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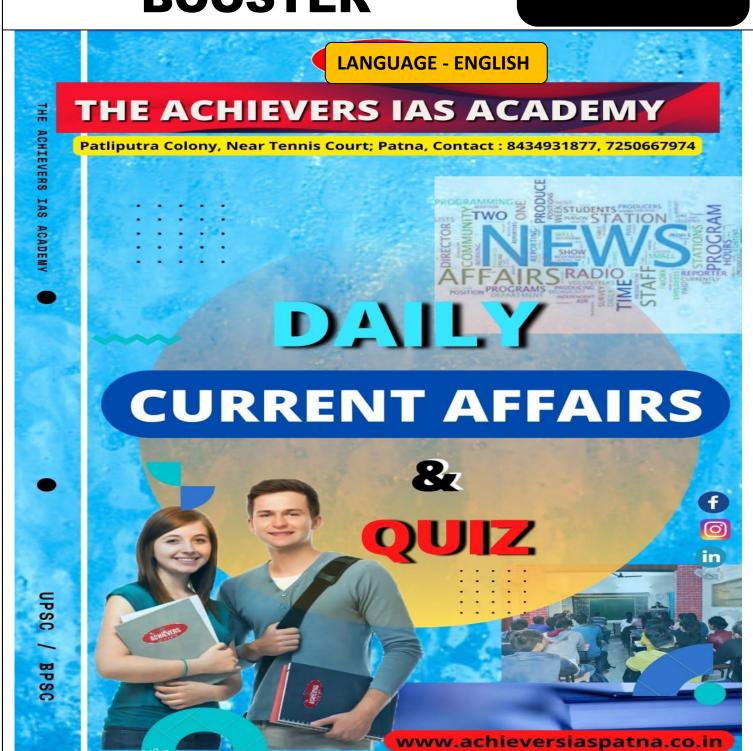
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1. Chirag Yojana: Only three percent students took admission in private schools



Keeping in view the education of poor students in Haryana, equal opportunity is being provided to the students of class II to XII from the current session to study in recognized private schools. For this purpose, the Chief Minister's Equal Education Relief, Assistance and Grant (Chirag) ambitious scheme has been started in the state. The Chief Minister said that in the budget of this time (2022-23) of the state, more than 20 thousand crore rupees are being spent only on the education sector. Under this, the state government is starting new schemes and programs to give equal education to all children. (Chirag) scheme is also one of the similar schemes started for the children of poor parents of the state. Under this scheme, with the consent of private schools, such children whose annual verified income of their parents/guardians is less than Rs. will be done. The Chief Minister said that under the (Chirag) scheme, Rs 700 per student per student from class II to class V, Rs. 900 per student from class VI to VIII and Rs. 1100 per student from class 9 to 12, at the rate of Rs. 1100 per month or in Form 6. The declared fee amount, whichever is less, will be paid to the schools. He said that under this scheme, the process of admitting students to 24,987 seats by 381 private recognized schools of the state is going on.

The Chief Minister said that while fully implementing section 12 (1) (c) of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009 in the state, 25 percent seats in class I or earlier classes in all recognized private schools. But a separate provision has been made to provide free

education to the students belonging to weaker sections.

2. LIC: LIC included in Fortune Global 500 list



LIC has managed to occupy the 98th position in the very first time, entering the Fortune Global 500 list of global companies with a bang for 2022. On the other hand, Reliance Industries has jumped 51 places to be at 104th position. Last year, LIC's revenue stood at \$97.26 billion, while Reliance's was \$93.98 billion. This is a big success for the Life Insurance Corporation of India, recently listed in the stock market. American retailer Walmart has nine Indian companies on the list, five of which are state-owned and four in the private sector. All these companies have made their mark all over the world with their business. These are the Indian companies included in Fortune 500 Indian Oil Corporation rose 28 places to 142nd position, while Oil and Natural Gas Corporation climbed 16 places to 190th. The list also has two Tata group companies - Tata Motors and Tata Steel. Tata Motors is ranked 370, while Tata Steel is at 435. Rajesh Exports is the other private Indian in the list at 437th rank. State Bank of India climbed 17 places to 236th and Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. climbed 19 places to 295th position.

