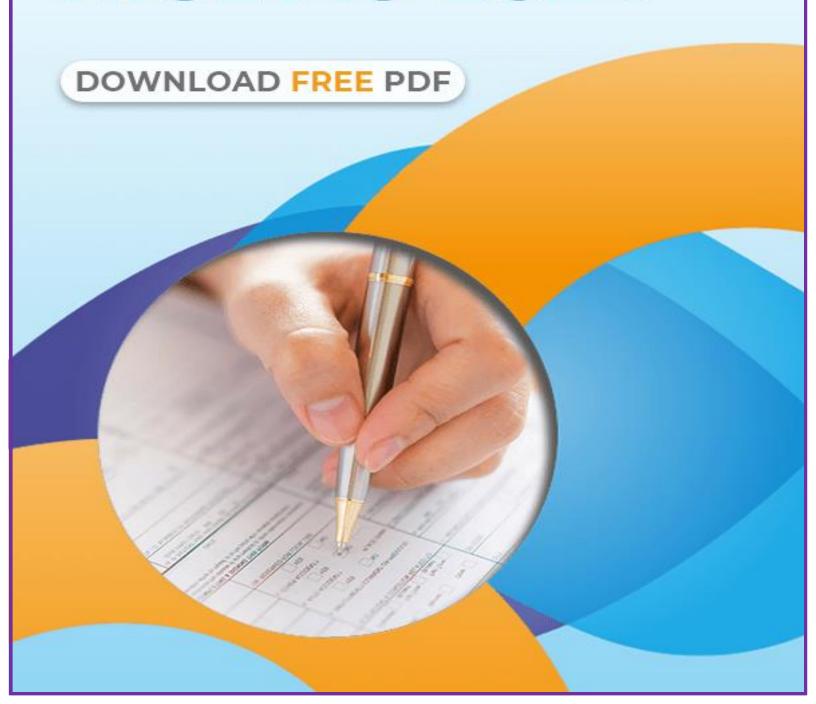
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**NOTE**: This file contains the most important 'Question-Answer' points pertaining to the current affairs news from December 2023 – June 2024. It will be beneficial for the General Awareness (GA/GK) section of the upcoming **NICL AO 2024** exam.

1. The United Kingdom (UK) has overtaken \_\_\_\_\_ to become India's fourth-largest export market in May 2024.

**Answer:** China

2. Who has been named the new Chairman of Bharti AXA Life Insurance Company?

**Answer:** Akhil Gupta

3. Who has gained the top position in the 'Celebrity Brand Valuation Report 2023'?

Answer: Virat Kohli

**4.** In June 2024, Neeraj Chopra won the gold medal in the men's javelin throw competition at the World Athletics Continental Gold Tour with a throw of \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: 85.97 meters

**5.** Identify the state of India from the given options that will establish the world's first conservation and breeding centre for Asian king vultures or red-headed vultures.

**Answer:** Uttar Pradesh

6. Who has become the first Indian to be conferred the prestigious 'Nelson Mandela Lifetime Achievement Award' of South Africa for his contribution to films?

Answer: Vinod Ganatra

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**7.** What is the total outlay approved by the Union Cabinet for the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) scheme for offshore wind energy projects?

Answer: Rs.7453 crore

8. Name the Indian chess player who has won the Stepan Avagyan Memorial 2024 crown in Armenia.

Answer: Arjun Erigaisi

**9.** National Reading Day is observed annually across India on 19 June to commemorate the death anniversary of which Indian personality?

### Answer: P N Panicker

**10.** Noted politician Murlidhar Chandrakant Bhandare, who passed away in June 2024, served as the Governor of which state?

#### **Answer:** Odisha

**11.** According to the 2024 Mercer's Cost of Living survey, which Indian city is the most expensive city for expats?

### **Answer:** Mumbai

**12.** Name the payments bank that has recently (June 2024) collaborated with Ria Money Transfer to offer unique remittance services across rural India.

### **Answer:** India Post Payments Bank

13. Which organization has won the "Risk Manager of the Year Award 2024"?

#### **Answer:** RBI

**14.** Recently (June 2024), Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the new campus of Nalanda University at Rajgir, Bihar. The ruins of Nalanda were declared a UN Heritage Site in which year?

#### Answer: 2016

15. What is the rank of India in the Sustainable Development Report 2024?

#### Answer: 109th

16. The Union Government has recently (June 2024) approved the proposal of which state government to rename the Joshimath tehsil as Jyotirmath, and Kosiyakutoli tehsil as Pargana Shri Kainchi Dham?

#### **Answer:** Uttarakhand

17. Which Union Ministry of India has introduced an e-flow (Environmental Flow) ecological monitoring system?

#### **Answer:** Ministry of Jal Shakti

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**18.** Name the state of India that has recently (June 2024) won the "1st Rank" award for highest wind power installed capacity.

**Answer:** Gujarat

**19.** The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) has estimated India's gross domestic product (GDP) to grow at \_\_\_\_\_ in the financial year 2024-25.

Answer: 8.0%

20. Name the state of India that has recently (June 2024) launched a Mukhya Mantri Nijut Moina (MMNM) scheme to promote girl education and to end child marriage in the state.

**Answer:** Assam

21. Which Institute has been designated by the World Health Organization (WHO) as a WHO Collaborating Centre (CC) for "Fundamental and Literary Research in Traditional Medicine" (CC IND-177)?

**Answer:** National Institute of Indian Medical Heritage

22. Who has been given the V. Shantaram Lifetime Achievement Award in 2024?

Answer: Subbiah Nallamuthu

23. Which festival in Odisha is similar to the Ambubachi Mela of Assam?

Answer: Raja Parba

**24.** What is the theme of World Refuge Day 2024?

**Answer:** Solidarity with Refugees

> Important Days of June 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
International Day of Family Remittances	16 <sup>th</sup> June	Digital remittances towards financial inclusion and cost reduction	
World Sea Turtle Day	16 <sup>th</sup> June		The day marks the birth anniversary of Dr. Archie Carr who is widely known as "the father of sea turtle biology."
World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought	17 <sup>th</sup> June	United for Land. Our Legacy. Our Future	
World Crocodile Day	17 <sup>th</sup> June		
Sustainable Gastronomy Day	18 <sup>th</sup> June		The day was first observed in 2017.

Yoga for Self and

Society

25. Peter Pellegrini became the new President of \_\_\_\_\_ in June 2024.

21st June

21<sup>st</sup> June

21<sup>st</sup> June

**Answer:** Slovakia

26. India-IORA Cruise Tourism Conference organized in which city in June 2024?

Answer: New Delhi

27. Who won the FIDE World Junior Girls' Chess Championship in 2024?

Answer: Divya Deshmukh

World Music Day

World Hydrography
Day
International Yoga

Day

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28. Which entity has recently (June 2024) announced to support the training of two lakh students in India in cloud computing, data science, artificial intelligence (AI), and other emerging technologies?

**Answer:** Oracle

29.	. Which city hosted the International Tourism Fair to promote global tourism, so	ustainable
	development, and cultural exchange?	

Answer: Kathmandu

**30.** Indian musician Rajeev Taranath has passed away in June 2024. He was instrumental in playing which musical instrument?

**Answer:** Sarod

**31.** The National Commission for Indian System of Medicine (NCISM) observed its \_\_\_\_\_ Foundation Day in 2024.

**Answer:** fourth foundation

32. What is the growth rate of India's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) in April 2024?

Answer: 5.0%

**33.** In June 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi attended the annual G7 summit held in Italy. This summit marked the \_\_\_\_\_ anniversary of the G7 group.

Answer: 50th

34. Which lender has recently (June 2024) introduced the 'SME Digital Business Loans'?

Answer: State Bank of India

**35.** NEC Corporation India has been selected as the System Integrator (SI) for PFRDA-TRACE by the Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA). What is the duration of the contract?

Answer: 6 years

**36.** Which credit rating agency affirmed the Baa3 ratings on three Indian public sector banks including Bank of Baroda (BOB), Canara Bank, and Punjab National Bank (PNB)?

**Answer:** Moody's

37. PNB MetLife India Insurance has named \_\_\_\_\_ as the MD & CEO.

**Answer:** Sameer Bansal

**38.** According to SEBI, what will be the proposed threshold for the Basic Services Demat Account (BSDA)?

Answer: Rs 10 lakh

**39.** Which edition of the bilateral Japan–India Maritime Exercise 2024 (JIMEX 24) was held in June 2024?

Answer: Eighth

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**40.** Which Indian tennis player won the men's singles title at the Heilbronn Neckarcup 2024 ATP Challenger Tennis tournament?

**Answer:** Sumit Nagal

**41.** Name the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) that has launched the UAV/UAS/Drone Acceleration and Networking (UDAAN) program to boost drone startups in India.

Answer: IIT Kanpur

**42.** Priyanka Jarkiholi won from which constituency and created history as the youngest tribal woman to enter Parliament from an unreserved seat in Karnataka since Independence?

Answer: Chikkodi

43. Prem Singh Tamang has been sworn in as the Chief Minister of Sikkim for the \_\_\_\_\_ time.

Answer: Second

**44.** What is the total provision in the Interim Budget 2024-25 for devolution of taxes to states?

Answer: Rs. 12,19,783 crore

**45.** World Accreditation Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 9th June

➤ Important Days of June 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
World Oceans Day	8 <sup>th</sup> June	Awaken New Depths	
World Brain Tumour Day	8 <sup>th</sup> June		
World Accreditation Day	9 <sup>th</sup> June	Empowering tomorrow and shaping the future	
International Archives Day	9 <sup>th</sup> June		The day was first observed in 2008.

International Day of Play  World Day Against Child Labour  International Albinism Awareness Day  World Blood Donor Day  World Elder Abuse  International Day of Play  12 <sup>th</sup> June Let's act on our commitments: End Child Labour  International Albinism 13 <sup>th</sup> June 10 years of IAAD: A decade of collective progress  20 years of celebrating giving: thank you blood donors!  Spotlight on Older				
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Emergencies			Emergencies	
Global Wind Day 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Global Wind Day	15 <sup>th</sup> June		
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observed in 2011.				observed in 2011.

46. Who has been named the EY World Entrepreneur of The Year 2024?

### Answer: Vellayan Subbiah

**47.** Which country secured a non-permanent seat on the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) for the Asia-Pacific region for the term 2025-26?

### Answer: Pakistan

**48.** Which five major global players have launched a Biopharmaceutical Alliance in response to drug supply shortages during the COVID-19 pandemic?

### Answer: South Korea, India, the United States, Japan, and the European Union

**49.** In June 2024, the Nagi and Nakti Bird Sanctuaries recognised as wetlands of international importance under the Ramsar Convention. Both sanctuaries are located in which state of India?

### **Answer:** Bihar

**50.** The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) has granted its approval for the merger of Vistara with Air India. What percentage of the stake will Tata Sons Private Limited hold in the merged entity of Vistara and Air India?

### **Answer:** 73.38%

**51.** World Oceans Day is observed annually on which date?

### Answer: 8th June

**52.** Who has been awarded with Dilip Bose Award for lifetime achievement by the All-India Tennis Association (AITA)?

### **Answer:** Nar Singh and Rohini Lokhande

**53.** Which Indian state police has secured the first position in the country in blocking mobile numbers involved in cybercrime?

**Answer:** Haryana

**54.** Which constituency has recorded the highest votes for NOTA (None of the Above) in the Lok Sabha elections in 2024?

**Answer:** Indore

**55.** Nakshatra Sabha' is India's first-of-its-kind astro-tourism campaign that aims to promote astro-tourism. It was held in which city?

**Answer:** Mussoorie

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56. Which country became India's third-largest export market in the fiscal year 2023–24?

### **Answer:** The Netherlands

**57.** India has participated in the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS + 20) Forum High-Level Event 2024 held in \_\_\_\_\_ (place).

### Answer: Geneva, Switzerland

58. Under which program, the Centre for Development of Advanced Computing, Kolkata in collaboration with TeXMIN, Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad, and industry partner J M Envirolab Private Limited has developed an outdoor air quality monitoring system, 'AQ-AIMS', to monitor environmental pollutants?

# Answer: National Programme on Electronics and ICT applications in Agriculture and Environme

59. The Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India, hosted the National Stakeholder Workshop on Safe, Trusted, and Ethical AI in collaboration with which organization in June 2024?

Answer: UNESCO

60. What is the theme of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Indian Analytical Congress (IAC)?

### Answer: Role of Science and Technology in Green Transitions

61. Which entity launched the world's first EV Battery Passport?

**Answer:** Volvo Cars

**62.** Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed an innovative Fire Rescue Assistant drone?

Answer: IIT Dharwad

63. Which Indian shipyard company will build a Research Vessel for DRDO in Rs.500 crore deal?

Answer: Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers

64. What is the theme of World Food Safety Day for the year 2024?

Answer: Food Safety: prepare for the unexpected

**65.** Punjab National Bank (PNB) has planned to sell a 10 percent stake in Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company. What is the current stake held by PNB in Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company?

Answer: 23%

66. Who is the MD & CEO of Edelweiss Life Insurance Company?

**Answer:** Sumit Rai

**67.** In June 2024, NPCI International Payments Ltd (NIPL) collaborated with the Central Reserve Bank of which country to enable a UPI-like real-time payment system?

**Answer:** Peru

**68.** Which company has received approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to acquire a 70% stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance?

**Answer:** Zurich Insurance Company

69. Real Madrid has won the UEFA Champions League 2023/24 title for the \_\_\_\_\_ time.

Answer: 15<sup>th</sup>

**70.** Which is the first Indian steel company to manufacture & market a Zinc-Magnesium-Aluminium alloy-coated steel product domestically?

Answer: JSW Steel

71. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), in collaboration with the Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO), has established a DRDO-Industry-Academia Centre of Excellence (DIA CoE) on its campus?

Answer: IIT Kanpur

**72.** Name the country that has launched the 'BIMReN' initiative to enable PhD students from BIMSTEC countries to conduct doctoral research.

**Answer:** India

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73. Which country hosted the multi-national exercise Red Flag 24?

Answer: United States of America

**74.** In the Taiwan Athletics Open 2024, the Indian athletes bagged a total of 7 medals including \_\_\_\_ golds, \_\_\_\_ silvers, and \_\_\_ bronze medals.

Answer: 7 medals including 3 golds, 3 silvers, and 1 bronze medals

75. Who is India's first woman Permanent Representative to the United Nations?

Answer: Ruchira Kamboj

**76.** Who has been appointed the new chair of the 12-member Gender Sensitization and Internal Complaints Committee recently (June 2024) reconstituted by the Supreme Court of India?

**Answer:** Justice Hima Kohli

77. TIME magazine has named Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) as one of the World's 100 Most Influential Companies. RIL secured a spot in the list under which category?

Answer: Titans

78. Who won the 2024 Scripps National Spelling Bee?

Answer: Bruhat Soma

79. Which institute has been awarded the Nelson Mandela Award for Health Promotion for 2024?

**Answer:** National Institute of Mental Health & Neuro Sciences (NIMHANS)

**80.** According to the latest data released by the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), the government's fiscal deficit for 2023-24 stood at \_\_\_\_\_ of the GDP (Gross Domestic Product).

**Answer:** 5.63%

81. Which country has launched its first space agency and plans to make a Mars landing by 2045?

**Answer:** South Korea

82. Which city hosted the International Procurement and Supply Chain Conference 2024?

**Answer:** Mumbai

83. World Milk Day is observed annually on which date?

**Answer:** 1st June

> Important Days of June 2024:

Important Day/Week	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Milk Day	1 <sup>st</sup> June	
Global Day of Parents	1 <sup>st</sup> June	The Promise of Playful Parenting
International Sex Workers Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> June	
World Bicycle Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> June	
International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression	4 <sup>th</sup> June	
Word Environment Day	5 <sup>th</sup> June	
International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing	5 <sup>th</sup> June	
World Day Against Speciesism	5 <sup>th</sup> June	
UN Russian Language Day	6 <sup>th</sup> June	
World Pest Day	6 <sup>th</sup> June	
World Food Safety Day	7 <sup>th</sup> June	Food Safety: prepare for the unexpected

**84.** Adani Ports has inked a concession agreement with the Tanzania Ports Authority to operate and manage Container Terminal 2 at the Dar es Salaam Port, Tanzania. What is the duration of the agreement?

