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## History of December 6

- ◆ **1907** : The first incident of robbery related to India's freedom struggle took place at Chingripota railway station.
- ◆ **1956** : Bhimrao Ambedkar, a Bahujan political leader, died.
- ◆ **1992** : The controversial structure of Babri Masjid located in Ayodhya, India was demolished. With this, riots broke out in many parts of India.
- ◆ **1917** : Finland declared independence from Russia.

## Current Affairs Related to 6 December

- ◆ Adani Power Ltd will use green ammonia along with coal to run a 330 MW boiler at its plant in Mundra, Gujarat. The company said in a statement that the amount of green ammonia will be up to 20 percent of the total fuel requirement. This will help in reducing carbon emissions. This innovative approach aims to achieve a 20% blending of green ammonia with the total fuel requirement for the boiler.
- ◆ The Rural Marketing Association of India, the leading organization for rural marketers, announced major leadership changes during its 18th Annual General Meeting. Puneet Vidyarthi has been appointed as the Chairman for the period 2023-2025, replacing Vishwabaran Chakraborty.
- ◆ The Union Cabinet chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has approved the Pradhan Mantri Tribal Justice Maha Abhiyan with a total outlay of Rs 24,104 crore. Out of the total Rs 24,104 crore, the Centre's share will be Rs 15,336 crore and the state's share will be Rs 8,768 crore. Under this, 11 important areas will be focused through the concerned ministries. Pradhan Mantri PVTG Vikas Mission will be launched to improve the socio-economic conditions of particularly vulnerable tribal groups.
- ◆ An MoU has been signed to promote innovation, investment and technological exchange between North Rhine-Westphalia in Germany and India. The state-owned foreign trade promotion agency NRW Global Business is the partner for all companies planning investment projects and settling in North Rhine-Westphalia. It also serves the development of foreign markets for North Rhine-Westphalian companies and networking with international business partners.
- ◆ Somali refugee Abdullahi Maarey has been named the 2023 UNHCR Nansen Refugee Prize Global Laureate for his work advocating the right to education for displaced children.
- ◆ The government extended the free ration scheme by 5 years. Now this benefit will be available till 2028. Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana is being run by the Central Government for distribution of free food grains to the poor. This scheme has been started to help the poor at the time of Corona epidemic. According to a recent report, the number of beneficiaries of this scheme is more than 80 crores. Most of these beneficiaries are from Uttar Pradesh.
- ◆ The Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board, one of the US government's main retirement funds with more than \$600 billion in assets, has decided to change the indices it uses to invest in global equities. It will now use the MSCI ACWI IMI ex USA, ex China ex Hong Kong index instead of the MSCI EAFE index.
- ◆ Union Coal and Mines Minister Prahlaad Joshi started the auction process of critical minerals for the first time. Twenty blocks of critical and strategic minerals spread over different parts of the country will be auctioned. It will also help boost India's economy, enhance national security and transition to a clean energy future. The auction will be conducted online in two phases. Royalty rates of critical minerals have been rationalized to encourage greater participation in these auctions.
- ◆ The US Embassy and its Consulates issued a record 1.40 lakh visas to Indian students between October 2022 and September 2023. During this period the US State Department issued 10 million non-immigrant visas globally. The US State Department said it has issued about 8 million visitor visas for business and tourism purposes.
- ◆ The Indian Space Research Organization's Astrosat has detected more than 600 gamma ray bursts since it became operational in 2015.



## National & International Current Affairs

1. Recently, how many new bills will the Center introduce in the upcoming winter session?

- (A) 2 (B) 3  
(C) 4 (D) 7

(B) The upcoming winter session of Parliament is set to witness significant legislative activity, with the Narendra Modi government planning to address 11 pending bills as well as introduce seven new bills. The winter session of Parliament has been held from December 4 to December 22. The session of Modi government will be very important before going to the Lok Sabha elections.



2. Recently, the Union Cabinet has extended the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana for how many years?

- (A) 2 years (B) 3 years  
(C) 4 years (D) 5 years

(D) The Union Cabinet has extended the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana for the next five years. The Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana to provide 5 kg free food grains per month to 81.35 crore poor has been extended for five years from January 1, 2024. The government will spend Rs 11.8 lakh crore on this scheme in the next five years.



