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## History of 2nd April

- ◆ **1679** : Mughal ruler Akbar abolished Jizya tax.
- ◆ **1984** : Astronaut Rakesh Sharma became the first Indian astronaut to go to space under the mission Soyuz T-11.
- ◆ **1849** : British Punjab was established.
- ◆ **2017** : Prime Minister Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation the country's longest Chenani Nashri road tunnel in Jammu and Kashmir.
- ◆ **1720** : Peshwa Balaji Vishwanath died.
- ◆ **1942** : Congress rejected the Cripps Mission proposal.

## Current Affairs Related to 2nd April

- ◆ Indian Council of Medical Research will issue evidence based criteria for prevention, screening, diagnosis and management of lung cancer. The Indian Council of Medical Research is set to launch a systematic review and meta analysis. This will play an important role in the management of lung cancer to guide clinical practice.
- ◆ The consultancy analyzed 465 refining assets. This puts approximately 21% of global refining capacity at risk of closure by 2023. The places most at risk are in Europe and China. About 3.9 million barrels per day of refining capacity is in critical condition and at risk of being destroyed. Eleven European sites account for 45% of all high-risk plants, according to the report.
- ◆ To achieve a major reform towards ease of doing business and self-reliance in the defense sector, a notification has been issued for restructuring of the Directorate General of Quality Assurance by the Department of Defense Production under the Ministry of Defence. Its objective is to increase the speed of quality assurance processes and tests and reduce unnecessary delays at various levels of decision making. This restructuring also led to changes in the quality assurance methodology following corporatization of OFB and the modified role of the Directorate General of Quality Assurance.
- ◆ Adani Ports and Special Zone, a subsidiary of Adani Group, has acquired 95% controlling interest in Gopalpur Port in Odisha. This deal worth Rs 3350 crore strengthens the position of Adani Ports and Special Zone, a subsidiary of Adani Group, in the ports and logistics sector.
- ◆ S. Raman has written the book From a Car Shed to the Corner Room and Beyond. The book gives a first-person account of his remarkable journey from a clerk in SBI to becoming the Chairman and Managing Director of Canara Bank and a full-time member of SEBI.
- ◆ According to a report, the annual revenue of the Indian gaming industry will increase from \$3.1 billion in 2023 to \$6 billion by 2028. According to India Gaming Report 2024 there will be 2028 million gamers, which was 144 million gamers in 2023. According to the report, the number of professional players will increase from 500 in 2023 to 2.5 times in 2028.
- ◆ The Election Commission of India is monitoring the election process through the CVigil app. The app lets citizens report violations of the model code of conduct and election expenditure by posting photos and videos. Chief Election Commissioner Rajiv Kumar said Cevigil empowers citizens to report violations with assured action within 100 minutes.
- ◆ Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India has designated three insurance companies as Domestic System Important Insurance Holders for the year 2023-2024. These insurance corporations, namely Life Insurance Corporation of India, General Insurance Corporation of India and New India Insurance Company Limited, have retained their D-SII status since last year.
- ◆ Members of the Parliament of Unbelievers have achieved an important milestone by approving the marriage. Due to which the country has become a leader in Southeast Asia by legalizing equal rights. Dissidents from the Assembly of Lords have left an exception to legalize gay marriage, a significant step towards legalizing homosexuality in Southeast Asia. The law amending the Civil and Commercial Codes received overwhelming support in the House of Representatives.
- ◆ Under the leadership of Rajya Sabha Deputy Chairman Harivansh Narayan Singh, the Indian Parliamentary Association along with its Armenian counterparts organized the Inter Parliamentary Association event in Geneva. The Armenian Lieutenant-General was represented by Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly, Hakob Arshasyan.

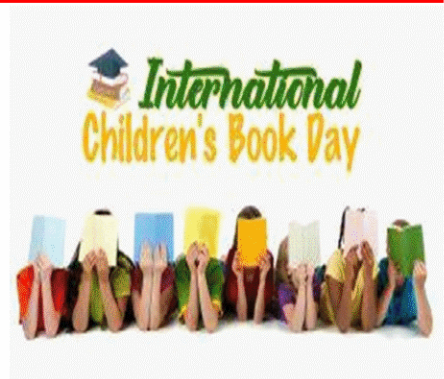


## National & International Current Affairs

1. When is International Children's Book Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 1st March (B) 2nd March  
(C) 3rd March (D) 4th March

(A) International Children's Book Day is an annual event proposed by the International Board on Books for Young People, an international non-profit organization. Every year IBBY organizes a separate international section featuring children's films on or around 2 April. Countries choose a theme and invite a famous author and illustrator to create a message for children around the world.



