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History of February 4

- ◆ **1628** : **Shahjahan** was declared the **emperor** of **Agra**.
- ◆ **1922** : **The Chauri Chaura** incident took place during India's **independence** movement.
- ◆ **1944** : **India's Seventh Army** in **Burma** was **attacked** by **Japan**.
- ◆ **1924** : **Mahatma Gandhi** was released from **Mumbai** jail without any conditions due to ill health.
- ◆ **2004** : **Mark Zuckerberg** launched the **world-changing** social networking site **Facebook**.

Current Affairs Related to 4 February

- ◆ **Sweden is likely to become a NATO member soon.** Turkey approves Sweden's membership bid. Turkey's parliament approves Sweden's NATO membership bid. This removed the biggest obstacle to the expansion of the Western military alliance after a delay of 20 months. After the approval of the Parliament, Turkish President Erdogan will sign this bill and make it a law.
- ◆ **Four power distribution companies in Delhi and Uttar Pradesh have achieved the prestigious A rating** in the latest consumer service rating report of the discom. The report released by Power Minister RK Singh is a comprehensive assessment of discoms across the country, aimed at enhancing their accountability towards consumers. Notable achievers include BSES Rajdhani Power Limited, BSES Yamuna Power Limited and Tata Power Delhi Distribution Limited.
- ◆ **The International Cricket Council has announced the Men's and Women's T20I Teams of the Year for 2023** in recognition of exceptional performances in the shortest format of the game. The selection highlights players who have excelled with the bat, ball or as an all-rounder throughout the calendar year. The Men's T20I Team of 2023 is a mix of rising stars and established talent from around the world. It includes players from India, England, West Indies, New Zealand, Zimbabwe, Uganda and Ireland.
- ◆ **Sony issued a notice to terminate the merger agreement with Zee Entertainment Enterprises Limited and Culver Max Entertainment Pvt Ltd,** formerly known as Sony Pictures Networks India Pvt Ltd. The \$10 billion deal, signed on December 22, 2021, faced challenges in meeting the closing conditions within the specified deadline.
- ◆ **Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced Pradhan Mantri Suryodaya Yojana.** Under this scheme, one crore families will get rooftop solar energy systems. This is a major scheme of the Central Government.
- ◆ **The Board of Control for Cricket in India will honor exemplary performances in Indian cricket** at the Naman Awards ceremony in Hyderabad. Held for the first time since 2019, the prestigious event celebrates the achievements of Indian cricketers over the past year. Representing Gujarat Titans in the Indian Premier League, Gill won the Orange Cap after scoring an astonishing 890 runs in the 2024 edition.
- ◆ **In an important step towards promoting multilingualism in education, the Central Government** has launched an Artificial Intelligence based platform Nidalini App. The initiative aims to make study material available in digital form for all school and higher education courses, exclusively in the languages listed in the 8th Schedule of the Indian Constitution. The move is in line with the recommendations of the National Education Policy 2020, which emphasizes the importance of studying in one's mother tongue.
- ◆ **Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah released Braveheart of Assam Lachit Barphukan in Guwahati,** highlighting the inspiring story of Lachit's resistance against fanaticism and power-hungry elements. Underlining the importance of the Battle of Saraighat, Mr Shah said that if Lachit had not been victorious, Assam might have become a part of Bangladesh. He credited Lachit with fending off invasions from Khilji to Aurangzeb, protecting Assam, and contributing to the integration of the region with India.
- ◆ **Two important components in the field of government financial planning are capital budget and revenue budget.** While both contribute to the overall fiscal framework, they have different effects on the assets and liabilities of the government. Capital budget includes transactions that directly affect the assets and liabilities of the government. This budget includes both capital receipts and capital expenditure. In contrast, the revenue budget includes those items which do not affect the assets and liabilities of the government.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is World Cancer Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 1st February (B) 2nd February
(C) 3 February (D) 4 February

(D) World Cancer Day is celebrated to raise awareness about cancer and encourage its prevention, detection and treatment. World Cancer Day is led by the Union for International Cancer Control to support the goals of the World Cancer Declaration written in 2008. The primary goal of World Cancer Day is to reduce cancer and deaths caused by the disease.



2. How many years will international students now be allowed to stay in Canada?

- (A) 1 year (B) 2 year
(C) 3 year (D) 5 year

(B) Canada has decided to set a two-year limit on allowing international students with immediate effect. The Canadian government says it will also restrict work permits for some postgraduate students as the country faces a record increase in the number of new visitors and a worsening housing crisis.



