

A MESSAGE TO ALL STUDENTS

Dear student,

FundaMakers took a very humble start with two students in May 2017 and has now grown to three centers in the city with over 1000 students. We are very thankful to all students who had faith in us. It is just because of you people that we derive pleasure and motivation in working.

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Hope this GK module helps you all for your upcoming entrance exams. This is a small token of affection from our side. We believe in you.

Regards,
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Director
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Important days

Date	Day	Theme
15 January	72nd Army Day	
24 January	National Girl Child Day	
24 January	International Day of Education	72nd Army Day
26 January	International Customs Day	
30 January	National Martyr's Day	Mahatma Gandhi's Martyrdom day
6 February	International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation	
13 February	National Women's Day	Sarojini Naidu's birthday
28 February	National Science Day	Theme 2020: "Women in Science"
3 March	World Wildlife Day	"Sustaining all life on Earth"
8 March	International Women's Day	According to the UN, the theme of International Women's Day 2020 is "I am Generation Equality: Realizing Women's Rights". And the campaign theme for International Women's Day 2020 is #EachforEqual.
15 March	World Consumer Rights Day	"The Sustainable Consumer"
20 March	International Day of Happiness	Happiness for all'
22 March	World Water Day	Water and Climate Change'
24 March	World Tuberculosis Day	
7 April	World Health Day	Theme 2020:" Support nurses and midwives'
18 April	World Heritage Day (International Day For Monuments and Sites)	Theme 2020: Shared Cultures, Shared Heritage, Shared Responsibility
22 April	International Mother Earth Day	Theme 2020: 'Climate Action'"
23 April	English Language Day	"The day coincides with both birthday and death day of William Shakespeare and World Book Day
3 May	World Press Freedom Day	The theme -"Journalism Without Fear or Favour."
25 May	Africa Day	Africa Day (formerly African Freedom Day and African Liberation Day)
31 May	World No-Tobacco Day	Theme: "Protecting youth from industry manipulation and preventing them from tobacco and nicotine use."
June 5	World Environment Day	The theme of World Environment 2020 is 'celebrating biodiversity'
June 12	World Day Against Child Labour	Theme 2020: "COVID-19 – Protect children from child labour now, more than ever".
June 21	International Day of Yoga	"Yoga for Heart"
1 July	National Doctor's Day	Theme 2020: 'Lessen the mortality of COVID-19'
30 July	World Day against Trafficking in Persons	Theme 2019: Call your government to action
12 August	International Youth Day	Theme 2020: "Yoga for Health – Yoga at Home".
29 August	International Day against Nuclear Tests	
10 September	World Suicide Prevention Day	
15 September	Engineers Day	The birth anniversary of Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, on September 15, is celebrated as Engineer's Day in India every year.
26 September	World Environmental Health Day	Theme 2020: Environmental health, a key public health intervention in disease pandemic prevention.
October 5	World Teachers' Day	Theme 2020- "Teachers: Leading in Crisis, Reimagining the Future".
October 10	World Mental Health Day	Theme 2020: 'Mental Health for All: Greater Investment – Greater Access'.
October 15	International Day of Rural Women	Theme 2020: "Building rural women's resilience in the wake of COVID-19,"
October 24	United Nations Day	
Nov 10	World science day	
10 Dec	Human Rights Day	

APPOINTMENTS

Name	Post	Extra information
UB Pravin Ra	Nasscom New Chairman	
Noel Quinn	CEO of HSBC	
Ramesh Babu	NTPC director	
Aveek Sarkar	Chairman, Press Trust of India (PTI)	
Satya Pal Malik	New Governor of Meghalaya	
Hardik Satish Chandra Shah	Private Secretary (PS) to PM Modi	
Govinda Rajulu Chintala	NABARD chairman	
Jayant Krishna	CEO, UK India Business Council (UKIBC)	
Patrick Pichette	New Board Chairman, Twitter	
Thierry Delaporte	Wipro's new CEO and MD	
K K Venugopal	Attorney General	1-year extension
Imran Khwaja	International Cricket Council's chairman	
Shrikant Madhav Vaidya	IOC Chairman	
Sanjiv Bajaja	New Chairman of Bajaj Finance	
Girish Chandra Murmu	New CAG	
V K Yadav	Railway Board's first ever CEO	
Preeti Sudan	WHO panellist	
Rajesh Khullar	Executive director of World Bank	
Simanchala Dash	Advisor to IMF Executive Director	
M Rajeshwar Rao	New deputy governor of RBI	
Mustafa Al Kadhimi	Iraq's new Prime Minister	Capital: Baghdad Currency: Iraqi dinar President: Barham Salih
Brazil's Marcos Troyjo	NDB's new President	
Brajendra Navnit	Ambassador to WTO	
Lazarus Chakwera	New Malawi president	Capital: Lilongwe Currency: Malawian kwacha
Andrzej Duda (2nd Time)	Poland's president	Capital: Warsaw Currency: Polish złoty
Bishr al-Khasawneh	Jordan new PM	Capital: Amman Currency: Jordanian dinar
Dilip Oommen	President, Indian Steel Association	
Imtaiyazur Rahman	CEO, UTI Mutual Fund	
Uday Kotak	President of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)	MD & CEO, Kotak Mahindra Bank,

