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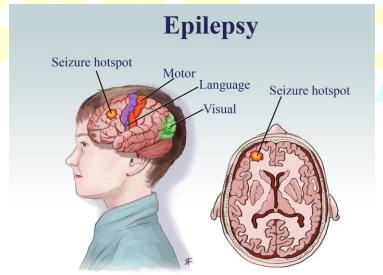
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International Epilepsy Day

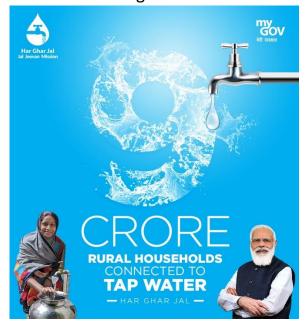
- Every year the second Monday of February is observed as International Epilepsy Day (IED), and this year it was celebrated on 14th February (2022).
- The day spreads awareness and educates people about the true facts of epilepsy and the urgent need for improved treatment, better care, and greater investment in research.
- The day is a joint initiative of the International Bureau for Epilepsy (IBE) and the International League Against Epilepsy (ILAE). It started in 2015.
- Epilepsy is a central nervous system (neurological) disorder in which brain activity becomes abnormal, causing seizures or periods of unusual behavior, sensations, and sometimes loss of awareness.



Jal Jeevan Mission Crosses 9 Crore Mark

- The Jal Jeevan Mission has achieved a milestone of providing tap water to nine crore rural homes in the country.
- It has provided tap water supply to more than 5.79 crore rural households, in a short span of two and half years and despite COVID-19 pandemic and lockdown.

- Now, every rural household has tap water supply in Goa, Haryana, Telangana,
 Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Puducherry, Dadar and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.
- Many more States like Punjab with 99 percent coverage of tap water supply,
 Himachal Pradesh with 92.4 percent, Gujarat with 92 percent and Bihar with 90 percent are on the verge of becoming Har Ghar Jal this year.
- On 15th August 2019, when the Jal Jeevan Mission was announced, out of 19.27 crore households only 3.23 crore households in India had tap water connections. Now, 98 districts and 1.36 Lakh villages in the country have tap water supply to every rural household. To ensure the health and well-being of children by providing clean tap water in schools and anganwadi centres, Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced a 100-days campaign, which was launched on 2nd October 2020. So far, 8.46 lakh schools and 8.67 lakh anganwadi centre across the country have been provided with potable tap water supply for drinking and cooking mid-day meals, handwashing and use in toilets.
- The Jal Jeevan Mission is 'no one is left out', thus ensuring every household irrespective of its socio-economic status, gets tap water supply. It strives for the freedom of mothers and sisters from centuries old drudgery of fetching water for the household, and improving their health, education and socio- economic condition. The Centre has allocated 3.60 lakh Crore rupees to provide tap water supply to every rural household by 2024. 60 thousand crore has been allocated to Har Ghar Jal in Union Budget 2022-23.



Veteran Music Composer Bappi Lahiri Is No More

- Alokesh Lahiri (27 November 1952 15 February 2022), popularly known as Bappi Lahiri, was an Indian singer, composer, politician, and record producer.
- He popularised the use of synthesized disco music in Indian cinema and sang some of his own compositions.
- He had delivered major box office successes in Bengali films. He was popular in the 1980s and 1990s with filmi soundtracks.



New India Literacy Programme

- "New India Literacy Programme (नव भारत साक्षरता कार्यक्रम) for the period FYs 2022-2027 to cover all the aspects of Adult Education to align with National Education Policy 2020 and Budget Announcements 2021-22. The National Education Policy 2020 has recommendations for Adult Education and Lifelong Learning.
- The Union Budget 2021-22, announcement had been made to enable increased access of resources, online modules covering the entire gamut of adult education will be introduced.
- The objectives of the scheme is to impart not only foundational literacy and numeracy but also to cover other components which are necessary for a citizen of 21st century such as critical life skills (including financial literacy, digital literacy, commercial skills, health care and awareness, child care and education, and family welfare); vocational skills development (with a view towards obtaining local employment); basic education (including preparatory, middle, and secondary stage equivalency); and continuing education (including engaging

holistic adult education courses in arts, sciences, technology, culture, sports, and recreation, as well as other topics of interest or use to local learners, such as more advanced material on critical life skills).

- The scheme will be implemented through volunteerism through online mode.
 The training, orientation, workshops of volunteers, may be organized through face-to-face mode. All material and resources shall be provided digitally for easy access to registered volunteers through easily accessible digital modes, viz, TV, radio, cell phone-based free/open-source Apps/portals, etc.
- The scheme will cover non-literates of the age of 15 years and above in all state/UTs in the country. The target for Foundational Literacy and Numeracy for FYs 2022-27 is 5 (five) crore learners @ 1.00 crore per year by using "Online Teaching, Learning and Assessment System (OTLAS)" in collaboration with National Informatics Centre, NCERT and NIOS in which a learner may register him/herself with essential information like name, date of birth, gender, Aadhaar number, mobile number etc.
- The estimated total outlay of "New India Literacy Programme" is Rs.1037.90 crore which includes Central share of Rs.700 crore and State share of Rs.337.90 crore respectively for the FYs 2022 -27.
- As per Census 2011, the absolute number of non-literates of the country in 15 years and above age group is 25.76 crore (Male 9.08 crore, Female 16.68 crore). In consideration of the progress of persons certified as literates being to the tune of 7.64 crore under the Saakshar Bharat programme implemented during 2009-10 to 2017-18, it is estimated that currently around 18.12 crore adults are still non-literate in India.



