

# DAILY CURRENT AFFAIRS

## 16 September 2023

### World Ozone Day

- Every Year, We Celebrate The International Day For The Preservation Of The Ozone, Also Known As **World Ozone Day, On September 16**.
- **Theme** 'Montreal Protocol: Fixing The Ozone Layer And Reducing Climate Change'
- This Date Was Specifically Selected By The **United Nations General Assembly** In **1994** To Commemorate The Historic Signing Of The Montreal Protocol On Substances That Deplete The Ozone Layer By Numerous Countries On The Same Day In 1987.
- This Protocol Marked The Initiation Of A Vital Initiative To Safeguard The Ozone Layer, Addressing The Urgent Need As It Began To Deplete.



### Rosh Hashanah

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi Greeted Prime Minister Of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu And The **Jewish Community** Around The World On The Occasion Of **Rosh Hashanah**.
- In A Social Media Post, Mr. Modi Expressed Hope That The New Year Would Bring Good Health, Peace And Prosperity To Everyone's Life.
- Rosh Hashanah Also Called The **Day Of Judgment** Is A Major Jewish Observance. During This Period, Each Jew Reviews His Relationship With God And Commemorates The Creation Of The World.



## Torkham Border

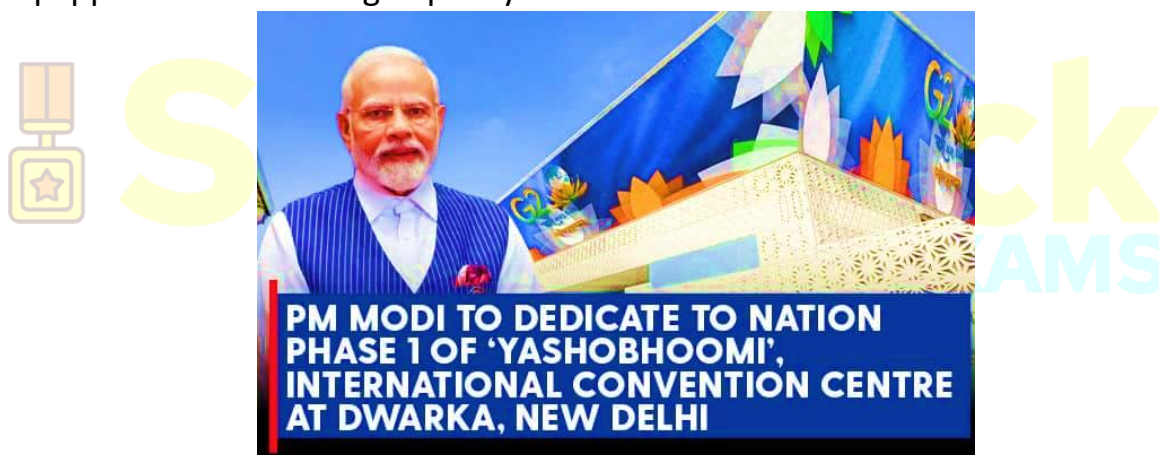
- A Crucial Border Crossing At Torkham Between **Pakistan And Afghanistan** Reopened To Pedestrians And Vehicles Today.
- The Border Is Located On The **Durand Line**. It Was Closed For Over A Week.
- The Clearance Of Trucks Is In Process And Afghan Citizens Are Entering Afghanistan After Clearance And Passing Immigration Processes.
- Discussions Between The Pakistani And Afghani Authorities Were In Diplomatic Deadlock Since 6th September.
- The Shut Down Happened After An **Exchange Of Fire Took Place** In A Dispute Over An Under-Construction Afghan Outpost.
- This Resulted In Hundreds Of Vehicles Carrying Crucial Products, Commercial Convoys And Travellers Being Trapped On Both Sides.



## PM Modi To Dedicate 'Yashobhoomi' At Dwarka

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi Will Dedicate 'Yashobhoomi' At Dwarka To The Nation.
- He Will Also Inaugurate The Extension Of The Delhi Airport Metro Express Line From Dwarka Sector 21 To A New Metro Station At Dwarka Sector 25.