Company Mergers

- **Infosys to acquire Blue Acorn iCi**
- **TikTok to merge with Oracle**
- **Reliance Retail acquires Future Group's retail business**
- **ICICI Lombard to acquire Bharti AXA General Insurance**
- **LIC acquires 5% stake in YES Bank**
- **Ola Electric acquires Etergo, to launch electric two-wheeler**
- **BP Global's 49% acquisition of Reliance BP Mobility Limited**
- **Acquisition of 100% shares and control of Tech Data Corporation by Tiger Midco LLC**

Policy rates decided by RBI

- ⇒ Current Policy rates as on
- ⇒ Policy Repo Rate : 4.00%
- ⇒ Reverse Repo Rate : 3.35%
- ⇒ Bank Rate : 4.65%
- ⇒ Marginal Standing Facility Rate: 4.65%
- ⇒ CRR : 3%
- ⇒ SLR : 21.50%

GDP growth rate projection by various organizations

Major credit rating agencies	2020-21	2019-20
Moody's	(-)11.5%	4.9%
OECD	(-)10.2%	4.9%
World Bank	(-)9.6%	4.8%
RBI forecasted	(-)9.5%	5%
Asian Development Bank (ADB)	(-)9%	5.1%

“Aatma Nirbhar Bharat” Package Details: In Shortcut

PM announced a special economic package on 12 May. This will play an important role in the ‘Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan’. The announcements made by the govt over COVID, decisions of RBI & today’s package totals to Rs 20 Lakh Crores. These reforms will focus on strengthening the infrastructure, economy and business in India. Aatma Nirbharta will help India to excel in the competition of global supply change and the new economic package is made keeping in mind to increase the efficiency and improve quality of all sectors.

Pillars of “Aatma Nirbhar Bharat”

1. Economy- quantum jump not incremental change
2. Infrastructure- for modern India
3. System- technology driven for 21st century
4. Demography- vibrant demography as world’s largest democracy
5. Demand- optimism demand and supply chain in the economy

Important India’s First Woman in News 2019-20

- First woman fighter pilot to fly Rafale- Shivangi Singh
- First time lead woman army officer Parade at Republic day- Tania Shergill
- First Female Flight Commander- Shalija Dhami
- First Woman Flight Engineer of Indian Air Force- Hina Jaiswal
- First Woman Fighter Pilot to Undertake Missions by day on Hawk- Mohana Singh

Important Regulatory Bodies in India and its Present Heads – Headquarters

Regulatory Bodies	Sector	Headquarter	Head Person
RBI – Reserve Bank of India	Banking & Finance, Monetary Policy	Mumbai	Shaktikanta Das
SEBI–Securities and Exchange Board of India	Securities (Stock) & Capital Market	Mumbai	Ajay Tyagi
IRDAI – Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority	Insurance	Hyderabad	Subhash Chandra Khuntia
PFRDA–Pension Fund Regulatory & Development Authority	Pension	New Delhi	Supratim bandyopadhyay
NABARD – National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development	Financing Rural Development	Mumbai	Govinda rajula
SIDBI – Small Industries Development Bank of India	Financing Micro, Small and Medium-Scale Enterprises	Lucknow	Mohd. Mustafa
TRAI – Telecom Regulatory Authority of India	Telecommunication & Tariffs	New Delhi	Ram Sewak Sharma
CBFC–Central Board of Film Certification	Film/TV Certification & Censorship	Mumbai	Prasoon Joshi
FIPB – Foreign Investment Promotion Board	Foreign Direct Investment	New Delhi	Ashok lavasa
FSSAI – Food Safety and Standards Authority of India	Food	New Delhi	Rita Teaotia
NASSCOM–National Association of Software and Service Companies.	IT	Mumbai	Keshav R. Murugesh

Brand Ambassadors

New brand ambassador of Reebok	Varun Dhawan, Katrina Kaif
RedBus, Dream 11, Mastercard	Mahendra Singh Dhoni
PhonePe , Vivo, Ceat Tyres	Aamir Khan
Bharat Pe, Pepsi	Salman Khan
Uber, Mobile Premier League, Great Learning's	Virat Kohli
Swasth Immunised India, Puma	Kareena Kapoor Khan
Brand ambassador for Gatorade by PepsiCo India	Hima Das
New brand ambassador of Madhya Pradesh	Actor Govinda
Ambassadors for 'Bharat Ki Laxmi'	Deepika Padukone and shuttler PV Sindhu (by Prime Minister Narendra Modi)
IIFL Finance as its first-ever brand ambassador, Oakley's	Rohit Sharma
Brand ambassador of Paytm First Games	Sachin Tendulkar

