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**Important days**

# 1.International Day of Sign Languages: 23 September

**International Day of Sign Languages :**  
**sept 23**

**BY:** World Federation of the Deaf  
(WFD)

**First observed: 2018**

**Theme: “We Sign For Human Rights”**



## Highlights :

- The **International Day of Sign Languages (IDSL)** is celebrated annually across the world on **23 September**.
- This day is celebrated to raise awareness of sign languages and strengthen the status of sign languages.

## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? International Day of Sign Languages**

**When? 23 september**

### WFD

pres: Joseph J. Murray

HQ: helsinki,finland

## Recent News:

- International Week of Deaf People 2021: September 20 to 26

## 2. World Rose Day 2021: 22 September

World Rose Day 2021 : sept 22

First observed: 1996



### Highlights :

- on **22 September, World Rose Day** is observed annually. It is a day specially dedicated to Cancer patients who are currently fighting it out against the disease.
- Those who are braving this disease are emotionally exhausted, as they require a lot of courage and positivity to keep them going.
- World Rose Day is observed each year in the memory of 12-year-old Melinda Rose from Canada. According to reports, Rose was diagnosed with Askin's Tumour, a rare form of blood cancer, in 1994. She had died in 1996.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? World rose day

When? 22 september

### Recent News:

- World Alzheimer's Day: 21st September

# Appointments

### 3. Air India chief Rajiv Bansal appointed as Civil Aviation Secretary

**Appointed :** Rajiv Bansal

**as:** aviation secretary

**Replaces:** Pradeep Singh Kharola



#### Highlights:

- Air India Chairman **Rajiv Bansal** has been appointed as the new **aviation secretary** as part of a major top-level bureaucratic reshuffle effected by the Centre.
- **K Rajaraman**, Additional Secretary in the Department of Economic Affairs, has been appointed as **Secretary, Department of Telecommunications**

#### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** aviation secretary  
**who?** Rajiv Bansal

#### Civil aviation minister

Jyotiraditya M. Scindia  
Cons:guna,MP

#### Recent News

- Air Marshal VR Chaudhari appointed as new IAF Chief

## 4. Facebook India appointed Rajiv Aggarwal as Head of Public Policy

**Appointed :** rajiv agarwal

**as:** FB's director of public policy

**Replaces:** ankhi das

**Highlights:**



- **Facebook India** has appointed former IAS officer **Rajiv Aggarwal** as the Director of Public Policy. He succeeds **Ankhi Das**, who quit the company in October last year.
- She was embroiled in a controversy for opposing the enforcement of hate-speech rules against right-wing leaders in the country.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** FB's director of public policy

**who?** Rajiv agarwal

### Facebook

CEO: mark zuckerberg

HQ: california, US

### Recent News

- Justin Trudeau wins 3rd term as Prime Minister of Canada



## 5. Govt extends Uday Kotak's term as IL&FS non-exec chairman by 6 months

**Appointed :** uday kotak

**as:** IL&FS non-exe chairman

**Tenure:** 6 months



### Highlights:

- The government has extended the term of **Uday Kotak** as the **non-executive chairman** of **Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services** (IL&FS) by another six months.
- Kotak, who is also the managing director and chief executive officer of Kotak Mahindra Bank would continue being the non-executive director on the board of IL&FS until April 2, 2022

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** IL&FS non-exe chairman

**who?** Uday kotak

### IL&FS

CEO: Arun K. Saha

Headquarters: Mumbai

### Recent News

- Justin Trudeau wins 3rd term as Prime Minister of Canada

## 6.IVPA re-elects Sudhakar Rao Desai as president

**Appointed :** sudhakar rao

**as:** president of IVPA

**Tenure:** 1 year



### Highlights:

- **Indian Vegetable oil Producers' Association (IVPA)** re-elected **Sudhakar Rao Desai**, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Emami Agrotech Ltd, as **President for 2021-22** at its 44th annual general body meeting.
- Vipin Gupta, CEO of Louis Dreyfus Commodities India Pvt Ltd, was re-elected as Vice-President. Hemant Bansal, Vice-President of Ruchi Soya Industries Ltd, was appointed as Vice-President.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? President of IVPA  
who? Sudhakar rao**

### IVPA

pres: sudhakar rao

Headquarters: new delhi

### Recent News

- Alka Nangia Arora appoints as CMD of NSIC

# Banking

## 7. Federal Bank, OneCard partner to offer mobile-first Credit Card



### Highlights:

- **Federal Bank** inked a strategic alliance with **OneCard** and launched a **mobile - first Credit Card** that aims to provide offer digital experience to the young population across the country.

