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Guru Tegh Bahadur On His Martyrdom Day

- **Martyrdom Day of Guru Tegh Bahadur**, the ninth Guru of Sikhs, is being observed 24 November. It was on **this** in **1675**, **Guru Tegh Bahadur** sacrificed his life to protect religion, human values, ideals and principles. The martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur is remembered as **Shaheedi Divas every year**.



- **During Aurangzeb's rule**, many **Hindus**, including Kashmiri Pandits, were forced to convert to Islam. Unable to endure this, they sought help from Guru Tegh Bahadur. The Guru took a bold stand, declaring that if he could be converted, others would follow.
- Despite being **imprisoned for four months** and witnessing the execution of three followers, Guru Tegh Bahadur remained firm in his faith. Ultimately, he was executed by **beheading on 11th November 1675**.
- His sacrifice is remembered for his courage and refusal to give in to oppression.
- several Gurudwaras honor Guru Tegh Bahadur's bravery and sacrifice:
- **Gurudwara Sis Ganj Sahib**, located at the site of his martyrdom in Chandni Chowk, Delhi.



- Gurudwara Rakab Ganj Sahib, where his body was cremated by a devoted follower.
- Gurudwara Sisganj Sahib in Punjab, where his head, brought from Delhi, was cremated.

Nayi Chetna Pahal Badlaav Ki

- Union Rural Development Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan will launch the third edition of **Nayi Chetna- Pahal Badlaav Ki** on the 25th of November at Akashvani's Rang Bhawan.



- Nayi Chetna is a National Campaign that aims to **amplify awareness and drive informed action against gender-based violence** through grassroots initiatives. The Month campaign will run across all States and Union Territories till the 23rd of December.
- The slogan for this year's campaign is **Ek Saath, Ek Awaaz, Hinsa Ke Khilaaf**. It is organized by the **Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana – National Rural Livelihoods**

Mission under the aegis of the Rural Development Ministry. The initiative is led by an extensive Self-Help Group network under this mission.

COP29: Commit To \$1.3 Trillion Baku Finance

- At COP29 in Baku, Azerbaijan, world leaders agreed on the **Baku Finance Goal**, committing **1.3 trillion dollars** in climate finance for developing countries by **2035**.
- This includes a **core annual target of 300 billion dollars**, tripling the previous 100 billion dollars goal. Despite the progress, developing nations, including India, criticized the agreement as insufficient, calling for greater ambition to address urgent climate needs.



- India’s Secretary of Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Leena Nandan, said, the goal is too little and too distant. She said, our estimate tells us we need to **do 1.3 trillion dollars by 2030**, yet we have only 300 billion dollars a year. She said, it does not address the needs and priorities of developing countries.
- The major key outcomes of the **Baku Finance Goal included**, Finalization of **Article 6 on carbon markets**, potentially channeling 1 trillion dollars annually by 2050 and Steps to **operationalize the Loss and Damage Fund**, with distribution set to begin in 2025 with Commitments to enhanced transparency and adaptation measures.



- **COP29 President Mukhtar Babayev** hailed the achievements as transformative, saying, billions will turn into trillions over the next decade. However, **UN Climate Chief Simon Stiell** acknowledged significant work remains, urging nations to strengthen their climate plans next year.
- **Critics argue the agreement offers inadequate support** to vulnerable nations. The summit concluded with calls to sustain momentum ahead of COP30 in Belém, Brazil, in 2025.

Dr. S Jaishankar Three Day Official Visit To Italy

- External Affairs Minister **Dr. S Jaishankar** is on a **three day official visit to Italy**. He will travel to **Fiuggi, Italy to participate in the Outreach session of the G7 Foreign Ministers' Meeting**, where India has been **invited as a guest country**.
- He is also expected to meet his counterparts from Italy and other participating nations in the **G7 related engagements** and hold bilateral discussions during the visit.



- During the visit, the External Affairs Minister will also participate in the **10th edition of the MED Mediterranean Dialogue** in Rome.
- It is being organised **by Institute for International Political Studies** in collaboration with **Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy**. Dr Jaishankar will also **inaugurate the new premises** of the Embassy of India in Rome.

Global Peace Award In Washington

- **Association of Indian American Minorities (AIAM)**, a newly launched non-governmental organization, was inaugurated, at the Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church in Maryland, USA.
- The organization aims to **foster unity and uplift minority communities** within the Indian American diaspora.



- During the launch event, **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** was honored in absentia with the '**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Global Peace Award for Minority Upliftment**', recognizing his efforts in inclusive development and minority welfare.
- His initiatives for **inclusive growth and minority welfare** were recognized globally. The organization has a seven-member Board of Directors representing diverse **Indian minority communities: Sikhs, Christians, Hindus, Muslims, and Jews**.