Answer: 30 years

86. Who has been honoured with the 2023 UN Military Gender Advocate of the Year Award?

Answer: Major Radhika Sen

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**87.** Which public sector undertaking (PSU) has been awarded 'The Economic Times HR World Future Ready Organization Award 2024-25'?

Answer: NHPC Limited

88. The theme of the 2024 International Day of UN Peacekeepers is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: Fit for the future, building better together

89. Where has GAIL (India) Limited's first green hydrogen plant become operational?

Answer: Vijaipur, Madhya Pradesh

90. Who has won the F1 Monaco Grand Prix 2024?

**Answer:** Charles Leclerc

**91.** Kolkata Knight Riders (KKR) won their third Indian Premier League (IPL) title by beating SunRisers Hyderabad (SRH) in the final of the 17<sup>th</sup> IPL match played at which stadium?

Answer: M A Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

**92.** World Hunger Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 28th May

**93.** Allamaye Halina has recently (May 2024) been sworn in as the new Prime Minister of which country?

**Answer:** Chad

**94.** The Cyber Security Conclave has recently (May 2024) been organized by CSC and United Service Institution in which city to strengthen cyber security?

**Answer:** New Delhi

95. When is the World Football Day observed every year?

Answer: 25<sup>th</sup> May

## > Important Days of May 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Turtle Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Let's Party
International Day to End Obstetric Fistula	23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Breaking the Cycle: Preventing Fistula Worldwide
Commonwealth Day	24 <sup>th</sup> May	One Resilient Common Future: Transforming our Common Wealth
International Day of the Markhor	24 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Schizophrenia Day	24 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Thyroid Day	25 <sup>th</sup> May	Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs)
World Football Day	25 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Missing Children's Day	25 <sup>th</sup> May	
Africa Day	25 <sup>th</sup> May	Education Fit for the 21st Century
International Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self- Governing Territories	25 <sup>th</sup> to 31 <sup>st</sup> May	
World Menstrual Hygiene Day	28 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Day of Action for Women's Health	28 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Hunger Day	28 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Day of United Nations (UN) Peacekeepers	29 <sup>th</sup> May	Fit for the future, building better together
International Everest Day	29 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Digestive Health Day	29 <sup>th</sup> May	Your Digestive Health: Make It A Priority
World Vape Day	30 <sup>th</sup> May	
Hindi Journalism Day	30 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Day of Potato	30 <sup>th</sup> May	Harvesting diversity, feeding hope
World No Tobacco Day	31 <sup>st</sup> May	Protecting children from tobacco industry interference

**96.** Which asset management company has introduced the industry's first sonic identity 'The Sound of Freedom'?

### **Answer:** Nippon Life India Asset Management Limited

**97.** Name the small finance bank that has recently (May 2024) inked a bancassurance collaboration agreement with SBI General Insurance to facilitate the sale of non-life insurance products.

#### **Answer:** Jana Small Finance Bank

**98.** What is the theme of World Thyroid Day 2024?

### **Answer: Non-Communicable Diseases**

99. Which International Airport has been awarded the zero waste to landfill (ZWL) accolade by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII-ITC) Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development?

### Answer: Thiruvananthapuram International Airport

**100.** Name the Indian personality who has been awarded the prestigious Shaw Prize in Astronomy for 2024.

### Answer: Srinivas R. Kulkarni

**101.** A 16-year-old \_\_\_\_\_ has become the youngest Indian mountaineer to scale the world's highest peak Mount Everest from the Nepal side.

### Answer: Kaamya Karthikeyan

**102.** What are the names of the AI anchors launched by Doordarshan Kisan (DD Kisan), which has become the first government TV channel in India to launch two AI anchors?

### **Answer:** Al Krish and Al Bhoomi

**103.** Delhi has been named as the highest-ranked Indian city in the Oxford Economics Global Cities Index 2024. What is its rank in the index?

### Answer: 350th

104. In May 2024, the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) released the Global Land Outlook Thematic Report on Rangelands and Pastoralists. As per the report, up to what percent of rangelands are degraded?

#### Answer: 50%

**105.** Which state of India celebrates the Saga Dawa festival annually?

#### Answer: Sikkim

106. Where is the first Asian Relay Championships held?

### **Answer:** Bangkok

107. Which country has become the 99th member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA)?

### **Answer:** Spain

**108.** In May 2024, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) Gen Anil Chauhan attended 'Exercise Cyber Suraksha – 2024' and underscored the importance of strengthening India's cyber defense capabilities. The exercise was conducted by \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answer: Defence Cyber Agency

109. Which entity has acquired the AI-powered women's wellness platform SocialBoat to develop AI for wearables?

### **Answer:** Noise

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**110.** In May 2024, the All-India Institute of Ayurveda (AlIA), New Delhi organized a grand event to commemorate the 10<sup>th</sup> edition of International Day of Yoga, 2024. What is the theme of the event?

### **Answer:** Yoga for women empowerment

> Important Days of May 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
International Day of Living Together in Peace	16 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Day of Light	16 <sup>th</sup> May	
National Dengue Day	16 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Telecommunication and Information Society Day	17 <sup>th</sup> May	Digital Innovation for Sustainable Development
World Hypertension Day	17 <sup>th</sup> May	Measure Your Blood Pressure Accurately, Control It, Live Longer
International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia	17 <sup>th</sup> May	No one left behind: Equality, freedom and justice for all

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	National Endangered Species Day	Third Friday of May (17 <sup>th</sup> May 2024)		Celebrate Saving Species
	International Museum Day	18 <sup>th</sup> May	Muse	ums for Education and Research
	World AIDS Vaccine Day	18 <sup>th</sup> May		
	World Inflammatory Bowel Disease Day (IBD)	19 <sup>th</sup> May		
	World Bee Day	20 <sup>th</sup> May		Bee engaged with Youth
	World Metrology Day	20 <sup>th</sup> May		Sustainability
	World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	21 <sup>st</sup> May		
•	Anti-Terrorism Day	21 <sup>st</sup> May		
•	International Tea Day	21 <sup>st</sup> May		
•	International Day for Biological Diversity	22nd May		Be part of the Plan

111. Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (POWERGRID) has been awarded the ATD BEST Awards 2024 for its strategic approach to talent development driving business results. This is the \_\_\_\_ time POWERGRID has been honoured with the ATD BEST Award.

### Answer: Third

112. Who won the 2024 Casablanca Chess Variant tournament?

### Answer: Magnus Carlsen

113. German author Jenny Erpenbeck and translator Michael Hofmann have been named the winner of the International Booker Prize 2024 for the book titled '\_\_\_\_\_.'

### **Answer:** Kairos

114. Sirbaz Khan has recently (May 2024) scaled the world's tallest peak, Mt. Everest, without using supplementary oxygen. He hails from which country?

### Answer: Pakistan

**115.** Which food delivery platform has recently (May 2024) collaborated with SHIELD, a device-first risk Al platform, to enhance its fraud prevention and detection capabilities?

### Answer: Swiggy

116. The theme of International Day for Biological Diversity 2024 is \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Answer:** Be part of the Plan

**117.** What is the name of India's first premium fuel exported by Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. (IOCL) to Sri Lanka?

**Answer: XP100** 

118. Who has been appointed as the new MD & CEO of IndiaFirst Life Insurance?

### Answer: Rushabh Gandhi

119. Which entity has recently (May 2024) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with SIDBI to support helicopter financing in India?

### Answer: Airbus Helicopters

**120.** Which insurance company has launched India's first Satellite In-Orbit Third-Party Liability Insurance policy?

### Answer: Tata AIG General Insurance Company

**121.** Porter, a logistics services platform, has become the \_\_\_\_\_ unicorn in India in 2024.

#### **Answer:** Third

**122.** Name the operation that has recently (May 2024) been launched by Uttarakhand Police to ensure decorum during Kedarnath Yatra 2024.

### **Answer:** Operation Maryada

123. Name the country that has become the first to completely lose all its glaciers.

### **Answer:** Venezuela

**124.** Nayara Energy has planned to invest Rs.600 crore to set up two ethanol plants in India to meet its sustainable goals. These plants will be set up in which state?

### Answer: Madhya Pradesh and Andhra Pradesh

**125.** The book "At The Wheel of Research" explains the journey of Dr Soumya Swaminathan, the inaugural Chief Scientist at the World Health Organization who served during the COVID-19 pandemic. Who is the author of this book?

### Answer: Anuradha Mascarenhas

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**126.** Which agency has been awarded the Geospatial World Forum (GWF) Leadership Award for public policy: enabling industry development?

**Answer:** IN-SPACe

127. Which government department has introduced the 'Sangam: Digital Twin' initiative in May 2024?

**Answer:** Department of Telecommunications

**128.** The third meeting of the Eminent Persons' Group (EPG) on the future direction of BIMSTEC was held in \_\_\_\_\_ (country) in May 2024.

Answer: Bangladesh

**129.** Sunil Chhetri has announced his retirement from international football. In which year did he receive the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award?

Answer: 2021

130. Lawrence Wong has been elected as the new Prime Minister of which country in May 2024?

**Answer:** Singapore

**131.** Under which operation the Trishakti Corps of the Indian Army has provided essential assistance and healthcare to remote communities in Naga and Rangrang villages of North Sikkim?

Answer: Operation Sadbhavana

**132.** According to a report titled 'Asia Pacific Data Center Trends Q1 2024', India became the country with the highest data center capacity in the Asia-Pacific region, surpassing major nations like Australia, Hong Kong SAR, Japan, Singapore, and Korea, with a total capacity of \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: 950 MW

133. Which country has introduced the world's first high-speed 6G prototype device?

Answer: Japan

**134.** Who has been awarded the Global Excellence Award 2024 for outstanding contribution to education?

Answer: Chandrakant Satija

135. International Day of Light is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 16th May

136. Who received the Sahitya Akademi Fellowship in May 2024?

**Answer:** Ruskin Bond

**137.** In the Times Higher Education- Young University Rankings 2024, which university has emerged as the highest-ranking Indian university with a rank of 81?

Answer: Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam

**138.** In May 2024, Defence Secretary Giridhar Aramane released a commemorative Rs 250 coin on the occasion of the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation of which shipyard company?

Answer: Mazagaon Dock Shipbuilders Limited

**139.** What is the theme of International Nurses Day 2024?

Answer: Our Nurses. Our Future. The economic power of care

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> Important Days of May 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day	8 <sup>th</sup> May	Keeping Humanity Alive
World Thalassemia Day	8 <sup>th</sup> May	Empowering Lives, Embracing Progress: Equitable and Accessible Thalassaemia Treatment for All
International Day of Argania	10 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Lupus Day	10 <sup>th</sup> May	
National Technology Day	11 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Day of Plant Health	12 <sup>th</sup> May	
International Nurses Day	12th May	Our Nurses. Our Future. The economic power of care
International Nurses Week	6 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> May	
World Migratory Bird Day	11 <sup>th</sup> May	Insects
International Day of Families	15 <sup>th</sup> May	Families and Climate Change

Answer: 2012

**143.** India and Iran have signed a long-term contract for the operation of the Shahid Beheshti Port terminal at Chabahar in Iran. Which company will invest USD120 million in port development?

Answer: India Ports Global Limited

144. Which entity will set up a Global Artificial Intelligence (AI) Centre of Excellence in Paris?

Answer: Tata Consultancy Services

**145.** Setu has launched India's first Large Language Model (LLM) specifically designed for the banking, financial services, and insurance (BFSI) sector. What is the name of this model?

**Answer:** Sesame

**146.** Which lender, in collaboration with Atal Innovation Mission, has allocated Rs 19.6 crore in grants to support 170 social startups in FY24?

Answer: HDFC Bank

**147.** Under which initiative Thomas Cook India has introduced video KYC for its retail foreign exchange customers for a safe digital transaction?

Answer: Ab Forex Ghar Baithe

148. Where is the Asia Open Pickleball Championships 2024 organized?

Answer: Vietnam

**149.** As per the report "Global Electricity Review 2024", India surpassed \_\_\_\_\_ to become the world's third-largest producer of solar power in 2023.

**Answer:** Japan

**150.** How many medals has the Indian boxing team bagged at the Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC) Asian U-22 and Youth Boxing Championships 2024?

Answer: 43 medals

**151.** Which state of India has launched the 'Pirul Lao-Paise Pao' campaign to combat the raging forest fire?

**Answer:** Uttarakhand

**152.** Which country's ambassador to India along with Nagaland Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio inaugurated the Kohima Peace Memorial and Eco Park in May 2024?

**Answer:** Japan

**153.** A report titled 'Recipe for a Livable Planet: Achieving Net Zero Emissions in the Agrifood System' is released by which organization?

Answer: World Bank

**154.** As per the recently published World Migration Report 2024, India received over USD 111 billion in remittances in 2022, becoming the 1<sup>st</sup> country to cross the USD 100 billion mark. Which country is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest recipient of remittances in the world?

**Answer:** Mexico

**155.** The Indian Army's Kharga Corps has recently (May 2024) conducted a three-day joint military exercise Gagan Strike-II with the Indian Air Force (IAF) in which state?

**Answer:** Punjab

**156.** The Department of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers, has launched the MEDITECH STACKATHON 2024 in collaboration with which company?

Answer: Confederation of Indian Industry

**157.** Which trading platform has secured the prestigious title of Best Trading Platform in India for the second consecutive year?

Answer: QuantPower

**158.** Noted Urdu writer Salam Bin Razzaq has passed away in May 2024. He was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award for Urdu in which year?

Answer: 2004

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159. Name the diplomat.	country that has recently (May 2024) into	ntroduced 'Victoria Shi', the world's 1 <sup>st</sup> Al					
Answer: Uk	kraine						
160. Which IIT microcontrol	•	d India's first indigenous high-performance					
<mark>Answer:</mark> Mi	indgrove Technologies						
engine-200)	<b>161.</b> ISRO has recently (May 2024) conducted the first ignition trial for SCE-200 (semi-cryogenic engine-200) at the semi-cryo integrated engine test facility (SIET) located in the ISRO propulsion complex (IPRC) in						
Answer: Ma	ahendragiri						
162. Researche		st blue hole named Taam Ja' Blue Hole (TJBH)					
Answer: Me	exico						
	163. The Indian Army and the Indian Air Force have planned to jointly deploy MQ-9B Predator drones made by the United States of America (USA) at which air base?						
Answer: Sa	arsawa & Gorakhpur						
draft regulat		tricter measures for project financing. Under the cate of the total loan amount as general action phase.					
Answer: 5%	6						
<b>165.</b> In May 202 Delhi.	24, the ASEAN-India Senior Of	Officials' Meeting (AISOM) was held in New					
Answer: 26	th						
166. Which stat	te of India has introduced 'Nakshatra Sal	abha', India's first Astro tourism campaign?					
Answer: Ut	tarakhand						
167. What is the	e theme of World Asthma Day 2024?						
Answer: As	sthma Education Empowers						
168. World Lau	ighter Day is observed annually on the fi	first of May.					
Answer: Su	ınday						

## > Important Days of May 2024

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
International Labour Day	1 <sup>st</sup> May		Labour Day was celebrated for the first time in India in 1923.
Ujjwala Diwas	1 <sup>st</sup> May		
World Tuna Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> May		
World Press Freedom Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> May	A Press for the Planet: Journalism in the face of the Environmental Crisis	
International Leopard Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> Day		
Coal Miners Day	4 <sup>th</sup> May		
International Firefighters' Day	4 <sup>th</sup> May		
World Hand Hygiene Day	5 <sup>th</sup> May	Promoting knowledge and capacity building of health and care workers through innovative and impactful training and education, on infection prevention and control, including hand hygiene	
World Portuguese Language Day	5 <sup>th</sup> May		
World Cartoonist's Day	5 <sup>th</sup> May		
African World Heritage Day	5 <sup>th</sup> May		
International Day of Midwife	5 <sup>th</sup> May		
International No Diet Day	6 <sup>th</sup> May		
World Laughter Day	First Sunday of May (5 <sup>th</sup> May 2024)		The day was first observed in Mumbai in 1998.
World Asthma Day	First Tuesday of May (7th May 2024)	Asthma Education Empowers	

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World Athletics Day	7th May					
169. Which logistic platform has collaborated with India Post to enhance last-mile delivery services for e-commerce products of Direct-to-Consumer (D2C) startups, small and medium businesses (SMBs), and MSMEs?						
Answer: Fship						
170. What is the name of In	dia's first indigeno	usly-built bo	mber unman	ned aerial vehicle (UAV)?		
Answer: FWD-200B	Answer: FWD-200B					
171. Which team won the 2024 BWF Thomas and Uber Cup titles?						
Answer: Chinese badminton team						
	172. In May 2024, India and which country agreed to an early conclusion of the Local Currency Settlement System Agreement to strengthen bilateral economic ties?					
Answer: Nigeria	Answer: Nigeria					
173. The Japanese team w	173. The Japanese team won the 2024 Men's AFC U-23 Asian Cup title after defeating which nation?					
Answer: Uzbekistan						
"Economic Outlook," has	174. The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), in its latest report, "Economic Outlook," has increased its economic growth rate forecast for the Indian economy for 2024-25 to from 6.2% estimated earlier.					
Answer: 6.6%	S. V					

**175.** Indian wildlife biologist, Purnima Devi Barman, has been conferred with the Whitley Gold Award 2024. She is from which state?

