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# DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

## 16 March 2023

### Denmark Becomes 1<sup>st</sup> Country To Import CO<sub>2</sub> & Store It Under Sea

- Denmark Has Launched A Project To Store CO<sub>2</sub> 1,800 Metres Below The North Sea, Making It The 1<sup>st</sup> Country To Bury CO<sub>2</sub> Imported From Another Country.
- CO<sub>2</sub> Burial Project, Where Carbon Is Injected Into The Site Of An Old Oil Field To Prevent Further Warming Of The Atmosphere.
- This Project Aims To Store 8 Million Tonnes Of CO<sub>2</sub> Per Year By 2030.
- This Project Is Called "Greensand" And Is Being Led By British Chemical Giant Ineos And German Oil Company Wintershall Dia.
- North Sea Was Chosen Because It Already Has Pipelines And Potential Storage Sites Due To Oil & Gas Production.



### World Consumer Rights Day - 15 March

- The Day Aims To Raise Awareness Of Consumer Rights And Needs Globally.
- Theme For World Consumer Rights Day 2023: Empowering Consumers Through Clean Energy Transitions.
- President John F. Kennedy Played An Important Role In The History Of World Consumer Rights Day



## India World's Largest Arms Importer: SIPRI Report 2023

- India Becomes The World's Leading Arms Importer According To The Stockholm International Peace Research Institute's (SIPRI) 2023 Report .
- India's Arms Imports Have Decreased By 11 % Between The Years 2013-17 And 2018-22.
- Over The Past 5 Years, The US Had The World's Largest Military Expenditure, Accounting For 40%of The Global Share, Followed By Russia (16%), And France (11%).



Stockholm International Peace Research Institute is an international institute based in Stockholm. It was founded in 1966 and provides data, analysis and recommendations for armed conflict, military expenditure and arms trade as well as disarmament and arms control.

**Founded:** 6 May 1966

**Headquarters:** Solna

**Director:** Dan Smith

**Abbreviation:** SIPRI

**Chair:** Stefan Löfven

**Founders:** Tage Erlander, Alva Myrdal

## IBA Women's World Boxing Championship Began In New Delhi

- **Anurag Singh Thakur (Union Youth Affairs And Sports Minister)** Inaugurated At The **Indira Gandhi Sports Complex**.
- **International Boxing Association (IBA) President Umar Kremlev, And Boxing Federation Of India (BFI) President Ajay Singh** Were Present On The Occasion.
- The Tournament Will Witness The Participation Of More Than **350 Boxers From Around 74 Countries**.
- The Championship Is Taking Place In India For The **3<sup>rd</sup> Time** After **2006** And **2018**.
- **2020 Tokyo Bronze Medallist, Lovlina Borgohain** And The **Current World Champion In The 50kg Category, Nikhat Zareen** Will Participate.



## 16<sup>th</sup> SCO Meeting Of Youth Council Held In New Delhi

- The **16<sup>th</sup> Meeting Of The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Youth Council** Was Held In Hybrid Mode In **New Delhi** Under The **Chairship Of India**.
- **Anurag Singh Thakur (Youth Affairs And Sports Minister)** Inaugurated The Meeting Of The **SCO Youth Council**.
- **Theme: "Effective Community Development Activities"** Was Delivered To All SCO Member States.
- The Meeting Was Chaired By **Nitesh Kumar Mishra, Joint Secretary, Department Of Youth Affairs, Government Of India**.
- The Protocol Was Signed On **March 14, 2023** In **New Delhi** In **8 Copies (Russian And Chinese)**

