

Current Affairs July 2023

1. Who has taken oath as the new Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra?

Solution:- NCP leader Ajit Pawar has taken oath as the new Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra. This is the third time in the last 5-years that Ajit Pawar has taken oath as the Deputy Chief Minister of Maharashtra.

2. Which country has become the first country in the world to ban thin plastic bags?

Solution:- New Zealand is the first country in the world to ban thin plastic bags.

3. Who has been re-appointed as the Solicitor General of India?

Solution:- Tushar Mehta is appointed again as the Solicitor General of India

June Current Affairs 2023

1. When the 76th annual World Health Assembly was held?

Solution:- The 76th Annual World Health Assembly has been held from May 21 to 30, 2023 in Geneva, Switzerland. Union Minister Mansukh Madaviya, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare represented India in the World Health Assembly.

2. When is Global Day of Parents observed?

Solution:- The Global Day of Parents is observed on June 1 every year.

3. Is the NIRF ranking 2024 released?

Solution:- Yes, the 8th edition of the NIRF ranking has been released Ministry of Education (MoE) on the basis of the parameters defined by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF). Indian Institute of Technology, Madras has topped the list for the 5th consecutive year. Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, and Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi have got 2nd and 3rd positions respectively.

4. Who is appointed as the new Chairperson of The Hindu Group?

Solution:- Ms. Nirmala Lakshman has been appointed as the New Chairperson of The Hindu Group Publishing Private Limited (THGPPL) for a term of three years.

5. Who is the new brand ambassador of the Smriti Mandhana of the Wrangler brand?

Solution:- Indian cricketer Smriti Mandhana has been appointed as the brand ambassador of its Wrangler brand which is under Ace Turtle Omni Private Limited.

6. When "World Food Safety Day is observed?

Solution:- "World Food Safety Day" is observed on June 7 every year.

7. When "World Oceans Day is celebrated?

Solution:- World Oceans Day is observed on June 8 every year. The celebration of the day began in 2008.

8. Who is the first batsman to score a century in World Test Championship?

Solution:- Australian batsman Travis Head is the first cricketer to score a century in World Test Championship (WTC).

9. When was the first edition of the India, France and UAE Maritime Partnership Exercise held?

Solution:- The 1st edition of the India, France, and United Arab Emirates (UAE) Maritime Partnership Exercise began on June 7, 2023 in the Gulf of Oman, featuring the participation of INS Tarkash, French Ship Surcouf, French Rafale aircraft and UAE Navy Maritime Patrol Aircraft.

10. When is "International Nurses Day" observed?

Solution:- International Nurses Day is observed on May 12 every year.

11. Who has been named the first Global Ambassador by the Gucci fashion brand?

Solution:- Gucci, the luxury fashion brand, has appointed Alia Bhatt as its first global ambassador from India.

12. Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the Cheetah Project Steering Committee set up by NTCA?

Solution:- Rajesh Bansal, the Secretary General of Global Tiger Forum, has been appointed as its Chairman, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change said in a statement.

13. Which institution launched the 'e-Appeal scheme 2023'?

Solution:- The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) launched the "e-appeal" scheme which was announced in the budget. Its aim is to minimize the pendency of appeals related to Tax Deducted at Source (TDS).

14. Which city is the host of the 'International Organic Mahotsav-2023'?

Solution:- International Organic Mahotsav-2023 was organized from June 2 to 4 in Gadiraju Palace in Visakhapatnam.

15. In which city will the FIFA Club World Cup 2023 be organized?

Solution:- FIFA Club World Cup 2023 will be organized in Jeddah city of Saudi Arabia at King Abdullah Sport City Stadium and Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium.

16. Who has been appointed as the new Director of Outer Space Affairs of the United Nations?

Solution:- UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has appointed Indian-origin Aarti Holar-Maini as the Director of the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) in Vienna.

17. Who has been appointed as the new Chief Secretary of Punjab?

Solution:- The Punjab state government has appointed IAS officer Anurag Verma as the new chief secretary of the state.

18. What is the rank of India in the Energy Transition Index released by the World Economic Forum?

Solution:- The World Economic Forum has released the Energy Transition Index recently. India is at 67th position in this ranking. Top 5 countries are Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland and Switzerland.

19. Which author has been awarded the prestigious 'German Peace Prize'?

Solution:- Renowned author Salman Rushdie has been awarded the prestigious German Peace Prize for his literary works. He will be given this award on October 22 this year in Frankfurt.

20. Who is appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Panama?

Solution:- Foreign Service officer Sumit Seth has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to the Central American country of Panama.