List of App/ Website related to Covid-19

"APP"	State Govt./Govt. of India	Purpose
"Arogya Setu App"	Govt. of India	The Aarogya Setu is a tracking app that has been recently launched by the Centre to find out about coronavirus infection cases using a GPS system and Bluetooth – features present in all smartphones. The government will use these smartphone features to determine if a person is living close to a patient of COVID-19. The application supports 11 languages
'GoK Direct' App	Kerala	The Kerala government launched the 'GoK Direct' app to increase awareness on the coronavirus pandemic. It is essentially a news providing application
"TOP Parent"	MP	Department of school education, Madhya Pradesh government has launched Top Parent Mobile App and is available to download from google play store. MP govt. also starts Digi Lap – Aapki Padhai Aapke Ghar Scheme 2020 for students learning at home. CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan has sent the first whatsapp message to students through digi lap appki padhai aapke ghar scheme. These initiatives will enable students to continue their studies in an interesting manner at home.
"Unique"	Central University of Punjab, Bathinda	The Central University of Punjab, Bathinda (CUPB) has launched a "unique" COVID-19 information portal at CUPB City Campus, on which most of the "authentic information and sources are available for the references, research, and common understanding of the phenomenon."
"Ghar Ghar Nigrani"	Punjab	Undertaking house to house surveillance to contain the spread of COVID-19. The application is to be used as a tool for early detection and testing of COVID-19 and prevent community spread.
'COVID BEEP'		First indigenous wireless physiological parameters monitoring system facilitated for COVID-19 affected patients. developed by Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) medical college, Hyderabad and (IIT) Hyderabad

Mobile Apps

App "e-Gopala"

Provide solutions to farmers on livestock related issues and inaugurated Semen Station with state-of-the-art facilities in Purnea with an investment of ₹84.27 crore on 75 acres of land made available by the Bihar government

'I Rakhwali' application

To help netizens to become 'Greenery Saviours'. To further strengthen its drive to preserve and maintain the environment in Punjab

"YellowChain"

"Yellow Chain"- a centralized e-commerce platform, to promote local business and entrepreneurship in the State

UMANG App

The India Meteorological Department (IMD) has onboarded its seven services to the “UMANG” application. Current temperature, humidity, wind speed, direction for 150 cities are updated 8 times a day.

List of Changing Name

Old name	New Name
Naugarh Railway Station	Siddharthnagar (UP)
Mumbai-Nagpur expressway	Bal Thackeray
Naya Raipur	Atal Nagar
Kandla Port	Deendayal Port
Railway Protection Force	Indian Railway Protection Force Service
NIFM Faridabad	Arun Jaitley Institute of Financial Management
Delhi metro's Pragati Maidan station	Supreme Court station

CENSUS

The population of the country as per the provisional figures of Census 2011 is 1210.19 million of which

- 623.7 million (51.54%) are males & 586.46 million (48.46%) are females. Major highlights of the Census 2011 (Provisional figures) are as under: *The population of India has increased by more than 181 million during the decade 2001-2011.
- %age growth in 2001-2011 is 17.64; males 17.19&females 18.12.
- Uttar Pradesh (199.5 million) is the most populous State in the country followed by Maharashtra with 112 million.

Some of the highlights

- Slogan - Our census, Our Future
- India's 1st Census - 1872
- 2011 Census is - 15th Census
- Total Population - 1,21,01,93,422
- India's Rank in population - 2nd with 17.5% (1st China with 19%)
- Most Populous State - Uttar Pradesh
- Least Populous State - Sikkim
- Most Literate State - Kerala (93.9%)
- Least Literate State - Bihar (63.82%)
- National Sex Ratio - Female : Male (940 : 1000)
- Highest Sex Ratio (State) - Kerala (1084 : 1000)
- Lowest Sex Ratio (State) - Haryana
- Highest Sex Ratio (UT) - Puducherry
- Least Sex Ratio (UT) - Daman & Diu (618 : 1000)
- Literacy of Male - 82.14%
- Literacy of Female - 65.46%
- Population Growth Rate - 17.64%
- Highest fertility Rate - Meghalaya
- Most literate union territory - Lakshadweep (92.2%)
- Least literate Union Territory - Dadra Nagar & Haveli
- Most Literate District - Serechhip (Mizoram)
- Least Literate District - Dadra and Nagar & Haveli
- Highest Density of Population - Bihar (1102 sq.km)
- Lowest Density of Population - Arunachal Pradesh
- Total number of districts - 640
- Highest Populous District - Thane (Mumbai)
- 100% Literacy District - Palakkad (Kerala)
- 100% Banking State - Kerala
- 100% Banking District - Palakkad (Kerala)
- Density of Population in India - 382 sq. km
- Increase in population (during 2001-2011) - 181 million

