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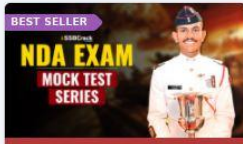
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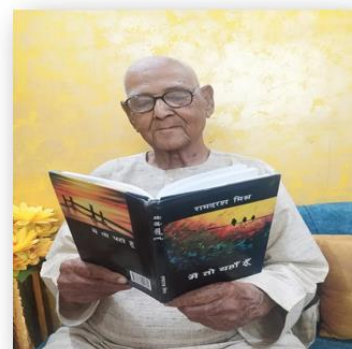
Ramdarash Mishra Awarded Saraswati Samman 2021

- Noted poet and litterateur Prof Ramdarash Mishra will be awarded the prestigious Saraswati Samman, 2021, for his collection of poems 'Mein to Yahan Hun', the KK Birla Foundation announced.
- Instituted in 1991, Saraswati Samman is one of the most prestigious literary awards in the country. It is given every year to an outstanding literary work written in any Indian language by an Indian citizen and published within the last 10 years. It carries a citation, a plaque, and a cash prize of ₹15 lakhs. The recipient is chosen by a selection committee, whose current head is Dr Subhash C Kashyap, former secretary-general of the Lok Sabha Secretariat.
- Born in Dumri village in Uttar Pradesh's Gorakhpur district on August 15, 1924, Mishra has excelled in different branches of Hindi literature. In a career spanning decades, the 98-year-old has to his credit 32 collections of poems, 15 novels, 30 short-story collections, 15 books of literary criticism, four collections of essays, travelogues, and several memoirs. He has also served as an important member of different Hindi consultative committees in various ministries and retired as a professor from the Hindi department of the University of Delhi.



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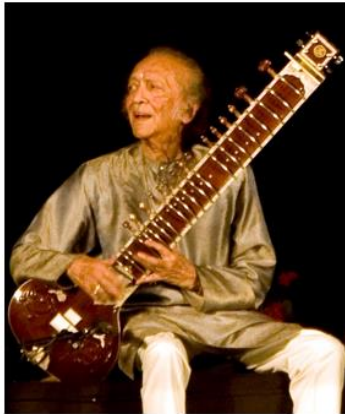
List of Saraswati Samman Awardees



Pandit Ravi Shankar Remembered On His Jayanthi

- Pandit Ravi Shankar (7 April 1920 – 11 December 2012) Was An Indian Sitarist And Composer.
- A Sitar Virtuoso, He Became The World's Best-known Exponent Of North Indian Classical Music In The Second Half Of The 20th Century,

- And Influenced Many Musicians In India And Throughout The World. Shankar Was Awarded India's Highest Civilian Honor, The Bharat Ratna, In 1999.



Parliament Adjourned Sine Die

- Both The Houses Of Parliament Have Been Adjourned Sine Die, A Day Ahead Of The Scheduled Time.
- In The Lok Sabha, Speaker Om Birla Informed The House That The Session Had A Total Of 27 Sittings For A Total Of 177 Hours And 50 Minutes.
- Making Concluding Remarks, The Speaker Highlighted The House Recorded 129 Percent Productivity During This Session. 13 Bills Were Passed During The Session.



Criminal Procedure (Identification) Bill 2022

- It Replaces The Identification Of Prisoners Act, Of 1920 And Allows Law Enforcement Agencies To Collect, Store And Analyze Physical And Biological Samples Of Convicted Individuals And Other Persons.
- As Per The Content Of The Bill, It Provides For Legal Authority To Investigative Agencies To Take Appropriate Body Measurements Of Persons Who Are Required To Give Such Measurements To Make The Probe Of Crime More Efficient And Expeditious.
- Body Measurements Of Convicts/Persons As Sanctioned To Be Collected Under The Bill Include Finger Impressions, Palm-print, Foot-print Impressions, And

Photographs. Bio-metric Samples Such As Iris And Retina Scan, Physical, Biological Samples, And Their Analysis.

