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1. Recently (in 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

2. 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

3. To expand the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) globally, which payment platform has recently (in Jan '24) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with NPCI International Payment?

Answer: Google Pay

4. Identify the lender that has collaborated with Clix Capital through the Yubi Co.lend Platform to provide loans to the Indian MSME sector.

Answer: Karnataka Bank

5. Who inaugurated the 5th Meghalaya Games in January 2024?

Answer: Droupadi Murmu

6. Which state celebrates 'Kokborok Day' annually?

Answer: Tripura

7. Who has won the ICC Women's Player of the Month Award for December 2023?

Answer: Deepti Sharma

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

Answer: Haldia Petrochemicals Limited

9. 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

10. 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

11. 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

12. 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

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

Answer: To promote research collaboration

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

Answer: Odisha

15. 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

16. Where is the 19th Centre of the World Economic Forum's Fourth Industrial Revolution Network (4IR) set to be established?

Answer: Hyderabad

17. The 14th Ministerial-level meeting of the India-United States Trade Policy Forum (TPF) has been held in _____.

Answer: New Delhi

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

Answer: To prevent the overuse of antibiotics in the state

19. 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

20. 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

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

Answer: Mumbai-Goa

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

Answer: Pench Tiger Reserve

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

Answer: Bikaner

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

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

Answer: Dubai

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

Answer: Ministry of Earth Sciences

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

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

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

Answer: Optical-8

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28. 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

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

Answer: Bhupendra Yadav

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

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

31. 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

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

Answer: Sri Lanka

33. 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

34. 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%

35. 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

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

Answer: Assam

37. 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

38. Which city hosted the 58th All-India Annual Conference of Director Generals and Inspector Generals of Police?

Answer: Jaipur

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

Answer: Françoise Bettencourt Meyers

40. 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

41. 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

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

Answer: 12th

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

Answer: Bureau of Indian Standards

44. 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

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

Answer: Vrindavan Uttar Pradesh

46. The year 2024 marks the observance of the ____ Foundation Day of DRDO.

Answer: 66th

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2024	Remark
Pravasi Bhartiya Divas (PBD)	9 th January		The day was first observed in 2003.
World Hindi Day	10 th January		
Startup India Innovation Week	10th January to 18th January		
National Human Trafficking Awareness Day	11 th January		
National Road Safety Week	11 th to 17 th January 2024		
National Youth Day	12 th January		The year 2024 marks the 27th National Youth Day and the 161st birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda (12 January 1863).
Armed Forces Veterans Day	14 th January		The day was first observed in 2016.
Army Day	15 th January		The year 2024 marks the 76th Indian Army Day.

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

Answer: Anahat Singh

48. 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

49. 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

50. 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

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51. 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

52. 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

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

Answer: Hardeep Singh Puri

54. Karbi Youth Festival is observed annually in the state of _____.

Answer: Assam

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

Answer: Flipkart

56. 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

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

Answer: Gujarat

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

Answer: Delhi

59. 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

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

Answer: L.P. Hemanth K. Srinivasulu

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

Answer: 6th

62. Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi has become the first world leader to have _____ YouTube subscribers.

Answer: 20 million

63. In December 2023, Cabinet approved the Migration and Mobility Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of _____.

Answer: Italian Republic

64. _____ has launched India's first Growth Liquid ETF (Exchange-Traded Fund).

Answer: Zerodha Fund House

65. Which Indian state has launched 'Baayu', India's first app-based 100% electric and decentralised open mobility electric bike (e-bike) taxi service?

Answer: Assam

66. ISRO will launch the 'Proba-3 Mission' in September 2024. This mission is associated with which space agency?

Answer: European Space Agency's (ESA)

67. Parshuam Kund Festival is observed annually in which state/UT of India?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

68. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed India's first high-resolution landslide susceptibility map?

Answer: IIT Delhi

69. Recently (January 2024), Union Minister Parshottam Rupala laid the foundation stone for the upgradation of the Paradip Fishing Harbour (PFH) in which state for Rs.108.91 crore?

