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### 18-year-old children under the Chief Minister's Girl Child Protection Scheme are invited to get maturity amount

- News- The Commissioner of Social Welfare Department has called for the girl children who have completed 18 years of age to get the maturity allowance under the Chief Minister's Girl Child Protection Scheme
- Note on 'Muthalvarin Girl Child Protection Scheme'- The 'Muthalvarin Girl Child Protection Scheme' is being implemented through the Tamil Nadu Electricity Fund Corporation under the Department of Social Welfare and Women's Rights, Government of Tamil Nadu. From 2001 to March 2023, 9 lakh 56 girl children have registered.
- A fixed deposit of Rs.50 thousand for only one girl child born in the family and a fixed amount of Rs.25 thousand each for 2 female children will be invested in the name of the children. Similarly, if the first birth is a girl child and the 2nd birth is twin girls in total 3 girls, Rs.25 thousand will be invested for each girl child on special permission.
- To avail this, the family income should be within Rs.72 thousand per annum. At the same time, the 2nd female child should be applied for within 3 years of birth. One of the parents must have done family planning within 40 years. Also, if the girl child completes 10th standard and remains unmarried till the age of 18, the deposit with interest is given as maturity amount.

### The Union Finance Minister has laid the foundation stone for a world-class international museum at Adichanallur, Tamil Nadu.

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman has laid the foundation stone for a world-class international museum at Adichanallur near Srivaikundam in Thoothukudi district in Tamil Nadu.
- This museum of ASI is located almost one kilometer away from the "on-site" museum at Adichanallur. It is noteworthy that the museum at Adichanallur is an important part of the Union Government's initiative announced in Budget 2020 to revitalize the country's tourism sector by establishing

world-class international museums across India.



- Indradhanush (IMI) 5.0 Immunization initiative launched in Coimbatore district.
- Indrathanush (IMI) 5.0, a highly intensified immunization initiative aimed at protecting under-five children, has been launched in Coimbatore district.
- The initiative has been launched with the aim of providing medical assistance to pregnant women who have not received the adult tetanus diphtheria (DT) vaccine and to children under five years of age who have missed vaccinations in the National Immunization Reference Schedule.
- A 4,000 MW renewable energy project is to be launched in Tamil Nadu.
- Union Power and New and Renewable Energy Minister Shri RK Singh said in the Parliament that nearly 4000 MW of renewable energy power plants are to be set up in the state of Tamil Nadu.
- The initiative has been approved by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy. It has also been announced that the project will be implemented by the Tamil Nadu Transmission Corporation (TANTRANSCO).

### A recent excavation under way has unearthed an "ancient weight stone".

- A remarkable "ancient weight stone" has been found during the ongoing 9th phase of excavation work at the foothills of Sivagangai district.
- It was almost 175 cm when excavated. It is significant that this weight stone made of crystalline stone was found at the depth "Excavation Pit XM19/3".
- The President of India has inaugurated the conference 'Aspiring for the best talent in the city of emotional development'.
- The President of India, Smt. Murmu

inaugurated the conference titled ‘Aspiring for Excellence in the City of Sensational Growth’ at Auroville in Villupuram.

- She said that through the spiritual and self-reliance awareness of a mind, even a common creature can be transformed into a conscious human being and this conference has been started with the aim of making the people of the world aware of a statement and taking its benefits to the world public.

### **The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has unveiled the logo of the World Investors Conference for the year 2024.**

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K.Stalin has released the “LOGO” for the Global Investors Conference (GMI) to be held in Chennai, Tamil Nadu in 2024.
- The conference is scheduled to take place on January 7 and 8, 2024. The Tamil Nadu government has announced that this symbol has been designed based on the Tamil letter “Tha”. The conference is being held to attract the entrepreneurial investors of international countries to invest in the state.

### **A 20-foot tall statue of Thiruvalluvar, composed entirely of Tamil characters, has been installed in Coimbatore.**

- Coimbatore Corporation has installed a “20 feet tall statue of Thiruvalluvar”, a famous Tamil philosopher, as part of promoting tourism at Kurichi Pond in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, under the Smart City programme.
- Made entirely of steel, the statue is carved with 1,330 Tamil characters to represent the 1,330 Kurlas written by him. It is significant that Thiruvalluvar’s first Thirukkurala - ‘Akara first letter all Adi Bhagavan Mudatete Ulagu’ is engraved on the platform designed by the print.



### **“Trichy” has been selected as the best Municipal Corporation of Tamil Nadu.**

- The Tamil Nadu Government has mentioned in a recent announcement that the Trichy Corporation has been selected as the best performing Corporation in Tamil

Nadu for the year 2023. And the award for this is going to be presented to the Mayor of Trichy on behalf of the Hon’ble Chief Minister.

- These awards are presented by Hon’ble Tamil Nadu Chief Minister every year on Independence Day to the best performing Municipalities, Boroughs and Corporations in the state.

### **“Vidiyal payana thittam”:**

- State Chief Minister M. K. Stalin has announced that the free bus travel scheme for women in Tamil Nadu will now be called Vidiyal payana thittam.
- On the occasion of Independence Day (August 15), the Chief Minister hoisted the national flag at the Chennai Chief Secretariat and then announced that various programs for women are working well in Tamil Nadu and the free bus travel program for women will be called “Vidiyal payana thittam” in the future.

### **India’s first unmanned aerial vehicle test facility to be set up in Tamil Nadu**

- India’s first Public Test Center for Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drone) will be set up in Tamil Nadu by the Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) under the Defense Test Infrastructure Scheme (DTIS) in its August announcement.
- The center is said to help make Tamil Nadu a preferred location for aerospace and defense companies to set up their Indian operations. It is reported that the center will be set up on an area of nearly 2.3 acres at Chipgad Industrial Park in Vallam Vadakal near Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu.

### **India’s first UPS Technology Center inaugurated in Chennai**

- Tamil Nadu Chief Minister M.K. Stalin inaugurated the country’s first technology center of US supply chain management and multinational shipping company United Parcel Service (UPS) in the state capital Chennai.
- Speaking at the opening ceremony, Chief Minister Stalin said that he will keep the trust reposed in Tamil Nadu by these institutions and take steps to boost the state’s economy through such institutions.



- Phase VIII of the Sagar Parikrama project is planned to be launched in the southern districts of Tamil Nadu.
- Union Fisheries and Animal Husbandry Minister Shri Parshotham Rupala and State Minister Dr. L Murugan will jointly inaugurate the 8th phase of Sagar Parikrama project in Tamil Nadu on August 31st.
- The initiative is planned to be launched at Tengapatnam fishing port in Kanyakumari district of Tamil Nadu. It is also reported that this initiative of Sagar Parikrama will cover the four coastal districts of Tamil Nadu including Thoothukudi, Ramanathapuram, Kanyakumari and Tirunelveli.





### **Scheme to be conducted at Chindan Shivir Kevadia for the development of the Ministry of Finance.**

- The Department of Finance launched the Chindan Shivir Program for Development at the “Statue of Unity” in Kevadia, Gujarat.
- The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, in the presence of Minister of State for Finance Pankaj Chaudhary and Deputy Finance Minister Bhagwat Karat. It is said that various issues and development in the Ministry of Finance will be discussed and various development initiatives including the roadmap to make India a developed country by 2047 will be discussed.

### **ULLAS: Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram” mobile application**



News- Union Minister has launched mobile application of “ULLAS: Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram”.

- Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Union Minister for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and Minister of Education, inaugurated the logo of “Ullas: Nav Bharat Sakshardha Karyakram” and its mobile application at the grand Bharat Mandapam at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.
- Ullas, an initiative with the theme of lifelong learning for all in society, aims to increase the country’s capacity building by creating awareness of education across the country and fostering a learning environment that reaches every individual.

### **The Cinematography Amendment Bill**

### **has been passed in Parliament.**

- The Cinematography Amendment Bill, 2023 was passed in the Lok Sabha amid much fanfare and the Parliament has fully passed it. The bill was recently passed in the Rajya Sabha.
- The Bill amends the Cinematography Act, 1952. It is also noteworthy that under this the certificate issued by the Central Board of Film Certification has changed from being valid for 10 years to now being valid forever.

### **The Think 20 Summit (G20) was held in Mysuru, Karnataka.**



- The Think20 Summit will be held in Mysore, Karnataka under the chairmanship of G20 India, where high-level experts and think tanks will discuss policy issues related to G20 development.
- Aims to discuss the world’s key issues such as lifestyle for sustainable development, women-led development, macroeconomics and trade, digital transformation, accelerating global financial order, green transition

### **Summit for Bureaucracy of G-20**



- Under the leadership of India, the EMPOWER Summit of the G20 was held in Gandhinagar, the capital of Gujarat. The grand conference was inaugurated

by Union Minister of Child and Women Development Smriti Irani.

- It is a two-day conference (August 01 – August 02). The theme of the conference is “Women-Led Development: Ensuring Sustainable, Equity Inclusive and Equitable Global Economic Growth”.

### **In a historic initiative, the Prime Minister will lay the foundation stone for the redevelopment of 508 railway stations across the country.**

- In a historic initiative, Prime Minister Modi laid the foundation stone of a program for the development and redevelopment of 508 railway stations across the country (India).
- It was launched under the “Amrit Bharat Station Project” to redevelop 1309 railway stations across the country. Also, as part of this project, 508 railway stations will be redesigned at a cost of Rs 24,470 crore, the Union Ministry said.



### **The President of India has inaugurated the “Festival of Libraries 2023”.**

- The President of India Draupadi Murmu inaugurated the “Festival of Libraries 2023” at the grand Pragati Maidan in the national capital, New Delhi.
- The festival is organized by the Ministry of Culture and will be held over two days. Also, this conference is being held with the objective of digitization and modernization of small and central libraries in India.



### **Anusandhan National Research Foundation Bill, 2023**

- The Anusandhan National Research Foundation Bill 2023 has been passed in the Lok Sabha.
- This Bill has been passed with the aim of revising the mechanisms for providing research, innovation and its development to small and micro entrepreneurs in the fields of natural sciences including mathematics and economics.
- In particular, the Bill repeals the Engineering and Scientific Research Board Act, 2008 and the process of dissolving the Engineering and Scientific Research Board established under it is seen as important.

### **e-CARe**

- In its notification, the central government plans to launch a website called e-CARe (e-Clearance for Interlife Remains) to facilitate speedy repatriation of bodies of Indians who die abroad.
- Union Health Minister Mandavia said that this website aims to avoid the delay in transporting the dead human bodies to the international borders and take them to their native land through appropriate measures and give their bodies to their families.
- Jan Vishwas Regulations Amendment Bill 2023
- The Rajya Sabha has approved the Jan Vishwas Regulations Amendment Bill 2023. And it is significant that this bill has been passed in the Lok Sabha recently.
- It is seen as significant that the bill seeks to amend certain laws to further improve the ease of living, ease of doing business and ensuring trust-based governance for the common people of the country.

