

Weekly Current G.K.

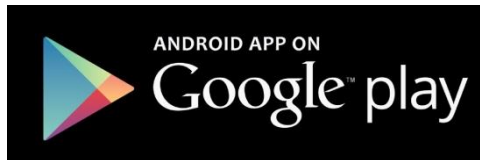
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- **SBI:** 2000 Posts of P.O. in SBI.
Apply by: 13.05.18
- **SSC CGL** Recruitments 2018.
Apply by: 04.06.18

- **Maharashtra Becomes 1st to Provide Digitally-Signed Documents**
Maharashtra became the first state to provide digitally-signed land record receipts (also known as 7/12 receipts), which Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis claimed would check irregularities and bring in transparency.
- **'Go to Village' Mission Launched in Manipur**
Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh launched 'Go to Village' mission throughout the state from Konuma ground. The mission was launched in 60 villages of all the 60 Assembly constituencies.
- **4th Regional Conference on 'Futuristic, Resilient and Digital Infrastructure' Concludes in Bengaluru**
The 4th Regional Conference on 'Futuristic, Resilient and Digital Infrastructure' organized by the Ministry of Finance in collaboration with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), and Research and Information System for Developing

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **May 1 : Workers Day**
- **May 3 : Press Freedom Day**
- **May 4 : Coal Miners Day**
- **May 4 : International Firefighter Day**

NATIONAL EVENTS

- **Swachh Bharat Mission Launches GOBAR-DHAN Scheme:** Union Minister for Drinking Water and Sanitation, Uma Bharti, launched the GOBAR (Galvanizing Organic Bio-Agro Resources) - DHAN scheme at the National Dairy Research Institute (NDRI) Auditorium, Karnal, Haryana. The scheme aims to positively impact village cleanliness and generate wealth and energy from cattle and organic waste.

Countries (RIS) concluded in Bengaluru.

officer of Indian Information Service) took over as the 27th Principal Spokesperson of the Government of India and Director General of Press Information Bureau in New Delhi. He succeeds Mr Frank Noronha.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- **International Buddhist Conference Concluded in Lumbini, Nepal :** The International Buddhist Conference 2018 concluded in Lumbini, Nepal, the birthplace of Gautama Buddha. The concluding speech was given by the Prime Minister of Nepal, KP Oli. Participants from more than 20 countries including India attended the 2-day conference. It was organised as part of 2562nd Buddha Jayanti celebrations.
- **India- South Africa Business Summit Concludes in Johannesburg :** Minister of Commerce and Industry and Civil Aviation, Suresh Prabhu, attended India- South Africa business summit in Johannesburg, South Africa. The Minister highlighted the historical relations between India and Swaziland, Botswana and Lesotho and pledged to take the economic partnership forward.

PERSONS IN NEWS

- **Hockey India Appoints Harendra Singh as Chief Coach of Men's Team:** Hockey India has appointed Harendra Singh as coach of India's men's team, while Sjoerd Marijne will take over as chief coach of women's side.
- **Sitanshu Kar Takes Over as DG of Press Information Bureau :** Mr Sitanshu Ranjan Kar (1983 batch

OBITUARY

- **Eminent Economist Ashok Mitra Passes Away** The first Finance Minister in the Left Front government in West Bengal Ashok Mitra passed away in Kolkata. He was 90. Besides serving the State Government, he also worked with the Central Government as the Chief Economic Adviser and was a member of Rajya Sabha.
- **Renowned Artist-Philosopher Ravinder Sharma Passes Away** Ravinder Sharma, fondly called Guruji, the founder of Adilabad's Kala Ashram died at the age of 65 years. A trained artist, Guruji had been awarded Kala Ratna by the Andhra Pradesh State government in 2014.

PLACES IN NEWS

- **Bhubaneswar:** Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) and Ministry of Rural Development (MoRD), together joined hands to amplify the "Gram Swaraj Abhiyaan" of the current incumbent government which is promoting social harmony and awareness around the pro-poor initiatives of the government.
- **Manila :** The 12th informal meeting of SAARC Finance Ministers was held in Manila, Philippines, on the sidelines of

the 51st Annual Meeting of Asian Development Bank (ADB).

