in his career.
- He became the first tennis coach to receive Dronacharya Lifetime Achievement Award in 2020.

### **Three new districts formed in Chhattisgarh in 2 days**

- Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has inaugurated three new districts in the state.
- He inaugurated Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki, Sarangarh-Bilaigarh, and Khairagarh Chhuikhadan- Gandai as the 29th, 30th, and 31st districts respectively.
- While the Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki district was inaugurated on 2 September, the other two were inaugurated on 5 September 2022.

### **UGC launches new research grants and fellowship schemes**

- The University Grant Commission launched three new research grants and two fellowship schemes on 5 September 2022.
- They are Savitribai Jyotirao Phule Fellowship for Single Girl Child, Dr Radhakrishnan UGC Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Fellowship for Superannuated Faculty Members, Research Grant for In-Service Faculty Members and Dr DS Kothari Research Grant for Newly Recruited Faculty Members.

### **CERT-In conducts exercise Cyber Security Exercise "Synergy"**

- Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In) under the Ministry of Electronics and IT successfully designed and conducted the Cyber Security Exercise "Synergy" for 13 Countries on 31 August 2022.
- It was held in collaboration with the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore
- The theme of the exercise was "Building Network Resiliency to counter Ransomware Attacks".

### **All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)**

- The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) is a statutory body, and a national level council for technical education.
- It comes under the Department of Higher Education, Govt of India. • It is responsible for proper planning and coordinated development of the technical education & management education system in India.
- Founded: 1945

- HQ: New Delhi
- Chairman: Jagadesh Kumar (Interim)

## **67th Filmfare Awards 2022: Winners**

- ❖ The 67th Filmfare Awards were given out on 30 August 2022 at Jio World Centre, Mumbai.
- ❖ The 67th edition of the awards honoured the films released in 2021.
- ❖ The Winners are:
- ❖ Best Actor: Ranveer Singh for '83'
- ❖ Best Actress: Kriti Sanon for 'Mimi'
- ❖ Best Director: Vishnuvardhan for 'Shershaah'
- ❖ Best Film (Popular Category): 'Shershaah'
- ❖ Best Film (Critics' Choice): 'Sardar Udham'

## **Govt appoints Rajesh Kumar Srivastava as interim chief at ONGC**

- ❖ Rajesh Kumar Srivastava has been appointed as the new interim chairman of ONGC.
- ❖ Srivastava succeeds Alka Mittal, who officiated as the chairman until 31 August 2022.
- ❖ Srivastava joined ONGC in 1984 and rose through the ranks to the position of Director (Exploration) in 2019.
- ❖ The government also appointed M V Iyer as the interim chairman at GAIL.

## **Teachers' Day: 5 September**

- ❖ Every year, India celebrates Teachers' Day on September 5.
- ❖ The day is celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the first Vice-President & second President of India.
- ❖ Dr Radhakrishnan was a renowned scholar, philosopher & recipient of the Bharat Ratna (1954) & he started his career as a teacher.
- ❖ On the other hand, World Teachers' Day is observed on 5 October.

## **World Ozone Day: 16 September**

- ❖ World Ozone Day is observed every year on September 16 to spread awareness among people concerning the depletion of the ozone layer and find possible solutions to preserve it.
- ❖ The ozone layer serves as a kind of shield for the earth & is crucial for preserving its ecology.
- ❖ This day was established by the UN General Assembly in 1994.
- ❖ 2022 Theme: 'Global cooperation protecting life on earth'

## **SC recommends eight names for appointment to Bombay High Court**

- ❖ The Supreme Court Collegium led by Chief Justice of India U.U. Lalit has recommended eight names for appointment to the Bombay High Court.
- ❖ Six of them are judicial officers and two are advocates.
- ❖ The advocates are Santosh Govindrao Chapalgaonkar and Milind Manohar Sathaye.
- ❖ The judicial officers are Sanjay Anandrao Deshmukh, Ravindra Madhusudan Joshi, to name a few.

## **National Nutrition Week: 1 to 7 September**

- ❖ National Nutrition Week is observed every year from September 1-7 to raise awareness regarding proper eating habits and Nutrition.
- ❖ Aim: To educate people on the importance of nutrition, a healthy lifestyle & a balanced diet.
- ❖ The Indian Govt. first introduced this week-long campaign in 1982.
- ❖ As per the Global Hunger Index Report 2021, India ranks 101 among 116 countries. Vasudha Gupta appointed as DG of News Services Division of AIR
- ❖ Senior Indian Information Service officer

## **PM Modi to inaugurate Kartavya Path on September 8**

- 🇮🇳 PM Modi will inaugurate the Kartavya Path on 8 September 2022.
- 🇮🇳 He will also unveil the statue of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose at India Gate on the occasion.
- 🇮🇳 These steps are in line with Prime Minister's second Panch Pran for New India in Amrit Kaal.

- ✚ The statue of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose is being installed in the same place where a hologram statue was unveiled on Parakram Diwas 23 Jan.

### **Dr Vasudha Gupta has been appointed as the Director General of the News Services Division of All India Radio.**

- ✚ She has succeeded N Venudhar Reddy, who superannuated on 31 August 2022.
- ✚ Before her appointment, she was serving as Director General, Press Information Bureau (PIB).
- ✚ She is credited for establishing of Fact-Check system for the Government.