### **Introduced India’s first indigenously developed next generation Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) imaging machine.**

- Union Minister of State for Science & Technology, Atomic Energy, Public Grievances, Pensions (Individual Charge) Dr. Jitendra Singh launched India’s first indigenously developed, lightweight, affordable and high-speed (1.5 Tesla) next-generation Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) imaging machine in New Delhi on August 01. .
- The Union Minister has said that the common man can easily buy the domestically produced cinematography machine at a low price. And it is seen as



an important part of the “Make in India – Made for the World” initiative.

- My soil is my country
- In the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar, a campaign called ‘En Mann En Nadu’ has been launched in its capital, Port Blair.
- Also Port Blair Municipal Council has started its yatra from its office complex to Gandhi Park to spread awareness among the general public about its main purpose. This initiative was initiated by Municipal President Chesi who planted 75 saplings. Dilkush Meena flagged it off.

### **Coastal Fisheries Commission Amendment Bill 2023**

- The Coastal Aquaculture Commission Amendment Bill 2023 was approved by the Rajya Sabha on August 09 and passed by the Parliament. And it is significant that this amendment bill has been passed in the Lok Sabha.
- The bill is to amend the “Coastal Fisheries Commission Act, 2005. The Central Minister said that through this, kisan credit cards will be provided to the coastal fishermen and thereby the fishermen community will progress.

### **The Rajya Sabha has passed the Scheduled Castes Commission Amendment Bill, 2023.**

- The Rajya Sabha of the Parliament on August 09 approved the Scheduled Castes Commission Amendment Bill 2023 of the Constitution. It is also noteworthy that the Lok Sabha has recently approved this bill.
- The Bill provides for the repeal of the Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Act 1950 which amends the list of powers of the Scheduled Castes in the state of Chhattisgarh. This Bill covers many communities including Mahras and Maharas in Chhattisgarh.

### **Fourth National Conference of ERMED Federation begins.**

- The Fourth National Conference of ERMED Consortium under the Empowerment of Libraries for Digital Health Transformation Program was inaugurated by the Minister for Family Welfare and Health, Dr. Bharathi Pawar, in New Delhi.
- After learning the need for digital transformation in the telecom and healthcare sector during the Covid era, the conference aims to spread awareness about how to handle multiple measures to avoid a relapse.

### **National Space Discovery Challenge 2023**

- The Atal Development Programme, along with NITI Aayog and the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) launched the “National Space Innovation Challenge (NSIC) 2023” in August for all government and private school students across the country.
- According to the central government, an open platform for this initiative will be provided to all school students studying from class 5 to class 12 till September 20. And it is significant that this initiative is given with the aim of providing the means to innovate themselves to solve the space technology problems of the modern era.

### **A plan to overhaul the 163-year-old Indian Penal Code.**

- Union Home Minister Amit Shah recently introduced the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita Act, 2023 in Parliament to replace the 163-year-old Indian Penal Code of 1860.
- The Bharatiya Sakshya Bill, 2023 and the Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, 2023 amend the Indian Evidence Act, 1872 and the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973 respectively.

### **The National Day of Remembrance is observed for those who lost their lives during the Partition of India.**

- Partition Day is observed in India to pay tribute to the fierce struggles and sacrifices that took place during the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947.
- Indian Prime Minister Modi has declared August 14 as the Atrocious Partition Day or “Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Diwas”. Our Prime Minister said that this day reminds us of the need to eradicate the deadly poison of social divisions and disharmony and further strengthen the spirit of social harmony, unity and human empowerment.



- A project to build the country’s biggest – new IT hub in Lucknow.
- Preparations for setting up a new and country’s largest IT center in Lucknow, the

capital of the state of Uttar Pradesh, have been initiated by the Chief Minister of the state.

- The State Rajya Nirman Nigam (UPRNN) has announced that the blueprint for setting up an IT Technology Park and Center on nearly 40 acres and an International Incubation Facility on 6.9 acres at Amausi and Nadarganj Industrial Areas on Kanpur Road in the main city has already been prepared and work is underway.

### **The intellectual giant National Media Conference 2023 has been held in New Delhi.**

- The esteemed Rashtriya Navratna Awards 2023 and National Media Conference, a prestigious event on behalf of electronic and print media associations, has been held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- From every corner of India, the best individuals and best organizations in the nominations for these prestigious awards will be honored with the prestigious Rashtriya Navratna Awards 2023.

### **An Indo-Jewish cultural heritage square (arena) has been opened in Israel.**

- In honor and celebration of India's 77th Independence Day, an "Indo-Jewish Cultural Square" (Arena) has been inaugurated by the Government of Israel in the city of Eilat.
- The organization is dedicated to the "civilized bond" of strong and good diplomatic relations between the two countries. And it is designed to symbolize the friendship, love, mutual concern and deep state connection between India and Israel, according to the Mayor of Eilat, Eli Langri.
- India Postal Department has taken a huge initiative to celebrate Har Khar Tiranga.
- To celebrate this year's Independence Day and Har Khar Tiranga, the Indian Postal Department has taken up an initiative to sell the national flag through its nearly 1.60 lakh post offices.
- This initiative has been taken with the aim that our tricolor flag should be available to the people of the country and to strengthen the nationalism in their hearts. This 2022 takeover campaign has been a huge success in the country. And it is noteworthy that nearly six crore people uploaded their selfies hoisting the tricolor flag on the "Har Khar Tiranga" website.

### **Union Minister launches Bharat New Car Assessment Program (Bharat NCAP).**

- Union Minister of Highways and Road Transport Shri Nitin Gadkari is all set to launch the much awaited "Bharat New Car Assessment Pilot Program (Bharat NCAP)" in the country.
- The Union Minister mentioned that the scheme will be a significant step in the Union Government's commitment to improve road safety by enhancing the country's road transport and safety of pedestrians and motorists. It is also noteworthy that the project is expected to "create a security-sensitive car capital market" in India.

### **The G20 Pandemic Fund has approved a \$25 million loan to strengthen the country's animal health system.**

- The G20 Pandemic Fund has recently approved a \$25 million initiative by the National Animal Husbandry and Dairying Department to strengthen India's animal health system.
- Established under the G20 leadership of Indonesia, the Pandemic Fund is an organization that focuses on low- and middle-income developing countries, financing critical investments to strengthen national, regional and global pandemic prevention, preparedness and response capacities.

### **India's first game-based learning library has been launched.**

- Ryan Group of Schools, a leading provider of innovative educational services, in collaboration with The All India Toy Manufacturers' Association (TAITMA) has launched a "Play-Based Learning Library" dubbed "India's First Elementary Toy Library".
- It is noteworthy that the library is designed to foster learning and holistic development and make play-based learning more accessible than ever by allowing children to borrow toys from the library, enjoy them at home and return them.

### **Asmita**

- Army Wives Welfare Association (AWWA) has organized the second initiative 'Ashmita - Inspirational Stories of Army Wives' at the Grand Maneksha Center in the national capital, New Delhi. President of India

Murmu is the Chief Guest and Chief Guest.

- This initiative has been launched with the aim of sharing the inspiring heroic stories of army wives who have carved a niche for themselves in various fields with perseverance and determination. It is designed with the aim of bringing the tragic life of soldiers before the eyes of the people.



### **An initiative to improve rail-sea-rail transport has been introduced.**

- The Union Ministry of Coal has recently introduced a proactive initiative to promote the scheme for efficient transfer of coal from one place to another in the country by integrating Rail-Sea-Rail (RSR) transport.
- This multi-modal transport initiative is designed to seamlessly transport coal from the country's mines to ports, drastically reducing transport costs to its end users and improving logistics efficiency.
- It is noteworthy that the scheme covers the major states of Jharkhand, Odisha, Chhattisgarh and parts of Madhya Pradesh.

### **Free Trade Agreement between India and ASEAN**

- India and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) have decided to review their current free trade agreement for goods and set a target of 2025 to complete the review with the aim of addressing the "asymmetry" in trade between the two sides, a Central government notification said.
- The AITGA data review will be further developed at the India-ASEAN Leaders' Summit scheduled for early September for guidance from the two countries at a recent meeting in Indonesia.

### **Karnataka has announced the official cancellation of the new education policy.**

- The Karnataka State Government has officially announced that it will withdraw the National Education Policy (NEP) and issue a new State Education Policy which will be implemented from the next academic year.
- He stated in the declaration that the policy

was formulated without taking the trust of the states and that the education policy cannot be imposed on the states and a uniform policy is not possible in a diverse and pluralistic country. It is also significant that states like Tamil Nadu and Kerala have already rejected the NEP policy.

#### **Note**

- The new education policy in India aims to provide equitable and quality education to the 3-18 age group. The focus shifts from conventional learning to holistic, practical and problem-solving education. Emphasizes problem-solving skills over memorization and traditional grading methods.

### **G20 plans to hold the fourth Cultural Working Group (CWG) summit in Varanasi.**

- The G20 4th Cultural Working Group (CWG) meeting is scheduled to begin on August 23 in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. The conference starts on August 23 and ends on August 26.
- It is noteworthy that the theme of the conference is "G20 Culture: Shaping the Global Narrative for Culturally Inclusive Development". The conference aims to uphold the character, tradition and culture of the country.
- A Memorandum of Understanding has been entered into between the Indian Coast Guard and the Philippine Coast Guard to enhance maritime cooperation.
- The Philippine Coast Guard has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Indian Coast Guard in August 2023 to enhance bilateral and regional maritime cooperation. The agreement was signed in New Delhi in the presence of the top naval commanders of the two countries.
- This Memorandum of Understanding has been carried out with the main objective of jointly solving the issues arising in the Indo-Pacific region and ensuring safe seabeds.

### **National Defense Strategies Conference**

- The National Security Strategies (NSS) Conference-2023 has been launched in New Delhi to ensure a resilient and secure nation by strengthening all aspects of the National Security Mechanism under the leadership of the Prime Minister of India, Mr. Modi.
- It is a two-day conference. And it is significant that this conference has been inaugurated by Union Home Minister Mr. Amit Shah.

### The B20 summit begins in New Delhi.

- The B20 summit for 2023 has started in India's capital, New Delhi. The conference is based on the theme R.A.I.S.E.
- It aims to focus on and discuss the major structural projects of the world's countries, and B20 India to make progress in social, environmental and business integration in African economies.

### Third International Conference on Structural Integrity is scheduled to be held in Chennai.



- The Third International Conference on "Structural Integrity" (ICONS 2023) has been held at the famous Mamallapuram in Chengalpattu district of

Tamil Nadu.

- It is noteworthy that the conference has been inaugurated by Dr. N Kalachelvi, Director, Scientific and Industrial Research Organization. The conference is organized as a joint initiative of the Indira Gandhi Center for Nuclear Research and the Society for Failure Analysis.
- A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between India and Japan to enhance cooperation in waste management.
- Kolkata-based International Association for Waste Air and Water Management (ISWMAW) and Japan's Kyoto Beyond SDGs Consortium have signed an MoU to promote research, education and industry collaboration between the two Asian countries on various environmental issues.
- It is noteworthy that this MoU is focused on sustainable development goals to promote academics, entrepreneurs and exchange of information and research collaboration between the two countries.

