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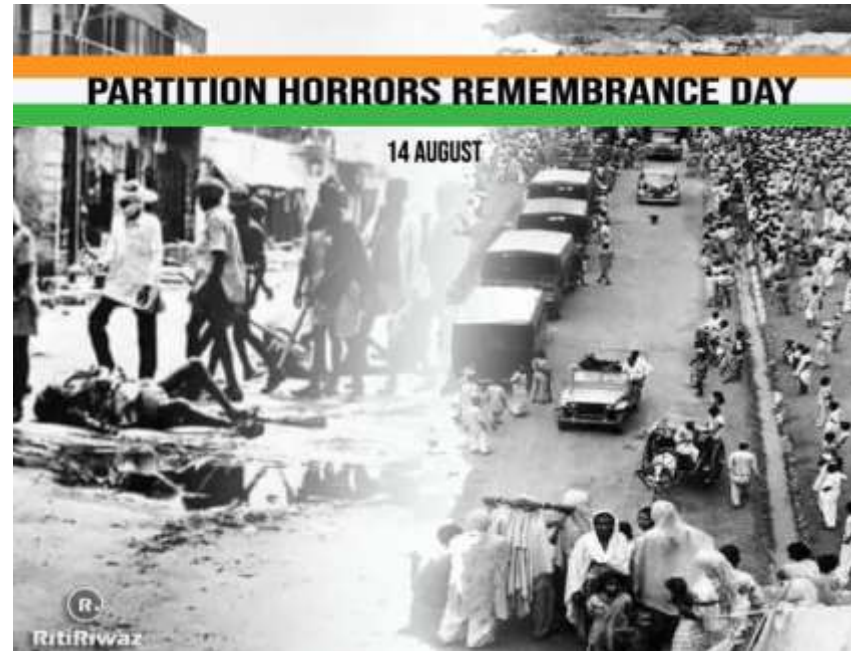


Important days

1. August 14 to be Observed as Partition Horrors Remembrance Day

Partition Horrors Remembrance Day :
August 14

BY: GOI



Highlights :

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced that **August 14** will be observed as **Partition Horrors Remembrance Day** across the country in memory of the “**struggles and sacrifices of our people**”.
- After the partition of India by the British colonial rule in 1947, **Pakistan** was carved out as a **Muslim** country **on August 14, 1947**.
- During partition, Millions of people were displaced and many lost their lives due to mindless hate and violence.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Partition Horrors Remembrance Day
When? 14 August

Recent News:

- Pakistan Independence Day observed annually on 14 August and was declared a sovereign state following the end of the British Raj in 1947.

Appointments

2. Nadir Godrej named CMD of Godrej Industries

appointed : nadir godrej

as: CMD of godrej industries

replaces: Adi Godrej



Highlights:

• **Nadir Godrej**, younger brother of Adi Godrej, and currently managing director of GIL, will take over **as chairman and managing director** of **Godrej Industries**

• Adi Godrej will continue to serve as chairman of the Godrej Group and chairman emeritus of GIL

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? CMD of godrej industries

who? nadir godrej

GIL

CMD: nadir godrej

HQ: maharashtra

Recent News

- Kamlesh Kumar Pant appointed new NPPA chairman

3. Union home secretary Ajay Kumar Bhalla's tenure extended for a year

appointed : ajay kumar bhalla

as: union home secretary

Tenure: 1 year



Highlights:

- The appointments committee of the Cabinet has approved extension in service to **Ajay Kumar Bhalla** as **home secretary, ministry of home affairs** for a period of one year beyond the present tenure i.e. 22.08.2021.
- Bhalla, a 1984 batch IAS officer of Assam-Meghalaya cadre, was appointed as the Home Secretary in August 2019.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? union home secretary

who? ajay kumar bhalla

Ministry of home affairs

Amit shah

Cons: Gandhinagar ,Gujarat

Recent News

- Gol approves 1-year extension to Rajiv Gauba's term as Cabinet Secretary

MOU

4. National Health Authority, IIT Delhi To Strengthen India's COVID-19 Response



Highlights:

