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**Important days**

# 1. World Cotton Day: 07 October

**WORLD cotton DAY : 07 October**

**BY: WTO**

**First observed: 2019**

**Theme: cotton for good**



## Highlights :

- **World Cotton Day (WCD)** is observed globally on **7th October**.
- The international day aims to celebrate the advantages of cotton, ranging from its qualities as a natural fibre to the benefits people obtain from its production, transformation, trade and consumption.

## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? World cotton day**

**When? october 07**

**World Trade Organization**

Hq: Geneva, Switzerland.

DG: Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala.

## Recent News:

- **WORLD FINANCIAL PLANNING DAY** – First Wednesday in October( oct 06)

# Obituaries

## 2.Arvind Trivedi, best known for his role as 'Raavan' in Ramayan, passes away

**Passed Away :** arvind trivedi

**Field:** television actor and politician

**Born:** indore,MP



### Highlights :

- Veteran television actor **Arvind Trivedi**, who is famously known for his iconic role of **Raavan in Ramanand Sagar's TV serial Ramayan**, has passed away.
- He was 82. He was also part of the political field, as an **MP(BJP) from Sabarkatha constituency in Gujarat**, and had served the Parliament from 1991-96.
- He served as the acting **chairman** of the **Central Board of Film Certification (CBFC)** from 2002 to 2003.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**Who?** Arvind trivedi  
**Field ?** television actor and politician  
**Born?** indore,MP.

### Recent News

- Ghanshyam Nayak of Taarak Mehta Ka Ooltah Chashmah passes away

# Appointments

### 3. Govt extends additional charge of PK Purwar as MTNL CMD till Oct 2022

**Appointed :** PK Purwar

**as:** MTNL CMD

**tenure:** 1 year



#### Highlights:

- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet extended the additional charge of **PK Purwar** as **chairman and managing director** of loss-making telecom firm **MTNL for a period of one year**.
- Purwar also holds the position of chairman and managing director of debt-ridden firm BSNL.
- The government has announced the merger of BSNL and MTNL, which is yet to be firmed up.

#### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** MTNL CMD  
**who?** PK purwar

#### MTNL

**CMD:** PK purwar  
**HQ:** new delhi

#### Recent News

- Alok Sahay appointed as Secretary-General of Indian Steel Association



**Banking**

## 4. BharatPe launches 'buy now, pay later' platform, postpe



### Highlights:

- Fintech company **BharatPe**, announced its entry into the '**Buy Now Pay Later**' (**BNPL**) category with the launch of '**postpe**'.
- The new platform provides credit to customers to buy now, but pay later from anywhere.
- Customers using the postpe platform can download the app from Play Store and avail interest-free credit limit of up to **Rs 10 lakh**.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? 'postpe' BNPL option**

**By ?bharatpe**

### **Bharatpe**

CEO: Ashneer Grover;

HQ: New Delhi

### RECENT NEWS

- Axis Bank has partnered with BharatPe for the point of sale (PoS) business of BharatPe named BharatSwipe.

## 5.TCS' long-standing partnership with SBI extended for another 5 years



### Highlights:

- **Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)** has announced that its long-standing partnership with **State Bank of India (SBI)**, India's largest bank, has been extended for another **five years**.
- As part of the new contract, TCS will continue to maintain and enhance SBI's application estate around core banking, trade finance, financial reporting, and financial inclusion with new features and functionality. This will support the bank's ability to launch newer offerings and respond to business and regulatory changes.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? 'partner with TCS  
By ? SBI**

#### **SBI**

chairman: **dinesh kumar  
kharra**

Hq:mumbai

#### **TCS**

CEO: Rajesh Gopinathan

Hq: Mumbai

### RECENT NEWS

- SBI launches NAV-eCash card in collaboration with Indian navy

## 6. Visa launches Card-on-File tokenization service



### Highlights:

- Visa launched **Card-on-File (CoF)** tokenization services in India in line with the recently issued RBI guidelines. Launched in partnership with **Juspay**, the CoF tokenization service will be available across e-commerce leaders such as **Grofers, BigBasket and MakeMyTrip**.
- The RBI's recent CoF tokenization guidelines mandate replacing the actual card data with encrypted digital tokens. These digital tokens will then be used to facilitate and authenticate transactions. According to industry experts devaluation of sensitive card details alleviates risk and reduces the vulnerability of sensitive data, as only tokens are present in transit, across the 'in-rest' and 'in-use' phases.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What? Card-on-File (CoF)** tokenization services in India

**By ?VISA**

#### VISA

CEO: Alfred F Kelly Jr  
Hq: California, US

### RECENT NEWS

- Innoviti powers Visa to enable deeper financial inclusion with offline payments in India