### **Mallika Sarabhai's memoir titled 'In Free Fall' launched**

- ✚ Acclaimed classical dancer & activist Mallika Sarabhai's memoir titled 'In Free Fall: My Experiments With Living' was launched on 30 August 2022.
- ✚ In the memoir, Mallika has written about her extraordinary yet personal life.
- ✚ It is published by Speaking Tiger.
- ✚ Daughter of a classical dancer Mrinalini Sarabhai & space scientist Vikram Sarabhai, Mallika is an accomplished Bharatanatyam dancer.

### **Blue Energy Motors launches India's first LNGfuelled green truck**

- ✚ Blue Energy Motors unveiled India's first LNG-fuelled green truck on 2 September 2022.
- ✚ The truck manufacturing facility is located at Chakan near Pune.
- ✚ The facility was inaugurated by the Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari.
- ✚ Blue Energy Motors' trucks will be Liquefied Natural Gas-fuelled, long-haul, heavy-duty trucks.

### **AICTE collaborates with Adobe to enhance digital literacy in India**

- ✚ The All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has signed an agreement with USbased Adobe to accelerate digital creativity skills across India.
- ✚ Aim: to empower over 75,000 educators across 10,000 higher education institutions with essential digital creativity skills by 2024.
- ✚ Adobe will also offer courses and expertise for upskilling educators.

### **Meghalaya CM launches 'Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme'**

- ✚ Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma launched "Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme" in August 2022.
- ✚ It was launched under National Livestock Mission at Byrnihat in Ri-Bhoi district.
- ✚ Under Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme – phase 1, the government has earmarked Rs 15.18 crore under which four high-yielding improved varieties will be distributed to 6000 families

### **Historian B. Sheik Ali passes away**

- ✚ Noted historian and former Vice Chancellor of Mangalore and Goa Universities Professor B. Sheik Ali passed away in September 2022.
- ✚ He was the general president of the Indian History Congress at its 47th Session in 1986 and the founder president of the South India History Congress in 1985.

### **Dr Munjpara Kalubhai unveils “Science Behind Suryanamaskar” book**

- ✚ Minister of State for AYUSH Munjpara Mahendrabhai Kalubhai unveiled a book titled “Science behind Suryanamaskar,” in August 2022.
- ✚ It is a collection of evidence-based research on 'Suryanamaskar', one of the most wellknown Yoga asanas.
- ✚ This book has been compiled by the All India Institute of Ayurveda's (AIIA) Department of Swasthavritta and Yoga.
- ✚ AIIA Director: Prof. Dr Tanuja Nesari 'Rashtriya Poshan Maah' begins across India on September 1
- ✚ Ministry of Women and Child Development is celebrating the 5th Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2022 across the nation from 1st till 30th September 2022.
- ✚ Every year the Poshan Maah is celebrated under POSHAN Abhiyaan (PM's Overarching Scheme for Holistic Nourishment), which was launched in 2018 in Rajasthan.



✚ In 2022, the key focus of the Poshan Maah is on “Mahila aur Swasthya” and “Bacha aur Shiksha”.

### **Election Commission of India launches BLO e-Patrika**

- ✓ The Election Commission of India (ECI) on 14 Sept '22 released a new digital publication ‘BLO e-Patrika’ at an event in New Delhi.
- ✓ Objective: to establish direct communication with Booth Level Officer (BLO).
- ✓ This event was a first-of-its-kind direct interaction by the Commission with the BLOs across the country.
- ✓ Chief Election Commissioner of India: Rajiv Kumar
- ✓ ECI Founded: 25 January 1950

### **UIDAI tops Grievance Redressal Index in August 2022**

- ✓ The Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has topped among all Ministries and Departments in resolving Public Grievances for the month of August 2022.
- ✓ UIDAI, which oversees Aadhaar, has been a top performer in the resolution of cases received through the Centralized Public

### **Actor Sudeep appointed as brand ambassador of 'Punyakoti Dattu Yojana'**

- ✓ The Karnataka govt has appointed actor Kiccha Sudeep as the brand ambassador for its ‘Punyakoti Dattu Yojana’.
- ✓ Aim of the scheme: to create awareness of cow adoption & set up goshalas across the state.
- ✓ This scheme was launched in July 2022 & any individual or organization can adopt a cow by paying a total of Rs 11,000 for one year.
- ✓ It is a first-of-its-kind scheme launched in the country.

### **Know About: Hyderabad's Liberation**

- ✓ The erstwhile princely state of Hyderabad became part of the Union of India on September 17, 1948.
- ✓ India decided to annex Hyderabad and named the operation “Operation Polo”.
- ✓ On September 13, 1948, Indian forces attacked Hyderabad.
- ✓ In a five-day battle, the Indian Army took Hyderabad and fully integrated it into Indian territory by decisively defeating Nizam.

### **SC Judge DY Chandrachud nominated as Executive Chairman of NALSA**

- ✓ Supreme Court judge Justice DY Chandrachud has been nominated as the next executive chairperson of the National Legal Services Authority (NALSA).
- ✓ The post was previously held by the Chief Justice of India UU Lalit.
- ✓ After CJI Lalit's retirement, Justice Chandrachud will take over as the 50th CJI from November 2022.
- ✓ NALSA Objective: to provide free legal services to eligible candidates.