**Answer:** Assam

176. Hitesh Kumar Sethia has been appointed as the MD & CEO of \_\_\_\_\_for 3 years.

Answer: Jio Financial Services

177. Name the country that has recently (May 2024) launched sea trials for the Fujian, its third and most advanced aircraft carrier.

**Answer:** China

178. TacticAI, an AI assistant for football tactics, is developed by which entity?

Answer: DeepMind

179. The year 2024 marks which anniversary of World Press Freedom Day?

**Answer:** 31st

180. Jeremiah Manele has become the new Prime Minister of which country?

**Answer:** Solomon Islands

181. Who has won the 9th edition of the Oxford Bookstore Book Cover Prize (2024)?

Answer: Bhavi Mehta

**182.** India's services exports will increase to USD 800 billion by 2030 from USD 340 billion in 2023, making the external sector resilient to supply-side shocks and reducing rupee volatility. This is according to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer:** Goldman Sachs report

**183.** The Indian Army and Punit Balan Group have jointly developed India's first Constitution Park in which city?

**Answer:** Pune

184. India will host the Badminton World Junior Championships 2025 in which city?

Answer: Guwahati

**185.** Which economic think tank has estimated that India's GDP growth could exceed 7% in 2024-25 due to positive monsoon forecast and global outlook?

**Answer:** National Council of Applied Economic Research

**186.** Name the Indian personality who has been awarded the prestigious Goldman Environmental Prize 2024.

Answer: Alok Shukla

**187.** The Ministry of Mines has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which Foundation to enhance the knowledge base of the critical minerals processing industry in India?

**Answer:** Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation

188. Who has been awarded the Lacchu Maharaj Award for the year 2024?

Answer: Pandit Rajendra Gangani

189. Which financial institution has introduced the 'Climate Strategy 2030' for green financing?

#### **Answer:** NABARD

**190.** Recently (April 2024), NABARD collaborated with which organization to establish a system for faster processing of agricultural loans?

#### **Answer:** Reserve Bank Innovation Hub

**191.** In 2024 April, which company has launched India's first upgradable ATM that can be transformed into a high-performance Cash Recycling Machine (CRM) at any point of time?

### **Answer:** Hitachi Payment Services

**192.** Which country has recently (April 2024) introduced a new drone "Kamikaze" which is similar to Russia's Lancet drone?

### **Answer:** Iran

**193.** Which Indian port has received approval from the Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways to operate as India's first transshipment port?

### Answer: Vizhinjam Port

**194.** Who has received the 2024 Cambridge Dedicated Teacher Awards for the Middle East and North Africa (MENA)?

#### **Answer:** Gina Justus

195. World Veterinary Day is celebrated annually on the last \_\_\_\_\_ of April.

### **Answer:** Saturday

Important Days of April 2024

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Book and Copyright Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	
UN English Language Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	
UN Spanish Language Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	
International Day of Multilateralism and Diplomacy for Peace	24 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Day for Laboratory Animals	24 <sup>th</sup> April	
National Panchayati Raj Day	24 <sup>th</sup> April	

World Immuniz	ation Week	24 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> April	Humanly Possible: Immunization for All
World Malaria Day		25 <sup>th</sup> April	Accelerating the fight against malaria for a more equitable world
International De	elegates Day	25 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Peng	uin Day	25th April	
International Cher Remembrar	•	26 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Intellectual	Property Day	26 <sup>th</sup> April	IP and the SDGs: Building Our Common Future with Innovation and Creativity
International Gir	ls in ICT Day	Fourth Thursday (25 <sup>th</sup> April 2024)	Leadership
World Day for Safety a	and Health at Work	28 <sup>th</sup> April	
International [	Dance Day	29 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Veteri	nary Day	Last Saturday (27 <sup>th</sup> April 2024)	Veterinarians are essential health workers
International	Jazz Day	30 <sup>th</sup> April	

**196.** As per the report released by the United Nations Trade and Development (UNCTAD), India's services exports grew by \_\_\_\_ to USD 345 billion in the calendar year 2023 (January-December) despite global economic uncertainties.

**Answer:** 11.4%

**197.** In April 2024, SJVN Limited inaugurated India's first multi-purpose green hydrogen pilot project in which state?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

198. Which country hosted the first International Rainbow Tourism Conference in April 2024?

**Answer:** Nepal

**199.** Which organization has recently (April 2024) developed the lightest Bullet Proof Jacket in the country for protection against the highest Level 6 threat?

**Answer:** DRDO

200. In April 2024, which company launched 'Phi-3-min', a lightweight artificial intelligence model?
Answer: Microsoft

201. Who is the author of the book titled 'Heavenly Islands of Goa'?

Answer: P.S. Sreedharan Pillai

**202.** In April 2024, Razorpay launched its own Unified Payments Interface (UPI) infrastructure named 'UPI switch' in collaboration with which payments bank?

Answer: Airtel Payments Bank

**203.** Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed a 3D-printed dummy ballot unit to enhance voter awareness and engagement?

Answer: IIT Guwahati

204. Which nation has appointed 'Colonel Edison Napyo' as its first defence advisor to India?

**Answer:** Papua New Guinea

**205.** Name the entity that has received the Achievement Award for Creating Social Development and Impact at the 15<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Vishwakarma Awards, hosted by the Construction Industry Development Council (CIDC).

**Answer:** Puravankara Limited

**206.** What is the theme of World Immunization Week 2024?

**Answer:** Humanly Possible: Immunization for All

207. India has set a target to achieve debris-free space missions by which year?

Answer: 2030

**208.** The 2024 World Press Photo of the Year award is given to \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: Mohammed Salem

**209.** Who has been awarded the KISS (Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences) Humanitarian Award 2021?

**Answer:** Ratan Tata

**210.** Recently (April 2024), the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) joined hands with which organization to provide vocational training to marginalized communities?

**Answer: ISKCON** 

211. Which country has started the first-ever Hindi radio broadcast?

**Answer:** Kuwait

212. Which tribe celebrates the "Seng Khihlang" Festival?

**Answer:** Khasi

**213.** Which entity has partnered with National Payments Corporation of India to introduce its credit services on the Unified Payment Interface?

**Answer:** Amazon

**214.** Ashok Leyland has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with which bank for financing dealers under the bank's dealer finance program?

Answer: South Indian Bank

215. Which entity has been renamed as 'Bandhan Life' by Bandhan Financial Holdings Limited?

**Answer:** Aegon Life Insurance

216. Which entity has released the annual publication titled 'Primary (Urban) Co-operative Banks' Outlook 2022-23'?

Answer: Reserve Bank of India

**217.** In April 2024, Indian Navy conducted which exercise on East Coast under the Operational Control of The Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Eastern Naval Command?

Answer: Poorvi Lehar

**218.** Which Indian Institute of Technology has launched India's first medical devices calibration facility on wheels under its 'Anaivarukkum Initiative'?

**Answer:** IIT Madras

**219.** Which nation has officially joined as the 38th member of Naitonal Aeronautics and Space Administration's "Artemis Accords"?

**Answer:** Sweden

**220.** Which airport is named as the World's Best Airport 2024 in the Skytrax World Airport Awards 2024 held in Germany?

**Answer:** Hamad International Airport

**221.** India and Russia have signed an agreement on strategic cooperation and joint actions. This agreement was formalized during the Indo-Russian Education Summit held in which city?

Answer: New Delhi

**222.** A unique Iron Age Megalithic site, named 'Devarlabanda Mula ' has been found near Bandala village. Bandala village is found in which Indian state/UT?

### **Answer:** Telangana

**223.** Which financial institution has agreed to acquire a 9% shareholding in Belgian insurer Ageas from China's Fosun Group for about 730 million Euros?

#### **Answer:** BNP Paribas

**224.** As per the State Bank of India Economic Research Department report, the total amount of deposits in senior citizen accounts increased by \_\_\_\_\_\_, to Rs 34 lakh crore at end of December 2023 from Rs 13 lakh crore in 2018.

### Answer: 150%

**225.** Which public sector bank has recently (in April 2024) signed an agreement with India Mortgage Guarantee Corporation to provide mortgage guarantee-backed home loan products in the affordable housing segment?

### Answer: Bank of India

**226.** The United Nations Trade and Development projected that Indian economy's growth momentum will most likely decelerate in 2024 to \_\_\_\_\_ against the 6.7% growth recorded in the previous year.

#### **Answer:** 6.5%

227. The report titled "Interwoven Lives, Threads of Hope: Ending Inequalities in Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights" projects that India's population is expected to reach to 1.44 billion leaving China behind. The report is released by which institution?

#### **Answer:** UNFPA

**228.** The Indian Army's Trishakti Corps conducted a training exercise of Anti-Tank Guided Missile at super-high-altitude area of 17,000 feet in which state?

#### **Answer:** Sikkim

**229.** World Liver Day is observed annually on which date?

### Answer: 19th April

**230.** The first international workshop on 'Emerging Technologies & Challenges for Exoskeleton' has been organised by which organisation?

### **Answer:** DRDO

231. World Voice Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 16th April

> Important Days of April 2024

Important Day	Date/Mo nth	Theme for 2024
Save The Elephant Day	16 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Voice Day	16 <sup>th</sup> April	Resonate, Educate, Celebrate
World Hemophilia Day	17 <sup>th</sup> April	Equitable access for all: recognizing all bleeding disorders
World Heritage Day	18 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Liver Day	19 <sup>th</sup> April	
UN Chinese Language Day	20 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Creativity and Innovation Day	21 <sup>st</sup> April	
World Creativity and	15 <sup>th</sup> to	
Innovation Week	21 <sup>st</sup> April	
National Civil Service Day	21 <sup>st</sup> April	
World Earth Day	22 <sup>nd</sup> April	

**232.** Noted Carnatic Musician KG Jayan died at the age of 89 in Kerala. He won India's 4<sup>th</sup> highest civilian award in which year in the field of art?

Answer: 2019

233. Which scientific journal has recently (in April 2024) published the paper documenting the discovery of the new species "Impatiens neo-uncinata" in the Agasthyamala biosphere reserve?

Answer: Phytotaxa

234. Which organization has developed a light weight Carbon-Carbon (C-C) nozzle for rocket engine?

**Answer:** ISRO

235. Which entity has launched SKT105E, India's first locally manufactured Electric Mining Truck?

Answer: Sany India

236. Who won the Asian Badminton Championship 2024 titles for men and women respectively?

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Answer: Jonatan Chris	stie and Wang Zhi Yi	
237. In April 2024, DRDO & conducted successful trials of indigenous Man Portable Anti-Tank Guided Missile Weapon System.		
Answer: Indian Army		
		Ifare introduced a digital platform named ers under the Cluster Development
Answer: CDP-SURAKS	БНА	
239. In April 2024, which le Standard Chartered Bar		Swap (CDS) trade worth Rs.25 crore with
Answer: State Bank of	<sup>i</sup> India	(4)
	ith Society for Innovation & Entre	il 2024) inked a Memorandum of epreneurship (SINE) & IIT Bombay to
Answer: Canara Bank		
		gh of 40 percent of Gross Domestic cording to a report issued by
Answer: Motilal Oswa		
<b>242.</b> In April 2024, Citroën became the first multinational car manufacturer in India to export domestically made electric vehicles to the international market. Citroën is the company of which country?		
Answer: France		
	•	or the 'Space Science and Technology Space Research Organization (ISRO).
Answer: Gujarat Coun	cil on Science and Technology	<i>(</i>
244. Who has won the 51st	National Women's Carrom Chan	npionship 2024 title?
Answer: Rashmi Kuma	ari	
Varun Award" by the Mi		2024) been awarded the "Sagar Samman aterways (MoPSW) for outstanding and

Answer:	Dhirendra	Kumar	Sanya
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246. The Girl Child Empowerment Mission (GEM) is a flagship initiative of \_\_\_\_\_\_

#### **Answer:** NTPC Limited

**247.** Who has become the first Indian monk to be honoured with the American President's Gold Volunteer Service award in April 2024?

#### Answer: Lokesh Muni

**248.** Which organization has been honoured with the 2024 John L "Jack" Swigert, Jr Award for Space Exploration?

#### **Answer:** ISRO

249. The Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity (IPEF) will host the first Clean Economy Investor Forum in which country in June 2024?

### **Answer:** Singapore

**250.** Name the poet that has won the World Literary Prize from the World Organization of Writers (WOW) for his/her contributions to the world of literature.

### Answer: Mamta G. Sagar

**251.** Recently (in April 2024), the "Experimental Licence Module for 100 5G Labs" launched at which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)?

### **Answer:** IIT Madras

**252.** Which is the first private company in India to launch a sub metre resolution satellite "TSAT-1A"?

### **Answer:** Tata Advanced Systems

**253.** As per a report titled 'Synchronising Energy Transitions Towards Possible Net Zero for India: Affordable and Clean Energy for All' released by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), India aims to increase its nuclear power production to 1 lakh MW by which year?

#### Answer: 2047

**254.** India has secured the rights to operate a second overseas port 'Sittwe' after the Shahid Beheshti Port, Chabahar of Iran. This port is located in which country?

### Answer: Myanmar

**255.** Which organization has released a report titled as 'Space: The \$1.8 Trillion Opportunity for Global Economic Growth'?

### Answer: World Economic Forum

256. Which football club has won its maiden I-League title in 2024?

### Answer: Mohammedan Sporting

257. Who penned a book titled 'The Idea of Democracy'?

#### **Answer:** Sam Pitroda

258. Star Health Insurance has recently (April 2024) collaborated with which UPI app to provide 'Star Comprehensive Insurance Policy'?

#### Answer: PhonePe

259. Who has won the Formula One Japanese Grand Prix 2024?

### Answer: Max Verstappen

260. The 'Sitars' and 'Tanpuras' of Miraj have been awarded the Geographical Indication (GI) tags. Miraj is located in which state of India?

#### Answer: Maharashtra

261. Which organization has developed the "Akashteer Air Defence System"?

#### Answer: Bharat Electronics Limited

262. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of National Cooperative Dairy Federation of India Ltd. (NCDFI)?

#### **Answer:** Meenesh Shah

263. Bindyarani Devi, who won a bronze medal at the IWF World Cup 2024 held in Phuket, Thailand, is associated with which sports?

#### Answer: Weightlifting

**264.** Name the country that has been selected to chair the UN Commission on the Status of Women.

### **Answer:** Saudi Arabia

265. Which FMCG company has launched the health-tech app 'NutriPlus' to democratize health monitoring in the country?

#### Answer: Britannia

**266.** Name the country that has unveiled the world's most powerful laser, which is based on the inventions of 2018 Nobel Physics Prize winners Gerard Mourou and Donna Strickland.

**Answer:** Romania

**267.** Which country has hosted the 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Secretaries of the Security Council of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) in April 2024?

