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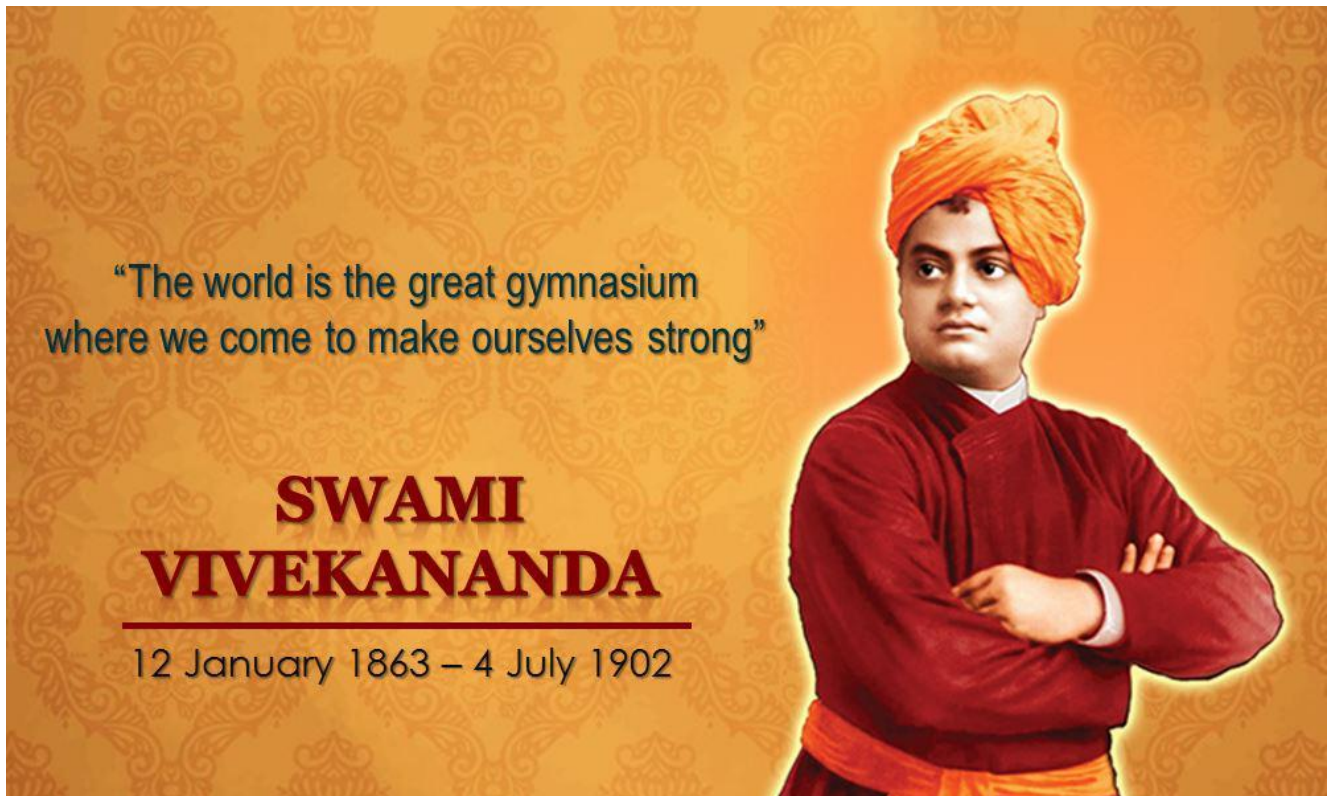
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- **Prime Minister said, Swami Vivekananda emphasised** walking the path of service and compassion. He was born as Narendranath Datta on 12th January, 1863. National Youth Day is held every year to observe the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.



- In 1893, upon the request of Maharaja Ajit Singh of the Khetri State, he took the name 'Vivekananda.' He was the chief disciple of the 19th-century mystic **Ramakrishna Paramhansa** and established the **Ramakrishna Mission in 1897**. In 1899, he established the Belur Math, which became his permanent abode.
- He died at Belur Math in 1902. Belur Math, located in West Bengal, is the headquarters of Ramakrishna Math & Ramakrishna Mission.

PM Modi Reaches Argentina

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi reached **Argentina's capital Beunos Aires** this morning on the third leg of his five-nation tour that aims to reinforce India's **engagements with the Global South**.
- Prime Minister Modi will begin his visit to **Argentina this evening by paying respects at the statue of General José de San Martín**, Argentina's revered freedom fighter and national hero.
- This visit is expected to **further strengthen the Strategic Partnership** and open new avenues of cooperation. Key areas include trade and investment, health and pharmaceuticals, defense and security, infrastructure, mining and mineral resources, agriculture and food security, green energy, ICT and digital

innovation, disaster management, science and technology, education, and people-to-people linkages.