BOOKS & AUTHORS

"Azadi: Freedom. Fascism. Fiction".	Arundhati Roy
'One Arranged Murder'	Author Chetan Bhagat
The illustrated book - "A Song of India",	Ruskin Bond
'COVID Katha'	Health minister Dr Harsh Vardhan launches multimedia guide
"My Encounters in Parliament"	Authored by Bhalchandra Mungekar
"How the Onion Got Its Layers"	Authored by Sudha Murty
The Art of Her Deal: The Untold Story of Melania Trump'	The Pulitzer Prize-winning American reporter for The Washington Post, Mary Jordan
"The Ickabog"	"Harry Potter" author JK Rowling

OBITUARIES

Person Died	Profession/Famous In
Najeeb Tarakai	Afghanistan Batsman dead road accident
Carton Chapman	Former India football
Akkitham Achuthan Namboothiri	Jnanpith awardee poet
Dean Jones	Former Australia cricketer and renowned commentator
Amitabha Ghosh	Former RBI governor & Writer
Raghuvansh Prasad Singh	Former union minister
Prof Govind Swarup	Renowned scientist and radio astronomer
Gopalaswamy Kasturirangan	Former Cricketer
C.S. Seshadri	Indian mathematician
Vidyaben Shah	Social worker and National Award winner
Sreedhar Shenoy	Dronacharya of Kerala hockey'
Ajit Jogi	first chief minister of Chhattisgarh
Mahmoud Jibril	Former Libya Prime Minister died due to Covid-19

GST

Goods and Service Tax (GST) has been in News since early 2017.

GST is one **indirect tax** for the whole nation, which will make India one unified common market. GST is a single tax on the supply of goods and services, right from the manufacturer to the consumer.

122ND AMENDMENT BILL

ARTICLE 279A

ESTABLISHED 12 SEP 2016

It will replace **16 current levies -seven central taxes** like excise duty and service tax and nine state taxes like VAT and entertainment tax, this will lead to one market with one tax rate. France was the first country to implement the **GST in 1954**.

GST Council finalises the tax rates on Goods & Services under the 4-slab structure

GST Council finalised tax rates on goods and services under the four-slab structure with essential items of daily use being kept in the lowest bracket of 5 percent. The Council was headed by Finance **Minister Arun Jaitley** and comprising representatives of all states in the meeting that was held in J&K. GST will be applicable from **1st July 2017**.

⇒ **Tax Rates finalised under GST(0%, 5%, 12%, 18%, 28%)**

⇒ **Types of GST (SGST, CGST, IGST, UTGST)**

MUDRA: Micro Units Development & Refinance Agency Ltd.

Financial institution set up by GOI for development & refinancing micro units enterprises. The purpose is to provide funding to the noncorporate small business sector through various Last Mile Financial Institutions like Banks, NBFCs and MFIs.

⇒ The financial limit for these schemes are:-

⇒ Shishu: covering loans upto Rs. 50,000/-

⇒ Kishor: covering loans above Rs. 50,000/- and upto 5 lakhs

⇒ Tarun: covering loans above Rs. 5 lakhs to 10 lakhs

BHIM: Bharat Interface for Money is an app that lets you make simple, easy & quick payment transactions using Unified Payments Interface (UPI). This can be done using just Mobile number or Virtual Payment Address (VPA). Currently it is available in 13 languages.

Virtual Payment Address (VPA) is a unique identifier which you can use to send & receive money on UPI.

With BHIM, you can't pay more than Rs. 20 thousand in a transaction.

Daily limit for BHIM app transaction is Rs. 40,000.

A Brief on UPI: Unified Payments Interface is an instant payment system developed by NPCI. UPI is built over the IMPS infrastructure & allows you to instantly transfer money between any two parties' bank accounts.

UPI-PIN is a 4-6 digit pass code you create/set during first time registration with this App.

The upper limit per UPI transaction is Rs. 1 Lakh

A Brief on QSAM: *99*99# service, is alternatively known as QSAM (Query Service on Aadhaar Mapper). Using this service, a person can check the Aadhaar seeding/linking status in his/her bank account.

