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**Important days**

# 1. World Youth Skills Day celebrated on 15 July

**World Youth Skills Day : July 15**

**FIRST OBSERVED: 2014**

**BY : UN**

**Theme : “Reimagining Youth Skills Post-Pandemic”**



## Highlights :

- **United Nations** celebrates **World Youth Skills Day** globally on **15 July** every year.
- The day is celebrated as an opportunity for young people, **technical and vocational education and training (TVET)** institutions, and public and private sector stakeholders to acknowledge as well as celebrate the importance of equipping **young people with skills** for employment, decent work and entrepreneurship.

## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? World Youth Skills Day**  
**When? 15 July**

**UN**

**HQ: New York, US**

**Founded: 1945**

**Sec.general: António Guterres**

## Recent News:

- World Population Day celebrated on 11th July

# Obituaries

## 2. Former WWE Wrestler 'Mr. Wonderful' Paul Orndorff passes away

**Passed Away :** Paul Orndorff

**Field:** wrestler

**Born:** Virginia, United States



### Highlights :

- The renowned American professional wrestler, **Paul Orndorff**, who is best known with his nickname **Mr. Wonderful**, has passed away.
- He was one of professional wrestling's biggest stars of the 1980s and was famous for his appearances with the **World Wrestling Federation (WWF) and World Championship Wrestling (WCW)**.
- He was inducted into the **WWE Hall of Fame in 2005**.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**Who?** Paul Orndorff

**Field ?** wrestler

**Born?** Virginia, United States

### Recent News

- 'Superman' director Richard Donner passes away

# Awards

### 3. Journalist N N Pillai honoured with BKS Literary Award

**award:** Literary Award for 2021

**Received By:** Omchery N N Pillai

**By:** Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam



#### Highlights:

- Journalist and playwright **Omchery N N Pillai** has been selected for the **Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam (BKS)'s Literary Award for 2021**. BKS president P V Radhakrishna Pillai, general secretary Varghese Karackal and literary wing secretary Firoz Thiruvathra announced the award
- The award constitutes a cash prize of **`50,000** and a citation acknowledging the achievement.
- The award ceremony will be held later in **Delhi**.

#### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** Literary Award for 2021

**Who?** Omchery N N Pillai

**BKS**

**Pres: P V Radhakrishna Pillai**

**HQ: Manama, Bahrain**

#### Recent News

- Odia poet Rajendra Kishore Panda bags Kuvempu Rashtriya Puraskar.



**MOU**

## 4. Delhi Skill University inks MoU to train, place students in Japan



### Highlights:

- The Delhi Skill and Entrepreneurship University (DSEU) has signed an MoU with the HI-NO-DE Foundation, jointly with Ichishin Holdings Co. Ltd., to implement the technical intern training program (TITP) to train, skill, and place youth of India, specially those in Delhi.
- This partnership aims to transform the skill ecosystem through an exchange programme between students from India and Japan, the statement said, adding that the intent is to provide the best opportunities for the youth to work in Japan

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? MOU with HI-NO-DE Foundation**

**By? DSEU**

**HI-NO-DE Foundation**

**CEO: Sharma Neeraj**

**HQ: new delhi**

### Recent News

- Cabinet approves Memorandum on Cooperation between CCI and JFTC

**Partnership**

## 5.T-Hub partners with Atal Mission to boost growth in healthtech innovation



### Highlights:

- **T-Hub**, partnership with **Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)**, **NITI Aayog**, to foster innovation and entrepreneurship across the healthcare sector.
- As a part of this partnership, T-Hub is running a three-month cohort-based programme -- **AIC T-Hub Foundation** -- exclusively for the deep tech startups creating new-age solutions in the fields of life sciences and healthcare.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? Partnered with AIM**  
**,NITI aayog**  
**By? T-HUB**

### T-Hub

**CEO: Ravi Narayan**  
**HQ: hyderabad**

### Recent News

- AJNIFM, Microsoft partner to build AI, emerging technologies

## 6.WFP partners with Rajasthan to improve Targeted Public Distribution System



### Highlights:

- The **United Nations World Food Programme (WFP)** in India and the **Rajasthan** government have joined hands to improve the **Targeted Public Distribution System (TDPS)** in Rajasthan.
- The partnership entails, the use of digitisation, data aggregation, performance dashboards for monitoring of the TDPS, thus providing a real-time and long-term solution to improve the food and nutritional security for millions.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? Partnered with Rajasthan**  
**By? UN WFP**