How is ranking determined?

The Fortune Global 500 list ranks companies on the basis of total revenue generated for the financial year ended on or before March 31, 2022. The total sales of Fortune Global 500 companies have reached \$37.8 trillion. This is an increase of 19 percent. Walmart has topped the list for the ninth year in a row. It is followed by Amazon, which has achieved the highest ranking ever.

3. India, US to hold military exercise in Uttarakhand's Auli in October



The Indian Army and the US Army will conduct the 18th edition of the fortnight-long mega military exercise "Yudh Abhyas" at Auli in Uttarakhand from October 14 to 31, 2022. The aim of the exercise is to enhance understanding, cooperation and interactivity between the two armies. The previous edition of the exercise took place in Alaska, USA in October 2021.

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The exercise "Yudh Abhyas" is taking place in the backdrop of India's long border line with China in eastern Ladakh.

India-US defense ties have been deepening over the past few years.

In June 2016, the US designated India as a 'major defense partner'.

Now this exercise is taking place in the backdrop of India's border dispute with China in eastern Ladakh.

India and the US have signed several important defense and security agreements in the last few years. Which includes the Logistics Exchange Memorandum of Agreement signed in 2016.

4. Women Aircrew of Indian Navy Creates History



Five officers of INAS 314 of the Indian Navy based at Naval Air Enclave, Porbandar created history by

completing the first all-female independent maritime reconnaissance and surveillance mission in the North Arabian Sea on 03 Aug 2022 aboard a Dornier 228 aircraft. The aircraft was commanded by the mission commander, Lt. Commander Aanchal Sharma, whose team consisted of pilots, Lt. Shivangi and Lt. Apoorva Geete, and tactical and sensor officers, Lt. Pooja Panda and SLT Pooja Shekhawat.

INAS 314 is a frontline naval air squadron based at Porbandar, Gujarat and operates state-of-the-art Dornier 228 maritime reconnaissance aircraft. The squadron is commanded by Commander SK Goel, a qualified Navigation Instructor.

The women officers received months of ground training and extensive mission briefings prior to this historic flight.

The Indian Navy has been at the forefront of transforming the armed forces. It is an influential and pioneering women empowerment initiative that includes induction of women pilots, selection of women air operations officers in the helicopter stream and conducting an all-women sailing expedition around the world in 2018.

However, this first-of-its-kind military flying mission was unique and is expected to pave the way for women officers in the aviation cadre to assume greater responsibility and aspire to more challenging roles. It is perhaps a unique achievement for the Armed Forces that only a team of women officers carried out an independent operational mission in a multi-maneuver maritime surveillance aircraft.

Many congratulations to these officers for successfully doing so and inspiring millions of women across India and the world to break free from all shackles and achieve their dreams.

5. 'Operation Mukti' campaign started in Uttarakhand



Filled with human sentiments, Ashok Kumar made an innovative use of "Operation Mukti" in the year 2017 in the police department to realize the slogan of friendship, service and security. He took the initiative to motivate the economically weak, destitute children to move on the path of education by removing them from the path of begging. This mission was named "Operation Mukti". Since then this campaign is being run continuously. Under the campaign, a total of 1430 children have been enrolled in schools/daycare homes by removing them from begging. Police play an important role in social and humanitarian work. In this episode, Operation Mukti was launched, under which an attempt has been made to educate the children who beg for alms. In this campaign, people have also been made aware that they should do their duty by giving education to children and not begging. With this children will get to live their childhood. Due to lack of education some children turn towards crime. By going to their school, the tendency of crime will also stop. The Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India has published a book on the good work being done by police and other police organizations of various states across the country in the direction of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision of Smart Policing. In the edition of Best Practices on Smart Policing, a detailed article on Operation Mukti Abhiyan has been published.

6. IFS officer Shweta Singh becomes director of Prime Minister's Office



Indian Foreign Service (IFS) officer Shweta Singh has been appointed as Director (Director) in the Prime Minister's Office. Shweta Singh is a 2008 batch IFS officer. The Personnel Ministry has issued an order regarding this. Accordingly, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has approved his three-year term. On the other hand, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet canceled the appointment of 2009 batch IFS officer Aniket Govind Mandawagne as Deputy Secretary in the Prime Minister's Office.