- Prime Minister Modi is visiting **Argentina** at the invitation of President Javier Milei. The last meeting between the two leaders took place in November 2024 on the sidelines of the **G20 Summit in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil**.
- While the **Prime Minister visited Argentina in 2018** to attend the **G20 Summit**, this marks the first bilateral visit to the country by an Indian Prime Minister in 57 years – making it a historic occasion.



- Prime Minister's visit comes at a particularly **significant moment**, as **Argentina is undergoing major economic reforms** – in some ways reminiscent of those previously undertaken in India. India and Argentina share cohesive and robust relations across a wide range of sectors, deepened over decades of cooperation.
- **The bilateral ties were elevated to the level of a Strategic Partnership** in 2019, and the two countries celebrated 75 years of diplomatic relations in 2024. People-to-people connections are also strong, with Indian traditions such as Yoga, Ayurveda, and philosophy enjoying popularity in Argentina.



- **India's advancements in sectors such as defense** manufacturing, space, information technology, and Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) could offer valuable opportunities for Argentina. In addition, India's expertise in telemedicine and digital healthcare solutions presents a promising pathway for Argentina to enhance access to affordable, quality healthcare.
- **Argentina possesses the world's second-largest shale gas reserves** and the fourth-largest shale oil reserves, along with substantial conventional oil and gas deposits. This positions it as a potentially important energy partner for India in the future.
- Furthermore, **Argentina's rich deposits of critical minerals** – including lithium, copper, and other rare earth elements – complement India's growing need for secure and sustainable supplies to support its clean energy transition and industrial development. Together with Bolivia and Chile, Argentina forms the so-called **'Lithium Triangle.'**



- **Lithium is essential for modern technologies**, particularly for rechargeable batteries used in electric vehicles, portable electronics, and energy storage systems for renewables. Toward this end, Indian public sector companies such as Khanij Bidesh India Ltd. and Coal India Ltd. have secured certain concessions in Argentina's Catamarca province.
- This partnership is expected to be a key topic during discussions between the two leaders. Following his visit to Argentina, Prime Minister Modi will travel to **Brazil to participate in the BRICS Summit** in Rio de Janeiro, before proceeding to Namibia – the final stop on his tour.

India Signs 6 Agreements With Trinidad, Tobago

- **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** held wide-ranging talks with his Trinidad & Tobago counterpart **Kamla Persad-Bissessar** at the iconic Red House in Port of Spain last evening. Following the talks, **the two countries signed six agreements** to enhance cooperation in several sectors including infrastructure and pharmaceuticals.



- Prime Minister Modi said, the **two countries have agreed to deepen economic** ties and enhance cooperation in areas such as disaster management, climate change, defence, technology, healthcare and agricultural research.
- They also reaffirmed their commitment to strengthen global fight against terrorism. **Mr Modi reiterated India's commitment to India-CARICOM ties** and to furthering the voice of the Global South.

Order Of Trinidad & Tobago Caribbean Nations

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi was conferred **with 'The Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago'**. Mr Modi said he is honoured to be conferred with the country's highest national award.
- **He said he accepts it on behalf of 140 crore** Indians. Prime Minister Modi met the President of Trinidad and Tobago, Christine Kangaloo, at the President's House, Port of Spain.



SAIL Opens 1st Overseas Office In Dubai

- **Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)**, one of India's largest steel producers, has inaugurated its Representative Office in Dubai.



- **Steel and Heavy Industries Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy** inaugurated SAIL's first international office in West Asia, marking a significant step in its global expansion strategy.
- This move aligns with India's vision of enhancing the global presence of its steel industry and achieving the national steel production target **of three hundred million tonnes by 2030**.
- It also marks a **significant milestone in SAIL's evolution** into a globally competitive steelmaker and reflects India's growing profile in the international steel arena.

Russia Becomes 1st Country To Recognise Taliban Govt

- Russia said that it had accepted the credentials of a **new ambassador of Afghanistan**, making it the first nation to recognise the Taliban government of the country. In a statement, the Russian Foreign Ministry said Moscow saw good prospects to develop ties and would continue to support Kabul in security, counter-terrorism and combating drug crime.



- It also saw significant **trade and economic opportunities**, especially in energy, transport, agriculture and infrastructure. Afghan Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi said in a statement that his country values this courageous step taken by Russia, and God willing, it will serve as an example for others as well.
- No **other country has formally recognised the Taliban government** that seized power in August 2021 as U.S.-led forces staged a chaotic withdrawal from Afghanistan after 20 years of war. However, China, the United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan, and Pakistan have all designated ambassadors to Kabul, in a step towards recognition.