#### **UN WFP**

**CEO: David Beasley**  
**HQ: Rome, Italy**

#### **Rajasthan**

**CM: Ashok Gehlot**  
**Gov: Kalraj Mishra**  
**Cap: Jaipur**

### Recent News

- Rajasthan govt will set Vedic Education and Sanskar Board

# Summits

## 7.S Jaishankar on first trip to Georgia after visiting Russia



### Highlights:

Union External Affairs Minister (EAM) Subrahmanyam Jaishankar visited Russia and Georgia to strengthen ties and cooperation. The details of his visit are explained as below:

Subrahmanyam Jaishankar was on a 3-day visit to Moscow, Russia on July 7-9, 2021 to prepare ground for the annual India-Russia summit 2021.

S Jaishankar was on a two days visit to Georgia on July 9-10, 2021 where he landed in its capital Tbilisi. Notably, this was the **first visit** by an Indian External Affairs Minister (EAM)

During talks with Georgia's Vice Prime Minister and Finance Minister **David Zalkaliani**, both sides agreed to work jointly to strengthen their relationship.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Visit to Russia and Georgia

Who? S Jaishankar

External Affairs Minister

S Jaishankar

Cons: Gujarat

#### RUSSIA

Pres: Vladimir Putin

Capital: Moscow

Curr: Russian ruble

#### Georgia

Capital: Tbilisi

Currency: Georgian Lari

Pres: Salome Zourabichvili

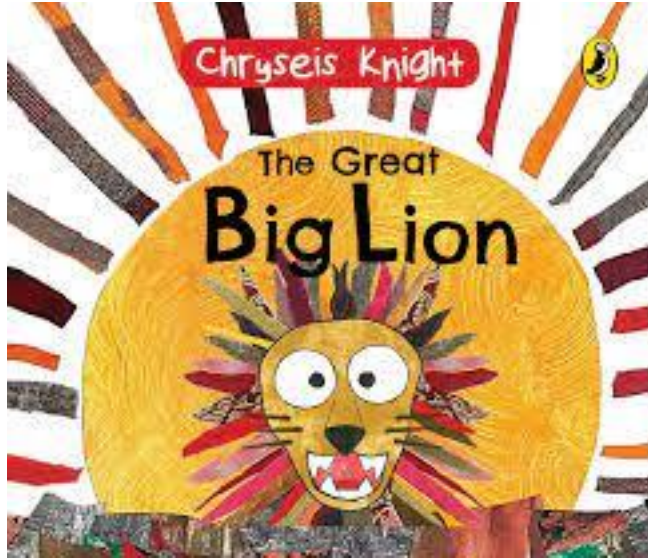
### Recent news

- Jaishankar to visit Tajikistan for SCO Council of Foreign Ministers meet

# **Books and authors**



## 8.A book titled “The Great Big Lion” written by Chryseis Knight



**Book Title:** The Great Big Lion

**Author:** Chryseis Knight

**Publisher:** penguin random house

### About Book:

This book is a story about a lion and two children. It talks about friendship, inclusivity, wildlife conservation and the world of imagination.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** The Great Big Lion

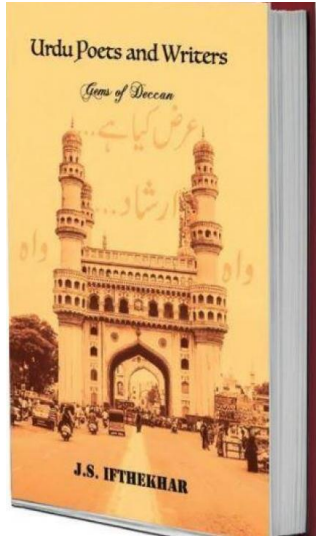
**Who?** Chryseis Knight

**Publisher?** penguin random house

### RECENT NEWS

- The Struggle Within: A Memoir of the Emergency authored by Ashok Chakravarti

## 9.the book 'Urdu Poets and Writers - Gems of Deccan' authored by J.S. Ifthekhar.



**Book Title:** 'Urdu Poets and Writers -  
Gems of Deccan

**author:** J.S. Ifthekhar

**Publisher:** woven words publications

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** 'Urdu Poets and Writers - Gems  
of Deccan