### **ISRO successfully test Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator**

- ✓ Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully demonstrated a new technology with Inflatable Aerodynamic Decelerator (IAD), developed by Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre.
- ✓ IAD is a game-changer with multiple applications for future missions including to Mars & Venus.
- ✓ It was successfully tested in a 'Rohini' sounding rocket from Thumba Equatorial Rocket Launching Station, Kerala.

### **India's first intranasal Covid vaccine gets DCGI approval**

- ✓ India's first intranasal Covid vaccine by Bharat Biotech received DCGI approval on 6 Sept 2022 for primary immunization against the infection for people above the age of 18.
- ✓ It is called ChAd36-SARS-CoV-S COVID-19 (Chimpanzee Adenovirus Vected) recombinant nasal vaccine.
- ✓ It has proven to be safe and immunogenic in subjects in controlled trials.

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### **Odisha Govt. launches rainwater harvesting scheme named 'CHHATA'**

- The Odisha Govt. has launched a rainwater harvesting scheme named Community Harnessing and Harvesting Rainwater Artificially from Terrace to Aquifer (CHHATA)'.  
• It has been conceptualized to address the increasing stress on groundwater and to improve the depleting groundwater table.
- Under the scheme, a target has been set to harvest 373.52 crore litres of water in five years.

### **Bihar CM inaugurates India's longest rubber dam on Falgu River**

- Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar on 8 September '22 inaugurated India's longest rubber dam 'Gayaji Dam' on the Falgu River in Gaya.
- It is 411 meters long & 3 meters high & has been built at a cost of Rs 312 crores.
- With its construction, now at least two feet of water will be available in the Falgu river near Vishnupad Ghat throughout the year for the devotees who come here to do Pind Daan.

### **NITI Aayog launches India's first national electric freight platform**

- NITI Aayog, in collaboration with World Resources Institute (WRI), India, has launched the country's 1st national electric freight platform-e-FAST India (Electric Freight Accelerator for Sustainable Transport).
- Aim: to raise awareness on freight electrification bolstered by on-ground demonstration pilots & evidence-based research.
- NITI Aayog CEO: Parameswaran Iyer
- WRI HQ: Washington, D.C

### **Union Govt extends ceasefire pact with Nagaland's NSCN-K Niki group**

- The Union Govt. on 7 September 2022 extended the ceasefire agreement with the National Socialist Council of Nagaland (K) Niki group for another year.
- The NSCN (K) Niki group is a break-away faction of the Naga insurgency group NSCN & it is led by Niki Sumi.
- The NSCN (K) Niki had first signed the ceasefire agreement with the Union Govt. on September 8, 2021, for a period of one year.

### **National Maritime Heritage Complex to be built at Lothal in Gujarat**

- Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways will build a National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at the site of the Indus Valley civilisation in Lothal, Gujarat.
- A first of its kind complex in India, this centre will showcase India's rich and diverse maritime heritage.
- The foundation stone for the NMHC project was laid by PM Modi and the consent for the master plan was given in March 2019.

### **Archaeologist B B Lal passes away**

- Noted archaeologist Braj Basi Lal, who led an excavation at the Ramjanmabhoomi site in the mid-1970s, passed away in September 2022.
- He was honoured with the Padma Vibhushan in 2021.
- He was also awarded the Padma Bhushan in 2000.

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- Considered India's senior-most archaeologist, Lal was actively involved in archaeological research and writing till the age of 100.

### **Vande Bharat 2: Railways to introduce new avatar of high-speed train**

- Indian Railways will be introducing the new avatar of high-speed train Vande Bharat called Vande Bharat 2.
- It will be equipped with more advancements and improved features like 0 to 100 Kmph speed in just 52 seconds, maximum speed up to 180 Kmph, and lesser weight of 392 tons instead of 430 tons.
- In the new design, photo-catalytic ultraviolet air purification system has also been installed.

### **Sikkim to host Ranji Trophy matches for the first time**

- Sikkim will host Ranji trophy matches for the first time in December 2022.
- The state will welcome three northeast teams: Mizoram, Manipur and Arunachal Pradesh, at the Mining Cricket Ground near Rangpo.
- Along with Ranji Trophy matches, Sikkim will also play two Cooch Behar Trophy matches, and three Col C K Nayudu Trophy matches at the same cricket ground.

### **Justice KN Singh, who had the shortest tenure as CJI, passes away**

- Former Chief Justice of India Kamal Narain Singh, who remained Chief Justice of India (CJI) for the shortest period of 18 days in 1991, passed away on 8 September 2022.
- Justice KN Singh was appointed as the 22nd CJI on 25 November 1991 & he retired on 12 December 1991.
- Justice Y V Chandrachud (16th CJI) had the longest tenure (7 Years, 4 Months & 20 days) as CJI till today

### **World Suicide Prevention Day: 10 September**

- World Suicide Prevention Day is an awareness day observed on 10 September every year.

### **Varanasi court pronounces verdict on Gyanvapi case**

- The Varanasi court pronounced its verdict on the maintainability of the plea in the Gyanvapi mosque-Shringar Gauri case.
- A single bench of district Judge AK Vishvesh delivering the verdict in the Gyanvapi Shrinagar Gauri dispute said that the case is maintainable.
- District Judge A K Vishvesh had reserved the order till September 12 in the communally sensitive matter.

