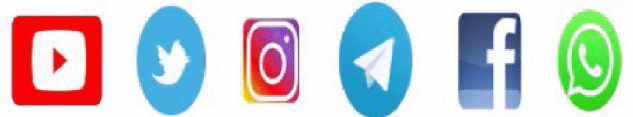


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History of 26th July

- ◆ **1614** : Jahangir welcomed the Rana of Mewar.
- ◆ **1876** : The Indian Association was established in Calcutta.
- ◆ **1966** : India's famous scholar Vasudev Sharan Agarwal passed away.
- ◆ **2008** : 21 blasts took place in Ahmedabad city of Gujarat. 56 people were killed and more than 200 were injured in this accident.
- ◆ **1844** : India's famous educationist Gurudas Banerjee was born.
- ◆ **1956** : Egypt captured the Suez Canal.

Current Affairs Related to 26th July 2024

- ◆ According to the bulletin issued by the Lok Sabha Secretariat, the central government will introduce six new bills during the monsoon session of Parliament running from July 22 to August 12. To facilitate business transactions, the Indian Aircraft Legislation 2024 aims to replace the Aircraft Act of 1934 and simplify laws related to civil aviation.
- ◆ Union Minister of Minority Affairs and Parliamentary Affairs Kiren Rijiju inaugurated the Lok Abhinandan Parv in New Delhi. Lok Ekta Parv is being organized to draw the approvals, programs and permits of the Ministry of Minority Affairs under its 100 Divine Programmes. The Ministry is also highlighting images of partnerships and successes in collaboration with partners under various nominations.
- ◆ The Reserve Bank of India has set up a committee to review the fee structure of white label ATMs. The objective of this committee is to provide a common platform and industry model for all stakeholders. The primary one is the interchange fee, which is currently the same for both ATMs and WLAs operated by the bank. The rise of digital finance as well as shortages in the Asian continent have led to unstable operations.
- ◆ Union Minister Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia launched The Future is Now as the theme for India Mobile Congress 2024. They have also launched the India Mobile Congress 2024 application and website, which is a unique interactive app for registration. The minister also launched the pilot scheme for start ups and MSMEs. The objective of this scheme is to reduce the financial burden for startups and micro and small enterprises in the telecom sector.
- ◆ Urtula von der Leyen's bid for a second five-year term as President of the European Commission has been approved by the European Parliament. Von der Leyen received more votes than necessary to retain her as head of the European Commission, the EU's executive body.
- ◆ Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry FICCI has estimated an annual average growth of 7.0 per cent for the year 2024-2025. FICCI's Economic Outlook Survey states that despite the stagnation, India's economic growth remains strong and the country remains one of the fastest growing economies in the world. The industry body said the average residential population for agriculture and allied allies is likely to be 3.7 per cent for 2024-2025.
- ◆ Cricketer Virat Kohli has topped the list to become India's most celebrated celebrity, boasting a brand value of \$227.9 million in 2023. However, this price is still less than the Supreme brand value of \$237.7 million in 2020, as reported by Crawley's Celebrity Brand Formulation Report 2023.
- ◆ Stepping Towards Excellence program was organized by MOHUA and the best performers were awarded under PM Swanidhi and DAY NULM. It was organized to honor the best performers under the PM Street Vendors Atmanirbhar Nidhi Yojana and Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana National Urban Livelihood Mission. Its objective is to provide working capital loans up to Rs 80,000 to urban street vendors without any guarantee.
- ◆ Union Mining Minister G Kishan Reddy launched landslide forecasting system in Kolkata. He said the Geological Survey of India projected landslides in Darjeeling and Kalimpong in West Bengal and Nilgiri in Tamil Nadu. GSI will prepare the forecast and send it to the state government, which will disseminate it to the district administration. The district administration will spread information among the people. Landslide forecasting system will be made available across India by 2030.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is Kargil Vijay Diwas celebrated every year?

- (A) 24th July (B) 25th July
(C) 26th July (D) 27th July

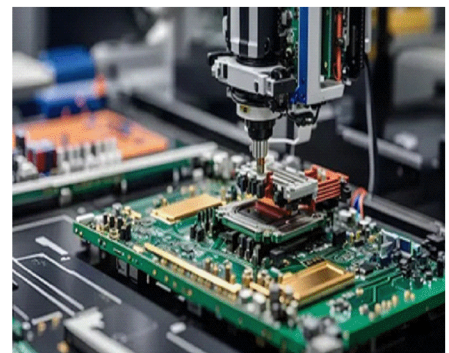
(C) This day is celebrated every year on 26th July in India. On this day, the Kargil war took place between the armies of India and Pakistan in the year 1999, which lasted for about 60 days and ended on 26 July and India was victorious in it. Kargil Vijay Diwas is a very important day for all the countrymen of independent India.