India's Ranking in different indexes

Index	Index released by	India's rank	1 st rank
Forbes India Rich List 2020	Forbes Magazine		Mukesh Ambani; US\$88.7 billion
Global Innovation Index 2020	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	48th	Switzerland
Global Economic Freedom Index 2020	Canada's Fraser Institute	105th	Hong Kong
Human Capital Index 2020	World Bank	116th	1st-Singapore
Future Brand Index	PwC Global	Reliance (2nd Rank)	Apple
"The Highest-Paid Actors Of 2020"	Forbes	Akshay Kumar 6th Rank (\$48.5 million)	Dwayne Johnson (\$87.5 Million)
Environmental Performance Index 2020	Yale and Columbia universities	168th	1st: Denmark 2nd: Luxembourg
Research and Development (R&D)	NSTMIS (National Science and Technology)	3rd	1st-US
Forbes top 100 highestpaid athletes	Forbes	Virat Kohli Rank-66th	1st -Roger Federer (\$106.3 million)
FIFA's latest ranking	FIFA	108th	1-Belgium
Global Press Freedom Index 2020	Published by Reporters Without Borders	142nd	Norway
Times Higher Education Impact Rankings 2020	Times	IIT-Kharagpur (57th rank)	University of Auckland

Important Summits

Summit	Place	About
17th ASEAN-India Economic Ministers' consultations	Held virtually	Minister of Commerce and Industry & Railways Piyush Goyal and Minister of Industry and Trade of Vietnam Tran Tuan Anh co-chaired.
Summit of the council of heads of government of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)	India	India will host a summit of the council of heads of government of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) on November 30 with a focus on contributing to the trade and economic agenda of the influential grouping.
G20 Foreign Ministers'	Under the presidency	The G20 Foreign Ministers' Extraordinary Meeting was convened by the current G20 Chair,
6th BRICS Environment Minister meeting	Video conferencing under the presidency of Russia.	Representing India at the meeting Union Environment Minister Prakash Javadekar emphasized India's concern towards attaining SDG (Sustainable Development Goal).
World Health Assembly	virtually in Geneva	The two-day 2020 assembly will be held virtually – it usually happens in Geneva – because of the ongoing Covid-19 crisis around the world.

International Organizations - Headquarters, Chiefs and Purpose

Name	Headquarters	Heads	Foundation Year	No. of Members	Purpose
The Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)	Beijing China	Secretary-General Rashid Alimov	15 June 2001	8 member states, 4 observer states, 6 dialogue partners, 4 guest attendances	A Eurasian political, economic, and security alliance for cooperation in political affairs, economics and trade, scientific-technical, cultural, educational spheres and safeguard regional peace.
Organisation of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC)	Vienna	Secretary General HE Mohammad Sanusi Barkindo	Sept 1960	15	To unify the petroleum policies of its Member Countries and ensure the stabilization of oil markets to secure regular supply of petroleum to consumers, a steady income to producers and a fair return on capital for those investing in the petroleum industry.
North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO)	Brussels Belgium	Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg	4 April 1949	29 states (intergovernmental military alliance for collective defence).	Mutual defence in response to an attack by any external party.
New Development Bank (NDB)	Shanghai, China	President K.V. Kamath	July 2014	Established by BRICS (5)	To contribute to development plans established nationally through projects that are socially, environmentally and economically sustainable.
Group of Twenty (G20)			26 Sept 1999	20	To bring together industrialized and developing economies to discuss key issues in the global economy and promote international financial stability.
Group of Seven (G7, earlier G8)			1973	7	To tackle global challenges through discussion and action with no headquarters, budget or permanent staff.
BRICS	Shanghai		2009	5	To achieve regional economic growth and work as a bridge between the developed and developing countries.
The Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)	Jakarta, Indonesia	Sec.-General: Le Luong Minh	08.08.1967	10	To accelerate economic progress and maintain the economic stability of SE Asia.
World Bank	Washington D.C. (U.S.A.)	Jim Yong Kim	July, 1944	189	Crediting, Working for a world free of Poverty
World Trade Organization (WTO)	Geneva, Switzerland	Roberto Azevedo	1 Jan, 1995	164	Regulate International Trade
International	Washington	Christine	27	189	To promotes international

Monetary Fund (IMF)	D.C. (U.S.A.)	Lagarde	Dec, 1945		economic cooperation
World Health Organization (WHO)	Geneva Switzerland	Margaret Chan	7 April, 1948	193	Health For All
UNICEF	New York	Anthony Lake	11-Dec-1946	191	To provide food and healthcare to children of those countries which devastated by world war II.
SAARC (South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation)	Kathmandu	Arjun Bahadur Thapa	1985	8 members 9 observers	To promote the welfare of the peoples of South Asia, strengthen collective self-reliance, promote active collaboration
Commonwealth of Nations	London	Queen Elizabeth II	1960	53 members	To advance economics, social development, and human rights in member countries.