Current Affair May 2023

1. When 'World Autism Awareness Day' is observed?

Solution:- 'World Autism Awareness Day' is celebrated on May 1 every year.

2. Has Union Government blocked any Google Play and App Store applications?

Solution:- According to the Ministry of Home Affairs, Union Government has banned 14 applications in the Google Play and App Store. As per the officials, the banned apps have allowed terrorists to communicate. Threema and Zangi are some of the private messenger applications that have been blocked.

3. Is the Indian Army inducting First Women Officers into the Regiment of Artillery?

Solution:- Yes, Indian Army inducted five women officers into its Regiment of Artillery. Lieutenant Mehak Saini, Lieutenant Sakshi Dubey, Lieutenant Aditi Yadav, Lieutenant Pious Mudgil, and Lieutenant Akanksha were the Women officers who joined the Army's premier artillery units. They completed their training successfully at the Officers Training Academy (OTA) in Chennai.

4. Who was selected as the new Managing Director of Bank of India?

Solution:- The Indian government has selected Rajneesh Karnatak as the new MD of the Bank of India (BOI). As per the report, he will take up the

role of MD & Chairman of the Bank of India for a period of three years.

5. When is World Asthma Day observed?

Solution:- World Asthma Day is observed on May 2 every year. Its goal is to improve awareness and care of asthma on a global scale.

6. When is World Tuna Day observed?

Solution:- World Tuna Day is observed on May 2 to increase awareness regarding the importance of Tuna fish and improve the sustainable fishing practice.

7. Who is appointed as the Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court?

Solution:- Justice TS Sivagnanam was appointed as Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court. He is serving as the acting Chief Justice of Calcutta High Court since March 31, 2023.

8. When ASEAN India Maritime Exercise (AIME) 2023 be held?

Solution:- ASEAN India Maritime Exercise 2023 is being held from May 2 to 8, 2023. The 'Harbour Phase' of the exercise is scheduled to be held at Changi Naval Base from May 2 to 4, 2023 and the 'Sea Phase' from May 7 and 8, 2023 in the South China Sea.

9. 'World Press Freedom Day' observed on?

Solution:- 'World Press Freedom Day' is observed on May 3.

10. What is the name of a digital distribution platform which was created by HDFC Bank of India recently?

Solution:- This Digital Distribution Platform is named 'HDFC Bank Smart Saathi'. This platform will provide a safe and user-friendly experience to its customers.

11. Who is selected as the new president of the World Bank?

Solution:- Mr. Ajay Banga has been selected as the new World Bank President. Indian origin Ajay Banga will serve as World Bank President for five years starting on June 2, 2023.

12. International Firefighters Day is observed on?

Solution:- International Firefighters Day is observed on May 4 every year.

13. Who is selected as the next president of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)?

Solution:- Mark Nicholas is selected as the next president of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC).

14. When is 'World Athletic Day' observed?

Solution:- 'World Athletic Day' is observed on May 7.

15. In which state, the Dawki and land port integrated?

Solution:- The Dawki and Land Port integrated is integrated by The Union Minister of State for Home Affairs Nithyanand Rai in West Janihita Hills, Meghalaya.

16. When were World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day observed?

Solution:- World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day are celebrated on May 8 every year to honour the

birth anniversary of Henry Dunant. He founded the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and was the first person to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

17. Who got the Men's Player of the Month title for April month 2023 by the International Cricket Council (ICC)?

Solution:- Pakistan's Fakhar Zaman has been honoured with the Men's Player of the Month title for April month 2023 by ICC.

18. Is MakeMyTrip collaborating with Microsoft?

Solution:- Yes, MakeMyTrip is collaborating with Microsoft to introduce voice-assisted booking in Indian languages.

19. When was the "International Nurses Day" celebrated?

Solution:- International Nurses Day is celebrated on May 12 every year.

20. Where was India's first reading lounge inaugurated?

Solution:- India's first-ever to reading lounge was opened at the Lal Bahadur Shastri International Airport. The reading lounge was set up with the help of the National Book Trust (NBT).

21. Who is appointed as the next director of the Central Bureau of Investigation?

Solution:- Praveen Sood, the Director General of Police in Karnataka is appointed as the next CBI Director.

22. Who received Govind Swarup Lifetime Achievement Award 2022?

Solution:- Prof Jayant V. Narlikar, Renowned astronomer and founder director of IUCAA,

received the Govind Swarup Lifetime Achievement Award from the Astronomical Society of India (ASI).

23. When and where was the 6th Indian Ocean Conference (IOC) held?

Solution:- The sixth IOC was held in Dhaka, Bangladesh on May 12 and 13, 2023.