Answer: Kazakhstan

268. The theme for the World Health Day 2024 is \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer:** My health, my right

> Important Days of April 2024

Important Day/Week	Date/Mo nth	Theme for 2024	Remark
International Romani Day	8 <sup>th</sup> April		
World Homeopathy Day	10 <sup>th</sup> April	Homeoparivar: One Health, One Family	
National Safe Motherhood Day	11 <sup>th</sup> April		
World Parkinson's Disease Day	11 <sup>th</sup> April		
International Day of Street Children	12 <sup>th</sup> April	Belonging	
International Day of Human Space Flight	12 <sup>th</sup> April		
Siachen Day	13 <sup>th</sup> April		
International Turban Day	13 <sup>th</sup> April		The year 2024 marks the 555th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev and the festival of Baisakhi.
Ambedkar Jayanti	14 <sup>th</sup> April		The year 2024 marks the 133rd birth anniversary of him.
World Chagas Disease Day	14 <sup>th</sup> April	Tackling Chagas disease: Detect early and care for life	
National Fire Service Day	14 <sup>th</sup> April		
Fire Service Week	14 <sup>th</sup> to 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2024		
World Art Day	15 <sup>th</sup> April		

**Answer: REC Limited** 

**278.** India has agreed to help which country in promoting research and education in the Sanskrit language?

Answer: Nepal

279. How many medals has India won in the Youth World Boxing Cup 2024 held in Montenegro?

Answer: 26 medals (5 gold, 9 silver and 12 bronze)

280. Which country hosted the International Children's Book Day in 2024?

**Answer:** Japan

#### Important Days of April 2024

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
Prevention of Blindness week	1 <sup>st</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Autism Awareness Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Moving from Surviving to Thriving: Autistic Individuals share regional perspectives
International Children's Book Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Cross the Seas on the Wing of your Imagination
World Aquatic Animal Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	
International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action	4 <sup>th</sup> April	Protecting Lives. Building Peace
International Day of Conscience	5 <sup>th</sup> April	
National Maritime Day	5 <sup>th</sup> April	
International Day of Sport for Development and Peace (IDSDP)	6 <sup>th</sup> April	Sport for the Promotion of Peaceful and Inclusive Societies
World Table Tennis Day	6 <sup>th</sup> April	
World Health Day	7 <sup>th</sup> April	My health my right
International Day of Reflection on the 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi in Rwanda	7 <sup>th</sup> April	

**281.** Which Indian shipyard company has signed a contract with Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to supply turbines, auxiliaries, and other tools worth Rs 1,173.42 crore?

Answer: Cochin Shipyard Limited

282. Which state's 'Matabari Pera' and 'Pachra' have been awarded with the Geographical Indication (GI) tag in April 2024?

**Answer:** Tripura

**283.** Which Indian hockey player has been awarded the Major Dhyan Chand Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2023 Hockey India Awards?

#### Answer: Ashok Kumar

284. What is the name of the global network launched by the World Health Organization (WHO) to ensure timely, detection, monitoring, and assessment of coronaviruses of public health importance?

**Answer:** CoViNet

**285.** The advanced version of Tejas 'Mark 1A' has been designed by ...

**Answer:** Aeronautical Development Agency

286. IIT Madras has hosted the prestigious \_\_\_\_\_ Shaastra Rapid FIDE Rated Chess Tournament in 2024.

**Answer:** 6<sup>th</sup>

287. Who has been awarded the prestigious Times Power Icon 2024 Award by the Times Group?

**Answer:** Vijay Jain

288. Who has been elected as the new Chairman of Automotive Tyre Manufacturers' Association (ATMA)?

**Answer:** Arnab Banerjee

289. Which Indian institute of Management (IIM) has joined hands with Europe's Starburst Aerospace to boost the aerospace, new space, and defence (ASD) industry in India?

Answer: IIM Mumbai

290. Tata Passenger Electric Mobility (TPEM) has tied up with Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL) to establish a nationwide network of how many public charging stations for electric vehicles (EVs) by the end of 2024?

Answer: 5000

291. What is the name of India's first Al-based film directed by Sam Bhattacharjee?

**Answer:** IRAH

- 292. Where is the world's largest single-location copper manufacturing plant located? Answer: Mundra, Gujarat
- 293. According to the report Brand Finance Insurance 2024, which insurance company has emerged as the strongest insurance brand globally?

#### Answer: Life Insurance Corporation of India

- 294. Israeli American author and psychologist, Daniel Kahneman, who passed away in March 2024, won the Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences in which year?
  Answer: 2002
- 295. Kannada writer Dr Gurulinga Kapse passed away in March 2024. He won the Sahitya Akademi Translation Prize in which year?

Answer: 2021

296. Which organization has released a report titled "Unicorn 2.0: Adding the next trillion"?

**Answer:** Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)

297. In March 2024, the International Labour Organization (ILO) and Institute for Human Development (IHD) jointly released the India Employment Report 2024. As per the report, India's youth accounts for almost \_\_\_\_\_ of the unemployed workforce in India.

Answer: 83 percent

298. A report titled 'Global Trade Update' states that services exports from India rose by 14% in 2023, while goods export declined by 6%. This report is published by which organization?

**Answer:** United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

299. Who has won the Formula 1 Australian Grand Prix 2024 Title?

**Answer:** Carlos Sainz

300. Who has won the women's singles title at the WTT Feeder Beirut II 2024?

Answer: Sreeja Akula

**301.** Star Housing Finance has recently (March 2024) entered into a co-lending arrangement with which financial entity to lend to economically weaker sections (EWS) and low-income group (LIG) at more affordable rates?

Answer: Tata Capital Housing Finance

302. Who has been elected as the Chairman of Indian Banks' Association (IBA) for 2023-24?

Answer: M V Rao

**303.** Akmus Drugs and Pharmaceutical Limited has recently (March 2024) developed a new India's first room-temperature stable indigenous drug for which disease?

**Answer:** Sickle cell disease

**304.** World Tuberculosis Day (WTD) is observed annually on 24<sup>th</sup> March. What is the theme of WTD 2024?

Answer: Yes! We can end TB!

#### > Important Days of March 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Meteorological Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	At the Frontline of Climate Action
Martyrs Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> March	
International Day for the Right to the Truth	24 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Tuberculosis Day	24th March	Yes! We can end TB!
International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade	25 <sup>th</sup> March	Creating Global Freedom: Countering Racism with Justice in Societies and Among Nations
International Day of Solidarity with Detained and Missing Staff Members	25 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Theatre Day	27 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Piano Day	28 <sup>th</sup> March 2024	
International Day of Zero Waste	30 <sup>th</sup> March	
International Transgender Day of Visibility	31 <sup>st</sup> March	
International Day of Drug Checking	31 <sup>st</sup> March	
World Backup Day	31 <sup>st</sup> March	

**305.** Name the sports personality that has won the men's singles title at the World Table Tennis (WTT) Feeder Beirut 2024.

Answer: Sathiyan Gnanasekaran

306. Which airline has been named as the "Airline of the Year" at the 2024 Air Transport Awards?

**Answer:** IndiGo

**307.** Earth Hour is observed annually on the last \_\_\_\_\_ of March.

**Answer:** Saturday

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308. In March 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi received the 'Order of the Druk Gyalpo' award. This award is the highest civilian award of which country?

**Answer:** Bhutan

309. The second edition of IMT TRILAT (Tri Lateral Exercise) has been conducted between India and which two countries?

**Answer:** Mozambique and Tanzania

310. Who has been elected as the President of the Indian Steel Association (ISA) in March 2024?

**Answer:** Naveen Jindal

**311.** Recently (March 2024), the \_\_\_\_\_ edition of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Startup Forum has been organized in New Delhi.

Answer: 10th

312. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed an indigenous electric standing wheelchair named 'NeoStand'?

**Answer:** IIT Madras

313. Name the operation that has recently (March 2024) been launched by India to evacuate Indian Nationals from Haiti to the Dominican Republic.

Answer: Operation Indravati

314. What is the name of the portal launched by the National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) and the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) for the Universal Acceptance (UA) Day in March 2024?

Answer: BhashaNet

315. World Water Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 22<sup>nd</sup> August

316. Which payments bank has teamed up with Noise and Mastercard to launch "A New Way to Pay" to revolutionize contactless payments by redefining and making them more accessible to a wider user base?

**Answer:** Airtel Payments Bank

**317.** Who has been selected by the Financial Services Institutions Bureau (FSIB) as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the New India Assurance Company?

### Answer: Girija Subramanian

318. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has recently imposed (March 2024) a monetary penalty of \_\_\_\_\_ on Bandhan Bank Ltd. for non-compliance with certain directions on 'Reserve Bank of India (Interest Rate on Deposits) Directions, 2016'.

#### Answer: Rs.29.55 lakh

319. Which entity has become India's second Unicorn of 2024?

#### **Answer:** Perfios

**320.** Srinagar has hosted the first-ever Formula 4 car racing demonstration event on the banks of which lake?

#### Answer: Dal lake

**321.** Who has won the 2024 Women's Premier League (WPL) title after defeating Delhi Capitals (DC)?

### Answer: Royal Challengers Bangalore

**322.** Who has recently (March 2024) been awarded the prestigious PV Narasimha Rao Memorial Award for outstanding philanthropic contributions?

#### **Answer:** Ratan Tata

323. Who has been selected for the Sangita Kalanidhi Award of the Music Academy for 2024?

#### Answer: T M Krishna

**324.** Exercise 'Tiger Triumph - 24' has been organized between India and which country in March 2024?

#### **Answer:** USA

**325.** India's first integrated Oil Palm Processing Unit has started commercial operation in which state?

### **Answer:** Arunachal Pradesh

**326.** Recently (March 2024), Defence Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated Indian Navy's first independent headquarters 'Nausena Bhawan' in which place?

#### **Answer:** Delhi

327. Where is the Global Spirituality Conference organized?

**Answer:** Hyderabad

**328.** Max India has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which institute to develop offerings tailored specifically for the senior demographic?

**Answer:** IIT Delhi

**329.** Which state's cabinet has recently (March 2024) approved to rename Ahmednagar district as Ahilya Nagar after the 18<sup>th</sup>-century Maratha queen Ahilyabai Holkar?

Answer: Maharashtra

**330.** In March 2024, Defence Minister Rajnath Singh approved a proposal for the expansion of the National Cadet Corps (NCC) with the addition of \_\_\_\_\_ cadet vacancies.

**Answer:** 3 lakh

331. Who has been appointed as the new Chairman of Prasar Bharati?

Answer: Navneet Kumar Sehgal

**332.** Which entity has agreed to buy the 13.01% stake owned by Paramount Global in Viacom18 Media for Rs 4,286 crore?

Answer: Reliance Industries

333. India has been ranked 134 out of 193 countries on the UN Human Development Index (HDI) 2022 with an HDI value of \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: 0.644

334. Who has won the Formula One Saudi Arabian Grand Prix 2024?

Answer: Max Verstappen

335. Which cricket team has won the Ranji Trophy 2023-24 title?

Answer: Mumbai cricket team

**336.** Annabel Sutherland has been named the ICC Women's Player of the Month Award for February 2024. She is from which country?

Answer: Australia

337. Mohammad Mustafa has been elected as the new Prime Minister of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

### **Answer:** Palestine

**338.** Who has been appointed as the new Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Northern Coalfields Limited (NCL) in March 2024?

### **Answer:** B Sairam

339. National Vaccination Day is observed annually on which date?

# Answer: 16th March

# > Important Days of March 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
National Vaccination Day	16 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Sleep Day	The day is observed on Friday before Spring Vernal Equinox. (15 <sup>th</sup> March 2024)	Sleep Equity for Global Health
Global Recycling Day	18 <sup>th</sup> March	Recycling Heroes
Ordnance Factory Day	18th March	
World Oral Health Day	20 <sup>th</sup> March	A happy mouth is a happy body
World Sparrow Day	20 <sup>th</sup> March	
International Day of Happiness	20 <sup>th</sup> March	Happier Together
World Day of Theatre for Children and Young People	20 <sup>th</sup> March	
UN French Language Day	20 <sup>th</sup> March	Create, innovate, undertake in French
World Forestry Day	21 <sup>st</sup> March	Forests and Innovation:  New Solutions for a  Better World
. International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	21 <sup>st</sup> March	A Decade of Recognition, Justice, and Development: Implementation of the International Decade for People of African Descent
World Puppetry Day	21 <sup>st</sup> March	The Climate
World Poetry Day	21 <sup>st</sup> March	Standing on the Shoulders of Giants

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	World Down Syndron Day	ne	21 <sup>st</sup> March			End The Stereotypes
	International Day of Nowruz		21 <sup>st</sup> March			
	World Water Day		22 <sup>nd</sup> March			Leveraging Water for Peace
<b>340.</b> Identify the central public sector enterprise that will develop a 200 MW capacity Solar Power Project to be set up in the 1,125 MW RE Park of Gujarat State Electricity Corporation Ltd. (GSECL) at Khavda.						
Answer: NHPC Limited						
<b>341.</b> In March 2024, the Union Ministry of Ports, Shipping & Waterways approved the development of 10 waterways projects on the Brahmaputra River in Assam. What is the total financial outlay approved for this project?						

Answer: Rs.645 crore

342. Which nation has become the 32<sup>nd</sup> member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)?

**Answer:** Sweden

**343.** The Government of India initiated a scheme worth Rs.340 crore, through the Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), for upgradation and strengthening of the laboratory network in the country. BIS works under which ministry?

Answer: Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution

**344.** As per the latest news, North India's first Government Homoeopathic College will be built in \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: Jammu and Kashmir

**345.** A maritime security exercise "Sea Defenders-2024" has been conducted between Indian Coast Guard and \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: United States Coast Guard

**346.** Coal India Limited (CIL) has recently (March 2024) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Rajasthan Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited (RRVUNL) for exploration and execution of \_\_\_\_\_ capacity power projects.

Answer: 4100 MW

**347.** How much monthly financial assistance will be provided under the "Mahtari Vandan Yojana" in Chhattisgarh?

**Answer:** Rs. 1,000

348. Identify the state from the given options that has signed a letter of intent (LoI) with the World Economic Forum (WEF) to set up a centre for artificial intelligence (AI) in the state.

Answer: Karnataka

349. Sela Tunnel, seen in news recently (March 2024), connects which Indian states?

Answer: Assam and Arunachal Pradesh

**350.** Nagaland has recently (March 2024) inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which bank for promoting and advancing the successful implementation of the Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC) initiative within the state?

**Answer:** Yes Bank

**351.** As per the SEBI (REIT) (Amendment) Regulations 2024, Small and Medium Real Estate Investment Trusts (SM REITs) are allowed to gather funds starting from \_\_\_\_\_\_ by issuing units to a minimum of 200 investors.

**Answer:** Rs.50 crore

352. Which country has become the 97th member of International Solar Alliance (ISA)?

Answer: Panama

353. India's first FutureLABS center at C-DAC has been launched in which city?

Answer: Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

**354.** World Consumer Rights Day is observed annually on 15<sup>th</sup> March. The theme of the World Consumer Rights Day 2024 is \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer:** Fair and responsible Al for consumers

> Important Days of March 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
International Women's Day (IWD)	8 <sup>th</sup> March	Invest in Women: Accelerate Progress	This day was adopted by the United Nations in the year 1977
International Day of Women Judges	10 <sup>th</sup> March	Empathy and Action: Women and Girls in Carceral Settings	The day was first observed in 2022

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World Glaucoma Day	12 <sup>th</sup> March	Uniting for a Glaucoma-Free World	
World Rotaract Day	13 <sup>th</sup> March		The day is also observed to commemorate the founding of the first rotary club in 1968.
No Smoking Day	Second Wednesday (This year (2024) the day falls on March 13)	Protecting children from tobacco industry interference	The first No Smoking Day was on Ash Wednesday in 1984
World Kidney Day	Second Thursday (This year (2024) the day falls on March 14)	Kidney Health for All – Advancing Equitable Access to Care and Optimal Medication Practice	World Kidney Day was first observed in the year 2006
International Day of Mathematics	14 <sup>th</sup> March	Playing With Math	The day was first observed in 2020
International Day of Action For Rivers	14 <sup>th</sup> March	Water for all	The International Day of Action and For Rivers" was approved at the first International Meeting of People Impacted by Dams in March 1997 in Curitiba, Brazil
World Consumer Rights Day	15 <sup>th</sup> March	Fair and responsible AI for consumers	In 1983, the first World Consumer Rights Day was celebrated
International Day to Combat Islamophobia	15 <sup>th</sup> March		The day was introduced by Pakistan's permanent representative to United Nations (UN), Munir Akram on behalf of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) countries. The day was first observed in 2022

**359.** The Jharkhand state government has launched the Jharkhand Widow Remarriage Promotion Scheme 2024. Under this scheme, the government has decided to provide how much rupees to those widows who want to remarriage?

