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International Day Total Elimination Of Nuclear Weapon

- The **United Nations Observes 26 September** Every Year As The International Day For The Total Elimination Of Nuclear Weapons.
- Aim Is To Enhance **Public Awareness** About The Threat Posed To Humanity By Nuclear Weapons And The Necessity For Their Total Elimination.
- It Provides An Opportunity To Educate The Public And Their Leaders About The Real Benefits Of Eliminating Such Weapons, And The Social And Economic Costs Of Perpetuating Them.
- In **2013, The UN General Assembly (UNGA)** Declared September 26 To Be The International Day For The Total Elimination Of Nuclear Weapons (Nuclear Abolition Day).



India's First Green Hydrogen Fuel Cell Bus

- Petroleum And Natural Gas Minister Hardeep Singh Puri Today Launched **A First-Of-Its-Kind Hydrogen Fuel Cell** Bus From India Gate In New Delhi.
- The Government Is Working In A Mission Mode To Bring In A New Generation Of **Green Vehicles**.
- Highlighting The Merits Of Green Energy, He Said, It Has Helped In Bringing Down The Import Bill Of The Country.

- Minister Of State For Petroleum And Natural Gas Rameswar Teli Said That These Buses Are A Positive Step Towards India's Aim To **Reach Net Zero Carbon Emission By 2070**.
- 13 More Buses Will Be Launched By The End Of The Year In The Delhi-NCR Region.



India And UN Launch Joint Capacity Building Initiative

- India And The United Nations Launched A Joint Capacity-Building Initiative For The Global South.
- The “**India-UN Capacity Building Initiative**” Aims To Share India's Development Experiences, Best Practices And Expertise With Partner Countries In The Global South Through Capacity Building And Training Programs.
- The Initiative Was Announced At The India-UN For The **Global South** In New York.



- The India-UN Initiative Also Complements The India-UN Partnership In The Form Of “**India-UN Development Partnership Fund**” Which Has Developed A Portfolio Of 75 Development Projects In 61 Countries In The Last 6 Years.

- As Part Of This Initiative, The **UN India Team And The Bill And Melinda Gates Foundation** Will Partner To Leverage India's Technical And Economic Cooperation Platform.
- A Joint Declaration Of Intent Was Exchanged Today Between The UN Resident Coordinator In India And The Bill And Melinda Gates Foundation.
- This Initiative Will Also Operationalise The Development-Relevant Deliverables Of India's G20 Presidency.
- These Include The **G20 Action Plan** For Accelerating Progress On The SDG's, Technological Transformation And Building Digital Public Infrastructure.



NASA Capsule Land In Utah Desert

- A NASA Spacecraft Containing **Largest Asteroid Sample** Ever Streaked Through Earth's Atmosphere And Made A Parachute-Assisted Landing In The Utah Desert.
- The Climactic End Of A Seven-Year Voyage Comes To An End When A NASA Capsule Landed In The **Utah Desert**, Carrying To Earth The Largest Asteroid Samples Ever Collected.
- Scientists Have High Hopes For The Sample, Saying It Will Provide A Better Understanding Of The **Formation Of Our Solar System** And How Earth Became Habitable.
- The Osiris-Rex Mission: Collecting Asteroid Bennu's Secrets
- Four Years After Its 2016 Launch, The Osiris-Rex Probe Landed On The Asteroid Bennu And Collected Roughly Nine Ounces (250 Grams) Of Dust From Its Rocky Surface.

- Even That Small Amount, NASA Says, Should “Help Us Better Understand The Types Of Asteroids That Could Threaten Earth” And Cast Light “On The Earliest History Of Our Solar System.” NASA Administrator Bill Nelson Said, This Is Going To Be The Biggest Sample We’ve Brought Back Since The Apollo Moon Rocks” Were Returned To Earth.



India Bags 10 Medals

- India Has Secured **Ten Medals** - One Gold, Three Silver And Six Bronze - In The Asian Games At Hangzhou In China So Far.
- Indian Trio Rudranksh Patil, Divyang Panwar And Aishwary Tomar Clinched Gold In The Men's 10m Air Rifle Event.
- India's Men's Quadruple Scull Team And Men's Four Team In Rowing Bagged Bronze, While Aishwary Tomar Won Bronze In Men's 10m Air Rifle -Individual-Event.