### G20-2nd Roundtable of Chief Scientific Advisers

- Under India's G20 leadership, the second roundtable of G20-led scientific advisors from around the world has begun. This conference is held in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. Ajay K Chute, Chief Scientific Adviser of the country participated on behalf of the Government of India.
- It is noteworthy that the conference is being held under the theme of 'Opportunities in

One Health, Diversity, Equity and Access in Science and Technology, Integrating Global Efforts to Expand Access to Scientific Knowledge'.



### **The International Education System Summit 2023 will be held in Dubai**

- The Federation for International Economic Development (FEDA) has hosted the International Education System Summit 2023 at the Hamdan Bin Mohammed Smart University (HBMSU) Grand Campus in Dubai, UAE.
- FEDA is an international organization with prominent economists and membership to promote economic development especially in India. The summit aims to provide an important and beneficial platform to aspiring students for academic excellence.

### **China and Pakistan have signed six agreements to enhance and accelerate cooperation under CPEC.**

- China and Pakistan have signed six major bilateral agreements to further accelerate and expand existing cooperation under the multi-billion US dollar CPEC (China-Pakistan Economic Corridor) project.
- The CPEC is a 3,000-km long line of massive infrastructure projects connecting China's northwestern Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region and Gwadar Port in Pakistan's western province of Balochistan. India has long opposed the project as it passes through Pakistan-occupied Kashmir (POK), part of India's Kashmir.

### **India to participate in Ukraine-Russia peace talks - Saudi Arabia**

- India has been invited to mediate in the Russia-Ukraine conflict peace talks led by Saudi Arabia.
- The Foreign Secretary stated that India will always support efforts to resolve the recent crisis in Ukraine through peace talks. And it is significant that Russia has been excluded from this general meeting.

### **Israel joins project to resolve India's water-related issues**

- The Circle, a business development company, Founders Club (FC), has partnered with the country of Israel in an initiative called "The Water Challenge" to address water issues, one of India's most pressing public issues.
- The project was formally launched with the

signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the Ambassador of Israel in India and Karanpal Singh, founder of The Circle, according to the Ambassador of Israel.

- The project aims to address challenges in water technologies and water resources management in India.

### **Government of India plans to provide Rs 45 crore financial assistance for Sri Lanka's digital identity development project.**

- In a significant step forward in promoting Sri Lanka's positive digital transformation, the Government of India has provided a financial assistance of Rs 45 crore in support of a unique Digital Identity Development Programme.
- This has been confirmed by the President's Office in Colombo, Sri Lanka in its latest statement on receipt of funds from the Government of India. And this move is aimed at successfully implementing the process of digitization of the country.

### **Iran's military has introduced new ships equipped with missiles that can hit targets with a range of 600 km.**

- Amid rising tensions with Iran and the United States, Iran's military has introduced new warships equipped with missiles capable of hitting targets up to 600 km away.
- Iran's announcement comes in response to the US sending additional F-16 and F-35 fighter jets and a warship to the Middle East in recent months.



### **An exhibition on "Pride of Indian Art" is planned to be held in Dhaka.**

- The Indian High Commission in Bangladesh has organized an exhibition titled "Pride of Indian Art" to commemorate the grand event "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" at the Indira Gandhi Cultural Center in its capital,

Dhaka.

- Indian High Commissioner Pranai Verma inaugurated the exhibition showcasing 75 works of art by renowned Bangladeshi artists. It also promotes cultural exchange between the two countries and the exhibition is designed to highlight the deep bond between India and Bangladesh to the world.

### **Anwar-ul-Haq Kakar has been appointed as the interim Prime Minister of Pakistan.**

- President of Pakistan Dr. Arif Alvi has approved the decision to appoint Balochistan Awami League Party (BAP) Senator Anwar-ul-Haq Khakkar as the interim Prime Minister of Pakistan.
- The appointment was made after a consensus was reached between the opposition and Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif during talks held in the country's capital, Islamabad. It is noteworthy that he has previously served as the "spokesman of the government" of Balochistan between 2015 and 2017.

### **India finished second in the 16th IOAA in Poland.**

- Team India has finished second with four gold and one silver medals in the 16th International Olympiad in Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA) 2023 held in Sorso, Poland.
- The series was held from August 10 to August 20. And it is noteworthy that the United Kingdom is at the top with five gold cons. 236 students from nearly 50 countries participated in this Olympiad and won 27 gold, 41 silver and 50 bronze medals in all sports categories.

### **For the first time in 40 years, an Indian Prime Minister has visited Greece**

- Prime Minister Modi, who participated in the BRICS conference, recently visited Greece from Johannesburg, South Africa. It is seen as significant in the history of both countries. Because this is the first time an Indian Prime Minister has visited Greece in nearly 40 years.
- Foreign affairs experts have also said that various development agreements will be signed during the visit with the aim of becoming India's diplomatic gateway to European relations.

### **India has handed over the B20 chairmanship to Brazil to host the G20 events until 2024.**

- India recently handed over the B20 chairmanship to Brazil to host the G20 events until 2024.
- The current B20 India President N Chandrasekaran has masterminded these G20 events and it is significant that India has led the world this year with a focus on the theme of Vasadeva Katumpagam (One Family, One Future, One Earth).



### **India's foreign trade to cross \$800 billion by 2023 : GTRI report.**

- Healthy growth of India's work and services sectors, GTRI noted in its report that in the first half of 2023 (January – June), India's aggregate value of exports and imports of goods and services crossed \$800 billion, despite a slowdown in global demand.
- Exports of goods and services rose 1.5 percent to \$385.4 billion in January-June this year from \$379.5 billion in January-June 2022, according to an analysis by the Global Trade Research Initiative (GTRI).

### **India aims to achieve \$150 billion bioeconomy by 2025 – Union Minister Dr. Jitendra Singh**

- Union Minister of Technology and Science Dr. Jitendra Singh has said that India has set a target of achieving a bio-economy of nearly \$150 billion by 2025.
- He made the announcement at a signing ceremony in New Delhi between the Department of Biotechnology and the US-National Science Foundation.
- He said that India has about 3 to 5 percent market share in the global biotechnology sector and the central government will take steps to improve this.

### **India to grow at 6.7% per annum over next eight years – S&P Global Report**

- International research and analysis firm S&P Global in its latest report has projected India to grow at 6.7% per annum over the next eight fiscal years and GDP growth from \$3.4 trillion to \$6.7 trillion from fiscal 2024 to fiscal 2031.
- And per capita GDP is likely to rise to around \$4,500 in this financial year, the company said in the report. It is significant that the report was released under the title "Forward: India's Moment".

### **India's overall exports hit an all-time high.**

- India's overall exports are set to reach an all-time high by crossing USD 776.3 billion in the financial year 2022-23, the central government said.
- The new foreign trade policy was introduced on March 31, 2023 and came

into effect from April 1, 2023. And it is significant that the reason for reaching this peak is the finding of products with export potential in each district and the creation of employment in the district.

### **"Transaction Dialogue"**

- The Reserve Bank of India has introduced a resolution to introduce an innovative payment advance system called "Transaction Conversation" on UPI.
- It is reported that the system is designed with the aim of receiving messages through the artificial intelligence platform for general users to initiate and complete key payment transactions in a secure environment if there are any doubts.



## PROGRAMS

### Plan to start 'My Soil, My Nation' movement.

- Prime Minister Modi has announced the launch of the movement 'My Land, My Nation' to honor and remember the great heroes who sacrificed their lives for the freedom of India at the 'Voice of the Mind' program held.
- In memory of those soldiers who realized the value of freedom and got it, the 'Amruda Kalasam' Yatra will be conducted under that movement and accordingly this initiative is designed with the aim of bringing 7,500 small pots of soil along with saplings and plants from different parts of the country and planting them in specific public spaces.

### Union Minister Sagar Sethu launched "Port Health Organization (PHO)" under the scheme.

- Union Minister of Ports and Shipping (MoPSW) Shri Sarbananda Sonowal launched the "Port Health Organization (PHO)" module under Sagar Setu – National Logistics Websites (Maritime) programme.
- The Union Minister said that the PHO system has been designed with the aim of protecting citizens and port-based personnel and speedily carrying out disease surveillance, health inspection and quarantine measures for them during critical periods.

### Bharatiya Vastra Evam Shilpa Ghosh website launched.

- The Prime Minister, Mr. Modi, while presiding over the 9th National Handloom Day celebrations in New Delhi launched the website (e-portal) 'Bharthiya Vastra Evam Shilpa Ghosh - Repository of Textiles and Handicrafts' developed by the National Institute.
- This website is designed to help entrepreneurs who need research papers, doctoral theses, case studies, dissertations related to textiles and handicrafts.
- Jal Jeevan Survey 2023
- Srinagar, a district of Jammu and Kashmir region, has topped the 'Front Runners' category in the 'Jal Jeevan Survey 2023' rankings.
- Manoj Sinha, Lt. Governor of the Union

Territory, expressed his sincere appreciation to DC Sgr Mohammad Aijaz Azad for the district's first rank in its category and for the excellent management of Srinagar district.

### PM Vishwakarma Development Scheme

- The Union Cabinet has approved a Rs 13,000 crore scheme to support traditional artisans of the country.
- The central government has approved the PM Vishwakarma Development Scheme in August 2023 to support India's urban and rural-traditional artisans and their talent at an estimated cost of Rs 13,000 crore.
- The project is designed to strengthen the family-based livelihood practice of artists and artisans and develop their traditional skills of working with their hands and tools. It is significant that this is a 5 year project.

### The initiative 'My Bengal, Slavery Free Bengal' has been launched.

- The President of India Draupadi has launched the campaign "My Bengal, Slavery Free Bengal" under the program 'Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyan' at the Raj Bhavan in Kolkata, West Bengal.
- It is significant that President Murmu said in the event that any drug addiction is formed due to stress, family unrest and various problems and this initiative has been started with the aim of bringing the youth out of such addiction.

### AICTE President has launched the Markadarshan Scheme 2023-24.

- Margadarshan Scheme 2023-24, a visionary initiative of All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) was successfully launched by AICTE President, Prof. T. G. Sitharam.
- The AICTE Chairman mentioned that this initiative has been launched with the aim of raising the standard of technical education across the country by providing dedicated guidance and its consistent efforts.



## India's first state-of-the-art 3D post office launched in Karnataka

- Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnav has inaugurated India's first 3D-designed post office building in Bengaluru, the capital city of Karnataka.
- It is noteworthy that the construction of this new post office building has been completed with the help of Larsen & Toubro and technical guidance from IIT Madras. And it's a 3D structure built on nearly 1,021 square feet in the city's Cambridge-layout.

## Annual Skill Development Programme

- Panchayat Raj and Union Rural Development Minister Giriraj Singh launched his ministry's "Annual Skill Development Programme" at a function in the national capital, New Delhi.
- The Union Minister mentioned on the occasion that the plan is a comprehensive roadmap strategy document designed to help and empower individuals. It is also significant that it is designed with the aim of increasing the efficiency of Central Government Skill Development Officers and removing deficiencies in the nature of work.

