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Important days

1.NEVER GIVE UP DAY August 18th

NEVER GIVE UP DAY : august 18

BY: never give up organisation

First observed: 2019



Highlights :

- The **Never Give Up day** is celebrated on **August 18th** of every year.
- It celebrated as an appreciation for those who never give up on their dreams and also a reminder of how important your dreams are.
- So no matter what Never Give Up on your dreams even the world is against you.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? NEVER GIVE UP DAY

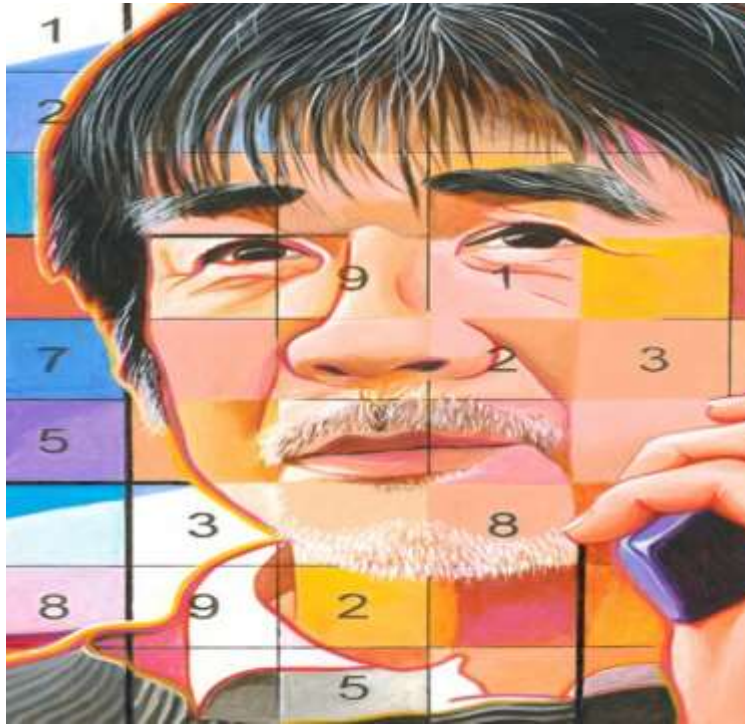
When? 18 august

Recent News:

- International Lefthanders Day: 13 August

Obituaries

2.Maki Kaji, creator of Sudoku puzzle passes away



Passed Away : Maki Kaji

Field: creator of Sudoku puzzle

Born: hokkaido, japan

Highlights :

- **Maki Kaji**, the **creator of puzzle Sudoku** passed away. He was known as the **father of Sodoku** and was from Japan.
- He was the president of Nikoli Co., Ltd., a Japanese puzzle manufacturer. Kaji established Japan's first puzzle magazine, Puzzle Tsushin Nikoli, with pals in 1980. His most legendary creation, Sudoku, followed in 1983.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? Maki Kaji

Field ? creator of Sudoku puzzle

Born? hokkaido, japan

Recent News

- Gujjar Leader Mian Bashir Passes Away

Appointments

3. Priyanka Chopra is the new chairperson of Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival

appointed : Priyanka Chopra

as: chairperson of MAMI festival

replaces: deepika padukone



Highlights:

- **Actor Priyanka Chopra** is now the **Chairperson** of The Mumbai Academy of Moving Image (**MAMI**) **Film Festival**.
- Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival will be conducted between October 2021 and March 2022, with digital screenings featuring talent from all over the world.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? chairperson of MAMI film festival
who? Priyanka

MAMI

chairperson: Resin
HQ: mumbai

Recent News

- Eurosport India appoints John Abraham as the MotoGP Brand Ambassador

MOU

4. Bharat Dynamics, MBDA sign pact to set up facility for Air-to-Air Missile in Telangana



Highlights:

- **Bharat Dynamics (BDL)** and **MBDA**, a European missile maker are establishing a facility for the **final assembly, integration and test (FAIT)** of **Advanced Short Range Air-to-Air Missile (ASRAAM)** at Bhanur, Telangana.
- Under the licensing agreement, MBDA will transfer the equipment and knowledge to BDL for establishing the facility.
- This new facility will have the potential to also conduct maintenance, repair and overhaul (MRO) of the missiles, besides other capabilities