75th Raising Day Of Delhi Police

- The 75th Raising Day Parade of the Delhi Police was attended by Union Home Minister Amit Shah and Delhi Commissioner of Police Rakesh Asthana. Following the parade, Shah issued a special postage stamp commemorating the Delhi Police's 75th anniversary. The origins of the Delhi police can be traced back to the 12th century when Malikul Umara Faqruddin was appointed as the first Kotwal. However, the British established an organized form of policing after the first war of freedom in 1857, with the adoption of the Indian Police Act of 1861.
- The British organized the Delhi police following the 1857 war of freedom. The police force was part of Punjab even after Delhi became the capital. The first IGP of Delhi was appointed on February 16, 1948.



PRAMARSH 2022

- The Career Counselling Workshop 'Pramarsh 2022': First time in India, More than 1 lakh Students took Career Counselling in one Workshop.
- "Pramarsh2022" workshop was an extension of the efforts to bridge the industry-academia gap and impart knowledge about various choices available to the student.
- The ongoing workshop is not limited to the training of teachers and career workshops for students, but it is also proposed that an offline and online career assessment and service of Edu milestones digital career library will be facilitated to all students.



Scheme For Economic Empowerment Of DNTs (SEED)

- For the welfare of De-notified, Nomadic, and Semi Nomadic Communities.
- DNTs, NTs, SNTs are one of the most deprived and economically weaker communities in India.
- There are historical reasons for this. The misery of these communities began
 with the enactment of the Criminal Tribes Act, 1871 during British rule. These
 communities were subjugated, persecuted, and neglected.
- The policies of the colonial government affected lives and livelihood adversely.
- Little did the colonial state realize the plight of these communities after they were branded as criminals under various colonial acts. This led to the forcible alienation from their traditional occupations and habitations.
- They remained hunter-gatherers and pastoral/peripatetic.
- The four components of the SEED scheme are:
- Educational empowerment- Free coaching to students from these communities for Civil Services, entry to professional courses like medicine, engineering, MBA, etc.
- Health Insurance through PMJAY of National Health Authority.
- Livelihoods to support income generation, and
- Housing (through PMAY/IAY)
- The scheme will ensure expenditure of Rs.200 crore to be spent over five years beginning 2021-22. The DWBDNCs have been tasked with the implementation of this scheme.





REVIEW QUESTIONS

- 1. The 'International Waste Pickers' Day
- A. March 1
- B. March 2
- C. March 3
- D. March 4

ANSWER: A

2. UNGA Has Declared 2023 As

- A. International Year of Millets
- B. International Year of Ocean
- C. International Year of Solar Energy
- D. International Year of Blue Economy

ANSWER: A

3. World Sleep Day Observed On

- A. March 19
- B. March 30
- C. April 1
- D. May 1

ANSWER: A

4. International Day For Elimination Of Racial Discrimination

- A. 15 January
- B. 21 March
- C. 25 April

D. 14 October

ANSWER: B

- 5. World Down Syndrome Day Observed On
- A. March 1
- B. March 10
- C. March 15
- D. March 21

ANSWER: D

- 6. What Is The Tagline For the "Catch The Rain" Campaign?
- A. Catch the rain, where it falls, when it falls
- B. Rainfall for everyone
- C. Atmanirbhar water
- D. Sustainable water for all

ANSWER: A

- 7. "International Day Of Conscience" Celebrated By The UN?
- A. April 5
- B. April 7
- C. April 9
- D. April 12

ANSWER: A

- 8. April Is Dedicated For Awareness Generation Of Which Disease?
- A. Diabetes
- B. Anemia
- C. Parkinson's
- D. Cancer

ANSWER: C

- 9. Poshan Maah 2021 Was Celebrated In
- A. September
- B. October
- C. November
- D. December

ANSWER: A

10. When Is Earth Day Observed Every Year?

- A. March 30
- B. April 1
- C. April 15
- D. April 22

ANSWER: D

11.HQ International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

- A. Geneva
- B. New York
- C. Basel
- D. Paris

ANSWER: A

12. World Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTD) Day

- A. January 30
- B. February 28
- C. March 31
- D. April 30

ANSWER: A

13. When Is The Global Day Of Parents Observed?

- A. June 1
- B. June 2
- C. June 10
- D. June 15

ANSWER: A

14.World Environment Day

- A. June 4
- B. June 5
- C. June 6
- D. June 7

ANSWER: B

15. National Doctor's Day In India

- A. July 1
- B. July 5
- C. July 10
- D. July 15

ANSWER: A

16.International Literacy Day

- A. September 9
- B. September 7
- C. September 10
- D. September 8

ANSWER: D

17.World Bamboo Day

- A. 15 September
- B. 18 September
- C. 20 September
- D. 22 September

ANSWER: B

18.International Day Of Older Persons

- A. 1 October
- B. 2 October
- C. 3 October
- D. 4 October

ANSWER: A

19.International Day For Disaster Risk Reduction'

- A. October 8
- B. October 10
- C. October 12
- D. October 13

ANSWER: D

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20.'Indian Air Force Day'

- A. October 2
- B. October 4
- C. October 5
- D. October 8

ANSWER: D





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