- **National Health Authority** has signed an **MoU** with the **Indian Institute of Technology Delhi**.
- Through this partnership, the National Health Authority (NHA) will be a technical collaborator on the **US Agency for International Development (USAID)**-supported **SAMRIDH Healthcare** Blended Financing Facility.
- IIT Delhi serves as the hosting entity for SAMRIDH.
- SAMRIDH Healthcare Blended Financing Facility aims to catalyse market-based health solutions to improve access to affordable and quality healthcare services for low-income and vulnerable communities

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MOU with IIT delhi
By?NHA

NHA

HQ: new delhi

CEO: Ram Sewak Sharma

RECENT NEWS

- IIT Bombay has developed a method of using infra-red technology to rapidly test which patients are more at risk of becoming severely unwell from Covid.

Books and authors

5..book 'Art Cinema and India's Forgotten Futures' authored by Rochona Majumdar



Book Title: Art Cinema and India's Forgotten Futures

author: Rochona Majumdar

Publisher: Columbia University Press

About Book:

- Art Cinema and India's Forgotten Futures offers sweeping new insights into film's relationship with the postcolonial condition and its role in decolonial imaginations of the future.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Art Cinema and India's Forgotten Futures

author: Rochona Majumdar

Publisher: Columbia University Press

RECENT NEWS

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

International

6. IATA extend partnership with UNCTAD to facilitate global trade



Highlights:

- The International Air Transport Association (IATA) and UNCTAD have extended their collaboration to facilitate **international trade**, particularly e-commerce.
- The extended partnership will enrich their history of working together. This includes the successful integration of air cargo messaging standards (CargoXML) into UNCTAD's automated customs management system, ASYCUDAWorld.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Partners with IATA
by? UNCTAD

IATA

HQ: Montreal, Canada
head: William M. Walsh

UNCTAD

HQ: Geneva, Switzerland
Sec. gen: Rebeca Grynspan

RECENT NEWS

- IMF approves historic \$650 bln allocation of Special Drawing Rights

Banking

7. Indian Bank signs MoU with Paralympic Committee



Highlights:

- Public sector **Indian Bank** has signed an MoU with the **Paralympic Committee of India (PCI)** as one of the banking partners of the Paralympic Games scheduled to commence from **August 24 in Tokyo, Japan**.
- In a year-long association, the bank will provide financial assistance to Paralympic athletes to prepare for the coveted sporting events in the domestic arena as well as global platforms.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MOU with PCI with? Indian bank

Indian bank

Hq: chennai

CEO: Padmaja Chundururu

PCI

Pres: **Deepa Malik**

Recent news

- IIM Bangalore and Indian Bank ink MoU to provide debt capital for startups

8.IIFL partners with FinBox to digitize credit access for MSMEs



Highlights:

- **IIFL Finance** an Indian finance and Investments Company has partnered with Bangalore and Gurgaon-based **FinTech, FinBox**, to offer digital credit products to its merchants.
- The investment services company will offer digital credit avenues to its merchants, B2B e-commerce traders, using FinBox's embedded **buy-now-pay-later (BNPL)** and working capital credit products.
- Through this partnership, IIFL and FinBox will disburse **INR 10 billion** in loans over the next 2 quarters, through a completely digital model.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? partnership with finbox
who? IIFL finance

IIFL finance

CEO:Nirmal Jain

HQ: Mumbai

Finbox

CEO: Rajat Deshpande

Recent news

- IIFL Home Finance Limited inks pact with Asian Development Bank for green housing ecosystem

9.RBI empanels South Indian Bank as 'Agency Bank'



Highlights:

- The Kerala based private sector lender **South Indian Bank** has been empanelled as an '**Agency Bank**' by **Reserve Bank of India** to undertake general banking businesses of Central and State government on behalf of the RBI.
- South Indian Bank is now authorised to undertake transactions related to government businesses such as revenue receipts and payments on behalf of the Central/State governments

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? South Indian bank empanelled as agency bank
who? RBI

RBI

Gov : shaktiknta das
HQ: Mumbai

South Indian bank

Hq: Thrissur
CEO: Murali Ramakrishnan

Recent news

- RBI empanelled indusind bank, Karnataka bank, RBL bank as an agency bank

Summit

10. India organises the IBSA Tourism Ministers' Meet Virtually



Highlights:

- India organized the **IBSA (India, Brazil and South Africa) Tourism Ministers' meeting** through the virtual platform.
- The Union Minister of Tourism of India, Shri **G. Kishan Reddy**, chaired the meeting.
- The meeting provided a platform to promote tourism cooperation among the member states and recognized the importance of strengthening cooperation in tourism to overcome the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic on the tourism sector.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? IBSA Tourism Ministers' meeting
who? G.kishan reddy

India's tourism Minister

G. Kishan reddy

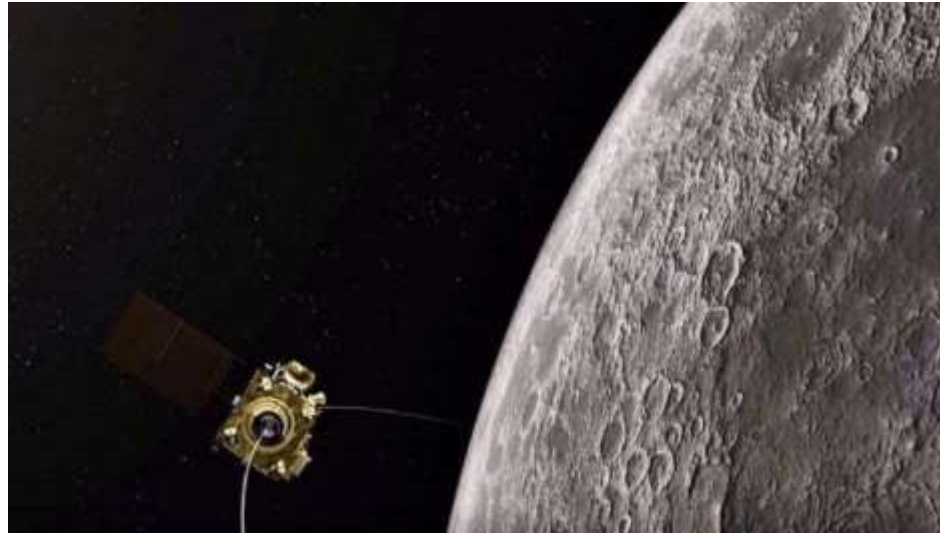
Cons: Secunderabad, telangana

RECENT NEWS

- The Minister of State for External Affairs, Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh inaugurated the 7th IBSA Academic Forum which is being held virtually

National

11.Chandrayaan-2 orbiter detects water molecules on lunar surface



Highlights:

- India's **Chandrayaan-2** moon mission may have made a hard landing on the lunar surface in 2019, but the orbiter accompanying it has been providing useful information to scientists back on Earth.
- A research paper revealed that the **Chandrayaan-2 orbiter** confirmed the presence of **water molecules (H₂O)** and **hydroxyl (OH)** on the surface of the moon.
- The discovery was made by the orbiter's **imaging infrared spectrometer (IIRS)**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Chandrayaan-2 orbiter

by? ISRO

FINDINGS: water and hydroxyl

ISRO

Chairman: K.Sivan.

HQ: Bengaluru, Karnataka.

