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## IMPORTANT DAYS

- November 7 :World Cancer Awareness Day
- November 9 :Legal service Day
- November 10 :Transport Day
- November 14 :World Diabetics Day

## NATIONAL EVENTS

- **3-day 7th International Tourism Mart held for the first time in Tripura** On 22nd to 24th November, 2018, the **3-day 7th International Tourism Mart (ITM)** was held for the **first time** at the Pragna Bhawan in Agartala, Tripura. It was inaugurated by the Governor of Tripura, Prof. **Kaptan Singh Solanki**. **70-foot tall second highest statue of Lord Buddha unveiled at Rajgir in Nalanda district in Bihar** by CM of Bihar On November 25, 2018, **Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar** unveiled a **70-foot tall statue of Lord Buddha at Rajgir in Nalanda district, Bihar**.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- **Second India-UAE strategic conclave held in Abu Dhabi** On 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018, the two day Second edition of **India-UAE Strategic Conclave** organized by **Economic Times, India** was held in the Capital of United Arab Emirates (UAE), **Abu Dhabi**.

## PERSONS IN NEWS

- **Arvind Saxena** On November 28, 2018, As per Article 316 of the Constitution, the President of India Ram Nath Kovind appointed **Shri Arvind Saxena as Chairman, Union Public Service Commission (UPSC)** till 07.08.2020, i.e., until he attains the age of 65 years.
- **Sunil Arora**: On 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 Sunil Arora, who is the senior-most commissioner in the poll panel, has been appointed as the new Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) by President Ram Nath Kovind.

## OBITUARY

- On November 28, 2018, **British World War II veteran and political activist Harry Leslie Smith** died at 95..
- **Stephen Hillenburg** On 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 57 year old **SpongeBob SquarePants** creator Stephen Hillenburg passed away due to Motor Neuron Disease also known as ALS.
- **Bernardo Bertolucci** On 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 77 year old multi award winner Italian Director Bernardo Bertolucci died after Cancer. He had won Oscar for the best director for the Movie "The Last Emperor".
- **CK Jaffer Sharief** On November 25, 2018, former Union railway minister **CK Jaffer Sharief** passed away in Bengaluru at the age of **85**.

## PLACES IN NEWS

- **Himachal Pradesh** On November 28, 2018, **Himachal Pradesh** became the first Indian state to launch a single emergency number “112”, connecting police, fire, health and other helplines through an Emergency Response Centre (ERC) in the state.

## AWARDS

- **Uttarakhand** adjudged ‘best state’; **Himachal pavilion** gets ‘silver medal’ at **India International Trade Fair, New Delhi** On November 27, 2018, at the 2-week long **38th India International Trade Fair**, which was held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, from November 14 to 27, Union Commerce and Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu conferred the awards to the states. **Uttarakhand** is adjudged as Best State and **Himachal Pradesh** is awarded with **Second Position and holds the Silver Medal**.
- **Renowned flautist Keshav Ginde** conferred with **Pt. Bhimsen Joshi award** On November 29, 2018, renowned flautist **Pandit Keshav Ginde** has been selected as the recipient of **2018 Bharat Ratna Pandit Bhimsen Joshi Lifetime Achievement Award** for **Classical Music**.

## SPORTS

- **Magnus Carlsen Retains His Title as World Chess Champion** Norway’s **Magnus Carlsen** retained his title as World Chess Champion beating US opponent **Fabiano Caruana** in a tie-breaker event at the **World Chess Championship** held in London on 28th November 2018.
- **Manav Thakkar settles for bronze in Belarus Open** On November 16 2018, India’s **Manav Thakkar** settled for a bronze medal in the U-21 Men’s singles category in the **International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF)** challenge **Belgosstrakh Belarus Open** held in Minsk, Belarus.