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MOU with MBDA
By? BDL

BDL

HQ: Hyderabad, Telangana

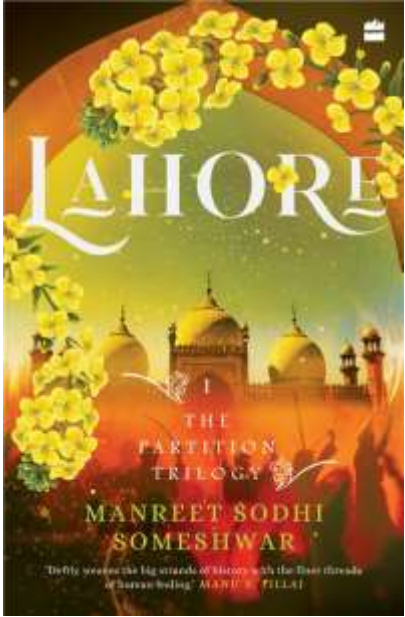
CMD: Siddharth Mishra

RECENT NEWS

- Bharat Dynamics signs MoU to invest in UP Defence Corridor

Books and authors

5. book 'Lahore : Book 1 of The Partition Trilogy' authored by manreet sodhi someshwar



Book Title: Lahore : Book 1 of The Partition Trilogy

author: manreet sodhi someshwar

Publisher: harper collins

About Book:

- The book Lahore is a behind-the-scenes look into the negotiations and the political skullduggery that gave India its freedom, paying the price with batwara. As the men make the decisions and wield the swords, the women bear the brunt of the carnage that tests kinship and loyalty in the sticky hot months of India's cruellest summer ever.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Lahore : Book 1 of The Partition Trilogy

author: manreet sodhi someshwar

Publisher: harper collins

RECENT NEWS

- book 'The Great Hindu Civilisation' authored by Pavan K. Varma

International

6. HAL, GE Aviation sign Rs 5,375 crore pact to supply engines for Tejas



Highlights:

- **Hindustan Aeronautics Limited** has placed an order of **Rs 5,375 crore** for **99 F404-GE-IN20 engines** and support services with **GE Aviation, USA** to power the Tejas Light Combat Aircraft.
- The indigenously built Tejas aircraft is one of the best in its class globally, powered by F404-GE-IN20 engines and has been in service since 2004.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Rs 5,375 crore pact with GE aviations
by? HAL

HAL

CMD: R. Madhavan

HQ: bengaluru,karnataka

RECENT NEWS

- The 'ground run' and the low speed taxi trials (LSTT) of the Hindustan-228 aircraft have been carried out at the HAL facility at Kanpur,UP

Banking

7.RBI launches the Financial Inclusion Index



Highlights:

- The **Reserve Bank of India** has introduced the **Financial Inclusion Index (FI-Index)**, which is a measure of the extent of financial inclusion in India. FI-Index incorporates the inclusion details of banking, investments, insurance, postal and pension sector in India.
- The value of FI-Index will range between **0 to 100**. Where 0 denotes complete financial exclusion while 100 denotes full financial inclusion.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Financial Inclusion Index
by? RBI

RBI

Headquarters: Mumbai
GOV: shaktikant das

Recent news

- RBI hikes collateral-free loans to Self Help Groups

8.HDFC Bank Can Offer New Credit Cards as RBI Lifts Ban



Highlights:

- In a relief to **HDFC Bank**, the **Reserve Bank of India (RBI)** has lifted the embargo on private sector lender to **onboard new credit card** customers.
- the banking regulator put temporary restrictions on the bank's new digital banking launches under its programme Digital 2.0.
- It also directed the HDFC Bank not to issue new credit cards. A series of technical glitches in the bank's mobile banking app and internet banking platform prompted the banking regulator to take this harsh step.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Remove Ban onboard new credit card to? HDFC bank

HDFC bank

Headquarters: Mumbai

CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan

Recent news

- HDFC launches 'green and sustainable' deposits programme for retail clients

9. SBI Life launches new-age term insurance policy 'SBI Life eShield Next'



Highlights:

- **SBI Life Insurance** has launched a new-age protection solution-- '**SBI Life eShield Next**' -- an individual, non-linked, non-participating, life insurance pure risk premium product.
- It offers three plan options – **level cover** (absolute amount assured stays constant throughout the policy term), **increasing cover** (the absolute amount assured on death would increase by 10% p.a. of every 5th policy year) **and level cover with future-proofing benefit** (increase your cover as you achieve through life's essential milestones such as marriage, becoming parent).