**Award**

## 7.The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2021 announced



### Highlights:

- The Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2021 was awarded jointly to **Benjamin List** and **David W.C. MacMillan** “for the development of asymmetric organocatalysis.”
- This has had a great impact on pharmaceutical research and has made chemistry greener. The **Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences** has decided to award the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2021.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Nobel Prize in chemistry  
who ? Benjamin List and David W.C. MacMillan

#### Nobel prize org

**chairman:** Carl-Henrik Heldin

**HQ:** Stockholm, Sweden

### RECENT NEWS

- Syukuro Manabe, Klaus Hasselmann, Giorgio Parisi jointly won the 2021 Nobel Prize in Physics

**Defence**

## 8. Defence Accounts Department develops IT-enabled payment system “PRABAL”



### Highlights

- The Defence Accounts Department under the aegis of the **Ministry of Defence** has developed an IT-enabled payment and accounting system called **PRABAL** to ensure that the domestic defence suppliers get payments without any delay.
- This system will make salary and other payment disbursements to the Defence personnel and civilians working under the Ministry of Defence completely paperless. This will be done through automation resulting in the better productivity of the resources and effective e-governance.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** Payment system PRABAL  
**By?** defence ministry

### Defence ministry

Rajnath singh

Cons:lucknow,UP

### RECENT NEWS

- MoD approves procurement of Rs 13,165-crore military hardware



**MOU**

## 9. Regional Ayurveda Research Institute inks MoU with Sikkim Manipal University



### Highlights

- **Regional Ayurveda Research Institute (RARI)** has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with **Sikkim Manipal University (SMU)** to conduct collaborative research in mutually identified areas and promote research activities.
- The MoU aims at promoting relations and mutual understanding between the two institutions to recognise their strengths in research and education in one or more disciplines of science, medical and allied health sciences.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

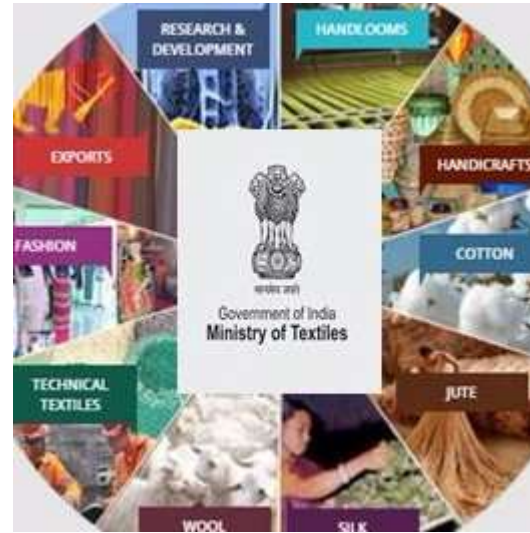
**What?** MOU with SMU  
**By?** RARI

### RECENT NEWS

- IREDA inks MoU with NEEPCO to Extend Techno-Financial expertise

**National**

# 10. Ministry of Textiles approves continuation of Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme



## Highlights:

- **Ministry of Textiles** approved the continuation of the **Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme (CHCDS)** with a total outlay of **Rs 160 crore**. The scheme will continue up to **March 2026**.
- Comprehensive Handicrafts Cluster Development Scheme aims to create a world-class infrastructure that caters to the business needs of the local artisans and small and medium-sized enterprises to boost production and export.

## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Continuation of CHCDS

by? Textile ministry

## Textile ministry

Piyush goyal

cons: maharashtra

## Recent News

- Cabinet approves seven mega textile parks under PM-MITRA scheme, allocates Rs 4,445 crore for next five years

# 11.MoRTH Announces Rules For Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facility And Automated Testing Station



## Highlights:

- The **Ministry of Road Transport and Highways** has announced procedures for setting up of **Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facility (RVSF)**.
- These norms apply to all automobile collection centres, automotive dismantling, scrapping and recycling facilities and recyclers of all types of automotive waste products.
- Under the policy, the government intends to set up 450 to 500 automated testing stations (ATS) and about 60 to 70 Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facilities (RVSF) across the country.

## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Rules for RVSF  
By? transport minister

## Transport minister

Nitin gadkari

Cons: nagpur,maharashtra

## Recent News

- Nitin Gadkari launches AI-powered road safety project 'iRASTE'

## 12. Centre approves oil, gas projects for Northeast states worth Rs 1 lakh crore



### Highlights:

Union Petroleum and Natural Gas Minister **Hardeep Singh Puri** has approved **Rs one lakh crore for oil and gas projects of the North-eastern region** and these were expected to be **completed by 2025**.