ISRO And ASA Join Hands For Gaganyaan Mission

- **Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO)** has entered into a significant collaboration with the **Australian Space Agency (ASA)** to support India's first crewed spaceflight program, Gaganyaan.
- **Two space agencies signed an Implementation Agreement (IA)** to enhance cooperation on **crew and crew module recovery**, which is crucial for the success of the Gaganyaan mission.



- This agreement will **provide India** with the necessary assistance to ensure the **safe recovery of astronauts** in the event of a **contingency during the mission**.
- This will ensure that both agencies are prepared to handle any **contingencies during the ascent phase**, particularly if the crew module aborts near Australian waters.
- **Gaganyaan mission aims to demonstrate India's** capability to carry out a Low Earth Orbit (LEO) mission with an Indian Crew Module. The mission will carry up to **three astronauts for a duration** of up to three days in space and is designed to safely recover the crew module after the mission's completion.
- **ASA will play a crucial role** in the support system for the Gaganyaan mission by **providing search and rescue operations** in the event of a contingency and ensuring safe recovery of the crew module.
- This support is particularly significant for any abort scenario during the ascent phase, which **may occur near Australian waters**.



- India and Australia **share a strong strategic partnership**, with both countries committed to exploring further opportunities for collaboration in space exploration. The IA marks an important step in **strengthening bilateral cooperation**, not just in space, but in other areas as well.

India Hosts 1st Global Cooperative Conference

- India will host the **International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) Global Cooperative Conference in New Delhi from November 25 to 30, 2024**. This marks the **first time in the 130-year history** of the ICA that the global cooperative movement's premier event will be held in India.



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch the **United Nations International Year of Cooperatives 2025** during this event. **First Time in India:** The ICA General Assembly and Global Cooperative Conference will be hosted by India, an **initiative led by IFFCO**.



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- Around **3,000 delegates**, including **1,000 international delegates** from over 100 countries. **Bhutan Prime Minister Dasho Tshering Tobgay** and **Fiji Deputy PM Manoa Kamikamica** will attend.
- Union Cooperation Minister Amit Shah will chair the inaugural session on November 25. **Theme: “Cooperatives Build Prosperity for All”**
- **Subthemes** : Enabling Policy and Entrepreneurial Ecosystems, Nurturing Purposeful Leadership for Prosperity, Reaffirming the Cooperative Identity , Shaping the Future for Prosperity in the 21st Century

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- Special Features
- **Carbon Neutral:** The event will be carbon neutral with sustainable practices like the **planting of 10,000 Peepal trees.**
- **Catering:** Only vegetarian food will be served, with no liquor allowed.
- **India's Role :** Cooperative Landscape: India houses 25% of the world's cooperatives, with 8 lakh cooperatives nationwide. The conference will showcase the strength of India's cooperative sector.
- **ICA was established in 1895** to promote the cooperative model.
- Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland.
- Moved from London in 1982
- It is the apex body representing cooperatives.
- More than 306 organizations from 105 countries are members of the ICA.
- The ICA unites, represents, and serves cooperatives worldwide.
- It provides a global voice and forum for knowledge, expertise, and coordinated action for and about cooperatives.

India's First Constitution Museum

- India will inaugurate its **first Constitution Museum in Sonapat**, Haryana, which will be attended by prominent leaders, including Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla. The museum will be located at **O.P. Jindal Global University (JGU)** and aims to tell the significance of the Constitution of India.



- The museum will feature interactive displays and advanced technology. Visitors will experience **AI-driven installations and 3D exhibits**. It will showcase the **Constitution's history over 75 years**.
- Each section of the Constitution will be represented. **Various formats will be used, including text, audio-visuais**, and experiential exhibits. The museum will highlight profiles of the Constituent Assembly members.



- **Dr. B.R. Ambedkar will be prominently featured**. He is recognized as the principal architect of the Constitution. The aim is to honor the contributions of these key figures.
- The **museum is part of the S.A.M.V.I.D. project**, which is a collaboration **between JGU and IIT Madras**. It seeks to make learning engaging and interactive. The project focuses on innovative storytelling techniques.

World Military Championships

- In Wrestling, India have clinched a total of **seven medals including three Gold, one Silver and three Bronze** at the **World Military Championships in Yerevan, Armenia**. Among the **gold medal winners** are India's Reetika Hooda in the women's 76kg category, Jyoti Sihag in the women's 55kg category and Jaideep in the Men's 74 kg Freestyle category.



- **Subedar Sharwan bagged** the silver medal in the men's 70 kg Free Style.
- **Bronze category medal holders** in the Men's category include Shubham in the 57 kg Free Style and Chandermohan in the 79 kg Free Style. While Priyanka bagged the bronze in the 68 Kg Women's category. India sent a women's contingent to the World Military Championships for the first time this year.



