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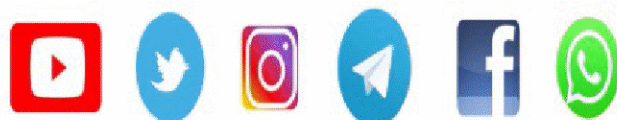
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History of 13th May

- ◆ **1648** : The construction of the Red Fort in Delhi was completed.
- ◆ **1918** : India conducted two nuclear tests in Pokhran, Rajasthan.
- ◆ **1952** : The session of the first Parliament of independent India began.
- ◆ **1978** : The country's first flag carrier ship I Shoes Delhi was decommissioned.
- ◆ **1998** : US President Bill Clinton announced sanctions on India in protest against nuclear testing.

Current Affairs Related to 13th May 2024

- ◆ **Infibeam Avenue's CCAvenue** a leading payments platform has entered into prominence with Shivalik Small Finance Bank to increase merchant reach. Through this assistance one will get access to the wide customer base of Shivalik SFB with registered registration of CCAvenue. Integration Bank account holders will benefit from Shivalik SFB's Internet Banking service enabling them to seamlessly make payments on websites powered by CCAvenue.
- ◆ **Meditech StackCon 2024** was launched in New Delhi in collaboration with Confederation of Indian Industry. It aims to transform the rapidly growing medtech industry in India by carefully examining the value chain of certain medical products. Its objectives are to address critical issues, encourage domestic production, reduce dependence on imports and ultimately establish India as a world leader in medical technology. The Indian medtech market is projected to grow to \$50 billion by 2030.
- ◆ **Russian President Vladimir Putin** has ordered the armies to conduct exercises involving tactical nuclear weapons. This is the first time since the attack on Ukraine that Russia has publicly announced exercises involving tactical nuclear weapons. Tactical nuclear weapons include aerial bombs, warheads for short-range missiles, and artillery weapons for battlefield use.
- ◆ **The central government** has issued a warning against drip pricing. The department also shared a sample of how drip pricing applies to customers. The National Consumer Helpline has urged people to contact them for any assistance if they face any such situation.
- ◆ **In a thrilling final at the Lincoln Youth Bharti Kridangan Stadium, Kolkata**, Mumbai City FC Mohun defeated Bagh Super Giants 3-1 on the same scoreline to win their second Indian Super League title.
- ◆ **NRIs should also do UPI**, ICICI Bank started payment service from international number. Banc Bank has unveiled a virtual facility that allows NRI traders to access Uniswap Indian merchants in India through their international mobile numbers. This innovation aims to simplify daily payments by eliminating the need for NRIs to register an Indian mobile number with their digital currency card, thereby increasing convenience.
- ◆ **Victoria, a virtual artificial intelligence spokesperson**, has been launched by Ukraine's Foreign Ministry to provide updates on various issues, including the ongoing war with Russia. It will be the first time in history that a digital spokesperson will be used to read its statements, which will still be written by humans.
- ◆ **Three day joint exercises were conducted with the Indian Air Force in collaboration** with the Western Command of the Indian Army at various locations in Punjab. The objective of this exercise is to refine and develop the boat. The exercise titled Gagan Strike-II involved various force multipliers including Apache and ALH W squadron helicopters, unarmed aerial vehicles and special forces of the Indian Army.
- ◆ **The National Company Law Tribunal Mumbai** has approved the acquisition plan of Sapphires Media for Reliance Broadcast Network's Big 92.7 FM. This approval was initiated under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code in February 2023 and after that the resolution process started.
- ◆ **An all in one vaccine** has been developed by scientists. This vaccine can protect against many types of corona viruses. The vaccine works by training the body's immune system to recognize specific regions of eight different coronaviruses.

National & International Current Affairs

1. Recently, when will Tripura's first international cricket stadium be ready?

- (A) December 2024 (B) February 2025
(C) March 2026 (D) November 2027

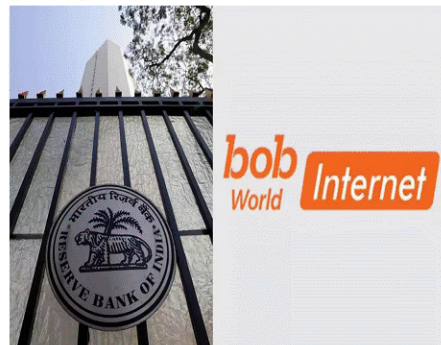
(B) Tripura's first international cricket stadium is being built in Narsingharh located in West Tripura district. The stadium is expected to be operational to host major cricket events by February 2025. This will be the first stadium in the north-eastern state. It is being constructed with a budget of Rs 200 crore.



2. Recently, Uttar Pradesh has lifted the ban on which bank's mobile RBI ?

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

(D) The Reserve Bank of India has announced the lifting of the ban on Bank of Credit's BOB World mobile phones, allowing the bank to get on board immediately. This decision has been taken to suspend the customer onboarding app in October 2023 to comply with the instructions of RBI. In response, the Bank of Credit has suggested corrective measures to address these issues.