Taglines of some important companies

Company	Tagline
McDonalds	"I'm Lovin' It"
KFC	"Finger Lickin' Good"
Subway	"Eat Fresh"
L'Oreal	"Because You're Worth It"
Nike	"Just Do It"
HSBC	"The World's Local Bank"
Panasonic	"Ideas for Life"
Apple	"Think Different"
BIOCON	"The difference lies in our DNA"
LG	"Life's Good"
Star Sports	"We know your game"
WALMART	"Always low prices. Always."
WIPRO	"Applying Thought"
TOYOTA	"Touch The Perfection"
THE ECONOMIC TIMES	"The Power of Knowledge"
The Indian EXPRESS	"Journalism of Courage"
SUZLON ENERGY	"Powering a Greener Tomorrow"
Reliance industries Limited	"Growth is Life"
MRF	"Tyres with Muscle"
NASDAQ	"Stock market for the digital world"
NDTV Profit	"News you can Use."
NYSE (New York Stock Exchange)	"The world puts its stock in us"
Jet Airways	"The Joy of Flying"
HONDA	"The Power of Dreams"
AT&T	"The World's Networking Company"

IMPORTANT DEFENCE EXERCISES

- Surya Kiran- India and Nepal
- Sampriti- India and Bangladesh
- Red Flag- India and US
- Nomadic Elephant- India and Mongolia
- "Mainamati Maitree Exercise- Border Security Force (BSF) and Border Guards Bangladesh (BGB)
- Dharma Guardian- India and Japan
- Dustlik- India-Uzbekistan

THE MOST FAMOUS TEMPLES IN INDIA

- ⇒ Badrinath Temple: Chamoli district, Uttarakhand
- ⇒ The Konark Sun Temple: Puri district of Odisha
- ⇒ Sanchi Stupa: Raisen district of Madhya Pradesh
- ⇒ Ramanatha Swamy Temple: Tamil Nadu
- ⇒ Yamunotri Temple: Uttarkashi district of Uttarakhand
- ⇒ Amarnath Cave Temple: State of J&K
- ⇒ Tirupati Balaji: Tirumala (Andhra Pradesh)
- ⇒ Virupaksha Temple: Hampi, Bellary, Karnataka

IMPORTANT PORTS IN INDIA

PORT	STATE
Paradip	Orissa
Ennore	Tamil Nadu
Tuticorin	Tamil Nadu
Jawaharlal Nehru	Maharashtra
Kandla	Gujarat

IMPORTANT AIRPORTS IN INDIA

AIRPORT	CITY	STATE
Kempegowda International Airport	Bangalore	Karnataka
Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International .Airport	Guwahati	Assam
Kandla Airport	Kandla	Gujarat
Sonari Airport	Jamshedpur	Jharkhand

STOCK EXCHANGES AROUND THE WORLD

- ⇒ New York Stock Exchange (NYSE): HQ in New York City
- ⇒ NASDAQ OMX: HQ in New York City.
- ⇒ Tokyo Stock Exchange: HQ in Tokyo
- ⇒ London Stock Exchange: HQ in London.
- ⇒ Shanghai Stock Exchange: HQ
- ⇒ Hong Kong Stock Exchange: HQ in Hong Kong.
- ⇒ Toronto Stock Exchange: HQ in Toronto.

RIVER DAMS IN INDIA

DAM	RIVER	STATE
Bhakra Dam	Satluj	Himachal Pradesh
Pakal Dul Dam	Marusudar	J&K
Sardar Sarover Gujarat Dam	Narmada	Gujarat
Koteswar Dam	Bhagirathi	Uttarakhand
Rihand Dam	Rihand	Uttar Pradesh
Chakra Dam	Chakra	Karnataka
Ukai Dam	Tapi	Gujarat

CLASSICAL AND FOLK DANCES

Gaudiya Nritya: West Bengal

Gotipua: Odisha

Dollu Kunitha: Karnataka

Ghodemodni: Goa

Koli: Maharashtra

NICK NAMES OF IMPORTANT INDIAN PLACES

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CITY</u>
Manchester Of India	Ahmedabad
Silicon Valley Of India	Bangalore
Dakshin Ganga	Godavari
Twin City:	Hyderabad, Secunderabad
City Of Buildings	Kolkata
City Of Seven Islands	Mumbai
Queen Of Arabian Sea	Cochin

NAME OF THE BORDERS & BOUNDARY LINES

Durand Line: Afghanistan & Pakistan

Hindenburg Line: Germany & Poland.

Mason-dixon Line: Line of demarcation between four states in the United States.

Mannerheim Line: Russia-Finland border.

Macmahon Line: India & China

Medicine Line: Canada & the United States.

Order-neisse Line: Poland & Germany

Radcliffe Line: India & Pakistan.

Siegfried Line: Germany on its border with France.

