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History of 21st June

- ◆ **1576** : **Muldal army** defeated Rana Pratap Singh in the battle of **Haldighati**.
- ◆ **1948** : **C. Rajagopalachari** became the last **Governor General** of India.
- ◆ **1944** : **Berlin** was heavily **bombed**.
- ◆ **1949** : **Rajasthan High Court** was **established**.
- ◆ **1998** : India and Russia signed a **\$2.5 billion** MoU for the establishment of a **nuclear power** station in Kudankulam, Tamil Nadu.

Current Affairs Related to 21st June 2024

- ◆ **A new fee refund policy for higher educational institutions** was announced by the University Grants Commission. By September 30 this year, higher education institutions will be required to provide full refund of fees for all cancellations or migrations. This has been announced by the University Grants Commission in the new fee refund policy for the 2024.2025 academic session. This has been done to address the grievances of students and parents regarding non-refund of fees in case of cancellation or withdrawal of admission.
- ◆ **Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts and Sansad TV signed an MoU to make** Indian art and culture more accessible to the people. As per the MoU, the programs produced by IGNCA will be telecast on Sansad TV and Sansad TV. The MoU was signed by Dr. Sachchidanand Joshi, Member Secretary, on behalf of IGNCA and Mr. Rajat Punhani, Chief Executive Officer, on behalf of Sansad TV.
- ◆ **ATM Confederation of Industries** has demanded from Reserve Bank of India and National Payment Corporation of India to increase the interchange fee charged at the time of withdrawing money from ATM. ATM Confederation of Industries has demanded to increase this fee to a maximum of Rs 23 per person.
- ◆ **When Alpana Kilawala joined the Reserve Bank of India, the communications department** of the bank was just beginning to take shape. In her career spanning over two decades, Alpana not only witnessed the evolution of RBI's communication strategies but also actively contributed to it. His book RBI's Wall on an Era: Central Bank Insiders provides an insightful glimpse of its formation, his journey and the transformation of the institution over 25 years.
- ◆ **Off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin, one of the most successful cricketers** in the history of the game, released his autobiography I've Had the Streets: A Kutty Cricket Story.
- ◆ **SBI has launched SME Digital Business Loan.** It leverages an ecosystem of APIs to streamline the loan process. The SME Digital Business Loan will be accessible to customers through all channels of the Bank. In future SBI will make this product available through QR code at all its CSP partner touchpoints and outdoor touchpoints.
- ◆ **The price and other related issues of the crucial deal of 26 Rafale maritime fighter aircraft** for the Indian Navy are being negotiated by India and France. Earlier this talk was to be held on May 30, but in view of the pending process of Lok Sabha elections, it was postponed till the second week of June. The total project is likely to cost more than Rs 50,000 crore and will increase the number of these advanced aircraft in the Indian Air Force's fleet from 36 to 62. These aircraft will be operated from the Indian Navy's aircraft carriers INS Vikramaditya and INS Vikrant.
- ◆ **The UN refugee agency said a record 117.3 million people were displaced in 2023.** These people are refugees, asylum seekers and internally displaced persons who have been displaced by conflict, persecution and complex forms of violence. Overall, 1.5% of the world's population is now forcibly displaced, almost double from a decade ago.
- ◆ **Ramaphosa was re-elected following a coalition agreement between his African National Congress** and opposition parties. The new government includes the ANC, the centre-right Democratic Alliance and other smaller parties. Ramaphosa won the vote in parliament against Julius Malema, leader of the far-left Economic Freedom Fighters.
- ◆ **India has the world's second largest source of nitrous oxide, a nitrogen oxide** gas that is much hotter than carbon dioxide. In the year 2020, about 11% of such global man-made works were from India.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is World Hydrography Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 20th June (B) 21st June
(C) 22nd June (D) 23rd June

(B) World Hydrography Day is celebrated every year on 21 June. The World Hydrographic Organization sanctioned and organized World Hydrographic Day as an annual celebration in 2005. The United Nations General Assembly officially recognized the day on 29 November 2005 through resolution A/RES/60/30 Oceans and the Law of the Sea.



