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Important days

1.International Day of Democracy: 15 September

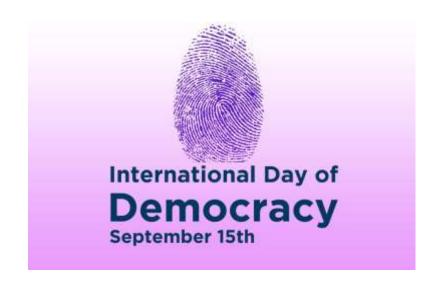
International Day of Democracy : sept

15

BY: UN

First observed: 2008

Theme: "Strengthening democratic resilience in the face of future crises"



Highlights:

- •International Day of Democracy is observed globally on 15th September every year.
- •It was established through a resolution passed by the UN General Assembly in 2007, for promoting and upholding the principles of democracy and provide an opportunity to review the state of democracy in the world.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? International Day of Democracy When? 15 september

UN

Sec gen: António Guterres

HQ: new york,US

Recent News:

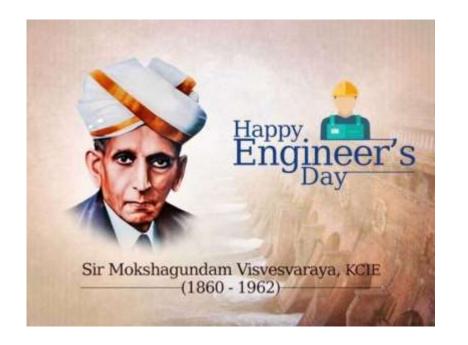
•World Lymphoma Awareness Day: 15 September

2. National Engineer's Day: 15 September

National Engineer's Day: sept 15

BY: GOI

First observed: 1968



Highlights:

- •In India, Engineer's Day is celebrated on September 15 every year. The day is celebrated to recognise the contribution of engineers in the development of the nation.
- •The day marks the birth anniversary of the engineering pioneer of India, Sir Mokshagundam Vishweshvaraya, (popularly known as Sir MV). He was awarded 'Bharat Ratna' for his exceptional contribution to the building of India in 1955. He has also served as Diwan of Mysore from 1912 to 1918.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? National Engineer's Day When? 15 september

Recent News:

•Hindi Diwas celebrated on 14 September

Obituaries

3. Former India player and Mohun Bagan great Bhabani Roy passes

In Leving Memory

away

Passed Away: Bhabani Roy

Field: former indian football

player

Born: kolkata



- Former India international and Mohun Bagan legend **Bhabani Roy**, who excelled as the country's first 'overlapping full-back' under the tutelage of the great Amal Dutta, died.
- Roy who made his international debut in the Merdeka Cup in 1969 represented India in three matches.
- He played his club football for Mohun Bagan from 1968 onwards wherein he captained the green and maroons in 1972 which was his last year in the club as a player. But he started his career with Mohun Bagan's arch-rivals, East Bengal, in 1964.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who?: bhabani roy

Field ? former indian football player

Born: kolkata

Recent News

 Former France Footballer Jean-Pierre Adams Passes Away

Appointments

4. Justice Venugopal appointed as acting Chairperson of NCLAT

appointed: Jim Lanzone

as: acting chairman of NCLAT

Replaces: AIS cheema



Highlights:

- •Justice M. Venugopal has been named as the new Acting Chairperson of the appellate tribunal, National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT).
- •This is the third time in a row that an Acting Chairperson is at the helm of the NCLAT, after the retirement of permanent Chairperson Justice **S J**. **Mukhopadhaya** on March 14, 2020.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Acting head of NCLAT who? M.venugopal

NCLAT

Head: M.venugopal

HQ: new delhi

Recent News

Centre appoints G.S Pannu as Officiating ITAT President

Banking

5. Hero Insurance Broking gets nod for risk, reinsurance

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? License from IRDAI To? HIBIPL



HIBIPL

Headquarters: new delhi CEO: **Purnendu Khanna**

Highlights:

- •Hero Insurance Broking India has acquired a composite broking licence from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) which will allow the firm to offer reinsurance broking and risk management consultancy services to corporate clients.
- •the firm is now also planning to enter specialised corporate lines of insurance such as manufacturing and employee benefits.