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 'SBI Life eShield Next'
by? SBI general insurance

SBI general insurance
Headquarters: Mumbai
CEO: Prakash Chandra Kandpal

Recent news

- SBI General partners with SahiPay to offer general insurance products

Ranking

10. Ghaziabad is world's second most polluted city of 2020

index: 50 'most polluted cities'

by: HouseFresh

top: Chinese city of **Hotan**



Highlights:

- Uttar Pradesh's **Ghaziabad** was adjudged the **second most polluted city** out of the **50 'most polluted cities'** in the world in 2020 by a report prepared by **British company HouseFresh**.
- Preceding Ghaziabad, the Chinese city of **Hotan in Xinjiang province** has been named the most polluted city.
- According to the report, **Bangladesh was the most polluted country across the world in 2020**, followed by **Pakistan, India and Mongolia**. Meanwhile, **Judbury in Australia** bagged the top position in the list of cities with the **cleanest air**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 50 'most polluted cities

Top? Chinese city of **Hotan**

RECENT NEWS

- Odisha & Telangana pollution control boards ranked best in transparency index

National

11.Sports Minister Launches Fit India Freedom Run 2.0



Highlights:

- Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports **Anurag Singh Thakur** launched the nationwide programme of **Fit India Freedom Run 2.0**, which celebrates 75 years on India's Independence.
- Union Minister flagged off the Freedom Run from Delhi's Major Dyan Chand National Stadium, the event was also held at 75 other locations across the country.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Fit India Freedom Run 2.0

by? Anurag singh thakur

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports

Anurag singh thakur

Cons:harimpur ,HP

Recent News

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

State

12.Odisha govt rolls out Smart Health Cards for 3.5 crore people



Highlights:

- The **Odisha government** rolled out **Smart Health Cards** for 3.5 crore people in the state under the **Biju Swasthya Kalyan Yojana**.
- The BSKY, the flagship health programme of the state, focuses mainly on providing health services to the economically vulnerable section of the society. Odisha is the first state in the country to provide such smart health cards to its citizens.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Smart health cards
In? odisha

odisha

Capital:bhubaneshwar

CM: naveen patnaik

Gov: ganeshi lal

Recent News

- Puri becomes India's first city to provide quality drinking tap water

13. UP govt to set up Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS) training centre



Uttar Pradesh govt presents supplementary budget of Rs 7,302 crore

Highlights:

- The **Uttar Pradesh government** has decided to set up a training centre for **Anti-Terrorist Squad (ATS)** commandos in **Saharanpur's Deoband**.
- According to sources, the government has already allotted over 2,000 square meters of land for establishing the ATS training centre in Deoband.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? ATS training centre
In? UP

UP

Capital:lucknow

CM: yogi adithyanath

Gov: Anandiben Patel;

14.Govt Rolls Out 'Karkhandar' Scheme To Revive Traditional Crafts Of J&K



Highlights:

- The **J&K Government** issued orders for giving a fresh impetus to the training in handicraft sector in the UT by unveiling the '**KARKHANDAR**' scheme which is a unique concept as far the upliftment of artisans and weavers through training is concerned.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 'KARKHANDAR' scheme

In? J&K

J&K

Capital: jammu,srinagar

Lt.Gov: manoj sinha

Recent News

- J&K LG Manoj Sinha launches 'PROOF' app to monitor timely completion of projects

Ambassador

15. Amway India ropes in Olympian Mirabai Chanu as brand ambassador



What? Amway brand ambassador
who? Mirabhai chanu

Amway india
CEO: Anshu Budhraj

Highlights:

- Direct selling company Amway India has roped in Olympian Mirabai Chanu as its brand ambassador.
- The association with the Olympic medallist is in line with Amway's focus on consolidating its health and nutrition category, especially targeting women and youth in the country

Recent News

Cashify appoints Rajkumar Rao as first brand ambassador

Organisation / Bank:

Amway india

CEO: Anshu Budhraj

RBI

Headquarters: Mumbai

GOV: shaktikant das

SBI general insurance

Headquarters: Mumbai

CEO: Prakash Chandra
Kandpal

HDFC bank

Headquarters: Mumbai

CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan

HAL

CMD: R. Madhavan

HQ: bengaluru, karnataka

BDL

HQ: hyderabad, telanana

CMD: Siddharth Mishra

MAMI

chairperson: Resin

HQ: mumbai

Country / State:

J&K

Capital: jammu, srinagar

Lt.Gov: manoj sinha

UP

Capital: lucknow

CM: yogi adithyanath

Gov: Anandiben Patel;

odisha

Capital: bhubaneswar

CM: naveen patnaik

Gov: ganeshi lal

Minis/cons

Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports

Anurag singh thakur

Cons: harimpur, HP

1. Gujjar Leader _____ Passes Away

Mian Bashir

2. Zambia's leader _____ wins presidential vote

Hakainde Hichilema

3. India inks action plan to boost trade with _____

East Africa

4. RBI cancels license of Raigad based _____ Bank

Karnala Nagari Sahakari bank

5. J&K LG Manoj Sinha launches '_____ ' app to monitor timely completion of projects

PROOF app