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Daily Current Affairs

22 March 2023

Sampanna Becomes Fastest Indian To Swim Across Palk Strait

- **Sampanna Ramesh Shelar** Becomes The **Fastest Indian** In The **Under-21 Category** To Swim Across The **Palk Strait**, From **Talaimannar** In **Sri Lanka** To **Dhanuskodi** In **Tamil Nadu**.
- He Completed The **29 Km Distance** In Just **5 Hours And 30 Minutes**, Beating The Previous Record Of 8 Hours And 26 Minutes. The 35-39 Year Age Group Increased From 32.7 In 2016 To 35.6 In 2020.
- **About Palk Strait:**
- It Is A Strait That Lies Between The **Southern Coast Of India** And The **Northern Coast Of Sri Lanka**.
- It Is Approximately **85 Kilometers Wide** At Its Widest Point And Has An **Average Depth Of About 30 Meters** (98 Feet).
- It Is Named After **Robert Palk**, A Governor Of Madras In Colonial India.



G Krishnakumar Appointed As The Chairman Of BPCL

- G Krishnakumar Has Been Appointed As The Chairman And Managing Director Of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL).
- He Was Earlier An Executive Director In The Company And Succeeds Arun Kumar Singh, Who Retires As Chairman In October 2022.

- **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL)**
- It Was **Founded In 1952** And Is Headquartered In **Mumbai, Maharashtra.**
- The Company Operates **Two Large Refineries In India**, One In **Mumbai** And The Other In **Kochi**, With A Combined Refining Capacity Of Over 15 Million Metric Tonnes Per Annum



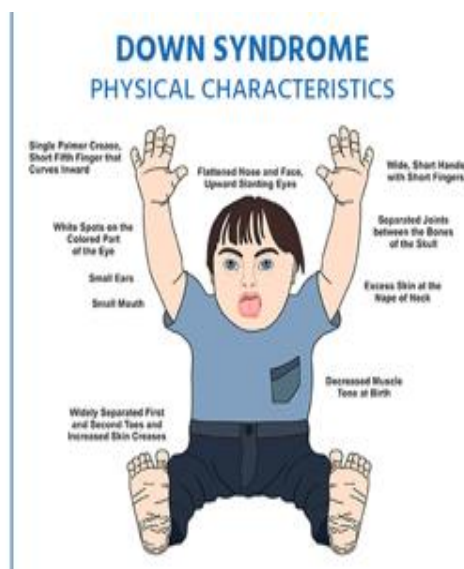
India Invited To Attend G7 Summit In Japan

- Indian PM **Narendra Modi** And Japanese PM **Fumio Kishida** Signed Two Agreements During Their Bilateral Talks: The Renewal Of The **Memorandum Of Cooperation In Japanese** And The **Exchange Of Notes On The JICA Loan For 300 Billion Yen** For The **Mumbai-Ahmedabad** High-speed Railway Project.
- The Objective Of The Meeting Is **To Strengthen India-Japan Relations** And Provide A Voice For The **Global South.**
- G7 Is A Group Of Seven Major Industrialised Countries, Including **Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, The United Kingdom, And The United States.**



World Down Syndrome Day - 21 March

- World Down Syndrome Day Is Observed Annually On 21 March To Raise Awareness And Show Support For Individuals With Down Syndrome.
- Down Syndrome Is Caused By A Triplication Of The 21st Chromosome.
- World Down Syndrome Day 2023 Theme: With Us, Not For Us.
- **Down Syndrome:**
- It Is A **Genetic Condition Caused By An Extra Copy Of Chromosome 21.**
- This Can Lead To Physical Characteristics Such As A **Small Head, Flattened Facial Features, And Upward-slanting Eye.**



ISSF Shooting World Cup Begins In Bhopal

- **ISSF Shooting World Cup** Was Inaugurated In **Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh.**
- CM Of MP, **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** Was The Chief Guest.
- **Luciano Rossi**, President, the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF), and **Raninder Singh**, President, National Rifle Association of India (NRAI) were present in the opening ceremony
- The ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol Championship Will Have A Total Of **10 Finals Over Five Consecutive Days.**
- **Around 200 Shooters From 30 Countries** Will Participate In The ISSF Shooting World Cup



International Day Of Forests - 21 March

- The **International Day Of Forests** Or World Forestry Day Is Observed On **March 21**.
- This Day Is Celebrated To Raise Awareness About The **Importance Of Forests, Woodlands And Trees** In Our Lives.
- The theme for the International Day of Forests in 2023 is "**Forests and Health**".
- **United Nations General Assembly Declared 2011 As The International Year Of Forests** On 20 December 2006.
- To Promote Awareness On The Conservation And Sustainable Development Of All Types Of Forests In The Context Of Poverty Alleviation And Global Warming Mitigation.



