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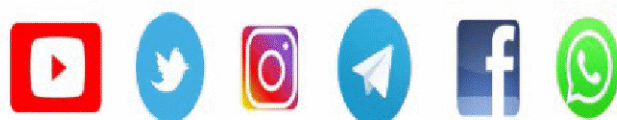
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History of 1st July

- ◆ **1879** : Postcards were introduced in India.
- ◆ **1879** : Imperial Bank of India was nationalized and named State Bank of India.
- ◆ **1975** : The then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi announced 20-point programs for national development.
- ◆ **1917** : Goods and Services Tax was implemented in India as an important reform to the economy.
- ◆ **1997** : The country's first Science City was established in Kolkata.

Current Affairs Related to 1st July 2024

- ◆ **Madhya Pradesh Government** has approved the establishment of a Prime Minister Excellence College in all the districts of the state. Prime Minister's Excellence College will be formally inaugurated in all 55 districts of Madhya Pradesh on July 1. Madhya Pradesh CM Dr. Mohan Yadav said that a drone policy will also be made in the state. CM directed the officials to ensure better education system keeping in mind the increasing employment opportunities in aviation, agriculture and artificial intelligence.
- ◆ **The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs** has launched Swachh Bharat Mission Urban 2.0, which will be completed from July 1 to August 31, 2024. The initiative aims to strengthen urban local bodies to face the increasing sanitation and health problems during the season. It is aligned with the Stop Diary campaign of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, with emphasis on comprehensive intervention and inter-departmental collaboration.
- ◆ **Pat Cummins** created history as he became the first player to take 2 hat-tricks in the T20 World Cup. He achieved this feat during the Super 8 match between Australia and Afghanistan in St. Vincent. Cummins achieved this feat by taking the wickets of Rashid Khan, Karim Janat and Gulbadin Naib.
- ◆ **Rahul Gandhi** will be the leader of opposition in the 18th Lok Sabha. There will be an official LOP again in the Lower House after a gap of 10 years since 2014. This announcement was made by Congress General Secretary KC Venugopal. Rahul Gandhi is MP from Rae Bareilly. The leader of the largest opposition party having more than one-tenth of the total number of seats in the Lok Sabha is considered the Leader of the Opposition. He will serve on various committees such as Public Accounts, Undertakings, Estimates and several Joint Parliamentary Committees.
- ◆ **State Bank of India**, under Chairman Dinesh Kumar Khara, targets 400 new attractive investments across India in the financial year 2024-2025. This is part of the major's strategy to enhance customer service, especially in top domains such as wealth management and advisory services, despite the growing trend towards extended digital mouse.
- ◆ **Kenya** has been declared by the United States as its major non-NATO ally. According to a memorandum issued by the White House, MNNA recognition is a designation under US law that provides specific benefits to foreign partners in the field of defense trade and security cooperation. According to the US State Department the MNNA designation is a powerful symbol of the United States' close ties with the countries.
- ◆ **Smriti Mandhana** became the first Indian woman to score two combined centuries in the second ODI against South Africa at the M Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru. She recorded the record for most runs scored by an Indian woman in a One Day International series.
- ◆ **Rohit Sharma** became the first player to score 200 runs in the T20 World Cup 2024 Super Eight Group 1 match against Australia at the Darren Sammy National Cricket Stadium in St Lucia. Rohit scored 92 runs in 41 balls and took eight wickets in this innings, taking his total number of sixes in T20 International cricket to 203.
- ◆ **A one day International Workshop on Global Navigation Satellite System based Electronic Toll Collection** in India was organized by Indian Highway Management Company Limited, an NHAI promoted company, in New Delhi. This workshop was organized to provide a smooth and hassle-free tolling experience to the drivers on National Highways. This international workshop provided a unique platform to both industry and global experts to discuss various aspects related to smooth implementation of free-flow tolling system based on GNSS technology in India.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is National Postal Employees Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 1st July (B) 2nd July
(C) 3rd July (D) 4th July

(A) National Postal Worker's Day is celebrated on 1st July to recognize and express gratitude for the commendable work of postal employees. These often anonymous individuals play an important role in reminiscing about the things they love, fostering connections between people and the community. Be it delivering letters or packages or providing essential services, postal workers have been an essential component of our society for many years.