- **Odisha Hockey Men’s World Cup 2018 Inaugurated at Kalinga Stadium** On 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2018 the 14<sup>th</sup> edition of Hockey Men’s World Cup kicked off with a grand opening ceremony at the Kalinga Stadium in **Bhubaneshwar, Odisha**. Chief Minister of Odisha **Naveen Patnaik** declared the Hockey World Cup open. The event is being held from **28<sup>th</sup> November to 16<sup>th</sup> December 2018**.
- **Dipa Karmakar grabs bronze in vault event at Artistic Gymnastics World Cup held in Cottbus, Germany** On 24<sup>th</sup> November 2018, India’s 25 year old **Dipa Karmakar** won Bronze medal in the Vault event of Artistic Gymnastics World Cup organized by Federation Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG) held in Cottbus, Germany after returning from an injury she suffered in the 2018 Asian Games. With this performance, she comes a step closer towards qualifying for 2020 Olympics.
- **Mercedes’ Lewis Hamilton wins Abu Dhabi Grand Prix** On November 25<sup>th</sup> 2018, five-time world champion, **Lewis Hamilton** signed off the season in style and kept the Mercedes dominance by winning at the Abu Dhabi Grand Prix — the 21<sup>st</sup> and final race of the 2018 F1 calendar at the Yas Marina Circuit, Abu Dhabi.
- **ISRO launches India’s first hyperspectral imaging satellite along with 30 foreign satellites** On 29<sup>th</sup> November 2018, the Indian Space Research Organisation’s (**ISRO**) **Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV-C43)** successfully launched 31 satellites from Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC) in Sriharikota. The rocket injected the country’s first **Hyper Spectral Imaging Satellite (HysIS)**, dubbed ‘**Sharp Eye**’, in its intended orbit besides 30 small commercial satellites from various countries into the orbits requested by the customers.
- **MJ-120 GST & MJ-12 GST: 2 variants of the world’s first GST Calculator launched by Casio India** On November 28, 2018, **Casio India** has announced the

launch of the world's **first GST calculator** with two new innovations **MJ-120 GST and MJ-12GST** dedicated to the Indian market.

i. It will make manual invoicing easy and hassle-free.

ii. The key features of the Casio MJ-120 GST and MJ-120GST calculators are as follows:

- **In-built GST tabs:** All the five (0%, 5%, 12%, 18% and 28%) GST are in-built in MJ-120GST and MJ-12GST and The tax slabs are changeable as per the industry needs.
- **Gross value (net value + Tax),** net value and tax paid under different GST slabs stay stored in the GST+0, GST+1, GST+2, GST+3, GST+4 buttons and the overall value in the five slabs stays stored in the GST GT button.
- **Tax- Mode application:** a TAX- feature for all the five tax slabs to calculate the base value from MRP was introduced and will help in its application in calculating base value and net profit earned.
- **Multi-industry use:** GST+/tax- key can calculate values in multiple formats.
- Furthermore, **the GST GT key** is for calculating gross value of a GST-based calculation and it can also be used for calculating the grand total of a calculation.
- **Two fast patrol vessels ICGS Amrit Kaur and ICGS Kamla Devi launched for Indian Coast Guard**  
On 22nd November 2018, Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd (GRSE) launched two fast patrol vessels (FPV) ICGS Amrit Kaur and ICGS Kamla Devi, (named after freedom fighters) in the river Hooghly in Kolkata. The ships were launched by Veena Naravane, wife of Lt General Manoj Mukund Naravane, General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, of the Army's Eastern Command.

operational efficiencies for India's global trade?

- 1) Kolkata
- 2) New Delhi
- 3) Mumbai
- 4) Kochi
- 5) None of these

2. India Autism Center (IAC) in association with which state government will build a world-class autism township at a cost of Rs 500 crore?

- 1) Maharashtra
- 2) Gujarat
- 3) Telangana
- 4) West Bengal
- 5) None of these

3. Name the state government that released lexicons of 21 tribal languages for multilingual education (MLE) purposes for elementary schools in tribal dominated districts, on 27th November 2018?