- In 25-Meter Rapid-Fire Pistol Team Event, Indian Team Comprising Anish Bhanwala, Vijayveer Sidhu And Adarsh Singh Clinched The Bronze.
- India Won Its First Medal In Shooting As The Trio Of Ramita Jindal , Mehuli Ghosh And Ashi Chouksey Earned A Silver In The Women's 10m Air Rifle Event.
- Indian Duo Arjun Lal Jat And Arvind Singh Won A Silver In Men's Lightweight Double Sculls In The Rowing Discipline.
- Rowing Fetched India Further Medals, With The Men's Eight Team Adding Another Silver, While Babu Lal Yadav And Lekh Ram Secured Bronze In The Men's Pair.
- In The Women's 10m Air Rifle Final, India's Ramita Won A Bronze Medal, Taking The Overall Tally Up To 10.



Chess Comeback

- Chess Is Making A Comeback After A **13-Year Hiatus In The 19th Edition** Of Asian Games, At Hangzhou In China.
- Scheduled To Start On 24 September 2023, The Fight Over 64 Squares Will Be Held In Two-Time Controls - Rapid And Standard - For Men And Women, Accounting For Four Sets Of Medals.
- Rapid Time Control Will Be Followed For The Individual Event And Standard For The Team Championship.
- All The Eyeballs Will Be On Teen Sensation **Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa**, Who Finished As The Runner-Up At The Chess World Cup 2023.

- Pragganandhaa's Epic Performance At The World Cup Has Raised The Indian Chess Contingent's Optimism For Further Laurels At The Asian Games.
- He Has Been Listed To Play In The Men's Team Event In Chess, Alongside Gukesh D, Vidit Gujrathi, Pentala Harikrishna, And Arjun Erigaisi.



Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs

- Ministry Of Social Justice And Empowerment Organizing '**Samajik Adhikarita Shivirs**' Across 74 Locations Nationwide.
- These Camps Aim To Distribute Various Types Of **Assistive Devices** To Over 47,000 Pre-Identified Persons With Disabilities And Senior Citizens Under The Government Of India's ADIP (Assistance To Divyang Persons For Purchase/Fitting Of Aids And Appliances) And Rashtriya Vayoshri Yojana Schemes.
- Aim Is To Provide Equal Opportunities For The Persons With Disabilities, Allowing Them To Lead Productive, Secure, And Dignified Lives.
- The Distribution Camps Are Organized By The **Department Of Empowerment Of Persons With Disabilities** (Divyangjan) (Depwd), Ministry Of Social Justice And Empowerment, Government Of India In Coordination With The **Artificial Limbs Manufacturing Corporation Of India** (ALIMCO) And National Institutes And CRCS Working Under Administrative Control Of Depwd .



ICICI Lombard Appoints Sanjeev Mantri As MD And CEO

- In A Significant Leadership Transition, The Board Of ICICI Lombard General Insurance Has Appointed **Sanjeev Mantri** As The New Managing Director And Chief Executive Officer (MD & CEO) Of The Company.
- This Move Follows The Resignation Of Bhargav Dasgupta, The Outgoing MD & CEO, Who Stepped Down Ahead Of Completing His 15-Year Tenure Due To Recent Regulatory Changes.



India Become No 1 Ranked Team

- India Became The Number 1 Ranked Team In **All Three Formats Tests, ODI's, And T20**. India Displaced Pakistan From The Top Of The ODI Rankings While

They Lead England In The T20I Rankings. In The Longest Format, They Are In The First Place While Australia Are Right Behind Them.

- In A Social Media Post, BCCI Secretary Jay Shah Said India Has Become Numero Uno In Test, ODI, And T20I Cricket And Heartiest Congratulations To Teamindia For Achieving This Historic Milestone.
- The Rankings Reflect The Hard Work Put In By This Team As They Chase Excellence On The Field And This Is A Fantastic Achievement Just Ahead Of The World Cup He Added.



EXAMS

Bits to Billion

- In A Celebration Of Entrepreneurial Spirit And Innovation, **The Intercontinental Dubai - Festival City** Played Host To The "**Bits To Billions: Inspiring Entrepreneurial Journeys**" Event Organized By The Institute Of Chartered Accountant Of India Dubai.



