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Appointment

1.Satish Agnihotri take charges as MD of NHSRCL

Appointed : Satish Agnihotri

Appointed As: Managing Director of NHSRCL



Highlights:

- **Satish Agnihotri** has taken over charge as **Managing Director, National High-Speed Rail Corporation Ltd(NHSRCL)**.
- He comes with more than 20 years of experience in the implementation of mega rail infrastructure projects.
- He has worked as Chairman & Managing Director, **Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL)**

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? Satish Agnihotri

Designation: Managing Director of NHSRCL

NHSRCL

chairman: Suneet Sharma

HQ: new delhi

Found:2016

Recent news

- Shambhu Nath Srivastava appointed as the chairman of IFUNA

Summits

2. Dr. Harsh Vardhan addresses 17th World Congress for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy



Highlights:

- **Dr Harsh Vardhan**, Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare addressed the **17th** World Congress for **Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy** virtually.
- The event organised by **Indian Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology** and the prestigious World Congress for the **first time** to held in **Asia**
- The theme of the World congress **“Eliminating Cervical Cancer: Call for Action”**
- Dr. Harsh Vardhan also highlighted the crucial role undertaken by India to **stop cervical cancer** heeding to WHO’s **2030 target.**(Human papillomavirus (HPV))

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? G20 17th World Congress for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy
Addressed by: Dr Harsh Vardhan

Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare

Dr Harsh Vardhan,

Cons: chandini chowk, new delhi

Recent News

- Dr. Harsh Vardhan addresses this WHO Global Tuberculosis Programme
- Dr Harsh Vardhan chairs 74th World Health Assembly

3. Union Minister Prahlad Singh Patel Chairs 6th Meeting Of BRICS Culture Ministers



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 6th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting
by? Prahlad Singh Patel

Minister of State for Culture and Tourism

Prahlad Singh Patel

Cons: Damoh (Madhya Pradesh)

Recent News

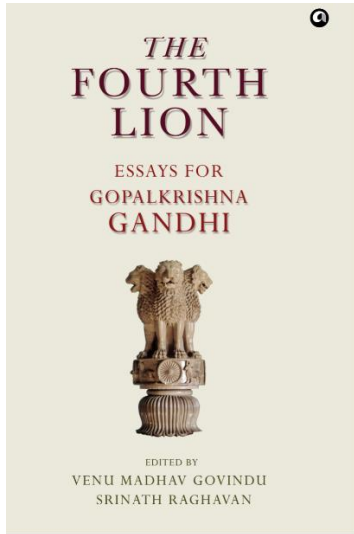
- Prahlad Singh Patel Virtually Participates In G20 Tourism Ministers' Meeting

Highlights:

- **Minister of State for Culture and Tourism, Shri Prahlad Singh Patel** hosted **6th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting** through video conference.
- The delegates from Culture Ministries **of Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa** participated in the meeting. Discussion was held for advancement and expansion of cultural activities amongst BRICS countries under the theme "**Bonding and Harmonizing Cultural Synergy**".

Books and authors

4. "THE FOURTH LION: ESSAYS FOR GOPALKRISHNA GANDHI" by Venu Madhav Govindu & Srinath Raghavan



Book Title: the fourth lion

author: Venu Madhav Govindu & Srinath Raghavan

Publisher: aleph book company

About Book:

The Fourth Lion, a festschrift in honour of Gopalkrishna Gandhi, consists of twenty-six essays contributed by individuals drawn from various walks of life and from across the globe. Organized into thematic sections—Literature and Culture, History, Environment, Politics and Public Affairs, and Memoirs—the essays speak to concerns, interests and sensibilities that animate our lives.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? the fourth lion

Who? Venu Madhav Govindu & Srinath Raghavan

Publisher? aleph book company

RECENT NEWS

- Pan Macmillan to publish "Nathuram Godse's biography" by **Dhaval Kulkarni**

5. Kavitha Rao's New Book "LADY DOCTORS: The Untold Stories of India's First Women in Medicine"



Book Title: lady doctors

author: Kavitha rao

Publisher: westland publishing

About Book:

- the book will trace the unconventional paths the women followed, how they balanced work and family lives, and their impact on medical learning for women.
- The women included in the book are Anandibai Joshi, Rukhmabai Raut, Kadambini Ganguly, Haimabati Sen and Chennai's Muthulakshmi Reddy

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? lady doctors

Who? Kavitha rao

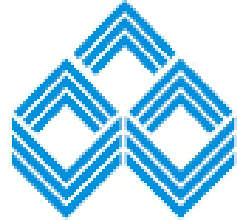
Publisher? westland publishing

RECENT NEWS

- A book titled "Fiercely Female: The Dutee Chand Story" by Sundeep Mishra

Banking

6. Indian Overseas Bank becomes the second most-valued public lender



Indian Overseas Bank

Highlights:

- **Indian Overseas Bank (IOB)** (Rs 51,887 crore) has become the **second most-valued listed public sector bank (PSB)** with a market capitalisation of over **Rs 50,000 crore**.
- As Street discounts privatisation of the state-owned lender, its shares have appreciated nearly 80 per cent on the BSE in the past one month.
- **PNB (Rs 46,411 crore)** and **BOB (Rs 44,112 crore)** to third and fourth position, respectively, as per data available on BSE.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What second most-valued listed public sector bank (PSB) **who?** IOB

IOB

Hq: chennai

Formation: 1937.

