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Important days

1.National Broadcasting Day celebrated on 23rd July

**National Broadcasting Day :July
23**

FIRST OBSERVED: 1927

By: GOI



**National
Broadcasting Day
23 July**

Highlights :

- **National Broadcasting Day** is observed on **23rd July** every year, to celebrate the radio, which has been an important part of people's life in India, both as an easy medium of entertainment along with the news.
- On this day in 1927, the first-ever radio broadcast in the country went on the air from the **Bombay Station** under the **Indian Broadcasting Company**.
- On 8th of June, **1936**, the **Indian State Broadcasting Service** became **All India Radio**. Currently, AIR is one of the largest public broadcasting organisations in the world.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? National
Broadcasting Day
When? 23 july**

Recent News:

- World Brain Day: July 22

Obituaries

2.Carnatic Classical Violinist Sikkil R Bhaskaran passes away



Passed Away : Sikkil R. Bhaskaran

Field: violinist

Born: thanjavur

Highlights :

- **Sikkil R. Bhaskaran** was a **violinist** in Carnatic music and Tamil Isai.
- In 1983 – the **Kalaimamani title** was given by **Tamil Nadu Iyal Isai Nataka Manram** in recognition of his service to music.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? Sikkil R. Bhaskaran

Field ? violinist

Born? thanjavur

Recent News

- Veteran thespian Urmil Kumar Thapliyal passes away

Appointment

3. Indian Finance Ministry Officer Rasmi Ranjan Das Appointed To UN Tax Committee

appointed : rasmi Ranjan das

as: member of UN tax committee

tenure: 4 yrs



Highlights:

- **Rasmi Ranjan Das**, a **Joint Secretary in the Ministry of Finance**, is appointed as **members of group of 25 tax experts of UN tax committee** for the **2021 to 2025** term.
- The committee, formally known as the UN Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters, guides countries' efforts to advance stronger and more forward-looking tax policies adapted to the realities of globalised trade and investment, an increasingly digitalised economy and worsening environmental degradation.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? member of UN tax committee

who? rasmi Ranjan das

UN

Hq:New York, US

Sec.gen: António Guterres

Recent News

- Jyotiraditya Scindia forms committees to advise on civil aviation sector

summits

4. Vice President Venkaiah Naidu addresses the World Universities Summit 2021



Highlights:

- The Vice President of India Shri **M. Venkaiah Naidu** inaugurated and addressed the **World Universities Summit** as Chief Guest.
- The Summit was organized by **O.P. Jindal Global University**, located at **Sonipat, Haryana**
- The theme of the summit was **“Universities of the Future: Building Institutional Resilience, Social Responsibility and Community Impact”**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? World Universities Summit
Addressed by? M. Venkaiah Naidu

Recent news

- **M Venkaiah Naidu** has released a book **‘Palleku Pattabhishekam’** by **Yalamanchili Sivaji**. This book is based on rural India and agriculture.

5. Bhupender Yadav to address the G20 Environment Ministerial meet



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? G20 Environment Ministerial meet
by? Bhupender Yadav

Union Environment Minister
Bhupender Yadav
Cons: rajasthan

Highlights:

- India will participate in the **environment ministers' meeting** at the **16th G20 Summit**.
- **Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav** will virtually take part in the two-day meeting, along with Minister of State for Environment Ashwini Choubey
- The **16th G20 Summit** under Italian Presidency is under its primary theme of "**People, Planet' and Prosperity**".
- the Environment Ministers of G20 countries shall be discussing and making interventions during the sessions on 'Natural Capital to Protect and Manage' and 'Joint Efforts for Sustainable and Circular Resource Use'.

