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## History of January 27

- ◆ **1974** : President V.V. Giri dedicated the Nehru Memorial Museum at Teen Murti, New Delhi to the nation.
- ◆ **1967** : Three astronauts died in the Apollo 1 accident.
- ◆ **1988** : Helicopter mail service was inaugurated for the first time.
- ◆ **1948** : The first tape recorder was sold
- ◆ **1556** : Emperor Humayun of the Mughal Empire died.
- ◆ **2008** : Bird flu spread in 13 districts of West Bengal.

## Current Affairs Related to 27 January

- ◆ India is set to launch a year-long festival to explore global connections through the celebration of Ramayana and its cultural significance. Along with the Ram temple in Ayodhya, it marks the beginning of a cultural festival uniting the world through Ramayana. The festival started from the historic Purana Qila in Delhi and passed through various cities like Lucknow, Ayodhya and Varanasi. Cultural activities will be started with the cooperation of state governments at iconic places related to Ramayana including Chitrakoot in Madhya Pradesh, Ayodhya in Uttar Pradesh, Sitamarhi in Bihar, Hampi in Karnataka and Kanyakumari in Tamil Nadu.
- ◆ In an important step for the industry especially in green energy the government has introduced regulations to accelerate energy storage installation and enhance energy security. Specifically, specialized consumers can now operate dedicated transmission lines without a license, a privilege previously reserved for generating companies and captive stations. This change promotes access to the green energy sector and accelerates business processes.
- ◆ Vice Admiral A N Pramod takes charge as Director General of Naval Operations. AN Pramod, an alumnus of the 38th Integrated Cadet Course, Naval Academy Goa, was commissioned into the Indian Navy on 1 July 1990. This Flag Officer is actually a CAT AC King Air Operations Officer and communications and electronics warfare expert. He underwent Staff Course at DSSC Wellington and Naval Higher Command Course at NWC, Goa.
- ◆ US Air Force pilot Madison Marsh has created history by winning the title of Miss America 2024. Madison Marsh is the first active duty Air Force officer to win this title. 22-year-old Madison Marsh was crowned Miss America 2024. Madison, a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and a master's student in the public policy program at Harvard Kennedy School, won a beauty pageant in Orlando, Florida.
- ◆ Military history will be preserved under the Shaurya Anthila project. These initiatives have been launched as part of the Army's endeavor to preserve the glorious past of the Army for the future generation. More than 1300 units, formations, regimental centers and military museums hold 700 hours of audio visual material and 11 lakh pages of records in the form of war memoirs. Another kiosk will be set up in the upcoming history cell of the Army War College.
- ◆ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the new campus of the National Customs Indirect Taxes and Narcotics Academy at Palasamudram in Sri Sathya Sai district of Andhra Pradesh.
- ◆ President of India Smt. Draupadi Murmu inaugurated the 5th edition of Meghalaya Games in Tura, Meghalaya. In his address, the President highlighted the tremendous potential for development of sports and sportspersons in the North East region, citing the rich tradition of strong sports culture.
- ◆ After 40 years of distinguished service, INS Cheetah, Guldar and Kumbhir were decommissioned. The decommissioning ceremony of these ships was conducted in a traditional ceremony at Port Blair, in which the National Flag, Naval Ensign and the decommissioning emblem of the three ships were lowered for the last time at sunset. INS Cheetah, Guldar and Kumbhir were built at the Polnocny Srinivasa shipyard in Gdynia, Poland, as ships that could deliver tanks, vehicles, cargo and troops directly to a low-lying beach without having to dock.
- ◆ India's first National Highway Steel Slag Road section on NH-66 Mumbai Goa National Highway was inaugurated by Dr. VK Saraswat, Member NITI Aayog. Steel slag road technology developed by Council of Scientific and Industrial Research Central Road Research Institute is converting waste from steel industries into wealth. It is assisting the National Highway Authority of India in building sustainable and environment friendly highways in the country.

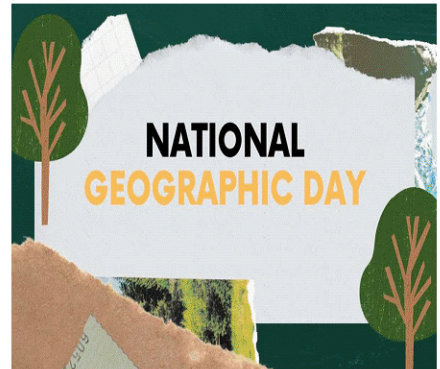


## National & International Current Affairs

**1. When is National Geographic Day celebrated every year?**

- (A) 25th January (B) 26th January  
(C) 27th January (D) 28th January

**(C)** Every year on 27 January, Geographical Day is celebrated across the country. It is a day to honor National Geographic Magazine, which has been published continuously for more than a century. National Geographic is something we take for granted, which isn't surprising considering it's been around for over 100 years.