## Mera Bill Mera Adhikar

- The central government has introduced a major initiative incentive scheme named 'Mera Bill Mera Adhikar' to encourage a culture of users and customers asking for bills for all sales and purchases.
- This initiative is jointly undertaken by the Central Government and the State Government. And this pilot project will be launched on September 1, 2023, the central government said.
- The scheme will initially be launched in Puducherry, Dadra Nagar Haveli and Assam, Daman & Diu, Gujarat & Haryana and will be scaled up in other states based on its growth.



### ISRO has successfully launched 7 Singapore satellites.

- Indian Space Research Organization's (ISRO) PSLV-C56 rocket successfully launched a package of six co-passenger payloads including Singapore's DS-SAR satellite from ISRO's launch pad Sriharikota.
- It is significant that this is PSLV's 17th and PSLV's 58th flight in core stand alone system. PSLV-C56 / DS-SAR is the "exclusive and flagship commercial mission of NewSpace India (NSIL)" for ST Engineering, Singapore.
- DS-SAR stands for Radar Imaging Earth Observation Special Mission Satellite.



### ISRO plans to privatize huge satellite technology

- In its latest announcement, the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) has transferred its state-of-the-art IMS-1 satellite vehicle technology to a private company called Alpha Design Technologies through technology transfer.
- The transfer is part of ISRO's main business unit NewSpace India Organization (NSIL), which is an important part of efforts to further develop the private space sector.

### Introduced India's first indigenously developed next generation Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) imaging machine.

- Union Minister of State for Science & Technology, Nuclear, Public Grievances, Pensions (Individual Charge) Dr. Jitendra Singh inaugurated India's first indigenously developed, lightweight, affordable and high-speed (1.5 Tesla) Next Generation Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) imaging machine in New Delhi.

- The Union Minister has said that the common man can easily buy the domestically produced cinematography machine at a low price. And it is seen as an important part of the "Make in India – Made for the World" initiative.

### The oldest fossils of a herbivorous dinosaur have been found in the state of Rajasthan.

- Scientists from the Geological Survey of India (GSI) and the IIT-Roorkee Division have discovered the oldest fossil remains of a "long-necked and herbivorous" dicraeosaurid dinosaur in Jaisalmer, Rajasthan.
- According to the GSI, the landmass of India was the most important site of dinosaur evolution and the nearly 167-million-year-old specimen was named "Tharosaurus indicus" after the Thar Desert of Rajasthan, western India.



### Luna-25

- On August 11, the country announced the "Luna 25" project, Russia's first mission to the moon after 47 years. The Luna-25 spacecraft was launched aboard a Soyuz-2 Fregat rocket from the Vostochny launch pad in Russia's far southeast.
- Russia's space agency ROSCOSMOS has announced that the project is aimed at refining technology for a soft landing on the moon. Russia's decision is seen as significant among world scientists as India recently launched its third lunar mission, Chandrayaan 3.

### The Russian lunar probe Luna-25 crashed into the moon.

- Russia's lunar probe Luna-25 lost control and crashed into the moon, Russian space agency Roscosmos said in its announcement.

- The spacecraft lost contact with the spacecraft at approximately 14:57 Moscow time after it was given thrust to form a pre-landing elliptical orbit. So it has been reported that it may have crashed into the moon. It is significant that Chandrayaan 3, our country's lunar mission, is scheduled to land on the moon on August 23.

### **Aditya-L1, the first spacecraft to explore the Sun, is scheduled to launch next month.**

- ISRO has mentioned in its latest announcement that it is planning to launch India's first space satellite to study the Sun "Aditya-L1" in September.
- Developed at Bangalore's UR Rao Satellite Technology Centre, the satellite is slated to launch from ISRO's flagship Sriharikota launch pad. The spacecraft will be placed in a halo orbit around the "Lagrange point – L1" of the Sun-Earth system, nearly 1.5 million kilometers from Earth, with the aim of surveying the entire Sun.

### **AI-generated artworks have been ruled ineligible for copyright protection.**

- A US federal court in Washington DC has recently issued an important ruling that solutions and artworks created solely by artificial intelligence without any human intervention cannot be afforded "copyright protection" under US law.
- Administered in 1976, this copyright law is designed to prevent unauthorized copying of a person's work. Many tech experts say the ruling will ensure more people use AI technology.

### **Shiv Shakti Point- Chandrayaan-3**

- To commemorate the success of the Chandrayaan-3 moon lander, Prime Minister Modi has announced that the Vikram Lander landing site or area will be called 'Sivashakti Point'.
- The Prime Minister announced this important and historic designation at the ISRO Telemetry Tracking & Command Network Mission Control Complex in Bengaluru. It is also significant that the Prime Minister had announced the name of the Chandrayaan-2 crash site as 'Thiranga Point' in 2019.



**July 2023 has been officially declared as the hottest month on record.**

- The European Union's Copernicus Climate Change Forum has confirmed in a recent announcement that the month of "July 2023" will be the hottest month ever recorded globally, according to a clear analysis of the increasing global climate change and climate change crisis.
- This increase in temperature represents the most dangerous trend in the world and if this situation continues, the general population of the world will be affected by the most severe situation in the future.





### **Priya Malik has won gold at the U20 World Wrestling Championships for 2023.**

- Indian athlete Priya Malik won the gold medal at the 2023 U20 World Wrestling Championship in Jordan.
- With this win, she becomes the second Indian woman to win the U20 World Championship title. It is noteworthy that before this last year Andim Bangal became India's first woman to win the junior world title in wrestling.

### **Indian air pistol team has won bronze in the world championship series.**

- The Indian men's team consisting of Sarabjot Singh, Shiva Narwal and Arjun Singh Seema won bronze in the 10m air pistol event at the 2023 ISSF World Championships.
- With a total score of 1,734, they retained the medal, nine points behind silver medalists Germany. It is also significant that the Chinese team has won the gold medal in this series.

### **The Indian team won the silver medal in the All England Youth Championship.**

- India's Tharini Suri and Raksha Kandasamy won silver medals in the women's singles and mixed doubles events at the 2023 England Junior Badminton Championship held at Birmingham State University, England.
- It is noteworthy that Raksha Kandasamy, the second seed from Navi Mumbai, won this medal after losing three games to the first seed Jackie Dent of Canada with the score of 21-19, 12-21, 11-21.

### **Kapil Sonowal has won bronze at the 2023 Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships.**

- Indian sports star Kapil Sonowal set a record by winning a bronze medal in the 102 kg category at the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships.
- Notably, the 16-year-old lifted a total of 276 kg (i.e. 125 kg + 151 kg) to reach the podium.

### **17-year-old D Gukesh has overtaken**

### **chess legend Vishwanatha Anand to become India's top-ranked chess player.**

- 17-year-old D from Tamil Nadu. Gukesh broke Grandmaster and chess legend Viswanatha Anand's 37-year reign as India's first chess player in the live World Chess Series rankings.
- At the FIDE World Cup in Baku, Azerbaijan, Anand dropped to tenth place with a score of 2754.0 to move up to 9th in the world in the Classic Open category with a direct score of 2755.9.
- And it is noteworthy that Anand has only slipped to the second position in this world ranking twice since 1986. He became the "third Indian" to enter the world's top 10 after Bendala Harikrishna and Anand.



### **132nd Durant Cup**

- The 132nd Durand Cup series was inaugurated by Union Defense Minister Rajnath Singh at the SAI Stadium in Assam's Kokrajhar district.
- It is significant that the Assam State Government and the Bodo Regional Federation and the Indian Army have jointly organized this grand event.

### **World Archery Championship**

- India's women's combined team of Parneet Kaur, Jyothi Surekha Vennam and Aditi Swami defeated Mexico to win the gold medal in the final of the 2023 World Archery Championship.
- It is noteworthy that the Indian team defeated the Mexican team by 235-229 points in this final match and achieved this historic victory. It is significant that this is the first time the Indian team has won the World Championship title since its debut at the World Archery Championship held in Italy in 1981.



- Aditi became the first Indian to win the individual world title at the World Archery Championships.
- Aditi Swamy has become the first Indian to win a world championship title in the individual category at the World Archery Championship series finals held in Berlin, Germany.
- It is noteworthy that he defeated Andrea Becerra of Mexico with a score of 149-147 in this final match.

### **Gaddam-Bagat pair have won gold in the four-nation Para Badminton series held in England.**

- World top-ranked men's doubles pair of Sukand Katham and Pramod Bhagat have won gold medals in the SL3 and SL4 categories of the Four Nations Combined Para-Badminton International in Sheffield, England.



### **India's Shaun Ganguly has won the silver medal at the 2023 Commonwealth Youth Games.**

- India's Anupriya Valliot and Shaun Ganguly have won bronze and silver medals respectively in the junior 400m individual medley at the 2023 Commonwealth Youth Games in Trinbago, Spain.
- Notably, Ganguly retained his Indian best time of 4:25.47 seconds, edging out England's Reece Grady (4:24:16 seconds).



- Janic Sinner has won his first Canadian Open title.
- Italian Janic Sinner won his "first Masters 1000 title" at the Canada Open on August 13, defeating Australian Alex de Minaur 6-4 6-1.

### **India's Mohit won the world title in men's under-20 61 kg wrestling category.**



Mohit Kumar of India has won the August 2023 World Championship in Men's Under-20 61 kg Wrestling held in Amman, Jordan.

- In the final, Mohit defeated Eldar Akhmatudino of Russia 9-8 to win the title. And with this, he became the fourth Indian wrestler to win this title.

### **Indian archers have won bronze medals in the 2023 World Cup.**

- Indian recurve archers have won two bronze medals in the men's and women's team categories of the 2023 World Cup Phase 4.
- In this match, the Indian men's recurve team of Athanu Das, Dheeraj Bommadewara and Tushar Shelke defeated Spain's Andres Demino, Pablo Acha and Yun Sanchez by 6-2 (54-56, 57-55, 56-54, 57-55). They retained the bronze medal.



India has won gold in the 2023 Asian Junior Squash Series.

- India's athlete Anahat Singh won the gold medal in the U-17 category at the 2023 Asian Youth Squash Individual Championship held in Dalian, China.

### **India's Mehuli has won bronze at the 2023 ISSF World Championships.**

- India's Mehuli Ghosh won bronze in the women's 10m air rifle event at the 2023 ISSF World Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan.



### Spain has won the FIFA Women's World Cup.

- Spain made history by defeating England 1-0 in the final in Sydney, Australia for the first time to clinch the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup title.
- It is noteworthy that Spain's national football team, known as La Roja, is the "second country" after Germany to win both the Women's and Men's World Cups.

### R. Praggnanandhaa becomes the second Indian to reach the semi-finals of a FIDE World Cup.

- Tamil Nadu's R. Praggnanandhaa recently became the second Indian to reach the semi-finals of a FIDE World Cup or the first Indian to reach the semi-finals of a FIDE World Cup after Viswanathan Anand.
- He has earned this status by showing his outstanding performance in the FIDE World Cup 2023 which is currently being held in Baku, Azerbaijan. The Indian Chess Federation expressed its appreciation.