- The Opposition Leaders Expressed Concerns As To How The Legislature Violates The Right To Privacy Of A Person As It Allows Police To Take Measurements Of A Person Against Their Will.
- The Opposition Also Argues That There's Great Scope Of Misuse Of The Proposed Law To Harass Individuals And Also Sought Answers On How The Data Of An Individual Will Be Protected Under The Agencies.
- The Legislation Also Empowers The National Crime Records Bureau Of India To Collect, Store And Preserve The Record Of Measurements And For Sharing, Dissemination, Destruction And Disposal Of Records. The Bill Provides For Empowering Police Or Prison Officers To Take Measurements Of Any Person Who Resists Or Refuses To Give Measurements. The New Legislation Also Replaces The Identification Of Prisoners Act, 1920.



Weapons Of Mass Destruction Amendment Bill, 2022

- Lok Sabha Passed The Weapons Of Mass Destruction And Their Delivery Systems (Prohibition Of Unlawful Activities) Amendment Bill, 2022 With A Voice Vote.
- The Bill Moved By External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar Amends The Weapons Of Mass Destruction And Their Delivery Systems (Prohibition Of Unlawful Activities) Act, 2005.
- The 2005 Act Prohibits Unlawful Activities (Such As Manufacturing, Transport, Or Transfer) Related To Weapons Of Mass Destruction, And Their Means Of Delivery.
- Weapons Of Mass Destruction Are Biological, Chemical, Or Nuclear Weapons.
- The Present Bill Bars Persons From Financing Any Prohibited Activity Related To Weapons Of Mass Destruction And Their Delivery Systems. To Prevent Persons

From Financing Such Activities, The Central Government May Freeze, Seize, Or Attach Their Funds, Financial Assets, Or Economic Resources (Whether Owned, Held, Or Controlled Directly Or Indirectly).

- It May Also Prohibit Persons From Making Finances Or Related Services Available For The Benefit Of Other Persons In Relation To Any Activity Which Is Prohibited.



CA, CWA & CS (Amendment) Bill 2022

- The Parliament has passed the Chartered Accountants, the Cost and Works Accountants, and the Company Secretaries (Amendment) Bill, 2022 with the Rajya Sabha approving it today. The Lok Sabha has already passed the Bill. The Bill seeks to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949, the Cost and Works Accountants Act, 1959, and the Company Secretaries Act, 1980.
- The Bill proposes to strengthen the disciplinary mechanism under these Acts and provide for time-bound disposal of cases against members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, the Institute of Cost Accountants of India, and the Institute of Company Secretaries of India. The legislation also adds that firms must register with the Institutes by making an application to the respective Councils of the Institutes.
- The Councils must maintain a register of firms containing details such as pendency of any actionable complaint or imposition of penalty against the firms. The Bill also empowers the three Councils to constitute multiple Boards and the Presiding Officer, and one of the two members must not be a member of the institutes and will be nominated by the central government from a panel of persons provided by the Councils.



The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India



The Institute of Cost Accountants of India



The Institute of Company Secretaries of India

Delhi Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill

- The Bill Seeks To Further Amend The Delhi Municipal Corporation Act, 1957, And Proposes To Unify The Three Existing Municipal Corporations Of Delhi Into One Municipal Corporation Of Delhi.
- It Envisages Bringing About Greater Transparency, Improved Governance, And More Efficient Delivery Of Civic Service For The People Of Delhi. At Present, The Three Corporations In Delhi, North, South, And East Delhi Municipal Corporations Have A Total Of 272 Seats. While North And South Corporations Have 104 Wards Each, The East Corporation Has 64 Wards.