**2. Which country has recently announced the withdrawal of Indian soldiers by March 15?**

- (A) Maldives (B) Sri Lanka  
(C) China (D) Bangladesh

**(A)** Recently Maldives has asked India to withdraw its army by March 15. India will have to withdraw its 88 soldiers within two months. After becoming President about two months ago, Muizzu had announced the removal of soldiers of other countries deployed in Maldives. He also gave slogan like India Out in his election campaign.



**3. Which ministry recently canceled the FCRA registration of Center for Policy Research?**

- (A) Ministry of Education (B) Ministry of Culture  
(C) Home Ministry (D) All of the above

**(C)** The Home Ministry in India has canceled the registration of the Center for Policy Research in New Delhi alleging violation of the Foreign Contribution Amendment Act 2020. The leading public policy research institute led by Yamini Aiyar, daughter of Congress leader Mani Shankar Aiyar, has faced a government probe for allegedly violating FCRA norms.



**4. Who has become the fastest bowler to take 7 wickets in an ODI international match?**

- (A) Wanindu Hasaranga (B) Shivam Dubey  
(C) Ravindra Jadeja (D) Adam Zampa

**(A)** Sri Lankan leg spinner Wanindu Hasaranga produced a career-best performance of 7 for 19 in the deciding ODI against Zimbabwe in Colombo. With this, he has become the fastest bowler to take 7 wickets in One Day International. Hasaranga had taken 7 wickets in just 35 balls.



**5. Who recently launched the Secure Army Mobile Ecosystem Sambhavan?**

- (A) Indian Navy (B) Indian Air Force  
(C) Indian Army (D) Indian Coast Guard

**(C)** Indian Army has developed indigenously developed end to end secure mobile ecosystem with on-the-go connectivity. Which has been named possible. It has been developed in collaboration with national centers of excellence in academia and industry. It is an indigenously developed secure end-to-end mobile ecosystem. Which has been developed on 5G technology.





6. Which country has recently announced to provide military aid worth two and a half billion dollars to Ukraine?

- (A) India (B) Britain  
(C) Russia (D) Pakistan

**(B)** The British Prime Minister announced military aid worth two and a half billion pounds to Ukraine. British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak suddenly visited Ukraine and announced military aid worth two and a half billion pounds to Ukraine. Mr Sunak met President Volodymyr Zelensky and signed an agreement on security cooperation.



7. Recently, Pench Tiger Reserve of which state has achieved the achievement of India's first Dark Sky Park?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Karnataka  
(C) Telangana (D) Tamil Nadu

**(A)** Pench Tiger Reserve in Maharashtra has created history by gaining recognition as India's inaugural Dark Sky Park, the fifth in Asia. This prestigious acknowledgment underlines the reserve's unwavering commitment to protecting the sacredness of the night sky and creating an optimal setting for astronomy enthusiasts.



8. Recently, after how many years, a new species of butterfly has been discovered in the Western Ghats?

- (A) 10 years (B) 18 years  
(C) 27 years (D) 33 years

**(D)** A new species of silverline butterfly, *Cigaritis meghamalaiensis*, has been discovered in the Srivilliputtur Megamalai Tiger Reserve. This species of butterfly has been found in the Western Ghats for the first time in the last 33 years. The newly identified species was named after the Megamalai region which means cloudy mountain.



9. In which state of India have rare Tibetan brown bears been found recently?

- (A) Assam (B) Sikkim  
(C) Manipur (D) Mizoram

**(B)** Recently, the Tibetan brown bear, seen in the high altitude areas of the Himalayas, has been spotted for the first time in India. The picture of this rare species of bear has been captured in the hilly areas of Sikkim. With this, another subspecies has been added to the Indian wildlife.



10. Who has recently won the gold medal in the men's 25 meter standard pistol event in the Asian Shooting Championship 2024?

- (A) Yogesh Singh (B) Omprakash  
(C) Saurabh Chaudhary (D) None of these

**(A)** Recently, Indian shooter Yogesh Singh won the gold medal in the men's 25 meter standard pistol event in the Asian Shooting Championship 2024 held in Jakarta, Indonesia. The Mongolian shooter won the silver medal with the same score. Nikita Chiryukin of Kazakhstan won the bronze medal with 568 points.

