

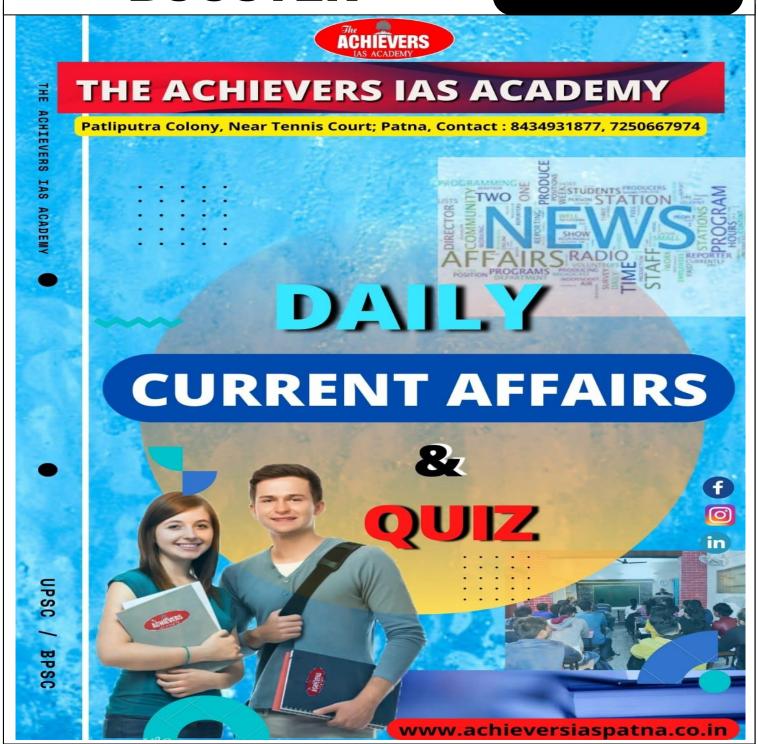
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# CURRENT AFFAIR BOOSTER

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### 1.'Liberation War Gallery' inaugurated at the Indian Cultural Center in Dhaka



The 1971 Liberation War Gallery was inaugurated at the Indian Cultural Center of the Indian High Commission in Dhaka, with Bangladesh Home Minister Asaduzzaman Khan serving as the chief guest. The gallery pays tribute to the brave freedom fighters who fought against oppression and tyranny and honors the memory of the nameless millions who lost their lives during the 1971 Liberation War of Bangladesh. In his speech, High Commissioner Pranay Verma highlighted the historical significance of the 1971 Liberation War for both Bangladesh and India, emphasizing the unwavering spirit of friendship and solidarity between the two countries. Acknowledged the great sacrifice of Indian soldiers and the exemplary support given by the people of India to the 10 million refugees who came to the neighboring states of Tripura, West Bengal, Assam and other states of India during the Liberation War.

2. NHPC to construct Phukot Karnali Hydro Electric Project in Nepal



India and Nepal signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in New Delhi today for the development of Phukot Karnali Hydro-Electric Project (480MW) in Nepal. The MoU was signed in the presence of Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi and Prime Minister of Nepal Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda' at

Hyderabad House in New Delhi. "NHPC Limited (a Government of India Enterprise) and Vidyut Utpadan Company Limited (VUCL), Nepal signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) in New Delhi today for the development of Phukot Karnali Hydro Electric Project (480 MW) in Nepal. "NHPC Limited, a Schedule 'A' Enterprise of the Government of India with 'Mini Ratna' Status, is a premier PSU in India for development of hydropower and Vidyut Utpadan Company Limited (VUCL), Nepal Development, Construction,

#### 3. Amarendu Prakash has been appointed as the chairman of SAIL





Amarendu Prakash has taken charge as the new Chairman and Managing Director of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL). He was earlier Director (In-charge) of SAIL's Bokaro Steel Scheme. Prakash was earlier involved in driving the business turnaround and financial turnaround of SAIL, he is heading Bokaro Steel Plant as Director-in-Charge since September 2020 and as Additional Director-in-Charge of Rourkela Steel Plant, IISCO and Durgapur Steel Plant took charge. Under his able leadership, Bokaro Steel Plant has witnessed remarkable results, Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) is one of the largest steel making companies in India. It was established on January 19, 1954 with its headquarters in New Delhi. The history of SAIL can be traced back to India's First Five Year Plan (1951–1956),

4. India beat Pakistan to win Men's Junior Asia Hockey Cup for the fourth time



The Indian junior men's hockey team won the Junior Asia Cup title for the fourth time after defeating archrivals Pakistan 2-1. A large number of fans from India and Pakistan had gathered to watch this tournament being held after eight years. In the final moments, Pakistan showed aggressive hockey but the defense led by Indian goalkeeper Mohit HS failed every attack. Angad Bir Singh scored for India in the 12th minute, Arijit Singh Hundal scored in the 19th minute, while Basharat Ali scored the lone goal for the Pakistan team, coached by former India head coach Roelant Oltmans, in the 37th minute. India has won this title for the fourth time after 2004, 2008 and 2015 while Pakistan has been the champion in 1987, 1992 and 1996. The two teams have met in the finals of the Junior Men's Hockey Asia Cup thrice earlier. It was not organized in 2021 due to the Corona epidemic.

