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# Important days

#### **1.World Organ Donation Day: 13 August**

World Organ Donation Day : august 13

**BY:** worldwide





## Highlights :

- World Organ Donation Day is celebrated every year on August 13.
- The day is celebrated to raise awareness about the importance of organ donation and motivate people to donate organs after death.
- The day provides an opportunity to all to come ahead and pledge to donate their precious organs because one organ donor can save up to eight lives.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? World Organ Donation Day When? 13 august

# **Recent News:**

•International Youth Day observed on 12 August

### **2.International Lefthanders Day: 13 August**

**International Lefthanders Day : august 13** 

FIRST OBSERVED: 1976

**BY:** lefthanders international club



# Highlights :

•The International Left-Handers Day is observed on August 13 every year to celebrate the uniqueness and differences of the left-handers and raise awareness of the advantages and disadvantages of being left-handed in a predominantly right-handed world.

•Left-handers are likely to have better verbal skills than their righthanded counterparts, according to a 2019 study by Oxford University.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? International Lefthanders Day When? 13 august

# **Recent News:**

International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples: 9 August

# Appointments

### **3.Govt appoints AK Tiwari & Gajendra Singh as Member in PNGRB**

**appointed :** AK Tiwari & Gajendra Singh

as: member in PNGRB

Tenure: 5 yrs



### Highlights:

 The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has approved the proposal for the appointment of GAIL (India) Limited's Director (Finance) Anjani Kumar Tiwari and former Director (Marketing) of GAIL (India) Limited Gajendra Singh for the post of the Member in the Petroleum & Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB). **EXPECTED QUESTIONS** What? member in PNGRB who? AK Tiwari & Gajendra Singh

**PNGRB** chairman: **Sanjeev Nandan Sahai**. HQ: new delhi

### **Recent News**

- R K Vishnoi assumes charge as THDCIL CMD
- Kamlesh Kumar Pant appointed new NPPA chairman

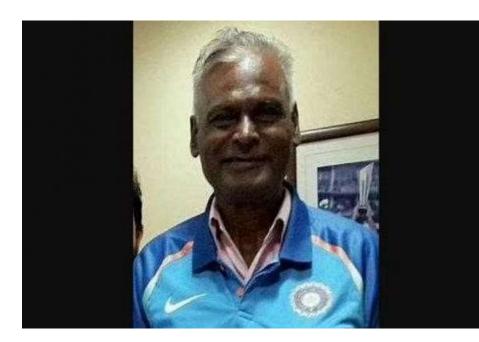
# Obituaries

#### 4.former India hockey player Gopal Bhengra passed away

Passed Away: Gopal Bhengra

Field: former indian hockey player

**Born: jharkhand** 



## Highlights :

 Gopal Bhengra, The former Indian Men's Hockey Team player, who played against Argentina and Pakistan in the 1978 Men's Hockey World Cup held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, had also served in the Indian Army.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

Who? Gopal Bhengra

Field ? former indian hockey player

# Born? jharkhand Recent News

 War hero Commodore Kasargod Patnashetti Gopal Rao passes away

# MOU

5.ReNew Power set to acquire assets worth \$384 million in Uttarakhand and Telangana

# Renew

### **Highlights:**

- ReNew Power has signed binding agreements for the acquisition of two renewable energy assets, a 99 megawatt (MW) hydropower project in Uttarakhand and 260 MW solar projects in Telangana, for \$384 million.
- According to the company, these assets will add about \$50.7 million to \$53.4 million of EBITDA on a full-year basis.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? Acquired in uttarakhand and telangana By?renew power

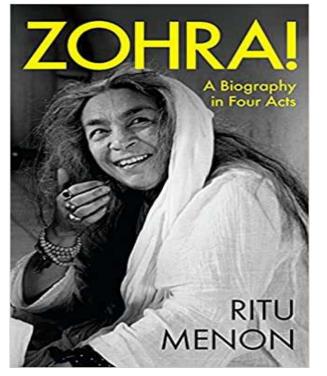
ReNew power HQ: Gurugram, Haryana CEO: sumant sinha