Answer: Rs.2 lakh

**Answer:** Seychelles

**360.** As per the recent amendment, the Government of India, in consultation with the Election Commission of India (ECI), has increased the minimum age for senior citizens eligible for postal ballot voting from 80 years to \_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: 85 years

361. Who has been appointed as the President of Paralympic Committee of India (PCI)?

**Answer:** Devendra Jhajharia

**362.** Who has been honoured with the United States Golf Association (USGA)'s prestigious Bob Jones Award?

Answer: Tiger Woods

**363.** Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has inaugurated the 'Chola' building at Naval War College in which state?

**Answer:** Goa

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364. India celebrated the in the year 2024.	anniversary of Central In	ndustrial Security Force (CISF) Raising Day				
Answer: 55 <sup>th</sup>						
365 and Commission of India (EC		as Election Commissioners in the Election				
Answer: Sukhbir Singl	n Sandhu, Gyanesh Kumar					
		elfare Arjun Munda has recently (March and Agricultural Exhibition" in which state?				
Answer: Jharkhand						
	ng solutions for residential cust	TPSSL) renewed its partnership with which stomers, in-line with the Government's PM				
Answer: Union Bank o	f India					
368. Which lender launched	I the 'Smart Choice Gold Loan'	o' for customers in March 2024?				
Answer: Kotak Mahind	ra Bank					
<b>369.</b> Which company has recently (March 2024) received the final authorisation from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as a payment aggregator for its payment gateway brand, "CCAvenue"?						
Answer: Infibeam Ave	nues					
<b>370.</b> Alok Rungta has been life insurance house?	appointed as the Managing Di	irector and Chief Executive Officer of which				
Answer: Future Genera	ali India Life Insurance					
	<b>371.</b> National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has unveiled its first skill development initiative "Project Odiserv" in Sambalpur, Odisha in collaboration with					
Answer: Bajaj Finserv						
<b>372.</b> Prime Minister Narendra Modi has recently (March 2024) inaugurated India's first underwater metro train service in Kolkata. The metro tunnel has been built under which river?						
Answer: Hooghly River						
"Indira Gandhi Pyari Beh		nister Sukhvinder Sukhu announced the a." The scheme provides a monthly stipend				

Answer: 18 to 60

374. India's 1st Dolphin Research Centre is based in which city?

**Answer:** Patna

**375.** Who has become the first woman sniper in the Border Security Force (BSF)?

**Answer:** Suman Kumari

**376.** Which country has become the first country in the world to enshrine abortion rights in its constitution?

**Answer:** France

377. Which public sector undertaking has bagged a power plant engineering, procurement, and construction (EPC) order of over Rs 9,500 crore from NTPC Limited in March 2024?

**Answer:** Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL)

378. Name the state government that has recently (March 2024) launched the "Mukhyamantri Yuva Udyami Vikas Abhiyan (MYUVA)" to nurture entrepreneurship among the state's youth.

**Answer:** Uttar Pradesh

379. India's unemployment rate has declined to how much percent in 2023 from 3.6 percent in 2022, as per the latest employment-unemployment indicators report released by the National Statistical Office (NSO)?

Answer: 3.1 percent

380. Recently (March 2024), Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers Dr Mansukh Mandaviya inaugurated how many centres of Central Institute of Petrochemicals Engineering & Technology (CIPET) established across India?

**Answer:** Three

381. Which University has topped the medal tally of the Khelo India University Games 2023 with a total of 71 medals?

**Answer:** Chandigarh University

382. In March 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated India's first indigenous Prototype Fast Breeder Reactor (PFBR) (500 MWe) in which state?

**Answer:** Tamil Nadu

**391.** Which Indian Naval Ship has participated in the third edition of Exercise Samudra Laksamana off Visakhapatnam?

Answer: INS Kiltan

**392.** NPCI International Payments has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which country's Eurobank S.A. to enhance cross-border UPI payments?

**Answer:** Greece

#### Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

**402.** The Ministry of Jal Shakti has signed an agreement with 12 technical education institutions for basin management of how many rivers?

**Answer:** Six

**403.** Coal India Limited (CIL) and which entity have inked a joint venture agreement (JVA) to set up an ammonium nitrate plant through surface coal gasification (SCG) technology route?

**Answer:** BHEL

404. Who has been appointed as the CEO of the World Gold Council for India?

**Answer:** Sachin Jain

405. World Wildlife Day (WWD) is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 3<sup>rd</sup> March

> Important Days of March 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024
World Civil Defence Day	1 <sup>st</sup> March	Honor Heroes and Promote Safety Skills
Zero Discrimination Day	1 <sup>st</sup> March	To protect everyone's health, protect everyone's
Civil Accounts Day	1 <sup>st</sup> March	
World Hearing Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Changing mindsets: Let's make ear and hearing care a reality for all!
World Wildlife Day (WWD)	3 <sup>rd</sup> March	Connecting People and Planet: Exploring Digital Innovation in Wildlife Conservation
Birth Defect Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> March	
National Birth Defect Awareness Month 2024		Breaking Barriers: inclusive support for children with birth defect
World Obesity Day	4 <sup>th</sup> March	Let's Talk About Obesity And
National Safety Day	4 <sup>th</sup> March	
World Day of Fight Against Sexual Exploitation	4 <sup>th</sup> March	
National Security Day	4 <sup>th</sup> March	
National Safety Week	4 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Focus on Safety Leadership for ESG Excellence
International Day for Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Awareness	5 <sup>th</sup> March	

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A	Answer: Geeta Batra					
413.	413. In the BWF Para Badminton World Championships 2024, India won gold, silver,					
ar	and bronze medals.					
A	Answer: 3;4;11					
414.	Feleti Teo has been ap	pointed as the Prir	ne Minister	of \	which country in February 2024?	
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A	<mark>nswer:</mark> Tuvalu					

**415.** Adani Defence has inaugurated India's first ammunition and missile manufacturing complex in which place?

Answer: Kanpur, Uttar Pradesh

416. The world's third-largest mosque has been inaugurated in which country?

**Answer:** Algeria

**417.** National Science Day is observed annually on 28th February. What is the theme of National Science Day 2024?

Answer: Indigenous Technology for Viksit Bharat

418. Which Union Ministry of India has launched the 'NaViGate Bharat' portal?

Answer: Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

419. SECI has commissioned India's largest Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) in which state?

Answer: Chhattisgarh

**420.** \_\_\_\_\_ has become the first Asian country to ratify a convention to end workplace violence and harassment?

Answer: Philippine

**421.** At the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Aegis Graham Bell Awards, which entity has bagged 3 awards in the categories of 'Innovation on Telecom', 'Innovation in the Social Good', and 'Innovation in Al'?

**Answer:** C-DOT

**422.** SJVN Limited has signed a Power Usage Agreement (PUA) with Jammu & Kashmir Power Corporation Limited (JKPCL) to supply how many megawatts of Solar Power capacity to JKPCL from the under-construction 1,000 MW Bikaner Solar Power Project in Rajasthan?

Answer: 300 MW

**423.** NICDC Limited has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which institute to determine the best locations for establishing Greenfield Industrial Smart Cities across India by using PM GatiShakti?

Answer: IIT Delhi

**424.** Recently (February 2024), Union Minister Rajeev Chandrasekhar launched 'Investor Information and Analytics Platform'. This platform is developed by \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: IIT Madras

425. In the Asia Cup 2024 archery stage-1 tournament, India won \_\_\_\_\_ medals.

**Answer:** 14

**426.** Who has won the Goodfellow Classic 2024 squash tournament?

Answer: Abhay Singh

**427.** Which two nations have formally joined the World Trade Organization (WTO) during the 13<sup>th</sup> Ministerial Conference of WTO in Abu Dhabi?

Answer: Comoros and Timor-Leste

**428.** In February 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveiled the statue of Sant Guru Ravidas in which place?

**Answer:** Varanasi

**429.** Who is the author of a book titled "The Great Flap of 1942: How the Raj Panicked over a Japanese Non-invasion"?

**Answer:** Mukund Padmanabhan

**430.** Kalyani Steel has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which state government to set up a manufacturing facility with an investment of Rs.11,750 crore?

**Answer:** Odisha

**431.** Identify the fintech firm that has launched a mobile application store for consumers in India called 'Indus Appstore'.

**Answer:** PhonePe

**432.** Recently (February 2024), PFRDA notified amendments to National Pension System Trust (NPST) and Pension Fund Regulations for Good Governance. These amendments are in line with the announcement made in which Union Budget?

**Answer:** Union Budget 2023-24

**433.** Name the fintech startup that has recently (February 2024) partnered with five Indian banks to introduce an innovative virtual, cardless, and hardware-less cash withdrawal service.

Answer: Paymart

**434.** Ghazal singer Pankaj Udhas passed away recently (February 2024). He was awarded Padma Shri, India's fourth highest civilian award, in which year?

Answer: 2006

435. The 'Bharat Tex 2024', one of the largest-ever global textile events, has been organized in

Answer: New Delhi

436. India's first 'Gati Shakti Research Chair' will be established at which Indian Institute of Management (IIM)?

Answer: Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Shillong

437. What is the venue of the first 'Maharashtra MSME Defence Expo 2024'?

Answer: Pune, Maharashtra

438. Which edition of Joint Military Exercise 'DHARMA GUARDIAN' between the Indian Army and the Japan Ground Self Defence Force has been commenced in Rajasthan?

Answer: 5<sup>th</sup>

439. Recently (February 2024), Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Institute of Naturopathy named 'Nisarg Gram' in which place?

Answer: Pune, Maharashtra

**440.** Which cricketer has become the fastest batter to score 10,000 runs in T20 cricket in February 2024?

**Answer:** Babar Azam

441. Researchers have discovered the world's largest snake in which region in February 2024?

**Answer:** Amazon Rainforest

442. NTPC Limited will set up India's largest green hydrogen production facility in which state?

**Answer:** Andhra Pradesh

443. In February 2024, the Cabinet approved an amendment in the Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) policy for the space sector. As per the new policy, how much FDI will be allowed under Automatic route for Satellites-Manufacturing & Operation, Satellite Data Products and Ground Segment & **User Segment?** 

Answer: 74%

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444. A multinational peacekeeping exercise 'Shanti Prayas Exercise IV' is co-hosted by which countries?						
Answer: Nepal & USA						
<b>445.</b> The mascot of the 4 <sup>th</sup> 6	edition of the Khelo India Univer	sity	y Games (KIUG) 2023 is named			
Answer: Ashtalakshmi	İ					
_	has become the youngest pla irpassed the previous record set	-	er to defeat a grandmaster in a classical y Leonid Ivanovic.			
Answer: Ashwath Kau	shik					
<b>447.</b> Shashi Tharoor has be Legion d'honneur' in Fel	, ,	jhe	est civilian honour 'Chevalier de la			
Answer: France						
448. In February 2024, Tec through a wholly owned		in	Orchid Cybertech Services (OCSI)			
Answer: 100%						
	449. In February 2024, Which edition of Raisina Dialogue was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi?					
Answer: 9 <sup>th</sup>						
450 in collabora in order to catalyze AI st		pla	anned to launch the IMPEL AI program			
Answer: Microsoft						
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Answer: Rs.5 lakh						
<b>452.</b> Identify the public sector bank from the given options that has recently (February 2024) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Ltd. (IREDA) to co-finance renewable energy projects?						
Answer: Punjab Nation	nal Bank					
453. The INDUS-X Summit	has been organized in which In-	dia	an city in February 2024?			

Answer: New Delhi

454. The Indian Air Force has conducted 'Exercise Vayu Shakti-24' in which place?

Answer: Jaisalmer, Rajasthan

455. What is the theme of World Day of Social Justice 2024?

**Answer:** Bridging Gaps, Building Alliances

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Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Central Excise Day	24 <sup>th</sup> February		
National Protein Day	27 <sup>th</sup> February	Solve with Protein	The day was first observed in 2020.
World NGO Day	27 <sup>th</sup> February		
National Science Day	28 <sup>th</sup> February	Indigenous Technology for Viksit Bharat	
Rare Disease Day	Last day of February (29 <sup>th</sup> February 2024)	Share Your Colours	

**456.** India's women's badminton team has defeated which country to win the 2024 Badminton Asia Team Championship title in Malaysia?

**Answer:** Thailand

457. Name the country that has launched a new surface-to-sea missile 'Padasuri-6'.

**Answer:** North Korea

**458.** Which Indian city hosted the 11<sup>th</sup> International Puppet Festival?

Answer: Chandigarh

**459.** Deputy national security adviser Vikram Misri has represented India at the 6<sup>th</sup> regional dialogue of officials of security councils and national security advisers on Afghanistan held in \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

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<b>460.</b> Sora' is a new Generative AI model which can convert text prompt into video. It is developed by which company?							
Answer: C	Answer: OpenAl						
	<b>461.</b> A special programme for school children called "Young Scientist Programme" "YUva Vlgyani KAryakram" (YUVIKA) 2024 has been organized by						
Answer: In	ndian Space	Research Organisation					
Jeevan Mis	ssion (JJM). V		the	n in 'Har Ghar Jal' scheme under the Jal e in the northeast and			
Answer: F	irst; Tenth						
•		tics from the Bureau of Energy c EV (electric vehicle) charging		ficiency (BEE), which state has the ations in India?			
Answer: K	Karnataka						
	•	BI released the CRISIL's impact is the title of this report?	ct a	assessment report of the Fund of Funds			
Answer: P	rabhaav						
	utual fund hou lifty Smallcap		lult	ti factor-based ETF (Exchange Traded			
Answer: M	lirae Asset M	utual <b>Fund</b>					
	9.	ged the prestigious title of 'Best Technology Conference, Exp		echnology Bank of the Year' award at the and Citations?			
Answer: S	outh Indian	Bank					
	been appoint ital Markets?	ed as the new Managing Direc	tor	(MD) & Chief Executive Officer (CEO)			
Answer: Virendra Bansal							
468. Prabowo Subianto has been elected as the President of which country?							
<mark>Answer:</mark> Ir	ndonesia						
> Importa	nt Days of F	ebruary 2024:					

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Global Tourism	17 <sup>th</sup> February		
Resilience Day	17 February		
,			
World Pangolin Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday		
	of February		
	(17 <sup>th</sup>		
	February		
	2024)		
World Day of Social	20 <sup>th</sup> February	Bridging Gaps,	
Justice		Building Alliances	
International Mother	21st February	Multilingual	
Language Day (IMLD)		education – a pillar	
		of learning and	
		intergenerational	
		learning	

**469.** Recently (February 2024), Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal inaugurated the newly constructed Kalughat Inland Waterways Transport (IWT) terminal on National Waterways -1 in which state?

**Answer:** Bihar

**470.** Who inaugurated the "SUFALAM: Start-Up Forum for Aspiring Leaders and Mentors Startup Conclave 2024"?

Answer: Pashupati Kumar Paras

471. India's first Helicopter Emergency Medical Service (HEMS) will start from which state?

**Answer:** Uttarakhand

472. The 58th Jnanpith Award for the year 2023 has been awarded to \_\_\_\_\_\_

Answer: Rambhadracharya and Gulzar

**473.** Recently (February 2024), the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) hosted the first-ever Future Skills Summit in which city of India?

Answer: Guwahati

**474.** Recently (February 2024), the Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a deal with AWEIL, Kanpur for manufacturing & supply of a total of 463 indigenously manufactured 12.7 mm Stabilised Remote-Control Guns (SRCG) for the Indian Navy & Indian Coast Guard. What is the value of the deal?

Answer: Rs. 1752.13 crores

**475.** In February 2024, Union Minister for Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman, presided over the 19<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day celebrations of the Security Printing and Minting Corporation of India Limited (SPMCIL). The headquarters of SPMCIL is located in which place?

Answer: New Delhi

**476.** Which government department has introduced the 'Sangam: Digital Twin' initiative in February 2024?

**Answer:** Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Ministry of Communications

**477.** India has won the 9<sup>th</sup> GovTech Prize for Al-Powered Government Services. The award is instituted by which country?

**Answer:** UAE

**478.** What is the name of the scheme recently (February 2024) launched by the Odisha government to provide interest-free loans up to Rs 1 lakh to youth of the state?

**Answer:** SWAYAM

**479.** President Droupadi Murmu has recently (February 2024) inaugurated the mega National Tribal Festival 'Aadi Mahotsav' at which stadium?

Answer: Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, Delhi

480. "Kaji Nemu" has been declared a state fruit of which Indian state in February 2024?

