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International Day Of Democracy

- In 2007 the United Nations General Assembly resolved to observe 15 September as the International Day of Democracy with the purpose of promoting and upholding the principles of democracy and invited all member states and organizations to commemorate the day in an appropriate manner that contributes to raising public awareness.
- In September 1997, the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) adopted a Universal Declaration on Democracy. That Declaration affirms the principles of democracy, the elements and exercise of democratic government, and the international scope of democracy.



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Engineers' Day Celebrated

- Every year on the 15th of September, India celebrates National Engineer's Day to recognize and honour the achievements of the great engineer Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya.
- The day is observed to commemorate the great work of engineers and to encourage them to improve and innovate.
- It is different from the World Engineer's Day celebrated annually by UNESCO on 4th March.

- Born in Karnataka in 1861, Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya studied a Bachelor of Arts (BA) from the University of Mysore and then studied civil engineering at the College of Science in Pune and went on to become one of the most eminent engineers in the country.
- He was an engineering pioneer of India whose work was reflected in harnessing water resources and building and consolidating dams across the country.
- His work was becoming so popular that the Government of India sent him to Aden (Yemen) to study water supply and drainage systems in 1906-07.
- He served as the Chief Engineer of Mysore State in 1909 and as the Diwan of the princely state of Mysore in 1912, a position he held for seven years.
- He was an Engineer who had planned the Indian Economy in 1934.
- He was awarded an Honorary Membership of the London Institution of Civil Engineers for an unbroken 50 years.
- And above everything, he was conferred India's highest honor, the Bharat Ratna in 1955.



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Greetings to all engineers on **#EngineersDay**. Our nation is blessed to have a skilled and talented pool of engineers who are contributing to nation building. Our Government is working to enhance infrastructure for studying engineering including building more

India Wins SAFF U-17 Championship Title

- In football, India clinched the SAFF under-17 Championship title, defeating Nepal 4-0 in the final in Colombo.
- In the group league, Nepal defeated India 3-1. However, in the final, India produced a clinical performance, to lift the title for the fourth time.
- India captain Vanlalpeka Guite was named the Most Valuable Player of the Tournament, while goalkeeper Sahil won the Best Goalkeeper awards.



2 Days National Meet On RTI Act

- Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh RK Mathur inaugurated a two-Day National Meet on RTI Act in Leh today, September 15. Standing Conference of Public Enterprises, SCOPE, has organized the Meet to discuss the Right To Information Act implementation in the Public Sector Enterprises in the country.
- Chief Information Commissioner Y K Sinha said that PSUs are efficiently implementing the RTI Act. He said that best practices, field-level knowledge, and feedback from 17 years of the RTI Act era, must be reported to the Parliament and the concerned Committees.
- SCOPE Director General Atul Sobti said, against the general perception, over 70 percent of PSUs are profit-making and contribute to 12 percent of the country's GDP.



World Water Congress 2022

- India has launched a joint whitepaper on 'Urban Wastewater Scenario in India' with Denmark at World Water Congress and Exhibition 2022 in Copenhagen. Jal Shakti Minister Gajendra Singh Shekhawat attended the event along with Danish Environment Minister Lea Wermelin.
- Mr. Shekhawat said that India has committed investments of more than 140 Billion dollars by 2024 in the water sector. The minister informed, with the help of community-centric approach, at least 10 percent of the funds are contributed by community in every program ensuring community ownership and participation.
- The whitepaper aims at holistically capturing the current status of wastewater treatment in India and potential pathways for future treatment structures, co-creation, and collaborations. This whitepaper is a result of the Indo-Danish Bilateral Green Strategic Partnership, which is focused on green hydrogen, renewable energy, and wastewater management.

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BLO e-Patrika Launched

- The Election Commission today released a new digital publication 'BLO e-Patrika' at an interactive session held with Booth Level Officers BLOs spread across the States in India.
- Over 350 BLOs joined through videoconferencing from the office of Chief Electoral Officers CEOs in States and UTs and 50 BLOs from the nearby states Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and Delhi joined the launch event physically in New Delhi.
- The BLOs participated enthusiastically during the interaction with the Commission sharing their experiences, challenges they come across while performing their duties and success stories. Today's event was a first-of-its-kind direct interaction by the Commission with the BLOs across the country.



Doordarshan Celebrates Its Foundation Day

- Doordarshan is an Indian public service broadcaster founded by the Government of India, owned by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, and one of Prasar Bharati's two divisions.
- One of India's largest broadcasting organizations in studio and transmitter infrastructure, it was established on 15 September 1959.
- Doordarshan, which also broadcasts on digital terrestrial transmitters, provides television, radio, online and mobile service throughout metropolitan and regional India and overseas.



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A momentous occasion as we mark Doordarshan's Foundation Day - Through decades, the channel has captured the timeless journey of India in transition and its archives are a treasure trove of our rich history.

Best wishes to Team DD on this day as we gear up to capture the future!