ATP Challenger Tour In Italy

- In Tennis, **N Sriram Balaji** and **Rithvik Bollipalli** have won Men's Doubles title at the **ATP Challenger Tour** in Italy.



- They defeated second-seeded French tennis player **Theo Arribage** and his **Portuguese partner Francisco Cabral** in the final.
- This was **Rithvik Bollipalli's second title on the ATP Challenger** Tour, having won the crown at the Almaty Open in Kazakhstan last month with Arjun Kadhe. For the 34-year-old Balaji, this was the first tennis title on the ATP Challenger Tour.



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REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Which Space Agency Signed A Pact With ISRO For Collaboration On Crew & Module Recovery For India's Gaganyaan Mission

- A. United States
- B. Australia
- C. Russia
- D. China

ANSWER: B

2. Where Was The International Film Festival Of India 2024 Held

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Goa
- C. Mumbai
- D. New Delhi

ANSWER: B

3. Which Organization Recently Published The State Of The World's Children 2024 Report

- A. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
- B. World Health Organization (WHO)
- C. International Labour Organization (ILO)
- D. World Trade Organization (WTO)

ANSWER: A

4. Where Was The 2nd India-CARICOM Summit Held

- A. India
- B. Guyana
- C. Barbados
- D. Bahamas

ANSWER: B

5. General Upendra Dwivedi Recently Received The Rank Of Honorary General Of Which Country's Army

- A. Myanmar
- B. Nepal
- C. Bhutan
- D. Bangladesh

ANSWER: B

6. Where Was The 4th Edition Of Creative Minds Of Tomorrow Initiative Inaugurated

- A. Chennai
- B. Goa
- C. Mumbai
- D. New Delhi

ANSWER: B

7. Which State Is The Host Of Khelo India Youth Games 2025

- A. Uttar Pradesh
- B. Maharashtra
- C. Bihar
- D. Gujarat

ANSWER: C

8. Where Was 6th Annual Summit Of The Leadership Group For Industry Transition Held

- A. Jakarta, Indonesia
- B. Baku, Azerbaijan
- C. New Delhi, India
- D. Abu Dhabi, UAE

ANSWER: B

9. Primary Objective Of “VISION Portal” Recently Launched By Government

- A. To empower underprivileged youth through education, skill development, and sustainable livelihoods
- B. To establish new startups
- C. To provide scholarships for engineering students
- D. To promote research in higher education

ANSWER: A

10. Which Countries Emerged As The Top Three Fastest Growing Economy Among The G20 Countries

- A. China, France and Germany
- B. India, Indonesia and China
- C. Argentina, Australia and Brazil
- D. United Kingdom, India and United States

ANSWER: B

11. What Is The IUCN Status Of “African Penguins”

- A. Critically Endangered
- B. Endangered
- C. Vulnerable
- D. Least Concern

ANSWER: A

12. Name Of Portal Launched To Improve Groundwater Management In India

- A. Bhu -Neer
- B. Aqua-Regulate
- C. Jal-Neer
- D. None of the Above

ANSWER: A

13. What Are Viragallu

- A. Religious scriptures
- B. Memorial stones commemorating the deaths of heroes in battle
- C. Currency coins of ancient India
- D. Traditional irrigation technique

ANSWER: B

14. Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy Is Associated With Which Sports

- A. Kabaddi
- B. Hockey
- C. Football
- D. Cricket

ANSWER: D

15. Which State/UT Is Host Of The 43rd India International Trade Fair

- A. Chennai
- B. Bengaluru
- C. New Delhi
- D. Hyderabad

ANSWER: C

16. Which Country Recently Became The 104th Member Of The International Solar Alliance

- A. Azerbaijan
- B. Georgia
- C. Armenia
- D. Turkey

ANSWER: C

17. On Which Day Of November Is National Philosophy Day Celebrated Every Year

- A. First Monday
- B. Second Friday
- C. Second Tuesday
- D. Third Thursday

ANSWER: D

18. Where and when was Guru Tegh Bahadur born

- A. Ludhiana in 1632
- B. Jalandhar in 1609
- C. Amritsar in 1621
- D. Patiala in 1612

ANSWER: C

19. Guru Tegh Bahadur's term as Guru ran from _____ to _____

- A. 1645 to 1675
- B. 1657 to 1675
- C. 1665 to 1675
- D. 1639 to 1657

ANSWER: C

20. What Is The Name Of The Zoological Park In India That Has Established A Genetic Biobank For Endangered Himalayan Species

- A. Nehru Zoological Park
- B. Rajiv Gandhi Zoological Park
- C. Amirthi Zoological Park
- D. Padmaja Naidu Zoological Park

ANSWER: D