Bombay Jayashri Chosen For Sangita Kalanidhi Award 2023

- **Padma Shri Awardee Bombay Jayashri** Has Been Selected For The **Sangita Kalanidhi Award For 2023** By The **Music Academy**.
- The **Nritya Kalanidhi Award** For Dance Has Been Given To **Vasanthalexmi Narasimhachari**.
- Jayashree Is One Of The **Prominent Carnatic Musician** & Trained In **Veena, Classical Dance**
- It Is The **Highest Honor** In The Field Of **Carnatic Music**.
- In **1942**, It Was Decided That The Composer Would Be Honored With The **Title Of Sangeet Kalanidhi**, The Award Consisting Of A Gold Medal And A Birudu Patra (Citation).



Review Questions

1. _____ **Becomes Fastest Indian To Swim Across Palk Strait.**
 - A. Sajan Prakash
 - B. Sampanna Ramesh
 - C. Sandeep Sejwal
 - D. Srihari Nataraj

Answer: B

2. Palk Strait Lies Between The _____ And _____.

- A. Tamil Nadu And Jaffna
- B. Tamil Nadu And Colombo
- C. Both A And B
- D. None Of The Above

Answer: A

3. Recently, _____ Appointed As The Chairman Of BPCL.

- A. Sukhmal Kumar Jain
- B. Sanjay Khanna
- C. Vetsa Ramakrishna Gupta
- D. G Krishnakumar

Answer: D

4. Which Of The Following Is Not A Maharatna Company?

- A. NTPC
- B. ONGC
- C. IOCL
- D. Delhi Electricals

Answer: D

5. Where Is The HQ Of BPCL?

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

Answer: A

6. Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited Was Established In _____.

- A. 1961
- B. 1952
- C. 1965
- D. 1969

Answer: B

7. Who Is The Current Prime Minister Of Japan?

- A. Fumio Kishida
- B. Shinzo Abe
- C. Kiyotaka Kuroda
- D. Yamamoto Gonnohyōe

Answer: D

8. Which Of The Following Is Not A Part Of G-7 Countries?

- A. Canada
- B. Italy
- C. Japan
- D. Russia

Answer: D

9. G-7 Group Was Founded In Year _____.

- A. 1985
- B. 1980
- C. 1975
- D. 1999

Answer: C

10. World Down Syndrome Day Is Observed On _____

- A. 21 March
- B. 20 March

- C. 19 March
- D. 18 March

Answer: A

11. World Down Syndrome Day 2023 Theme Is _____.

- A. Aware About 21
- B. With Us, Not For Us
- C. For Us, With Us
- D. None Of The Above

Answer: B

12. Down Syndrome Is A Genetic Condition Caused By An Extra Copy Of

- A. Chromosome 16
- B. Chromosome 23
- C. Chromosome 21
- D. Chromosome 20

Answer: C

13. ISSF Shooting World Cup 2023 Starts In _____.

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

Answer: B

14. Who Is The Current President Of International Shooting Sport Federation?

- A. George Malpass
- B. Tayiab Ikkram
- C. Luciano Rossi
- D. None Of The Above

Answer: C

15. ISSF Was Founded In Year _____.

- A. 1907
- B. 1963
- C. 1989
- D. 1966

Answer: A

16. Where Is The HQ Of ISSF?

- A. Paris
- B. Montreal
- C. Berlin
- D. Munich

Answer: D

17. International Day Of Forests Is Observed On _____.

- A. 28 Febraury
- B. 20 March
- C. 21 March
- D. 19 March

Answer: C

18. The Theme For The International Day Of Forests In 2023 Is _____.

- A. Forest And Life
- B. Forests and Health
- C. Forest Is Essential
- D. Sustainable Development With Forest

Answer: B

19. UNGA Declared _____ As The International Year Of Forests.

- A. 2011
- B. 2019

- C. 2012
- D. 2017

Answer: A

20. _____ Chosen For Sangita Kalanidhi Award 2023.

- A. Lata Mangeshkar
- B. Shri Kalvati Devi
- C. Bombay Jayashri
- D. None Of The Above

Answer: C

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