Recent news

- Union Minister for Labour & Employment Bhupender Yadav chairs 7th BRICS Labour & Employment Minister's Meeting

Books and authors

6.A book title 'Bank With A Soul: Equitas' by Dr. C K Garyali



Book Title: Bank With A Soul:
Equitas

Author: C K Garyali

Publisher: odyssey publications

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Bank With A Soul: Equitas

Who? C K Garyali

Publisher? odyssey publications

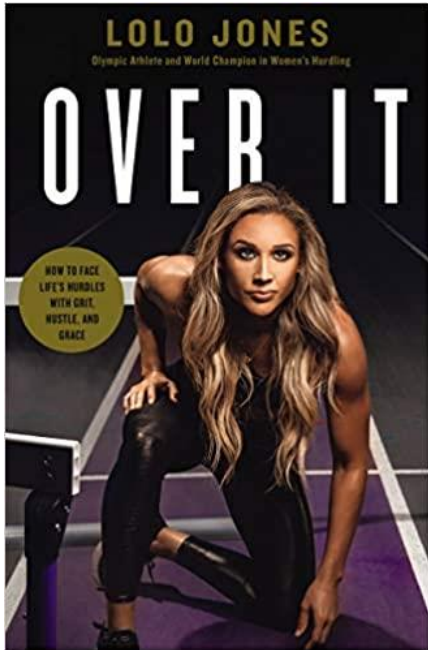
RECENT NEWS

- A new book titled 'The India Story' by Bimal Jalan

About Book:

- Dr. Garyali is a founder trustee of **EDIT (Equitas Development Initiative Trust)** and the book chronicles the journey of Equitas and EDIT in transforming the lives of women with frequent social reform initiatives helping them set up micro-enterprises.

7.A book title 'Over It: How to Face Life's Hurdles with Grit, Hustle, and Grace' by Lolo Jones



Book Title: over it

Author: lolo jones(US)

Publisher: Thomas nelson

About Book:

- In the book, she shows us how to face our challenges head-on and keep working to overcome them.
- Lolo challenges us to:
- handle failure while pursuing our dreams;
- recognize the difference between achieving a goal and experiencing success;
- turn our most painful moments into the most successful;

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? over it

Who? lolo jones

Publisher? Thomas nelson

RECENT NEWS

- Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra announces autobiography 'The Stranger In The Mirror'

Banking

8. Visa Buys Currencycloud in Deal Valued at \$960 Mln



Highlights:

- **Visa Inc.** has agreed to acquire **Currencycloud**, a London-based provider of technology for cross-border payments, in a deal valuing the target at 700 million pounds (**\$960.1 million**).
- Currencycloud's platform allows banks and financial-services providers to offer currency-exchange services.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? acquire Currencycloud
by? VISA

VISA

CEO: Alfred F Kelly Jr

Headquarters: California,US

Currency cloud

CEO: Mike Laven

Headquarters: London,UK

Recent news

- ICICI Bank HPCL Co-Branded Credit Card powered by VISA

Defence

9. MoD issues RFP for construction of six P-75(I) submarines for Indian Navy



Highlights:

- **Ministry of Defence (MoD)** has issued **Request of Proposal (RFP)** for the first acquisition programme under the Strategic Partnership Model for construction of **six** AIP fitted Conventional Submarines named **Project 75(India) [P-75(I)]** for the **Indian Navy**.
- The project cost is over **Rs 40,000 crore**

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? RFP for construct P-75(i)
By ? Defence ministry

Defence ministry
Rajnath singh
cons: lucknow,UP

Recent News

- OFT hands delivery of 25 remote control guns to Navy

Acquisition

10. Byju's acquires US edtech firm Epic in \$500-million deal



Highlights:

- Education technology leader **Byju's** has acquired US-based kids learning platform **Epic** in a **\$500-million cash-and-stock deal**.
- This is its second-biggest buyout after brick-and-mortar coaching network Aakash Institute, which it snapped up earlier this year for nearly \$1 billion.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? acquired **Epic**
By ? Byju's

