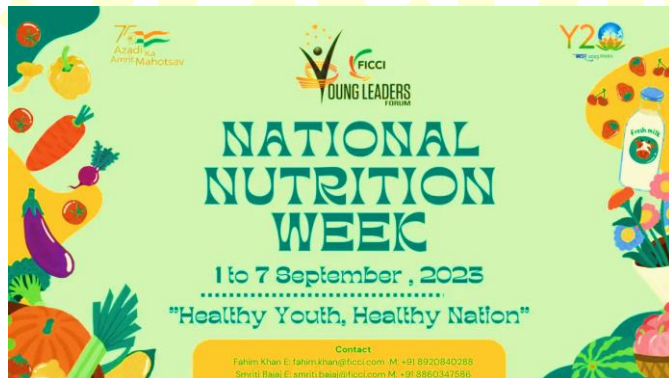


DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

01-02 September 2023

National Nutrition Week 2023

- National Nutrition Week In India Is Celebrated Every Year In **The First Week Of September**. National Nutrition Week Was **First Celebrated In 1982** The Main Aim Of Observing Nutrition Week In The Country Is To Create Awareness Among People About The Benefits Of Nutrition, And Promote Healthy And Hygienic Eating Habits.
- **Theme For National Nutrition Week 2023 Is Healthy Diet Gaining Affordable For All**
- On The Occasion Of National Nutrition Week, Different Activities Like Seminars, Workshops, Educational Events, Conferences, And Public Awareness Campaigns Are Held Across India To Educate People About The Advantages Of A Balanced Diet, Benefits Of Proper Nutrition, Prevention Of Diseases Caused By Poor Nutrition, And Measures To Overcome Nutritional Deficiencies.



India To Host First Edition Of Global India AI

- India Is Going To Host **The First Edition Of Global India AI 2023** Conference In October. It Will Provide A Unique Platform For Deliberation On Various Topics Including Next-Generation Learning And Foundational Artificial Intelligence Models, AI Applications In Healthcare, Governance, Electric Vehicles, And Computing Systems
- The Government's Vision Is To Gather The **World's Best And Brightest Minds Under One Roof To Deliberate The Future Of AI** And Its Impact In Several

Sectors. The India AI Summit Will Also Catalyze The Country's AI Landscape And Innovation Ecosystem.

- The Conference Will Also Serve As A Showcase For **The Vibrant India AI Ecosystem** That Comprises Key Initiatives Such As **DI Bhashini, India Datasets Program, India AI Future Design Program For Startups, And India AI Future Skills Program Dedicated To Nurturing World-Class AI Talent Pool.**



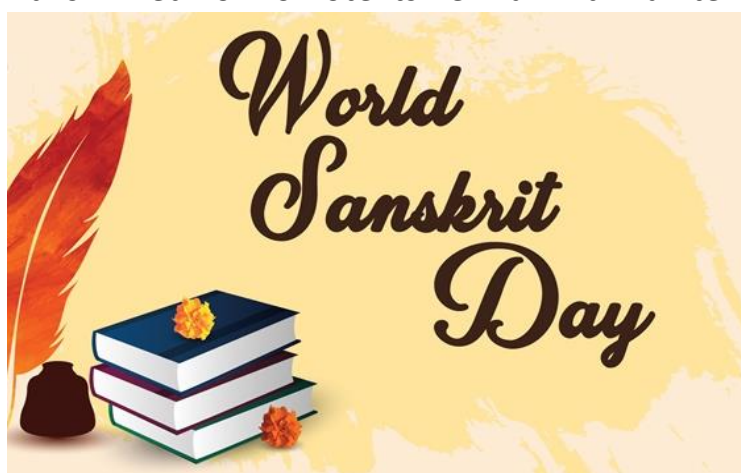
National Defence College & Sri Lankan Armed Forces

- The Indian High Commission in Colombo celebrated the **50th anniversary** of the association between the National Defence College of India and the Sri Lankan Armed Forces. The event marked the enduring cooperation and friendship between the forces of the two countries.
- During the event, High Commissioner of India Gopal Baglay felicitated Admiral DB Goonesekara, the first NDC India alumnus in Sri Lanka.
- India stands committed to Sri Lanka's capacity-building endeavours in line with India's '**Neighbourhood First Policy**'.
- The event saw participation from Sri Lankan Armed Forces officers who have trained in India and highlighted the strong bonds formed through such engagements.
- The occasion emphasized the shared cultural ties and training opportunities, showcasing the collaborative foundation between the nations.