5. Punjab Police launched 'OPS Clean' campaign to make the state drug free



A search operation is being conducted by the Punjab Police under Operation Clean across the state. Under which people involved in drug smuggling are being investigated. That action has been taken at a total of 188 places in the Police Commissionerate area, out of which about 54 places are in urban areas. In Punjab's Muktsar district also, the Punjab Police conducted a search operation under Operation Clean. A search

operation was conducted in Muktsar district under the chairmanship of SSP Harmanbir Singh Gill. During this, around 200 police personnel, including various police officers, sealed the district and conducted a search operation. During this blockade the vehicles were also searched. Police teams raided government buildings, bus stands, hotels and houses of suspicious persons. During this action, the police have recovered 28 grams of heroin, 350 liters of lahan, 75 intoxicating pills and other intoxicants. Apart from this, some accused have also been arrested. That just last month, the NIA team had raided about 100 places across the country. The NIA team conducted raids across Punjab to investigate gangster and drugs, terrorist modules.

6. Finland's NATO Joint Training: New Security Initiative in the Arctic Region



North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) countries have started military exercises with a pledge to protect its newest member, Finland, which is hosting its first joint training in the Arctic region after becoming part of the Western alliance in April. which marked Finland's largest modern-day land-force drill above the Arctic Circle. Overseeing NATO exercises at one of Europe's largest artillery training grounds in Rovajärvi, northern Finland, just a two-hour drive from the Russian border, US Army Major-General Gregory Anderson of the 10th Mountain Division said his country Ready to defend Finland. About 150 aircraft from 14 NATO member and partner countries are also participating in the Arctic Challenge 2023 exercise.

7. India and Vietnam: Strategic Partnership in Maritime Security Against China



India and Vietnam recently held the third maritime security dialogue in New Delhi, underscoring their commitment to maintaining a secure maritime environment amid growing Chinese aggression in the region. brought together senior officials from both countries, focused on strengthening regional and international mechanisms to enhance comprehensive maritime security. China's aggressive actions in the South China Sea have raised concerns among neighboring countries including India and Vietnam. Both nations are directly affected by China's territorial claims and activities. Maritime cooperation enables them to cooperate, strengthen their positions and collectively address disputes while upholding international law. Maritime cooperation between India and Vietnam serves as a cornerstone for their strategic partnership. It promotes shared interests and objectives,

8. Top Indian brands list: TCS and Reliance



Technology company Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) and Reliance Industries, the country's largest company by market valuation, have topped the list of the country's most valuable brands. TCS has topped the list of 50 most valuable Indian brands with a brand value of Rs 1.09 lakh crore, according to a ranking released by global brand consultancy firm Interbrand. Industrialist Mukesh Ambani's Reliance Industries Ltd stood second

with a brand value of Rs 65,320 crore. Reliance Group's telecom and digital arm Jio is also in the top five with Rs 49,027 crore. This time the combined valuation of all the companies included in the list has reached the figure of \$ 100 billion (Rs 8.3 lakh crore). This is 167 percent more than in the previous decade. Information technology company Infosys is at the third position with a brand value of ₹53,323 crore.

#### QUIZ

- 1. Who has been elected as the vice president of the World Meteorological Organization?
- (a) Ajay Kapoor
- (b) Abdullah Al Mandous
- (c) Mrityunjay Mohapatra
- (d) RK Singh

EXPLANATION -: Mrityunjay Mohapatra, Director General of the India Meteorological Department (IMD), was elected as one of the three vice - presidents of the World Meteorological Organisation . WMO appoints Abdullah Al Mandous, director of the UAE National Center of Meteorology, for a four - year term has been elected president of . The headquarters of the WMO is located in Geneva .