#### **RECENT NEWS**

ReNew Power signs
 pact with RackBank for
 renewable energy for
 data centre

# **Books and authors**

# 6.book 'Zohra - A Biography in Four Acts' authored by ritu menon



**Book Title:** Zohra - A Biography in Four Acts author: ritu menon

**Publisher:** speaking tiger publishers

#### **About Book:**

 In this biography of zohra Segal (1912-2014) spanned an Indian century of the arts and became the only woman to make a mark in all the performing arts, with the exception of music, within the country and abroad. This elegant biography traces her remarkable journey.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? Zohra - A Biography in Four Acts

author: ritu menon

**Publisher: speaking tiger publishers** 

#### **RECENT NEWS**

 A book title "How the Earth Got Its Beauty" authored by Sudha Murty

# International

#### 7. 15th India-Singapore Foreign Office Consultations



## **Highlights:**

The 15th India-Singapore Foreign Office Consultations were held virtually.
The Indian delegation was led by Secretary (East) in Ministry of External Affairs Riva Ganguly Das and the Singapore delegation was led by Permanent Secretary in Ministry of Foreign Affairs Chee Wee Kiong.

•Both sides reviewed the entire gamut of bilateral relations and expressed their satisfaction that despite the pandemic, considerable substance and content had been added to the bilateral relationship, especially in trade and defence cooperation.

**EXPECTED QUESTIONS** What? Foreign Office Consultations by? India and singapore

Singapore Curr:Singapore dollar Pres: Halimah Yacob

#### **RECENT NEWS**

India ranks 122nd on
"New Global Youth
Development Index"
topped by singapore

# Banking

#### 8. Deutsche Bank gets go-ahead to start IFSC banking unit at GIFT City



# Highlights:

- •Deutsche Bank has got approval from the GIFT SEZ (Special Economic Zone) Authority to set up an IFSC banking unit.
- •The banking unit will be set up at India's first International Financial Services Centre (IFSC) at GIFT City in Gujarat.
- •The banking unit will allow us to expand the services available to our clients to carry out international business transactions, particularly in the areas of Financing, Trade and Currencies

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? IFSC banking unit who? Duetsche bank

**Duetsche bank** Hq: Frankfurt, Germany CEO: Christian Sewing

#### **Recent news**

 GIFT City and India Insurtech Association Sign MoU to promote Fintech in insurance sector

# 9.Agritech start-up Arya partners with SBM Bank India for commodity financing



# Highlights:

- •Agritech start-up Arya has formed a strategic partnership with SBM Bank India to reinforce its competencies in financing solutions.
- •It improves access to credit, ease in financing process and robust solutions for instant credit to every client in the agri value chain.
- •Arya provides integrated post-harvest services. Its platform helps users to choose ancillary services like warehouse management, access to finance, quality testing, storage protection services, and connecting produce to buyers.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? partnership with SBM Bank India who? ARYA

**SBM bank india** CEO: Sidharth Rath HQ: mumbai

#### **Recent news**

 SBM Bank India is the first bank to receive universal banking licence from the RBI to set up and operate as a scheduled commercial bank

### **10.RBI to penalise banks if ATMs run out of cash from October 1**



# Highlights:

- •Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed a penalty of Rs 1 crore on Cooperatieve Rabobank U.A.(mumbai) for deficiencies in regulatory compliances.
- •The penalty has been imposed for contravention of certain provisions of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 and directions related to 'transfer to reserve funds'.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? Rs 1 crore on Cooperatieve Rabobank U.A.(mumbai) who? RBI

RBI

Gov : shaktiknta das HQ: mumbai

#### **Recent news**

 RBI to penalise banks if ATMs run out of cash from October 1

# Summit

#### **11.India participates in SCO agriculture ministers' virtual meeting**



### **Highlights:**

- India's Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar participated in the 6th meeting of Agriculture Ministers of Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) member countries was organized virtually in Dushanbe, Tajikistan.
- Speaking on the occasion, Tomar mentioned that the Indian government was determined to attain sustainable development goal to end hunger, achieve food security and nutrition.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? 6th meeting of Agriculture Ministers of SCO who? Narendra singh tomar

#### India's Agriculture Minister Narendra Singh Tomar Cons: morena,MP

#### **RECENT NEWS**

Kiren Rijiju attends 8th
 SCO Meeting of
 Ministers of Justice

# Exercise

#### **12.Quad Navies to undertake Ex-Malabar 2021**



## Highlights:

- The Quad country navies including, India, the US, Japan and Australia, will be conducting the annual Malabar naval exercises, from August 21, off the coast of Guam, in the Indo-Pacific.
- The objective of the Malabar series of Exercises is to increase the interoperability of naval powers of the four QUAD countries.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? Malabar naval exercises by? Quad navies