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Sardar Sarovar Dam Filled To Highest Capacity

- The Sardar Sarovar dam on the river Narmada, the lifeline of Gujarat was filled to its highest capacity, on September 15.
- The water level at the dam has reached the historic 138.68 meters today which is above the highest capacity of the dam. This is for the third time in history that the dam is filled to its highest capacity after 2019 and 2020.
- Following the good monsoon rainfall this year, the dam is filled to the brim after two years. The present 5.75 lakh crores liters of water stock in the dam has ensured that the state will not face water scarcity in the coming summer.
- The government said farmers in the command area of the dam can be provided water for rabi crops.
- The Sardar Sarovar dam is truly a lifeline of the state through which the water of River Narmada has reached around 4 crore population of the state.



Roger Federer Announces Retirement

- Roger Federer, One Of The Greatest Tennis Player Of All Time, Has Decided To Bid Farewell To Professional Tennis After The Conclusion Of The Laver Cup 2022 Next Week.
- In A Tweet, The Legendary Tennis Player Shared A Lengthy Note To Open Up About His Retirement Plans. He Clarified That He Would Play More Tennis In The Future, Of Course, But Just Not In Grand Slams Or On The Tour.
- Playing More Than 1500 Matches Over 24 Years The Marvel Of Tennis Exponent Federer Said, Tennis Has Treated Me More Generously Than I Ever Would Have Dreamt. And Now I Must Recognize When It Is Time To End My Competitive Career. Federer Further Thanked His Wife Mirka Who Stood By His Side For Every Minute.
- He Wrote: "She Had Warmed Me Up Before Finals, Watched Countless Matches Even Whole Over 8-months Pregnant And Has Endured By Goofy Side On The Road With My Team For Over 20 Years.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Highest Dam In India

- A. Sri Sailam Dam
- B. Kaveri Dam
- C. Tehri Dam
- D. Hirakud Dam

ANSWER: C

2. Longest Dam In India

- A. Bhavani Sagar Dam
- B. Hirakud Dam
- C. Bhakra Nangal Dam
- D. Sardar Sarovar Dam

ANSWER: B

3. Oldest Dam In India

- A. Tungabhadra Dam
- B. Kallanai Dam
- C. Kurnool Dam
- D. Koyna Dam

ANSWER: B

4. Largest Dam In India

- A. Bhavani Sagar Dam
- B. Hirakud Dam
- C. Bhakra Nangal Dam
- D. Sardar Sarovar Dam

ANSWER: C

5. India's Largest Masonry Dams

- A. Krishna Barrage
- B. Nagarjuna Sagar Dam
- C. Tungabhadra Project
- D. Patti Seema Project

ANSWER: B

6. _____ Is Located On the Sutlej River

- A. Koyna Dam
- B. Nagarjuna Sagar
- C. Bhakra Nangal Dam
- D. Gandhisagar Dam

ANSWER: C

7. _____ Is Also Known As Maharana Pratap Sagar

- A. Pong Dam
- B. Ukai Dam
- C. Thein Dam
- D. Koyna Dam

ANSWER: A

8. Who among the following was the first Chief Election Commissioner of India?

- A. K.V.K. Sundaram
- B. Sukumar Sen
- C. M. Patanjali Sastri
- D. S.P. Sen Verma

ANSWER: B

9. Current Chief Election Commissioner of India?

- A. Rajiv Kumar
- B. Om Prakash Rawat
- C. Sunil Arora
- D. Sushil Chandra

ANSWER: A

10. _____ deals with powers, functions, tenure, eligibility, etc of the commission and the member.

- A. Article 224 to 229
- B. Article 324 to 329
- C. Article 124 to 129
- D. Article 330 to 339

ANSWER: B

11. National Voter Day was first celebrated in

- A. 2009
- B. 2010
- C. 2011
- D. 2012

ANSWER: C

12. _____ deals with elections and establishes a commission for these matters.

- A. Part XVI
- B. Part XVII
- C. Part XV
- D. Part XIV

ANSWER: C

13. Who has the authority to decide in the event of a dispute in the election of the President of India?

- A. Lok Sabha
- B. Election Commissioner
- C. Prime Minister
- D. Supreme Court

ANSWER: D

14. What is NOT one of the main duties of the Election Commission of India?

- A. Control and conduct elections
- B. Supervise elections
- C. Direct elections
- D. Conduct local elections

ANSWER: D

15. The Chief of Election Commission is recommended by the _____.

- A. Central Government
- B. State Government
- C. Chief Justice of India
- D. President of India

ANSWER: A

16. What is the age of retirement for the Chief Election Commissioner and Election Commissioners?

- A. 62 Years
- B. 63 Years
- C. 65 Years
- D. 64 Years

ANSWER: C

17. The members of the Election Commission include _____.

- A. Only the Chief Election Commissioner
- B. One Chief Election Commissioner and three Election Commissioners
- C. One Chief Election Commissioner and two Election Commissioners
- D. One Chief Election Commissioner and one Election Commissioners

ANSWER: C

18. _____ was the first woman Chief Election Commissioner of India

- A. Pratibha Devi Patil
- B. Meira Kumar
- C. Rama Devi
- D. Nirmala Sitaraman

ANSWER: C

19. Inter-Parliamentary Union Was Established In

- A. 1889
- B. 1891
- C. 1895
- D. 1899

ANSWER: A

20. HQ Of The Inter-Parliamentary Union

- A. London
- B. Geneva
- C. Berlin
- D. New York

ANSWER: B

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