2. When is World Autism Awareness Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 2nd March (B) 1st March  
(C) 4th March (D) 5th March

(A) It is celebrated every year on 2nd April all over the world. The United Nations General Assembly declared 2 April as World Autism Awareness Day in the year 2007. On this day, steps are taken to improve the lives of children and adults who suffer from autism and they are helped to lead a meaningful life.



3. Recently Market e Marketplace has achieved GMV of how many lakh crores?

- (A) 1 lakh crore (B) 2 lakh crore  
(C) 3 lakh crores (D) 4 lakh crores

(D) Market e-Marketplace has projected significant growth, doubling the gross commercial value to Rs 4 lakh crore in the financial year 2023-2024. CEO PK Singh announced the definition of extension which includes opening the portal for user to use and avail its services.



4. Recently, which country will participate in the Miss Universe contest for the first time?

- (A) Afghanistan (B) UAE  
(C) Saudi Arabia (D) None of these

(C) Saudi Arabia's 27-year-old model and influencer Rumi Alqahtani announced on Graphics that she will be competing in the Miss Universe pageant for the first time from the country. Alqahtani was born in Riyadh and previously won the titles of Miss Saudi Arabia, Miss Arab World Peace 2021 and Miss Woman. This will be the Saudi Arabian Empire's presence at Miss Universe University.



5. With whom has Tata recently partnered for EV charging station?

- (A) LOCL (B) HPCL  
(C) BPCL (D) None of these

(B) TPEM and HPCL have signed an agreement to set up Electric Vehicle Reservation Stations across the country. This agreement has been signed with Tata Passenger Electric Mobility Limited and Hindustan Private Limited. Get help in setting up EV Reservation Stations at your petrol pumps across the country. In the first phase, the target is to install 5000 chargers on HPCL pumps by December this year.





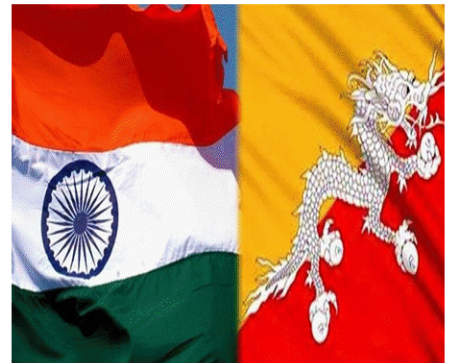
**6. Who has scored the highest score in Indian Premier League history recently?**

- (A) Royal Challengers Bangalore  
(B) Mumbai Indians  
(C) Sunrisers Hyderabad (D) Chennai Super Kings  
**(C)** In the Indian Premier League 2024, Sunrisers Hyderabad team has created history and has made the record of making the highest score in this league. Sunrisers team scored 277 runs in 20 overs in the match against Mumbai. This is the biggest score made by any team in the history of IPL.



**7. To which country has India recently released the second installment of Rs 500 crore?**

- (A) Bhutan (B) Nepal  
(C) Sri Lanka (D) Indonesia  
**(A)** India has released the project related to Gyalsung Project to release the second installment of Rs 500 crore to the country of Bhutan. Prime Minister Modi had two divine visits to Bhutan. During his visit, Modi had offered development support to Bhutan and agreed to provide Rs 10,000 crore to the Himalayan nation in the next five years.



**8. Which country has recently launched a satellite for atmospheric space environment monitoring?**

- (A) Russia (B) Japan  
(C) China (D) Sri Lanka  
**(C)** Recently, China launched a new satellite from the Taiyuan Satellite Launch Center in its northern Shanxi province. The satellite has entered the predetermined orbit and will be used for atmospheric and marine environment surveys, space environment monitoring, disaster prevention and reduction and scientific experiments.



**9. Which country has recently legalized gay marriage?**

- (A) Vietnam (B) Thailand  
(C) New Zealand (D) None of these  
**(B)** Thailand's parliament passed a bill to approve gay marriage. The bill would amend Thailand's Civil and Commercial Code and replace gender-related terms such as husband and wife with gender-neutral language such as spouse and person. This bill has to be passed by the upper house of the Parliament of Thailand.



**10. Who has recently become the first Indian footballer to sign for a Latin American club?**

- (A) Vijay Kshetri (B) Prateek Joshi  
(C) Samarth Mittal (D) None of these  
**(A)** Recently, Vijay Chhetri became the first Indian footballer to sign for a Latin American club. Young Indian footballer Vijay Chhetri has completed a loan move from Indian Super League side Chennai FC to join Uruguay-based Colon FC until the end of the year. With this transfer Vijay became the first Indian footballer to sign a professional contract with a Latin American club.