**Who?** J.S. Ifthekhar

**Publisher?** : woven words publications

### RECENT NEWS

- A book titled “The Art of Conjuring Alternate Realities” by **Shivam Shankar Singh and Anand Venkatanarayanan**

### About Book:

i.The book “Gem of Deccan” is a collection of prose and poetry that features the life and works of various eminent poets and writers from the Deccan region.

ii.The book traces the literature and cultural traditions from the time of Muhammad Quli Qutb Shah, founder of Hyderabad to the present times.

# Banking

## 10.RBI bars Mastercard from onboarding new domestic customers



### Highlights:

- **The Reserve Bank of India** (RBI) has taken supervisory action on **Mastercard** citing non-compliance.
- the entity has been found to be non-compliant with the directions on Storage of Payment System Data.
- As part of the action, the RBI has **imposed restrictions on Mastercard** Asia / Pacific Pte. Ltd. from onboarding new domestic customers (debit, credit or prepaid) into its card network from July 22, 2021.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** imposed restrictions on Mastercard  
**by?** RBI

#### Mastercard

**CEO:** Michael Miebach

**HQ:** newyork,US

#### RBI

**Gov:** Shaktikanta Das

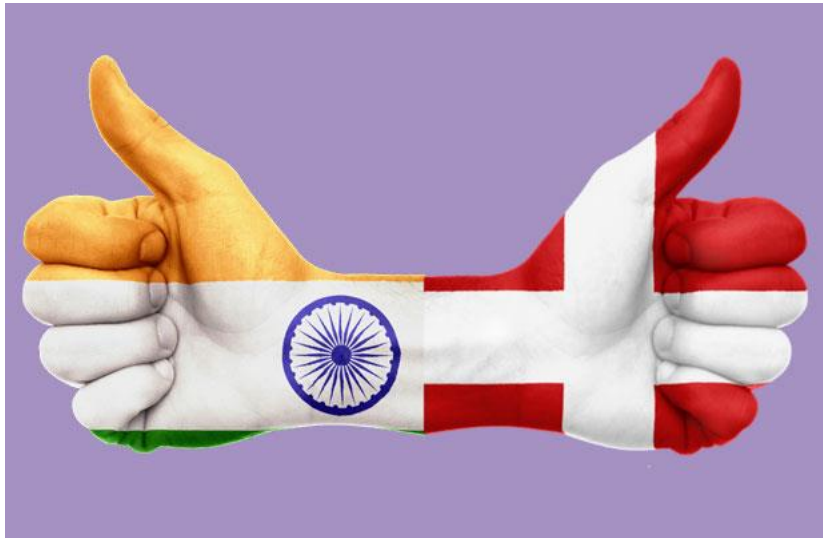
**Hq:** Mumbai

### Recent news

- RBI cancels licence of Dr Shivajirao Patil Nilangekar Urban Co-op Bank

**International**

## 11. Cabinet approves MoU between India and Denmark



### Highlights:

- The Union Cabinet has approved a **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)** between **India and the Kingdom of Denmark** for cooperation in the field of health and medicine.
- The bilateral MoU will encourage cooperation through **joint initiatives and technology development in the health sector**.
- It will strengthen bilateral ties between India and Denmark and facilitate the improvement of the public health status of the people of both countries

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? MOU with denmark**  
**By ? india**

#### **Denmark**

**Capital: Copenhagen**

**Currency: Danish krone**

**PM: Mette Frederiksen**

### Recent News

- World's tallest sandcastle constructed in Denmark

**National**

## 12. Cabinet approves continuation of National AYUSH Mission scheme



### Highlights:

- The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has approved the continuation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme '**National AYUSH Mission (NAM)**' allocated **Rs. 4607.30 crore** for another **five years** from April 01, 2021, to March 31, 2026.
- The objective of the mission is to provide cost-effective AYUSH Services by focusing on core competency areas of AYUSH which are a treasure house of knowledge for preventive, promotive and curative healthcare.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 'National AYUSH Mission (NAM)'

Budget? Rs. 4607.30 crore

**AYUSH Minister**

Sarbananda Sonowal.

