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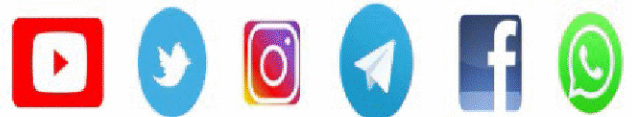
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History of 23rd June

- ◆ **1757** : The **Battle of Plassey** begins between British forces and **Siraj ud Daulah**, taking control of the British possession of Bengal.
- ◆ **1810** : Construction of Duncan Dock, **Bombay was completed**.
- ◆ **1930** : The **Simon Commission** recommended a federal India and the separation of **Burma based** in London.
- ◆ **1761** : The great **Maratha Peshwa Balaji Bajirao** died.
- ◆ **1868** : **Cryptofer L. Sholsa** receives a **patent** for a typewriter.

Current Affairs Related to 23rd June 2024

- ◆ **Fitch Ratings has raised India's growth forecast for the current financial year.** The rating agency has increased India's investment growth forecast from 7 percent to 7.2 percent for the financial year 2024-2025. The rating agency has achieved this achievement in growth rate due to improvement in consumer spending and increase in investment. For the financial year 2025-2026 and financial year 2026-2027, Fitch has estimated a growth of 6.5% and 6.2%.
- ◆ **The Center has extended by one year the plan to digitalize the health records** of patients and link them with Abha ID. Under this scheme, each hospital gets Rs 20 per patient for digitizing health records and linking them to the Ayushman Bharat digital health account. The central government has also asked states and union territories to submit details of utilization of funds received through the scheme. The scheme focuses on promoting the adoption of digital health services.
- ◆ **India-US bilateral relations have been strengthened by the visit of US National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan to India.** Jake Sullivan's visit is aimed at expanding key areas of cooperation between India and the US. Sullivan briefed PM Modi on the progress made under the initiative in various areas of bilateral cooperation, especially on critical and emerging technologies.
- ◆ **The National Council of Educational Research and Training has removed references to the Babri Masjid demolition from the Class 12 Political Science textbook.** NCERT has emphasized on Ram Janmabhoomi temple movement. For the nature of political mobilization in Chapter 8 of Class 12 Political Science textbook, the sentence 'What is the legacy of Ram Janmabhoomi movement and Ayodhya demolition' has been modified to 'What is the legacy of Ram Janmabhoomi movement'.
- ◆ **There will be a significant growth in the arsenals** of world nuclear armed nations in 2023, and a significant increase in spending on nuclear energy.
- ◆ **An MoU has been signed between the Ministry of External Affairs and the State Bank of India.** This MoU is for digital payment aggregation services by integrating SBIEPay with the eMigrate portal. Under the MoU, additional digital payment services of SBI will be provided to Indian migrant workers, recruitment agents and other users of the eMigrate portal through a payment gateway called SBIPay. This MoU will become operational immediately after successful integration of SBIEPay with the eMigrate portal.
- ◆ **RBI has canceled the license of Purvanchal Cooperative Bank based in Ghazipur.** Because the bank does not have sufficient capital and earning potential. Orders to close the bank have also been sought from the Cooperative Commissioner of Uttar Pradesh and the Registrar of Cooperative Societies. The Cooperative Commissioner of Uttar Pradesh and the Registrar of Cooperative Societies have also been asked to appoint a liquidator. After liquidation, every depositor will be eligible to receive the value of his deposit insurance claim, subject to a maximum of Rs 5 lakh, from the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation.
- ◆ **Rajya Sabha Speaker and Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurated Prerna Sthal** in the Parliament House complex. In this newly constructed space, statues of national great men and freedom fighters have been installed which were earlier built at different places in the building. During the inauguration ceremony, Dhankhar stressed that the Prerna Sthal will become a source of inspiration and motivation for the people.
- ◆ **Siddhesh Sakor, a farmer and founder of Agro Rangers from Maharashtra, has been recognized** as a Land Hero by the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification after launching the World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought. The announcement was made in Bonn during an event in Germany, in which 10 heroes from around the world were honored.
- ◆ **The United Nations' annual Sustainable Development Report ranks the performance** of its 193 member states in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