List of Nuclear Power Plants in India

<u>Name</u>	<u>State</u>
Kaiga nuclear power plant	Karnataka
Kalpakkam nuclear power plant	Tamil nadu
Kakrapar nuclear power plant	Gujarat
Rawatbhata nuclear power plant	Rajasthan
Tarapur nuclear power plant	Maharashtra
Narora nuclear power plant	Uttar pradesh
Kudankulam nuclear power plant	Tamil nadu
Kaiga nuclear power plant	Karnataka
Kalpakkam nuclear power plant	Tamilnadu

Important India's World Heritage Sites

- 1) Kaziranga Wildlife Sanctuary - Assam
- 2) Manas Wildlife Sanctuary - Assam
- 3) Mahabodhi Temple Complex at Bodh Gaya - Bihar
- 4) Humayun's Tomb - Delhi
- 5) Qutub Minar and its Monuments - Delhi

Government Schemes

<u>Schemes</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
'SVAMITVA' (ownership) scheme	Prime Minister Narendra Modi is all set to launch the physical distribution of property cards under the 'SVAMITVA' (ownership) scheme on October 11, 2020. This will be a historic move to transform the rural India.
"Digital Seva Setu Programme"	The Gujarat State Government launched the "Digital Seva Setu Programme" for rural areas on October 6, 2020. It was launched under the Bharat Net Project of the Central government
'Gandagi Bharat Chhodo' campaign	Madhya Pradesh government has launched a 15-day campaign named 'Gandagi Bharat Chhodo'. Under the campaign awareness programmes were organized in seven thousand 178 settlements.
Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana	Prime Minister Narendra Modi is to launch Rs 20,050 crore Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) on 9th September. Along with the scheme, the PM will also launch e-Gopala application.
Five Star Village Scheme	Department of Posts launched a scheme called the "Five Star Villages" on 10th September. The scheme ensures universal coverage of flagship postal schemes in rural

	areas of India. It seeks to bridge the gap in public awareness and reach postal services and products in the interior of villages.
Gareeb Kalyan Rozgar Abhiyan	Indian Railways generates 6,40,000 Mandays of work under the scheme in six states. Bihar, Jharkhand, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Orissa, and Uttar Pradesh
"At One Click"	online aid initiative 'At One Click' with Rs 1,369 crore for around 13000 Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) (i.e. MSMEs and textile industries) in Gujarat.
"Thank Mom"	In Madhya Pradesh, a plantation drive named "Thank Mom" has been started on the premises of Social Justice and Disabled Welfare Directorate from today on World Environment Day.
Jeevan Shakti Yojana (MP)	Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chauhan launched the Jeevan Shakti Yojana on 25th April. Benefit: Under this scheme, women in urban areas can earn by making masks at home. The government will pay them Rs 11 per mask.

2020 Nobel Prize List

Category	Persons	Reasons
Medicine or Physiology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Harvey J Alter (US) ➤ Michael Houghton (UK) ➤ Charles M. Rice (US) 	For the discovery of Hepatitis C virus."
Physics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Roger Penrose (UK) ➤ Reinhard Genzel (Germany) ➤ Andrea Ghez (US) 	The award has, in the past, honoured discoveries about the tiniest of particles and the vast mysteries of outer space. While one half of the Nobel was awarded to Penrose for his discovery on black
Chemistry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Emmanuelle Charpentier (France) ➤ Jennifer A. Doudna (US) 	
Literature	American poet Louise Glück	
Peace	United nation's World Food Programme (WFP) The	
Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Paul R Milgrom (US) and ➤ Robert B Wilson (US) 	

Padma Vibhushan Award 2020

Name	Field	Country/State
George Fernandes	Public Affairs	Bihar
Arun Jaitley	Public Affairs	Delhi
Sir Anerood Jugnauth	Public Affairs	Mauritius
Mary Kom	Sports	Manipur
Chhannulal Mishra	Art	Uttar Pradesh

Awards

<u>Awards</u>	<u>Person</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
PATA (Pacific- Asia Travel Association) Grand Award 2020	Kerala Tourism's	Kerala Tourism's internationally acclaimed 'Human by Nature' campaign won the prestigious PATA (Pacific- Asia Travel Association) Grand Award 2020 for Marketing
2020 UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize	Colombian investigative journalist Jineth Bedoya Lima	Jineth Bedoya Lima's reporting has focused on the armed conflict and peace process in Colombia and on sexual violence against women.
Asia Game Changer award 2020	Michelin-star chef Vikas Khanna	Feeding millions across India amid the COVID-19 pandemic through a massive food distribution drive that he coordinated from thousands of miles away in his Manhattan home.
National Award To Teachers 2020	Ms. Sudha Painuli	First NAT Awardee from the Eklayva Model Residential Schools (EMRS) established under Ministry of Tribal Affairs.
Lifetime Achievement Award of Mohun Bagan Football Club	Legendary Hockey Player Ashok Kumar	key player of the 1975 World Cup winning Indian Hockey team
President's Award For COVID Services	Kala Narayanasamy	Indian-origin nurse in Singapore has been conferred with the President's Award for Nurses for serving on the frontline during the COVID-19 pandemic
International Press Freedom Awards 2020	Shahidul Alam from Bangladesh, Mohammad Mosaed from Iran, Dapo Olorunyomi from Nigeria and Svetlana Prokopyeva from Russia.	All four journalists have faced arrests or criminal prosecution in reprisal for their reporting.