2. When is Chartered Accountants Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 30th June (B) 1st July
(C) 2nd July (D) 3rd July

(B) Chartered Accountants Day is celebrated every year on 1st July across the country. On this day in the year 1949, the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India was established by an Act of Parliament. Chartered Accountants Day is celebrated every year to honor Chartered Accountants on the day of establishment of ICAI. Chartered Accountant is considered to be one of the most respected and noble professions in India.



3. Recently India has announced to open its new Consulate in which country?

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

(D) Recently India announced the opening of its new Consulate in Bangladesh. India will launch e-medical facility for Bangladeshi citizens. For those coming to India for medical treatment, India will open a new Consulate in Rangpur, Bangladesh to streamline the processes for people from the North West region of Bangladesh.



4. When is National Doctor's Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 30th June (B) 1st July
(C) 2nd July (D) 3rd July

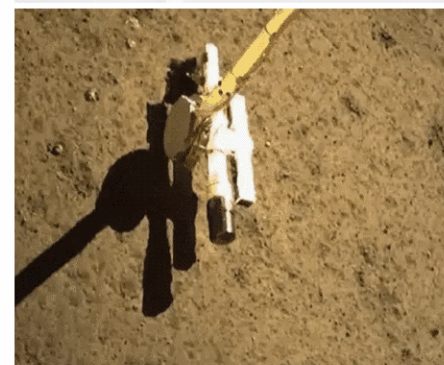
(B) National Doctor's Day is celebrated every year on 1 July in India. On National Doctor's Day, the contribution of all doctors in working towards improving human health is honored. This day is celebrated to express respect and gratitude towards the doctors who save lives.



5. Which country has recently become the first country to bring soil from the dark side of the moon?

- (A) China (B) Japan
(C) Germany (D) England

(A) Recently, China's original mission has reached Earth by taking soil from the surface of the moon. With this, it has become the first country, which has been successful in bringing samples from the dark side of the Moon. The Chang'e-6 lander of the Chinese National Space Administration has returned to Earth after 53 days with samples in a capsule.



6. Which bank has recently given a dividend of Rs 6959 crore to the government?

- (A) SBI (B) RBI
(C) BOB (D) PNB

(A) State Bank of India has distributed a dividend of Rs 6959 crore to the Government of India for the financial year 2023-2024. This has increased from last year's dividend of Rs 11.30 per share and now it is Rs 13.70 per share. Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman was invited to present her side in the meeting chaired by Financial Services Secretary Vivek Joshi.



7. Which state government recently approved the establishment of a PM College of Excellence in all the districts?

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

(D) Recently the establishment of College of Excellence was approved. Chief Minister Mohan Yadav said that a center of Indian knowledge tradition will be opened in every PM College of Excellence. And necessary arrangements will be made in this regard. PM College of Excellence is going to start in all 55 districts of Madhya Pradesh from July 1.



8. Where has the India Olympic Research Center been inaugurated recently?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Gandhinagar
(C) New Delhi (D) Kolkata

(B) Recently, the India Olympic Research and Education Center was inaugurated at the National Defense University in Gandhinagar district of Gujarat. Indian Olympic Association President and legendary sprinter PT Usha said the center will serve as a hub of knowledge, innovation and performance in the Indian sports ecosystem.



9. Who has recently been appointed Vice Chancellor of India's first AI University?

- (A) Simon Mak (B) Akhil Gupta
(C) Chirag Srivastava (D) None of these

(A) Recently, Simon Mak is an American professor who is leading India's first AI University as the Vice Chancellor. India's Universal AI University has appointed Simon Mak as its Vice Chancellor. This makes him the first foreign national to lead an Indian university during its establishment phase.



10. Who has recently been appointed Director in the Consumer Department?

- (A) S. Tripathi (B) Vinod Ganatra
(C) Mrinal Kumar Das (D) None of these

(C) Recently Mrinal Kumar Das has been selected for appointment to the post of Director in the Department of Consumer Affairs under the Ministry of Food and Public Distribution. According to the order issued by the Department of Personnel and Training, selection has been made for appointment to important posts under the Central Staffing Scheme.