BYJU'S

Hq: bengaluru

CEO: Byju Raveendran

Recent News

- Microsoft (MSFT)
Acquires RiskIQ to
Strengthen Security
Business

National

11.NSE Foundation Launches Project To Spread Awareness On COVID-19 Vaccination



Highlights:

- **NSE Foundation**, a subsidiary of the **National Stock Exchange (NSE)**, in partnership with the **NITI Aayog and UNICEF** has launched a programme **CAVACH (COVID-19 and Vaccination Assistance Campaign for Health)** to spread awareness on COVID-19 vaccination in India.
- The programme unites more than 30 community-based organisations on a single platform to address issues of vaccine hesitancy and resistance across five aspirational districts such as **Nandurbar and Osmanabad in Maharashtra, Karauli in Rajasthan, Ramanathapuram in Tamil Nadu and Kiphire in Nagaland** to improve COVID-19 immunisation numbers.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? a programme

CAVACH

BY? **NSE foundation**

NSE foundation

CEO: Rema Mohan

HQ: mumbai

Recent News

- NCGTC issues guidelines for Rs 50,000-cr credit guarantee scheme for medical infrastructure

12.Magma Fincorp is now Poonawalla Fincorp



Highlights:

- **Magma Fincorp** has been renamed as **Poonawalla Fincorp** after Adar Poonawalla-led Rising **Sun Holdings** acquired a controlling stake in the non-banking finance company (NBFC).
- **Magma Housing Finance**, a unit of the NBFC, has been renamed **Poonawalla Housing Finance**
- Poonawalla is also the Chief Executive Officer of Serum Institute of India, which is manufacturing the Oxford-AstraZeneca vaccine (**Covishield**) against COVID-19.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 'Magma Fincorp renamed as? poonwalla fincorp

Magma fincorp

CEO: Vijay Deshwal

HQ: west bengal

Recent News

- Magma Fincorp appoints Adar Poonawalla as chairman

State

13. Cabinet approves setting up of infrastructure development corporation for Ladakh



Highlights:

- The Centre approved the establishment of an **integrated multi-purpose infrastructure development corporation** for the Union Territory of **Ladakh**.
- The authorised share capital of the corporation will be **Rs 25 crore** and recurring expenditure will be around **Rs 2.42 crore per year**.
- The corporation will work for **industry, tourism, transport and marketing of local products and handicraft**

What? integrated multi-purpose infrastructure development corporation
In? ladakh

ladakh

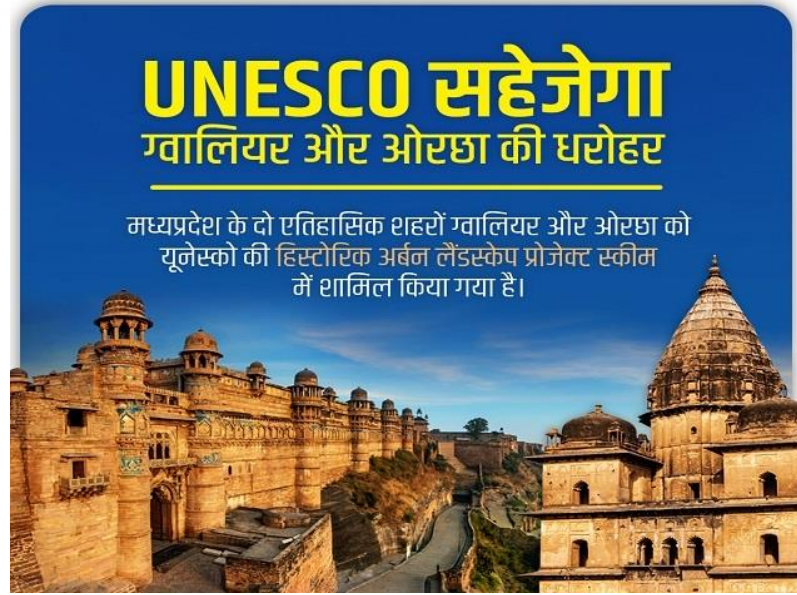
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Lt.Gov: R K mathur