- **India:** As per the data released by the **World Health Organisation (WHO)**, **14 Indian cities figure in a list of world's 20 most polluted cities** in terms of **particulate matter PM2.5 levels in 2016**. The WHO Global Urban Ambient Air Pollution Database ranked **Kanpur as the most polluted city** among 4300 world cities which were monitored for their air pollution levels in the year 2016. The other Indian cities that registered very high levels of PM2.5 pollutants were Faridabad, Varanasi, Gaya, Patna, Delhi, Lucknow, Agra, Muzaffarpur, Srinagar, Gurgaon, Jaipur, Patiala and Jodhpur.

AWARDS

- **Legendary Singer Asha Bhosle Honored with PC Chandra Puraskar :** **Legendary singer Asha Bhosle** was honoured with **26th PC Chandra Puraskar** for her contribution in the field of Indian music. Sharmila Tagore was the Chief Guest at the event who also presented the prestigious award to Asha Bhosle.
- **India's Neeraj Goyat is WBC Asia Boxer of the Year :** Indian pugilist Neeraj Goyat has been conferred with the '*WBC Asia Boxer of the Year Award*'. Neeraj is the current WBC Asia champion in welterweight category. Since turning pro in 2011, Neeraj has won nine fights including two knockouts.
- **No Nobel Prize In Literature This Year :** The Swedish Academy has

decided to postpone the 2018 Nobel Prize in Literature, with the intention of awarding it in 2019.

SPORTS

- **3rd South Asian Junior Athletics Championships: India Tops With 50 Medals :** India finished on top in the 7-nation 3rd South Asian Junior Athletics Championships in Colombo, Sri Lanka on the final day. India ended with 20 gold, 22 silver and 8 bronze medals (Total 50 Medals).
- **Mohamed Salah Named Writers' Footballer of The Year :** Liverpool forward Mohamed Salah has been named the *Football Writers' Association Footballer of the Year*. Manchester City midfielder Kevin de Bruyne came second with Tottenham striker Harry Kane third.
- **Wimbledon Champions' Prize Money Hiked by £50,000 :** According to the Wimbledon officials, the 2018 men's and women's singles champions will receive £2.25 million, an increase of £50,000 on last year. Lower-ranked players at Wimbledon will enjoy a greater uplift, with an increase of 10% across qualifying and the first to fourth rounds of the singles, boosting the overhaul prize money total to £34 million this year.
- **Lewis Hamilton Wins Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2018:** **Lewis Hamilton of Mercedes** has won the **Azerbaijan Grand Prix 2018 in Baku** during which both Red Bulls sensationally collided with each other. Kimi Raikkonen of Ferrari finished

second and Sergio Perez of Force India ended third in the Race.

CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

1. The Union Cabinet has recently MoU between India and _____ on Technical Cooperation in the field of railways.

- (a) Japan (b) Russia
(c) Italy (d) France
(e) Portugal

2. Name the newly appointed Chief Minister of Karnataka.

- (a) D. Devaraj
(b) Siddaramaiah
(c) S. R. Bommai
(d) B S Yeddyurappa
(e) H. D. Kumaraswamy

3. The Union Cabinet has recently approved setting up of a new AIIMS in _____.

- (a) Deoghar, Jharkhand
(b) Raipur, Chhattisgarh
(c) Bijapur, Rajasthan
(d) Jodhpur, Rajasthan
(e) Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh

4. Name the Indian American who became the first South Asian to be elected in Oregon in the western US State.

- (a) Pramila Jayapal
(b) Kiran Desai
(c) Susheela Jayapal
(d) Sampreet Samara
(e) Indra Nooyi

5. The World Health Organization (WHO) has launched a comprehensive plan to eliminate

industrially-produced artificial trans fats from the global food supply by 2023. WHO calls on governments to use a particular action package. Name that action plan.

- (a) ELIMINATE
(b) REPLACE
(c) REMOVE
(d) REDUCE
(e) None of the given options is true

6. Name the state government that has signed an MoU with the British Council to strengthen educational and cultural cooperation.

- (a) Madhya Pradesh
(b) Uttarakhand
(c) Gujarat
(d) Maharashtra
(e) Rajasthan

7. Name the lender that has recently launched its Interactive Robotic Assistant (IRA) 2.0, its interactive humanoid at the Koramangala Branch in Bengaluru.

- (a) ICICI Bank
(b) HDFC Bank
(c) Karnataka Bank
(d) Axis Bank
(e) IDFC Bank

8. The 56th edition of Belgrade International Boxing Championship was held recently at Belgrade. Belgrade is the Capital city of ____.

- (a) Iceland (b) Sweden
(c) Norway (d) Denmark
(e) Serbia

ANSWERS: DDACB/ DBE