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1) Nelson Mandela International Day : 18 July

Nelson Mandela International Day : July 18

FIRST OBSERVED: 2009

1st Observed in : New York



Highlights :

- To denote Nelson Mandela's contribution to the struggle for democracy internationally and the promotion of a culture of peace throughout the world.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Nelson Mandela International Day

When? 18 July

Where? New York

1st Observed ? 2009

Recent News:

- World Day For International Justice : July 17

Banking

2) Federal Bank Launches AI-Powered Virtual Assistant For Customers



Highlights:

- The Federal Bank launched **FEDDY**, an Artificial Intelligence-powered virtual assistant to help customers with banking-related queries anytime.
- FEDDY can be accessed via **Alexa, Google Assistant and WhatsApp**.
- The bank has recently come out with innovative and user-friendly facilities such as FedSelfie, under which individuals can open their accounts by merely taking a selfie

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? FEDDY

Which Bank ? Federal Bank

- **Federal Bank**
Headquarters: **Aluva, Kerala;**
- **Founder: K.P Hormis;**
- **Founded: 23 April 1931.**

Recent news

Federal Bank gets RBI nod to re-appoint Shyam Srinivasan as MD & CEO

Sports

3) Lewis Hamilton wins British Grand Prix 2021 for Eighth Time



What? British Grand Prix 2021
who? Lewis Hamilton
Second? Charles Leclerc (Ferrari)
Held in ? Silverstone Circuit in
the United Kingdom.

Highlights:

- **Lewis Hamilton (Mercedes-Great Britain)** : Holds the **British Grand Prix 2021**, for a record-extending eighth time.
- Monaco based **Charles Leclerc (Ferrari)** stood **second**
- Event Held in : Silverstone Circuit in the United Kingdom.
- This is the **99th career win** of seven times world champion Hamilton and the fourth win of the current season after 10 races.

Recent news

- Max Verstappen wins Formula 1's Austrian Grand Prix 2021

4) ICC inducts Mongolia, Tajikistan & Switzerland as new members



Highlights:

- The **International Cricket Council (ICC)** inducted its newest member countries -- **Mongolia, Tajikistan and Switzerland** -- at its 78th Annual General Meeting.
- Mongolia and Tajikistan as the **22nd and 23rd members** of the Asia region, while Switzerland is Europe's 35th member, with the ICC now comprising **106** members in total, including 94 associates.

who? International Cricket Council (ICC)

Included? Mongolia, Tajikistan and Switzerland

ICC

Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates;
Founded: 15 June 1909;
ICC Deputy
Chairman: Imran Khwaja;
ICC Chairman: Greg Barclay.

Recent news

Sophie Ecclestone, Devon Conway win ICC Player of the Month Award

AWARDS

5) Julia Ducournau won the Cannes' top prize, the Palme d'Or: Cannes Film Festival 2021



EXPECTED QUESTIONS
Who? Julia Ducournau
What ? Palme d'Or
For Film? Titane
First Won by ? Jane
Campion in 1993

Highlights:

- Julia Ducournau won the Cannes' top prize, the **Palme d'Or**, for her film **Titane**, making her the second woman ever to win the award. The first was **Jane Campion** in 1993.
- The jury, presided by **Spike Lee**, presented the awards at the **Closing Ceremony**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

won by ? Aadhimalai Pazhangudiyinar Producer Company Limited and Snehakunja Trust
What ? Equator Prize 2021

