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Important days

1.World Statistics Day: 20 October

World Statistics Day: 20 October

BY: UN

First observed: 2015



Highlights :

- •World Statistics Day is celebrated around the globe every year on 20 October to highlight the achievements of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics.
- •The celebration of World Statistics Day 2021 is a global collaborative endeavour, organized under the guidance of the United Nations Statistical Commission.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? World Statistics Day When?october 20

UN HQ: new york,US Sec-gen : António Guterres

Recent News:

World Standards Day observed on 14th October
World Student's Day 2021: 15 October

2.International Chef's Day: 20 October

International Chef's Day: 20 October

BY: World Association of Chefs Societies (World Chefs) First observed: 2004

Theme: Healthy Food for the Future



EXPECTED QUESTIONS What? International Chef's Day When?october 20

World chefs HQ: paris , france MD :Ragnar Fridrikkson

Recent News:

•World Food Day: 16 October

Highlights :

- •International Chefs Day is observed every year on 20 October.
- •The day aims to celebrate and honour the noble profession and educate people around the world about eating healthy.
- •It is also the day for experienced chefs to pass on their knowledge and culinary skills to the next generation with a sense of pride and commitment.

Obituaries

3.Colin Powell, Who Shaped U.S. National Security, Dies at 84

Passed Away : Colin Powell

- Field: former national security adviser
- Born: new york,US

Highlights :

•Colin L. Powell, who in four decades of public life served as the nation's top soldier, diplomat and national security adviser, and whose speech at the United Nations in 2003 helped pave the way for the United States to go to war in Iraq, died. He was 84.



Who? Colin powell Field ? former national security adviser Born? New york,US

Recent News

- Abolhassan Banisadr, Iran's first president passes away
- 'Father of Pakistan's nuclear bomb' A. Q. Khan passes away



Appointments

4.Balasubramanian elected as Chairman of Association of Mutual Funds

Appointed : Balasubramanian

as: chairman of AMFI

Tenure: nilesh shah



Highlights:

- •Aditya Birla Sun Life AMC's managing director and chief executive- A **Balasubramanian** has been appointed as **chairman** of mutual fund industry body **association of mutual funds of india**.
- •Besides, Radhika Gupta, managing director and chief executive officer of Edelweiss AMC, was elected as the vice-chairperson of Amfi

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? chairman of AMFI who? Balasubramanian

AMFI CEO: **N. S. Venkatesh** Hq: mumbai

Recent News

 Sahdev Yadav elected IWLF president

Index

5.India ranks 40th in 2021 Mercer CFS Global Pension Index survey



Highlights:

- •Mercer Consulting, a leading global management consulting firm, has released the 13th edition of the Mercer Global Pension Index (2021 MCGPI).
- •India has been ranked at **40th** position out of **43 countries** in the 2021 Mercer CFS Global Pension Index survey.
- •Iceland has topped this ranking with an index value of 84.2 followed by the Netherlands with 83.5 and Norway with 82.0. India had an overall index value of 43.3. Thailand had the lowest overall index value at 40.6.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS What? Mercer Global Pension Index (2021 MCGPI). top? Iceland India? 40 Last? thailand

Mercer consulting CEO: Martine Ferland Hq:new york,US

RECENT NEWS

•India ranks 46th in Global Innovation Index 2021

6.India at 71st on Global Food Security index 2021 of 113 nations



Highlights:

•India is ranked at 71st position in the Global Food Security (GFS) Index 2021 of 113 countries, but the country lags behind its neighbours Pakistan and Sri Lanka in terms food affordability.

•Ireland, Australia, the UK, Finland, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Canada, Japan, France and the US shared the top rank with the overall GFS score in the range of 77.8 and 80 points on the index.

•The GFS Index was designed and constructed by London-based Economist Impact and is sponsored by Corteva Agriscience

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Global Food Security (GFS) Index india? 71

Corteva Agriscience HQ: Delaware, US CEO: James (Jim) C. Collins

RECENT NEWS

•India ranks 101 in Global Hunger Index 2021

Banking

7.RBI authorised Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) to collect Direct taxes



Highlights:

•The Reserve Bank of India has authorised Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) to collect direct taxes on behalf of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT).

•After obtaining the approval, KVB has started the integration process with the CBDT to collect direct taxes.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Karur Vysya Bank (KVB) to collect direct taxes By ? RBI

Karur Vysya Bank

Hq: Karur, Tamil Nadu; MD & CEO: B. Ramesh Babu RBI Gov : shaktikanta das

Hq:mumbai

RECENT NEWS

 Indusind bank, Kotak mahindra Bank and federal bank gets RBI's go ahead to collect Direct and Indirect Taxes

8.Dvara e-Dairy Solutions & Jana Small Finance Bank Tie-Up to Help Dairy Farmers



Highlights:

•Dvara E-Dairy Solutions Pvt Ltd, an agri-fintech company, has partnered with Jana Small Finance Bank (Jana SFB) to help small dairy farmers.
•Dvara E-Dairy hopes to use digital technology to assist small and medium dairy farmers with financial and livestock management solutions.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Partnered with Jana SFB By ? Dvara e-dairy solution

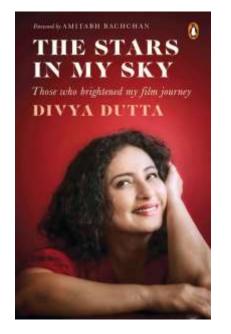
Jana SFB CEO:Ajay Kanwal HQ: bengaluru Dvara e-dairy solutions Chairman: Bindu Ananth HQ: chennai

RECENT NEWS

•RBI grants banking licence to Unity Small Finance Bank

Books & authors

9.A book title 'The Stars in My Sky' by wole soyinka



Book Title: The Stars in My Sky

author: divya dutta

Publisher: penguin random house

About Book:

• In her book, award-winning actor Divya Dutta recounts her experiences with some of the stalwarts of Bollywood who played a significant role in her film journey. She talks about the inspiration they have been in her life through their immersive interactions, through what they did for her, and what she learnt from them.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? The Stars in My Sky

author: divya dutta

Publisher: penguin random house

RECENT NEWS

•A book 'Sir Syed Ahmad Khan: Reason, Religion And Nation' by Prof Shafey Kidwai

Meeting

10.India, UK hold inaugural maritime dialogue



Highlights

- •India and the UK held their inaugural maritime dialogue in a virtual format which involved exchanges on cooperation in the maritime domain and the Indo-Pacific.
- India and UK held their inaugural maritime dialogue in a as agreed in the India-UK Roadmap 2030 for future relations.
- •he consultations, which were led by the two Foreign Ministries, involved exchanges on cooperation in the maritime domain, Indo-Pacific and regional/multilateral cooperation.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Maritime dialogue by? India & UK

UK

cap: london Currency: Pound sterling PM: Boris Johnson

RECENT NEWS

•GoI hosted first India-UK Consular Dialogue

11.Bhupender Yadav at LMDC ministerial meeting



Highlights

•Minister for Environment Forest and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav Participating virtually in the Like Minded Developing Countries (LMDC) Ministerial meeting titled "'Preparations for COP 26 on Climate Change – Expectations and Challenges'

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? LMDC Ministerial meeting By? Bhupendra yadav

Environment minister Bhupendra yadav Cons: rajasthan

RECENT NEWS

Devusinh Chauhan
 participates in
 Ministerial Roundtable
 session of ITU Digital
 World 2021

International

12.India to be part of 4-country forum on economic cooperation



Highlights:

•India, United States, Israel and the UAE have decided to form a forum for future economic cooperation and to explore possibilities of joint infrastructure projects in the fields of transportation, technology, maritime security, and economics and trade.

•At the end of the meeting, it was decided that each minister will appoint senior-level professionals to a joint working group that will formulate options for cooperation in the areas identified by the ministers

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? forum on economic cooperation. by? India, United States, Israel and the UAE

External affairs ministry jaishankar cons: gujarat

Recent News

•PM Modi Virtually Addresses 6th Eastern Economic Forum 2021

National

13.NITI Aayog joins hand with ISRO to launch Geospatial Energy Map



Highlights

•NITI Aayog has launched the Geospatial Energy Map of India which will provide a holistic picture of all energy resources of the country. The map has been developed by NITI Aayog in collaboration with the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).

•The map will help to identify and locate all primary and secondary sources of energy and their transportation/transmission networks to provide a comprehensive view of energy production and distribution in a country

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Geospatial Energy Map of India by? NITI Aayog & ISRO

NITI aayog

CEO: amitab kant HQ: new delhi ISRO

Headquarters: Bengaluru director: Kailasavadivoo Sivan

RECENT NEWS

•Niti Aayog tie-up with ISRO,CBSE launch 'Space Challenge' for school students

Sports

14.Praggnanandhaa wins Challengers Chess Tour with stunning 8.5/9



Highlights:

•16-year-old Indian prodigy **Praggnanandhaa** was in supreme form as he **defeated Christopher Yoo** 3:0 to win the **Julius Baer Challengers Chess Tour**, taking the top prize of **\$12,500** and earning a regular spot on the 2022 Meltwater Champions Chess Tour.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS What? Julius Baer

Challengers Chess Tour won? praggnanandha

Recent News

•Divya Deshmukh becomes India's 21st Woman Grand Master

GDP

15.IMF slashes India's potential GDP forecast by 25 bps to 6%



Highlights:

•The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has pared down India's potential growth forecast by 25 basis points to 6% due to the impact of the pandemic which hit investments and labour market badly.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS What? Growth forecast to 6 % by? IMF

IMF Washington, D.C. U.S; CMD: Kristalina Georgieva

Recent News

•IMF Projects Indian Economy to grow at 9.5% in FY22

Organisation / Bank:

UN

HQ: new york,US Sec-gen : António Guterres

World chefs

HQ: paris , france MD :Ragnar Fridrikkson

AMFI

CEO: **N. S. Venkatesh** Hq: mumbai

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CEO: Martine Ferland Hq:new york,US

Corteva Agriscience

HQ: Delaware, US CEO: James (Jim) C.

Collins

Jana SFB

CEO:Ajay Kanwal HQ: bengaluru **Dvara e-dairy solutions** Chairman: Bindu Ananth HQ: chennai

NITI aayog

CEO: amitab kant HQ: new delhi ISRO Headquarters: Bengaluru director: K Sivan

IMF

Washington, D.C. U.S; CMD: Kristalina Georgieva Karur Vysya Bank

Hq: Karur, Tamil Nadu; MD & CEO: B. Ramesh Babu RBI

Gov : **shaktikanta das** Hq:mumbai

MINIS/CONS External affairs ministry

jaishankar cons: gujarat **Environment minister** Bhupendra yadav Cons: rajasthan

Country/cap:

UK

cap: london Currency: Pound sterling PM: Boris Johnson

1. Sahdev Yadav elected IWLF president: tenure?

4 years

2. Vodafone Idea teams up with ______ for trials of 5Gbased smart city solutions



3. Russia-China holds naval drill "_____

<u>" in Sea of Japan</u>

Joint Sea 2021

4. RBL Bank working on ______ for digital engagement, customer acquisition

Abacus 2.0

in Andaman and Nicobar to be named

Mount Manipur

5.

Mount Harriet

Oct 20

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