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NEW VACANCIES

- Total 7275 IBPS Recruitment 2018: Last Date: 10.10.18
- Total 1136 Vacancies in SSC Recruitment 2018 Last Date: 30.09.18

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **September 8:** International Literacy Day (UNESCO)
- **September 14:** Hindi Divas Day
- **September 15** Engineers Day

NATIONAL EVENTS

- **2-week combat exercise “Yudh Abhyas” between Indian, US armies to carry out in Uttarakhand**
On September 8, 2018, after the 2+2 dialogue, the armies of India and the US decided to hold an annual combat exercise “Yudh Abhyas“ at Chaubatia in Uttarakhand from September 16 to 29, 2018. Around 400 soldiers from each side are expected to participate in the exercise. This happened after the agreement of ‘The Communications Compatibility and Security Agreement (COMCASA)’ was signed between the two countries.

- **‘Mobilise Your City’ agreement signed by India and France for urban planning**

On September 9, 2018, **India and France** have signed an implementation agreement on “**MOBILISE YOUR CITY**” (MYC) to reduce their Green House Gas (GHG) emissions. It was signed between: **Shri Mukund Kumar Sinha**, OSD & Ex-Officio Joint Secretary, M/o **Housing and Urban Affairs** for India, and **Shri Nicolas Fornage**, Regional Director, **Agence Française de Développement (AFD)**

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

- **Vice President Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu’s visit US to participate in 2nd World Hindu Congress**
On September 7, 2018, the Vice President of India, **Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu** went for a 2 day visit to United States of America to attend the **2nd World Hindu Congress** held in **Illinois, Chicago**. This has been organized on the occasion of **125th Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda’s Historic Speech at the Parliament of the World’s Religions in 1893**.

- **Vostok 2018- the largest exercise in four decades held in Russia** On September 11, 2018, the **5day Vostok 2018** commenced in central and eastern Russia. It is the dubbed as the largest military drills in almost four decades since **Zapad held** by the Soviet Union in **1981**. It will involve nearly 300,000 troops, more than 1,000 planes, helicopters and drones, and up to 36,000 tanks and 80 ships. It would also include contingents from **China and Mongolia**.

Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Dr Manmohan Singh.

PLACES IN NEWS

- **Bengaluru:** On September 7-8, 2018, the **4th Annual Sustainable Smart Cities India Conference** was inaugurated by **A.B. Ibrahim, IAS**, Mission Director, Smart City Mission, Karnataka in **Bengaluru**. To work on reforms, development and barriers taking place in the Smart Cities India projects.

PERSONS IN NEWS

- **Hima Das:** On 7th September 2018, sprinter **Hima Das** was named the **sports ambassador of Assam**. Hima Das is 18 years old and hails from Assam. She is the only Indian athlete to win a gold at any track event in the international level.
- **D Shivakumar:** On 12th September 2018, **Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI)** appointed **D Shivakumar**, as its chairman for a term of 3 years. **Rohit Gupta**, Sony Pictures Networks India President – Network Sales & International Business, was elected as the **Vice-Chairman**

AWARDS

- **Professor Arul Chinnaiyan:** US National Cancer Institute has awarded the “**Outstanding Investigator Award**” to Indian-American researcher **Professor Arul Chinnaiyan**, and funds for **\$6.5 million** over 7 years, to identify cancer biomarkers to enhance diagnosis and develop new targeted therapies. Professor Arul Chinnaiyan is from the University of Michigan. In 2010, he launched the Michigan Oncology Sequencing (Mi-ONCOSEQ) programme.
- **Bibek Debroy :** On 7th September 2018, **Bibek Debroy**, Chairman, Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister, was conferred ‘**Honoris Causa**’ by the University of Engineering & Management (UEM) in Kolkata.

OBITUARY

- **Mehlli Gobhai:** On 13th September 2018, Mumbai-based **artist Mehlli Gobhai** passed away following a short term illness.
- **VS Vyas:** On 12th September 2018, Padma Bhushan awardee and **agricultural economist Vijay Shankar Vyas** died following a short term illness, in Jaipur, Rajasthan. He was a former member of the Prime Minister’s Economic Advisory Council. He had worked with former Prime ministers

SPORTS

- **India Blue defeated India Red and won 57th Duleep Trophy** On September 9, 2018, India Blue defeated **India Red** team in the final to win the **Duleep Trophy** at NPR College ground in **Dindigul**. Himachal Pradesh batsman **Nikhil Gangta** was named the **Man of the Match**.

- **US Open (tennis) 2018** From 27th August to 9th September 2018, US Open (tennis) 2018 was held at outdoor hard courts at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in New York City, United States.
- **Triple jumper Arpinder Singh becomes first Indian to win medal in IAAF Continental Cup**
On 9th September 2018, triple jumper **Arpinder Singh** became the first Indian to win a medal at the **IAAF Continental Cup**, by winning **bronze medal**, at Ostrava, Czech Republic.