RECENT NEWS

 ICICI Lombard gets final IRDAI approval for Bharti Axa acquisition

6.RBI and Singapore central bank to link payment systems by July 2022



Highlights:

- •The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and Monetary Authority of Singapore (MAS) will link their payment systems--Unified Payments Interface (UPI) and PayNow-to enable "instant, low-cost fund transfers" for users.
- •The RBI and MAS hope to complete the linkage by July 2022 "on a reciprocal basis without a need (for users) to get onboarded onto the other payment system".

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Link payment system with singapore by?RBI

RBI

GOV: shaktikanta das

Hq: mumbai

Singapore

Currency: Singapore dollar President: Halimah Yacob

RECENT NEWS

•RBI announces third cohort under regulatory sandbox

7.NIPL, Liquid Group ink pact fr cross border payments



Highlights:

•NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL), an international arm of National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI), has partnered with Singapore based Liquid Group Pvt Ltd, a leading cross border digital payments provider, to enable Unified Payments Interface (UPI) QR-based payments acceptance in 10 markets across North Asia and Southeast Asia.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Pact with Liquid group by? NIPL

NIPL

Headquarters: mumbai CEO: **Ritesh Shukla**

RECENT NEWS

 DBS, SWIFT Partner to Offer Cross-Border Payment Tracking

8. Punjab & Sind Bank ties up with Indiabulls



Highlights:

- •Punjab & Sind Bank (PSB), a public sector bank, has entered into a strategic colending alliance with Indiabulls Commercial Credit and Indiabulls Housing Finance (IHFL) for MSME and Priority Sector Housing Loans respectively.
- the co-lending model will improve the flow of credit to the unserved and underserved sector of the economy and make available funds to the ultimate beneficiary at an affordable cost, considering the lower cost of funds from banks and greater reach of the NBFCs/ HFLs.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Tied up with indiabulls by? Punjab & sind bank

PSB

HQ: new delhi

Chairman: S Krishnan

Indiabulls

Chairman:Sameer Gehlaut

HQ: gurugram

RECENT NEWS

 RBI imposes Rs 25 lakh penalty on Punjab & Sind Bank

9.SBI raises Rs 4,000 crore via AT1 bonds, coupon fixed at 7.72%



Highlights:

- •The country's largest lender **State Bank of India (SBI)** has raised **Rs 4,000 crore** in capital through the Basel compliant **Additional Tier 1 (AT1) bonds**. The coupon for AT-1 bonds was fixed at 7.72 per cent.
- •This was SBI's first AT1 Bond issuance in the domestic market after the new Sebi regulations kicked in.
- •The issue garnered an overwhelming response from investors, with bids in excess of Rs 10,000 crore received against a base issue size of Rs 1,000 crore

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Rs 4,000 crore via AT1 bonds by? SBI

SBI

Headquarters: mumbai Chairman:Dinesh Kumar Khara

RECENT NEWS

 SBI opened a floating ATM on Dal Lake in J&K's Srinagar

Summits

10.India-Africa Defence Dialogue to be held biennially at every

DefExpo



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? India-Africa Defence Dialogue in? lucknow

Highlights:

- •The Government of India has proposed to institutionalise the **India-Africa Defence Dialogue**, as a regular event, to be held on the sidelines of the biennial **DefExpo military exhibition**. The first India-Africa Defence Ministers Conclave (IADMC) was held at DefExpo in February 2020 in **Lucknow**.
- •Following this, second India Africa Defence Dialogue will be held on the sidelines of the DefExpo, scheduled to be held at **Gandhinagar**, **Gujarat in March 2022**.