IMF Lauds India's PM Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana

- International Monetary Fund (IMF) has lauded India's food subsidy program which prevented the increased prevalence of extreme poverty in the country during Covid-19.
- In a report the IMF has said, the expansion of food transfers and subsidies make it an important instrument for poverty alleviation. Appreciating the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, the report demonstrated that the program provided insurance to the poor and prevented an increase in the prevalence of extreme poverty in the country.
- It stated that doubling of entitlements in 2020 during the pandemic helped maintain extreme poverty at the low 0.8 percent level. It also said, without any food subsidies, extreme poverty in the pandemic years would have increased by 1.05 percent.
- The report said that poverty in the country declined the fastest during the period 2014 to 2019. The report also stated that the social safety net provided by the expansion of the country's food subsidy program absorbed a major part of the pandemic shock. This illustrates the robustness of India's social safety architecture as it withstood one of the world's biggest income shocks.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Saraswati Samman 2021 Awarded To

- A. Ramanuja Mishra
- B. Ramdarash Mishra
- C. Ramakrishna Mishra
- D. Rambihari Mishra

ANSWER: B

2. The Saraswati Samman Was Instituted In

- A. 1971
- B. 1981
- C. 1991
- D. 2001

ANSWER: C

3. The Saraswati Samman Is Given By

- A. JRD TATA Group
- B. KK Birla Group
- C. Reliance Group
- D. India Today Group

ANSWER: B

4. The Inaugural 1991: Saraswati Samman Was Given To

- A. Harivansh Rai Bachchan
- B. Ramakant Rath
- C. Vijay Tendulkar
- D. Harbhajan Singh

ANSWER: A

5. Veerappa Moily Was Awarded Saraswati Samman For

- A. Madhushala
- B. Ramayana Mahanveshanam
- C. Lafzan Di Dargah
- D. Parikrama

ANSWER: B

6. Highest Literary Honour In India

- A. Kalinga Award
- B. Jnanpith Award
- C. Saraswati Samman
- D. Sahitya Akademi Award

ANSWER: B

7. Pandit Ravi Shankar Is Well Known For

- A. Sarod
- B. Sitar
- C. Sarangi
- D. Santoor

ANSWER: B

8. Pandit Ravi Shankar Was Awarded Bharath Ratna In

- A. 1999
- B. 2001
- C. 2002
- D. 2003

ANSWER: A

9. Without Assigning A Day For A Further Meeting Or Hearing

- A. Dissolution
- B. Adjourned
- C. Adjourned Sine Die
- D. Prorogation

ANSWER: C

10. It Is The ____ Who Summons Parliament

- A. Prime Minister
- B. Lok Sabha Speaker
- C. Rajya Sabha Speaker
- D. President

ANSWER: D

11. Odd One Out Weapons Of Mass Destruction

- A. Biological
- B. Chemical
- C. Nuclear
- D. None

ANSWER: D

12. ICAI Was Established In

- A. 1949
- B. 1959
- C. 1969
- D. 1979

ANSWER: A

13. HQ Of ICAI

- A. New Delhi
- B. Chennai
- C. Kolkata
- D. Hyderabad

ANSWER: A

14. ICSI Was Established In

- A. 1968
- B. 1978
- C. 1988
- D. 1998

ANSWER: A

15.HQ Of ICSI

- A. New Delhi
- B. Mumbai
- C. Nagpur
- D. Lucknow

ANSWER: A

16.ICWAI Was Established In

- A. 1959
- B. 1969
- C. 1979
- D. 1989

ANSWER: A

17.HQ Of ICWAI

- A. New Delhi
- B. Chennai
- C. Kolkata
- D. Hyderabad

ANSWER: C

18.Delhi Municipal Corporation (Amendment) Bill Merges

- A. North Delhi Municipal Corporation
- B. South Delhi Municipal Corporation
- C. East Delhi Municipal Corporation
- D. All The Above

ANSWER: D

19.The Delhi Municipal Corporation Act Was Passed In

- A. 1947
- B. 1957
- C. 1967
- D. 1977

ANSWER: B

20. International Monetary Fund Was Established In

- A. 1944
- B. 1945
- C. 1946
- D. 1947

ANSWER: B



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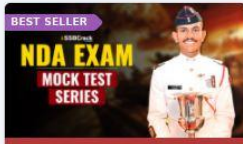
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