6) Two Indian organisations won UNDP Equator Prize 2021

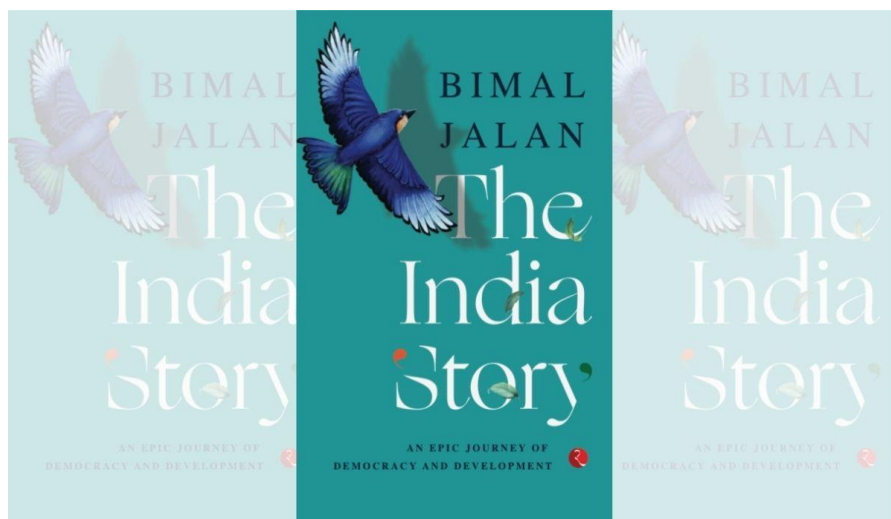


Highlights:

- Aadhimalai Pazhangudiyinar Producer Company Limited and Snehakunja Trust won the prestigious Equator Prize 2021 for their work in the field of conservation and biodiversity.
- The UNDP gives a biennial award to recognize community efforts to reduce poverty through the conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity.

Books and authors

7) A book titled 'The India Story' authored by Bimal Jalan



Highlights:

- A new book titled 'The India Story' authored by Former RBI governor (20th) Bimal Jalan
- The book focuses on India's economic history and aims to provide lessons for the future of India's political economy.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Book name? 'The India Story'

By ? Bimal Jalan

Other Books ? 'India Then and Now', 'India Ahead'.

Recent News

- A book titled "The Great Big Lion" written by child prodigy Knight

National

8) Google Cloud adds second 'Cloud Region' in India

Namaste India.
A new Google Cloud region is here.



Highlights:

- **Google Cloud** announced the launch of its new **Cloud Region in Delhi NCR**, for customers and the public sector in India and across the Asia Pacific.
- This Google Cloud region is the **2nd** in India after **Mumbai** and the **10th in Asia-Pacific**.
- Google Cloud Platform has recently added new regions in Seoul, Salt Lake City, Las Vegas, Jakarta, Warsaw and Delhi.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Cloud Region**

Who? **Google Cloud**

Where ? **Delhi NCR**

Google

CEO: Sundar Pichai.

Founded: 4 September 1998,
California, United States.

Founders: Larry Page, Sergey Brin.

Recent News

Jio and Google Cloud
to Collaborate on 5G
Technology

International

9) EU Proposes World's First Carbon Border Tax



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? European Union

What? World's 1st Carbon border Tax

By ? 2026

Highlights:

- The European Union unveiled a proposal to levy the **world's first carbon border tax from 2026** on import of carbon intensive goods including steel, cement and fertilizers to meet its new climate target.

State

10) HC of J&K and Ladakh officially renamed as 'High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh'



Highlights:

- The 'Common High Court for the Union Territory of **Jammu and Kashmir and Union Territory of Ladakh**' has been officially renamed as the '**High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh**.'
- President Ram Nath Kovind has signed the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation (Removal of Difficulties) Order, 2021 to effect the change.

What? 'Common High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.'

Renamed as? 'High Court of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh.'

J&K

Lieutenant Governor of Union Territory : Manoj Sinha;