Category	Winner	Runner-up
Men's Singles	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)	Juan Martín del Potro (Argentina)
Women's Singles	Naomi Osaka (Japan)	Serena Williams (United States)
Men's Doubles	Mike Bryan (United States), Jack Sock (United States)	Łukasz Kubot (Poland), Marcelo Melo (Brazil)
Women's Doubles	Ashleigh Barty (Australia), CoCo Vandeweghe (United States)	Tímea Babos (Hungary), Kristina Mladenovic (France)
Mixed Doubles	Bethanie Mattek-Sands (United States), Jamie Murray (United Kingdom)	Alicja Rosolska (Poland), Nikola Mektić (Croatia)

BUSINESS & ECONOMY

- **BH250-E: BEML launches India's first 205T Electric Drive Rear Dump Truck.** On September 13, 2018, **BEML Limited** launched country's first **205T Electric Drive Rear Dump Truck** (Model **BH205-E**). The dump truck has been developed for use in the project of Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL), **Singrauli, Madhya Pradesh**. It is an electric drive rear dump truck for large scale mining operations.

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

- **ISRO unveiled space suit, crew model for Gaganyaan Mission 2022**
On September 9, 2018, **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** displayed a space suit developed by the agency at the launch of the sixth edition of Bengaluru Space Expo. It is an **orange-coloured** prototype space suit developed at **Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre in Thiruvananthapuram**. It can hold one oxygen cylinder, allowing an astronaut to breathe in space for **60** minutes. It is a part of ISRO's **Gaganyaan Mission of 2022** involving **3** astronauts.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

- **Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu, Honourable Vice President of India** released the **Book Constitutionalizing India: an Ideational Project**, authored by **Shri Bidyut Chakrabarty**, in New Delhi.
- **Forbes-nominated author Preeti Shenoy pens new book: 'The Rule Breakers'** On 7th September 2018, **Preeti Shenoy** announced the launch of her new book named "**The Rule Breakers**".
- **Union Agriculture Minister Radha Mohan Singh releases a profile**

booklet titled ‘NCDC- Assisting Cooperative. Always!’ On 11th September 2018, Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers’ Welfare Radha Mohan Singh released a booklet titled ‘NCDC-Assisting Cooperatives. Always!’ in New Delhi.

CURRENT GK QUIZ

1. **Where was the 6th International Geriatric Orthopaedic Conference held which is Inaugurated on 7th September 2018?**
 - 1) Bengaluru 2) Chennai
 - 3) Mumbai 4) New Delhi
2. **Pollution by particulate emission from commuting in which city is the highest among 14 major cities of India, as per a study by Centre for Science and Environment (CSE)?**
 - 1) Delhi 2) Mumbai
 - 3) Bengaluru 4) Kolkata
3. **Which state launched its first data sharing and accessibility portal named State Data Sharing and Accessibility Platform (SDSAP), on 8th September 2018?**
 - 1) Nagaland 2) Mizoram
 - 3) Telangana 4) Sikkim
4. **India launched a mega business pavilion named ‘Source India’ in the 87th Izmir International tradeshow held from 7th to 11th September, 2018, in ____?**
 - 1) Izmir, Turkey
 - 2) Adis Ababa, Ethiopia
 - 3) Morocco, Spain
 - 4) Melbourne, Australia
5. **Who was appointed the new CEO and MD of Axis Bank, on 9th September 2018?**
 - 1) Amitabh Chaudhry
- 2) Manish Chaurasia
- 3) Vineet Kumar
- 4) Madhan Raj
6. **Where was MOVE: India’s first ever Global Mobility Summit organized by NITI Aayog, held on 7th and 8th September 2018?**
 - 1) Pune 2) Mumbai
 - 3) New Delhi 4) Chennai
7. **National Rail and Transportation Institute (NRTI), the first of its kind university on the transport sector in India, has started functioning from which city?**
 - 1) Bengaluru 2) Chennai
 - 3) Vishakapatnam 4) Vadodara
8. **Name the CEO of Ayushman Bharat who inaugurated Ayushman Bharat call centre in Bengaluru, on 10th September 2018?**
 - 1) Dr. Indu Bhushan
 - 2) Dr. Indu Malhotra
 - 3) Amitabh Kant
 - 4) Tanveer Singh
9. **How many MoUs were signed between India and Bulgaria, during President Ram Nath Kovind’s visit to Bulgaria, on September 5, 2018?**
 - 1) 2 2) 3
 - 3) 4 4) 5
10. **Who was appointed as the Chief Distribution Officer of Aegon Life Insurance, on 10th September 2018?**
 - 1) Ahmed Zackaria
 - 2) Wahid Khan
 - 3) Malik Khan
 - 4) Pramod Banerjee
11. **Ministry of Steel presented Secondary Steel sector awards for the first time, to how many mini steel companies at an event in New Delhi, on 13th September 2018?**

- 1) 56 2) 14
3) 45 4) 26

12. Jammu and Kashmir administration launched E-Plant clinics in which district on 13th September 2018?

- 1) Katra 2) Srinagar
3) Jammu 4) Udhampur

13. Where did India, Iran and Afghanistan held their first tripartite meeting, on September 12, 2018?

- 1) New Delhi, India
2) Mumbai, India
3) Kabul, Afghanistan
4) Tehran, Iran

14. When will the United Nations organise the Climate Summit?

- 1) September 2019
2) October 2018
3) June 2019
4) August 2019

15. India Post Payments Bank (IPPB) has tied up with which payments technology company for providing banking solutions to unorganized sector especially rural households, small and medium enterprises and women?

- 1) PayPal
2) Paytm
3) Financial Software and Systems (FSS)
4) Citrus Pay

ANSWERS: 41411/ 34141/ 44313