3. Recently, the Competition Commission of India has approved the purchase of how much percentage of JSW Group's stake in MG Motor India?

- (A) 38% (B) 40%
(C) 48% (D) 52%

(A) The Competition Commission of India has approved significant business transactions indicating the changing landscape in the corporate sector. The approved deals also include JSW Group's strategic move to acquire a majority stake of 38% in MG Motor India. The acquisition, facilitated through JSW Ventures Singapore, a newly established subsidiary of JSW International Tradecorp Pte Ltd, is set to reshape the dynamics of the automotive industry.



4. Recently, which player was chosen as the captain of the ICC Men's ODI Team of the Year at the ICC Awards 2023?

- (A) Virat Kohli (B) Shubman Gill
(C) Rohit Sharma (D) Mohammad Siraj

(C) Rohit Sharma was named captain of the ICC Men's ODI Team of the Year at the ICC Awards 2023. Pat Cummins was named captain of the ICC Men's Test Team of the Year. India's spinners R Ashwin, Mitchell Starc, Usman Khawaja and Joe Root are also part of the ICC Men's Test Team of the Year.



5. Who has recently launched the Gaon Chalo campaign in Delhi?

- (A) J.P. Nadda (B) Rajnath Singh
(C) S. Jaishankar (D) Amit Shah

(A) BJP is running a mega village campaign across the country from 4 to 11 February to reach out to the people living in rural areas of the country. BJP National President JP Nadda launched the workshop of Gaon Chalo campaign at the party headquarters. In terms of organization, the BJP party will organize training camps for the Gaon Chalo campaign in its 988 organization districts and 16,188 mandals across the country.



6. Recently in February, in which state the Griha Jyoti Yojana is being unveiled?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Telangana
(C) Tamil Nadu (D) Odisha

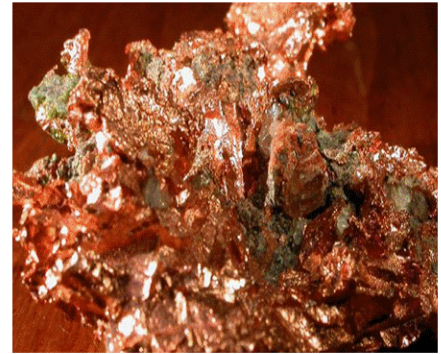
(B) Recently Telangana Chief Minister Revanth Reddy has taken important steps to accelerate the implementation of various welfare schemes including the much awaited Griha Jyoti Yojana. The state government aims to start this scheme from the first week of February, which will provide relief to many families.



7. Recently, India will send an industry delegation to which state for copper mining?

- (A) Colombo (B) Zambia
(C) Argentina (D) None of these

(B) Recently the Ministry of Mines proposes to send an Indian industry delegation including major players like Vedanta, Hindustan Zinc, Ola Electric and LOHUM to Zambia to explore copper mining projects.



8. Recently, which medal has the pair of Raiza Dhillon and Gurjot Singh Khangura won in the Asia Olympic Shotgun Qualifier?

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

(C) In a brilliant display of skill and determination, Indian shooting pair Raiza Dhillon and Gurjot Singh Khangura won the bronze medal in the mixed skeet team event at the Asian Shotgun Championships 2024 in Kuwait City. Competing against Kuwait's Abdullah Al Rashidi and Iman Al Shama, the Indian pair emerged victorious with a score of 41.39 in an intense bronze medal match.



9. Where has Union Minister Mansukh Mandaviya recently laid the foundation stone of a cancer hospital?

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

(B) Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya and Gujarat Chief Minister Bhupendra Patel laid the foundation stone of Khodaldham Trust Cancer Hospital in Rajkot. Shree Khodaldham Trust, an organization for the Leuva Patel community, will build a hospital and a cancer research center in Amreli village in Paddhari taluka of Rajkot.



10. Who is the chief architect of the construction of Ayodhya Ram temple?

- (A) Ram Sutar (B) Arun Yogiraj
(C) Jagan Mohan (D) Chandrakant Sompura

(D) The chief architect of Ayodhya Ram temple is Chandrakant Sompura. Chandrakant comes from a family which is already engaged in temple construction work. Notable temples designed by him include the Somnath Temple in Gujarat, the Swaminarayan Temple in Mumbai, the Akshardham Temple complex in Gujarat and the Birla Temple in Kolkata.