The Prime Minister's Office (PMO) refers to a group of officers and employees directly below the Prime Minister of India. The principal secretary is its highest authority. Till 1977 the 'Prime Minister's Office' was called 'Prime Minister's Secretariat' which was changed to 'Prime Minister's Office' during the Prime Ministership of Morarji Desai. The PMO provides secretarial assistance to the Prime Minister.

7. Commonwealth Games: Tejaswin Shankar Wins Bronze Medal In High Jump



India's high jumper Tejaswin Shankar opened India's medal account in the track and field event at the Birmingham Commonwealth Games. Tejaswin Shankar won the first medal for India in track and field in the form of bronze. Not only this, Tejaswin became the first athlete to win a medal for India in the high jump at any Commonwealth Games.

Tejaswin won the bronze medal with a jump of 2.22m in the final of the men's high jump event. Tejaswin Shankar (born 21 December 1998) is an Indian athlete who competes in the high jump competition. He holds the national record of high jump of 2.29 meters in April 2018. Shankar won the gold medal at the Commonwealth Youth Games in Apia in 2015, setting a sports record of 2.14m. She won a silver medal at the 2016 South Asian Games in Guwahati with a jump of 2.17m. Due to a groin injury, he finished sixth in the Asian Junior Championships and missed the 2016 World Junior Championships.

8. Amazon India Ties Up With Indian Railways For Delivery Of Goods



Amazon India has tied up with Indian Railways to promote its delivery services in the country.

Amazon India has joined hands with the Indian Railways to deliver its goods to its customers on more than 110 'Intercity' routes. The company said in a statement that it has entered into this agreement to ensure the delivery of their goods to the customers within one to two days. Amazon started working with Indian Railways in 2019.

Working with Indian Railways will enable us to deliver products faster to our customers in cities like Nagercoil, Katra, Porbandar, Jhansi, and Gwalior. Will help us to complete the delivery in just 1 or 2 days.

This is one of the key reasons for the company to fulfill its promise of delivering within one to two days to the customers in the hinterland of the country. Now it is working with Railways on more than 110 intercity routes.

Amazon India is now partnering with Indian Railways to deliver their goods to customers in

cities and towns like Jharsuguda, Ratnagiri, Kurnool, Nanded, Bareilly, Bokaro and Rudrapur.

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Amazon Founder: Jeff Bezos; Amazon CEO: Andy Jesse;

Amazon Headquarters: Seattle, Washington,

United States;

Formation of Amazon: 5 July 1994.

IOCL President: Shrikant Madhav Vaidya: Prime Minister of Bangladesh: Sheikh Hasina

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Capital of Bangladesh: Dhaka

UNESCO established: 16 November 1945; UNESCO Headquarters: Paris, France; UNESCO members: 193 countries; UNESCO chief: Audrey Azoulay.

QUIZ

1. In which Indian state is the world's largest floating solar power plant being built?

a) Uttar Pradesh

b) Madhya Pradesh

c) Gujarat

d) Rajasthan

2. India will organize a 15-day mega military exercise in which state along with the US?

a) Rajasthan

b) Gujarat

c) Uttarakhand

d) Himachal Pradesh

3. Which country became the third largest supplier of India?

a) Russia

b) Venezuela

c) Cambodia

d) Indonesia

4. Which of the following countries have been approved by the US Senate to join NATO?

a) Finland

b) Sweden

c) India

d) both a and b

5. In August 2022, 10 more Indian wetland sides were included in Ramsar, now how many Ramsar sites are there in India?

a) 54

b) 65

c) 64

d) 74

6. Who won the bronze medal in the 109 kg weightlifting in the Commonwealth Games 2022?

a) Lovepreet Singh

b) Anirudh Thapa

c) Cameron

d) Jack

- 7. Recently who took over as the Chairman and Managing Director of Oil India Limited?
- a) Rajeev Ranjan
- b) Rashmi Ranjan
- c) Ranjit Rath
- d) Anirudh
- 8. Who took over as the new chairman of Vodafone Idea in August 2022?
- a) Ravinder Takkar
- b) Himanshu
- c) Arvind Mehta
- d) Alok Preet