- 1) Himachal Pradesh
- 2) Arunachal Pradesh
- 3) Odisha
- 4) Assam
- 5) None of these

4. The 7th International Tourism Mart (ITM) was held from 22nd to 24th November 2018 in \_\_\_\_\_?

- 1) Agartala, Tripura
- 2) Nagpur, Maharashtra
- 3) Shillong, Meghalaya
- 4) Imphal, Manipur
- 5) None of these

5. Which state became the second state in the North East to introduce Tourist Police, on 26th November 2018?

- 1) Meghalaya
- 2) Arunachal Pradesh
- 3) Nagaland
- 4) Manipur
- 5) None of these

6. Where was the 1st Russia—India Strategic Dialogue held on 25th and 26th November 2018?

- 1) New Delhi, India
- 2) St. Petersburg, Russia
- 3) Mumbai, India
- 4) Moscow, Russia
- 5) None of these

7. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in consultation with the government of India, reduced the mandatory hedging provision

## CURRENT AFFAIRS QUIZ

1. Where will Logix India 2019 be held from 31st January to 2nd February 2019, to improve logistics cost effectiveness and

- to \_\_\_\_ % from 100 %, on 27th November 2018?
- 1) 80 %
  - 2) 70 %
  - 3) 60 %
  - 4) 90 %
  - 5) None of these
8. Government of India and which bank signed a \$75 million loan to fund projects under Karnataka Integrated Urban Water Management Investment Program, on 27th November 2018?
- 1) State Bank of India (SBI)
  - 2) SoftBank
  - 3) Asian Development Bank (ADB)
  - 4) World Bank
  - 5) None of these
9. Asian Development Bank (ADB) and the Government of India signed a \_\_\_\_ dollar loan to fund upgradation of 230 kilometer State Highways in Bihar under Bihar State Highways III Project (BSHP-III), on 26th November 2018?
- 1) \$200 million
  - 2) \$300 million
  - 3) \$400 million
  - 4) \$500 million
  - 5) None of these
10. Which bank signed a Sh327m (\$3.8 million) deal with International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE) to fund training in Science and Innovation in Sub-Saharan Africa?
- 1) World Bank
  - 2) Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank
  - 3) European Investment Bank
  - 4) Asian Development Bank
  - 5) None of these
11. India signed a protocol to amend the Double Taxation Avoidance Agreement (DTAA) with which country, for the avoidance of double taxation and prevention of tax evasion through exchange of information, on 26th November 2018?
- 1) South Korea
  - 2) Indonesia
  - 3) China
  - 4) Japan
  - 5) None of these
12. Name the country that recorded the highest average real wage growth in South Asia during 2008-17, as per “Global Wage Report 2018/19: What Lies behind Gender pay gaps” report released by International Labour Organisation (ILO)?
- 1) Malaysia
  - 2) Singapore
  - 3) India
  - 4) China
  - 5) None of these
13. Who were selected for Swarnajayanti fellowship award instituted by the Department of Science and Technology, for 2017-18, under Earth and atmospheric sciences category?
- 1) Sripada S V Rama Sastry
  - 2) Sebastian C Peter
  - 3) Saket Saurabh
  - 4) Ramananda Chakrabarti and Punyasloke Bhadury
  - 5) None of these
14. Name the Indian social entrepreneur who was conferred with the ‘Global Geospatial Industry Ambassador’ Award at the United Nations World Geospatial Information Congress held at Deqing city in China, on November 19, 2018?
- 1) Mithun Vijay
  - 2) Sanjay Kumar
  - 3) Ramjit Solanki
  - 4) Sameer Singh
  - 5) None of these
15. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) with effect from 2nd December 2018?
- 1) Sunil Arora
  - 2) Mahesh Reddy
  - 3) Karan Shukla
  - 4) Rajat Veer
  - 5) None of these

**Answers: 24313/ 22311/ 33421**