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Important days

1. International Stuttering Awareness Day: 22 October

International Stuttering Awareness Day : 22 October

BY: ISA (international shuttering association)

First observed: 1998



Highlights :

- Every year **October 22** is observed as **International Stuttering Awareness Day**, since 1998.
- The day is intended to raise public awareness of the millions of people who have a speech disorder of stuttering or stammering.
- The International Stuttering Awareness Day, ISAD, (October 22) began in **1998**, spear-headed by Michael Sugarman, Oakland, California.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? International Stuttering Awareness Day
When? october 22

ISA

Chair: Anja Herde
HQ:Minnesota, United States

Recent News:

- International Chef's Day: 20 October

Obituaries

2.National Award-winning actor Nedumudi Venu passes away

Passed Away : nedumudi venu

Field: indian actor

Born: alappuzha



Highlights :

- National Award-winning actor **Nedumudi Venu** has passed away. He won three National Film Awards, and six Kerala State Film Awards for his performances.
- He made his debut in films with Thambu, directed by G Aravindan in 1978. Known for his work in Malayalam and Tamil movies, Venu acted in over 500 movies.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? Nedumudi venu

Field ? Indian actor

Born? **Alappuzha, Kerala**

Recent News

- Sri Lanka's first Test captain Bandula Warnapura passes away

Appointments

3.Barbados Elects Sandra Mason As First President, To Replace British Queen

Appointed : sandra mason

as: president of barbados



Highlights:

- **Barbados** has elected its **first president**, a key step in preparations to become a republic and remove Britain's Queen Elizabeth II as head of state of the Caribbean island.
- **Sandra Mason**, the current governor-general, is set to be sworn in as president, the country's 55th anniversary of independence from Britain.
- The Caribbean's easternmost island is also well-known as the birthplace of **superstar singer Rihanna**, who is a Barbadian ambassador tasked with promoting education, tourism and investment.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? President of barbados

who? Sandra mason

barbados

Capital: Bridgetown

Curr: Barbados Dollar

Pres: sandra mason

Recent News

- Jonas Gahr Store becomes Norway's new PM

4.Arjuna Awardee Commodore PK Garg as new CEO of TOPS

Appointed : PK garg

as: CEO of TOPS

Replaces: Rajesh
Rajagopalan



Highlights:

- The **Sports Authority of India (SAI)** appointed **Commodore PK Garg** as the **Chief Executive Officer (CEO)** of **Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS)** .
- Commodore Garg, who was the High-Performance Director with Sports Authority of India till June 2021, is also an Arjuna Awardee recipient (1990) in Sailing and has also won the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Awardee in 1993-94. He joined the Indian Navy in 1984 .

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? CEO of TOPS
who? PK garg

TOPS

HQ: new delhi

DG: **Sandip Pradhan**

Recent News

- Amit Rastogi appointed new Chairman & Managing Director of NRDC

Banking

5.HDFC Bank, Mastercard, USAID commit \$100-mn credit facility for small biz



Highlights:

- The new **credit facility** aims to **expand lending to small businesses** that need financing to maintain and grow their operations, and enable recovery through digitisation, with an emphasis on supporting women-led businesses.
- The partnership is designed in such a way that **HDFC Bank** will look beyond its existing customer base and provide **at least 50 per cent of the credit facility** available to new small business borrowers. Also, the goal is that at least 50 per cent of the facility will be used to lend to women entrepreneurs.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Partner with USAID
By ? Hdfc and mastercard

HDFC bank

CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan

HQ: Mumbai

Mastercard

CEO: Michael Miebach

HQ: new york,US

USAID

admin: samantha power

HQ: washington DC,US

RECENT NEWS

- HDFC Bank ties up with Paytm to launch co-branded credit cards
- Mastercard ropes Chess Champion Magnus Carlsen as its Global Ambassador

6. Bharti AXA Life Insurance signs bancassurance pact with Utkarsh Small Finance Bank



Highlights:

- **Bharti AXA Life Insurance** announced its bancassurance partnership with **Utkarsh Small Finance Bank Limited (USFBL)** for the distribution of life insurance products through the bank's network of branches across the country.
- With this collaboration, Bharti AXA Life's insurance plans including protection, health, savings and investment, will be available for purchase to over 3 million customers of the bank.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Bancassurance with utkarsh SFB