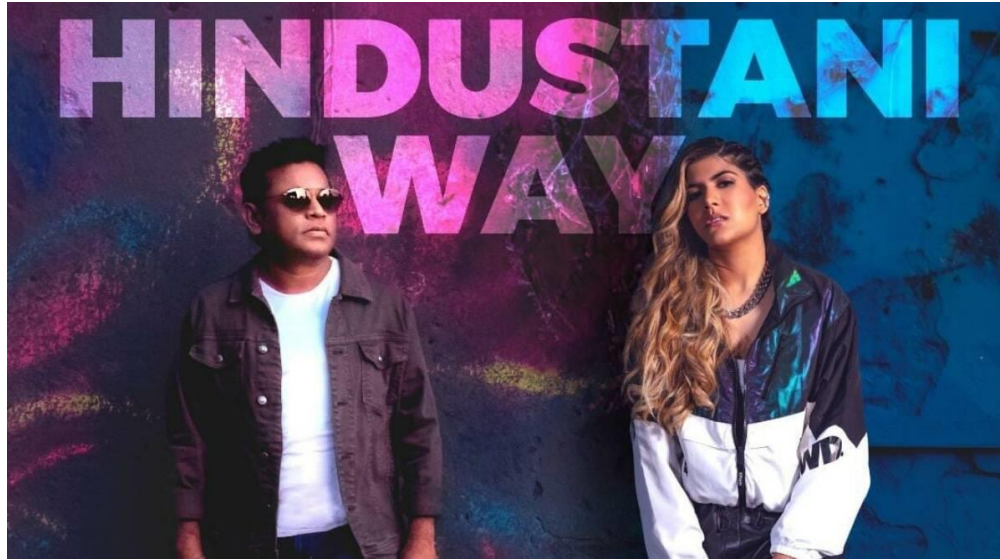
Cons: **MAJULI, assam**

### Recent News

- Ayush Ministry launches five portals ,4 publications to ayurveda R&D



## 13.AR Rahman launch Tokyo Olympics cheer song “Hindustani Way”



What? song “Hindustani Way”,  
by? Ananya Birla, AR Rahman

Minister of Sports, Youth Affairs and I&B.

Anurag thakur.

cons: Hamirpur, Himachal Pradesh

### Highlights:

- Singer **Ananya Birla** has teamed up with music maestro **AR Rahman** to launch a cheer song Titled “**Hindustani Way**”, for Indian sports personalities as they gear up for **Tokyo Olympics**.
- Minister of Information and Broadcasting, **Anurag Thakur** also present in the launch of the song.

### Recent news

- Bharat Dynamics Ltd signs Rs 499-crore deal with Indian Air Force

## 14. Cabinet approves increase in DA and Dearness Relief from 17% to 28%



What? Increase in DA and DR to? 28%

### Highlights:

- The Union Cabinet headed by Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has approved an increase in the **Dearness Allowance** to Central Government employees and **Dearness Relief** to pensioners to **28 per cent from July 1, 2021**.
- This hike represents an increase of **11 per cent** over the existing rate of **17 per cent** of the basic pay/pension.

### Recent news

- Government includes Retail and Wholesale Trade in MSME sector

**State**

## 15.India's first 'Grain ATM' open in Gurugram



What? 'Grain ATM'  
In? haryana

**Haryana**

**Capital: Chandigarh**

**Cm: Manohar Lal Khattar**

**Gov: Bandaru Dattatreya**

### Highlights:

- The country's first '**Grain ATM**' has been set up as a pilot project in **Gurugram, Haryana**.
- It is an automatic machine, which works just like a bank ATM. This machine has been installed under the '**World Food Programme**' of the United Nations (UN), and is called the '**Automated, Multi Commodity, Grain Dispensing Machine**'.
- This automatic machine is equipped with the **biometric system** with a touch screen, where the beneficiary will have to enter the **Aadhaar or ration card unique number**.