- Rana Pratap has won gold in the 2023 National Junior Aquatic Championships.
- Rana Pratap bagged Jharkhand's first individual gold medal at the 39th Sub Junior and 49th National Junior Aquatic Championships 2023 in Odisha's capital Bhubaneswar.
- It is also noteworthy that he set a new and national record of 2:21.88 minutes in Division I Men's 200m category with sensational swimming performance.

### The Gallow India Women's League has officially been renamed the Asmita Women's League.

- Union Sports and Youth Affairs Minister Anurag Singh Thakur has announced that the Gallow India Women's League will be officially known as the "Azmita Women's League" henceforth.
- Asmita stands for the mission of empowering women through their activism in the field of sports. The Union Minister said that any government school, college, government or private organization can conduct this 'Azmita Women's League' series and this decision has been taken with the aim of improving the sporting excellence of India.



### In the 2023 Chess World Cup, India's R. Praggnanandhaa won the silver medal.

- Tamil Nadu's R. Praggnanandhaa won silver. It is also noteworthy that Norway's Magnus Carlsen has won the champion title in this series.
- He is the second Indian to reach the World Cup final. Viswanathan Anand has previously held the title of being the first person to reach a World Cup final, which is seen as special.

### SP Sethuraman has won the National Chess Championship for 2023.

- Grandmaster S.P. Sethuraman has won his title of champion in 2023 and 60th National Chess Championship.
- The Petroleum Sports Development Council member retained the title with 9.5 points in the ninth and final round. And it is significant that he has won this title for the second time. He won the championship award for the first time in 2014. He received a cash prize of ₹6,00,000 for the win.

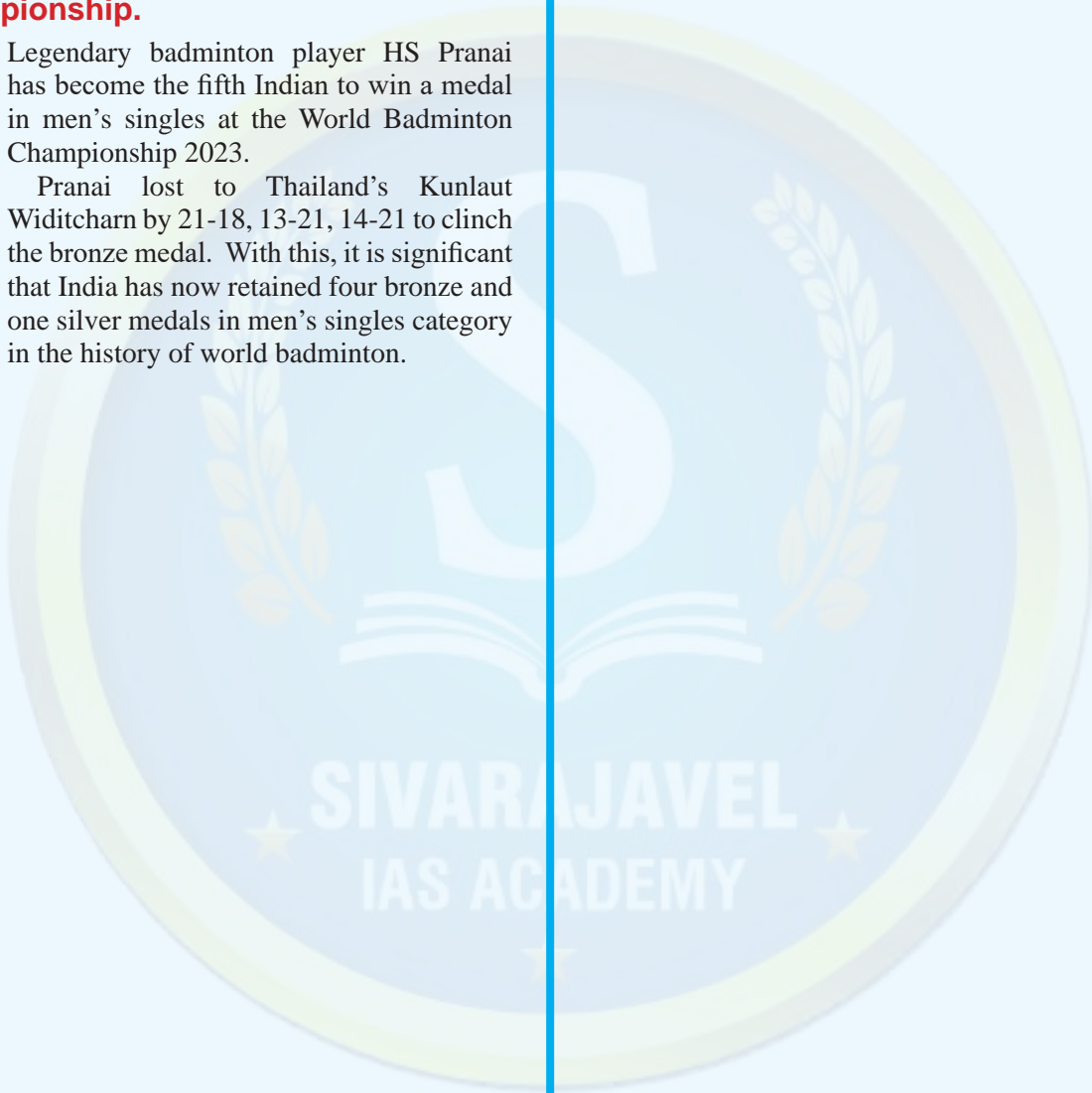


**India's Neeraj Chopra becomes the first Indian to win a gold medal at the 2023 World Athletics Championships.**

- Javelin thrower Neeraj Chopra won India's first gold at the 2023 World Athletics Championships in Budapest, Hungary.
- Notably, he retained his medal with a throw of 88.17 meters in the men's javelin final at the World Athletics Championships.

**HS Pranai becomes the 5th Indian to win a medal at the World Badminton Championship.**

- Legendary badminton player HS Pranai has become the fifth Indian to win a medal in men's singles at the World Badminton Championship 2023.
- Pranai lost to Thailand's Kunlaut Widitcharn by 21-18, 13-21, 14-21 to clinch the bronze medal. With this, it is significant that India has now retained four bronze and one silver medals in men's singles category in the history of world badminton.







## AWARDS

### **Prime Minister Modi is to be conferred with the prestigious Lokmanya Tilak National Award.**

- Prime Minister of India Modi is to be conferred with the prestigious “Lokmanya Tilak National Award” in Pune, Maharashtra for his outstanding contribution and excellence in the development of the country.
- Deepak Tilak, senior and current executive chairman of the Tilak Smarak Mandir Foundation, will present the award to the Prime Minister. It is significant that this award is presented every year on August 1, the anniversary of the esteemed leader Lokmanya Tilak, to honor those individuals who have made significant contributions for the development of the nation.

### **South Africa’s highest national award to a person of Indian origin.**

- In South Africa, Pegasus Universal Aerospace Group led by Indian-origin Reza Mia has been awarded the prestigious National Science and Technology (NSTF) Award in the category of Innovation and Research.
- The award is given for nearly a decade of vertical take-off and landing aircraft development. It is noteworthy that the National Science and Technology Forum has conferred this prestigious award.

### **The ‘Tagaisal Tamilar’ award for the year 2023 has been announced to K. Veeramani.**

- It has been mentioned in a recent announcement that Dravidar Kazhagam president K. Veeramani is going to be given the ‘Tagaisal Tamilar’ award, one of the highest awards of the Tamil Nadu government for the year 2023.
- The announcement also mentioned that this award will be presented to K. Veeramani by Chief Minister Stalin on the Independence Day of 2023.
- It has been reported that he has been selected for this award for contributing to the development of Tamil through his excellent works, who took over the responsibility of

the editor of the daily “Vitukulai” in 1962 and has been doing his best work for 60 years.

### **The National Gopal Ratna Award for the year 2023 is planned to be presented on the National Milk Day of the country.**

- The Ministry of Dairying and Animal Husbandry had mentioned in its August announcement that it plans to present the National Gopal Ratna Awards for 2023 on the country’s National Milk Day.
- These awards are given every year to encourage dairy cooperatives, dairy farmers and artificial insemination technicians (AITs) under the RGM scheme. It is noteworthy that the Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM) was launched in India in December 2014 with the aim of protecting indigenous cow breeds.

### **“Rashtriya Gaurav Award” conferred on Aligarh University Professor.**

- Dr. Pallav Vishnu, Professor, Department of Linguistics, Aligarh Muslim University, has been awarded the prestigious ‘Rashtriya Gaurav Award’ for the year 2023 at a conference on “National Integration and Economic Development” held in New Delhi.
- This prestigious award given by India International Friendship Society (IIFS), a voluntary organization, was presented to him by Smt. It is noteworthy that Meera Kumar (Former Speaker of the People’s Assembly) was honored for her outstanding performance and outstanding service.

### **Dr. Waliur Rahman has been conferred with the prestigious National Geoscience Award.**

- In a recent award function, the President of India Murmu presented this prestigious National Geoscience Award to Dr. Waliur Rahman, an alumnus of the Department of Geography, Aligarh Muslim University.
- It is noteworthy that he is currently working as a scientist at the National Center for Ocean and Polar Research, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India.

## **SJVN has been awarded 'NTPC Rajbhasha Shield 2023'.**

- Central government power PSU SJVN has won the NTPC Rajbhasha Shield System award for 2023.
- The awards were presented at a conference of the Hindi Advisory Committee of the Ministry of Power held in the national capital, New Delhi. It is noteworthy that the award is given annually by the Ministry of Power, Government of India for the efforts made by the corporations to propagate the official language policy.

## **Prime Minister Modi has been awarded the highest Grand Cross of the Order of Honor of Greece.**

- Greece's highest Grand Cross of the Order of Honor was awarded to Indian Prime Minister Modi by President Katerina N. Sakellaropoulou presented the honor.
- The award was presented at the Parliament complex in Athens, the capital of the country. The President said that this award shows the great contribution made by Prime Minister Modi for the development of the world economy and shows the respect that Greece has for India.



## **69th National Film Awards 2023 List Released:**

- The winners list of the 69th National Film Awards 2023 has been announced at the "National Media Centre" in the national capital, New Delhi.
- It is also said that the winners of this list will be honored by the President at a function to be held at a future date.

classification	Rocketry
Best movie ever	Nikhil Mahajan (Godavari)
Best director	Allu Arjun (Pushpa)
Best actor	
Best Tamil movie	

## **India Smart City Awards Competition 2022 – Winners List Announced**

- The Central Government has released the list of winners of the "India Smart Cities Awards" competition (ISAC) for the year 2022.
- This list includes nearly 35 Project Award, 6 Innovation Award, 13 National/Zonal City Award, 5 State/UT Award and 7 Partner Award.
- It is noteworthy that the central government has recently announced that the awards will be presented by President Murmu at a function to be held in Indore, Madhya Pradesh on September 27.