MD&CEO: Partha Pratim Sengupta

Recent news

- the Niti Aayog has recommended the names of the two banks IOB & CBI to the government for privatisation

7. Eroute launches India's 1st Prepaid Card exclusively for YOUNG Generation



Highlights:

- **Eroute Technologies Private Limited**, a card-based payment company launched its maiden product offering **OmniCard – India's First Omni-channel Pre-paid Card** exclusively for **YOUNG Generation** that aims to step up their lives by making them independent power-packed with an innovative mobile app in the emerging Indian payment industry.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What OmniCard – India's First Omni-channel Pre-paid Card
who? **Eroute Technologies**

Eroute Technologies

Hq: noida,UP

MD & CEO: Sanjeev Pandey

Recent news

- LIC CSL launches prepaid gift card in collaboration with IDBI Bank
- RBI has granted authorisation to Eroute Technologies to operate as a prepaid payment instruments (PPI) company.

8. Govt extends superannuation age of LIC chairman to up to 62 years



Highlights:

- The government has extended the superannuation age of IPO-bound LIC Chairman, **M R Kumar**, to up to **62 years** by making amendments to the **Life Insurance Corporation of India (Staff) Regulations, 1960**.
- The changes made in the rules will be called the **Life Insurance Corporation of India (Staff) Amendment Rules, 2021**, according to a government notification
- the **retirement age for the top executives** of the majority of PSUs is **60 years**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? superannuation age of LIC Chairman, up to **62 years**

By? LIC

LIC

Chairman : MR Kumar;
Headquarters: Mumbai;
Founded:1956.

Recent news

- LIC launches Saral Pension Plan
- Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) has launched a centralized web-based workflow-based IT platform called “e-PGS”.

Defence

9. Indian Army chief to inaugurate war memorial for Indian soldiers in Italy



Highlights:

- Indian Army chief General **MM Naravane** will embark on an official visit to the **United Kingdom (UK) and Italy**.
- The highlight of the visit will be Gen Naravane's inauguration of the **Indian Army Memorial** in the famous town of **Cassino, Italy**.
- In the **Battle of Monte Cassino during World War II**, over 5,000 Indian soldiers laid down their lives while fighting to save Italy from fascist forces.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What Indian Army Memorial in Cassino, Italy.

by? MM Naravane

Indian army

Chief : MM Naravane

Headquarters: New Delhi.

Italy

President: Sergio Mattarella

Capital: Rome

Currency: Euro

Recent News

- Indian Army Launches First Solar Plant in North Sikkim

International

10. India-born Sirisha Bandla to fly into space with Virgin's Richard Branson



Highlights:

- Indian-origin astronaut, **Sirisha Bandla (Andhra Pradesh)** will be one of the **six space travellers** aboard **'VSS Unity'** of **Virgin Galactic**, scheduled to take off to space on July 11 from **New Mexico** alongside the **founder of Virgin Galactic Richard Branson**.
- She will become the **second India-born woman** to fly into space after **Kalpana Chawla**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? space travellers aboard **'VSS Unity'** of Virgin Galactic
who? Sirisha Bandla

Recent news

- The European Space Agency (ESA) is set to hire and launch the world's 1st physically disabled astronaut.

National

11.ISRO gives nod to parliamentary panel to implement satellite TV classrooms



Highlights:

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** has given its nod to the **Parliamentary Standing Committee** on Education headed by **Vinay Sahastrabudde** to provide technical assistance for **satellite TV classrooms** in the country to bridge the learning gap due to COVID-induced lockdown.
- ISRO scientists have appeared before the Parliamentary Standing Committee for Education and made a detailed presentation about the proposed satellite TV classroom for students.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? satellite TV classrooms by? ISRO

ISRO

Chairman: K.Sivan.

HQ: Bengaluru, Karnataka.

established: 1969.

Recent News

- ISRO, NOAA-led multinational project **CEOS** **COAST** endorsed by UN body

12. Centre Readies Two More Drug Labs at Pune and Hyderabad



Highlights:

- To increase Covid-19 vaccine testing, the government has set up **two additional labs** from the **PM Cares fund**; each located **in Hyderabad and Pune**.
- the additional labs would help the government “**to facilitate expedited testing and the pre-release certification of vaccines**”.
- Currently, the country has a **Central Drugs Laboratory (CDL)** at **Kasauli,HP** which is the National Control Laboratory for issuing testing and pre-release certification of immunobiologicals (vaccines and antisera) meant for human use in India.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? two additional labs in pune and hyderabad
by? GOI

Recent News

- World Bank expands Coronavirus Vaccine Funding to \$20 billion

13. Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal to launch 'Innovation Ambassador Programme'



Highlights:

- **Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)** will launch '**Innovation Ambassador Program**' --a programme to train school teachers as innovative ambassadors.
- **Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal** has consented to launch the online training programme for **CBSE teachers**.
- The Innovation Ambassador Programme is a collaboration between the **CBSE**, the **All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)** and the **Ministry of Education**, in which **50,000 school teachers** will be trained as innovative ambassador.