24. When did 'National Technology Week' take place?

Solution:- National Technology Week has been observed from May 11 to 14, 2023.

25. When was 'World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2023' observed?

Solution:- 'World Telecommunication and Information Society Day 2023' is observed on May 17 every year.

26. When was World Hypertension Day observed?

Solution:- World Hypertension Day is observed on May 17.

27. Who scales Mount Everest for a record 27th time?

Solution:- Nepali climber Kami Rita Sherpa reached the top of Mount Everest for the 27th time on May 17, reclaiming the record for the summits of the world's highest mountain.

28. Was RBI announced the withdrawal of 2000 rupees banknotes from Circulation?

Solution:- Yes, the Reserve Bank of India announced the withdrawal of 2000 rupees banknotes from circulation. The move comes as the objective of introducing the Rs. 2000 banknotes has been fulfilled, and other

denominations now adequately meet the currency requirements of the economy.

29. When was 'International Tea Day 2023' celebrated?

Solution:- 'International Tea Day 2023' is celebrated on May 21 every year.

30. Who is named as the brand ambassador of Tripura Tourism?

Solution:- Indian former cricketer Sourav Ganguly is named as the brand ambassador of Tripura Tourism.

31. Who is elected as the New President of the Basketball Federation of India?

Solution:- Dr K. Govindaraj was elected as the President of the International Basketball Federation (FIBA), Asia. The first Indian to lead the International Basketball Federation in Asia. He is also the President of the Basketball Federation of India and President of the Karnataka Olympic Association.

32. When was ISRO launched GSLV-F12 launched successfully?

Solution:- The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has launched GSLV-F12 successfully and placed the NVS-01 navigation satellite into a geosynchronous transfer orbit on May 29.

33. Who has been appointed as the President of CII for the year 2023-24?

Solution:- The National Council of the Confederation of Indian Industry has appointed R Dinesh as the President of CII for the year 2023-24. He is the executive vice-chairman of TVS Supply Chain Solutions (TVS SCS).

Current Affairs April 2023

1. Where is the world's first conservation for Asian King Vulture located?

Solution:- The world's first conservation for Asian King Vulture will be inaugurated at Maharajganj district, Uttar Pradesh which is under the critically endangered category now. The conservation and breeding centre is named as "Jatayu Conservation and breeding centre (JCBC).

2. 'International Mine Awareness Day' is celebrated on?

Solution:- April 4

3. 'World Autism Awareness Day' is celebrated on?

Solution:- April 2

4. "International Day of Sport & Peace" is celebrated on?

Solution:- April 6

5. Which country has become the 31st member of NATO?

Solution:- Finland

6. Who is the 40th President of the FICCI Ladies Organization (FLO)?

Solution:- Sudha Shivakumar is appointed as the 40th President of the FICCI Ladies Organization (FLO). Sudha Shivakumar is a lawyer and investment banker. She worked as the President of the FLO Chennai Chapter from 2016 to 2017.

7. When was the Dogri version of the Indian Constitution released?

Solution:- India released the 1st edition of the Dogri version of the Indian Constitution on April 10, 2023. Dogri is a language spoken in the northern Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir

and is one of the 22 official languages recognized by the Indian Constitution.

8. When is National Safe Motherhood Day 2023 observed?

Solution:- National Safe Motherhood Day is celebrated on April 11.

9. Who launched the State Energy Efficiency Index 2021-22 report?

Solution:- Power Minister R K Singh launched the State Energy Efficiency Index 2021-22 report. Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala, Rajasthan, and Telangana are the top-performing states, with a score of over 60 points on various parameters used to evaluate state-level energy efficiency initiatives.

10. When and where Women-20 international meeting will be held?

Solution:- The 2nd Women-20 international meeting is being conducted on April 13 and 14 at Jaipur, Rajasthan. 120 women leaders from 18 G-20 countries are participating in the Women-20 international meeting.

11. 'National League for Democracy is a political party belongs to which country?

Solution:- Myanmar

12. Which company signed a deal with Indian Army for procuring the 'Akash Weapon System'?

Solution:- The Government of India has signed a contract to procure Akash Weapon System for the Indian Army. Akash Weapon System is a short-range surface-to-air missile air defence system.

13. Which institution developed a pocket-friendly device to detect milk adulteration in 30 seconds?

Solution:- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras.

14. India's first underwater metro train is located at?

Solution:- India's first underwater metro train is located in Kolkata under the river bed of Hoogly. The metro train is likely to cover 520 meters under the Hoogly River.