### **Vinoba Bhave's Birth Anniversary: 11 September**

- The birth anniversary of Acharya Vinoba Bhave was observed on 11 September 2022.
- He is regarded as the National Teacher of India & the spiritual successor of Mahatma Gandhi.
- In 1940, he was selected as the 'First Individual Satyagrahi' against the British Raj by Gandhiji.
- Bhave is best known for starting the 'Bhoodan' (gift of land) movement in India in 1951.
- He passed away in 1982.

### **National Forest Martyrs Day: 11 September**

- September 11 is marked as National Forest Martyrs Day in India every year.
- The day is observed to pay tribute to the numerous activists who have laid down their lives to protect forests and wildlife across India.
- The Ministry of Environment chose September 11 as the day to mark National Forest Martyrs Day in 2013 as it was the anniversary of the Khejarli Massacre (1730).

### **World Bamboo Day: 18 September**

- World Bamboo Day is celebrated every year on September 18.

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- This day is celebrated globally to spread awareness about bamboo conservation & to promote the global bamboo industry.
- The bamboo plant is known for being one of the fastest-growing plants in the world.
- After China, India is the second largest cultivator of bamboo in the entire world.
- World Bamboo Day was first celebrated in 2009.

### **International Day of Sign Languages: 23 September**

- On 19 December 2017, the UN General Assembly declared 23 September as International Day of Sign Languages (IDSL).
- The day supports and protects the linguistic identity of people who are deaf along with other users of sign languages.
- It was first celebrated on 23 September 2018 as part of the International Week of the Deaf (24-30 September 2018).
- 2022 Theme: "Sign Languages Unite Us".

### **Conference on 'Smart Village Panchayat' organised**

- A two-day Conference on "Smart Village Panchayat: Empowering Rural Communities; Leaving No One Behind" is being organized in Lucknow from 15 September 2022.
- The e-Learning Module prepared by Panchayati Raj Institute of Training (PRIT), Uttar Pradesh in collaboration with partner organization GIZ was launched.
- Training Module on Localization of Sustainable Development Goals was also released.

### **Union Minister Jitendra Singh launches Swachhata Portal**

- Minister of State for Personnel, Pension and Public Grievances Dr. Jitendra Singh launched Swachhata Portal for the Special Campaign 2.0 on 14 September 2022.
- The campaign will begin on 2nd October 2022.
- On the occasion, the minister also released the Special Campaign July Progress Report, and the CPGRAMS Monthly Progress Report for August, 2022

### **Justice T Raja appointed as acting Chief Justice of Madras High Court**

- The President has appointed Justice T Raja, the senior-most Judge of the Madras High Court as Acting Chief Justice with effect from September 22, 2022.
- He will succeed Justice M Duraiswamy, who is the current Acting Chief Justice of Madras High Court.
- Justice T Raja was appointed as Additional Judge of Madras High Court on March 31, 2009

### **Book titled 'Ambedkar and Modi' released**

- A book titled 'Ambedkar and Modi: Reformer's Ideas Performer's Implementation' was released by former President Ram Nath Kovind in New Delhi in Sept 2022.
- The book illustrates life, works and achievements of Dr. B.R Ambedkar.
- The book has been compiled by Bluekraft Digital Foundation.
- A foreword written by Rajya Sabha MP Ilaiyaraaja offers a valuable insight of the works of Dr. Ambedkar.

### **Muskurate Chand Lamhe aur Kuchh Khamoshiyan' book released**

- Actor Manoj Bajpayee released a book titled 'Muskurate Chand Lamhe aur Kuchh Khamoshiyan' on 16 Sept 2022.
- The book is a collection of poems.
- It has been authored by Jiresh Nandan.
- He is a retired IAS officer of UP cadre (1987 batch).
- He has also penned a book named 'Maha Kumbh: A Spiritual Journey'.

### **Mansukh Mandaviya launches 15-day 'Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav'**

- Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya on 17 Sept 2022 launched a 15-day blood donation drive on the occasion of PM Modi's birthday.
- This drive has been called the 'Raktdaan Amrit Mahotsav' which will continue till 1 Oct 2022 which is also National Voluntary Blood Donation Day.
- Over 87,000 people donated blood on the first day of the blood donation drive, which is a "world record".

### **Andaman and Nicobar Islands declared India's 1st Swachh Sujal Pradesh**

- Union Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat has declared Andaman and Nicobar Islands as India's first Swachh Sujal Pradesh.
- Now, all villages of Andaman and Nicobar Island have been certified as Har Ghar Jal and verified as open defecation free.
- Andaman and Nicobar Islands Lieutenant Governor: Admiral DK Joshi
- Capital: Port Blair
- Districts: 3

### **SC appoints Justice L Nageswara Rao for amending constitution of IOA**

- The Supreme Court on 22 Sept 2022 appointed former apex court judge Justice L Nageswara Rao for amending constitution of Indian Olympic Association (IOA) and preparing electoral college.
- The International Olympic Committee (IOC) on 8 Sept 2022 issued a final warning to IOA to "resolve its governance issues" and hold elections by December, failing which the IOC will ban India.

## STATES

### **Indore to become the country's first "Smart City" with digital address**

- Indore city of Madhya Pradesh has signed an MoU with the firm Pataa Navigations to implement a fully digital addressing system, making it the first city in India to do so.
- As per the MoU, Pataa app will be used by all government agencies and emergency services in Indore.
- Pataa is a brief and distinctive code that helps the user find the specific geotagged location

### **Karnataka to enact law to make Kannada mandatory**

- Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai's government is bringing in a legislation to make Kannada "mandatory" in the state.
- 'Kannada Language Comprehensive Development Bill' is aimed at further strengthening the efforts to give primacy to Kannada.
- For the first time a legal statute is being given in the state, making Kannada mandatory, aimed at protecting the language and its users.

