



CURRENT AFFAIRS



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NATIONAL

1. Indian Army's Ladakh accident

Why in news - 7 soldiers died and 19 were injured after their vehicle plunged into the Shyok river in Ladakh on 27th May 2022.

Key Points –

About Shyok river –

- Origin - Rimo Glacier (Karakoram Range).
- Length - 550 km.
- It is a tributary of the Indus river.
- Nubra river is the main tributary of the Shyok River.



2. Bharat Drone Mahotsav 2022

Why in news - PM Modi inaugurated India's biggest drone festival (27-28th May, 2022) at Pragati maidan, New Delhi.

Key Points –

- 'ePlane e200' - India's first flying electric taxi.
- India accounts for 22% of the total drones imported all over the world.
- In 2022, drone industry in India is worth Rs 9,240 crore. (2026 - Rs 15,400).
- Drone Shakti Scheme - Promotion of drones through startups and skilling at Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs).

3. 'Gati Shakti' train

Why in news - India's 1st semi-high speed freight train is likely to be launched by December 2022.

Key Points –

- 16-coach train, highest speed - 160 kmph and would be manufactured at the Integral Coach Factory (ICF), Chennai.
- According to National Rail Plan, Indian Railways aims to increase its share in freight transportation from the present 27% to 45% by 2030.
- The Indian Railways has identified 74 new 'Gati-Shakti Multi-Modal Cargo Terminal (GCT) locations across the country.

4. TB infection skin test

Why in news - A newly approved skin test for tuberculosis diagnosis (c-TB) would soon be introduced in the country.

Key Points –

- Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya said that a new initiative 'Adopt people with TB' would be launched.
- India under its 2023 presidency of the G20 would focus on two health issues - TB and cervical cancer.
- India aims to eliminate tuberculosis in India by 2025. (WHO global target - 2030).
- Moscow declaration is related to eliminating TB.

GOVERNMENT SCHEMES

1. AAROHAN 4.0

Why in news - To further deepen the financial inclusion drive in the country, AAROHAN 4.0 started in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh.

Key Points –

- By Postal Department and India Post payments Bank (IPPB).
- IPPB was launched by the Hon'ble PM Narendra Modi on 1st September, 2018.
- IPPB's 100% equity is owned by the Government of India.

ECONOMY

1. Global Macro Outlook 2022-23

Why in news - Moody's slashes India's economic growth forecast to 8.8% (earlier 9.2%) for 2022.

Key Points –

Organisation	Previous forecast	Current estimate
S&P Global Ratings	7.8%	7.3%
Fitch	10.3%	8.5%
World Bank	8.7%	8%
IMF	9%	8.2%
RBI	7.8%	7.2%

REPORTS & INDICES

1. Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) report

Why in news - The ADR report analysed the annual income declarations submitted by regional parties to the Election Commission.

Key Points –

- Total income - DMK (?149.95 crores) > YSR Congress Party (?107.99 crores) > Biju Janata Dal (?73.34 crore).
- Total expenditure - DMK (?218.49 crores) > Telugu Desam Party (?54.76 crores) > AIADMK (?42.36 crore).
- ADR (est - 1999) is a non-partisan, non-governmental organization which works in the area of electoral and political reforms.

2. Global Report on Assistive Technology

Why in news - The World Health

Organization (WHO) and the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) have released the first Global Report on Assistive Technology (GRAT).

Key Points –

- Globally, 2.5 billion people require assistive technology
- 90% of those who need assistive technology do not have access to it.
- As per the 2011 Census, 2.21% of the total population of India are suffering from some form of disability.
- Sugamya Bharat campaign (launch - 3rd Dec, 2015) aims to make a barrier-free and conducive environment for Divyang jans.

AWARDS & HONOURS

1. Excellence in Cinema award

Why in news - Nawazuddin Siddiqui has been honoured with 'Excellence in Cinema award' at French Riviera Film Festival.

Key Points –

- Vincent De Paul bestowed the honour on Siddiqui.
- He is the only actor in the world to have eight films officially selected and screened at the Cannes Film Festival.

APPOINTMENTS

1. Anwar Hussain Shaik

Why in news - Anwar Hussain Shaik has been made the chair of the WTO's Committee on Technical Barriers on Trade (TBT). He succeeded Elisa Maria Olmeda de Alejandro of Mexico.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

1. 4th Regional Security Dialogue on Afghanistan

Why in news – The dialogue recently held in Tajikistan's capital Dushanbe.

Key Points –

- NSAAjit Doval represented India.
- Other attendees - Tajikistan, Russia, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Iran, Kyrgyzstan and China.

- India had hosted the dialogue in November 2021 in New Delhi.

SECURITY

1. INS Nirdeshak

Why in news – The survey vessels for the Indian Navy was launched on 26th May, 2022 at Kattupalli, Chennai.

Key Points –

- Built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers (GRSE) in collaboration with L&T shipbuilding.
- Speed - 14 - 18 knots.

