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History of November 30

- ◆ **1759** : Emperor Alamgir II of Delhi was assassinated by his minister.
- ◆ **1965** : Dolls Museum, Delhi was established by famous cartoonist K. Shankar Pillai did it.
- ◆ **1872** : The first official international football match was played
- ◆ **2008** : After the Mumbai terrorist attacks, the government announced the formation of the Federal Investigation Agency. The government decided to extend the tenure of SAT Rizvi Pay Committee.
- ◆ **1731** : Nearly one lakh people died in the Beijing earthquake.

Current Affairs Related to 30 November

- ◆ Mahindra Group CEO Anish Shah is set to become the president of the Indian Federation of Commerce and Industry. He will assume charge in December 2023. Anish Shah is currently the Senior Vice President of FICCI. He will succeed Subhrakant Panda as Chairman after the 96th Annual General Meeting. Anish Shah is the Group CEO of Mahindra Group and Managing Director of Mahindra & Mahindra.
- ◆ Robert Shetkintong has been appointed as the High Commissioner of India to the Republic of Mozambique. He is currently serving as the Ambassador of India to Ethiopia since 2020. The ministry said that he is expected to take charge soon. Apart from this, senior diplomat Saurabh Kumar has been appointed India's Ambassador to Belgium. Kumar currently serves as Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, and will also be accredited as India's Ambassador to the European Union.
- ◆ India and the European Union signed an agreement to build a stronger supply chain and support innovation in semiconductors. The MoU was signed at the EU India Trade and Technology Council meeting. Under this MoU, India and the EU will share experiences, best practices and know-how related to the semiconductor ecosystem. Both sides will identify areas of cooperation in research, development and innovation between universities, research organizations and businesses.
- ◆ REC Limited, a Maharatna CPSE under the Ministry of Power, was awarded the Best Employer Award for Policies in Diversity and Inclusion by ASSOCHAM at the 4th Diversity and Inclusion Excellence Awards and Conference. The Best Employer Award for Policies in Diversity and Inclusion reflects REC's commitment to creating a workplace that fosters innovation and promotes equal opportunities for all employees.
- ◆ Narendra Modi became the first Prime Minister to fly LCA Tejas.
- ◆ The government announced that India will assume the chairmanship of the International Sugar Organization, the apex body for sugar and related products, for 2024. India is the largest consumer and second largest producer of sugar in the world. London-headquartered ISO has announced the appointment of India as the President of the organization for 2024 in its 63rd Council meeting. Leading the global sugar sector is a major achievement for the country and a reflection of the country's growing stature in the region. Its main goal will be to bring together all the member countries to adopt more sustainable practices in sugarcane cultivation, sugar and ethanol production and better utilization of by-products.
- ◆ Ayurveda Gyan Naipunya initiative has been started for doctors working in the field of Ayurveda. Interested eligible Ayurveda practitioners can send expression of interest in the format available on CCRAS website by December 15, 2023.
- ◆ Ode was awarded the Best Film among the 75 Creative Minds of Tomorrow held at the 54th IFFI. As part of the Film Challenge, 75 participants were divided into five teams who made short films in 48 hours on the theme Mission Life. The aim of this initiative is to encourage and nurture young creative talents from various fields of film production.
- ◆ WHO has asked China for more data on the respiratory diseases spreading in northern China. China's Presidential Health Commission said the respiratory illness was caused by the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions and the spread of the pathogen. Common bacterial infections are affecting children, including Mycoplasma pneumonia.
- ◆ Indian shooter Anish Bhanwala won the bronze medal in the men's 25m rapid fire pistol event at the ISSF World Cup Final 2023 in Doha, Qatar. Anesh Bhanwala, competing at the Lusail Shooting Range, finished third in the final by scoring 27 out of 35.

National & International Current Affairs

1. Recently, which expressway of Uttar Pradesh will become the first solar expressway?

- (A) Lucknow Expressway
- (B) Agra Expressway
- (C) Bundelkhand Expressway
- (D) All of the above

(C) The Uttar Pradesh government is planning to set up a solar plant on 1700 hectares of land along the Bundelkhand Expressway. These solar plants installed along the Bundelkhand Expressway will generate 550 MW solar energy. This project will be implemented by Uttar Pradesh Expressway Industrial Development Authority. The project will have a lifespan of 25 years and will supply electricity to more than 1 lakh households along the expressway.



2. Where is the 17th edition of joint military exercise Surya Kiran being organized recently?

- (A) Bihar
- (B) Uttarakhand
- (C) West Bengal
- (D) Jharkhand

(B) The 17th edition of India-Nepal joint military exercise Surya Kiran began in Uttarakhand. This exercise is being conducted in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand from 24 November to 7 December 2023. It is an annual event and is organized by alternating countries. The exercise aims to enhance operational procedures in jungle warfare, counter-terrorism operations in mountainous areas and humanitarian assistance and disaster relief.



