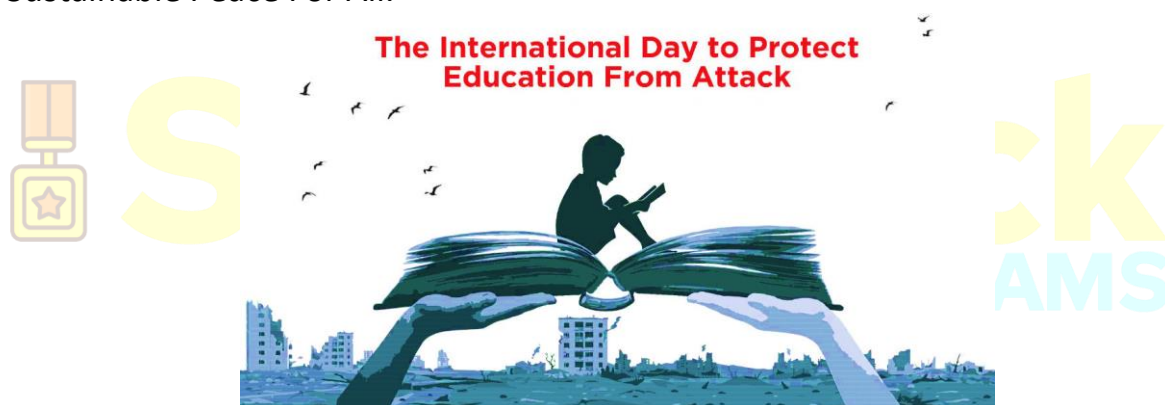


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International Day To Protect Education From Attack

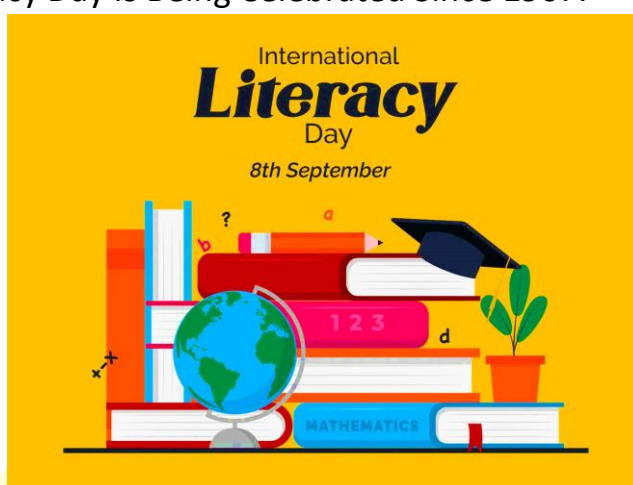
- On May 28, 2020, The UNGA Adopted Resolution Establishing September 9 As The International Day To Protect Education From Attack.
- Recognizing The Importance Of Raising Awareness Of The Dire Need To Preserve Education And Protect It From Attack, The Resolution Designates **UNESCO And UNICEF** To Serve As Co-Facilitators For The Yearly Observance Of This Day.
- The Observance Of This International Day Serves As An Annual Platform To Amplify Advocacy And Galvanize Action For The Protection Of Education And Sustainable Peace For All.



International Literacy Day

- International Literacy Day Is Celebrated To Remind The Public Of The Importance Of Literacy As A **Matter Of Dignity And Human Rights**, And To Advance The Literacy Agenda Towards A More Literate And Sustainable Society.
- Despite Steady Progress Made Across The World, Literacy Challenges Persist With At Least 763 Million Young People And Adults Lacking Basic Literacy Skills In 2020.
- The **Theme Of The International Literacy Day Is 'Promoting Literacy For A World In Transition: Building The Foundation For Sustainable And Peaceful Societies'**.

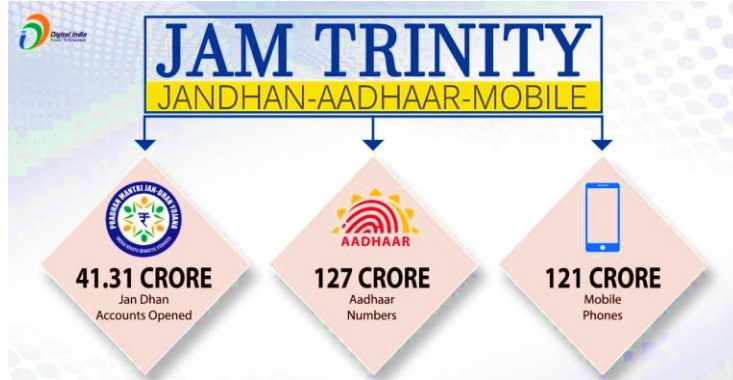
- This Global Celebration Will Include The Award Ceremony Of The UNESCO International Literacy Prizes To Announce This Year's Outstanding Prizewinning Programmes.
- **UNESCO Publishes The First-Ever Global Guidance On Generative Artificial Intelligence In Education And Research**, Designed To Address The Disruptions Caused By Generative AI Technologies.
- International Literacy Day Is Being Celebrated Since 1967.



