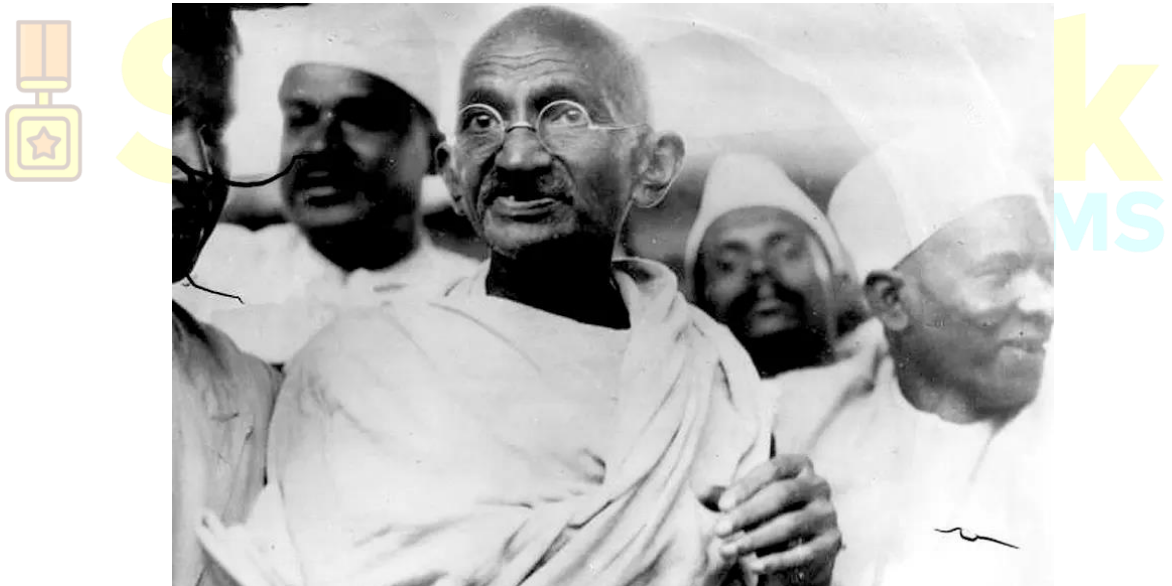


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Public Service Broadcasting Day

- **Public Service Broadcasting Day** is being celebrated on **12th November** every year to commemorate the only visit of Mahatma Gandhi to All India Radio in Delhi in 1947.
- **On 12 November 1947**, Mahatma Gandhi addressed the **displaced people** (a refugee from Pakistan), who had temporarily settled at **Kurukshetra in Haryana after partition**.
- Gandhiji had reportedly said that he saw the **medium of radio as Shakti**, the miraculous power of God.



- Gandhiji began his speech saying, “My brothers and sisters who are suffering, I do not know if only you or some other people are also listening to it.
- The day was **declared as Public Service Broadcasting Day** or (Jan Prasaran Diwas) **in 2001**, after it was conceptualised by Suhas Borker, Convenor, Jan Prasar.

- Prasar Bharati has been given the responsibility of public service broadcasting, deepen democratic traditions and provide opportunities to all diverse communities and cultures.
- Mahatma Gandhi had decided to visit the studio of All India Radio, to convey his message through radio, as he couldn't visit refugees of Partition stationed at Kurukshetra in Haryana.

India Supports UN Resolution

- Less than two weeks after it abstained on a **Jordanian-drafted resolution on the Israel-Hamas conflict**, India was among **145 countries** which voted in favour of a United Nations resolution that condemned Israeli settlement activities in “the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan”.
- The **UN draft resolution**, titled “Israeli settlements in the **Occupied Palestinian Territory**, including East Jerusalem, and the occupied Syrian Golan”, was passed with overwhelming majority on November 9.

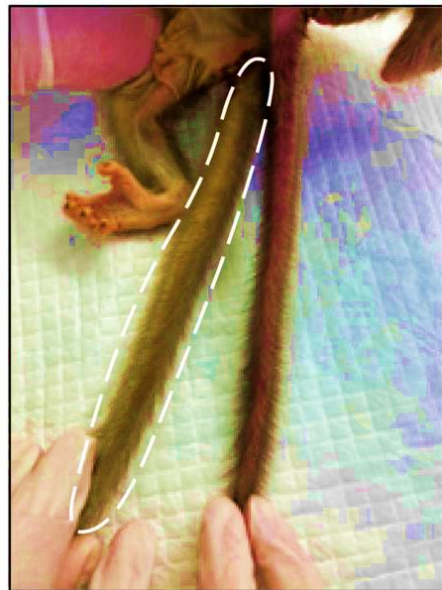


- While **seven countries** — United States, Canada, Hungary, Israel, Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia and Nauru — voted against the resolution, 18 abstained from voting.
- With the resolution, the UN condemned settlement activities in the areas, and any activities involving the confiscation of land, disruption of livelihood of

protected persons, forced transfer of civilians, and annexation of land, whether de facto or through national legislation