### **Some of them include:**

- Environment Award - Coimbatore
- Award for Culture – Ahmedabad
- Award for Economics- Indore

## **A teacher from Visakhapatnam has been selected for the best teacher award at the national level.**

- M.Sivajibalam is working as a second class teacher in GVMC School, Visakhapatnam. It is noteworthy that Uma Gandhi has been selected for the 'Best Teacher Award' by the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD).
- He will receive this prestigious award from President Draupadi Murmu on September 5 in the national capital, New Delhi, the August 2023 notification of the Central Government stated.



### India and UAE conduct bilateral exercises with navies. carried out

- Two Indian Navy ships INS Visakhapatnam and INS Trikant have arrived at Rashid Port in Dubai, UAE. The exercise was held from August 8 to August 11
- The joint naval exercise between India and the UAE, 'Sayed Talwar', will contribute to regional security and enhance coordination between the two countries.



### Indian Air Force Plans to Participate in Egypt's Tri-Army Exercise BRIGHT STAR-23

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) has flown to Egypt to participate in BRIGHT STAR-2023, a multi-lateral tri-military exercise at Cairo (West) Air Base, Egypt.
- This exercise is held every two years. And the exercise is scheduled to be held from August 27 to September 16, 2023.
- It is significant that the exercise will be conducted with the main objective of speeding up defense planning and its implementation through joint operations.

### Malabar Joint Naval Exercise for 2023

- Indian Navy's indigenous warships INS Kolkata and INS Sahyadri along with Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force (JMSDF) and United States Navy (USN) ships and aircraft conducted the Joint Naval Exercise "Malabar" with the Royal Australian Navy (RAN).
- The joint naval exercise is scheduled to take place from August 11 to August 21 in Sydney, Australia. It is noteworthy that this Malabar naval exercise was started in 1992 as a bilateral joint naval exercise between the navies of India and the US.



### The President of India has launched INS Vindhyagiri, a type of warship that does not get caught in the enemy's radars.

- Indian President Draupadi Murmu launched India's new warship 'INS Vindhyagiri' at the Garden Reach Ship Show Ground (GRSE) on the banks of Hooghly River, Kidderpore, Kolkata, West Bengal.
- Named after a mountain range in Karnataka, this advanced stealth-class frigate INS Vindhyagiri is the sixth version of the "Project 17A" warships.



### **Nisha Biswal**

- News- Indian-origin policy expert Nisha Biswal has been appointed as Deputy CEO of a US financial institution.
- The US Senate has announced that Indian-origin economic policy expert Nisha Biswal has been appointed as the Deputy Chief Executive Officer (DY-CEO) of the US Financial Institution.
- With nearly 30 years of experience in international development programs of the US White House and foreign policy, he will take up his distinguished role as Deputy CEO of the US Agency for International Development.



### **Sachin Tendulkar has been appointed as the Election Commission of India's National Voter Awareness Ambassador.**

- Indian cricket legend and esteemed Bharat Ratna winner Sachin Tendulkar has been appointed as Election Commission of India's National Ambassador for Election-Voter Awareness and Education.
- The Election Commission of India said in its latest announcement that it will sign an MoU for the tenure of the appointment for "three years". It is significant that this appointment has been made with the aim of increasing voter participation in the 2024 general elections.

### **Geetika becomes the first woman to head the Indian Embassy in Pakistan.**

- Geetika Srivastava, a 2005 batch Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer, has been appointed as the new Charge d'Affaires (CDA) in Pakistan's capital Islamabad, according to a recent notification by MEA.
- She will succeed the incumbent Dr M Suresh Kumar and marks the first time since independence that a woman will head the Indian Embassy in Pakistan.





## World Wide Web Day 2023



- World Wide Web Day is celebrated on August 1st every year in memory of Tim Berners-Lee, creator of the WWW, and to honor and respect the world's ability to freely search for information using the Internet.
- There is no theme for this day. It also celebrates the common cause of people around the world using the internet in a safe and efficient manner.

## World Breastfeeding Week 2023



The first week of August every year (from 01 – 07 August) is observed as World Breastfeeding Week with an aim to highlight the health, hygiene and welfare of children, good nutrition, benefits of maternal health and its improvement among mothers of the world.

- It is celebrated every year to commemorate the 1990 Declaration of Innocenti system. And World Breastfeeding Week (WBW) was started in 1992. “Breastfeeding and Work” is the theme for this year

## National Paper Day 2023

- National Paper Day is celebrated on 01 August every year in India to commemorate the first Prime Minister of India, Jawaharlal Nehru, who founded a hand-woven paper

factory in Pune, Maharashtra on 1 August 1940 to honor, revive and preserve the rich tradition of hand-woven paper production in India.

- It is also significant that the first copies of the Constitution of India were printed here. The day is celebrated with no specific theme and aims to spread awareness about paper among the general public.

## Hiroshima Day 2023

- Every year on August 6th, Hiroshima Day is observed in various countries to commemorate the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, a major industrial city in Japan, at the end of World War II in 1945.
- The blast killed more than 2,00,000 civilians within seconds and injured a few thousand. The name “Little Boy” of this powerful atomic bomb is significant.

## National Handloom Day 2023

- National Handloom Day is observed on 07th August every year with the aim of promoting the handloom industry, recognizing the initiatives and skills of the weavers involved in the industry and preserving the heritage and culture of the community.
- The theme for this year is “Handlooms for Sustainable Fashion”.

## Quit India Movement Day



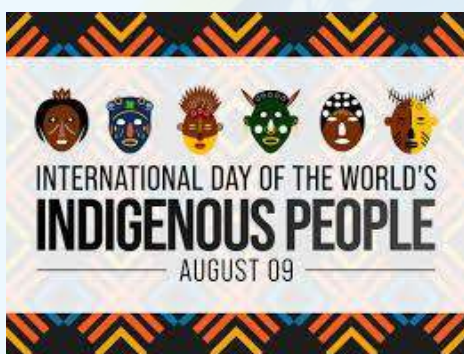
- The day is observed every year on 08th August to commemorate the passing of the Quit White Movement Resolution which was a declaration of India's unwavering determination to immediately end the British colonial rule in India and for the British to “Quit India”.
- This day is also known as August Kranti Diwas/Day across the country. The day is also observed with the aim of paying tribute to the freedom fighters along with national

dialogues and other events for national integration.

### Nagasaki Day

- 74,000 – 80,000 people were killed by the atomic bomb dropped by the United States on the industrial city of Nagasaki, Japan, on August 9, 1945, during the final stages of World War II. Nagasaki Day is observed every year on 09th August in memory of those killed in this tragedy.
- The atomic bomb dropped on Nagasaki was given the code name 'Fat Man' and it is significant that a similar tragic incident was done on Hiroshima on August 6th and the hidden pages of history are located.

### International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples 2023



The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples is celebrated every year on August 9 to promote the rights of all indigenous peoples of the world and to ensure the improvement of their living standards, from the Inuit in the Arctic region to the Tuareg in the North African region.

- And on December 23, 1994, the United Nations General Assembly, under its resolution 49/214, recognized that August 9 of each year shall be observed as the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples.

### World Biofuel Day 2023

- On August 9, 1893, Sir Rudolph Diesel operated a diesel engine with a peanut oil mixture for the first time. Then it is designed as a diesel engine. Every year 10th August is celebrated as "World Biofuel Day" in honor of Sir Rudolph Diesel who invented the diesel engine.
- The day is observed with the aim of promoting the use of biofuels and renewable energy resources over conventional energy resources. There is no specific theme for this day.



### International Youth Day 2023

- International Youth Day is observed on 12th August every year to provide a platform to appreciate the qualities of the youth and their potential in the overall development of the country and to focus efforts to eliminate the challenges and problems faced by the youth.
- "Green Skills for Youth: Towards a Sustainable World" is the theme for 2023. Also, this day is observed with the primary objective of improving the life skills of the youth.

### World Elephant Day 2023

- World Elephant Day is observed on August 12 every year with the aim of uniting individuals and various groups worldwide to address the challenges and threats faced by elephants around the world.
- Elephant has been declared as National Heritage Animal of India in 2010. It is also significant that India has the second largest number of elephants used for tourism in Asia.



### World Organ Donation Day 2023

- World Organ Donation Day is observed on 13th August every year to create awareness among the world public about the importance of human organ donation and to make people aware of the misconceptions about organ donation.
- Step up to volunteer; Need more organ donors to fill the lacunae is the theme for this year. And it is significant that it focuses on a global call to the global and local public to emphasize the importance of organ donation.

### Vibhajan Vibishika Smriti Diwas

- August 14, 2023 is being observed as Partition Day in India to pay tribute to the fierce struggles and sacrifices that took place during the partition of India and Pakistan in 1947.
- Indian Prime Minister Modi has declared August 14 as the Atrocious Partition Day or "Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Diwas". Our Prime Minister said that this day reminds us

of the need to eradicate the deadly poison of social divisions and disharmony and further strengthen the spirit of social harmony, unity and human empowerment.



### Indian Independence Day 2023

- 15th August is seen as the first day that the Indian country, which has been stuck under British rule for almost 300 years, will breathe the air of freedom.
- The day is celebrated to commemorate the day that started its journey of independence and became a democratic, republican and sovereign nation and to honor the various sacrifices made to achieve this day.

### The new year of the Parsis is celebrated as “Nowroz”.

- The “Parsi community”, a major ethnic group spread across various parts of India, celebrates the Parsi New Year i.e. “Patti” on 16th August.
- Parsis are an ethno-religious group of the Indian subcontinent who follow the Zoroastrian religion. It is significant that they migrated to medieval India in the Persian regional empire.

### World Humanitarian Day 2023

- World Humanitarian Day is observed on August 19 every year to mark the anniversary of the bombing of the United Nations General Assembly headquarters in Iraq by terrorist organizations.
- This day was established by the United Nations in 2009. Also this day aims to honor the humanitarian aid workers (Social Workers) around the world. “It takes a village” is the theme for this year.



### World Photography Day 2023

- World Photography Day is observed on August 19 every year to encourage people to share their sense of the world through the lens and to honor and appreciate the impact of photography on society and society.
- “LANDSCAPES” is the theme for this year. The day also aims to commemorate the announcement of the daguerreotype process to the public on August 19, 1839 by the French Institute of Sciences



### World Mosquito Day 2023

- August 20 is observed every year as “World Mosquito Day” to commemorate British physician Sir Ronald Ross’s discovery in 1897 that “female mosquitoes transmit malaria to humans”.
- There is no theme for this year. And this day is observed for the purpose of creating awareness among the people of the world about the ways to protect ourselves from these diseases that can cause serious danger like malaria.

### Akshay Urja Diwas 2023

- Akshay Urja Diwas is observed on 20th August every year with the aim of creating awareness about the developments of renewable energy in India and promoting its major development projects among the general public.
- The day has been observed by the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy since 2004 and it is significant that the day commemorates the birthday of former Prime Minister of India, Rajiv Gandhi.