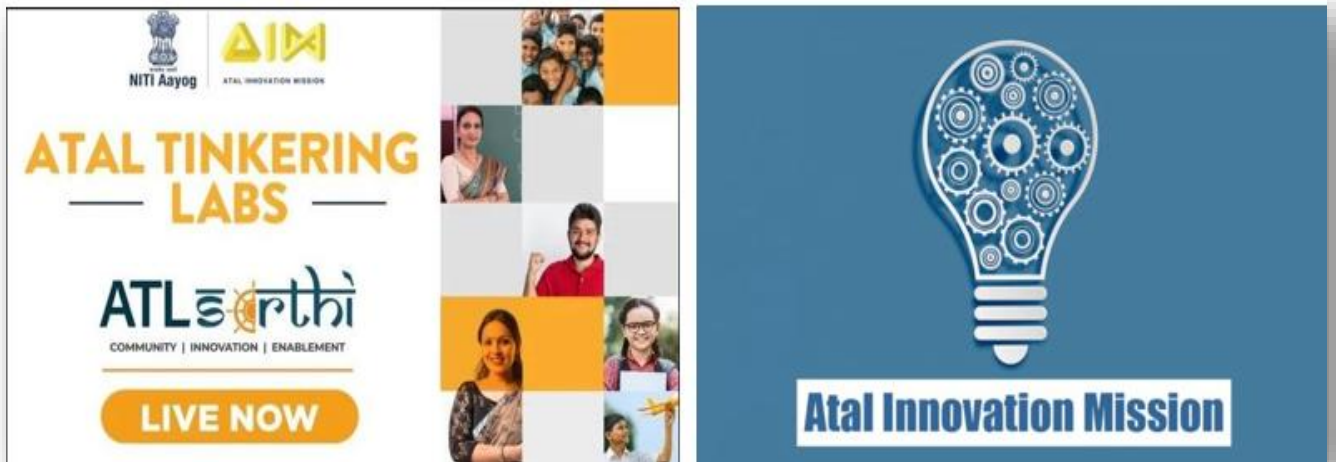
- **Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO)**
- **It Was Founded In 2001.**
- **Founding Members: China, Russia And 4 Central Asian States – Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan And Tajikistan.**
- **Current Members: China, Russia, India and Pakistan, as well as 4 Central Asian countries - Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan.**
- **Official Languages - Russian and Chinese**



EXAMS

## **Atal Innovation Mission Launches ATL Sarthi**

- **'ATL Sarthi', A Comprehensive Self-monitoring Framework To Strengthen The Ecosystem Of Atal Tinkering Labs (ATL) Launched By Atal Innovation Mission - NITI Aayog.**
- **Atal Innovation Mission Is Setting Up Atal Tinkering Labs In Schools Across The Country To Foster Curiosity, Creativity & Imagination In Young Minds.**
- **ATL Sarthi Will Provide A Monitoring And Evaluation Framework To Enhance The Performance Of Atal Tinkering Labs.**
- **Atal Innovation Mission Is An Important Initiative Taken By The Government Of India To Promote The Culture Of Innovation And Entrepreneurship In The Country.**



## Uttarakhand To Start Insurance Scheme For Sericulturists

- Ganesh Joshi (The State's Agriculture Minister) Said That Uttarakhand Launched The Country's 1<sup>st</sup> "Resham Keet Bima" Programme To Safeguard Its Sericulturists.
- 200 Sericulturists From 5 Blocks In 4 Districts—Dehradun, Haridwar, Udham Singh Nagar, And Nainital Received Insurance.
- It Aims To Promote The Production Of Silk In The Region.
- Over 12,000 Families In The State Are Impacted By Sericulture Both Directly And Indirectly, And 6,000 Stakeholders Produce Nearly 300 Metric Tonnes Of Silk Fibroin There Annually



## Bullet Train To Run By August 2026: Railway Minister

- According To Ashwini Vaishnaw (Railways And Telecom Minister) The 1<sup>st</sup> Bullet Train In India Will Begin Service In August 2026.
- The Project Will Impact The Economy Because Several Of The Suppliers To The Project Have Begun Receiving Export Orders.
- The Goal Is To Run The Bullet Train On A Larger Section In 2027
- The Indian Railways Is Building The Country's 1<sup>st</sup> Bullet Train From Ahmedabad, Gujarat To Mumbai, Maharashtra Over 508-kilometer Route.
- The High-speed Train Will Run At Top Speed Of 350 Kms Per Hour, Covering The Distance In 3 Hours.



### REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. \_\_\_ Becomes 1<sup>st</sup> Country To Import CO<sub>2</sub> & Store It Under Sea.  
A. UK  
B. Sweden  
C. Denmark  
D. Italy

**ANSWER: C**

**2. Which Of The Following Is The Capital Of Denmark?**

- A. Munich
- B. Warsaw
- C. Copenhagen
- D. None Of The Above

**ANSWER: C**

**3. Where Will You Find The Peninsula Of Jutland?**

- A. Denmark
- B. Romania
- C. Russia
- D. Indonesia

**ANSWER: A**

**4. World Consumer Rights Day 2023 Is Observed On \_\_\_\_.**

- A. 10 March
- B. 12 March
- C. 13 March
- D. 15 March

**ANSWER: D**

**5. \_\_\_\_ Is The Theme Of World Consumer Rights Day 2023.**

- A. Empowering Consumers Through Green Energy Transitions
- B. Enforcing Consumers Through Clean Energy Transitions
- C. Empowering Consumers Through Sustainable Energy Transitions
- D. Empowering Consumers Through Clean Energy Transitions

**ANSWER: D**

**6. \_\_\_\_ Is World's Largest Arms Importer According To SIPRI Report 2023.**

- A. Russia
- B. India
- C. USA



D. Israel

**ANSWER: B**

**7. SIPRI Stands For \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. Stockholm International Peace Research Institute
- B. Sweden International Peace Research Institute
- C. Stockholm International Press Research Institute
- D. Sweden International Prix Research Institute

**ANSWER: A**

**8. SIPRI Was Founded In Year \_\_\_\_\_.**

- A. 1969
- B. 1966
- C. 1964
- D. 1962

**ANSWER: B**

**9. IBA Women's World Boxing Champions 2023 Began In \_\_\_\_.**

- A. Mumbai
- B. Bangalore
- C. New Delhi
- D. Bhopal

**ANSWER: C**

**10. \_\_\_\_\_ Is 2020 Tokyo Women Bronze Medallist From India.**

- A. Marry Kom
- B. Nikhat Zareen
- C. Rita Phogat
- D. Lovlina Borgohain

**ANSWER: D**

**11. \_\_\_ Is The Current President Of International Boxing Association (IBA).**

- A. Ajay Singh
- B. Umar Kremlev
- C. Tayyib Ikram
- D. None Of The Above

**ANSWER: B**

**12.16<sup>th</sup> SCO Meeting Of Youth Council Held In \_\_\_\_.**

- A. Mumbai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Jaipur
- D. Kolkata

**ANSWER: B**

**13. Which Of The Following Is Not An Official Language Of SCO?**

- A. Russian
- B. Chinese
- C. English
- D. None Of The Above

**ANSWER: C**

**14. SCO Was Founded In Year \_\_\_\_\_.**

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

**ANSWER: B**

**15. Which Of The Following Is Not A Member Of SCO?**

- A. Uzbekistan
- B. Pakistan
- C. Afghanistan

D. Tajikistan

**ANSWER: C**

**16. \_\_\_\_\_ State To Start Insurance Scheme For Sericulturists.**

- A. Uttarakhand
- B. Uttar Pradesh
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Bihar

**ANSWER: A**

**17. Where Will You Find Binsar Wildlife Sanctuary?**

- A. Uttarakhand
- B. Uttar Pradesh
- C. Madhya Pradesh
- D. Jharkhand

**ANSWER: A**

**18. What Is The Currency Of Denmark?**

- A. Krone
- B. Euro
- C. Dollar
- D. None Of The Above

**ANSWER: A**

**19. Who Is The Current Union Telecom Minister Of India?**

- A. Ashwini Vaishnav
- B. Nirmala Sitharaman
- C. Nitin Gadkari
- D. Kiren Rijiju

**ANSWER: A**

20. As Per Railway Minister, Bullet Train To Run In India By \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. August 2026
- B. September 2025
- C. January 2024
- D. December 2023

**ANSWER: A**

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