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July 1st week Current Affairs One Liners

IMPORTANT DAYS

- 1955 and the State Bank of India was constituted on 1 July1955.
- National Chartered Accountant Day is observed in order to celebrate the formation of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) on July 1st, 1949. This year 73rd Chartered Accountants' Day is celebrated.
- Every year, July 1 is celebrated as
 National Doctors' Day by the Indian Medical
 Association (IMA). The day is observed to commemorate the birth and death anniversary of former Bengal's Chief Minister Dr Bidhan Chandra Roy.
- July 1 was declared National Postal Worker Day
 in 1997 by a Seattle-area postal carrier to honour
 fellow employees and since then it is celebrated
 every year on this day.
- Goods and Services Tax Day Observed on July
 01, India marks the fourth anniversary of the Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- World UFO Day Observed on July 02, It is an awareness day for people to gather together and watch the skies for Unidentified Flying Objects.
- World Sports Journalists Day is celebrated across
 the world on 2 July every year. The main
 objective of celebrating this day is to support the
 work of sports journalists and encourage them to
 do better in their work.
- International Co-operative Day is an annual celebration of the co-operative movement

- observed on the **first Saturday in July** since 1923 by the International Co-operative Alliance. **Theme** of International Co-operative Day **2021** is: 'Rebuild Better Together'.
- World Zoonoses Day commemorates the work of French biologist Louis Pasteur; on 6 July 1885, Pasteur successfully administered the first vaccine against rabies, a zoonotic disease. This year's World Zoonoses Day theme is "Let's Break the Chain of Zoonotic Transmission".
- World Chocolate Day, sometimes referred to as International Chocolate Days, is an annual celebration of chocolate, occurring globally on July 7.

BANKING

- The Reserve Bank of India imposed a penalty of Rs 25 lakh on Punjab and Sind Bank for noncompliance with certain provisions of directions on 'Cyber Security Framework in Banks'.
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- The World Bank (WB) will provide USD 300
 million to the Bangladeshgovernment as loan to
 implement a five-year project to improve
 livelihood, which is scheduled to begin from July.
- The World Bank pledged to boost available funding for COVID-19 vaccine purchases and deployment to \$20 billion from a previous target of \$12 billion, citing a sharp increase in overall financing demand from developing countries.

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- The World Bank has approved a loan of USD 800
 million to cash-strapped Pakistan, financing
 schemes on clean energy and human capital
 development.
- State Bank of India (SBI) launched a dedicated counter across its 360 selected branches to cater to the current account customers.
- ICICI Bank announced the launch
 of a comprehensive banking solution for doctors,
 called Salute Doctors. It provides
 customized banking as well as valueadded services for every doctor, beginning from
 a medical student to a senior medical consultant
 to an owner of a hospital or a clinic.
- HDFC Bank launched a Salaam DilSey initiative to show gratitude to doctors for their tireless

- service during the pandemic, and to pay tribute to doctors across the country.
- Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) has become the second most-valued listed public sector bank (PSB) with a market capitalization of over Rs 50,000 crore.
- NABARD has sanctioned an assistance of Rs
 388 crore for Odisha under the Rural
 Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF) for
 setting up four mega piped drinking water supply
 projects. The sanctioned amount would also be
 used for construction or up-gradation of 20 village
 roads across 15 districts in the state.

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IMPORTANT DAYS

- The National Fish Farmers Day is celebrated on 10th July every year, this day is celebrated in memory of scientists Dr K. H. Alikunhi and Dr H. L. Chaudhary. This year it was the 63rd National Fish Farmers Day.
- World Population Day is an annual event, observed on July 11 every year, which seeks to raise awareness of global population issues. The theme for World Population Day 2021 is "Rights and Choices are the Answer: Whether baby boom or bust, the solution to shifting fertility rates lies in prioritising all people's reproductive health and rights."
- On July 12, National Simplicity Day is observed to commemorate Henry David Thoreau, an author, poet, and philosopher.
- World Malala Day Observed on July 12. At age
 17, Malala was the youngest recipient ever of the
 Nobel Peace Prize.
- On 15 July, World Youth Skills
 Day is celebrated to recognize the fact that if youth acquire skills, it will enhance their ability to make informed choices regarding employment with the theme of pays tribute to the resilience and creativity of youth through the crisis.