By ? Bharati axa

Bharati AXA life insurance

MD & CEO : Parag Raja

Hq: mumbai

Utkarsh SFB

MD & CEO: Govind Singh

HQ: varanasi, UP

RECENT NEWS

- Bharti AXA Life Unnati launched - Savings product with guaranteed income

Partnership

7. Flipkart Wholesale, Rupifi partner to offer 'Buy Now, Pay Later'



Highlights

- Fintech firm **Rupifi** and **Flipkart Wholesale**, the digital B2B marketplace of e-commerce firm Flipkart Group have announced their partnership for offering Embedded **Buy Now, Pay Later (BNPL) offering** to the **MSMEs** (micro, small and medium enterprises) shopping on Flipkart Wholesale.
- This partnership enables 1.5 Lakh Kiranas and MSMEs members on Flipkart Wholesale get instant and digital credit, with flexible repayment terms and transparent pricing.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Partnered with rupifi
With ? Flipkart wholesale

Flipkart wholesale

Hq: bengaluru

head : Adarsh Menon

rupifi

Founder: **Ankit Singh**

HQ: bengaluru

RECENT NEWS

- Muthoot Finance, fintech startup Rupifi to help 15 million small, medium enterprises get instant credit

International

8.South Korea launches first homegrown space rocket Nuri



Highlights:

- **South Korea** has launched its first homegrown rocket, stepping up the country's ambitions in space.
- The Korean Satellite Launch Vehicle II, known as **Nuri**, took off from **Goheung**, about 500km (310 miles) south of Seoul.
- Nuri cost South Korea an estimated **2 trillion won (£1.23bn or \$1.6bn)** to develop.
- Weighing 200 tonnes and measuring 47.2 metres long, it is fitted with six liquid-fuelled engines.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Rocket 'nuri'**.

By? south korea

South korea

Pres: Moon Jae

Capital: Seoul

Curr: South Korean won

Recent News

- China launched 1st Solar Exploration Satellite

National

9. Centre approves 3% Dearness Allowance hike for central govt employees



Highlights

- the **Union Cabinet** approved a **3% hike in Dearness Allowance (DA) and Dearness Relief (DR)** for the central government employees and pensioners with effect from July 1, 2021.
- Prior to this, in July the government had decided to hike the DA for central government employees by **11%, from 17% to 28%**. After this hike, the DA will increase **to 31%**.
- The DA hike will cost Centre Rs 9,500 crore per year. The move will benefit 4.7 million employees and 6.8 million pensioners.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 3% Dearness Allowance hike for?central govt employees

RECENT NEWS

- UPSC opens Toll Free helpline for reserved categories candidates

10. Nabard subsidiary 'NABSanrakshan' sets up Rs 1000 cr credit guarantee fund trust



Highlights

- The **National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)** has announced the creation of an **Rs. 1,000 crore** Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for FPOs (CGFTFPO), a dedicated fund for providing credit guarantees to FPOs.
- The fund has been launched under the trusteeship of **NABSanrakshan Trustee Pvt Ltd**, a wholly-owned subsidiary of NABARD.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Rs. 1,000 crore CGFTFPO
by? NABARD

NABARD

Chairman: G R chintala
HQ: mumbai

RECENT NEWS

- NABARD Sanctioned Rs 608 crore for Assam Infrastructure Projects

11.Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package: Insurance scheme for health workers fighting COVID-19 extended



Highlights

- The **insurance scheme** for **healthcare workers** fighting COVID-19 has been extended further for a **period of 180 days**, and so far, **1,351 claims** have been paid under it.
- The current period of the policy under the **Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP)**: Insurance Scheme for Health Care Workers Fighting COVID-19' is ending on October 20.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? PMGKP scheme extended for 180 days by? Health ministry

Health ministry

Manshuk mandaviya
Cons: palitana,gujarat

RECENT NEWS

- India crosses 100-crore COVID-19 vaccination doses milestone

12. Rajnath Singh launches web-based project monitoring portal for Military Engineer Services



Highlights

- Defence Minister **Rajnath Singh** launched a **Web-Based Project Monitoring Portal (WBPMP)** for **Military Engineer Services (MES)** at South Block .
- The portal will enable real-time monitoring of projects from their inception to completion.
- It will enable real time monitoring of projects from its inception to completion. All stakeholders not only from MES but also Armed Forces users can gain access to the project information.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? WBPMP for MES
by? Defence ministry

Defence minister
Rajnath singh
Cons: lucknow, UP

RECENT NEWS

- Defence Minister addresses 'SCO seminar on Role of Women in Armed Forces

State

13.PM Modi inaugurates Kushinagar International Airport in UP



Highlights

- Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** has inaugurated the **Kushinagar International Airport in Uttar Pradesh**. The airport has been built at an estimated cost of **Rs. 260 crore**, by the Airport Authority of India.
- Besides, it has the longest runway in Uttar Pradesh. It will facilitate domestic & international pilgrims to visit the **Mahaparinirvanasthal of Lord Buddha** in Kushinagar.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? inaugurated the Kushinagar International Airport in? UP