National & International Current Affairs

- 1. When is International Olympic Day celebrated every year?**
(A) 20th June (B) 21st June
(C) 22nd June (D) 23rd June
(D) International Olympic Day is celebrated globally on 23rd to honor the establishment of the International Olympic Committee and encourage the principles advanced by the Olympic Movement. It is a day filled with sporting events such as races, performances, concerts and informative workshops featuring athletes from different countries.
- 2. When is United Nations Public Service Day celebrated every year?**
(A) 21st June (B) 22nd June
(C) 23rd June (D) 24th June
(C) This day has been designated by the United Nations General Assembly to be celebrated as Public Service Day on 23rd June. It highlights the contribution of public service to the development process, recognizes the work of public servants and encourages youth to pursue careers in public sectors.
- 3. Who will be awarded the Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2024 recently?**
(A) Deepak Dhar (B) Gaurav Pandey
(C) Subhrat Mishra (D) None of these
(B) English writer K Vaishali and Hindi writer Gaurav Pandey will be given the Sahitya Akademi's prestigious youth award this time. Sahitya Akademi announced the names of 23 writers to receive the prestigious youth awards in different languages. Apart from this, the names of 24 winners of Children's Literature Award for 2024 were also announced.
- 4. Which state government has recently won the award for maximum wind energy installed capacity?**
(A) Gujarat (B) Punjab
(C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Kerala
(A) Gujarat won the first rank award in an event organized under the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy. The main theme of the program was wind energy powering India's future. Gujarat had 11,823 MW of installed wind power capacity at the end of May 2024. Tamil Nadu had 10743 MW and Karnataka stood third with 6312 MW.
- 5. Who has recently released the children's book The Adventures of Ed A Mamma: Ed Finds a Home?**
(A) Kareena Kapoor (B) Priyanka Chopra
(C) Deepika Padukone (D) Alia Bhatt
(D) A children's picture book was released by Alia Bhatt. Alia Bhatt has started a new chapter in her life as a storyteller. The actress has launched her first picture book for children and says she is working on a whole series of books for the future.



6. Recently, farmer Siddhesh Sakore of which state has been named Bhoomi Nayak by the UN agency?

- (A) Sikkim (B) Telangana
(C) Haryana (D) Maharashtra

(D) Recently, Maharashtra farmer and founder of Agro Rangers, Siddhesh Sakore, has been named a Land Hero by the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification. Apart from Siddhesh Sakore, other Land Heroes are from Brazil, Costa Rica, Germany, Mali, Moldova, Morocco, Philippines, USA and Zimbabwe.



7. Indian Railways completed the first trial run on the world's highest railway bridge, on which river?

- (A) Jhelum (B) Chenab
(C) Sutlej (D) None of these

(B) Trains will soon be seen running on the Chenab Railway Bridge, the world's most dangerous railway bridge built in Jammu and Kashmir. Union Railway Minister Ashwini Vaishnav said that the first trial run of the train has been completed between Sangaldan and Reasi in Ramban, Jammu. This bridge, built about 359 meters above the Chenab River, is the highest railway bridge in the world.



8. Recently, direct international flight service has started between India and which country?

- (A) Cambodia (B) Sudan
(C) Indonesia (D) Sri Lanka

(A) Recently, Cambodia's Deputy Prime Minister Neth Savoun and Indian Ambassador to the country Devyani Khobragade launched the first direct flight between Phnom Penh and New Delhi. Flights between the two capitals will be operated by Cambodia's national airline Cambodia Angkor Air four times a week.



9. Which bank has recently been awarded the Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024 by the Central Banking Publications of London?

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

(C) Reserve Bank of India has been awarded the Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024. It is provided by Central Banking, London, United Kingdom. Reserve Bank of India has received this award for improving its risk culture and awareness. Shri Manoranjan Mishra, Executive Director, received the award on behalf of Reserve Bank of India.



10. In which state is the Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary, which was in discussion recently?

- (A) Madhya Pradesh (B) Kerala
(C) Uttar Pradesh (D) Tamil Nadu

(A) Gandhi Sagar is a wildlife sanctuary located in eastern Madhya Pradesh. It is spread in two districts of Madhya Pradesh i.e. Mandsaur and Neemuch. This region is known as Nimad region which touches the border of Rajasthan, hence it is known as dry region.