What? Innovation Ambassador Programme'
by? Ramesh Pokhriyal

CBSE

Chairman: Manoj Ahuja;
Head Office: Delhi;
Founded: 1962.

Education Minister

Ramesh Pokhriyal

Cons: Haridwar (Uttarakhand)

Recent news

- CBSE, NPCI to launch financial literacy curriculum for Class VI students

State

14.Nabard sanctions Rs 388 crore for four drinking water, 20 road projects in odisha



Highlights:

- **NABARD** has sanctioned **Rs 388 crore** under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) for **four drinking water and 20 rural road projects in odisha**.
- The RIDF assistance is for setting up of **four mega piped** drinking water supply projects.
- Construction and upgradation of 20 village roads across 15 districts of the State will be taken up under this sanction.

**What? Rs 388 crore for four drinking water and 20 rural road projects in odisha.
by? NABARD**

odisha

CM: naveen patnaik

Gov: ganeshi lal

Cap: Bhubaneswar

NABARD

Chairman: Dr. G.R. Chintala

Founded: 1982

Headquarters: Mumbai

Recent news

- Odisha CM launches 'Ashirbad' for education and health of Covid orphans

Sports

15. Max Verstappen wins Formula 1's Austrian Grand Prix 2021



What? Austrian Grand Prix
who? Max Verstappen

Highlights:

- Red Bull's **Max Verstappen** won the **Austrian Grand Prix**, the **ninth race** of the **2021 Formula 1 World Championship season**.
- Verstappen won the race ahead of Mercedes-AMG's **Valtteri Bottas** and McLaren's **Lando Norris**.

Recent news

- Max Verstappen Wins 2021 **Styrian, French, Monaco, Emilia Romagna F1 Grand Prix 2021**

16. Maana Patel becomes 1st Indian female swimmer to qualify for Olympics



What? Tokyo Olympics in first Indian female swimmer
who? Maana Patel

Highlights:

- **Maana Patel (gujarat)** made history by became the **first Indian female swimmer** to qualify for the **Tokyo 2020 Olympics** through the '**Universality quota**'.
- The Universality quota allows one male and one female competitor from a country to participate in the Olympics.
- **Maana Patel** will join **Sajan Prakash** and **Srihari Natarajan** in India's swimming squad for this month's Summer Olympics.

Recent news

Sajan Prakash(kerala) became the first Indian swimmer to qualify for the upcoming Tokyo Olympics.

17. Mithali Raj surpasses Edwards to become highest run-getter



What? highest run-getter in women's cricket across formats

who? Mithali Raj

Highlights:

- India captain **Mithali Raj** became the **highest run-getter** in **women's cricket across formats**, overtaking former **England skipper Charlotte Edwards**.
- Mithali became the world's most prolific batter in women's internationals, overtaking Edwards' **10,273 runs**.
- **Suzie Bates** of New Zealand is third with 7849 runs. **Stafanie Taylor** (7832) and **Meg Lanning** (7024) round up the top five.

Recent news

- Shafali Verma becomes youngest Indian to make debut in all formats

What Is Market Capitalization?

Market capitalization refers to the total dollar market value of a company's outstanding shares of stock. Commonly referred to as "market cap," it is calculated by multiplying the total number of a company's outstanding shares by the current market price of one share.

As an example, a company with 10 million shares selling for \$100 each would have a market cap of \$1 billion. The investment community uses this figure to determine a company's size, as opposed to using sales or total asset figures. In an acquisition, the market cap is used to determine whether a takeover candidate represents a good value or not to the acquirer.

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Eroute Technologies

Hq: noida,UP

MD & CEO: Sanjeev Pandey

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NABARD

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Indian army

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Headquarters: New Delhi.

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Italy

President: Sergio Mattarella

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odisha

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Cap: Bhubaneswar

Minis\cons:

Education Minister

Ramesh Pokhriyal

Cons: Haridwar (Uttarakhand)

Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare

Dr Harsh Vardhan,

Cons: chandini chowk,new delhi

Minister of State for Culture and Tourism

Prahlad Singh Patel

Cons: Damoh (Madhya Pradesh)

1. Independence Day of United States:???

July 4

2. 2.Ashok Leyland appointed former Aston Martin chief _____ as EV arm head

Andy Palmer

3. JSCA, _____ inks MoU for International Cricket Stadium in Bokaro

SAIL-BSL

4. Seventh Indian Ocean Naval Symposium Concludes : hosted by??

French Navy

5. Australian swimmer _____ breaks 100-meter backstroke world record

Kaylee McKeown