Nation Observes World Sanskrit Day

- **31 August** Is Observed As **World Sanskrit Day**. On The Occasion, Prime Minister Narendra Modi Lauded All Those Who Are Passionate About Sanskrit.
- India Has A Very Special Relationship With Sanskrit. PM Modi Urged People To Celebrate This Great Language And **Share At Least One Sentence In Sanskrit**.
- World Sanskrit Day Is Observed To Raise Awareness About The Language Used By Scholars And Saints In Ancient India To Pen Several Revered Books, Especially About Religious Teachings And Philosophy.
- The Day, Also Known As **Vishva-Sanskrita-Dinam**, Is An Annual Event Focused Around The Ancient Indian Language Sanskrit That Incorporates Lectures About The Language And Is Aimed To Promote Its Revival And Maintenance.



Govt To Set Up 1,000 Khelo India Centres

- Youth Affairs And Sports Minister Has Announced That **1000 Khelo India Centres** Will Be Established Within A Year In The Country.

- On The Occasion Of National Sports Day On 29 Aug 2023, The Minister Said That It Will Not Only Provide **Employment Opportunities To Former Athletes** But Also Give Budding Sportspersons A Chance To Take **Guidance From The Veterans**.
- Each Player Will Receive **Five Lakh Rupees To Procure Equipments** For Their Centres And **Per Year Another Five Lakh Rupees** For Operational Expenses.
- Launched An **Information Booklet** On Sports Infrastructure Projects Sanctioned Under The Khelo India Scheme As Well As Launched A National Sports Federations Portal.



Comic Book - "Let's Move Forward"

- Union Education And Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan, Launched A Novel Comic Book Titled "**Let's Move Forward.**"
- This Comic Book Is A Collaborative Effort Between The **NCERT & UNESCO**. It Signifies A Significant Stride Towards Augmenting The Goals Of The **School Health And Wellness Programme (SHWP)**.
- The SHWP, Initiated Under The Ayushman Bharat Campaign In April ,2018 By Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Is An Initiative Undertaken By The Ministry Of Education And The Ministry Of Health And Family Welfare.
- **Its Primary Objective Is To** Impart Health Education, Prevent Diseases, And Enhance Access To Health Services Through Wellness Centres Within Educational Institutions.
- The "**Let's Move Forward**" Comic Book Is Designed To Cater To The Diverse Requirements Of Adolescents And Encapsulates Crucial Information Pertaining To The 11 Thematic Components Of The SHWP.

- These Encompass A Comprehensive Range Of Subjects, Including Emotional Well-Being, Interpersonal Relationships, Gender Equality, Nutrition And Health, Substance Abuse Prevention, Healthy Lifestyles, Reproductive Health, Internet Safety.



Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana Exceeds Targets

- The Central Government's Innovative Employment Incentive Scheme, The **Aatmanirbhar Bharat Rozgar Yojana (ABRY)**, Has Exceeded Its Initial Employment Generation Goals, Showcasing Its Success In Fostering Job Creation And Recovery During The COVID-19 Pandemic.
- The Ministry Of Labour And Employment In A Statement Said That The Scheme Had Set A Target To Benefit Approximately **7.18 Million Employees** Across India Till Its Last Date Of Registration In March 2022. And, As Of 31st July 2023, The Scheme Has Already Achieved An Enrolment Of Over **7.58 Million New Employees**, Surpassing Its Initial Employment Generation Target.
- The Ministry Stated That The Scheme Was Launched In **October 2020**, Designed To Stimulate The **Creation Of New Job Opportunities By Extending Financial Support** To Employers Of Establishments Registered With **The Employees' Provident Fund Organization**.
- The Scheme Ensures The Disbursements Of Benefits To Specific Eligibility Criteria, Met By Beneficiary Establishments And Employees On A Month-To-Month Basis.