### Madras Day

- Every year 22nd August is observed as “Madras Day” to celebrate the founding of the metropolis of Madras in Tamil Nadu in 1639.
- This year marks the 384th anniversary of

the founding of the city. And in the year 2004, the regional

- It is significant that the celebration of Madras Day started with the efforts of a small group of



### 2023 is the International Day for the Abolition of the Slave Trade and its Abolition

- A rousing convention against the slave trade was held on August 23, 1791 in St. Domingue, now Haiti. The International Day for the Abolition of the Slave Trade and its Abolition is observed every year on 23 August to commemorate some of the important decisions taken at this conference.
- Fighting slavery's legacy of racism through transformative education is the theme for this year.

### International Women's Equality Day 2023

- International Women's Day is celebrated every year on August 26 to commemorate the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment (women's suffrage) to the US Constitution in 1920.
- This day is significant because in 1971, the United States Congress and Senate officially recognized August 26 as International Women's Equality Day. Embrace Equity is the theme for this year.



### National Space Day

- Prime Minister Modi announced on August 26 that India will celebrate August 23 as "National Space Day" every year to mark the recent historic success of Chandrayaan-3.
- It is noteworthy that Prime Minister Modi, who addressed a group of ISRO scientists in Bengaluru on August 26 after concluding

the BRICS conference, made this important announcement after congratulating the scientists.



### National Sports Day 2023

- National Sports Day is celebrated every year on August 29, the birthday of India's famous and greatest hockey player, Major Tiaan Chand.
- It is noteworthy that he represented India in almost 185 matches in his entire career from 1926 to 1948. The day is celebrated with the theme "Honoring Sportsmen". This day is also known as Rashtriya Gal Diwas.



### National Small Industry Day 2023

- National Small Industry Day is celebrated on 30th August every year with the aim of recognizing and appreciating the achievements of micro and small businesses in the country and conveying the government's commitment to entrepreneurs for their growth and sustainability.
- The day is celebrated with the general idea of creating awareness about the challenges faced by small and micro entrepreneurs and developing ways to address them.





## World Sanskrit Day 2023

- World Sanskrit Day is celebrated on 31st August every year to celebrate and appreciate Sanskrit, one of the ancient Indian languages and to make the world aware of its diversity.
- It is noteworthy that many of the present Indian languages have evolved from Sanskrit and many of the Puranas and texts of North and Central India are written in this language. Also in 2015, the status of classical language has been given to Sanskrit as a historic event.





**Tagore's 82nd death anniversary is observed in Bangladesh.**

- The 82nd birth anniversary of India's first Nobel laureate, Rabindranath Tagore, is being observed in Bangladesh on August 06. As per Gregorian calendar, Tagore died on 07th August 1941 at the age of 80 but in Bangladesh his memorial day is observed on "22nd Sraban" as per Bengali calendar (i.e. 06th August).
- Known as Gurudev, it is significant that he left a deep mark on the culture of the Indian subcontinent (pre-independence India), especially Bengal, through his musical and artistic performances.





## **2 bronze statues of Gyalsras Bakula Rinpoche have been installed in Moscow, the capital of Russia.**

- Two bronze statues of Padma Bhushan awardee and former ambassador to Mongolia Gyalsras Bakula Rinpoche have been installed in Russia's capital Moscow, the country's Ministry of Foreign Affairs has announced.
- It is reported that these statues are erected to honor his efforts to revive Buddhism in the former Soviet Union and Mongolia. It is also noteworthy that a 6-foot tall statue of him has been erected inside a Buddhist temple in Moscow and another 9-foot statue of him in a central city park.

## **On the occasion of World Lion Day, a new anthem for lions and an online app called Chin Suchna have been launched.**

- Following the celebration of World Lion Day on August 10, the Chief Minister of Gujarat has released a new anthem for the lion and a web and mobile app called Chin Suchna.
- It is also noteworthy that Gir National Park in Gujarat, India is the only natural sanctuary of Asiatic Lions in the world. Significantly, the number of Asiatic lions there has increased to 674 as of June 2020, following continuous efforts by the forest department and the general public.

## **Agricultural Data Management Framework**

- Telangana State Industries Minister K Rama Rao inaugurated India's first Agricultural Data Management Framework (ADMF) and Agricultural Data Exchange Framework (ADeX) in the state capital Hyderabad.
- It is noteworthy that ADeX and ADMF have been developed as a Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) for the Central Department of Agriculture and are a joint collaboration between the State Government-World Economic Forum-

Indian Institute of Science.

- The system aims to facilitate secure and standards-based data exchange management among agricultural data providers such as government agencies, non-governmental organizations and private companies.

## 2023 AUGUST MONTH QUESTIONS

- 1) **World Web Day is observed**
- A) August 1
  - B) August 2
  - C) August 3
  - D) August 4
- 2) **World Breastfeeding Week is observed from which year?**
- A) 1991
  - B) 1992
  - C) 1993
  - D) 1994
- 3) **What is the upper family income limit for availing the Chief Minister's Girl Child Protection Scheme?**
- A) 25000
  - B) 50000
  - C) 75000
  - D) 10000
- 4) **In which country was the statue of Gyalstras installed?**
- A) Ukraine
  - B) Russia
  - C) Mongolia
  - D) India
- 5) **What is the aim of 'My Soil, My Nation' movement?**
- A) Commemorating the martyrs of war
  - B) Conservation of soil
  - C) Remembering the martyrs who lost their lives in India's freedom struggle
  - D) Highlighting the heritage of India
- 6) **National Paper Day is observed on**
- A) August 1
  - B) August 2
  - C) August 3
  - D) August 4
- 7) **Who has been conferred Lokmanya Tilak National Award in 2023?**
- A. Manmohan Singh
  - B. Sonia Gandhi
  - C. Narendra Modi
  - D. Draupadi Murmu
- 8) **Gwadar port is located in which country?**
- A. China
  - B. India
  - C. Iran
  - D. Pakistan
- 9) **Where was the G-20 Summit on Bureaucracy held?**
- A) Ahmedabad
  - B) Gandhinagar
  - C) Lucknow
  - D) Jammu and Kashmir
- 10) **Tilak's memorial day is observed on\_\_**
- A) August 1
  - B) August 2
  - C) August 3
  - D) August 4
- 11) **International Day of World's Indigenous Peoples is observed on**
- A. August 8
  - B. August 9
  - C. August 10
  - D. August 11
- 12) **August Kranti Diwas/Day is observed on**
- A. August 8
  - B. August 9
  - C. August 10
  - D. August 11
- 13) **Consider the following statements about 'Pharthiya Vastra Evam Shilpa Ghosh'**
- 1) Its aims is to promote textile and handicrafts
  - 2) This website is designed to help entrepreneurs who need research papers, doctoral theses, case studies, dissertations related to textiles and handicrafts.
- Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?
- a. Only statement 1 is correct
  - b. Only statement 2 is correct
  - c. Both statements are correct
  - d. Both statements are wrong
- 14) **Which has been selected as the best corporation in Tamil Nadu?**
- A. Chennai
  - B. Coimbatore
  - C. Trichy
  - D. Karur

15) Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Divas is observed on \_\_\_\_\_

- A. August 12
- B. August 13
- C. August 14
- D. August 15

16) Aditya-L1 spacecraft aims to explore which planet?

- A) the sun
- B) Mars
- C) Mercury
- D) Venus

17) Nowruz is celebrated by whom

- A. Hindus
- B. Muslims
- C. Christians
- D. The Parsis

18) Dheeraj Bommadeva is associated with which of the following sports?

- A. Football
- B. Shooting
- C. Cricket
- D. Archery

19) The objective of 'Nasha Mukh Bharat Abhiyan'

- A. Elimination of chicken pox
- B. Elimination of Tuberculosis
- C. Elimination of malaria
- D. Eradication of HIV

20) India's first unmanned aerial vehicle testing facility to be set up at \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala
- C. Uttar Pradesh
- D. Karnataka

21) The PM Vishwakarma Development Scheme aims to promote \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Small scale industries
- B. Urban and Rural Artisan
- C. Rural youth
- D. Women's education

22. World Mosquito Day is observed on \_\_\_\_\_

- A. August 20
- B. August 21
- C. August 22
- D. August 23

23. Akshay Urja Diwas 2023 is observed on \_\_\_\_\_

- A. August 19
- B. August 20
- C. August 21
- D. August 22

24. He is the second Indian to reach the semi-finals of a FIDE World Cup.

- A) Kuhan
- B) Rana Pratap
- C) R Praggnanandhaa
- D) Viswanathan Anand

25. Akshay Urja Diwas 2023 is observed by which Ministry

- A) Ministry of Finance
- B) Ministry of Science and Technology
- C) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- D) Ministry of Environment

26) Where is the 20 feet tall Thiruvalluvar statue made entirely of Tamil characters to be erected?

- A. Coimbatore
- B. Thiruvannamalai
- C. Tiruchendur
- D. Tiruchirappalli

27) Purpose of e-CAR platform

- a) Bringing dead body from foreign countries to India
- b) Care Centre for the Elderly population
- c) Skill development training centre for rural youth
- d) All of the above are correct

28) Consider the following statements about the Jan Vishwas Regulations Amendment Bill 2023

- 1) It ensures ease of living and ease of doing business for the common people of the country
- 2) This will ensure trust based governance

Which of the above statement(s) is/are correct?

- A) Only statement 1 is correct
- B) Only statement 2 is correct
- C) Both statements are correct
- D) Both statements are wrong

29 Which country has developed new ships equipped with missiles with a range of 600 km?

- A) India
- B) Iran
- C) China
- D) Russia

30) Which of the following countries will participate in the first ever Tripartite Summit?

- A. India
- B. America
- C. Japan
- D. South Korea

**31) Who has been given the 'Tagaisal Tamil' award for the year 2023?**

- A. Suba Veerapandian
- B. N. Shankaraiah
- C. K. Veeramani
- D. Nallakannu

**32) Clove Syndrome Awareness Day is observed as?**

- A) August 1
- B) August 2
- C) August 3
- D) August 4

**33) Adichanallur was first excavated by whom?**

- A) Dr Jagor
- B) Alexander Rhea
- C) Dr Sathya Murthy
- D) Alexander Cunningham

**34) What is the purpose of Indradhanush (IMI) 5.0?**

- A. Providing incentives to women
- B. Immunisation of children under 5 years of age
- C. To improve the livelihood of rural people
- D. Providing skill development training to youth

**35) Kapil Sonowal is associated with which sport?**

- A) Hockey
- B) Weight lifting
- C) Badminton
- D) Tennis

**36) Who among the following becomes India's top ranked chess player, overtaking chess legend Viswanatha Anand?**

- A. Praggnanandhaa
- B. Gukesh
- C. Parimarjan Negi
- D. Aryan Chopra

**37) Who became the first Indian to win the individual world title at the World Archery Championship?**

- A. Parneet Kaur
- B. Jyoti Sureka
- C. Adhithi
- D. Priyanka

**38) Who is known as Gurudev?**

- A. Abhinandanath Tagore
- B. Rabindranath Tagore
- C. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose
- D. Swami Vivekananda

**39) Hiroshima Day is observed on**

- A. August 4
- B. August 5
- C. August 6
- D. August 7

**40) National Arrest Day is observed on**

- A. August 5
- B. August 6
- C. August 7
- D. August 8

**41) Quit White Movement Day is observed on**

- A) August 6
- B) August 7
- C) August 8
- D) August 9

**42) Nagasaki Day is observed on**

- A) August 6
- B) August 7
- C) August 8
- D) August 9

**43) International Day of World's Indigenous Peoples is observed on**

- A) August 8
- B) August 9
- C) August 10
- D) August 11

**44) August Kranti Diwas/Day is observed as?**

- A) August 8
- B) August 9
- C) August 10
- D) August 11

**45) Consider the following statements about 'Bharthiya Vastra Evam Shilpa Ghosh**

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- C) Both statements are correct
- D) Both statements are wrong

**46) A song written by Rabindranath Tagore has been adopted as the national anthem of which country?**

- A) America
- B) Bangladesh
- C) Malaysia
- D) Myanmar

47) Who was the first Prime Minister to visit Greece?