**Answer:** Assam

**481.** Gupteswar Forest has been declared a Biodiversity Heritage Site (BHS). Gupteswar forest is located in which state?

Answer: Odisha

**482.** In February 2024, Ministry of Electronics, and Information Technology (MeitY) Secretary, S Krishnan inaugurated the SWASTHA project and the state-of-the-art ISO 5 and 6 Clean Room Facilities at the Centre for Nanotechnology in \_\_\_\_\_ (institute).

Answer: Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Guwahati

**483.** How many units of free electricity per month will be provided to beneficiaries under the PM Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana?

Answer: 300 units

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<b>484.</b> Which companies have received the final authorization from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) to operate as payment aggregators in February 2024?					
Answer: Juspay, Zoho, and Decentro					
<b>485.</b> In February 2024, Navy Chief Admiral R Hari Kumar inaugurated a new defence system "Precision Approach Radar (PAR)" on board the Indian Naval Ship (INS) Utkrosh, which is based in					
Answer: South Anda	man Islands				
<b>486.</b> Where is the "BAPS February 2024?	Swaminarayan Temple" inaugura	ited by Prime	e Minister Narendra Modi in		
Answer: Abu Dhabi					
487 release report.	ed the Greening and Restoration	of Wasteland	with Agroforestry (GROW)		
Answer: NITI Aayog					
PON), Optical Line Te	<b>488.</b> To develop prototypes for 10-Gigabit-capable symmetric Passive Optical Network (i.e., XGS-PON), Optical Line Terminal (OLT) and Optical Network Unit (ONU), which Indian Institute of Technology has joined hands with C-DOT in February 2024?				
Answer: IIT Kharagpur					
	nion Minister of Education Dharm hi World Book Fair at Bharat Mar 2024?		<u> </u>		
Answer: Multilingual	India: A Living Tradition				
490. Recently (February 2 drive clean energy inn	2024), IREDA collaborated with wovation?	hich Indian I	nstitute of Technology (IIT) to		
Answer: IIT Bhubane	eshwar				
491. Recently (February 2 India. This is the	2024), Australia won the Under 1 _ title of Australia.	) Men's ODI	World Cup title by defeating		
Answer: Fourth					
492. Which Indian compa	ny has teamed up with Airbus Deor the C295 aircraft?	fence and S	pace to produce detailed parts		
Answer: Tata Advan	ced Systems Limited				

**493.** Which Indian sports personality has been honoured with a plaque at the famous Ice Palace at Jungfraujoch, known as the 'Top of Europe', in Switzerland?

### **Answer:** Neeraj Chopra

**494.** What is the new name of Paytm Ecommerce after getting approval from the Registrar of Companies?

#### **Answer:** Pai Platforms

495. Who has been felicitated with the Lakshminarayana International Award in 2024?

### Answer: Pyarelal Sharma

496. \_\_\_\_\_ has been awarded the 2024 Nelson Mandela Award (NMA) by the World Health Organization (WHO) for Health Promotion.

### Answer: National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS) Bangalore

**497.** How much interest rate is fixed by the Employees' Provident Fund Organization (EPFO) on employees' provident fund deposits for 2023-24?

#### **Answer:** 8.25%

**498.** India has been declared the winner of the SAFF Women's U-19 Championships along with which country?

## Answer: Bangladesh

499. \_\_\_\_\_ will open India's first small animal hospital in Mumbai.

#### **Answer:** Tata Trusts

500. India's first conservation centre for Gangatiri cows will be built in which city?

### **Answer:** Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

**501.** What is the rank of India in the US Green Building Council's (USGBC) annual list of top 10 countries and regions in the world for LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification in 2023?

#### **Answer:** Third

**502.** Name the state government that has recently (February 2024) inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Google to provide artificial intelligence (AI)-led solutions across key sectors in the state.

Answer: Maharashtra

**503.** Union Agriculture Minister Arjun Munda has launched a portal 'SARATHI' that aims to help insurance companies reach out to farmers and rural population with tailored products as well as the government's subsidized insurance products including Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY). What is the expansion of the term 'SARATHI'?

Answer: Sandbox for Agricultural and Rural Security, Technology and Insurance

**504.** Who has been appointed as the new Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Managing Director (MD) of Tata AIA Life Insurance?

Answer: Venkatachalam H

<b>505.</b> World Unani Day i	is observed annually	y on 11 <sup>th</sup> February	. This day is ob	served to comn	nemorate
the birth anniversar	y of				

Answer: Hakim Ajmal Khan

# > Important Days of February 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
World Pulses Day	10 <sup>th</sup> February	Pulses: Nourishing Soils and People	
National Deworming Day	10th February		
International Day of the Arabian Leopard	10 <sup>th</sup> February		Arabian Leopard is listed as Critically Endangered on the IUCN Red list. The day was first observed in 2024.
Anti-Smuggling Day	11th February		
International Day of Women and Girls in Science	11 <sup>th</sup> February	Women and Girls in Science Leadership, a New Era for Sustainability	The day was first observed in 2016.
World Unani Day	11th February		The day marks the birth anniversary of great Indian Unani scholar and social reformer Hakim Ajmal Khan.
World Day of the Sick	11 <sup>th</sup> February		The year 2024 marks the 32nd World Day of the Sick.

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	Da	rwin Day	12 <sup>th</sup> February			The day commemorates the birth anniversary of the 19 <sup>th</sup> -century British naturalist, Charles Darwin.	
N	Nationa	l Productivity Day	12 <sup>th</sup> February				
N		l Productivity Week	12 <sup>th</sup> to 18 <sup>th</sup> February	Intelli Produc for	rtificial gence (AI)- tivity Engine Economic Growth		
Na	ational	Women's Day	13 <sup>th</sup> February			The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Sarojini Naidu.	
	World	l Radio Day	13 <sup>th</sup> February	inform	nining and	The day was first observed in 2012.	
		ional Epilepsy Day	Second Monday of February (12th February 2024)				
Int		onal Childhood ncer Day	15 <sup>th</sup> February				

**506.** A polar bear sleeping on a small iceberg has won the 2023 Wildlife Photographer of the Year People's Choice Award. This photograph titled 'Ice Bed' is clicked by which photographer?

# Answer: Nima Sarikhani

**507.** Microsoft has introduced an ambitious initiative "Dubbed ADVANTA(I)GE INDIA" to equip 2 million people in India with skills in artificial intelligence by which year?

# Answer: 2025

**508.** Name the state government that has recently (February 2024) collaborated with the National Highways Logistics Management Limited (NHLML) to implement ropeways as part of the National Ropeway Programme 'Parvatmala.'

#### **Answer:** Maharashtra

509. Which stadium has been renamed as the 'Niranjan Shah Stadium' in February 2024?

PRACTICE MOCK	500 + Current Affairs		December 2023 to June 2024		
Answer: Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium					
510. Olzhas Bektenov has been appointed as the new Prime Minister of					
Answer: Kazakhstan					
<ul><li>511. Which edition of the Win New Delhi?</li><li>Answer: 23<sup>rd</sup></li></ul>	orld Sustainable Development	Su	ımmit (WSDS) 2024 has been organized		
	m the Sports Journalists Federa	,	peen conferred with the 'Lifetime on of India (SJFI) and the Delhi Sports		
Answer: PT Usha					
	d-off the 1st trial cargo vessels f		ys Shantanu Thakur has recently n Maia Inland Customs Port in		
Answer: West Bengal	Bangladesh				
	-		ation with IIT Patna, has developed a is the meaning of "S" in "NITISH"?		
Answer: Novel Initiativ	ve Technological Intervention	fo	or Safety of Humanlives		
515. By which year India will become the largest source of global oil demand growth as its domestic production is down by 22%, as per the latest projections by the International Energy Agency (IEA)?					
Answer: 2030					
516. In February 2024, the Competition Commission of India (CCI) approved the acquisition of how much percent stake in Kotak Mahindra General Insurance Company Limited (target) by Zurich Insurance Company Limited (acquirer)?					
Answer: 70%					
<b>517.</b> Recently (February 2024), the State Bank of India (SBI) reported a net profit of for Q3 FY24 as against Rs.14,205 crore reported in Q3 FY23.					
Answer: Rs.9,163 crore					
<b>518.</b> Identify the institute from expansion tunnel test fa		eve	eloped India's first hypervelocity		

### Answer: Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur (IITK)

**519.** Which Maharatna Central Public Sector Enterprise has won the Best Green Bond - Corporate Award at The Asset Triple A Awards for Sustainable Finance 2024?

**Answer:** REC Limited

**520.** The foundation stone of India's first digital National Museum of Epigraphy has been laid in which city of India?

**Answer:** Hyderabad

**521.** Veteran poet Mir Mohammad Farooq Nazki has passed away recently (February 2024). Which award was given to Mir Mohammad Farooq Nazki for his poetry book "Naar Hyutun Kanzal Wanas" (Fire in the eyelashes) in 1995?

Answer: Sahitya Akademi Award

**522.** The Government of India (GoI) has set a target to have 25,000 Janaushadhi Kendras across the country by which year?

Answer: 31st March 2026

523. Nayib Bukele has been re-elected as the President of which country?

Answer: El Salvador

**524.** In February 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of projects worth over Rs.1330 crore in which state?

**Answer:** Goa

**525.** The Chhattisgarh government has launched a welfare scheme named "Mahtari Vandan Yojana". How much financial assistance will this scheme provide to married women?

Answer: Rs.1000 per month

**526.** In the banking system, the liquidity deficit has declined to Rs.1.40 lakh crore on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2024 from a high of Rs.3.46 lakh crore on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024. What is the main reason for this decline?

Answer: Government spending

**527.** Which life insurance entity has recently (February 2024) introduced Multicap Fund within its Unit Linked Insurance Plan (ULIP) portfolio?

Answer: Ageas Federal Life Insurance

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<b>528.</b> A report titled "Indian Economy: Capital as Growth Driver" states that Indian economy is expected to grow at an average rate of 6.7% per year between fiscals 2024 and 2031. The report is released by						
Answer: 0	CRISIL					
transaction	529. As per RBI's Digital Payments Index (RBI-DPI) that measures the adoption of online transactions, Digital payments across India have registered a growth of in a year through March 2023.					
Answer: 1	0.94 %					
<b>530.</b> Which te Blind 2023		ne Nagesh Trophy in the Men's	National T20 Cricket Tournament for the			
Answer:	Karnataka					
	dia's first indig	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	224) joined hands with IIT Madras to Ammunition to achieve indigenisation in the			
Answer: N	Munitions Ind	ia Limited				
	_ has become mmerce (OND		to integrate with the Open Network for			
Answer: (	Chennai Metro					
	am has secur Netherlands	ed the first FIH Men's Hockey5	s World Cup 2024 title?			
534. The alloc	cated budget f	or Sovereign Gold Bond (SGB)	issuance in the fiscal year 2024-25 is			
Answer: F	Rs.3,500 cror	9				
		ship Index 2024, Mukesh Ambacore of	ani ranked first among all the Indians and			
Answer: 8	30.3					
536. World Ca	ancer Day is o	bserved annually on which date	e?			
Answer: 4	I <sup>th</sup> February					
		Commonwealth Legal Education General Conference (CASGC)	n Association (CLEA) – Commonwealth 2024 in New Delhi?			

**Answer:** Narendra Modi

**538.** The Interim Union Budget 2024-25 has allocated Rs.6.21-lakh crore to the Ministry of Defence. This is \_\_\_\_\_ of the total Budget expenditure.

**Answer:** 13.04%

**539.** The Central government has announced to upgrade how many standard rail coaches to Vande Bharat standards in the Interim Union Budget 2024-25?

Answer: 40,000 standard rail coaches

**540.** As per the Interim Union Budget of 2024-25, the fiscal deficit is estimated to be \_\_\_\_\_ of GDP in 2024-25.

Answer: 5.1%

**541.** What percentage of GDP did the government allocate to boost capital expenditure, as announced in the interim Budget 2024-25?

Answer: 3.4 percent

**542.** Name the small finance bank that has recently (February 2024) partnered with Edelweiss Tokio Life Insurance to offer life insurance products.

**Answer:** ESAF Small Finance Bank

**543.** Recently (February 2024), the World Health Organization (WHO) awarded its first-ever certificates validating progress in eliminating industrially produced trans fatty acids to five countries. What is the name of these five countries?

Answer: Denmark, Lithuania, Poland, Saudi Arabia, and Thailand

544. North India's first human DNA bank has been established in which university?

**Answer:** Banaras Hindu University

**545.** Which heritage site will be India's nomination for the UNESCO World Heritage List for the year 2024-25?

Answer: Maratha Military Landscapes of India

**546.** Who has been elected as the new Chief Minister of Jharkhand?

Answer: Champai Soren

**547.** Which automobile company has achieved a global sales record of 11.2 million vehicles in 2023, securing its position as the world's top-selling automaker for a fourth straight year?

**Answer:** Toyota Motor

**548.** Union Minister of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change Bhupender Yadav has recently released the report on the Status of Snow leopards in India. Which state recorded the highest number of snow leopards according to the report?

**Answer:** Ladakh

**549.** World Wetlands Day is annually observed worldwide on which date?

Answer: 2<sup>nd</sup> February

> Important Days of February 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Indian Coast Guard Day	1 <sup>st</sup> February		This year 2024, India has celebrated the 48 <sup>th</sup> Coast Guard Day
World Wetlands Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> February		
Rheumatoid Awareness Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> February		
World Cancer Day	4 <sup>th</sup> February	Close the Care Gap: Together, we challenge those in power	The day came into existence on 4 <sup>th</sup> February 2000, during the World Cancer Conference for the New Millennium in Paris, France
International Day of Human Fraternity	4 <sup>th</sup> February		,
International Day of Female Genital Mutilation	6 <sup>th</sup> February	Her Voice. Her Future: Investing in Survivors – Led movements to End Female Genital Mutilation	The day was first observed in 2003.
World Interfaith Harmony Week	First week of February (1-7 February)		This day was first proposed by King Abdullah II of Jordan at the United Nations in 2010.
Safer Internet Day	6th February	Together for a better internet	The day was first observed in 2004.

**550.** Who penned a book titled "Ek Samandar, Mere Andar"?

Answer: Sanjeev Joshi

552. Asian Games medallist Naorem Roshibina Devi has been named International Wushu Federation's (IWUF's) Female Athlete of the Year in the sanda category. She is from which state?
Answer: Manipur

**553.** Who has won the U.S.-based National Boxing Association's intercontinental super featherweight title after defeating American Gerardo Esquivel at Toppenish City, Washington?

Answer: Mandeep Jangra

**554.** What is India's GDP growth estimate in FY24, as announced by the International Monetary Fund (IMF)?

Answer: 6.7%

**555.** The Department of Economic Affairs, in its January 2024 review of the economy, stated that employable percentage of final-year and pre-final-year students increased from 33.9% in 2014 to \_\_\_\_\_ in 2024.

**Answer:** 51.3 %

**556.** The Ministry of Education has released the All-India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2021-2022. Which large state in India consistently maintains the highest Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) in higher education over the span of five academic years, from 2017-18 to 2021-22, according to the survey?

**Answer:** Tamil Nadu

557. Recently (February 2024), the Union Cabinet approved the continuation of Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) to be implemented under Infrastructure Development Fund (IDF) for another three years up to 2025-26. What is the outlay of the scheme?

Answer: Rs.29,610.25 crore

**558.** What is the primary objective of the 'Cashless Everywhere' initiative launched by the General Insurance Council?

Answer: To facilitate cashless hospitalization for policyholders

**559.** In January 2024, REC Limited signed a pact with \_\_\_\_\_ to boost renewable energy and infrastructure financing in India.

**Answer:** National Investment and Infrastructure Fund Limited

**560.** Name the life insurance company that has recently (January 2024) introduced "iSelect Guaranteed Future Plus."

#### **Answer:** Canara HSBC Life Insurance

**561.** Tableau on theme 'India: Mother of Democracy' has secured the first prize at the Republic Day Parade 2024. This tableau belongs to which ministry/ organization/state?

#### **Answer:** Ministry of Culture

562. Who has become the first woman to hold the rank of Subedar in the Indian Army?

## Answer: Preeti Rajak

563. Which state of India hosted the 4th edition of the National Chilika Birds Festival?

#### **Answer:** Odisha

564. Which team has won the maiden edition of the FIH Women's Hockey5s World Cup?

## **Answer:** Netherlands

565. Which airport has been honoured with the prestigious Excellence Award by Quality Circle Forum of India (QCFI) in the recent National Convention on Quality Concepts 2024 in Nagpur, Maharashtra?