- 2. When is the Foundation Day of Telangana being celebrated?
- (a) June 01
- (b) 02 June
- (c) 03 June
- (d) 04 June

EXPLANATION -: Telangana was formed on 2 June 2014 by bifurcating Andhra Pradesh , which was being demanded since long . After formation , Chandrasekhar Rao was sworn in as the first Chief Minister of the new state . Andhra Pradesh Reorganization The Act 2014 bill was passed in the Parliament in February 2014 . It received the assent of the President of India on 1 March 2014 and Telangana officially came into existence on 2 June 2014 . \_

3. Which medium - range ballistic missile was successfully tested from APJ Abdul Kalam Island?

- (a) Agni -1
- (b) Fire -2
- (c) Agni -3
- (d) Fire -4

EXPLANATION -: Odisha 's APJ Abdul Kalam Island medium - range ballistic missile , Agni - 1 was successfully trained . Last December , India successfully test - fired the nuclear - capable ballistic missile Agni -5 , capable of hitting targets up to 5,000 km away . is capable . Agni - 1 to Agni - 4 missiles with a range of 700 km to 3,500 km have already been developed .

- 4. Who has been appointed as a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)?
- (a) Vidyut Bihari Swain
- (b) Nripendra Mishra
- (c) Alok Ranjan
- (d) Vijay Shekhar Singh

EXPLANATION - : Former Micro , Small and Medium Enterprises ( MSME ) Secretary Bidyut Bihari Swain took oath as a member of the Union Public Service Commission ( UPSC ) on Thursday . Swain , a 1988 batch administrative officer of Gujarat cadre , was posted by UPSC president Manoj Soni and sworn to secrecy . Swain has held various positions within the Government of Gujarat from 1989 to 2018 .

- 5. Who has been appointed as the first woman Secretary General of the World Meteorological Organization?\_
- (a) Soumya Swaminathan
- (b) Kristalina Georgieva
- (c) Rekha Sharma
- (d) Celeste Saulo

EXPLANATION - : The United Nations ' World Meteorological Organization ( WMO) has appointed Argentine meteorologist Celeste Saulo as its Secretary - General and she is the first woman to be appointed to the post . She will replace Petteri Talas on this post . \_ Saulo since 2014 Serves as director of the National

Meteorological Service of Argentina . WMO is a specialized agency of the United Nations that promotes international cooperation on atmospheric science , climate science , hydrology and geophysics .

- 6. Who has recently taken over as the Air Officer in Charge Administration ( AOA ) ?
- (a) Rajesh Kumar Anand
- (b) Ajay Atul Sharma
- (c) Dalveer Singh
- (d) Ajay Singh Rawat

EXPLANATION -: Air Marshal Rajesh Kumar Anand has taken over as Air Officer - in - Charge Administration (AOA) on 01 June 2023. Rajesh Kumar Anand was commissioned as an Air Traffic Controller in the Administrative Branch of the Indian Air Force on 13 Jun 1987., He was awarded the Vishisht Seva Medal for distinguished service in January 2022.

- 7. By defeating which team did India win the Men's Hockey Junior Asia Cup title?
- (a) Sri Lanka
- (b) Pakistan
- (c) Nepal
- (d) Bangladesh

EXPLANATION -: India has won the Men's Hockey Junior Asia Cup - 2023 title by defeating Pakistan 2-1. India has won this title record for the fourth time. Along with this, India has also broken the record of winning the Men's Hockey Junior Asia Cup for the most number of times. India Arijit Singh Hundal and Angad Bir Singh scored the goals for the side.

- 8. Which state police has launched OPS Clean campaign to monitor persons involved in commercial quantities of drugs?
- (a) Punjab
- (b) Haryana
- (c) Himachal Pradesh
- (d) Uttarakhand

EXPLANATION -: To make Punjab a drug-free state battling the drug menace, the Punjab Police on Wednesday launched a state-wide campaign 'OPS Clean'. The objective of the operation is to keep a tab on the activities of those who are involved in smuggling of drugs in commercial quantities. Arpit Shukla, Special DGP (Law and Order) said that during this operation simultaneous raids were conducted on places and houses associated with drug traffickers and smugglers.

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When is Telangana Foundation Day celebrated – June 2nd .

Vikasi Visakam 2023 was recently celebrated in – Tamil Nadu.

Which country has recently taken over the presidency of the World Meteorological Organisation- UAE

With which country India has signed MoU for Phukot Karnali Hydro Electric Project - Nepal.

Which state government has recently launched Megha registration campaign for MSME – Uttar Pradesh.

Who has recently taken over as the president of the cell – Amarendu Prakash.

Which Indian state is recently building the world's first 3D printed Hindu temple – Telangana.

Who has recently launched the PM Swanidhi mobile app? — Hardeep Singh Puri

Who is the author of the book "Ringside"?- Dr. Vijay Darda.

Recently who has been elected as the new President of Latvia – Edgars Rinkevics .