2. When is International Yoga Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 21st June (B) 22nd June
(C) 23rd June (D) 24th June

(A) Recently, Ingenious Research Channel Private Limited, a startup founded by female doctor Dr. Shivani Verma, has developed a latest tool called Divya Drishti, which combines invisible physical features like facial recognition. This innovative solution highlights a significant advancement in biometric authentication technology, providing reliability that is useful in identifying individuals.



3. Who has recently successfully developed AI tool Divya Drishti?

- (A) Kanishka Joshi (B) Dr. Shivani Verma
(C) Divya Deshmukh (D) None of these

(B) Startup Ingenious Research Channel Private Limited, founded by female physician Dr. Shivani Verma, has developed a latest tool, Divya Drishti, which combines invisible physical features like facial recognition. This innovative solution highlights a significant advancement in biometric authentication technology, providing reliability that is useful in identifying individuals.



4. Recently the G-7 countries have agreed to give how many billion dollars of loan to Ukraine?

- (A) 20 billion dollars (B) 30 billion dollars
(C) 40 billion dollars (D) 50 billion dollars

(D) Leaders of major G-7 countries have agreed to a framework agreement to provide a loan of \$ 50 billion to Ukraine. This would use interest from Russian businesses frozen in 2022 after Moscow invaded its neighbor. This political agreement took place on the opening day of the annual summit of the G-7 leaders in southern Italy.



5. When is World Music Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 18 June (B) 20 June
(C) 21 June (D) 23 June

(C) World Music Day is celebrated every year on 21 June. It is because of the various qualities of music that it is famous in the world. This is a matter of great joy for musicians and music lovers. World Music Day is also known as Fête de la Musique. It means music festival. It started in France in 1982.



6. Which Indian institute has been recently recognized by WHO for traditional medicine research?

- (A) First (B) Second
(C) Third (D) Fourth

(C) The World Health Organization has designated the National Institute of Indian Medical Heritage under the Ministry of NIIMH, Hyderabad as a WHO Collaborating Center for Traditional Medicine Research. Established in 1956, Chhattisgarh has been at the forefront of various digital initiatives of NIIMH. This declaration has been given for a period of four years, making CII the third Indian institute to receive such an honour.



7. Which medal has the Indian swimmer won recently in the Singapore National Swimming Championships?

- (A) Gold (B) Bronze
(C) Silver (D) None of these

(B) Recently in swimming, India's Likith SP and Dhinidhi Desinghu won two bronze medals at the Singapore National Swimming Championships 2024. Swimmer Likith SP won the bronze medal in the men's 100m breaststroke event with a timing of one minute and two seconds. Dhinidhi Desinghu won the bronze medal in the women's 200m freestyle event in 2 minutes 5 seconds.



8. Recently the Chief Minister of which state has launched the PM Shri Tourism Air Service.

- (A) Madhya Pradesh (B) Meghalaya
(C) Telangana (D) Sikkim

(A) Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Dr. Mohan Yadav digitally launched the flight booking website for PM Shri Paryatan Air Service. In the first phase, air taxi operation will start between Bhopal, Singrauli, Jabalpur and Rewa. Madhya Pradesh CM said that PM Shri Religious Tourism Heli Service will start between Ujjain, Omkareshwar, Indore, Bhopal.



9. Who has recently won the World Junior Under-20 Girls Chess Championship?

- (A) Kanishka Joshi (B) Beloslava Krasteva
(C) Divya Deshmukh (D) None of these

(C) Divya defeated Krasteva in the final round at the Gift City Club in Gandhinagar, Gujarat. Divya defeated Krasteva in the tenth round in just 26 moves to win her first Under-20 title. He finished the championship undefeated, winning nine of his games and drawing the other two. Divya Deshmukh is from Nagpur, Maharashtra.



10. Which equestrian has recently become the first Indian to win the 3 Star Grand Prix?

- (A) Shruti Vora (B) Pramila Singh
(C) Divya Deshmukh (D) None of these

(A) Shruti Vora has become the first Indian rider to win a three-star Grand Prix event with Magnanimous, a historic achievement for Indian horse riding. Shruti scored 67.761 points in the CMT-3 tournament in Lipica, Slovenia. The Indian finished ahead of Moldova's Tatiana Antonenko, who scored 66.522 points.