- A) Jawaharlal Nehru
- B) Lal Bahadur Shastri
- C) Atal Bihari Vajpayee
- D) Narendra Modi

48) World Biofuel Day is observed on

- A) August 10
- B) August 11
- C) August 12
- D) August 13

49) International youth day is observed on

- A. August 10
- B. August 11
- C. August 12
- D. August 13

50) In which year elephant was declared as the national heritage animal of India?

- A. 2008
- B. 2009
- C. 2010
- D. 2011

51) To create awareness about the importance of human organ donation to the general public of the world, Organ Donation Day is observed on

- A. August 10
- B. August 11
- C. August 12
- D. August 13

52) In 1947, \_\_\_\_\_ is observed as Partition Memorial Day in India to pay tribute to the fierce struggles and sacrifices that took place during the partition of India from Pakistan.

- A. August 11
- B. August 12
- C. August 13
- D. August 14

53) World Humanitarian Day is observed from which year?

- A. 2007
- B. 2008
- C. 2009
- D. 2010

54) World Photography Day is observed on

- A. August 17
- B. August 18
- C. August 19
- D. August 20

55) One of the diseases that can be spread by mosquitoes?

- A. Polio
- B. Tuberculosis
- C. Jaundice
- D. Malaria

56) Akshay Urja diwas is observed on

- A) August 17
- B) August 18
- C) August 19
- D) August 20

57) In which year Madras city was founded?

- A. 1638
- B. 1639
- C. 1630
- D. 1700

58) Madras Day is observed from which year?

- A. 2001
- B. 2002
- C. 2003
- D. 2004

59) Black Ribbon Day is observed on

- A) August 22
- B) August 23
- C) August 24
- D) August 25

60) Copernicus Climate Change Forum is associated with which organisation?

- A. United Nation
- B. European union
- C. World Bank
- D. World Trade Center

61) Which country was the first country to soft land a rover on the south pole of the moon?

- A. China
- B. India
- C. America
- D. Japan

62) The oldest fossils of a herbivorous dinosaur have been found in \_\_\_\_\_ state.

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Madhya Pradesh
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Kerala

63) Luna 25 was launched to the moon by which country?

- A. China
- B. America
- C. Russia
- D. Britain

64) Shiva Shakti point is associated with what?

- A) Mangalyaan
- B) Chandrayaan 1
- C) Chandrayaan 2
- D) Chandrayaan 3

65) “\_\_\_\_\_” has been selected as the best Municipal Corporation of Tamil Nadu.

- A) Coimbatore
- B) Trichy
- C) Chennai
- D) Kanchipuram

66) India's first unmanned aerial vehicle test lab to be set up at \_\_\_\_\_.

- A) Tamil Nadu
- B) Kerala
- C) Madhya Pradesh
- D) Maharashtra

67) Gaddam-bhagat is associated with which sport?

- A. Tennis
- B. Cricket
- C. Weight lifting
- D. Badminton

68) Who won the Canadian Open title?

- A. Janic Sinner
- B. Roger Federer
- C. Andy Murray
- D. Rafael Nadal

69) Mohit is associated with which sport?

- A. Weight lifting
- B. Wrestling
- C. Tennis
- D. Badminton

70) Silver medalist in Chess World Cup 2023?

- A. Gukesh
- B. Magnus Carlsen
- C. Praggnanandhaa
- D. Viswanathan Anand

71) Who will win the National Chess Championship for 2023?

- A. Magnus Carlsen
- B. R. Praggnanandhaa
- C. Viswanathan Anand
- D. S. P. Sethuraman

72) Who will win the gold medal in the 2023 World Athletics Championships?

- A. Neeraj Chopra
- B. HS Pranai
- C. Priya Malik
- D. S. P. Sethuraman

73) Priya Malik is associated with which sport?

- A. Weight lifting
- B. Wrestling
- C. Badminton
- D. Tennis

74) Which countries are included in Malabar Joint Exercise?

- 1. India
- 2. Japan
- 3. Australia
- A. 1 & 2 only
- B. 2 & 3 only
- C. 1 & 3 only
- D. 1, 2 & 3

75) INS Vindhyagiri a

- A. Army truck
- B. warship
- C. Missile carrier
- D. Submarine

76) BRIGHT STAR-23 military exercise was held between India and \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Saudi Arabia
- B. Egypt
- C. Myanmar
- D. Japan

77) Where is the statue of Kyalsras Pakula Rinpoche installed?

- A. Moscow
- B. New Delhi
- C. Mumbai
- D. Chennai

78) World Lion Day is observed on

- A. August 8
- B. August 9
- C. August 10
- D. August 11

79) Which state released a new anthem for lions on the occasion of World Lion Day?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Gujarat
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Maharashtra

80) Agriculture Data Management Framework was launched in which state?

- A. Andhra Pradesh
- B. Telangana
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Kerala



**81) Who among the following do not belong to the extremists nationalist?**

- A) Bal gangadhar tilak
- B) Lala lajpat rai
- C) Aurobindo ghosh
- D) Pherosha Mehta

**82) Lokmanya Tilak National Award was given to whom?**

- A) Narendra Modi
- B) Draupadi Murmu
- C) Amit Shah
- D) Irajnath Singh

**83) Greece is located on which continent?**

- A. Asia
- B. European
- C. African
- D. America

**84) Reza Mia was awarded the highest award of which country?**

- A. South Korea
- B. South America
- C. South Africa
- D. India

**85) Dr. Waliur Rahman was given which award?**

- A. National Botany
- B. National Geosciences
- C. National Accountant
- D. National fashion designer

**86) India's first state-of-the-art 3D post office has been launched in \_\_\_\_.**

- A. Karnataka
- B. Kerala
- C. Tamil Nadu
- D. Madhya Pradesh

**87) Which film won the National Award for Best Picture?**

- A. Rocketry
- B. Pereyeruma Perumal
- C. Pushpa
- D. Godavari

**88) Which city won the award for environment in India Smart City competition?**

- A. Thiruvannamalai
- B. Tiruchirappalli
- C. Coimbatore
- D. Tirunelveli

**89) City awarded for culture in India Smart City competition?**

- A) Ahmedabad
- B) Mumbai
- C) Gandhinagar
- D) Lucknow

**90) Which city has won the economic award in the Indian Smart City competition?**

- A) New Delhi
- B) Indore
- C) Calcutta
- D) Chennai

**91) Where was the Think 20 Summit (G20) held?**

- A. New Delhi
- B. Calcutta
- C. Karnataka
- D. Tamil Nadu

**92) Under the leadership of India, G20's EM-POWER Summit was held in \_\_\_\_.**

- A. Karnataka
- B. Gujarat
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Maharashtra

**93) Which organisation conducts the National Space Discovery Challenge 2023?**

- A. ISRO
- B. Finance Commission
- C. Ministry of Home Affairs
- D. Ministry of Defence

**94) In which year the Code of Criminal Procedure was established?**

- A. 1953
- B. 1963
- C. 1973
- D. 1984

**95) In India, partition terror day is observed as?**

- A. August 12
- B. August 13
- C. August 14
- D. August 15

**96) Country's Largest – Plan to build new IT centre at \_\_\_\_.**

- A. Lucknow
- B. Gandhinagar
- C. Chennai
- D. Bangalore

**97) Intellectual Grand National Media Conference 2023 was held in \_\_\_\_**

- A) New Delhi
- B) Kolkata
- C) Mumbai
- D) Hyderabad

**98) Where is the Indo-Jewish Cultural Heritage Square(Arena) opened?**

- A) Israel
- B) Iran
- C) Iran
- D) Egypt

99) Where was the B 20 summit held?

- A) Chennai
- B) Bangalore
- C) New Delhi
- D) Calcutta



### Answers:

1	<b>A</b>	21	<b>B</b>	41	<b>C</b>	61	<b>B</b>	81	<b>D</b>
2	<b>B</b>	22	<b>A</b>	42	<b>D</b>	62	<b>A</b>	82	<b>A</b>
3	<b>C</b>	23	<b>B</b>	43	<b>B</b>	63	<b>C</b>	83	<b>B</b>
4	<b>B</b>	24	<b>C</b>	44	<b>B</b>	64	<b>D</b>	84	<b>C</b>
5	<b>A</b>	25	<b>C</b>	45	<b>C</b>	65	<b>B</b>	85	<b>B</b>
6	<b>A</b>	26	<b>A</b>	46	<b>B</b>	66	<b>A</b>	86	<b>A</b>
7	<b>C</b>	27	<b>A</b>	47	<b>D</b>	67	<b>D</b>	87	<b>A</b>
8	<b>D</b>	28	<b>C</b>	48	<b>A</b>	68	<b>A</b>	88	<b>C</b>
9	<b>B</b>	29	<b>B</b>	49	<b>C</b>	69	<b>B</b>	89	<b>A</b>
10	<b>A</b>	30	<b>A</b>	50	<b>C</b>	70	<b>C</b>	90	<b>B</b>
11	<b>B</b>	31	<b>C</b>	51	<b>D</b>	71	<b>D</b>	91	<b>C</b>
12	<b>B</b>	32	<b>C</b>	52	<b>D</b>	72	<b>A</b>	92	<b>B</b>
13	<b>C</b>	33	<b>A</b>	53	<b>C</b>	73	<b>B</b>	93	<b>A</b>
14	<b>C</b>	34	<b>B</b>	54	<b>C</b>	74	<b>D</b>	94	<b>C</b>
15	<b>C</b>	35	<b>B</b>	55	<b>D</b>	75	<b>B</b>	95	<b>C</b>
16	<b>A</b>	36	<b>B</b>	56	<b>D</b>	76	<b>B</b>	96	<b>A</b>
17	<b>D</b>	37	<b>C</b>	57	<b>B</b>	77	<b>A</b>	97	<b>A</b>
18	<b>D</b>	38	<b>B</b>	58	<b>D</b>	78	<b>C</b>	98	<b>A</b>
19	<b>B</b>	39	<b>C</b>	59	<b>B</b>	79	<b>B</b>	99	<b>C</b>
20	<b>A</b>	40	<b>C</b>	60	<b>B</b>	80	<b>B</b>	100	