Recent news

- THE UNION Cabinet approved the establishment of a central university in Ladakh at a cost of Rs 750 crore

14. Gwalior, Orchha in UNESCO's 'Historic Urban Landscape' project



Highlights:

- **Gwalior and Orchha cities** in Madhya Pradesh, were selected by **UNESCO** under its '**Historic Urban Landscape Project**'.
- The project aims at the inclusive and well-planned development of fast-growing historical cities while **preserving their cultural and heritage value**.
- **Gwalior and Orchha cities** from Madhya Pradesh have been included as the **7th and 8th cities of South Asia** under UNESCO's 'Historic Urban Landscape Project'

What? **Historic Urban Landscape Project**
In? **MP**

MP

Capital: bhopal

CM: shvraj singh chouhan

Gov: Mangubhai C. Patel

Recent news

- 'UNESCO removes Liverpool from world heritage list'

Sports

15. Australia's Brisbane to Host 2032 Olympic and Paralympic games



what? 2032 Summer Olympics
Host? Brisbane, Australia

IOC

HQ: Lausanne, Switzerland
President: Thomas Bach

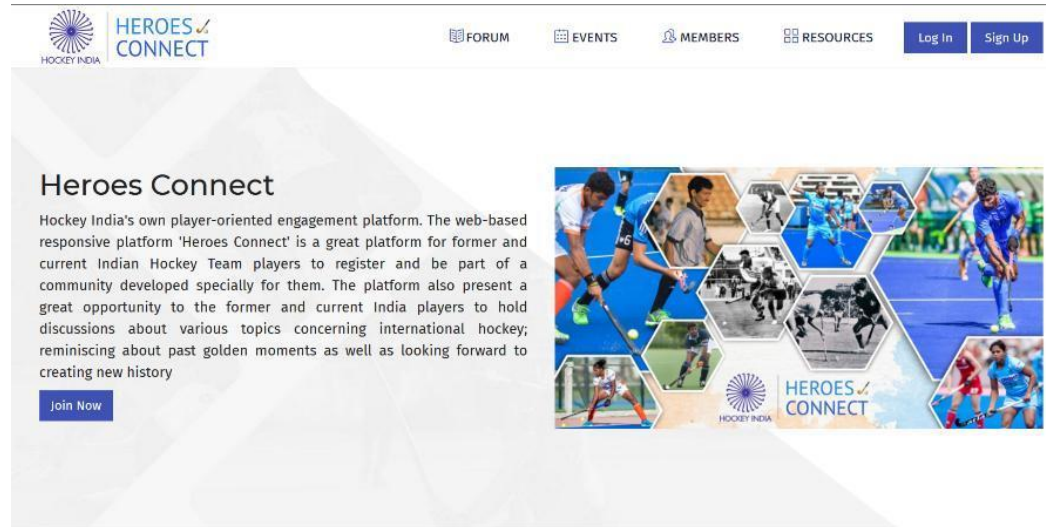
Highlights:

- The **International Olympic Committee (IOC)** has voted the **Australian city of Brisbane** as the host city for the **2032 Summer Olympics and Paralympic Games**.
- **Brisbane** is the **third** Australian city to host the Olympic Games **after Melbourne in 1956** and **Sydney in 2000**
- Olympics 2020- Tokyo
- Olympics 2024- Paris, France
- Olympics 2028- Los Angeles, US

Recent news

- Bangladesh Nobel laureate Muhammad Yunus to get Olympic Laurel by IOC

16.Hockey India launches player-oriented web-based platform



what? Heros connect web platform
by? hockey india

Hockey india

Pres: Gyanendro Ningombam

HQ: new delhi

Highlights:

- **Hockey India** has launched its own player-oriented web-based engagement platform, the '**Heroes Connect**' in its bid to curate a detailed database of the players who have represented the country in both men and women's game.
- The unique responsive platform has been designed to encourage former and current Indian hockey players to initiate constructive discussions around the sport