### **Madhya Pradesh schools to go 'bagless' once a week**

- Madhya Pradesh government has decided to exempt school children from carrying bags once a week and reduce pressure on them.
- The Madhya Pradesh School Education department has come out with a lightweight school bag policy.
- Under this, a list of specified weights of school bags for different classes will be displayed on the notice boards in schools.



### **Uttar Pradesh to develop 'State Capital Region' on lines of Delhi-NCR**

- In Uttar Pradesh, the 'State Capital Region' along the lines of the Delhi-National Capital Region (NCR) will be developed in Lucknow.
- It will be developed keeping in mind the future requirements related to urban planning.
- Lucknow and its surrounding districts like Unnao, Sitapur, Rae Bareli, Barabanki & Kanpur could be included in the SCR.
- UP Governor: Anandiben Patel
- CM: Yogi Adityanath

### **Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme launch in Tamil Nadu**

- The Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme rolled out for students of Class I to V in government schools of Tamil Nadu, costs of ₹33.56 crore.
- He launched 'Chief Minister's Breakfast Scheme' at the Corporation Primary School Aathimoolam II in Simmakal, Madurai.
- This Scheme will be launched in the 1,545 government primary schools to benefit 1.14 lakh children.
- Tamil Nadu CM: M. K. Stalin

### **Agrarian festival 'Nuakhai' celebrated in Odisha**

- Nuakhai is an agricultural festival mainly observed by the people of Odisha.
- The festival is observed to welcome the new season of rice.
- Nuakhai is a combination of two words that signifies the eating of new rice, 'Nua' means new and 'khai' means to eat.
- It is observed the day after the Ganesh Chaturthi festival & in 2022 it was observed on 1 September 2022.

### **Nagaland Prison Department introduces mobile attendance application**

- Nagaland Prison Department has launched a Prison Staff Attendance App has been launched at the District Jail Kohima.
- The mobile app was initiated by the State Prison Department in collaboration with Excel logics Technology Solution Private Limited.
- It aims to provide a comprehensive attendance management system that can make processes hassle-free

### **World's largest museum of Harappan culture to be set up in Haryana**

- The world's largest museum of Harappan culture will be set up in Haryana's Rakhigarhi village.
- The village of Rakhigarhi was part of the Indus Valley Civilisation from 2600-1900 BC.
- The museum will display some 5000-year-old Indus Valley artefacts.
- It was in 1963 that the ASI first started digging up the village.
- Haryana Capital: Chandigarh
- CM: Manohar Lal Khattar

### **Uttarakhand education dept launches e-governance portal 'Samarth'**

- The Uttarakhand education department launched an e-governance portal - "Samarth" in August 2022.
- It will provide all administrative & educational updates including information about entrance exams & appointments from 5 state universities & 140 public schools.
- It has been launched to make the education system more transparent in the state.
- Uttarakhand CM: Pushkar Singh Dhama

### **Rajasthan Govt. launches 'Mahila Nidhi' - a credit scheme for women**

- Rajasthan CM Ashok Gehlot has launched a women-only loan scheme 'Mahila Nidhi'.
- It has been launched to ensure the availability of credit to women for starting new businesses.
- The scheme will disburse loans of up to Rs 40,000 within 48 hours, and above Rs 40,000 within 15 days.

- After Telangana, Rajasthan has become the second state in the country to establish the Mahila Nidhi scheme.

### **Karnataka Govt. launches Global Startup Challenge 'Ventu RISE'**

- ✚ Karnataka Govt. on 1 September 2022 launched the Global Startup Challenge – "VentuRISE".
- ✚ It aims to reward & support startups in manufacturing and sustainability-related sectors.
- ✚ A cash prize of USD 1,00,000 is earmarked for the winners.
- ✚ It is a part of the flagship event Global Investors Meet - "Invest Karnataka 2022" from November 2 to 4, 2022 in Bangalore.
- ✚ Karnataka CM: Basavaraj Bommai

### **Bhartaul becomes first village in UP to have RO water in every house**

- ✚ As part of the Adarsh Gram Panchayat initiative, Bhartaul village in the Bareilly district of Uttar Pradesh has become the first village in the state to have RO water in every household.
- ✚ As many as four RO plants have been brought up in the village with the aim to make clean drinking water available to all.

### **Tamil Nadu CM launches 'Pudhumai Penn' scheme for girl students**

- ✚ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin on 5 September 2022 launched the 'Pudhumai Penn' (modern woman) scheme in Chennai.
- ✚ Under this scheme, all girl students, who studied from Classes 6 to 12 in govt schools, will get Rs 1,000 per month to pursue higher education.
- ✚ The scheme aims to benefit six lakh girls every year and Rs 698 crore has been allocated in the budget for its implementation.

### **Tripura sets up the India's first Bio-Village**

- ✚ Tripura Govt. has successfully converted its Daspara village into a bio-village.
- ✚ With this, Tripura has become the 1st state in the country to set up a modified bio-village.
- ✚ Daspara has been developed based on the bio-village 2.0 conceptualised by the state govt.
- ✚ This concept has been designed to help mitigate the climate change effects.
- ✚ State Govt. plans to set up at least 100 bio villages.