Recent News

•Gujarat to host Defence Expo 2022

11.PM Narendra Modi to attend first in-person Quad Summit at White House



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? QUADleader's summit host? Joe biden

Highlights:

- •Prime Minister Narendra Modi is set to attend the first-ever in-person QUAD (Quadrilateral Security Dialogue) Leaders' Summit at the White House, in Washington D.C. on September 24, 2021.
- •Quad nation comprises of India, Japan, the US and Australia.
- •This will be the first visit of PM Modi to the United States since President **Joe Biden** assumed office and also the first in-person meeting between the two leaders since Biden assumed office.

Recent News

 India and US launch the Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue

MOU

12.NSIC signs MoU with Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steels India Limited

(AMNS)



Highlights:

- •NSIC has signed MOU with Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel India Limited (AMNS India) under the NSIC Raw Material Distribution scheme for the supply of Steel products and solutions to MSMEs all across India.
- •The MoU will facilitate MSME in getting quality Steel material at competitive prices. The association will also create a platform to ensure ease of buying steel by various MSMEs across the country.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What?MOU with AMNS india
By?NSIC

NSIC

dir:P.udhaya kumar

HQ: new delhi

AMNS india

CEO: Dilip Oommen

HQ: gujarat

Recent News

•HDFC Bank signs MoU with NSIC to offer credit support to MSMEs

Awards

13.UNESCO Literacy Prize awarded to NIOS for Innovation in Education



Highlights:

- National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), run by the education ministry, has bagged global recognition from UNESCO, The King Sejong Literacy Prize for its innovative approach towards education.
- The recognition is for educating differently-abled people through technology-enabled inclusive learning material. The NIOS move has a specific focus on Indian sign language-based content.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? UNESCO award To? NIOS

UNESCO

Head: Audrey Azoulay.

HQ:paris,france

RECENT NEWS

IIT Madras Retains
 Top Spot in Overall
 Category of NIRF
 India Ranking 2021

Ranking

14.QS World University Rankings 2022



Highlights:

- The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Ahmedabad has been adjudged as the best B-school in India, according to the QS World University Rankings 2022.
- Globally, IIM-A has got 46th rank among the total 280 business schools ranked this year. IIM Ahmedabad was followed by IIM Bangalore(50) and IIM Calcutta(76) in the second and third positions, respectively in the country.
- Overall the first place has been secured by Stanford Graduate School of Business, followed by Harvard Business School and Penn (Wharton), which secured the second position jointly.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? QS World University Rankings 2022. Top? Stanford graduate school of business

QS

VP: **Ben Sowter** HQ:london,UK

RECENT NEWS

 University of Oxford tops Times World University Rankings 2022

International

15.Indian Navy transfers Dornier aircraft to Mauritius as stopgap

measure



Highlights

- •The Indian Navy has transferred a Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) Dornier 228 turboprop aircraft to the Mauritius Police Force.
- •The passenger variant aircraft will be operated by the National Coast Guard branch of the Mauritius Police Force as a loan unit while it awaits the delivery of another new Dornier 228 signed under a contract inked with HAL. It will be the service's fourth aircraft of the type in its fleet.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Dornier aircraft By? Indian navy To? mauritius

mauritius

Capital: Port Louis

Curr: Mauritian rupee Pm: Pravind Jugnauth

RECENT NEWS

 India's first long-range nuclear missile tracking ship INS Dhruv commissioned

National

16.IIT Bombay launches Project Udaan, a language translator



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Project Udaan by? IIT bombay

Highlights:

- •the Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay launched Project Udaan, a language translator, to ease students in understanding the language.
- •'Project Udaan,' a donation-based project, is an end-to-end ecosystem, which translates scientific and technical content from English to Hindi and all other Indian languages. The Al-based translation software ecosystem can translate engineering textbooks, learning materials in one-sixth of the time taken by a team of domain and linguistic experts working manually on it.