Answer: Odisha

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

Answer: Ministry of Education

71. 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

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

Answer: Ujjain

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

Answer: West Bengal

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

Answer: Kyrgyzstan

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

Answer: Canara Bank

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

Answer: SVAMITVA Scheme

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

Answer: 77th

78. 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

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

Answer: 8th January

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

World Introvert Day	2 nd January		
International Mind-Body Wellness Day	3 rd January		
Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO) Day	3 rd January		
World Braille Day	4 th January		The day was first observed in 2019.
World Day of War Orphans	6 th January		

80. _____ has launched the first set of satellites with "Direct-to-Cell" capabilities.

Answer: SpaceX

81. Which city has hosted the International Kite Festival 2024?

Answer: Ahmedabad

82. _____ 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)

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

Answer: France

84. 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

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

Answer: Karnataka

86. 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 Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
National Farmers Day	23 rd December		The year 2023 marks the 121st birth anniversary of Choudhary Charan Singh.
National Consumer Rights Day	24 th December		The day was first observed in 1986.
Good Governance Day	25 th December		The year 2023 marks the 99th birth anniversary of Atal Bihari Vajpayee.
Veer Bal Diwas	26 th 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 th December		The day was first observed in 2020.

87. In December 2023, Pakistan successfully tested its indigenously developed guided multi-launch rocket system named 'Fatah-II'. This rocket system is capable of hitting targets with high precision at a range of up to _____ kilometres.

Answer: 400 km

88. 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

89. 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

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

Answer: Mansukh Mandaviya

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

Answer: Agra; Mathura

92. 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

93. _____ has bagged the prestigious Engineering News Record 2023 - Global Best Projects Awards for the construction of the New Parliament Building.

Answer: Tata Projects

94. Who has been appointed as the Director General (Investigation) by the Competition Commission of India (CCI)?

Answer: Ansuman Pattnaik

95. Which airport in India has been awarded the 'World Special Prize for an Interior 2023' by UNESCO's Prix Versailles?

Answer: Kempegowda International Airport

96. _____ has been honoured with the National Energy Conservation Award for the year 2023.

Answer: Crompton

97. 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

98. The United Nations has designated 2024 as the International Year of _____.

Answer: Camelids

99. 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

100. Which thermal power station has been awarded the 11th Edition of FICCI Water Award 2023 under the "Industrial Water Use Efficiency" category?

Answer: NTPC Kanti

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101. Which Indian national has been honoured with Bhutan's National Order of Merit (NOM) Gold Medal?

Answer: Dr Poonam Khetrapal Singh

102. 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%

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

Answer: Bodh Gaya

104. National Farmers Day is observed annually on 23rd December to commemorate the birth anniversary of whom?

Answer: Choudhary Charan Singh

105. 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

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

Answer: USA

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

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

108. Accenture has established a Generative AI Studio in which city of India?

Answer: Bengaluru, Karnataka

109. 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

110. 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

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

Answer: Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh

112. 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%

113. 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

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

Answer: IndiGo

115. 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

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

Answer: Kiren Rijiju

117. 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

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

Answer: Maharashtra

119. 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

120. 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

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

Answer: Bangladesh

122. Haryana has topped the medal tally in the Khelo India Para Games 2023. Which state has secured the second position?

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

123. The International Gender Equality Prize for 2023 has been awarded to an NGO in Afghanistan that works to promote and protect the rights of women in Afghanistan. This award is presented by which country?

Answer: Finland

124. Who have been awarded the Indira Gandhi Peace Prize 2023 for their efforts in bringing together youth and people of Israel and the Arab world for a non-violent solution to the Israel-Palestine conflict?

Answer: Daniel Barenboim and Ali Abu Awwad

125. The Government of India (GoI) has passed the Central Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2023 to establish a Central Tribal University in which state named after tribal goddesses Sammakka and Sarakka?

Answer: Telangana

126. Which country will impose green tax on air passengers from 2025?

Answer: Denmark

127. Who has been honoured with the Visionary Leader Icon Award 2023 by Advocates Association for Social Responsibility and Awareness (AASRAA)?