### Answer: Thiruvananthapuram International Airport

**566.** Which edition of the Joint Military Exercise 'SADA TANSEEQ' between India and Saudi Arabia has been commenced in Rajasthan?

#### **Answer:** First

567. Where is the 63rd Central Geological Programming Board (CGPB) meeting organized?

## Answer: Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh

**568.** The Ministry of Defence has signed a deal with Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Ltd (MDL) for the acquisition of how many fast patrol vessels (FPVs) for the Indian Coast Guard (ICG) at a cost of Rs.1,070.47 crore?

### Answer: 14 fast patrol vessels (FPVs)

**569.** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has approved the appointment of Praveen Achuthan Kutty as the Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of which bank?

## **Answer:** DCB Bank

**570.** In January 2024, RBI approved the Life Insurance Corporation of India's (LIC) application to acquire up to 9.99 percent aggregate holding of paid-up share capital in which bank?

### **Answer:** HDFC Bank

571. Which state of India will setup World's First 'Black Tiger Safari'?

## **Answer:** Odisha

**572.** What is the theme of National Voters' Day 2024?

## **Answer:** Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure

# > Important Days of January 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Parakram Diwas	23 <sup>rd</sup> January		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. The year 2024 marks the 127th birth anniversary of him.
National Girl Child Day	24 <sup>th</sup> January		The day was first observed in 2008.
International Day of Education	24 <sup>th</sup> January	Learning for Lasting Peace	
National Tourism Day	25 <sup>th</sup> January		
National Voters' Day	25 <sup>th</sup> January	Nothing Like Voting, I Vote For sure	The day was first observed in 2011.
International Customs Day	26 <sup>th</sup> January		
International Holocaust Remembrance Day	27 <sup>th</sup> January	Recognizing the Extraordinary Courage of Victims and Survivors of the Holocaust	
Data Privacy Day	28 <sup>th</sup> January		
World Leprosy Day	Last Sunday of January (29 <sup>th</sup> January 2023)	Beat Leprosy	
World Neglected Tropical Diseases Day	30 <sup>th</sup> January		

573. Cherchera festival is observed annually in which state?

## Answer: Chhattisgarh

574. Name the host country of the ICC U-19 Cricket World Cup 2024.

## Answer: South Africa

575. Which Union Ministry of India has organized the event known as "Bharat Parv" in January 2024?

## Answer: Ministry of Tourism

576. India and which country have recently (January 2024) agreed to jointly fund scientific research projects in the fields of health, decarbonized hydrogen, marine sciences, and applied mathematics?

## **Answer:** France

577. In January 2024, "Exercise CYCLONE" has been conducted between India and which country?

## Answer: Anshas, Egypt

**578.** \_\_\_\_\_ has become the 5<sup>th</sup> country to achieve a soft moon landing with the successful deployment of the Smart Lander for Investigating Moon (SLIM) spacecraft in January 2024.

## **Answer:** Japan

**579.** World's tallest statue of Dr BR Ambedkar, who is known as the architect and developer of the Indian Constitution, has been unveiled in which state of India?

#### Answer: Andhra Pradesh

**580.** In January 2024, the Union Cabinet approved the proposal to set up 660 MW thermal power station in Madhya Pradesh and 2×800 MW thermal power plant in Odisha. The subsidiaries of which company will establish these power plants?

#### **Answer:** Coal India Limited

581. The book titled "Assam's Braveheart Lachit Barphukan" depicts the life of the legendary 17<sup>th</sup>-century Ahom warrior Lachit Barphukan. Who is the author of the book?

#### **Answer:** Arup Kumar Dutta

**582.** On 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2024, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the Ram Mandir temple on razed Babri mosque site in Ayodhya, marking a momentous occasion in India's history. The Ram Lalla idol has been crafted by which sculptor?

**Answer:** Arun Yogiraj

**583.** In January 2024, Union Minister of Mines, Coal, and Parliamentary Affairs, Pralhad Joshi inaugurated the 2<sup>nd</sup> State Mining Ministers' Conference in which city?

Answer: Bhopal

584. Gole Mela' is a famous festival held twice every year in which temple?

**Answer:** Jagannath temple

585. In January 2024, Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone for "Ayush Diksha Centre" in which state?

**Answer:** Odisha

586. Who inaugurated the National Skill Training Institute for Women (NSTI (W)) in Hyderabad, Telangana?

Answer: Union Minister of Culture G. Kishan Reddy

**587.** With which country has India recently (January 2024) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for cooperation in the field of sharing successful digital solutions implemented at population scale for digital transformation?

Answer: Republic of Cuba

**588.** Parakram Diwas' is observed annually across India on 23<sup>rd</sup> January to commemorate the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. The year 2024 marks the observance of which birth anniversary of him?

Answer: 127th

**589.** Gaan-Ngai festival has been recently (January 2024) celebrated by Zeliangrong community in which place?

**Answer:** Manipur

590. Recently (January 2024), SEBI notified that investors will be allowed to freeze or block their trading account if any suspicious activity is detected from \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Answer: 1st July 2024

**591.** In January 2024, REC Limited issued its first Japanese Yen green bonds worth \_\_\_\_ under its USD 10 billion global medium-term notes programme.

Answer: 61.1 (JPY) billion

597. Which company has become the first ISO 27001:2022 certified petrochemical organization in the industry by BSI (British Standards Institution)?

**Answer:** Haldia Petrochemicals Limited

**598.** Recently (January 2024), the Indian and Japanese Coast Guards conducted a successful joint exercise named 'Sahyog Kaijin' off the coast of Chennai, Tamil Nadu. This marks the \_\_\_\_\_ edition of this exercise.

Answer: 20th

599. In January 2024, the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) launched the 'New Solar Power Scheme' for electrification in habitations and villages of Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups (PVTG). What is the financial outlay for the scheme?

Answer: Rs.515 crore

**600.** Recently (in January 2024), Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) of the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) Rao Inderjit Singh launched "\_\_\_\_\_" mobile application for the Members of Parliament (MPs) under the MPLAD (Member of Parliament Local Area Development) scheme.

Answer: e-Sakshi

**601.** Who inaugurated the 9th chapter of 'Capsule on Science, Technology and Applied Research' (CAPSTAR) at Military Institute of Technology (MILIT), Pune?

#### Answer: Chief of Defence Staff General Anil Chauhan

**602.** What is the objective of the Samavesha project recently launched by I-STEM?

### Answer: To promote research collaboration

**603.** Which Indian state has inaugurated Rs.800 crore Shrimandir Parikrama Prakalpa (SMPP) project in January 2024?

#### **Answer:** Odisha

**604.** As per the States' Startup Ranking 2022, which four states have been ranked as Best Performing States based on their initiatives taken to develop the startup ecosystem for promoting budding entrepreneurs?

## Answer: Gujarat, Kerala, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu

**605.** Where is the 19<sup>th</sup> Centre of the World Economic Forum's Fourth Industrial Revolution Network (4IR) set to be established?

## **Answer:** Hyderabad

**606.** The 14<sup>th</sup> Ministerial-level meeting of the India-United States Trade Policy Forum (TPF) has been held in \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Answer: New Delhi

**607.** What is the primary objective of Operation AMRITH, an initiative by the Kerala government?

### Answer: To prevent the overuse of antibiotics in the state

**608.** Tata Consumer Products has acquired a complete 100% stake in which company, renowned for marketing products under the brands Ching's Secret and Smith & Jones, in an all-cash deal valued at Rs.5,100 crore?

#### **Answer:** Capital Foods

609. Identify the lender that has recently (in Jan '24) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Rural Development to facilitate enterprise financing for rural self-help groups (SHG).

#### **Answer:** State Bank of India

610. India's first National Highway Steel Slag Road section on NH-66 will connect which two cities?

Answer: Mumbai-Goa

**611.** Name the Tiger Reserve that has become India's first international Dark Sky Park for protecting the night sky.

**Answer:** Pench Tiger Reserve

612. International Camel Festival has been observed in which city of Rajasthan?

Answer: Bikaner

**613.** The second edition of the International AYUSH Conference and Exhibition has been inaugurated in which city?

**Answer:** Dubai

**614.** India Meteorological Department (IMD) celebrated 150<sup>th</sup> Year of its establishment and service to the nation in January 2024 Under which ministry does IMD operate?

**Answer:** Ministry of Earth Sciences

Important Days of January 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
National Start-up Day	16 <sup>th</sup> January		The day was first
			observed in 2022.
NDRF Raising Day	19 <sup>th</sup> January		In 2024, the day
			marks the celebration
			of the 19th NDRF
			Raising Day.

615. Which Indian state has topped the inaugural Beach Games 2024 held in Diu?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

**616.** Mitsubishi Heavy Industries has recently (in Jan '24) launched an H-IIA rocket carrying which satellite for the Japanese government?

Answer: Optical-8

**617.** In January 2024, the Karnataka government launched the Yuva Nidhi scheme. Under this scheme, the students who have completed graduation and diploma courses in 2023 will get an unemployment allowance for a period of how many years?

Answer: 2 years

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618. Who has launched a book titled 'Modi: Energising a Green Future'?

## Answer: Bhupendra Yadav

**619.** Union Civil Aviation Minister Jyotiraditya Scindia has recently (in Jan '24) announced the inauguration of five new airports in which state?

#### **Answer:** Uttar Pradesh

**620.** In the Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023, Indore and Surat have been adjudged as the 'cleanest cities' in India in the category of more than one lakh population. This is the \_\_\_\_\_ time that Indore has won the accolade of the cleanest city in India.

#### **Answer:** Seventh

621. IIT Madras will open its second IIT campus outside India in which country?

#### Answer: Sri Lanka

**622.** Which country has launched the Green Fuels Alliance India (GFAI) initiative to boost collaborative efforts between India and the country in the sustainable energy solutions sector?

#### **Answer:** Denmark

**623.** In the World Employment and Social Outlook: Trends 2024 report released by the International Labor Organization (ILO), the global unemployment rate is projected to increase marginally by what percent in 2024?

#### **Answer:** 5.2%

**624.** Name the state that has recently (in Jan '24) announced to set up the Blue Carbon Agency to preserve and restore coastal ecosystems.

#### **Answer:** Tamil Nadu

**625.** Which state of India has launched 'Gunotsav 2024' for holistic assessment of student's performance?

#### **Answer:** Assam

**626.** Who has been honoured with the prestigious MS Swaminathan Award in recognition of his contributions as a scientist and extension specialist in the field of agronomy?

## Answer: B.R. Kamboj

**627.** Which city hosted the 58<sup>th</sup> All-India Annual Conference of Director Generals and Inspector Generals of Police?

**Answer:** Jaipur

**628.** Who has become the first woman to hold a USD 100 billion fortune, as per the Bloomberg Billionaires Index?

Answer: Francoise Bettencourt Meyers

629. Identify the company that has become the first in India to chemically recycle waste into International Sustainability and Carbon Certification (ISCC)-Plus certified polymers.

Answer: Reliance Industries Limited

630. Name the Union Territory (UT) that has become the first to implement the PM Vishwakarma Yojana (PMVY), an initiative that aims to empower and enhance the skills of the craftsman community.

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

**631.** In January 2024, the Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities organized which edition of Divya Kala Mela in Surat, Gujarat?

**Answer:** 12<sup>th</sup>

**632.** Which has formed a dedicated technical committee to promote standardization in the field of Marine Energy Conversion Systems (MECS)?

**Answer:** Bureau of Indian Standards

**633.** Which Union Ministry of India has introduced the National Transit Pass System (NTPS) as a "One Nation-One Pass"?

Answer: Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

634. India's first all-girls Sainik School has been opened in which place?

Answer: Vrindavan Uttar Pradesh

635. The year 2024 marks the observance of the \_\_\_\_\_ Foundation Day of DRDO.

Answer: 66th

> Important Days of January 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark

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Pravasi Bhartiya Diva (PBD)	s 9 <sup>th</sup> January			The day was first observed in 2003.
World Hindi Day	10 <sup>th</sup> January			
Startup India Innovation Week	10th January to 18th January			
National Human Trafficking Awareness Day	11 <sup>th</sup> January			
National Road Safety Week	11 <sup>th</sup> to 17 <sup>th</sup> January 2024			
National Youth Day	12 <sup>th</sup> January			The year 2024 marks the 27th National Youth Day and the 161st birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda (12 January 1863).
Armed Forces Veterar Day	ns 14 <sup>th</sup> January			The day was first observed in 2016.
Army Day	15 <sup>th</sup> January			The year 2024 marks the 76th Indian Army

636. Who has won the Women's Under-19 title in the 2023 Scottish Junior Open Squash?

# Answer: Anahat Singh

**637.** Reliance Power has inked a pact to sell its 1,200 MW Kalai II hydroelectric project for Rs 128.39 crore to THDC India. Kalai II hydroelectric project is located in which state?

## Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

638. Gujarat has set a Guinness record for performing mass Surya Namaskar simultaneously at \_\_\_\_\_ places in the state on the first day of the New Year (2024).

# Answer: 108

639. Name the state government that has introduced a new common application form named 'Praja Palana Guarantee Darakasthu' to enable access to schemes under its flagship 'six guarantees' program to support disadvantaged sections.

# **Answer:** Telangana

**640.** Identify the name of China's cutting-edge ocean drilling vessel designed to penetrate the Earth's crust and reach the mantle for the first time in human history.

# **Answer:** Mengxiang

Day.

**641.** The Gujarat government will introduce India's first submarine tourism to explore the marine life surrounding Bet Dwarka, a small island off the coast of Dwarka city, which has a mythological significance in the Hindu religion. For this project, the Gujarat government has teamed up with which company?

Answer: Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited

642. Who inaugurated the National Street Food Festival 2023 in New Delhi?

Answer: Hardeep Singh Puri

**643.** Karbi Youth Festival is observed annually in the state of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer:** Assam

644. Which e-commerce company has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Adani Total Gas Ltd (ATGL) for supply chain decarbonization?

**Answer:** Flipkart

**645.** Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has collaborated with the Government of Assam's flagship Arohan scheme to motivate meritorious students to pursue STEM subjects in their higher education?

Answer: IIT Guwahati

646. Which state of India has emerged as India's 'Petro Capital'?

**Answer:** Gujarat

**647.** As per the report by crypto trading platform CoinSwitch, which city has topped in India's crypto adoption?

**Answer:** Delhi

**648.** Who has become the first woman from the minority Hindu community to contest in the provincial elections in Pakistan's restive Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province?

Answer: Dr Saveera Parkash

649. Who has been honoured with the prestigious "Man of the Year-2023" award?

Answer: L.P. Hemanth K. Srinivasulu

650. Which edition of the Smart India Hackathon (SIH) has been organized in December 2023?

Answer: Odisha

659. Which Union Ministry of India has organized the National Kala Utsav 2023-24 in New Delhi?

**Answer:** Ministry of Education

660. The Indian Railways has set a target to become the world's largest green railway by 2030. It has achieved \_\_\_\_\_ route kilometres (RKMs) electrification in the calendar year 2023.

**Answer:** 6,577

**661.** India's first Healthy and Hygienic Food Street named "Prasadam" has been inaugurated in which city?

**Answer:** Ujjain

**662.** Gangasagar Mela, India's second largest pilgrimage gathering after Kumbh Mela, is observed annually in which state?

Answer: West Bengal

663. Which country has officially declared the snow leopard as its national symbol?

Answer: Kyrgyzstan

664. Name the lender that has recently (January 2024) launched its new Data and Analytics Centre (DnA) in Bengaluru.

**Answer:** Canara Bank

665. Name the central sector scheme that has won the Best Innovation Award for Innovation Sandbox presentation during Public Policy Dialogues—2024.

Answer: SVAMITVA Scheme

666. The Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has observed its which foundation day in January 2024?

Answer: 77th

667. Which organization has recently (January 2024) teamed up with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to set up a Multi Skill Development Institutes (MSDIs)?