- Mr. Modi's Vision Of Having A World-Class Infrastructure For Hosting Meetings, Conferences, And Exhibitions Will Be Strengthened With The Operationalization Of Phase 1 Of The India International Convention And Expo Centre Called 'Yashobhomi'.
- Yashobhoomi Will Find Its Place Among The World's Largest MICE Facilities With A Total Project Area Of Over 8.9 Lakh Square Meters And A Total Built-Up Area Of More Than 1.8 Lakh Square Metres. MICE Stands For Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, And Exhibitions.
- The Convention Center, Built Across More Than 73 Thousand Square Meters Of Area, Comprises 15 Convention Rooms. These Include The Main Auditorium, The Grand Ballroom, And 13 Meeting Rooms With A Total Capacity Of Holding 11 Thousand Delegates. The Convention Center Has The Largest LED Media Facade In The Country.
- The Main Auditorium Is The Plenary Hall For The Convention Center And Is Equipped With A Seating Capacity Of Around Six Thousand Guests.



## **Sangeet Natak Akademi Amrit Awards**

- The Ministry Of Culture Will Award The Sangeet Natak Akademi Amrit Awards To 84 Performing Artists Tomorrow In New Delhi.
- The Special Achievement Award Will Be Given To Artists Above The Age Of 75 From All Over India Who Have Not Been Bestowed Any National Honor Yet.
- The Sangeet Natak Akademi Said That Their Selection Shows The Rich And Diverse Culture Of India.
- The Honor Carries Purse Money Of One Lakh Rupees Along With Tamrapatra And Angavastra. Talking To Akashwani News, Akademi Chairperson Sandhya Purecha Said The Awards Will Be Conferred By Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar At Vigyan Bhawan.



## PM To Launch 'PM Vishwakarma'

- On The Occasion Of Vishwakarma Jayanti, PM To Launch 'PM Vishwakarma' For Traditional Artisans And Craftspeople On 17th September, 2023.
- Scheme Draws Inspiration From PM's Vision To Support And Skill The People Engaged In Traditional Crafts.
- 'PM Vishwakarma' Will Be Fully Funded By The Union Government With An Outlay Of Rs 13,000 Crore.
- Wide Ambit Of 'PM Vishwakarma' - It Will Cover Eighteen Crafts.
- Vishwakarmas To Be Provided Recognition Through PM Vishwakarma Certificate And ID Card.
- Vishwakarmas To Also Be Given Credit Support And Training For Skill Upgradation.
- 18 Traditional Crafts Will Be Carpenter, Boat Maker, Armourer, Blacksmith, Hammer And Tool Kit Maker, Locksmith, Goldsmith, Potter, Sculptor, Stone Breaker, Cobbler, Mason, Basket/Mat/Broom Maker/Coir Weaver, Doll & Toy Maker, Barber, Garland Maker, Washerman, Tailor, Fishing Net Maker.



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Government Of India

**Launch of 'PM Vishwakarma Yojana'  
on Vishwakarma Jayanti  
to Empower Artisans**



## Rajnish Kumar Appointed Chairman Of Mastercard

- Mastercard, The Global Financial Services Corporation, Has Made A Significant Appointment In Its Indian Operations By Naming Rajnish Kumar Former **Chairman Of The State Bank Of India** As The Chairman Of Mastercard India.
- Mastercard Has Its **Headquarters** In The Mastercard International Global Headquarters In Purchase, **New York**
- This Move Reflects Mastercard's Commitment To Strengthening Its Presence In India And Navigating The Dynamic Landscape Of Domestic.
- The Veteran Banker Has Nearly Four Decades Of Experience In India's Largest Bank.
- He Held Various Leadership Roles In The Bank Managing Critical Operations Across India, The UK And Canada. He Is Also Widely Credited For Spearheading The YONO Platform. He Concluded His Three-Year Term As SBI Chairman In October 2020.



## Yes Bank & Brisk Pe Collaboration

- Yes Bank And Briskpe Partner To Enable Seamless Cross-Border Payments For Msmes.
- Briskpe, Specializing In Cross-Border Payments, Has Joined Forces With YES BANK To Launch "Briskpe A2A," An Advanced Suite Of Solutions Tailored To Enhance The Capabilities Of Exporters And Importers.
- This Strategic Partnership Marks A Significant Milestone In The Realm Of Cross-Border Payments, Offering A Seamless And Efficient Platform For Indian Businesses To Navigate The Complexities Of International Trade And Bolster Their Global Competitiveness.