BANKING NEWS

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- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed a monetary penalty on 14 banks, including State
 Bank of India (SBI), Bandhan Bank, IndusInd
 Bank, Bank of Baroda (BoB), Central Bank for non-compliance with certain provisions of directions issued by them.
- The Reserve Bank of India announced the cut-off yield for the new 10-year bond at 6.10% per annum, higher than that of the current benchmark, signalling a slight tolerance for a higher yield after months of trying to keep it at 6% or less.
- The Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) gave approval to Equitas Small Finance Bank (SFB) for the amalgamation of its promoter 'Equitas Holdings' into itself.
- The IMF Executive Board approved a new general SDR (Special Drawing Rights) allocation equivalent to US\$650 billion – the largest allocation in the IMF's history – to address the long-term global needs for reserves during the worst crisis since the Great Depression.
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has joined with leading public health experts, vaccine regulators and policymakers to form an advisory group to provide its developing member countries (DMCs) with expert technical and scientific advice on the quality, safety and effectiveness of vaccines for coronavirus disease (Covid-19) pandemic.

- Private sector Federal Bank stated it has received approval from the RBI to reappoint Shyam Srinivasan as its MD and CEO for three years.
- Axis Bank will pick up a 9.9 per cent stake in Fettle Tone LLP, a promoter of Max Bupa Health Insurance Company, for Rs 90.8 crore to strengthen is insurance business.
- Private sector lender Axis Bank announced its
 first derivative transaction linked to the Secured
 Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR). With this
 transaction, Axis Bank has crossed an important
 milestone associated with the LIBOR transition
 journey.
- The Export-Import (Exim) Bank of India has granted a loan for a power transmission project being executed by Kalpataru Power Transmission in Senegal. A loan of USD 35.26 million was granted for the same.
- To increase retail participation in government securities, 'the RBI Retail Direct' facility was announced in the Statement of Developmental and Regulatory Policies dated February 05, 2021 for improving ease of access by retail investors through online access to the government securities market both primary and secondary along with the facility to open their gilt securities account ('Retail Direct') with the RBI.
- The Kerala State Cooperative Bank (Kerala Bank) has announced Covid-19 relief schemes



- **Covid Helping Hand**, KB Micro-Finance Scheme to aid various sections of society.
- The International Financial Services Centres
 Authority (IFSCA) issued a framework for setting
 up and operating the International Trade Finance
 Services platform (ITFS).
- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and Finance Minister of Bhutan Lyonpo Namgay Tshering jointly launched BHIM-UPI in Bhutan.

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IMPORTANT DAYS

- World Snake Day is observed on July 16 every year to increase awareness about the different species of snakes all around the world.
- World Day for International Justice, also referred
 to as Day of International Criminal Justice or
 International Justice Day, is an international day
 celebrated throughout the world on July 17 as
 part of an effort to recognize the emerging
 system of international criminal justice with the
 theme of "social justice in the digital economy"
- World Emoji Day is an annual unofficial holiday occurring on 17 July, intended to celebrate emoji; in the years since the earliest observance, it has become a popular date to make product or other announcements and releases relating to emoji.
- Nelson Mandela International Day is an annual international day in honour of Nelson Mandela, celebrated each year on 18 July, Mandela's birthday with the theme of "One Hand Can Feed Another"

- United Nations celebrates World Chess Day
 globally on 20 July every year which marks the
 date of the establishment of the International
 Chess Federation (FIDE) in Paris in 1924.
- Bank Nationalisation Day is observed on July 19
 & the measure of bank nationalisation came into effect on 19 July 1969.
- The International Chess Day is celebrated annually on July 20, the day the International Chess Federation was founded, in 1924.
- Science Exploration Day Observed on July 20,
 Main Objective is to "tune them in to science", so they will continue their studies in science and become part of the future in the mathematics, science, engineering, and medical fields.

BANKING

- BUSY, business accounting software, has partnered with ICICI Bank for banking
- solutions.

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- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched the 95th round of the Quarterly 'Industrial Outlook Survey' (IOS), which assesses the performance of the Indian manufacturing sector. The reference period for the survey is Q2 FY22
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) mentioned it has cancelled the licence of Dr Shivajirao Patil Nilangekar Urban Co-operative Bank Ltd, Nilanga, Latur, as it does not have adequate capital and earning prospects.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has extended the timeline for implementation of cassette swap in all ATMs till March 31, 2022.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) imposed restrictions on Mastercard Asia Pacific Pte Ltd from onboarding new domestic customers (debit, credit or prepaid) onto its card network from July 22, citing non-compliance of storage of data in India.
- Given nod to set up small finance bank to take over scam-hit PMC (Punjab and Maharashtra Cooperative) Bank: RBI to HC
- The Reserve Bank of India has announced the 'RBI Retail Direct' scheme that will give investors the facility of investing in government securities in one place.
- India's wholesale price inflation eased in June to
 12.07% from a record 12.94% a month ago as food and fuel prices fell while those of manufactured items accelerated.