The exploration acreage in the region will be doubled from the existing 30,000 square kilometres to 60,00 sq kms by 2025 while approximately 20,000 sq kms have already been awarded under Open Acreage Licensing Policy (OALP) over the last three years

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? oil & gas project worth Rs 1L cr

By? petroleum ministry

### petroleum minister

Hardeep singh puri

Cons: amritsar, punjab

### Recent News

• Mansukh Mandaviya, launched 'i-Drone', a drone-based vaccine delivery model for Northeast states.

**State**

## 13. Assam launches app 'Fishwaale', India's first e-fish market



### Highlights

- **Assam** launched App **Fishwaale**, India's **first e-fish market**.
- The App developed by Aqua Blue Global Aquaculture Solutions Pvt. Ltd. in collaboration with Fisheries department.
- the App, a one stop solution for Aquaculture, will help the buyers and sellers to place orders and sell fish online.
- it will help the fish farming community to get reasonable price for their produce and lead to elimination of middlemen.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** Fishwaale app  
**By?** assam

#### **Assam**

Gov: jagdish mukhi

Capital: dispur

Cm: himanta biswa sharma

### RECENT NEWS

- Assam CM launches Mission Basundhara to streamline land-related work



**Sports**

## 14. Germany unveils Euro 2024 championship logo



### Highlights:

- **Germany** has unveiled the logo for **soccer's 2024 European Championship** during a ceremony with a light show in the stadium that will hold the final.
- The logo features an outline of the **Henri Delaunay Cup — the bulbous tournament trophy — set on a coloured oval outline that resembles the Olympiastadion's roof.**
- It features colours from the flags of UEFA's 55 member nations, set in 24 slices around the trophy to represent the 24 teams that will ultimately qualify for the tournament in Germany.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

what? soccer's 2024 European Championship logo released  
by? germany

### Germany

Capital: Berlin

Currency: Euro

Pres: Frank-Walter Steinmeier

### Recent News

- FC Goa lift maiden Durand Cup football trophy

# 15.Hockey India Withdraws From 2022 Commonwealth Games Due To Covid Concerns



## Highlights:

• **India** pulled out of next year's **Birmingham Commonwealth Games'** hockey competition, citing COVID-19 concerns and UK's discriminatory quarantine rules for travellers from the country.

## EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? Hockey india  
withdraws  
from? Birmingham  
Commonwealth Games

## Recent News

• Birendra Lakra and SV Sunil announces retirement from International Hockey

**Ambassador**

## 16. Amrutanjan Healthcare ropes in Mirabai, Punia as brand ambassadors



### Highlights:

• **Amrutanjan Healthcare** has signed the Tokyo Olympic weightlifting Silver medalist **Mirabai Chanu** and wrestling Bronze medalist **Bajrang Punia** as brand ambassadors for products in its pain management range.

### EXPECTED QUESTIONS

**What?** 'amrutanjan ambassador who? mirabhai chnu, bajrang punia

**amrutanjan**

CEO: Pritiranjana Das

HQ: chennai

### RECENT NEWS

- CoinDCX picks Amitabh Bachchan as brand ambassador

## Organisation / Bank:

### World Trade Organization

Hq: Geneva, Switzerland.  
DG: Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala.

### MTNL

**CMD: PK purwar**

**HQ: new delhi**

### Bharatpe

CEO: Ashneer Grover;  
HQ: New Delhi

### Nobel prize org

**chairman:** Carl-Henrik Heldin  
**HQ:** Stockholm, Sweden

### SBI

chairman: **dinesh kumar kharra**

Hq:mumbai

### TCS

CEO: Rajesh Gopinathan  
Hq: Mumbai

### VISA

CEO: Alfred F Kelly Jr  
Hq: California, US

### amrutanjan

CEO: Pritiranjana Das  
HQ: chennai

## COUNTRY/CAP

### Assam

Gov: jagdish mukhi  
Capital: dispur  
Cm: himanta biswa sharma

### Germany

Capital: Berlin  
Currency: Euro  
Pres: Frank-Walter Steinmeier

## MINIS/CON:

### Defence ministry

Rajnath singh  
Cons:lucknow,UP

### Textile ministry

Piyush goyal  
cons: maharashtra

### Transport minister

Nitin gadkari  
Cons: nagpur,maharashtra

### petroleum minister

Hardeep singh puri  
Cons:amritsar,punjab

**1. \_\_\_\_\_ appointed as Secretary-General and Executive Head of Indian Steel Association**

**Alok Sahay**



## 2. ESAF Bank Launches Non-Interest Bearing Account “\_\_\_\_\_” for NRIs

**Supreme**



**Syukuro Manabe, Klaus Hasselmann, Giorgio Parisi**

4. \_\_\_\_\_ & MoFPI signed MoU to handhold MSMEs in the food sector

**FSSAI**

5. Maharashtra signs MoU worth \_\_\_\_\_ crore to set up EV production unit

₹2,800 cr