- One Of The Key Highlights Of This Partnership Is The Ability For Briskpe's Customers To Seamlessly Collect Payments In Over 36 Foreign Currencies, Spanning Across More Than 180 Countries.
- These Funds Can Then Be Efficiently Converted Into Indian Rupees (Inr) And Settled Directly Into Their Local Bank Accounts In India Within A Single Business Day.
- This Streamlined Process Will Provide A Much-Needed Boost To Micro, Small, And Medium Enterprises (Msmes) Operating In The Manufacturing And Services Sectors.



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## REVIEW QUESTIONS

### 1. World Ozone Day Celebrated On

- A. September 13
- B. September 14
- C. September 15
- D. September 16

**ANSWER: D**

### 2. Rosh Hashanah Is Celebrated For

- A. New Year Of Jews
- B. New Year Of Muslims
- C. Spring Season Of Jews
- D. Rice Harvest Festival Of North East

**ANSWER: A**

**3. Who Appointed As Chairman Mastercard India**

- A. Shreya Mittal
- B. Dinesh Kumar
- C. Soma Sankara
- D. Rajnish Kumar

**ANSWER: D**

**4. Institution Launched 'Face Authentication System' At The Global Fintech Festival**

- A. NPCI
- B. NITI Aayog
- C. NASSCOM
- D. UIDAI

**ANSWER: D**

**5. Koraput Kalajeera Rice Got GI Status, Is Cultivated In Which State**

- A. Punjab
- B. Odisha
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Uttar Pradesh

**ANSWER: B**

**6. Country Has Emerged Champions In The Men's Hockey5s Asia Cup**

- A. Pakistan
- B. India
- C. Sri Lanka
- D. Bangladesh

**ANSWER: B**

**7. Dr Shanta Thoutam Is Chief Innovation Officer Of Which State**

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Telangana
- C. Odisha
- D. New Delhi

**ANSWER: B**

**8. Which City's Metro Railway Has Launched 'Tourist Smart Cards'**

- A. Mumbai
- B. Delhi
- C. Chennai
- D. Kolkata

**ANSWER: B**

**9. Kirkuk Which Was Seen In The News, Is Located In Which Country**

- A. Israel
- B. Iraq
- C. Australia
- D. Greece

**ANSWER: B**

**10. Umiam Lake Seen In The News, Is Located In Which State**

- A. West Bengal
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Sikkim
- D. Meghalaya

**ANSWER: D**

**11. Avinash Sable Seen In The News, Is Associated With Which Sports**

- A. Shooting
- B. Archery
- C. Steeplechase
- D. Tennis

**ANSWER: C**

**12. Company Launched 'ALT ID' Solution For Guest Checkout Transactions**

- A. Paytm
- B. PhonePe
- C. Mastercard
- D. VISA

**ANSWER: C**



**13. Company Signed Agreement With India Post To Simplify Cross-border Logistics For MSME Exporters**

- A. Amazon
- B. Flipkart
- C. Swiggy
- D. Zomato

**ANSWER: A**

**14. Blockchain Based Project Launched By NPCI**

- A. Falcon
- B. Grape
- C. Pay See
- D. Orange

**ANSWER: A**

**15. Which Countries Are The Hosts Of Asia Cup 2023 Tournament**

- A. Sri Lanka and Pakistan
- B. India and Bangladesh
- C. Nepal and Bangladesh
- D. Pakistan and Afghanistan

**ANSWER: A**

**16. Gabon Which Was Seen In The News, Is Located In Which Region**

- A. Africa
- B. Europe
- C. Australia
- D. Asia

**ANSWER: A**

**17. European Country Announced Ban On Wearing Abaya Robes In School**

- A. Germany
- B. France
- C. Spain
- D. Portugal

**ANSWER: B**

**18.The 1<sup>st</sup> Sports Event To Offer Equal Prize Money To Men & Women**

- A. BWF world championship
- B. US Open
- C. Australia Open
- D. NBA world championship

**ANSWER: B**

**19.Cabinet Declared Which Day As 'National Space Day' In India**

- A. August 20
- B. August 23
- C. August 25
- D. August 27

**ANSWER: B**

**20.Which Institution Released The 'Gender Snapshot 2023 Report**

- A. United Nations
- B. IMF
- C. World Bank
- D. WEF

**ANSWER: A**