3. Who recently became the fastest Indian player to score 4000 runs in T20 cricket?

- (A) Rituraj Gaikwad (B) Rohit Sharma  
(C) KL Rahul (D) Rishabh Pant

(A) Rituraj Gaikwad registered a big record in his name by scoring 7 runs in the Raipur T20 match between India and Australia. He has now become the fastest Indian batsman to score 4000 T20 runs. He touched this figure in just 116 innings. Earlier this record was in the name of KL Rahul.



4. When is National Microwave Oven Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 3 December (B) 4 December  
(C) 5th December (D) 6th December

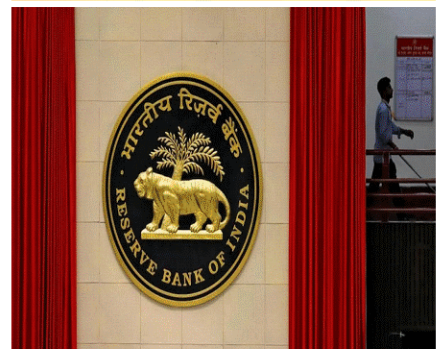
(D) National Microwave Oven Day is celebrated every year on 6 December. It is celebrated on 6th December to celebrate and honor the invention that has made their lives easier by making it convenient and faster for them to cook and reheat food.



5. Recently RBI has issued a warning on how many illegal forex trading institutions?

- (A) 14 (B) 19  
(C) 23 (D) 27

(B) The Reserve Bank of India has taken an important step in protecting the interests of investors by updating its alert list of unauthorized forex trading platforms. The latest update updated its alert list of unauthorized forex trading platforms to include 19 additional entities, bringing the total to 75. The move is aimed at curbing illegal forex trading activities and protecting consumers from potential financial risks.

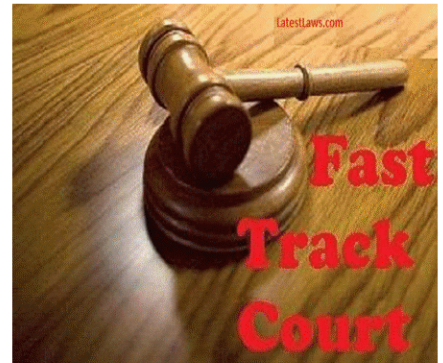




6. Recently, the Union Cabinet approved the continuation of fast track courts for hearing sexual crimes for how many years?

- (A) 1 years (B) 2 years  
(C) 3 years (D) 5 years

(C) Recently the Fast Track Special Court Scheme was started in 2019, now it has been extended till 31 March 2026. Under this scheme, fast track special courts are dedicated to providing justice in cases of sexual crimes. The government will bear its share of the expenses from the Nirbhaya Fund. The total cost of running the scheme for a period of three years will be Rs 1952.23.



7. Recently in which country the newly elected government canceled the decision of smoking ban?

- (A) New Zealand (B) Australia  
(C) India (D) France

(A) New Zealand's newly elected government has reversed the decision to ban smoking for the new generation. The anti-smoking law banned the sale of tobacco to persons born on or after January 1, 2009. It was to be implemented from July 2024.



8. What percentage of female labor force participation has reached a record high level in the second quarter of the financial year 2024?

- (A) 15% (B) 18%  
(C) 20% (D) 24%

(D) Official data in Q2FY24 shows a significant increase in women's labor force participation, reaching an all-time high of 24%. While this is a positive development, deeper analysis reveals nuances in the employment scenario for women.



9. Which country recently became the first South Asian country to officially register same-sex marriage?

- (A) Bhutan (B) Nepal  
(C) Germany (D) Pakistan

(B) formally registered such a marriage five months after Nepal's Supreme Court declared same-sex marriage legal. With this, Nepal has become the first South Asian country to do so. Nepal's Supreme Court had already set the stage by allowing gay marriage in 2007.



10. Who has recently launched the luxury ship Classic Imperial in the state of Kerala?

- (A) Nitin Gadkari (B) Sarbananda Sonowal  
(C) Amit Shah (D) Narendra Modi

(A) Union Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari virtually inaugurated the luxury ship Classic Imperial, the largest tourist ship of its kind in Kerala. Gadkari said that there is immense potential for cruise tourism in the country, especially in Kerala. Serious intervention will be required to obtain greater support from the banking sector for the construction of ships.