RAJIV GANDHI KHEL RATNA AWARD

- Shri Rohit Sharma Cricket
- Shri Mariyappan T. Para Athletics
- Ms. Manika Batra Table Tennis
- Ms. Vinesh Wrestling
- Ms. Rani Hockey

ARIJUNA AWARD

- Shri Atanu Das Archery
- Ms. Dutee Chand Athletics
- Shri Satwik Sairaj Rankireddy Badminton
- Shri Chirag Chandrasekhar Shetty Badminton
- Shri Vishesh Bhriguvanshi Basketball
- Subedar Manish Kaushik Boxing
- Ms. Lovlina Borgohain Boxing
- Shri Ishant Sharma Cricket
- Ms. Deepti Sharma Cricket

UPCOMING IMPORTANT SPORTS EVENT

Summer Olympic	2021- Tokyo, Japan 2024 - Paris, France 2028 - Los Angeles, USA
Winter Olympic	2022 - Beijing, China 2026 - Milan & Cortina , Italy
FIFA World Cup	2022 - Qatar 2026 - Canada, Mexico, US
ICC Cricket World Cup	2021 - Women's : New Zealand 2023 - Men's : India
Commonwealth Games	2022 - Birmingham ,UK
Hockey World Cup	2022 - Women : Spain and Netherland 2023 - Men's : Bhubaneswar and Rourkela, Odisha
AFC Women's Asian Cup	2022 - India

PM Modi addresses on New Education Policy 2020

PM Modi addressed the nation on the New Education Policy 2020. He said that 'Transformational Reforms in Higher Education under National Education Policy' is being organised by University Grants Commission & Ministry of Education. Key Highlights λ National Research Foundation will work closely with National Educational Technology Forum (NETF) to enable scientific steps to include technology in the education system. λ K Kasturirangan, an Indian space scientist played a crucial role in drafting the New Education Policy 2020. λ New Education Policy is the foundation of strengthening the 21st century India. Every student will be future ready & will contribute to nation-building

Important Abbreviations

- ⇒ **SENSEX:** Sensitive Index of Stock Exchange
- ⇒ **KYC:** Know Your Customer
- ⇒ **CAR:** Capital Adequacy Ratio
- ⇒ **SWOT:** Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities & Threats
- ⇒ **SWIFT:** Society For Worldwide Interbank Financial Telecommunication
- ⇒ **CIBIL:** Credit Information Bureau Of India Limited
- ⇒ **INFINET** Indian Financial Network
- ⇒ **OLTAS** - On-line Tax Accounting System (OLTAS) for Direct Taxes
- ⇒ **TIN** - Tax Information Network (TIN)
- ⇒ **CRAR:** Capital to Risk-weighted Assets Ratio
- ⇒ **AMFI-** Association of Mutual Fund in India.
- ⇒ **PSLV** – Polar Satellite Launch vehicle

Some Important Countries, Capital & Currency

COUNTRY	CAPITAL	CURRENCY
Burkina Faso	Ouagadougou	(West African CFA) Franc
Venezuela	Caracas	Venezuelan bolívar, Petro
Madagascar	Antananarivo	Malagasy ariary
El Salvador	San Salvador	United States Dollar
Nigeria	Abuja	Nigerian naira
Palestine	Ramallah , east Jerusalem	Israeli new shekel, Jordanian dinar
Estonia	Tallinn	Euro
Senegal	Dakar	West African CFA franc
Comoros	Moroni	Comorian franc
Slovakia	Bratislava	Euro
Haiti	Port- au-prince	Haitian gourde
Algeria	Algiers	dinar
Ukraine	kyiv	Ukrainian hryvnia
Mali	Bamako	West African CFA franc
Papua New Guinea	Port Moresby	Papua New Guinean kina

Malawi	Lilongwe	Malawian kwacha
Mauritania	Nouakchott	Mauritanian ouguiya
Guatemala	Guatemala city	Guatemalan quetzal
Nauru	Yaren	Australian dollar
Portugal	Lisbon	Euro
Tunisia	Tunis	Tunisian dinar
Botswana	Gaborone	Botswana pula
Mozambique	Maputo	Mozambican metical

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