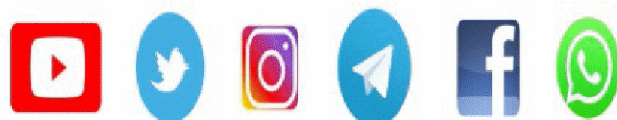


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History of 10th July

- ◆ **1246** : **Naseeruddin Muhammad Shah** ascended the throne of **Delhi**.
- ◆ **1800** : The **British government** established **Fort William College in India**.
- ◆ **1946** : **Italy** became a republic after the end of the monarchy.
- ◆ **1966** : The production of **Air Force fighter aircraft MiG** started from **Nashik district** of Maharashtra.
- ◆ **1972** : The fully air-conditioned vessel **Harshvardhan** was launched from **Margao port** in Mumbai.

Current Affairs Related to 10th July 2024

- ◆ **Laotian officials have discussed preparations for the 57th meeting of foreign ministers** of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations and related obligations, scheduled to be held in the Lao capital Vientiane from July 21 to 27. A preparatory meeting was held under the chairmanship of **Salimxay Komasith**, Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Laos. Preparatory work includes accommodation for ministers and dignitaries, vehicles for deputy ministers, transport, communication and internet facilities.
- ◆ **A web portal for speedy bank settlement of interest subsidy claims was launched by Union Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan**. The web portal will automate and expedite the process of settlement of interest subsidy claims submitted by banks under the Agriculture Infrastructure Fund. The newly introduced automation system of loan claims will ensure timely settlement of claims within a day, which otherwise would have taken months for manual settlement. The automated system will help in calculating the exact eligible interest subsidy through the portal.
- ◆ **CM Mohan Yadav has launched Lokpath mobile app for the public**. Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav has said that our aim is to make all the activities as responsive as possible to the public. Lokpath mobile app, which has been prepared by the Public Works Department, is being launched with the aim of moving forward on the path of public welfare. Its objective is to achieve sustained progress by adopting a more inclusive and accountable working system towards the public.
- ◆ **Sujata Saunik, a PhD officer of 1987 batch, became the first woman Chief Secretary of Maharashtra, breaking a 64-year-old tragedy**. Saunik took over from his predecessor Nitin Karrier in the office of the Chief Secretary on the sixth floor of the ministry. He is scheduled to retire in June next year. Chief Minister Eknath Shinde and Deputy Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis have positively appointed Sauniks to the role, indicating support from women voters ahead of the upcoming assembly elections.
- ◆ **According to Uttar Pradesh, the state government has prepared the draft Uttar Pradesh Natural Investment Zone for Manufacturing Sector Plan 2024**. The initiative, headed by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath, is part of a broader strategy to grow the state's economy to the one billion dollar mark. Sector Plan 2024 is to be set up by Special Investment Zones throughout Uttar Pradesh. According to the plan, these areas will be spread equally across the four geographical regions of the state.
- ◆ **Indiabulls Housing Finance Limited has undergone a makeover, rebranding itself as Samman Capital Limited**. These changes reflect its transformation from a promoter-led entity to a board-driven, diversified financial institution. The regulatory induced re-branding marks an important milestone in the company's 25-year journey since its inception as Indiabulls Finance Services Limited in 2000.
- ◆ **Muthoot Finance has been selected as the only Indian NBFC for the Financial Action Task Force's Mutual Fund Report for 2023-2024**. This recognition highlights Muthoot Finance's global credibility and compliance with operational finance regulations. Muthoot Finance, a leading non-banking finance company in India, has been selected by FATF for its Compensation Assessment Report for 2023-2024. This selection meets the company's standards in accordance with fair trade standards, reverse and regulatory standards.
- ◆ **The Reserve Bank of India has appointed Smt. Charulata S Kar as Executive Director with effect from**. Previously he served as Chief Reporting Responsibility in the Department of Human Resource Management, where he brought over three decades of experience in various forms including payment and settlement systems, information technology and government banking. Mrs. Kar has represented the RBI in several international forums.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is Global Energy Independence Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 9th July (B) 10th July
(C) 11th July (D) 12th July

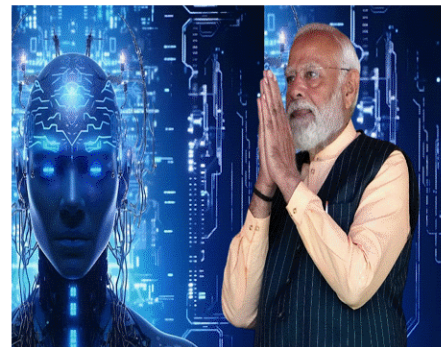
(B) Global Energy Independence Day is celebrated every year on 10th July all over the world. The day reminds governments, organizations and individuals about the importance of reducing reliance on non-renewable resources and moving towards cleaner and more resilient energy systems.



2. How many crore rupees will India implement Bharat AI Mission in the next two to three months?

- (A) Rs 10,000 crore (B) Rs 15,000 crore
(C) Rs 20,000 crore (D) Rs 25,000 crore

(A) India will purchase 10,000 or more graphics processing units under public-private partnership. These graphics processing units will increase the efficiency of industries. The India AI Mission was approved by the Union Cabinet in early 2024. It will also help in purchasing computing power for AI systems operated by domestic industry across the country.