Answer: Srinivas Naik Dharavath

128. 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%

129. 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

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

Answer: 11.7%

131. Vijay Diwas is observed annually across India on 16th December. The year 2023 is observing which Vijay Diwas?

Answer: 53rd

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Other Important Days of December 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
Vijay Diwas	16 th December		The year 2023 marks the 53rd Vijay Diwas.
International Day to End Violence Against Sex Workers	17 th December		
International Migrants Day	18 th December		
National Minorities Rights Day	18 th December	Celebrating Diversity and Inclusion	
World Arabic Language Day	18 th 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 th December		
National Mathematics Day	22 nd December		

Important Day	Date/Month	Remark
National Farmers Day	23 rd December	
National Consumer Rights Day	24 th December	The day was first observed in 1986.
Good Governance Day	25 th December	
Veer Bal Diwas	26 th December	The day marks the martyrdom of the "Sahibzades", four sons of Guru Gobind Singh, the last Sikh guru.

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

Answer: Acko General Insurance

133. 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

134. Who has recently (December 2023) been appointed as the brand ambassador of Tripura state to promote tourism?

Answer: Sourav Ganguly

135. RattanIndia Enterprises has introduced '____', a compact delivery drone, for e-commerce and health care industries.

Answer: L07

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

Answer: Meira Chand

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

Answer: 27th

138. Tiryani 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

139. 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

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

Answer: China

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

Answer: Narendra Modi

142. 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

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

Answer: Nikhil Dey

Other Important Days of December 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
SAARC Charter Day	8 th December		The year 2023 marks the observance of 39th SAARC Charter Day.

International Anti-Corruption Day	9 th 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 th December		
Human Rights Day	10 th December	Freedom, Equality and Justice for All	
United Nations Children's Funds (UNICEF) Day	11 th December		The year 2023 marks the 77th anniversary of UNICEF.
International Mountain Day	11 th December	Restoring Mountain Ecosystems	
International Day of Neutrality	12 th December		
International Universal Health Coverage Day	12 th December	Health For All: Time For Action	
National Energy Conservation Day	14 th December		

144. Which financial institution has launched partnership platforms namely the Global Methane Reduction Platform for Development (CH₄D) and the Global Flaring and Methane Reduction Partnership (GFMR) at the 28th Conference of the Parties (COP28) of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC)?

Answer: World Bank

145. IIFL Home Finance has hosted the ____ chapter of 'Kutumb' event in collaboration with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) to discuss the green building ecosystem and affordable housing.

Answer: 15th

146. Who has addressed the 2nd Edition of the flagship Financial Technology event - Infinity Forum 2.0?

Answer: Narendra Modi

147. Identify the country that will host the 37th session of the Asia Pacific Regional Conference (APRC) of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) in February 2024.

Answer: Sri Lanka

148. In December 2023, Indian Army conducted a Table-Top Exercise (TTX) for the Women Officers of _____ at Manekshaw Centre in New Delhi.

Answer: ASEAN

149. Mohan Yadav has become the new Chief Minister of which state of India?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

150. Recently (December 2023), UNESCO, during its 18th session of the Intergovernmental Committee in Botswana, officially added Garba dance of Gujarat to its esteemed Representative List of Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) of Humanity. The Garba dance form is the _____ cultural element from India to make it to the UNESCO list.

Answer: Fifteenth

151. In December 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the first urban flood mitigation project of Rs.561.29 crore for 'Integrated Urban Flood Management activities for Chennai Basin Project'. This is under the National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF), which also includes Central assistance of Rs. _____.

Answer: Rs.500 crore

152. Which Indian military unit has recently (December 2023) teamed up with the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) to infuse cutting-edge technology and digital infrastructure?

Answer: Indian Army

153. International Anti-Corruption Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: December 9th

154. Who has been recently (December 2023) named the Time magazine's 2023 Person of the Year?

Answer: Taylor Swift

155. 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

156. In December 2023, Anumula Revanth Reddy sworn in as the Chief Minister of Telangana. With this, he became the 1st congress CM of Telangana and the ____ CM of the state since its formation in 2014.

Answer: Second

157. 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

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

Answer: 6.8%

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

Answer: Google

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

Answer: Odisha

161. 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

162. 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

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

Answer: Geetika Koul

164. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the World Radiocommunication Conference 2023 (WRC 2023)?