ENVIRONMENT

1. Sela macaque

Why in news – A new species of monkey recorded from Arunachal Pradesh has been named after 'Sela pass'.

Key Points –

About Sela Pass –

- Located between the Tawang and West Kameng districts of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Elevation - 13,700 ft.
- It carries the National Highway 13 (previously NH 229) connecting Tawang with the rest of India.
- Sela tunnel (12.04 kms) is being constructed to provide all weather connectivity to Tawang.

STATES/UTs

1. WB to replace governor with CM as chancellor of state universities

Why in news – The West Bengal cabinet has given its nod to introduce a bill to make the chief minister the chancellor of state-run universities.

Key Points –

- In April 2022, Tamil Nadu had passed a bill empowering the state government to take over the Governor's power of appointing vice-chancellors to universities.

BIHAR

1. Floating solar power plant

Why in news – Government to set up floating solar power plants at Phulwaria dam (Nawada) and Durgavati dam (Kaimur).

Key Points –

- Phulwaria dam – 20 MW and Durgavati dam – 30 MW.
- Bihar's first floating solar power plant (2 MW) was inaugurated in Darbhanga in 2022.
- A floating solar power plant would also be installed near the canal at 'Uderasthan barrage' in Jehanabad.
- By next year, Bihar would get 410 MW of solar power. It would reduce CO₂ emissions by 630 million tonnes.

2. Registration of workers on e-shram portal

Why in news – Bihar ranked 2nd in the country in the registration of unorganized workers on e-shram portal.

Key Points –

- Top 3 – Uttar Pradesh (1st), Bihar (2nd), West Bengal (3rd).
- 2,82,53,941 workers (80.75%) have been registered in the state.
- 80,60,573 workers have registered by themselves while 2,01,85,754 workers have been registered by the Common Service Center.
- Araria- 100% registration target of workers.
- Category wise - General (16.95%), Backward Classes (57.95%), Scheduled Castes (20.28%), Scheduled Tribes (4.82%).

3. Punaichak Park

Why in news – A medicinal park is being developed in Punaichak park located in Rajvanshi Nagar, Patna.

Key Points –

- Area – 800 sq metres, Investment – Rs 52 lakhs.
- Medicinal parks are being developed in a dozen

districts including Patna at a total cost of Rs 2.8 crore.

- 50 varieties of sapling would be planted.
- Plant saplings are brought from Hyderabad, Kolkata and Hajipur.
- 1st phase - Patna, Muzaffarpur, Rohtas and Jamui.
- 2nd phase – Bhagalpur, Gaya, Ara, Purnea, Navada etc.

4. TB eradication

Why in news – A one-day orientation workshop was organized at State Health Society on 27th May, 2022 for coordination between NHM and National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (NTEP).

Key Points –

- 1000 thousand community health officers have been appointed for eradication of TB in the state.
- National Tuberculosis Elimination Program (NTEP) was started in 2020.

Some facts –

- One quarter of the world's population is affected by TB
- 40% of the country's population suffers from TB.
- 1 crore new TB patients are being found in the world. (27 lakh Indians).

5. Filariasis eradication in Bihar

Why in news – Health Department has given instructions to all the civil surgeons of the state to put more emphasis on operation under the Filaria eradication campaign.

Key Points –

- The 'Sarvajan Drug Consumption Program' campaign would start from 7th July in six districts of the state (Lakhisarai, Nalanda, Nawada, Samastipur, Rohtas and Darbhanga).
- It is a 14 days long campaign.
- Medicines to be given to at least 65% of the total population of the selected place.

6. National Achievement Survey 2021

Why in news – NAS 2021 revealed some distressing facts about state of education in Bihar.

Key Points –

- 83% students of class V and 88% of students of class VIII do not understand the teacher's teaching in the class.
- From Bihar, 5588 schools, 01,70,564 students and 24,429 teachers participated in NAS.

7. IED model room

Why in news – Bihar's first IED model room set up in Rajgir.

Key Points –

- Set up at Bihar Police Academy, Rajgir.
- To give training to Anti Terrorism Squad (ATS).



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PERFECTION IAS

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- Who has launched 'Abha' mobile app for keeping health records
- **National Health Authority.**
- The third edition of the bilateral exercise 'Bongosagar' began at
- **Mangala Port.**
- Ministry of AYUSH and which signed MoU for mutual cooperation
- **Department of Biotechnology.**
- The National Achievement Survey (NAS) 2021 report has been released by
- **Ministry of Education.**
- When is World Meteorological Day observed every year – **23rd March.**
- What is the name of the battery-operated dual-mode locomotive developed by WCR recently – **Navdoot.**
- In which institution of IIT was the North East Research Conclave-2022 organized - **IIT Guwahati.**
- When was the 'International Day to End Obstetric Fistula' observed for the first time by the United Nations – **23rd May 2013.**
- Which country hosted the 7th BRICS Culture Ministers' Conference – **China.**
- Recently the reading campaign 'Padhe Bharat' has been started by the Union Minister? - **Dharmendra Pradhan.**

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