#### **Recent news**

 AL-MOHED AL-HINDI 2021 exercise between India & Saudi Arabia

# Ranking

### 13.4 Indian airports finds place in Skytrax's top 100 airport list

index: 2021 Skytrax World Airport Awards

**by:** skytrax

top: Hamad International Airport in Doha, Qatar

## **Highlights:**



#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? 2021 Skytrax World Airport Awards Top? Doha,qatar

- •The Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport(45) in New Delhi has found place RECENT NEWS among world's top 50 best airports in the 2021 Skytrax World Airport Awards.
- Other indina airports are Hyderabad:(64),Mumbai: 65,Bengaluru: 71
- •The Hamad International Airport in Doha, Qatar, has been named the "Best Airport in the World".
- •The Skytrax World Airport Awards list is complied by UK-based Skytrax, a consultancy firm that runs an airline and airport review and ranking site, featuring 100 airports.
- 7 Indian Companies Feature in Fortune Global 500 list for 2021

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# National

#### 14.Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games



### Highlights:

- A 54-member, largest ever Indian contingent was given a formal and virtual send-off to Tokyo Paralympic Games by Union Minister for Youth Affairs and SportsShri Anurag SinghThakur.
- 54 athletes from India will be competing in 9 sports disciplines including Archery, Athletics (Track and Field), Badminton, Swimming, Weight Liftingamong others. This is the biggest-ever contingent India is sending to any Olympics.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? Tokyo Paralympic Games by? Anurag thakur

Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports: Anurag singh thakur Cons:Hamirpur,HP

#### **Recent News**

Anurag Thakur Launches Paralympic Theme Song "Kar De Kamaal Tu"

# State

#### 15.TN CM launches Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam scheme



## Highlights:

- Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam, programme to deliver essential healthcare at the doorstep of the people was launched by Chief Minister M.K.Stalin in Samanapalli village in Krishnagiri.
- Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam will screen those above 45 years of age and others with infirmities through routine door-to-door check-ups and detect non-communicable diseases that are also seen to cause sudden mortalities and impact the quality of life.

#### **EXPECTED QUESTIONS**

What? Makkalai Thedi Maruthuvam In ? Tamilnadu

**tamilnadu Capital:chennai** CM: M K stalin Governor: banwarilal purohit

#### **Recent News**

 Union Cabinet approves continuation of 1,023 fast track special courts

# sports

16.Shakib Al Hasan, Stafanie Taylor voted ICC players of the month for July



Highlights:

Bangladesh all-rounder Shakib Al Hasan and West Indies skipper Stafanie Taylor were named the ICC Player of the Month for July in men's and women's categories respectively.
Shakib, who was nominated alongside West Indies' Hayden Walsh Jr

and Australia's Mitchell Marsh.

What? ICC player of the monthjulywho?Men-ShakibHasan(bang)Female-Stafanie Taylor(WI)

#### **Recent news**

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

## **17.Durand Cup makes re-entry with 130th edition to be held at** Kolkata



### Highlights:

•Durand Cup, Asia's oldest and world's third oldest football tournament, is all set to make a comeback, after a year's gap. The 130th edition of the Durand Cup is scheduled to be held in and around Kolkata between September 05 to October 03, 2021.

What? 130th edition of the Durand Cup in ? kolkata

#### **Recent news**

• US clinches CONCACAF Gold Cup in football **Organisation / Bank:** 

**SBM bank india** CEO: Sidharth Rath HQ: mumbai

**Duetsche bank** Hq: Frankfurt, Germany CEO: Christian Sewing

ReNew power HQ: Gurugram, Haryana CEO: sumant sinha

#### RBI

Gov : shaktiknta das HQ: mumbai

#### **PNGRB**

chairman: Sanjeev Nandan Sahai.

HQ: new delhi

#### **Country / State:**

#### tamilnadu

**Capital:chennai** CM: M K stalin

Governor: banwarilal purohit

#### Singapore

Curr:Singapore dollar Pres: Halimah Yacob

#### Minis\cons

Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports:

Anurag singh thakur

Cons:Hamirpur,HP India's Agriculture Minister

Narendra Singh Tomar Cons: morena,MP **1. World Elephant Day observed on??** 

# 12 August

# 2. \_\_\_\_\_ appointed new NPPA chairman

**Kamlesh Kumar Pant** 

# 3.Who signs MoU with SBI, J&K Gramin Bank??

## **NABARD**

4. RBI to penalise banks if ATMs run out of cash from

# **October 1**

# 5. CJI NV Ramana launches \_\_\_\_\_ app to help poor people get legal aid

# NALSA mobile app