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ECONOMY

- Asian Development Bank has downgraded India's economic growth forecast for current financial year to 10%, from 11% projected in April, on account of coronavirus pandemic.
- Commonwealth countries are estimated to have lost up to \$345 billion worth of trade in 2020, including \$60 billion in intra-Commonwealth trade, the Commonwealth Trade Review said.
- The government may hike foreign direct investment (FDI) limit in the pension sector to 74 per cent and a Bill in this regard is expected to come in the next Parliament session, according to sources.
- With India's forex reserves at \$608.99 billion as on June 25, 2021 stood, India has emerged as the fifth largest foreign exchange reserves holder in the world after China, Japan, Switzerland and Russia.
- Jewellers will have to pay GST only on the profit earned on resale of second-hand gold jewellery,
 Karnataka AAR has ruled.
- The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has downgraded India's economic growth forecast for the current financial year to 10 per cent, from 11 percent predicted earlier this year, mainly on



- account of the adverse impact of the coronavirus pandemic.
- APEDA (Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority) with Basmati Export Development Foundation (BEDF) organizes an awareness creation programme for the basmati rice growers.
- The Government has launched a Bad Bank with all the regulatory approvals in place.
- Nearly 72% of financial transactions of PSBs done through digital channels

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- Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) offers financial support to entrepreneurs, private companies, MSME and Farmers Producers Organizations (FPOs).

July 4th week Current Affairs One Liners

IMPORTANT DAYS

- Each year on July 22nd, National Fragile X
 Awareness Day celebrates those impacted by
 Fragile X syndrome to give support for research,
 education and awareness.
- Space Exploration Day is observed on July 20 of every year to wonder at the mysterious space and to think of all technological advances that are made by humans to explore the space.
- Pi Approximation Day also known as Casual Pi
 Day observes on July 22, the day is dedicated to the mathematical constant pi (π).
- World Brain Day Observed on July 22, The theme for this year's campaign is "our brain, our future"
- National Broadcasting Day celebrated on 23rd
 July

- The World Federation of Neurology was established on July 22 1957 & suggested by the Public Awareness and Advocacy Committee that 22 July 2014 should be celebrated as "World Brain Day". The theme of this year's World Brain Day is "Stop Multiple Sclerosis".
- Aaykar Diwas (Income Tax Day) Observed on July 24, it has been marked by various activities undertaken by the regional offices of the department across the country.
- The United Nations has designated July 25 every year as the World Drowning Day.
- Kargil Vijay Diwas is observed on 26th July to honour the war heroes.
- The International Day for the Conservation of the Mangrove Ecosystem, Observed on July 26, adopted by the General Conference of the UN

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Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in 2015.

- The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)
 celebrated its 83rd Raising Day on July 27 all
 over the country.
- World Natural Conservation Day is celebrated every year on July 28 to raise awareness about the importance of working for a healthy environment.
- World Hepatitis Day is commemorated each year
 on 28 July to enhance awareness of viral
 hepatitis, an inflammation of the liver that causes
 a range of health problems, including liver
 cancer.
- United Nations observes 30 July every year as World Day Against Trafficking in Persons & the 2021 theme for World Day against Trafficking in Persons is Victims "Voices Lead the Way".
- Global Tiger Day, often called International Tiger
 Day, is an annual celebration to raise awareness
 for tiger conservation, held annually on 29 July &
 the theme is "Their survival is in our hands".
- An International Friendship Day was first proposed on July 30, 1958 by the World Friendship Crusade, an international civil organization that campaigns to foster peaceful culture through friendship.
- World Ranger Day is celebrated on July 31 of every year & it pays tribute to the Rangers who are injured and killed in the line of duty and celebrates their colleagues who still boldly

undertake their role in the field to **protect the** world's natural and cultural treasures.