WB Lauds Digital Public Infrastructure

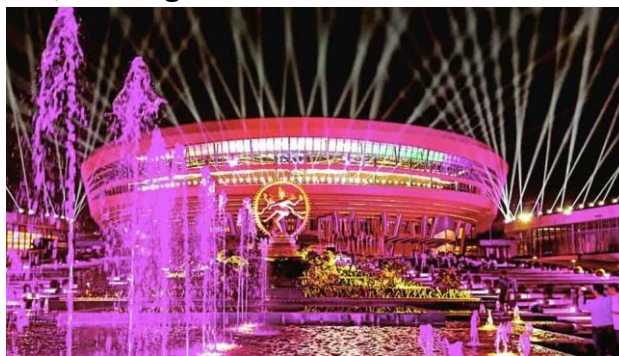
- The G20 Global Partnership For **Financial Inclusion Document** Prepared By **World Bank** Has Lauded The Transformative Impact Of Digital Public Infrastructure In India.
- DPI Has A Transformative Impact On India, Extending Far Beyond Inclusive Finance.
- The Document Highlighted The Groundbreaking Measures Taken By Modi Government And The Pivotal Role Of Government Policy And Regulation In Shaping The DPI Landscape.
- It Said, **Jandhan-Aadhar-Mobile JAM Trinity** Has Propelled Financial Inclusion Rate From 25 Per Cent In 2008 To Over 80 Percent Of Adults In Last Six Years, A Journey Shortened By Up To 47 Years.
- The Document Categorically Notes That While Dpis' Role In This Leapfrogging Is Undoubtable, Other Ecosystem Variables And Policies That Build On The Availability Of Dpis Were Critical.

- It Said, In The Last Decade, India Has Built One Of The World's Largest Digital Government-To-People G2P Architectures Leveraging DPI.



Bharat Vadya Darshanam

- Bharat Vadya Darshanam' By 'Gaandharva Aaradhyam' Group To Perform For World Leaders Attending G20 Summit.
- Celebrating The Rich Tapestry Of The Country's Musical Heritage, An Ensemble Of Virtuoso Instrumentalists Bringing Different Styles Of Classical And Contemporary Music Will Perform For World Leaders Attending The G20 Summit.
- The Performance 'Bharat Vadya Darshanam' -- Musical Journey Of India -- By The 'Gaandharva Aaradhyam' Group Will Be Showcased During The Ceremonial Dinner That Will Be Hosted By President Droupadi Murmu In The Honour Of G20 Leaders.
- It Will Feature Indian Classical Musical Instruments Such As Santoor, Saranagi, Jal Tarang And Shehnai, Among Others.



N. Korea Launches 1st Nuclear Attack Submarine

- North Korea Has Launched Its **First Operational Tactical Nuclear Attack Submarine**, And Assigned It To The Fleet That Patrols The Waters Between The Korean Peninsula And Japan.
- North Korean Leader Kim Jong Un, Who Attended The Launch Ceremony On Wednesday, Said Arming The Navy With Nuclear Weapons Was An Urgent Task And Promised To Transfer More Underwater And Surface Vessels Equipped With Tactical Nuclear Weapons To The Naval Forces.
- The Submarine-Launching Ceremony Heralded The Beginning Of A New Chapter For Bolstering Up The Naval Force Of The North Korea.
- Achieving A Rapid Development Of Our Naval Forces Is A Priority That Cannot Be Delayed Given The Enemies' Recent Aggressive Moves And Military Acts, The North Korean Leader Said In A Speech, Apparently Referring To The United States And South Korea.



Zayed Charity Marathon In 2024

- The Inaugural Edition Of The Renowned Marathon Is Set To Take Place In The **Vibrant State Of Kerala In 2024**.
- With The Cooperation Of Both The Kerala State Authorities And The Indian Community Living In The UAE, Kerala Has Been Selected As The Host State For This Important Event.
- The Primary Objective Of The Zayed Charity Marathon Is **To Raise Funds For Charitable Causes, And The Proceeds From The Kerala-Based Marathon Will Be Directed To Supporting Healthcare Initiatives Within The State**.
- The Zayed Charity Marathon Is A Prestigious Event Honoring The Legacy Of The **Late Sheikh Zayed Bin Sultan Al Nahyan**, Former President Of The UAE.

- It Was Launched In Abu Dhabi In 2001 To Promote Humanitarian And Charitable Messages In Line With Sheikh Zayed's Philanthropic Legacy.



'Hello UPI' & 'Bharat BillPay Connect'

- The NPCI Has Launched '**Hello UPI**' For Easy Conversational Payments And '**Bharat Billpay Connect**' For Effortless Bill Payments Via Voice Assistants, Smartphones, And Feature Phones.
- **Hello UPI** Allows Users To Make Payments By Engaging In Conversations With Their Smartphones — Whether It's Splitting A Restaurant Bill, Sending Money To A Friend, Or Settling Utility Bills.
- '**Bharat Billpay Connect**' Enables Users To Pay Their Bills Through Natural Conversations With Popular Voice Assistants Like Alexa Or Via Feature Phones, Smartphones, Or Merchant Soundboxes. This Initiative Aims To Cater To Users Across Various Tech Proficiency Levels, Ensuring That Digital Bill Payments Are Accessible To All.