The co-branded card powered by the slick, smart OneCard app will give the customer full control of their credit card – spends, rewards, limits, payments and more, thereby minimising human intervention.

The mobile-first Credit Card offers seamless in-app on-boarding whereby the virtual card can be activated and used instantly, while the metal card is delivered to the customer in as less as 3-5 days.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** Partners with oneCard

**By ?** Federal bank

#### **Federal bank**

Headquarters: Aluva

CEO: Shyam Srinivasan

#### **Onecard**

CEO: **Anurag Sinha**

Hq: pune, maharashtra

### RECENT NEWS

- SBM Bank partners with OneCard to launch mobile-based credit card

**MOU**

## 8.DAHD and Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation sign MoU to improve livestock sector



### Highlights:

- The **Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying (DAHD)**, Government of India and **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation** have signed a multi-year Memorandum of Understanding to work together on sustainably improving **India's livestock sector** to support the nation's food and nutritional security, and protect the economic wellbeing of small-scale livestock producers.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MOU with gates foundation  
by? DAHD

#### Gates foundation

CEO: Mark Suzman

HQ: washington DC, US

#### Animal husbandry minister

Parshottam Rupala

cons: Andaman and Nicobar Islands

### Recent News

- Bill Gates Foundation signs Pact with Odisha government for agri sector growth

# **Awards**

## 9. Bangladeshi Fairouz Faizah Beether gets 2021 Changemaker Award



### Highlights:

- **Fairouz Faizah Beether** of Bangladesh has been chosen for the **2021 Changemaker Award** for her work promoting good health and well-being by **the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation**.
- Fairouz Faizah is co-founder of Moner School which is an anonymous online platform active in the field of mental health. It works with youth to educate them about the importance of mental health care through training, workshops, and a 24/7 online mental health first aid service in Bangladesh.
- The Changemaker Award is part of the Goalkeepers Global Goals award to accelerate progress towards attaining the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the UN.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? '2021 changemaker award

won? Fairouz Faizah Beether

### Gates foundation

CEO: Mark Suzman

HQ: washington DC, US

### RECENT NEWS

- Bangladesh's PM Hasina receives SDG Progress award



**Books & authors**

## 10.Rajnath Singh launches a book title ‘Shining Sikh Youth of India’ by Dr Prabhleen Singh



**Book Title:** ‘Shining Sikh Youth of India’

**author:** Prabhleen Singh

### About Book:

- The Union Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** has released a book titled ‘**Shining Sikh Youth of India**’ in New Delhi, as a part of the commemoration of the **400th** birth anniversary of **Guru Tegh Bahadur**, the ninth Guru of Sikhs.
- It covers 100 inspirational and motivational success stories of Sikh youth in India who have done exemplary work in their respective fields.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** ‘Shining Sikh Youth of India’

**author:** Prabhleen Singh

### RECENT NEWS

- CM YS Jagan Mohan Reddy releases book ‘dancing with dreams’ by chief secretary Adityanath Das

**International**

# 11.PM Modi arrives in Washington DC on four-day visit to United States



## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 4 day visit to US

Who? modi

## US

cap: wasington DC

Curr: US dollar

Pres: joe biden

## Highlights:

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** arrived in **Washington DC** on a **four-day visit** to the US. Braving rain, hundreds of Indian community members gathered at the airport to welcome Mr Modi.
- During his visit, Prime Minister will address the **UN General Assembly and attend the Quad leaders Summit** as well as hold a bilateral meet with US President Joe Biden at the White House.

## Recent News

- India and US launch the Climate Action and Finance Mobilization Dialogue

**National**

## 12.Union Minister Piyush Goyal Launches National Single Window System



### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? National Single Window System  
by? Commerce ministry

### Commerce minister

Piyush goyal

Cons: maharashtra

### Highlights:

- The Union Minister for Commerce and Industry, **Piyush Goyal** has launched the '**National Single Window System (NSWS)**', for investors and businesses.
- NSWS is a single-window portal that will act as a one-stop shop for investors or entrepreneurs, to get approvals and clearances needed from Government.
- It shall give freedom from the legacy of running to government offices for approvals and registrations needed by investors, entrepreneurs, and businesses in India.