Jaya Verma Sinha Chairperson, CEO Of Railway Board

- The Government Today Appointed **Jaya Verma Sinha** As The Chairperson And Chief Executive Officer Of **The Railway Board**.
- She Is The **First Woman Appointed To The Post**. The Appointments Committee Of The Cabinet Approved Her Appointment.
- Ms Sinha, Currently Posted In The Railway Board As A Member (Operations And Business Development) Will Succeed Anil Kumar Lahoti.
- She Will Assume Charge On Or After The 1st Of September And Her Tenure Will Be Till The 31st Of August Next Year.



35 YEARS IN RLYS

> **Jaya Verma Sinha**, who joined as a railway traffic officer (IRTS) 35 years ago, will take charge as the rly board chief on Friday and **will serve in the post till Aug 31, 2024**

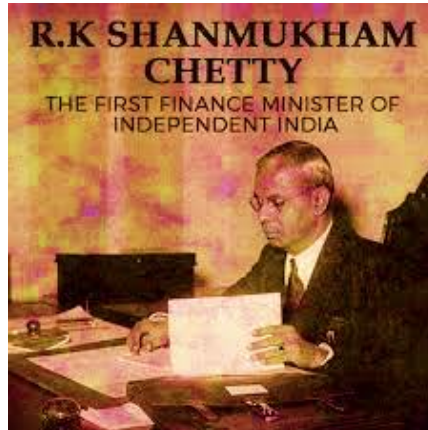


> As rly member (ops & biz devpt), **Sinha handled media briefing in June** giving details of the signalling system after the **Balasore accident**

Union Minister unveils statue of 1st Finance Minister

- Union Minister Of Textiles, Piyush Goyal, Unveiled The Statue Of The **First Finance Minister** Of The Independent India **RK Shanmugam Chetty** At The South Indian Mills Association Complex (SIMA) In Coimbatore.
- R K Shanmugam Chetty Was A Driving Force Behind The Establishment Of The South Indian Mills Association, An Organization That Has Played A Pivotal Role In Shaping The Textile Industry In South India.

- It Is A Distinguished Organization Dedicated To Promoting The Interests Of The Textile Industry In The Southern Region Of The Country. Founded By RK Shanmugam Chetty, It Continues To Be A Pivotal Player In Fostering Growth And Innovation Within The Sector.



J&K Get 2 GI Tag

- In Jammu And Kashmir, 2 World-Famous Local Specialty Products Namely **Bhaderwah Rajma And Ramban Sulai Honey** Have Earned Coveted Geographical Indication (GI) Tag.
- The Process For GI Tagging Of These Products Was Initiated By The Department Of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Jammu. Now, Only An Authorized User Has The Exclusive Rights To Use The Geographical Indication.
- GI Tagging Will Also Promote Economic Prosperity Of Locals In The Geographical Territory And Will Act As A Tool For Social Economic Growth Of The Producer. A Geographical Indication Tags Is A Trade Name Or Label Applied To A Particular Product That Designates A Particular Geographic Region Or Country Of Origin



Neeraj Chopra Finishes 2nd In Zurich Diamond League

- Newly-Crowned World Champion Neeraj Chopra Finished 2nd With A Final Round Throw Of 85.71 M In The Men's Javelin Event Of The Diamond League Meeting

At Zurich. The 25-Year-Old Chopra, Also The Reigning Olympic Champion, Produced Three Legal Throws Of 80.79m, 85.22m And 85.71m.

- He Finished Behind Jakub Vadlejch Of Czech Republic, Who Had Won A Bronze In The World Championships.
- The Indian Superstar, Who Was Unbeaten This Season Till Yesterday, Qualified For The Diamond League Finals To Be Held On The 17th September In Eugene, USA, With 23 Points From Three Meets. He Had Won The Diamond League Trophy Last Year.