Recent news

- 2022 Khelo India Youth Games to be held in Haryana

17. Para Shooter Rubina Francis bags gold at Peru event



what? Para Sport Cup in Peru
gold? Rubina Francis

Highlights:

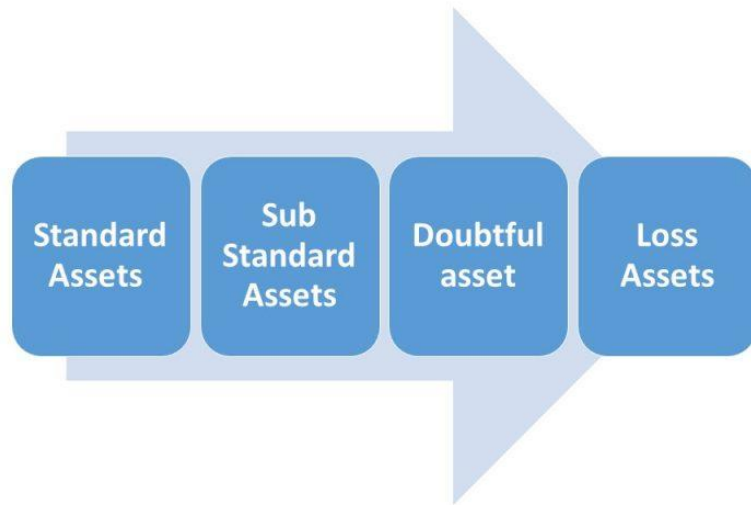
- Madhya Pradesh shooter, **Rubina Francis** has set a world record at the ongoing **Para Sport Cup in Peru**.
- She has **won gold in the 10-metre air pistol** para-event for women.
- Scoring 238.1 points, she went past the world record of **Aysegul Pehlivanlar of Turkey**.
- This win also secured her the quota for India at the **Tokyo Summer Paralympics 2020**.

Recent news

- Indian shooter **Rahi Sarnobat** wins Gold at ISSF World Cup shooting

Non-Performing Asset (NPA)

- Nonperforming assets (NPAs) are recorded on a bank's balance sheet after a prolonged period of non-payment by the borrower.
- NPAs place financial burden on the lender; a significant number of NPAs over a period of time may indicate to regulators that the financial health of the bank is in jeopardy.



Organisation / Bank:

UN

Hq: New York, US

Sec.gen: António Guterres

VISA

CEO: Alfred F Kelly Jr

Headquarters: California, US

Currency cloud

CEO: Mike Laven

Headquarters: London, UK

BYJU'S

Hq: Bengaluru

CEO: Byju Raveendran

NSE foundation

CEO: Rema Mohan

HQ: Mumbai

Magma fincorp

CEO: Vijay Deshwal

HQ: West Bengal

IOC

HQ: Lausanne, Switzerland

President: Thomas Bach

Hockey India

Pres: Gyanendro Ningombam

HQ: New Delhi

MINIS/CONS

Union Environment Minister

Bhupender Yadav

Cons: Rajasthan

Defence Ministry

Rajnath Singh

Cons: Lucknow, UP

Country / State:

Ladakh

Capital: Leh, Kargil

Lt.Gov: R K Mathur

MP

Capital: Bhopal

CM: Shvraj Singh Chouhan

Gov: Mangubhai C. Patel

1. World Brain Day 2021: 22 July: theme?

"Stop Multiple Sclerosis"

2. _____ appointed new Prime Minister of Haiti

Ariel Henry

3. _____ announces tie-up with NSDL payments bank

Multilink

4. Rakeysh Omprakash Mehra announces autobiography book names_____

'The Stranger In The Mirror'

5. U GRO Capital, Bank of Baroda launch Rs 1,000-crore MSME co-lending programme_____

'Pratham'