GST Rules For Casinos, e-Games Notified

- The Ministry Of Finance, Issued A Notification Detailing Amendments To The **GST Rules About Online Gaming And Casinos.**

- According To These Amendments, Individuals Visiting A Casino Are Now Required To **Pay GST On The Full Value Of The Chips They Initially Purchase.**
- Two New Clauses, **31B And 31C**, Have Been Introduced In The GST Rules To Specify The Valuation Of The Supply.
- Under These Changes, Any Claims Made By Players Are To Be Included In The Total Amount Paid Or Payable, Ensuring A **Comprehensive Taxation Approach.**
- The Notification Further States That Any Refunded Or Returned Amount Should Not Be Subtracted From The Overall Value Of The Supply.
- This Means That If A Player Returns Some Of The Chips They Initially Acquired And Receives A Cash Refund, The GST Will Not Be Refunded To Them.



Salem Sago Gets GI Tag

- Salem District In The State Of Tamil Nadu Has Gained Acclaim For Its Sago Production, Which Is Widely Recognized As Sabudana.
- Salem Sago, Locally Known As Javvarisi, Is Derived From The Wet Starch Powder Extracted From Tapioca Roots.
- Indian Tapioca Roots Are Known To Contain Approximately 30-35% Starch Content.
- Sago Production Has Been A Cornerstone Of Salem's Economic Development Since 1967.
- Currently, Over 80% Of Sago In India Is Produced In The Salem Region, With A Significant Portion Marketed Through Sagoserve.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Financial Inclusion Campaign Was Launched By The Prime Minister

- A. 2013
- B. 2014
- C. 2015
- D. 2016

ANSWER: B

2. International Literacy Day Observed On

- A. 5 September
- B. 6 September
- C. 7 September
- D. 8 September

ANSWER:D

3. Capital Of North Korea

- A. Pyongyang
- B. Hamhung
- C. Nampo
- D. Haeju

ANSWER: A

4. Zayed Charity Marathon 2024 Will Be Held In

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala
- C. Karnataka
- D. Odisha

ANSWER: B

5. Hello UPI App Launched By

- A. RBI
- B. NPCI
- C. MO Finance
- D. SBI

ANSWER: B

6. UNICEF Formed In

- A. 1945
- B. 1946
- C. 1947
- D. 1948

ANSWER: B

7. Which River Flows Between Vindhyan And Satpura Ranges

- A. Narmada
- B. Mahanadi
- C. Son
- D. Netravat

ANSWER: A

8. The Central Rice Research Station Is Situated In

- A. Chennai
- B. Cuttack
- C. Bangalore
- D. Quilon

ANSWER: B

9. Who Among The Following Wrote Sanskrit Grammar

- A. Kalidasa
- B. Charak
- C. Panini
- D. Aryabhata

ANSWER: C

10. Which Among The Following Headstreams Meets The Ganges In Last

- A. Alaknanda
- B. Pindar
- C. Mandakini
- D. Bhagirathi

ANSWER: D

11. The Metal Whose Salts Are Sensitive To Light Is

- A. Zinc
- B. Silver
- C. Copper
- D. Aluminum

ANSWER: B

12. Patanjali Is Well Known For The Compilation Of

- A. Yoga Sutra
- B. Panchatantra
- C. Brahma Sutra
- D. Ayurveda

ANSWER: A

13. River Luni Originates Near Pushkar & Drains Into

- A. Rann of Kachch
- B. Arabian Sea
- C. Gulf of Cambay
- D. Lake Sambhar

ANSWER: A

14. Which River Originates In Brahmagiri Range Of Western Ghats

- A. Pennar
- B. Cauvery
- C. Krishna
- D. Tapti

ANSWER: B

15. The Country That Has The Highest In Barley Production

- A. China
- B. India
- C. Russia
- D. France

ANSWER: C

16. D.D.T. Was Invented By

- A. Paul Hermann Muller
- B. Rudolf
- C. Karl Benz
- D. Dalton

ANSWER: A

17. Where Was The Electricity Supply First Introduced In India

- A. Mumbai
- B. Dehradun
- C. Darjeeling
- D. Chennai

ANSWER: C

18. Which One Of The Following Ports Is The Oldest Port In India

- A. Mumbai Port
- B. Chennai Port
- C. Kolkata Port
- D. Vishakhapatnam Port

ANSWER: B

19. At What Place The Rivers Alaknanda And Bhagirathi Merge

- A. Devprayag
- B. Rudra Prayag
- C. Karna Prayag
- D. Vishnu Prayag

ANSWER: A

20. Which Of The Following Is Not A Nuclear Power Center

- A. Narora
- B. Kota
- C. Chamera
- D. Kakrapara

ANSWER: C