2. Recently, by which year India has set a target of achieving a turnover of 500 crore US dollars in the electronics manufacturing sector?

- (A) 2025 (B) 2030
(C) 2040 (D) 2050

(B) India has set a target of achieving a turnover of US\$ 500 crore in the electronics manufacturing sector by 2030. National Institution for Transforming India Commission Electronics: Giving new strength to India's participation in the Global Price Series. According to NITI Aayog, electronic manufacturing sector will play an important role in India becoming the third largest economy in the world.



3. Who will be honored recently in IFFM-2024 ?

- (A) Ram Charan (B) Akshay Kumar
(C) Hrithik Roshan (D) Sonu Sood

(A) Actor Ram Manch will be the guest of honor at the Melbourne Indian Film Festival and will also be given the Ambassador of Indian Art and Culture award. This film festival is organized by the Victorian State Government. It will continue from August 15 to August 25. The actor's films will be re-released to celebrate his journey in the film industry.



4. Who has been on top among celebrity brand ambassadors recently in 2023?

- (A) Ranveer Singh (B) Rohit Sharma
(C) Hardik Pandya (D) Virat Kohli

(D) Cricketer Virat Kohli has taken the top spot to become India's most valuable celebrity. Their brand value in 2023 will be \$227.9 million. Cricketer Virat Kohli has topped the list to become India's most valuable celebrity in 2023, boasting a brand value of \$227.9 million.



5. Who has recently been appointed as the brand ambassador of MotoGP India?

- (A) Anil Kapoor (B) Shikhar Dhawan
(C) Sachin Tendulkar (D) Mahendra Singh Dhoni

(B) India's star opener Shikhar Dhawan has been appointed as the brand ambassador of MotoGP in India. Known for his dynamic presence on the cricket field, Madhoor Dhawan will reignite his passion for racing through his latest campaign Face Kar Race Kar. Dhawan said, it is a remarkable honor to partner with the prestigious MotoGP as an ambassador in India.



6. Where has the hybrid court form been inaugurated recently?

- (A) Gurugram (B) Delhi
(C) Jaipur (D) Prayagraj

(B) Recently, Acting Chief Justice of Delhi High Court, Justice Manmohan inaugurated the hybrid model in Tis Hazari Court. AI will now be used to document court proceedings and evidence. It has started from Tis Hazari Court of Delhi. Where artificial intelligence will help the judges.



7. Where has the Supreme Court recently granted rights to gay couples?

- (A) South Korea (B) Indonesia
(C) France (D) Brazil

(A) South Korea's Supreme Court, interpreting new rights for gay couples, said the state will provide health insurance to friends of gay men. This is a historic decision, seeing which the workers rejoiced with joy. The court has taken an important step towards eliminating systemic discrimination and ensuring inclusivity for all.



8. Which state government has recently formed SCR like NCR?

- (A) Haryana (B) Karnataka
(C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Uttar Pradesh

(D) Yogi Adityanath's government has also issued a notification regarding formation of SCR like NCR in Uttar Pradesh. For this, lands in six districts will be acquired. It will be known as Uttar Pradesh State Capital Region. The state government has issued a notification for this. A total of 27826 square meters of land will be acquired from Lucknow and surrounding 6 districts.



9. Who has recently been re-elected as the President of PwC India?

- (A) Noel Quinn (B) Sanjeev Krishnan
(C) Sanjay Mariwala (D) None of these

(B) Recently, Sanjeev Krishnan won re-election as Chairman of Chubb in India, with over 400 partners voting. Under Krishna's leadership, Chubb's revenues exceeded \$1 billion, with a strong focus on growth and expansion. The firm has revenues in India of over Rs 9,000 crore and employee strength of around 30,000.



10. How many Indian mines are included in the world's 10 largest coal mines?

- (A) 2 (B) 4
(C) 5 (D) 7

(A) Recently, Gevra and Kusunda mines located in Chhattisgarh are ranked second and fourth among the largest coal mines in the world. These mines are operated by South Eastern Coalfields Limited, a subsidiary of Coal India. This list was released by WorldAtlas.com. The Gevra and Kusunda mines together produce more than 10 million tonnes of coal annually.