### **Nagaland to launch its own health insurance scheme 'CMHIS'**

- ✚ Nagaland Govt. will launch its own health insurance scheme called the Chief Minister's Health Insurance Scheme (CMHIS) on 1 Oct 2022.
- ✚ Aim: to reduce out-of-pocket expenditure on hospital care for all bonafide citizens of the state.
- ✚ The beneficiary families will be entitled to free health insurance coverage of up to Rs 5 lakh per family per year.
- ✚ Nagaland Capital: Kohima
- ✚ CM: Neiphiu Rio

### **Assam to use portable device 'SAANS' to stop neonatal deaths**

- ✚ The Assam government has decided to use the air pressure machine 'SAANS' to reduce neonatal mortality.
- ✚ 'SAANS' is a portable neonatal Continuous Positive Air Pressure (CPAP) system that can provide lifesaving breathing support to infants in hospital settings as well as during travel.
- ✚ It has been developed by the start-up Inn Accel Technologies

### **UP Assembly reserves day's session for women MLAs**

- ✚ In a first-of-its-kind historic move, the current Monsoon session in Uttar Pradesh Legislature held a women-only day on 22 Sept 2022.
- ✚ Only women legislators spoke and raised their issues in both houses on this day.
- ✚ The 403-member Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly has 47 women MLAs, including 22 first-timers.
- ✚ UP Assembly Speaker: Satish Mahana
- ✚ UP Governor: Anandiben Patel.

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### Rajasthan government to roll out employment guarantee scheme

- ✚ The Rajasthan government is all set to launch an ambitious scheme to provide 100 days of employment to needy families in urban areas.
- ✚ More than 2.25 lakh families have already registered for the Indira Gandhi Urban Employment Scheme.
- ✚ People from the age group of 18 to 60 are eligible for the scheme.
- ✚ Sanitation, cleanliness and other such works will also be undertaken under the scheme.

### Karnataka increases compensation to dependents of forest martyrs

- ✓ Karnataka government has announced that the compensation awarded to the families of forest martyrs will be increased from ₹30 lakh to ₹50 lakh.
- ✓ CM Basavaraj Bommai made the announcement after paying respect to martyrs on the occasion of the National Forest Martyrs' Day.
- ✓ During the tenure of B.S. Yediyurappa, the compensation was increased from ₹20 lakh to ₹30 lakh.

### Nagaland holds its first ever Naga Mircha Festival at Seiyhama

- ✓ In a first of its kind in Nagaland, Naga Mircha (Naga King Chilli) Festival was organised on 10 September 2022 at Seiyhama Village under Kohima district.
- ✓ The festival was sponsored by the Department of Horticulture.
- ✓ Naga Mircha was the first product to receive a GI tag from Nagaland.
- ✓ The horticulture Dept has chosen Botsa block in Kohima District as a focus area for Naga Mircha cultivation.

## GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

### Know About: Presidents of India

- ✚ Rajendra Prasad : 1952-1962
- ✚ S Radhakrishnan : 1962-67
- ✚ Zakir Hussain : 1967-69
- ✚ V V Giri : 1969-74
- ✚ Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed : 1974-77
- ✚ Neelam Sanjiva Reddy : 1977-82
- ✚ Gyani Zail Singh : 1982-87
- ✚ R Venkataraman : 1987-92
- ✚ Shankar Dayal Sharma : 1992-97
- ✚ K R Narayanan : 1997-2002
- ✚ A P J Abdul Kalam : 2002-2007
- ✚ Pratibha Patil : 2007-12
- ✚ Pranab Mukherjee : 2012-17
- ✚ Ram Nath Kovind : 2017-22
- ✚ Droupadi Murmu : 2022-

### Know About: Important International Borders

- ❖ McMahon Line : China and India
- ❖ Radcliffe Line : India and Pakistan
- ❖ Blue Line : Lebanon and Israel
- ❖ Durand Line : Pakistan and Afghanistan
- ❖ 49th Parallel : USA and Canada
- ❖ 38th Parallel : South Korea and North Korea
- ❖ 31st Parallel : Iran and Iraq
- ❖ Hindenburg Line : Germany and Poland

## Know About: Tiger Reserves in India

- Kaziranga National Park : Assam
- Periyar Tiger reserve : Kerala
- Kanha Tiger reserve : Madhya Pradesh
- Panna Tiger reserve : Madhya Pradesh
- Nagzira Tiger Reserve : Maharashtra
- Bor Tiger Reserve : Maharashtra
- Ranthambore Tiger Reserve : Rajasthan
- Dudhwa Tiger Reserve : Uttar Pradesh
- Sunderban National Park : West Bengal
- Namdapha National Park : Arunachal Pradesh

## List of Folk Dances of Different States in India, Part - 2

- Andhra Pradesh : Kuchipudi, Bhamakalpam, Kolattam
- Assam : Bihu, Maharas, Khel Gopal, Bichhua
- Bihar : Bakho-Bakhain, Jata-Jatin
- Gujarat : Garba, Bhavai
- Haryana : Jhumar, Phag, Daph
- Himachal Pradesh : Jhora, Chharhi, Dhaman, Mahasu
- Jammu and Kashmir : Rauf, Hikar, Damali
- Karnataka : Yakshagan, Kunitha, Lambi
- Kerala : Ottam Thullal, Kaikottikali
- Maharashtra : Lavani, Nakata, Koli