- The Event, Was Dedicated To Honoring The Entrepreneurs Of India Who Have Made Significant Contributions To The Country's Growth And Have The Potential To Shape India's Future.
- **Four Distinct Stages - Startup, Cheetah, Gazelle, And Unicorn** - Emphasizing The Importance Of Financial Controls, System Establishment, And Relevant Key Performance Indicators.



Top five Gazelles (likely to turn unicorn in three years)		Top five Cheetahs (likely to turn unicorn in five years)	
Company name	Funding (\$ million)	Company name	Funding (\$ million)
Ninjacart	367	Dunzo	700
Zepto	360	Pepperfry	285
StashFin	345	WayCool	262
Ather Energy	342	Practo	228
KreditBee	332	HealthKart	196

Source: Hurun future unicorn index

REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Which Airport Is Named As Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay Airport

- Gorakhpur
- Delhi
- Gujarat
- Agra

ANSWER: D

2. Operation Kutir Jyothi Refers To

- Rural Electrification
- Adult Literacy
- Self-employment
- Olympic Torch

ANSWER: A

3. One People, One State, One Leader Was The Policy

- A. Stalin
- B. Hitler
- C. Lenin
- D. Mussolin

ANSWER: B

4. 6 Months Day And 6 Months Night - Country Name

- A. Nepal
- B. Tibet
- C. Norway
- D. Iceland

ANSWER: C

5. Which Is A Green Planet In The Solar System

- A. Pluto
- B. Venus
- C. Uranus
- D. Mars

ANSWER: C

6. Bats Can Fly In The Dark Because

- A. They Have A Better Vision In The Dark
- B. The Light Startles In Them
- C. They Produce High Pitched Sounds Called Ultrasonics
- D. None Of The Above

ANSWER: C

7. Name The Plant Important In Sericulture

- A. Pea
- B. Legumes
- C. Mulberry
- D. Cassia

ANSWER: C

8. The Study Of Heavenly Bodies Is Called

- A. Astronomy
- B. Astrology
- C. Astrophysics
- D. Astronautics

ANSWER: A

9. Allwyn International Trophy & Challenge Cup Awarded To

- A. Tennis
- B. Volleyball
- C. Basketball
- D. Cricket

ANSWER: B

10. What Is The Study Of Human Beauty Called

- A. Argology
- B. Kalology
- C. Agrostology
- D. Oncology

ANSWER: B

11. Yellow Colour Of Papaya Is Due To

- A. Caricaxanthin
- B. Carotene
- C. Lycopene
- D. Papain

ANSWER: A

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

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

ANSWER: C

13. First Indian Woman To Win Man Booker Prize

- A. Kiran Desai
- B. V.S. Naipaul
- C. Salman Rushdie
- D. Arundhati Roy

ANSWER: D

14. Telecom Company Nokia Belongs To Which Country

- A. Denmark
- B. India
- C. Sweden
- D. Finland

ANSWER: D

15. The Supreme Court Held That FR's Are Unamendable

- A. AK Gopalan's case
- B. Keshvananda Bharati's case
- C. M.C Mehta's case
- D. Golak Nath's case

ANSWER: D

16. The Largest Fresh Water Lake In World Is

- A. Lake Superior
- B. Lake Huron
- C. Wullar Lake
- D. Kolleru Lake

ANSWER: A

17. First Indian Woman To Win Medal In Olympics

- A. Karnam Malleswari
- B. Mary Kom
- C. P.V. Sindhu
- D. Geeta Phogat

ANSWER: A

18.Full Form Of BCG Is

- A. Bacillus Cholera Germ
- B. Bacillus Calmette Guerin
- C. Bacillus Curative Gene
- D. Bacillus Cholera Guerin

ANSWER: B

19.Panchayati Raj Form Of Rural Government Was First Adopted By

- A. Rajasthan & Madhya Pradesh
- B. Rajasthan & West Bengal
- C. Rajasthan & Andhra Pradesh
- D. Rajasthan & Uttar Pradesh

ANSWER: C

20.Who Set Up The World's First Floating ATM

- A. Bank of America
- B. Barclays Bank
- C. Axis Bank
- D. State Bank of India

ANSWER: D