3. With whom has the Indian Spices Board recently signed an agreement to develop AI tools?

- (A) Meta (B) Microsoft
(C) Google (D) NIC

(D) National Informatics Center and Spices Board of India have signed an MoU to develop AI tools for detection of elder cardamom diseases in Sikkim. The project, run by NIC's AI Center of Excellence in Kolkata, aims to detect and cure diseases early.



4. Which university has recently become the first university in the world to start MA course on Bhagavad Gita?

- (A) IGNOU (B) DU
(C) BHU (D) None of these

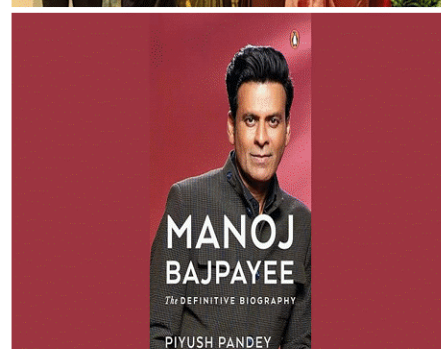
(A) Indira Gandhi National Open University has announced the launch of a new MA course in 2024-2025 for the study of Bhagavad Gita. The service will launch in July 2024 and will be offered through open and distance learning. The trainee must have a Bachelor's degree or equivalent in any field from any recognized university.



5. Who has recently written a book named Manoj Bajpayee: The Definitive Biography?

- (A) Preeti Nair (B) Rohit Vats
(C) Piyush Pandey (D) None of these

(C) The books, most recently titled Manoj Bajpayee: The Definitive Biography, written by journalist Piyush Pandey, provide an in-depth glimpse into the life of one of India's most respected actors, who has become famous in the world of celebrity biographies for his honesty and inspirational narrative. Different ones are made for this.



6. Who has recently launched Health Sathi Scheme?

- (A) PhonePe (B) Star Health
(C) Google Pay (D) Paytm

(D) Paytm's parent company One97 Communications has launched a new health and income protection plan called Paytm Health Sathi for its merchant partners. With subscriptions starting at Rs 35 per month, Paytm Health Sathi offers a range of services including unlimited doctor teleconsultations, in-person doctor visits within its partner network.



7. Who has been named MD & CEO by SBI General Insurance recently?

- (A) Naveen Chandra Jha (B) Dinesh Khara
(C) Ravindra Kumar Tyagi (D) None of these

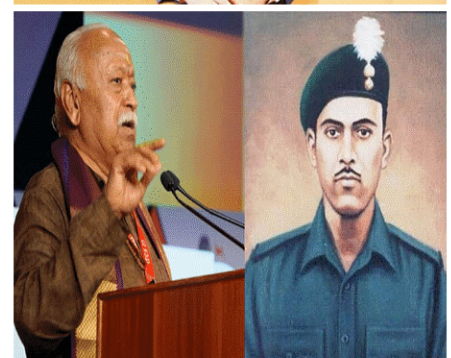
(A) Singapore General Insurance Company Limited has appointed Shri Naveen Chandra Jha as its new Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer. He is located at a place named Sri Kishore Kumar Poludasu by the parent company State Bank of India. Shri Naveen Chandra Jha has nearly three decades of experience in State Bank of India.



8. Who has recently released a book based on 1965 war hero Abdul Hameed?

- (A) Amit Shah (B) Rajnath Singh
(C) Mohan Bhagwat (D) None of these

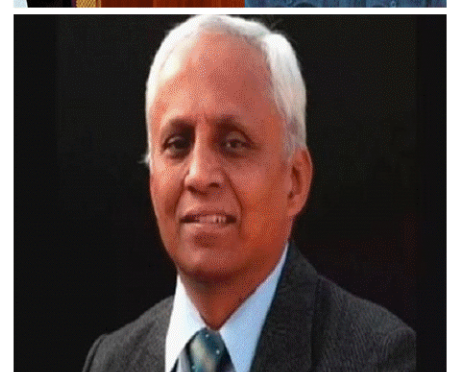
(C) Company Commander Halvdar Abdul Hamir, born on 1 July 1933, sacrificed his life while fighting the Patton tanks of the Pakistani Army in the battle of Asal Uttar. One of the largest tank battles fought during the India-Pakistan war of 1965. Hameed was posthumously awarded the Param Vir Chakra, India's highest gallantry award.



9. Who has recently been nominated as the Chairman of the National Medical Commission?

- (A) Dr. B.N. Gangadhar (B) Arun Sharma
(C) Chirag Mital (D) None of these

(A) In a significant step to boost medical education and healthcare administration in India, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet has announced several high-profile appointments to the National Medical Commission. These appointments are expected to bring new perspectives and security to the country's top medical education regulator. This appointment is an important step in stabilizing the leadership of this important organization.



10. Where has the world's first brain transplant been done recently to control epilepsy?

- (A) China (B) America
(C) Japan (D) Britain

(D) Britain-based teenager Oran Knowlson has become the first person in the world to have a brain implant to control epileptic seizures. A deep brain stimulation device, which sends electrical signals deep into the brain, has reduced Knowlson's daytime seizures by 80%.