## List of Indian citizens who have won Nobel Prize

- Rabindranath Tagore : Literature : 1913
- C.V Raman : Physics : 1930
- Mother Teresa : Peace : 1979
- Amartya Sen : Economic Sciences : 1998
- Kailash Satyarthi : Peace : 2014

## List of Indian-born but of different Citizenship Nobel Laureates

- Har Gobind Khorana (US Citizenship) : Physiology/Medicine : 1968
- Subrahmanyam Chandrasekhar (US Citizenship) : Physics : 1983
- Venkatraman Ramakrishnan (British-American Citizenship) : Chemistry : 2009
- Abhijit Banerjee (US Citizenship) : Economic Sciences : 2019

## Current Affairs MCQs

1. Where did PM Narendra Modi induct India's first indigenous aircraft carrier, INS Vikrant into the Navy?
  - (a) Cochin Shipyard Limited in Kochi
  - (b) Hindustan Shipyard Limited in Visakhapatnam
  - (c) Kattupalli Shipyard in Chennai
  - (d) Mandovi Drydocks in Goa
2. Which 6-year-old girl won the gold medal at the Malaysian Age Group Rapid Chess Championship in Kuala Lumpur?
  - (a) Viswanathan Anand
  - (b) Anishka Biyani
  - (c) Irina Krush
  - (d) Sabina Foiser
3. Who became the first Indian woman to clock sub-13 seconds in the 100m hurdles?
  - (a) Neeraj Chopra
  - (b) Reeth Abraham
  - (c) Jyothi Yaraji
  - (d) Siddhanth Thingalaya
4. Who has been elected the new President of Iraq?
  - (a) Abdul Latif Rashid
  - (b) Muhammad Najib ar-Ruba
  - (c) Abd al-Salam Arif
  - (d) Nouri Kamil Muhammad-Hasan al-Maliki
5. When is World Maritime Day celebrated?
  - (a) last Thursday of September
  - (b) last Sunday of September
  - (c) first Tuesday of December
  - (d) Second Monday of March
6. Chandigarh International Airport has been renamed as \_\_\_\_\_?
  - (a) Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose International Airport
  - (b) Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel International Airport
  - (c) Shaheed Bhagat Singh International Airport
  - (d) Guru Ram Dass Jee International Airport
7. Who became the first female prime minister of Italy?
  - (a) Giorgia Meloni
  - (b) Giuseppe Conte
  - (c) Julia Gillard
  - (d) Rosemary Follett
8. When was Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission launched?
  - (a) 27th September
  - (b) 10th August
  - (c) 9th April
  - (d) 10th January



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9. INS Sunayna Combined Maritime Forces (CMF) annual training exercise “Operation Southern Readiness” is being held at?
- Australia
  - Bangladesh
  - Japan
  - Seychelles
10. When is World Tourism Day celebrated?
- 10th December
  - 2nd July
  - 27th September
  - 3rd August
11. Under the constitution of India, which of the following are excluded from the operation of the ‘Doctrine of Pleasure’:
- Judges of the High Courts
  - Chief Ministers of the states
  - Governors of the states
  - Comptroller and Auditor General of India
  - Attorney-General for India
- Choose the correct answer using the code given below:
- 1, 4, and 5 only
  - 1, 2, and 4 only
  - 1 and 4 only
  - 4 and 5 only
12. Consider the following statements about the Digital Banking Units (DBU) launched recently:
- DBUs do not have legal personality.
  - These are not licensed under Banking Regulation Act, 1949.
  - As per the DBU guidelines, only existing commercial banks may establish DBUs.
  - People not having connectivity or computing devices can do banking transactions from DBU.
- Which of the statement/s given above is/are correct?
- 1 and 2 only
  - 2 and 3 only
  - 2, 3 and 4 only
  - All of the above
13. Gurram Jashuva, who was also known as ‘People’s Poet’ is from which state?
- Kerala
  - Andhra Pradesh
  - Assam
  - Odisha
14. Which city is the host of ‘Indian Mobile Congress’ in 2022?
- New Delhi
  - Mumbai
  - Ahmedabad
  - Bengaluru
15. Svante Pääbo, won the 2022 Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine, is a geneticist from which country?
- USA
  - Germany
  - Australia
  - Sweden

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16. Shyamji Krishna Verma, whose birth anniversary was celebrated recently, was a freedom fighter from which country?
- Gujarat
  - Karnataka
  - Madhya Pradesh
  - Odisha
17. Which country's rover has mapped abundance of sodium on the moon for the first time?
- China
  - USA
  - India
  - UAE
18. The Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences 2022 was awarded to three scientists for their research in which field?
- Behavioural Economics
  - Global Poverty
  - Banks and Financial Crises
  - Quantitative Methods
19. Which neighbouring country of India approved to downgrade its economic status to "low income country"?
- Myanmar
  - Sri Lanka
  - Nepal
  - Bangladesh
20. 'Skilling of girls in non-traditional livelihood (NTL)' has been included in which flagship scheme?
- Beti Bachao Beti Pado
  - Rashtriya Mahila Kosh
  - POSHAN Abhiyaan
  - Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana
21. Which Indian player has been named the FIH Player of the Year in the men's category in 2022?
- Harmanpreet Singh
  - Sreejesh
  - Mandeep Singh
  - Birendra Lakra
22. Malakhamb was declared as the 'State Sport' of which state?
- Kerala
  - Rajasthan
  - Madhya Pradesh
  - Assam
23. Who won the 2022 Booker Prize for "The Seven Moons of Mali Almeida"?
- Amrita Pritam
  - Shehan Karunatilaka
  - R. K. Narayan
  - Amitav Ghosh
24. Who has inaugurated the PM Kisan Samman Sammelan 2022 at Indian Agricultural Research Institute in New Delhi?
- Droupadi Murmu
  - Narendra Modi