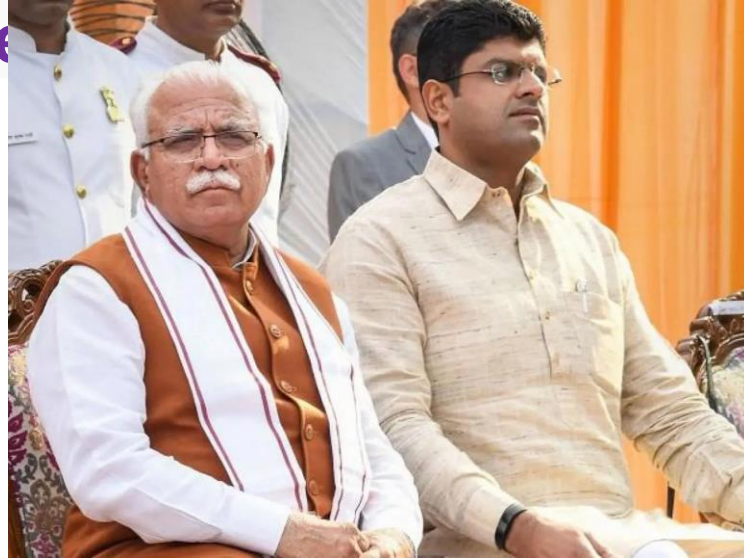
Ladakh

Lieutenant Governor of : Radha Krishna Mathur.

Recent news

Ladakh signs MoU with Sikkim to turn UT organic by 2025

11) The Govt of Haryana to introduce 'One Block, One Product' scheme



Highlights:

- Haryana will soon introduce the 'One Block, One Product' scheme, to encourage and promote small industries in the rural areas.
- Arrangements for common services, lab testing, packaging, transportation, accountancy will be set up in the cluster itself.

Which State ? Haryana' What? 'One Block, One Product'

- Haryana Capital: Chandigarh;
- Haryana Governor: Bandaru Dattatraya;
- Haryana Chief Minister: Manohar Lal Khattar.

Recent News

2022 Khelo India Youth Games to be held in Haryana

12) India's first monk fruit(*Siraitia grosvenorii*) cultivation exercise begins in HP's Kullu

**Botanical Name
of Monk fruit : *Siraitia grosvenorii***



MONK FRUIT
Siraitia grosvenorii

Highlights:

- **'Monk fruit'** from China - known for its properties as a non-caloric natural sweetener
- It was introduced for field trials in **Himachal Pradesh** by the Palampur-based Council of **Scientific Research and Industrial Technology Institute of Himalayan Bio-resource Technology (CSIR-IHBT)** in Kullu.
- The economic benefits of the new crop are estimated to be between **Rs 3 lakh to Rs 3.5 lakh** per hectare.

What? Monk fruit

Where? Kullu

From ? China

Which State ? Himachal Pradesh

Botanical name? *Siraitia grosvenorii*

Himachal Pradesh

Governor: Bandaru

Dattatreya;

CM: Jai Ram Thakur.

Recent news

Himachal Pradesh is Building 'Forest Ponds' to Harvest Rainwater

Retail Credit Operations

Introduction

Banks being the financial houses which primarily are established to accept deposits and to lead loans to the public. Profitability of the bank depends mainly on the Net Interest Income(NII) generated.

explanation

Retail Credit Operations means the sequential process which involves screening, evaluation of risk(s), and ensuring that the bank lends to a worthy(credit worthy) client from the asset products applications sourced.

Organisation / Bank:

ICAR

HQ: New delhi

Founded: 1929

DIR.gen: Trilochan Mohapatra

IAHE

DIR: Sanjeev Kumar

HQ: UP

IFSCA

Chairman : Injeti Srinivas

HQ: gujarat

Icici bank

Hq: Mumbai, Maharashtra.

MD & CEO: Sandeep Bakhshi.

BUSY

Gov: harish chander

Hq: new delhi

IFC

CEO: Makhtar Diop

Hq: Washington, D.C., U.S.

AIFF

President: Praful Patel

HQ: New Delhi

Country / State:

UAE

Capital: Abu Dhabi

Currency: UAE dirham

Pres: Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan

UP

Capital: Lucknow;

Cm: yogi adithyanath

Gov: anandiben patel

karnataka

CM: B. S. Yediyurappa;

Gov: thawarchand gehlot

Cap:Bengaluru;

New delhi

CM: Arvind kejriwal;

Lt.Gov: Anil Baijal.;

Minis/cons:

Ministry of Earth Sciences

Jitherndra singh

Cons:Udhampur, J&K

Union Minister for Labour Employment

Bhupender Yadav

Cons: rajasthan

defence Minister

Rajnath singh.

Cons: lucknow UP

Minister of Tribal Affairs.

Arjun Munda.

cons: khunti,jharkhand

Minister of MSME.

Narayan rane.

cons: kudal,maharashtra

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