BANKING

- The Reserve Bank of India has allowed IDFC
 Limited to exit IDFC First Bank as promoter & it
 comes after the 5-year lock-in period expired.
 And the parent company was asked to hold a
 minimum 40% stake in the bank, locked in for 5
 years.
- RBI has imposed a penalty of Rs 1 lakh on Melur
 Co-operative Urban Bank, Melur, Madurai, Tamil
 Nadu for contravention of certain provisions
 concerning board of directors.
- ICICI Bank and HPCL jointly launches 'ICICI Bank HPCL Super Saver' Credit Card.
- The state-run insurance and investment company, Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC), has rolled out the Arogya Rakshak plan, a benefit-based, non-linked, non-participating, regular premium and individual health insurance policy
- India's largest lender State Bank of India has selected <u>Paisalo Digital</u> as its National Corporate Business Correspondent for boosting its financial inclusion drive with the help of kiosk-based banking services
- The RBI is working on phased introduction of its own digital currency Deputy Governor T Rabi
 Sankar stated it is mulling pilot projects in



wholesale and retail segments in the near future, .

- Standalone health insurer Max Bupa Health
 Insurance, backed by private equity firm True
 North and Bupa, has rebranded itself to Niva
 Bupa Health Insurance.
- Dvara e-Dairy Solutions Pvt. Ltd. announced its partnership with IFFCO Tokio General Insurance for providing artificial intelligence (AI) powered digital cattle identity solution for cattle insurance.
- Magma Fincorp Limited, a RBI-registered non-banking finance company (NBFC) has been rechristened as Poonawalla Fincorp Limited and has initiated rebranding activity, following the acquisition of controlling stake by Adar Poonawalla led Rising Sun Holdings Private Limited on 21st May 2021.
- Indian Bank launched its CASA (current account, savings account) campaign on the 53rd Bank
 Nationalization day & this campaign is expected to 'inject confidence' in customers and to bring new customers into their fold to improve the CASA of the Bank.
- HDFC ERGO General Insurance, India's leading non-life insurance company in the private sector, announced the launch of (https://www.hdfcergo.com/healthinsurance/optima-secure)Optima Secure, a new health indemnity health insurance product that

- seeks to redefine the value customers can get from their insurance plan.
- SMC Global Securities limited announced a strategic alliance with Dhanlaxmi bank for offering online trading services to the bank customers, & this tie-up will offer an integrated 3-in-1 account comprising of a Savings, Demat, and Trading account providing a hassle-free and convenient trading experience to the Dhanlaxmi Bank customers through the portal www.smctradeonline.com apart from the mobile trading app (SMC ACE) and desktop-based software.
- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a monetary penalty of Rs 5 crore on Axis Bank for contravention of certain provisions of directions issued by the RBI, encompassing those on cyber security framework.
- Digital payments have recorded a growth of 30.19 per cent during the year ended March 2021, reflecting adoption and deepening of cashless transactions in the country, RBI data showed.
- Paytm Payments Bank informed it has become the first bank in the country to achieve the milestone of issuing 1 crore FASTags.
- The finance ministry invited entries from citizens for name, tagline and logo for the new
 Development Financial Institution (DFI)
- Reserve Bank of India (RBI) informed that the total amount of unclaimed deposits of Scheduled



Commercial Banks (SCBs) was Rs. 24,356 crore, as on 31.12.2020.

- India's largest private lender HDFC Bank
 launched an overdraft facility for small retailers in
 partnership with the government's e-governance
 services delivery arm CSC SPV that enables
 government schemes and services through
 common service centres (CSCs).
- The Reserve Bank of India cancelled the licence of Madgaum Urban Co-operative Bank Limited,
 Margao, Goa, as the bank with its current financial position would be unable to pay its present depositors in full.
- Three of India's biggest private Ienders ICICI
 Bank, HDFC Bank and Axis Bank have taken
 stakes in the blockchain financial technology firm
 IBBIC.
- Bharat Bill Payment System, NPCl's flagship bill
 payments platform that was hived off into a
 separate subsidiary in April, has appointed former

- PayU and Airtel Payments Bank executive Noopur Chaturvedi as its new chief executive officer.
- U GRO Capital, a BSE listed, technology enabled small business NBFC, announced the launch of a co-lending
- partnership for micro, small and medium
 enterprises (MSME) with Bank of Baroda.
- The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India
 (IBBI) notified the Insolvency and Bankruptcy
 Board of India (Insolvency Resolution Process for Corporate Persons) (Second Amendment)

 Regulations, 2016 on 14th July, 2021.