Monkey Chimera

- **Chinese scientists** have achieved a significant milestone in the realm of genetic research by creating a **monkey chimera with two sets of DNA**.
- This experimental breakthrough could have far-reaching implications for medical research and the conservation of endangered species.
- The project, which involved **combining stem cells** from a **cynomolgus monkey** with a genetically distinct embryo from the same species, yielded a substantially chimeric primate.
- This achievement opens new avenues for understanding biological processes, modeling diseases, and advancing medical science.
- However, it also raises ethical concerns regarding the use of nonhuman primates in scientific research.



Uttarakhand 1st State To Adopt Uniform Civil Code

- **Uttarakhand is on the brink** of making history as it prepares to become the first state in India to implement the **Uniform Civil Code (UCC)**.
- In a move towards **legal uniformity and gender equality**, the state government is set to convene a special session post-Diwali to clear the UCC Bill, marking a

significant departure from the diverse personal laws that currently govern citizens based on their religious affiliations.

- The Uniform Civil Code falls under **Article 44 of the Constitution**, advocating for a uniform civil code across the country's territory.
- However, as **Article 37 clarifies**, directive principles are guiding principles for government policies and are not enforceable by courts.
- The UCC proposal is a significant step toward legal modernization and aligns with the constitutional directive to work towards a uniform civil code for all citizens.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. **For Which Category Is Falguni Shah Nominated At Grammy Awards**
 - A. Best Rock Performance
 - B. Best Global Music Performance
 - C. Best Rap Song
 - D. Best Country Album

ANSWER: B

2. Where Did PM Modi Celebrate Diwali With Security Personnel

- A. Delhi
- B. Arunachal Pradesh
- C. Ladakh
- D. Himachal Pradesh

ANSWER: D

3. 1st State In India To Implement The Uniform Civil Code After Goa

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Uttarakhand
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Tamil Nadu

ANSWER: B

4. Under Which Article Of Constitution Does Uniform Civil Code Fall

- A. Article 42
- B. Article 44
- C. Article 50
- D. Article 55

ANSWER: B

5. According To Article 37, Are Directive Principles Enforceable By Courts

- A. No
- B. Yes
- C. Only in certain cases
- D. It depends on the situation

ANSWER: A

6. First Athlete To Win Fashion Icon Award By Council Of Fashion Designers Of America

- A. Mary Kom
- B. Serena Williams
- C. Simone Biles
- D. Virat Kohli

ANSWER: B

7. India Held 'Education & Skill Council Meeting' With Which Country

- A. USA
- B. France
- C. Australia
- D. UAE

ANSWER: C

8. India Signed Mobility & Migration Partnership Agreement With Which Country

- A. Italy
- B. Israel
- C. Ukraine
- D. Afghanistan

ANSWER: A

9. "Building Trust In Science" Is The Theme Of

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

ANSWER: B

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

- A. World Education Day
- B. World Science Day for Peace and Development
- C. World Youth Development Day
- D. World Students Day

ANSWER: B

11. Which Indian Company Partnered With US Based Archer Aviation For All Electric Air Taxi Service

- A. Air India
- B. Inter Globe Entreprises
- C. Spice Jet
- D. Pixxel

ANSWER: B

12. Which Country Supplies 'Hermes-900 Drones' To India

- A. Israel
- B. Russia
- C. France
- D. USA

ANSWER: A

13. Energy Conservation Building Code Is Associated With Which Country

- A. China
- B. Japan
- C. India
- D. UK

ANSWER: C

14. Ogasawara Island Chain, Seen In News, In Which Country

- A. China
- B. Japan
- C. Indonesia
- D. Philippines

ANSWER: B

15. Which City Is The Host Of 'International Convention On Millets

- A. Bhubaneswar
- B. Kolkata
- C. Chennai
- D. Bengaluru

ANSWER: A

16. Which NE State Approved Legislation Maintaining 33% Reservation For Women In Urban Local Bodies

- A. Assam
- B. Nagaland
- C. Sikkim
- D. West Bengal

ANSWER: B

17. “Panda Diplomacy” Is A Phrase Commonly Used To Describe The Strategy Of Which Country

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

ANSWER: C

18. Which Indian State Approved Its First Export Promotion Policy Designed To Boost Exports

- A. West Bengal
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Gujarat
- D. Karnataka

ANSWER: B

19. Headquarters Of International Organization For Migration

- A. New York
- B. Geneva
- C. Paris
- D. Rome

ANSWER: B

20. Which Country’s Head Signed A Bill, Revoking Its Ratification Of Global Nuclear Test Ban

- A. China
- B. USA
- C. Russia
- D. Israel

ANSWER: C