### Recent news

- 2022 Khelo India Youth Games to be held in Haryana

## 16.Ladakh signs MoU with Sikkim to turn UT organic by 2025



### Highlights:

- the administration of **Ladakh**, signed a MoU with the **Sikkim State Organic Certification Agency (SSOCA)**.
- A tripartite MOU has been signed between Ladakh and SSOCA regarding the implementation of **Prampragat Krishi Vikas Yojana and Mission Organic Development Initiative (MODI)** in the Ladakh region with the aim to convert Ladakh into organic by **2025**.
- The main objective of this MOU is to get the organic certification.

What? MOU with SSOCA  
In? Ladakh

**Ladakh**

Lt.Gov: R. K. Mathur

Cap:leh,kargil

### Recent news

- NTPC REL to setup first green Hydrogen mobility project in Ladakh

**Sports**



## 17. Babar Azam becomes quickest to 14 ODI centuries



What? quickest to 14 ODI centuries  
who? Babar azam

### Recent news

- Mithali Raj surpasses Edwards to become highest run-getter

### Highlights:

- Pakistan skipper **Babar Azam** became the **quickest to 14 ODI centuries** reaching the milestone in **81 innings** at Edgbaston, Birmingham in the third ODI against England.
- On the list of quickest to 14 ODI centuries, the 26-year-old is followed by **Hashim Amla (84 innings)**, **David Warner (98 innings)**, **Virat Kohli (103 innings)** and **Quinton de Kock (104 innings)**.

- [Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.](#)
- Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881
- Bankers' Books Evidence Act, 1891
- State Bank of India Act, 1955
- Companies Act, 1956/ Companies Act, 2013
- Securities Contract (Regulation) Act, 1956
- State Bank of India Subsidiary Banks) Act, 1959
- Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Act, 1961
- Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1970
- Regional Rural Banks Act, 1976
- Banking Companies (Acquisition and Transfer of Undertakings) Act, 1980
- National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development Act, 1981
- National Housing Bank Act, 1987
- Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993
- Competition Act, 2002
- [Indian Coinage Act, 2011](#) : Governs currency and coins
- Banking Secrecy Act
- The Industrial Development Bank (Transfer of Undertaking and Repeal) Act, 2003
- The Industrial Finance Corporation (Transfer of Undertaking and Repeal) Act, 1993
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## Organisation / Bank:

### UN

HQ: New York, US

Founded: 1945

Sec.general: António Guterres

### BKS

Pres: P V Radhakrishna Pillai

HQ: Manama,bahrain

### HI-NO-DE Foundation

CEO: Sharma Neeraj

HQ: new delhi

### T-Hub

CEO: Ravi Narayan

HQ: hyderabad

### UN WFP

CEO: David Beasley

HQ: rome,italy

### RBI

Gov: Shaktikanta Das

Hq: Mumbai

### Mastercard

CEO: Michael Miebach

HQ: newyork,US

## Country / State:

### RUSSIA

Pres: Vladimir Putin

Capital: Moscow

Curr: Russian ruble

### Georgia

Capital: Tbilisi

Currency: Georgian lari

Pres: Salome Zourabichvili

### Denmark

Capital: Copenhagen

Currency: Danish krone

PM: Mette Frederiksen

### Haryana

Capital: Chandigarh

Cm: Manohar Lal Khattar

Gov: Bandaru Dattatreya

### Rajasthan

CM: ashok gehlot

Gov: kalraj Mishra

Cap: jaipur

### Ladakh

Lt.Gov: R. K. Mathur

Cap:leh,kargil

### Minis/cons:

**External Affairs  
Minister**

**S Jaishankar**

Cons: gujarat

**AYUSH Minister**

Sarbananda Sonowal.

Cons: **MAJULI**,assam

**Minister of Sports,  
Youth Affairs and I&B.**  
**Anurag thakur.**

cons: Hamirpur, HP

**1. Bastille Day 2021: July 14 observed in?**

**france**

## 2. Who is Nepal's Prime Minister?

**Sher Bahadur Deuba**

### **3. Who Chairs The BRICS Tourism Ministers' Meeting 2021?**

**G. Kishan Reddy**

4. The book “Riding Free: My Olympic Journey” by \_\_\_\_\_



**Imtiaz Anees**

**5. Indian Navy receives 10th Anti-Submarine Warfare Aircraft named\_\_\_\_\_**

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