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ICC Suspends USA Cricket's Membership Over Governance Issues

- International Cricket Council (ICC) has officially suspended USA Cricket's membership with immediate effect, citing ongoing governance and compliance failures.
- The decision, announced on 23 September 2025, follows prolonged concerns regarding USA Cricket's ability to function as a responsible ICC Member, and comes just as the sport prepares for a high-profile return to the Olympic Games at LA28.
- The ICC Board's decision was based on "repeated and continued breaches" by USA Cricket, violating obligations outlined in the ICC Constitution.
- Failure to implement a functional governance structure
- Inability to progress toward National Governing Body status with the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC)
- Reputational damage caused to cricket in the US and internationally
- The ICC emphasized that this move, though unfortunate, was necessary to protect the long-term interests of the sport, particularly as cricket aims to cement its Olympic credentials through the 2028 Games in Los Angeles.
- The ICC is the global governing body of cricket. It was founded as the Imperial Cricket Conference in 1909 by representatives from Australia, England, and South Africa. In 1965, the body was renamed as the International Cricket Conference and adopted its current name in 1987.
- Headquarters: Dubai, United Arab Emirates
- Founded: 15 June 1909



Vandana Gupta Assumes Charge as CG of Communication Accounts

- In a notable development under the Ministry of Communications and as part of the ongoing Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations, Ms. Vandana Gupta has officially taken charge as the Controller General of Communication Accounts (CGCA) in New Delhi.
- Ms. Gupta is a 1990 batch officer of the Indian Post & Telecommunication Accounts and Finance Service (IP&TAFS).
- Over the last three decades, she has held several critical positions across various telecom circles including Maharashtra, Delhi, Tamil Nadu, and Gujarat.



Anand Piramal Named Chairman of Piramal Finance

- Anand Piramal has been appointed as the Chairman of Piramal Finance, stepping into the role after the exit of his father, Ajay Piramal, following the recent merger of Piramal Enterprises.
- This leadership transition marks a significant milestone for the Piramal Group's non-banking financial arm, now headed by Anand Piramal.
- The change was ratified during the first board meeting post-merger, which was approved by the National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) on September 10.
- This transition represents a generational shift in leadership and a strategic reshaping of Piramal Finance amid evolving market dynamics. Anand Piramal's elevation aligns with the group's broader vision of digital-first financial services and innovation-driven growth in the NBFC sector.



World Contraception Day 2025

- Every year on 26 September, the global health community observes World Contraception Day, an initiative launched in 2007 to raise awareness about the full range of contraceptive methods and promote informed choice and access.
- Over the past decades, the day has become a focal point for civil society, NGOs, health providers, and governments to strengthen dialogue on reproductive health, rights, and family planning.

- World Contraception Day was established in 2007 by a coalition of family-planning organizations to promote the idea that every person should have the knowledge and means to choose if, when, and how many children to have.
- Theme 2025
- The official theme for World Contraception Day 2025 is “**A choice for all — agency, intention, access.**”



European Day of Languages 2025

- The European Day of Languages is observed annually on 26 September to celebrate Europe's rich linguistic and cultural heritage. First proclaimed in 2001 by the Council of Europe at the end of the European Year of Languages.
- This observance aims to promote multilingualism, cultural exchange, and lifelong language learning among Europeans of all ages.
- **Objectives of the European Day of Languages**
- Raising awareness of the importance of learning languages to enhance plurilingualism and intercultural understanding
- Promoting linguistic diversity as a cultural asset of Europe
- Encouraging lifelong language learning in both formal education and informal settings



World Environmental Health Day 2025

- World Environmental Health Day, observed annually on September 26, serves as a powerful reminder of the deep interconnection between human health and the environment.
- This global observance encourages collective action to tackle environmental hazards and promote sustainable living for the benefit of current and future generations.
- World Environmental Health Day was launched in 2011 by the International Federation of Environmental Health (IFEH) at a Council meeting held in Indonesia.
- Founded in 1986, the IFEH is a global nonprofit organization that promotes the exchange of knowledge and cooperation in matters related to environmental health.
- The 2025 theme, **“Clean Air, Healthy People,”** emphasizes that air quality is directly linked to human well-being.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. When was the International Cricket Council (ICC) founded?

- A. 1920
- B. 1909
- C. 1987
- D. 1965

ANSWER: B

2. What was the original name of ICC when it was founded?

- A. International Cricket Committee
- B. Imperial Cricket Conference
- C. International Cricket Council
- D. Cricket World Conference

ANSWER: B

3. Which countries were the founding members of ICC?

- A. England, Australia, South Africa
- B. India, Australia, England
- C. Australia, Pakistan, England
- D. England, West Indies, South Africa

ANSWER: A

4. In which year did ICC change its name to International Cricket Conference?

- A. 1909
- B. 1987
- C. 1965
- D. 2005

ANSWER: C

5. Where is the headquarters of ICC currently located?

- A. London
- B. Mumbai
- C. Dubai
- D. Cape Town

ANSWER: C

6. Why was the ICC headquarters moved to Dubai?

- A. Better infrastructure
- B. Tax efficiency and growing cricket power in Asia
- C. Climate
- D. Security reasons

ANSWER: B

7. Which day is observed as World Environmental Health Day?

- A. September 25
- B. June 5
- C. September 26
- D. October 1

ANSWER: C

8. What is the theme for World Environmental Health Day 2025?

- A. 6 Clean Water, Healthy Lives
- B. Clean Air, Healthy People
- C. Healthy Cities, Green Future
- D. Protect Our Planet

ANSWER: B

9. Anand PIRAMAL was appointed Chairman of which company after the exit of Ajay PIRAMAL?

- A. PIRAMAL Realty
- B. PIRAMAL Enterprises

- C. Piramal Finance
- D. Piramal Pharma

ANSWER: C

10. Who has taken charge as CGCA in New Delhi during Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav celebrations?

- A. Ajay Piramal
- B. Vandana Gupta
- C. Anand Piramal
- D. Shashank Manohar

ANSWER: B