Indian Mango Mania 2025

- **Commerce and Industry Ministry** has organised a Mango Promotion Programme in Abu Dhabi as part of its ongoing efforts to enhance the global presence of Indian agricultural products, particularly mangoes.
- The event marked the launch of '**Indian Mango Mania 2025**'-a vibrant in-store mango festival held in collaboration with the Embassy of India in the UAE and the Lulu Group.



- Ministry said that, Mango Promotion Programme aims to showcase India's finest mango varieties to international consumers, especially the large Indian diaspora across the **UAE and the Gulf region**. Premium Indian mango varieties like **Banarasi Langda, Dasher, Chausa, Amrapali, Malda, and Mallika** have been displayed. India had exported over 12 thousand tonnes of mangoes worth 20 million US dollars to the UAE last year.

REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. Swami Vivekananda Was Disciple Of

- A. Ramanand
- B. Ramakrishna Paramhansa
- C. Ramanuj
- D. Guru nanak

ANSWER: B

2. Vivekananda Was A

- A. Religious Guru
- B. Poet
- C. Philosopher
- D. All Of The Above

ANSWER: D

3. 'Indian Mango Mania 2025 Organised In

- A. Dubai
- B. Abu Dabhi
- C. Sudan
- D. Ghana

ANSWER: B

4. Which Country Partnered With India To Launch A Climate-resilient Wheat Initiative Aimed Reducing Wheat Imports

- A. Kenya
- B. Spain
- C. Nigeria
- D. Ghana

ANSWER: D

5. RECLAIM Framework Is An Initiative Of Which Ministry

- A. Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
- B. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change
- C. Ministry of Coal
- D. Ministry of Finance

ANSWER: C

6. Namdapha National Park Is Located In Which State

- A. Sikkim
- B. Assam
- C. Manipur
- D. Arunachal Pradesh

ANSWER: D

7. Which Institution Has Launched The Financial Fraud Risk Indicator

- A. Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- B. National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI)
- C. Department of Telecommunications' Digital Intelligence Unit (DoT-DIU)
- D. Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre

ANSWER: C

8. C-FLOOD Platform Is Jointly Developed By Which Two Organizations

- A. Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)
- B. Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) Pune and Central Water Commission (CWC)
- C. India Meteorological Department (IMD) and Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
- D. National Informatics Centre (NIC) and National Technical Research Organisation

ANSWER: B

9. Where Was The Annual Conference Of Zone II Of The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Held

- A. Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- B. Dehradun, Uttarakhand
- C. Dharamshala, Himachal Pradesh
- D. Indore, Madhya Pradesh

ANSWER: C

10. Kariyachalli Island, Is Located In Which State

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

ANSWER: C

11. Which Country Is The Host Of Asian Youth Table Tennis Championships 2025

- A. Uzbekistan
- B. Indonesia
- C. India
- D. China

ANSWER: A

12. What Is The Rank Of India In Terms Of The Total Number Of Satellites In Orbit

- A. Third
- B. Fifth
- C. Sixth
- D. Seventh

ANSWER: D

13. Which Country Become First In The Amazon Region To Receive Malaria-free Certification From The World Health Organisation

- A. Suriname
- B. Ecuador
- C. Venezuela
- D. Guyana

ANSWER: A

14. Raj Bhavan Annadhan Scheme Was Launched In Which State

- A. Kerala
- B. Goa
- C. Maharashtra
- D. Gujarat

ANSWER: B

15. Which Ministry Has Released The Report Titled “Value Of Output From Agriculture And Allied Sectors”

- A. Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying
- B. Ministry of Agriculture
- C. Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation
- D. Ministry of Finance

ANSWER: C

16. Namdapha National Park Is Located In Which State

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ANSWER: D

17. PM MITRA scheme is associated with which industry

- A. Textiles
- B. Food processing
- C. Automobiles
- D. Renewable Energy

ANSWER: A

18. Name Of The Operation Launched By The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) To Stop Illegal Pharmaceutical Drug Trade

- A. Operation MED MAX
- B. Operation Black Shield
- C. Operation Delta Strike
- D. Operation White Eagle

ANSWER: A

19. Who Among Following Was Honoured With Lifetime Achievement Award By The Sports Journalists Association Of Mumbai

- A. Michael Ferreira
- B. Anjali Bhagwat
- C. Ravi Shastri
- D. Joaquim Carvalho

ANSWER: C

20. Name Of Operation Under Which NCB Busted The Darknet Drug Racket

- A. Operation APPLE
- B. Operation MELON
- C. Operation TIGER
- D. Operation STORM

ANSWER: B