Recent News

•Indian Bank signs MoU with IIT Bombay for startup financing

17.AI-powered project iRASTE for road safety launched



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? iRASTE by? Nitin gadkari

Road transport Minister

Nitin gadkari

Cons: nagpur, maharashtra

Highlights:

- •Union minister Nitin Gadkari had launched 'iRASTE', an Artificial Intelligence-powered project, on a pilot basis in Nagpur in Maharashtra with the aim of reducing accidents by 50 per cent in Vidarbha's biggest city.
- •The project -- which is a collaborative effort between the government, Intel, INAI, IIIT-Hyderabad, CSIR-CRRI (Central Road Research Institute), Mahindra & Mahindra and Nagpur Municipal Corporation (NMC) -- will focus on vehicle safety, mobility analysis and road infrastructure safety to move towards a 'Vision Zero' accident scenario.

Recent News

•Nitin Gadkari inaugurates India's first private LNG Facility plant at Nagpur

State

18.Chhattisgarh govt launches 'Millet Mission' to become Millet Hub of India



Highlights:

- •Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has announced the launch of 'Millet Mission', which aims to provide proper price rates to farmers for minor cereal crops.
- •The initiative is also a step towards the Chief Minister's vision for the state to become **India's millet hub.**
- •To implement the mission, the state government has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Institute of Millet Research (IIMR), Hyderabad and the collectors of 14 districts of the state.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Millet mission in?chhattisgarh

chhattisgarh

Capital: raipur

CM: Bhupesh Baghel Gov: Anusuiya Uikey

Recent News

Chhattisgarh CM Bhupesh
Baghel announces 4 new
districts: Mohla Manpur,
Sarangarh-Bilaigarh, Shakti,
Manendragarh.

Sports

19.Lasith Malinga announces retirement from all forms of cricket



Highlights:

- •Lasith Malinga srilanka bowler has announced his retirement from T20 cricket after 295 matches where he picked 390 wickets.
- •He had already retired from **Tests in 2011** and from **ODIs in 2019**.
- •The Sri Lanka pacer had also announced his retirement from franchise cricket in January this year after being released by Mumbai Indians.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Retire from all form of cricket
Who? Lasith malinga

Sri lanka

Cap: Sri Jayawardenepura

Kotte

Curr: Sri Lankan rupee

Pres: Gotabaya Rajapaksa

Recent News

•Zimbabwe's Brendan Taylor Announces Retirement From International Cricket

Organisation / Bank:

UN

Sec gen: António Guterres

HQ: new york,US

NCLAT

Head : M.venugopal

HQ: new delhi

RBI

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NIPL

Headquarters: mumbai

CEO: Ritesh Shukla

PSB

HQ: new delhi

Chairman: S Krishnan

Indiabulls

Chairman:Sameer Gehlaut

HQ: gurugram

SBI

Headquarters: mumbai

Chairman: Dinesh Kumar Khara

UNESCO

Head: Audrey Azoulay.

HQ:paris,france

QS

VP: Ben Sowter

HQ:london,UK

NSIC

dir:P.udhaya kumar

HQ: new delhi

AMNS india

CEO: Dilip Oommen

HQ: gujarat

COUNTRY/CAP

Sri lanka

Cap: Sri Jayawardenepura Kotte

Curr: Sri Lankan rupee

Pres: Gotabaya Rajapaksa

chhattisgarh

Capital: raipur

CM: Bhupesh Baghel Gov: Anusuiya Uikey

Singapore

Currency: Singapore dollar President: Halimah Yacob

mauritius

Capital: Port Louis

Curr: Mauritian rupee

Pm: Pravind Jugnauth

MINIS/CONS Road transport Minister

Nitin gadkari

Cons: nagpur,maharashtra

1. Hindi Diwas celebrated on 14 September: first obseved in??

2. Yahoo Appoints _____ as its new CEO

Jim Lanzone

3.____ & SWIFT Partner to Offer Cross-Border Payment Tracking

DBS

4. who host 14th BRICS summit next year??

China

5. _____ partners with Ibus for provisioning digital infrastructure services

AMTRON