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- (c) Amit Shah  
(d) Rajnath Singh
25. Which Indian received the Queen Elizabeth II Woman of the Year award at a function in London?  
(a) Ajay Kumar Bhalla  
(b) Suella Braverman  
(c) Priti Patel  
(d) Vinay Kwatra
26. Government's flagship program 'Make in India' has completed how many years on 25th September?  
(a) 2 Years  
(b) 8 Years  
(c) 10 Years  
(d) 5 Years
27. Who has been elected as President of Hockey India?  
(a) Dilip Tirkey  
(b) Biju Patnaik  
(c) Birendra Lakra  
(d) Dhanraj Pillay
28. When is National Cinema Day celebrated?  
(a) 23rd September  
(b) 10th August  
(c) 31st December  
(d) 2nd February
29. Who achieved the historic victory in the final of SAIF Women's Championship?  
(a) Bangladesh  
(b) India  
(c) Iran  
(d) Australia
30. When is International Sign Language Day celebrated?  
(a) 10th October  
(b) 12th September  
(c) 23rd September  
(d) 15th August
31. When is World Alzheimer's Day celebrated?  
(a) 21st September  
(b) 19th January  
(c) 5th August  
(d) 12th November
32. Which Indian Navy warship was decommissioned in September 2022, at a ceremony held at the Naval Dockyard, Mumbai?  
(a) INS Talwar  
(b) INS Kolkata  
(c) INS Ajay  
(d) INS Kalvari
33. When is World Rose Day celebrated?  
(a) 2nd June  
(b) 14th November

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- (c) 9th May  
(d) 22nd September
34. Who is the first Indian to win four medals at World Wrestling Championships?  
(a) Gita Phogat  
(b) Bajrang Punia  
(c) Sarita Mor  
(d) Babita kumari
35. Which of the following National Parks was selected to reintroduce Cheetahs in India?  
(a) Kuno National Park  
(b) Bandipur National Park  
(c) Kaziranga National Park  
(d) Ranthambore
36. Which state was declared as India's first clean Suval by the Union Minister of Jal Shakti, Gajendra Singh Shekhawat?  
(a) Lakshadweep  
(b) Jammu and Kashmir  
(c) Andaman and Nicobar Islands  
(d) Rajasthan
37. Who became the 76th Chess Grandmaster (GM) of India?  
(a) Harshit Raja  
(b) Arjun Kalyan  
(c) Pranav Anand  
(d) Rithvik Raja
38. Who became the first Indian female wrestler to win two medals at the World Championships?  
(a) Vinesh Phogat  
(b) Babita Kumari  
(c) Divya Kakran  
(d) Navjot Kaur
39. Which country is the host of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) summit 2022?  
(a) Japan  
(b) Uzbekistan  
(c) Australia  
(d) Iran
40. Which country will host the G20 Leaders Summit at the level of Heads of State and Government in the year 2023?  
(a) India  
(b) Japan  
(c) China  
(d) Bangladesh
41. How many drugs are included in the 'National List of Essential Medicines'?  
(a) 384  
(b) 209  
(c) 1000  
(d) 678

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42. How long did the All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA) under the Ministry of AYUSH conducted the Ayurveda Day 2022 program?
- (a) six-week (10 August- 21 September)
  - (b) six-week (12 September- 23 October)
  - (c) six-week (21 December-1 January)
  - (d) six-weeks (2 March- 13 April)
43. Who wins Zurich Diamond League Final 2022 in Switzerland?
- (a) Annu Rani
  - (b) Shivpal Singh
  - (c) Neeraj Chopra
  - (d) Davinder Singh Kang
44. Who launched the Prime Minister's TB Free India Campaign on 9th September 2022?
- (a) Rahul Gandhi
  - (b) Yogi Adityanath
  - (c) Amit Shah
  - (d) Droupadi Murmu
45. Who successfully completed six flight tests of the Quick Reaction Missile (QRSAM) system surface to air?
- (a) DRDO and Indian Army
  - (b) ISRO
  - (c) Indian Air Force
  - (d) Indian Navy
46. Who has been appointed as the next High Commissioner of India to Canada?
- (a) Sanjay Kumar Verma
  - (b) Virander Paul
  - (c) Ambassador Sandhu
  - (d) Pradeep Kumar Rawat
47. For how many countries, India's National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) and UK Government in collaboration with BAE Systems have successfully designed and conducted cyber security exercises?
- (a) 26 Countries.
  - (b) 10 Countries.
  - (c) 50 Countries.
  - (d) 2 Countries.
48. Which state has launched a loan scheme 'Mahila Nidhi' for the social and economic development of women through loans?
- (a) Punjab
  - (b) Rajasthan
  - (c) Uttar Pradesh
  - (d) Uttarakhand



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<b>CURRENT AFFAIRS [OBJECTIVE]</b>							
<b>ANSWER - KEY</b>							
<b>1</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>B</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>C</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>D</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>B</b>

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