Answer: Coal India Limited

668. Earth's Rotation Day is observed annually on which day?

Answer: 8<sup>th</sup> January

> Important Days of January 2024:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Global Family Day	1 <sup>st</sup> January		The day was first observed in 1997.
World Day of Peace	1 <sup>st</sup> January		

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World Introvert Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> January				
International Mind-Bo Wellness Day	dy 3 <sup>rd</sup> January				
Power System Operation Corporatio (POSOCO) Day	3 <sup>rd</sup> January n				
World Braille Day	4 <sup>th</sup> January			The day was first observed in 2019.	
World Day of War Orphans	6 <sup>th</sup> January				
669 has launched the first set of satellites with "Direct-to-Cell" capabilities.  Answer: SpaceX					
670. Which city has hosted	the International Kite	e Festival 202	24?		
Answer: Ahmedabad					
671 has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with ISRO's National Remote Sensing Centre (NRSC) to develop and report a 'Green Cover Index' for the extensive network of the Indian National Highways.					

## **Answer:** National Highways Authority of India (NHAI)

**672.** Which nation will become the first European country to issue digital Schengen visas to visitors for the Paris Olympics 2024?

#### **Answer:** France

**673.** Which state of India has launched the upgraded social welfare pension of Rs.3,000 per month with an expanded reach to cover 66.34 lakh beneficiaries?

### Answer: Andhra Pradesh

674. Which state road transport corporation has launched 'Namma Cargo' logistics?

### **Answer:** Karnataka

**675.** Recently (December 2023), the Union Cabinet approved the construction of 4.56 km long new bridge on River Ganga in which state?

#### **Answer:** Bihar

> Important Days of December 2023:

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Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
National Farmers Day	23 <sup>rd</sup> December		The year 2023 marks the 121st birth anniversary of Choudhary Charan Singh.
National Consumer Rights  Day	24 <sup>th</sup> December		The day was first observed in 1986.
Good Governance Day	25 <sup>th</sup> December		The year 2023 marks the 99th birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
Veer Bal Diwas	26 <sup>th</sup> December		The day marks the martyrdom of the "Sahibzades", four sons of Guru Gobind Singh, the last Sikh guru.
International Day of Epidemic Preparedness	27 <sup>th</sup> December		The day was first observed in 2020.

67	<b>6.</b> In December 2023,	Pakistan success	sfully tested	its indiger	nously devel	oped guided r	nulti-launch
	rocket system named	'Fatah-II'. This ro	cket system	is capab	le of hitting	targets with high	gh precision
	at a range of up to	kilometres.					

Answer: 400 km

677. Identify the state police that has recently (December 2023) introduced a new initiative, "Mission Investigation@75 days", to complete the investigation of cases within 75 days of FIR registration.

Answer: Bihar

678. Name the country that will implement a new carbon import levy on some products from 2027 to help protect businesses against cheaper imports from countries with less strict climate policies.

**Answer:** United Kingdom

679. Who has launched the MedTech Mitra, a strategic initiative to empower MedTech innovators and advance healthcare solutions?

Answer: Mansukh Mandaviya

680. Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has inaugurated the first intra-district helicopter service of the state from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_.

Answer: Agra; Mathura

<b>681.</b> NABARD and which financial institution have recently (December 2023) launched an initiative to facilitate climate action in India's agriculture, natural resources, and rural development sector with tech support from Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation?
Answer: Asian Development Bank
682 has bagged the prestigious Engineering News Record 2023 - Global Best Projects Awards for the construction of the New Parliament Building.
Answer: Tata Projects
683. Which airport in India has been awarded the 'World Special Prize for an Interior 2023' by UNESCO's Prix Versailles?
Answer: Kempegowda International Airport
684 has been honoured with the National Energy Conservation Award for the year 2023.
Answer: Crompton
<b>685.</b> Who has been honoured with the 'Impact Fielder of the ODI Series' medal following India's 2-1 series win against South Africa in December 2023?
Answer: Sai Sudharsan
686. The United Nations has designated 2024 as the International Year of
Answer: Camelids
<b>687.</b> Recently (December 2023), the Union Ministry of Textiles has unveiled the 'Paat-Mitro' app for farmers. This application is developed by which organizations?
Answer: Jute Corporation of India
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688. Which thermal power station has been awarded the 11 <sup>th</sup> Edition of FICCI Water Award 2023 under the "Industrial Water Use Efficiency" category?
Answer: NTPC Kanti
689. Which Indian national has been honoured with Bhutan's National Order of Merit (NOM) Gold Medal?
Answer: Dr. Poonam Khetranal Singh

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**690.** As per the International Monetary Fund (IMF), India's GDP is projected to grow at how much percent in FY24 and FY25?

Answer: 6.3%

**691.** Tibetan Spiritual leader Dalai Lama has inaugurated the three-day International Sangha Forum 2023 in which city?

**Answer:** Bodh Gaya

**692.** National Farmers Day is observed annually on 23<sup>rd</sup> December to commemorate the birth anniversary of whom?

Answer: Choudhary Charan Singh

693. The Government of India (GoI) has recently (December 2023) inked a loan agreement with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) for how much Japanese Yen for constructing Delhi-Meerut Regional Rapid Transit System (RRTS) Corridor?

Answer: 37 billion Japanese Yen

694. Which nation will host the first 32-team FIFA Club World Cup in 2025?

Answer: USA

695. The first edition of 'Kuno Forest Festival' has been observed in which state of India?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

696. Accenture has established a Generative Al Studio in which city of India?

Answer: Bengaluru, Karnataka

**697.** Former Chairman of the National Commission for Women, Dr V. Mohini Giri, has passed away in December 2023. She was honoured with the Padma Bhushan award in which year?

Answer: 2007

**698.** Where has the Indian Air Force conducted the successful firing test of its in-house designed SAMAR air defence missile system?

Answer: Suryalanka Air Force Station, Andhra Pradesh

**699.** The world's largest meditation centre, 'Swarved Mahamandir', has been inaugurated in which place?

Answer: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

**700.** As per the latest Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS), conducted by the Ministry of Statistics & Programme Implementation, the unemployment rate among graduates in the age group of 15 years and above has declined to \_\_\_\_\_ percent in 2022-23 from 14.9 percent in 2021-22.

**Answer:** 13.4%

**701.** Which Indian Naval Ship (INS) has received the original 'Vir Chakra' awarded to late Vice-Admiral Benoy Roy Chowdhury for his gallant actions during the 1971 India-Pakistan war?

Answer: INS Shivaji

**702.** Which airline has made history by becoming the first Indian airline to carry 100 million passengers in a single calendar year?

**Answer:** IndiGo

**703.** Which city has secured the first place in the country for food adulteration cases, according to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) data?

Answer: Hyderabad

704. Who has launched India's first Winter Scientific Expedition to Arctic?

Answer: Kiren Rijiju

**705.** In December 2023, the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the government of \_\_\_\_\_\_ to protect the rights of skilled labourers from India.

**Answer:** Saudi Arabia

706. Which state has emerged as the largest economy of India with a GDP share of 15.7%?

**Answer:** Maharashtra

**707.** Name the insurance company that has recently (in Dec '23) launched the 'Alpha Wealth' plan with comprehensive features to ensure financial security for the insured and their family?

Answer: Canara HSBC Life Insurance

**708.** Identify the lender that has recently (in December 2023) launched India's first fully integrated school of sustainability in collaboration with the Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur.

Answer: Kotak Mahindra Bank

709. Which country has won the Under-19 Asia Cup 2023?

716. Indian coal demand is expected to rise by \_\_\_\_\_ annually to 1397 million tonnes till 2026, according to 'Coal 2023-Analysis and forecast to 2026' report of International Energy Agency (IEA).

## Answer: 3.5%

**717.** The Ministry of Defence (MoD) has signed a contract with Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) for the procurement of electronic fuzes for the Indian Army. What is the value of the contract?

## Answer: Rs.5,336.25 crore

718. In October 2023, India's Index of Industrial Production (IIP) has increased to \_\_\_\_\_ as compared to 6.2% in September 2023.

**Answer:** 11.7%

**719.** Vijay Diwas is observed annually across India on 16<sup>th</sup> December. The year 2023 is observing which Vijay Diwas?

Answer: 53rd

> Important Days of December 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
Vijay Diwas	16 <sup>th</sup> December		The year 2023 marks the 53rd Vijay Diwas.
International Day to End Violence Against Sex Workers	17 <sup>th</sup> December		
International Migrants Day	18 <sup>th</sup> December		
National Minorities Rights Day	18 <sup>th</sup> December	Celebrating Diversity and Inclusion	
World Arabic Language Day	18 <sup>th</sup> December	Arabic - the Language of Poetry and Arts	
Goa Liberation Day	19th December		The year 2023 marks 62 years of Goa's independence.
International Human Solidarity Day	20 <sup>th</sup> December		
National Mathematics Day	22 <sup>nd</sup> December		

**720.** Which insurance company has recently (December 2023) partnered with PhonePe to provide car and bike insurance products?

**Answer:** Acko General Insurance

**721.** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has raised the UPI (Unified Payments Interface) payment limit for hospitals and educational institutions from the existing Rs 1 lakh to Rs \_\_\_\_\_ per transaction.

Answer: 5 lakh

**722.** RattanIndia Enterprises has introduced '\_\_\_\_\_', a compact delivery drone, for e-commerce and health care industries.

**Answer:** L07

723. Who has been awarded Singapore's Highest Arts Award 'Cultural Medallion' in December 2023?

Answer: Meira Chand

724. Invest India has hosted which edition of the World Investment Conference (WIC) in New Delhi?

Answer: 27th

725. Tiriyani Block of Kumuram Bheem Asifabad district, which secured top position in the first delta rankings of Aspirational Blocks Programme (ABP), belongs to which state of India?

Answer: Telangana

726. Name the state that has recently (December 2023) launched the 'Maha Lakshmi' scheme to provide free travel for women, girls, and transgender persons.

Answer: Telangana

**727.** Zhuque-2 Yao-3, the world's first liquid oxygen-methane powered launch vehicle, has been launched by which country?

**Answer:** China

**728.** Who is the author of a book titled "Naye Bharat ka Samveda"?

**Answer:** Narendra Modi

729. In December 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat Centre for Design' during the first Indian Art, Architecture & Design Biennale (IAADB) 2023 held in

Answer: New Delhi

730. Which Indian social activist has been given the International Anti-Corruption Champion award for 2023?

Answer: Nikhil Dey

**Important Days of December 2023:** 

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
SAARC Charter Day	8 <sup>th</sup> December		The year 2023 marks the observance of 39th SAARC Charter Day.
International Anti-Corruption Day	9 <sup>th</sup> December	UNCAC at 20: Uniting the World Against Corruption	
International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime	9 <sup>th</sup> December		

cultural element from India to make it to the UNESCO list.

Answer: Fifteenth

**Answer:** Madhya Pradesh

Committee in Botswana, officially added Garba dance of Gujarat to its esteemed Representative

737. Recently (December 2023), UNESCO, during its 18th session of the Intergovernmental

List of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of Humanity. The Garba dance form is the \_\_\_\_

**742.** Recently (December 2023), Union Minister for Education Dharmendra Pradhan conferred the National Award for Innovations and Good Practices in Educational Administration (2020-21 and 2021-22) on \_\_\_\_\_ outstanding district and block education officers from across India.

**Answer:** 65

**743.** In December 2023, Anumula Revanth Reddy sworn in as the Chief Minister of Telangana. With this, he became the 1<sup>st</sup> congress CM of Telangana and the \_\_\_\_\_ CM of the state since its formation in 2014.

Answer: Second

744. The recently published 2023 World Malaria Report by the World Health Organization (WHO) estimates 249 million malaria cases in 2022, surpassing the pre-pandemic level of 233 million in 2019 by 16 million cases. As per the report, India accounted \_\_\_\_\_ of malaria cases in the WHO South-East Asia Region in 2022.

Answer: 66

745. What is India's GDP growth in FY24, as projected by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)?

Answer: 6.8%

**746.** 'Gemini' is the largest and most capable Artificial Intelligence (AI) model introduced by which entity?

Answer: Google

747. Identify the state that has recently (December 2023) launched the "AMA Bank" scheme to provide banking services in unbanked Gram Panchayats.

Answer: Odisha

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748. Which state of India has recently (December 2023) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Airports Authority of India (AAI) to develop 11 greenfield airports?

**Answer:** Gujarat

**749.** How much loan has recently (December 2023) been sanctioned by ADB to improve the quality, efficiency, and reliability of power supply in Uttarakhand?

**Answer:** USD 200 million

750. Who has become the first woman medical officer in the Indian Army to be deployed at Siachen?

Answer: Geetika Koul

751. National Armed Forces Flag Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 7th December

> Important Days of December 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
World AIDS Day	1 <sup>st</sup> December	Let communities lead	
World Computer Literacy Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> December		The day was first observed in 2001.
National Pollution Control Day	2 <sup>nd</sup> December		The year 2023 marks the 39th anniversary of the Bhopal Gas Tragedy.
International Day for the Abolition of Slavery	2 <sup>nd</sup> December		
International Day of Persons with Disabilities	3 <sup>rd</sup> December	United in action to rescue and achieve the SDGs for, with and by persons with disabilities	
International Day of Banks	4 <sup>th</sup> December		
International Cheetah Day	4 <sup>th</sup> December		
National Navy Day	4 <sup>th</sup> December		
Indian Navy Week	1 <sup>st</sup> to 7 <sup>th</sup> December 2023		

World Soil Day	5 <sup>th</sup> December	Soil and Water: A Source of Life	The day was first observed in 2014.
International Volunteer Day or International Volunteer Day for Economic and Social Development	5 <sup>th</sup> December	The power of collective action: if everyone did	The day was first observed by the UN General Assembly in 1985.
Mahaparinirvan Divas	6 <sup>th</sup> December		The day commemorates the death anniversary of Dr Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar
Maitri Diwas	6 <sup>th</sup> December		The day is observed annually by India to celebrate diplomatic relations with Bangladesh.
International Civil Aviation Day	7 <sup>th</sup> December	Advancing Innovation for Global Aviation Development	
National Armed Forces Flag Day	7 <sup>th</sup> December		

**752.** In December 2023, which shipyard company has launched the first three ships of the 8 Anti-Submarine Warfare Shallow Water Crafts (ASW SWC) project namely Indian Naval Ship (INS) Mahe, INS Malvan, and INS Mangrol for the Indian Navy?

## **Answer:** Cochin Shipyard Limited

**753.** The 24<sup>th</sup> edition of the Hornbill Festival has been recently (December 2023) observed in which Indian state?

# **Answer:** Nagaland

**754.** The 'Hump WWII Museum', the 2<sup>nd</sup> museum in Asia dedicated to the fallen airmen of the Allied forces during the World War II, has been inaugurated in which state of India?

# **Answer:** Arunachal Pradesh

**755.** Which country has beaten India to be elected as the Vice-Chairman of the UNESCO Executive Board for the period 2023-2025 from the Asia Pacific Group?

# Answer: Pakistan

**756.** In December 2023, the China National Space Agency (CNSA) has launched the MisrSat 2 satellite. This satellite is jointly developed with which country?

# Answer: Egypt

**757.** Recently (December 2023), the Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Centre (IN-SPACe) has introduced a seed fund scheme to support start-ups engaged in the fields of urban

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development and disaster management through the utilization of space technology. The scheme provides financial assistance of up to Rs							
Answer: Rs.1 crore							
	or human we			spread awareness of the importance of stems. The 2023 theme for World Soil			
Answer: Soil and Water: A Source of Life							
		, ,		erstanding (MoU) with the Reserve Bank related to Clearing Corporation of India			
Answer: Bank of England							
760. How much stake will be acquired by SBI Mutual Fund in Karur Vysya Bank?							
Answer: 9.9	9% stake						
released by t	the Internation	a been placed in the World Dig onal Institute for Management		Competitiveness Ranking 2023 velopment (IMD)?			
Answer: 49 <sup>th</sup>	h						
762. Where has	the world's	first portable hospital, 'Aarogy	a V	Maitri Aid Cube', been established?			
Answer: Gu	rugram						
763 has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Business Finland to boost the startup ecosystems in India and Finland?							
Answer: Ke	rala Startup	Mission					
764. Who is the first Indian woman recipient of the WISE Prize for Education?							
Answer: Sat	feena Huss	ain					
765. Internationa	al Day of Pe	rsons with Disabilities (IDPD)	is a	UN day that is celebrated every year on			
Answer: Dec	cember 3 <sup>rd</sup>						
	ng (MoU) wi			3) signed a Memorandum of nt Board (NDDB) for the holistic			
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