UP

cap: lucknow

CM: yogi adityanath

Gov: Anandiben Patel;

RECENT NEWS

- Uttar Pradesh Government To Set Up 'Arogya Vatika' in Schools

14.CG Shri Dhanwantri Generic Medical Store Scheme 2021



Highlights

- Chhattisgarh government has launched Shri Dhanwantri Generic Medical Store Scheme to provide medicines at affordable rates to poor people.
- The new CG Shri Dhanwantari Generic Medical Store Yojana is another effort of CM Bhupesh Baghel led state govt. to make healthcare services accessible to the poorest of poor in the state.
- The scheme is now started where people will get a discount between **50.09% and 71% on the MRP of medicines.**

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Dhanwantri Generic Medical Store Scheme In?chhattisgarh

chhattisgarh
Capital: raipur,bilaspur
CM: Bhupesh Baghel;
Gov: Anusuiya Uikey.

RECENT NEWS

•India's Newest Tiger Reserve Guru Ghasidas National Park & Tamor Pingla Wildlife Sanctuary in Chhattisgarh

15.LG Manoj Sinha declares CCTNS project “Go-Live”; Launches “JK eCop” Mobile App



Highlights

- **Jammu and Kashmir** Lt. Governor **Manoj Sinha** declared the much-awaited Crime and Criminal Tracking Network & Systems (CCTNS) project of J&K Police “**Go-Live**” and launched the “**JK eCOP**” Mobile Application at Raj Bhavan in Srinagar.
- CCTNS will make the Police function citizen-friendly and more transparent by automating the functioning of Police Stations.
- “JK eCOP” Mobile App will provide all police-related public services. the app provides features like One Click access for locating the nearest Police Station, panic button to send distress message and provides all the important helpline numbers to the public.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? ‘declares “Go-Live”; “JK eCop” Mobile App by? J&K

J&K

LT.Gov: manoj sinha
Capital: srinagar& jammu

RECENT NEWS

- J&K administration signs MoU with Dubai govt to develop real estate, industrial parks

Ambassador

16.Imtiaz Ali appointed ambassador of Russian Film Festival



Highlights:

- Director-producer **Imtiaz Ali** has been roped in as the **ambassador** of the **Russian Film Festival in India**.
- As part of the festival, ten notable Russian films of various genres are being premiered for Indian audiences on Disney+ Hotstar from October 16 to November 27.
- The first-ever online Russian Film Festival in India is organized by ROSKINO with the support of the Ministry of Culture of the Russian Federation

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? the ambassador of the Russian Film Festival in India

who? Imtiaz ali

ROSKINO

CEO:Evgenia Markova

HQ: moscow,russia

Recent News

- Kangana Ranaut becomes brand ambassador of UP's ODOP Scheme

Organisation / Bank:

ISA

Chair: Anja Herde
HQ: Minnesota, US

TOPS

HQ: new delhi
DG: **Sandip Pradhan**

HDFC bank

CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan
HQ: Mumbai

Mastercard

CEO: Michael Miebach
HQ: **new york,US**

USAID

admin: samantha power
HQ: **washington DC,US**

ROSKINO

CEO:Evgenia Markova
HQ: moscow,russia

NABARD

Chairman: G R chintala
HQ: mumbai

Bharati AXA life insurance

MD &CEO :Parag Raja
Hq:mumbai

Utkarsh SFB

MD&CEO: Govind Singh
HQ:varanasi,UP

Flipkart wholesale

Hq:bengaluru
head :Adarsh Menon

rupifi

Founder: **Ankit Singh**
HQ: **bengaluru**

MINIS/CONS

Health ministry

Manshuk mandaviya
Cons: palitana,gujarat

Defence minister

Rajnath singh
Cons: lucknow, UP

Country/cap:

barbados

Capital: Bridgetown
Curr: Barbados Dollar
Pres: sandra mason

South korea

Pres: Moon Jae
Capital: Seoul
Curr: South Korean won

J&K

LT.Gov: manoj sinha
Capital: srinagar& jammu

chhattisgarh

Capital: raipur,bilaspur
CM: Bhupesh Baghel;
Gov: Anusuiya Uikey.

UP

cap: lucknow
CM: yogi adithyanath
Gov: Anandiben Patel;

1. National Police Commemoration Day: 21 October: first observed year???

1960

2. _____appointed new Chairman & Managing Director of NRDC

Amit Rastogi

3. UK's aircraft carrier to take part in mega exercise _____ with Indian Navy

Konkan shakti

4. _____ pens book titled “Actually... I Met Them: A
Memoir”

Gulzar

5. _____launched 'Prashasan Gaon ke Sang' Campaign

Rajasthan

Oct 22

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born in ??**

Alappuzha,kerala

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PK Garg

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3%