3. Who recently took action against the governance issues of Abhyudaya Cooperative Bank?

- (A) SBI
- (B) HDFC Bank
- (C) ICICI Bank
- (D) RBI

(D) RBI dissolved the board of Abhyudaya Co-operative Bank for 12 months due to governance concerns. Satya Prakash Pathak was appointed administrator. But no commercial restrictions were imposed. This action comes as a response to some material concerns arising from poor governance standards within the bank.



4. Which country has recently announced the closure of its embassy in New Delhi?

- (A) Afghanistan
- (B) Canada
- (C) Pakistan
- (D) America

(A) Afghanistan has permanently closed its embassy in New Delhi. The embassy blamed both the Taliban rulers in Kabul and the Indian government for exerting pressure to permanently halt operations in India. Before its closure, the Afghanistan Embassy had completed 22 years of the Afghan Republic's diplomatic presence in India.



5. Where has the world's first 3D printed temple been inaugurated recently?

- (A) Kerala
- (B) Karnataka
- (C) Telangana
- (D) Odisha

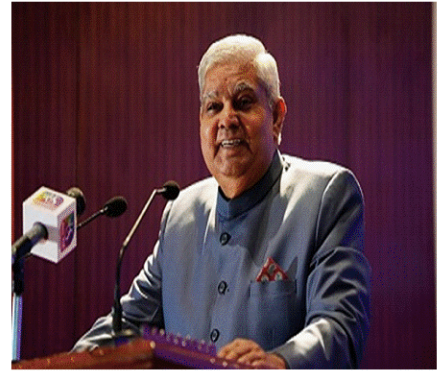
(C) The world's first 3D printed temple has been inaugurated in Telangana. This 3K temple is located in Borupalli, Siddipet, which took about five and a half months to build. It has been manufactured by Apsuja Infratech in collaboration with additive manufacturing solutions provider Simpliforge Creations.



6. Where has the Global Professional Accountants Conference been inaugurated recently?

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

(A) The Global Professional Accountants Conference was inaugurated in Gandhinagar, the capital of Gujarat. More than 4000 delegates from more than 25 countries participated in this event. It discussed various aspects to shape the outlook of the accountancy profession at the global level.



7. Who has recently been awarded The Economic Times HR World Exceptional Employee Experience Award 2023?

- (A) SSC (B) NTPC
(C) BSNL (D) NHPC

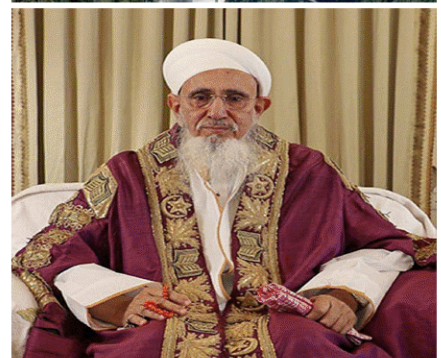
(D) NHPC Limited, India's largest hydropower development organization, has recently been awarded The Economic Times HR World Exceptional Employee Experience Award 2023. The award has been presented to NHPC in recognition of its wide range of employee centric human resource initiatives.



8. Who has recently become the fourth Indian to be honored with Pakistan's highest civilian award?

- (A) Hamid Ansari (B) Dr. S.M. Saifuddin
(C) AR Rahman (D) None of these

(B) Recently, Dr Syedna Mufaddal Saifuddin, head of the Mumbai-based Dawoodi Bohra sect of Islam, was awarded Nishan-e-Pakistan, Pakistan's highest civilian honour. And he has become the fourth Indian to receive Pakistan's highest civilian honour.



9. Which state's tourism mission has recently received global recognition from UNWTO?

- (A) Kerala (B) Assam
(C) Gujarat (D) Haryana

(A) Kerala's pioneering Responsible Tourism Mission has won global accolades by securing a place in the prestigious list of case studies curated by the United Nations World Tourism Organisation. This recognition not only reflects the Mission's commitment towards eco-friendly tourism, but also serves as an inspiration for further progress in promoting sustainable travel.



10. Where was the National Gopal Ratna Award 2023 organized recently?

- (A) Mumbai (B) Guwahati
(C) Chennai (D) New Delhi

(B) Recently the National Gopal Ratna Award 2023 was organized in Guwahati. Assam Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma and Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Dr. Sanjeev Kumar Balyan were also present at the award ceremony. Rashtriya Gopal Ratna Award is one of the highest national awards in the live-stock and dairy sector.