Recent News

- ISRO chief K Sivan inaugurates Health Quest study

12.NITI Aayog Releases Handbook to Guide EV Charging Infrastructure in India



Highlights:

- **NITI Aayog** released a **handbook** to guide state governments and local bodies to frame policies and norms towards setting up **charging networks for electric vehicles (EV)**.
- The objective is to enhance charging infrastructure and facilitate a rapid transition to electric mobility in the country.
- The Handbook provides a systematic and a holistic approach for adoptions by implementing authorities and other stakeholders involved in planning, authorisation and execution of EV charging infrastructure.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? The Handbook for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Implementation
by? NITI aayog

NITI aayog

CEO: Amitabh Kant

HQ: new delhi

Recent News

- NITI Aayog releases report on reforms & renewable energy integration of power distribution sector

State

13.Kerala Police comes up with country's first Drone Forensic Lab & Research Centre



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Drone Forensic Lab and Research Centre
In ? kerala

kerala

Capital:thiruvananthapuram

CM: pinarayi vijayan

Gov: arif mohammad khan

Recent News

- India's first Heart Failure Biobank starts at SCTIMST in Kerala

Highlights:

- India's first **Drone Forensic Lab and Research Center** has come up in **Kerala**. The Chief Minister of Kerala, **Pinarayi Vijayan** was inaugurating the State police department's 'Drone Forensic Laboratory' at the **Kerala State Police CyberDome**.
- Cyberdome is a technological research and development centre of the Kerala Police Department.

14.Arunachal launches SWAN project



Highlights:

- **Arunachal Pradesh** has succeeded in networking—vertically and horizontally— various offices in 15 district headquarters and 46 blocks in the state with the setting up the **State Wide Area Network (SWAN)** project.
- Under the ambitious project, digitalisation of database and government records will be done which would enable a common man to obtain various documents without any hassles and at considerably low cost.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? State Wide Area Network (SWAN) project In ? Arunachal pradesh

Arunachal pradesh

Capital: itanagar

CM: pema khandu

Governor: B. D. Mishra

Recent News

- Arunachal Pradesh governor given additional charge of Mizoram

sports

15. World Cup winning U19 India captain Unmukt Chand announces retirement



Highlights:

- World Cup-winning U19 India captain, **Unmukt Chand** has announced his retirement from cricket in India.
- He had made an **unbeaten 111**, leading a tense victory over Australia in the **2012 U-19 World Cup final in Townsville, Australia**.
- The 28-year-old, who also led India A as well as Delhi and Uttarakhand in domestic cricket, had represented **Mumbai Indians, Delhi Capitals and Rajasthan Royals in the IPL**.

What? Unmukt Chand has announced his retirement from cricket in India.

Recent news

- Bangladesh all-rounder Mahmudullah announces retirement from Test cricket

Organisation / Bank:

GIL

CMD: nadir godrej

HQ: maharashtra

NHA

HQ: new delhi

CEO: Ram Sewak Sharma

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Finbox

CEO: Rajat Deshpande

ISRO

Chairman: **K.Sivan.**

HQ: **Bengaluru, Karnataka.**

NITI aayog

CEO: **Amitabh Kant**

HQ: **new delhi**

Country / State:

kerala

Capital: thiruvananthapuram

CM: pinarayi vijayan

Gov: arif mohammad khan

Arunachal pradesh

Capital: itanagar

CM: pema khandu

Governor: B. D. Mishra

Minis\cons

Ministry of home affairs

Amit shah

Cons: Gandhinagar ,Gujarat

India's tourism Minister

G. Kishan reddy

Cons: Secunderabad, telangana

1. Govt appoints AK Tiwari & _____ as Member in PNGRB

Gajendra Singh

2. former India _____ Gopal Bhengra passed away

hockey player

3. ReNew Power set to acquire assets worth \$_____ in Uttarakhand and Telangana

\$384 million

4. _____ gets go-ahead to start IFSC banking unit at GIFT City

Deutsche Bank

5. Durand Cup makes re-entry with _____ edition to be held at Kolkata

130th