3. Recently, how many crores of rupees grant was provided to the startups associated with HDFC Bank and Atal Innovation Mission?

- (A) Rs 15.5 crore (B) Rs 19.6 crore
(C) Rs 21.7 crore (D) Rs 25.5 crore

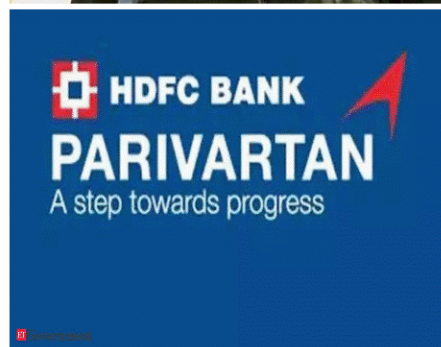
(B) In a collaborative effort, HDFC Bank and Atal Innovation Mission, under NITI Aayog, have provided a total grant of Rs 19.6 crore in FY 2024, thereby boosting social sector efforts in India. Known as the Parivartan Startup Grant Programme, the initiative supported 170 initiatives through 41 incubators.



4. Which country recently announced tactical nuclear weapons exercise amid tension?

- (A) Russia (B) China
(C) America (D) India

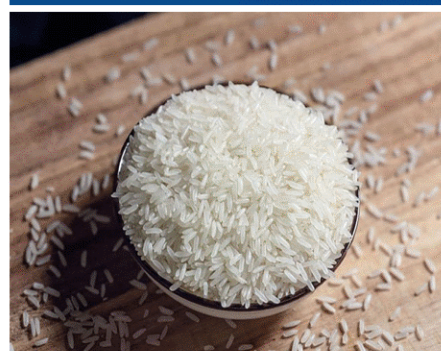
(A) Russia announced it will hold a military exercise that will include practicing the use of tactical nuclear weapons after the Defense Ministry made provocative threats from Western officials. The exercise was ordered by President Vladimir Putin and will test the readiness of non-strategic nuclear forces to conduct combat missions.



5. Recently, India has given permission to export 14000 tonnes of non-Basmati white rice to which country?

- (A) Ukraine (B) Sri Lanka
(C) Mauritius (D) None of these

(C) Recently, the New Delhi government has approved the export of 14000 tonnes of non-Basmati white rice to Mauritius. The government has banned the export of non-Basmati white rice to increase domestic supply. But the government allows export to some countries on request to meet their food security needs.



6. Who has recently been appointed by Visa as the country manager in India?

- (A) Hitesh Sethia (B) Sujai Rena
(C) Alok Shukla (D) None of these

(B) The global digital payments company announced that it has appointed Sujay Riley as the new Intermediate Manager for India. In this role, he will be responsible for leading Visa's key initiatives in the revolutionary Indian market, partnering with Globalization and expanding paid discourse ecosystem. Additionally, Sandeep Ghosh will continue in his role as group area manager for India and South Asia.



7. Where has Run for Vikas Bharat Marathon been organized recently?

- (A) Delhi (B) Chennai
(C) Mumbai (D) Kanpur

(A) Recently, Delhi University organized Run for Vikas Bharat. In this event, Vice Chancellor Yogesh Singh appealed to the students to vote in the Lok Sabha elections 2024. Students from different colleges of DU participated in this marathon organized under the collective aegis of DU and Vikas Bharat Ambassador Club.



8. Which operation has recently been started by the Air Force to extinguish the fire in the forests of Nainital?

- (A) Water weapon (B) Fire pond
(C) Bambi Bucket (D) None of these

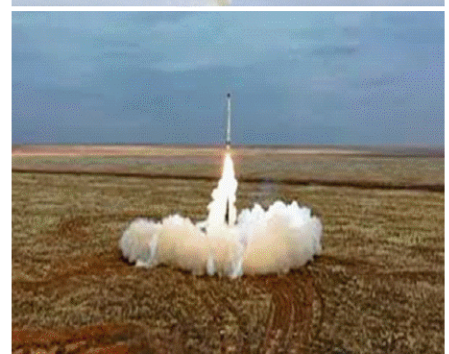
(C) Recently the Indian Air Force used its Mi-17 V5 helicopter equipped with Bambi bucket to tackle forest fire near Nainital, demonstrating the versatility and effectiveness of aerial fire-fighting operations in challenging terrain. The Bambi Bucket, introduced in 1983 and invented by the Canadian Dawn Army, revolutionized aerial firefighting by enabling helicopters to carry large amounts of water beneath the aircraft.



9. Where have the Indian Army and Air Force conducted joint exercises recently?

- (A) Odisha (B) Punjab
(C) Rajasthan (D) Gujarat

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10. Recently, the fifth joint customs group meeting between India and which country was held in Leh?

- (A) Nepal (B) China
(C) Japan (D) Bhutan

(D) Recently the 5th Joint Customs Group meeting between India and Bhutan was held in Leh Ladakh. The meeting was co-chaired by Shri Surjit Bhujbal, Special Secretary and Member, Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs, Government of India and Shri Sonam Jamtsho, Director General, Department of Revenue and Customs, Ministry of Finance, Royal Government of Bhutan.