NCERT Grants Deemed University Status

- The NCERT Has Been Granted **Deemed University Status**. Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan Made This Announcement While Attending The 63rd Foundation Day Celebration Programme Of NCERT In New Delhi.
- The NCERT Will Soon Become An Instrument In The World Success Story. He Also Announced That **Bal Bhavan Will Be Merged** With NCERT .
- Inaugurating An Augmented Reality (AR) And Virtual Reality (VR) Laboratory, Mr Pradhan Highlighted The Importance Of Including Technology In The Educational System.
- He Said, Through **AR And VR Facility**, Children From Every Corner Of The Country With Different Dialects Will Be Benefited.
- He Directed NCERT To Include A Small Chapter On The Success Story Of **Chandrayaan-3 And It's Findings In All 22 Recognised Languages**. The Minister Also Inaugurated A **Vidhya Samiksha Kendra On The Occasion**.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Vishva-Sanskrita- Dinam Celebrated On

- A. 25 August
- B. 28 August
- C. 30 August
- D. 31 August

ANSWER: D

2. 1st Finance Minister Of Independent India

- A. RK Shanmugam Chetty
- B. Sardar Vallabh Bhai Patel
- C. Vasudev Mavlankar
- D. Baldev Singh

ANSWER: A

3. Who Appointed As CEO Of The Railway Board

- A. Sonia Biswal
- B. Jaya Verma
- C. Shruti Sinha
- D. Pooja Sharma

ANSWER: B

4. Where is Chokuwa rice grown

- A. Assam
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Meghalaya
- D. Nagaland

ANSWER: A

5. The Chairmanship Of UNSC Rotates Among The Council Members

- A. Every 6 Months
- B. Every 3 Months
- C. Every Year
- D. Every Month

ANSWER: D

6. Permanent Secretariat For Implementing SAARC Programme Is At

- A. Dhaka
- B. New Delhi
- C. Colombo
- D. Kathmandu

ANSWER: D

7. Indian Delegation To 1st World Conference On Human Rights Led By

- A. Dr Manmohan Singh
- B. Farooq Abdullah
- C. Dinesh Singh
- D. Alam Khan

ANSWER: A

8. United Nations Conference On Trade & Development Is Located At

- A. Geneva
- B. Rome
- C. Paris
- D. Vienna

ANSWER: A

9. The Office Of The UN General Assembly Is In

- A. Vienna
- B. New York
- C. Paris
- D. Zurich

ANSWER: B

10. First Vice-President of India

- A. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- B. Zakir Hussain
- C. Venkata Giri
- D. Gopal Swarup Pathak

ANSWER: A

11. First Indian To Receive Gold Medal At Olympics

- A. Neeraj Chopra
- B. Vijender Singh
- C. Sushil Kumar
- D. Abhinav Bindra

ANSWER: D

12. First Scientist to get Nobel Prize

- A. C.V. Raman
- B. Har Gobind Khorana
- C. Subrahmanyam Chandrasekhar
- D. Venkatraman Ramakrishnan

ANSWER: A

13. First Indian Pilot in India

- A. JRD Tata
- B. Sarthak Khandelwal
- C. Vignesh Thirunelveli
- D. Anita Moos

ANSWER: A

14. Who Invented Computer

- A. Charles Babbage
- B. Benjamin Franklin
- C. Charles Wheatstone
- D. Tim Berners-Lee

ANSWER: A

15. Gir National Park in Gujarat is famous for

- A. Tiger
- B. Lion
- C. Cheetah
- D. Elephant

ANSWER: B

16. Cataract Is The Disease Of

- A. Eye
- B. Heart
- C. Lungs
- D. Kidney

ANSWER: A

17. Capital Of Bhutan

- A. Thimphu
- B. Ngultrum
- C. Punakha
- D. Rinpung

ANSWER: A

18. Capital Of Iran

- A. Baghdad
- B. Tehran
- C. Jakarta
- D. Kashan

ANSWER: B

19. Capital Of South Korea

- A. Seoul
- B. Pyongyang
- C. Ulsan
- D. Incheon

ANSWER: A

20. First Vice-President of India

E. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan

F. Zakir Hussain

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ANSWER: A