15. When is World Hemophilia Day?

Solution:- World Hemophilia Day is celebrated on April 17 to raise awareness about Hemophilia which is a rare genetic blood disorder that prevents blood clotting.

16. How much net and gross direct tax was collected in the financial year 2022-23?

Solution:- The net direct tax collections have been increased by 160% to reach Rs 16,61,428 crore in 2022-23 from Rs 6,38,596 crore in 2013-14. The gross direct tax collections also increased by 173% to Rs 19,68,780 crore in 2022-23 from Rs 7,21,604 crore in 2013-14.

17. Which is the strongest tyre brand in India?

Solution:- Madras Rubber Factory, commonly known as MRF or MRF Tyres, is an Indian multinational tyre manufacturing company that is the strongest tyre brand in India. As per the recent report by Brand Finance, a U.K.-based brand valuation consultancy, MRF Tyres has been ranked as the second-strongest tyre brand in the world.

18. 'World Heritage Day' is celebrated on?

Solution:- World Heritage Day, also referred to as International Day for Monuments and Sites is celebrated on April 18 every year. The primary objective of this day is to raise awareness among the people for safeguarding our historical structures, landmarks, and archaeological locations.

19. In which city first Apple store was inaugurated in India?

Solution:- India's first Apple store was integrated at Jio World Drive Mall, Bandra Kurla Complex in Mumbai on April 18, 2023. The second Apple store in India will be opened in New Delhi on April 20.

20. In which state was the DNA database developed?

Solution:- Himachal Pradesh is the first state in India to make the DNA Database for unidentified bodies. A total of 150 DNA samples of nameless dead bodies have been recorded.

21. Is India become the most populous country in the world?

Solution:- As per the United Nations data, India has surpassed China to become the world's most populous nation with 142.86 crore people and China has a population of 142.57 crores.

22. "World Liver Day Celebrated" is observed on?

Solution:- World Liver Day Celebrated is observed on April 19. World Liver Day is celebrated to make people conscious of their own eating habits. The plan is to spread information about liver diseases including cirrhosis, hepatitis, jaundice, fatty liver and more.

23. Who is the first Indian woman cricketer to be named Wisden Cricketers of the Year 2023?

Solution:- Indian women's cricket team captain Harmanpreet Kaur becomes the first woman player to be selected as the Wisden Cricketers of the Year for 2023.

24. Which state is hosting Men's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy 2023?

Solution:- Tamil Nadu state is hosting Men's Hockey Asian Champions Trophy 2023 in Chennai from August 3 to 12, 2023. India is hosting this tournament for the first time and it will be the 7th edition of the tournament.

25. How much budget was allocated for National Quantum Mission?

Solution:- Union Cabinet has approved the National Quantum Mission (NQM) and allocated 6003.65 crores. The main aim of this mission is to develop scientific and industrial Research and Development in Quantum Technology (QT). National Quantum Mission (NQM) will be implemented by the Department of Science and Technology (DST).

26. When and where the First Hybrid Solar Eclipse 2023 happened?

Solution:- The World's First Hybrid Solar Eclipse happened on April 20, 2023. This solar eclipse is a combination of total and annular phases of the Moon covering Earth. This Hybrid Solar Eclipse was visible in a ring-like structure.

27. Which city is the host of the 'G20 Space Economy Leaders Meeting' in India?

Solution:- The G20 Space Economy Leaders Meeting is organized in Shillong, The Meeting is

being organised under India's G20 presidency by the Department of Space, Government of India.

28. Who is the first woman officer to get awarded the Gallantry Medal?

Solution:- Deepika Misra is the first woman IAF officer to have been honoured with the Gallantry Medal. She got the medal from Indian Air Force Chief Marshal VR Chaudhari during an investiture ceremony conducted in New Delhi.

29. What is 'Wheels in Web' which was launched by Toyota?

Solution:- Toyota has opened a digital store named 'Wheels on Web' and this is the first-ever online digital store. Customers can view, purchase and book all models of cars. This is the nation's first B2C platform which is made available across Bangalore.

30. Which Indian-American has been appointed as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense in the US?

Solution:- Indian-origin Radha Iyengar Plumb has been designated by the US Senate as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense. She has been working as the Chief of Staff to the Deputy Secretary of Defense.

31. In which place the Belgium firm based biodiesel project launches in India?

Solution:- Belgium-based company Vito has been chosen the city of Ayodhya or a two-year pilot project aimed at producing biodiesel from waste. According to the officials, The company has already started working on the project which focuses on clean technology and sustainable development.