### Recent News

- Ministry of consumer affairs piyush goyal signs model MoU with CSC e-Governance Services India Limited

# State

## 13.Odisha partnership agreement with Unicef and CPR



### Highlights:

The department of Housing and Urban Development (**H&UD**) and the Panchayati Raj and Drinking Water (**PR&DW**), under the government of **Odisha**, signed a Letter of Understanding (LoU) with **UNICEF** (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) and Centre for Policy Research (**CPR**) for urban-rural convergence on Faecal Sludge and Septage Management (FSSM) and Plastic Waste Management (PWM) to provide **sanitation facilities** in villages around urban areas of the state.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MOU with UNICEF and CPR  
in? odisha

#### Odisha

Capital: bhubaneshwar  
Governor: Ganeshi Lal  
Cm: Naveen Patnaik

#### UNICEF

Hq: New York, United States  
Head: Henrietta H. Fore

### Recent News

- Telangana, UNICEF announce School Innovation challenge



# Sports

## 14. Pankaj Advani wins his 24th world title in Doha



### Highlights :

- Star Indian cueist **Pankaj Advani** has grabbed his **24th World title** when he triumphed at the IBSF 6-Red Snooker World Cup in doha with a victory over Pakistan's **Babar Masih** in the final.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**Who? Pankaj Advani**  
**what? IBSF 6-Red Snooker**  
**World Cup**

### Recent News

- Pankaj Advani wins Asian Snooker Championship 2021

## 15.GM D. Gukesh of India wins Norway Chess Open 2021



### Highlights :

- India's **D Gukesh** won his second consecutive tournament of this month, the **Norway Chess Open 2021 Masters section**.
- Gukesh scored an unbeaten 8.5/10 and finished a full point ahead of the competition to win the tournament.
- Inian secured sole second position with 8.5/10 points, finishing a half point ahead of top seed Dmitrij Kollars (Germany) and Valentin Dragnev (Austria).

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**Who? D gukesh**  
**what? Norway chess open**  
**2021**

### Recent News

- India's **Raja Rithvik** becomes **70th** Grandmaster

**GDP**

## 16.ADB cuts India's GDP forecast for FY22 to 10%



### Highlights:

- The **Asian Development Bank (ADB)** has revised downwards India's economic growth forecast for the current fiscal, 2021-22 (FY22) to **10 per cent**.
- Earlier this was projected at **11 per cent**. The Manila-based multilateral funding agency ADB has predicted the GDP growth for fiscal 2022-23 (FY23) to **7.5 per cent**.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? FY22 growth projection to 10%**

**By? ADB**

#### **ADB**

Pres:Masatsugu Asakawa

HQ:manila,phiippines

### RECENT NEWS

- OECD lowered India's FY22 growth projection to 9.7%

**Ambassador**

## 17.Fantasy sports platform Howzat signs Suresh Raina as a brand ambassador



### Highlights:

•**Howzat**, Junglee Games' leading fantasy sports platform, has signed former Indian international cricketer **Suresh Raina** as a **brand ambassador** to promote its brand among sports lovers across the country

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Ambassador for howzat

Who? Suresh raina

### Recent News

- Virat Kohli Joins Hyperice as Athlete-Investor and Global Brand Ambassador

**Organisation / Bank:**

**WFD**

pres: Joseph J. Murray  
HQ: helsinki,finland

**Facebook**

CEO:mark zuckerberg  
HQ: california,US

**IL&FS**

CEO: Arun K. Saha  
Headquarters: Mumbai

**IVPA**

pres: sudhakar rao  
Headquarters: new delhi

**Federal bank**

Headquarters: Aluva  
CEO: Shyam Srinivasan

**Onecard**

CEO: **Anurag Sinha**  
Hq: pune,maharastra

**Gates foundation**

CEO: Mark Suzman  
HQ: washington DC,US

**ADB**

Pres:Masatsugu Asakawa  
HQ:manila,phiippines

**UNICEF**

Hq: New York, United States  
Head: Henrietta H. Fore

**MINIS/CONS**

**Civil aviation minister**

Jyotiraditya M. Scindia  
Cons:guna,MP

**Ministry of commerce**

Piyush goyal  
Cons: maharashtra

**Animal husbandry minister**

Parshottam Rupala  
cons: Andaman and Nicobar  
Islands

**COUNTRY/CAP**

**US**

cap: wasington DC  
Curr: US dollar  
Pres: joe biden

**Odisha**

Capital: bhubaneshwar  
Governor: Ganeshi Lal  
Cm: Naveen Patnaik



**1. World Rhino Day observed on 22 September: first observed??**

2011

**2. Air Marshal \_\_\_\_\_ appointed as new IAF Chief**

**VR Chaudhari**

### 3. PayPoint India, \_\_\_\_\_tie-up to widen reach of banking services

# Bank of Baroda

**4. TRIFED and \_\_\_\_\_ enter into MoU for promotion and sale of natural Van Dhan products**

# Big Basket



**5. Bangladesh PM Sheikh Hasina honoured with\_\_\_\_\_ award  
by SDSN**

# SDG Progress award