Answer: Mohammed Al Ramsi

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

Answer: 7th December

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Other Important Days of December 2023:

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

Indian Navy Week	1 st to 7 th December 2023		
World Soil Day	5 th 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 th December	The power of collective action: if everyone did	The day was first observed by the UN General Assembly in 1985.
Mahaparinirvan Divas	6 th December		The day commemorates the death anniversary of Dr Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar
Maitri Diwas	6 th December		The day is observed annually by India to celebrate diplomatic relations with Bangladesh.
International Civil Aviation Day	7 th December	Advancing Innovation for Global Aviation Development	
National Armed Forces Flag Day	7 th December		

166. 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

167. The 24th edition of the Hornbill Festival has been recently (December 2023) observed in which Indian state?

Answer: Nagaland

168. The 'Hump WWII Museum', the 2nd 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

169. 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

170. 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

171. 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 development and disaster management through the utilization of space technology. The scheme provides financial assistance of up to Rs. _____.

Answer: Rs.1 crore

172. World Soil Day is observed annually on 5th December to spread awareness of the importance of soil quality for human well-being, food security and ecosystems. The 2023 theme for World Soil Day is _____.

Answer: Soil and Water: A Source of Life

173. Which bank has recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on cooperation and exchange of information related to Clearing Corporation of India Ltd (CCIL)?

Answer: Bank of England

174. How much stake will be acquired by SBI Mutual Fund in Karur Vysya Bank?

Answer: 9.99% stake

175. What position has India been placed in the World Digital Competitiveness Ranking 2023 released by the International Institute for Management Development (IMD)?

Answer: 49th

176. Where has the world's first portable hospital, 'Aarogya Maitri Aid Cube', been established?

Answer: Gurugram

177. _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Business Finland to boost the startup ecosystems in India and Finland?

Answer: Kerala Startup Mission

178. Who is the first Indian woman recipient of the WISE Prize for Education?

Answer: Safeena Hussain

179. International Day of Persons with Disabilities (IDPD) is a UN day that is celebrated every year on _____.

Answer: December 3rd

180. Name the Indian state that has recently (in Dec '23) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) for the holistic development of Dairy Sector.

Answer: Assam

181. The Chief Minister of Uttarakhand, Pushkar Singh Dhama, has released a new book titled 'RESILIENT INDIA: How Modi Transformed India's Disaster Management Paradigm' at the _____ World Congress on Disaster Management held in Dehradun, Uttarakhand.

Answer: 6th

182. How much loan has been approved recently (November 2023) by ADB to support the modernization of water supply services in Kochi city of Kerala?

Answer: USD 170 million

183. To examine the impact of the Digital Personal Data Protection (DPDP) Act of 2023 on the insurance sector, IRDAI has formed an 11-member task force headed by _____.

Answer: Randip Singh Jagpal

184. In November 2023, HSBC India has signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with the UK Export Finance (UKEF) to establish a financing programme of up to _____ million pound to support Indian MSMEs.

Answer: 100

185. Recently (November 2023), the Ministry of Defence (MoD) has inked a deal with Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL) to procure 16 super rapid gun mount for the Indian Navy (IN). What is the total valuation of the deal?

Answer: Rs.2956.89 crore

186. Which team has lifted the Hockey India Senior Men National Championship 2023 title after defeating Hockey Haryana in the finals?

Answer: Hockey Punjab

187. What is the new name of the Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres (AB-HWCs), as announced by the Indian Government in November 2023?

Answer: Ayushman Arogya Mandir

188. The Indian Mission to the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), together with the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, organized the ASEAN-India Millet Festival 2023 in ____ (country).

Answer: Indonesia

189. In November 2023, the President of India, Droupadi Murmu, inaugurated an Eklavya Model Residential School (EMRS) at Kuliana, Odisha, developed with a budget of _____.

Answer: Rs.38 crore

190. The second edition of Joint Military Exercise 'AUSTRALIND-23' has been conducted at which place?

Answer: Perth, Australia

191. National Milk Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: November 26th

Other Important Days of November 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	25 th November	UNiTE! Invest to Prevent Violence against Women & Girls!	
International Meatless Day	25 th November		
National Milk Day	26 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of the Father of India's White

			Revolution, Dr Verghese Kurien.
Constitution Day	26 th November		Indian Constitution was adopted on 26 th November 1949.
National Cadet Corps (NCC) Day	Fourth Sunday of November (26 th November 2023)		The year 2023 marks the 75th raising day of NCC.
World Sustainable Transport Day	26 th November		The day was first observed in 2023.
National Organ Donation Day	27 th November		
Aviation Safety Awareness Week	28 th November to 1 st December 2023		
International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People	29 th November		
Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare	30 th November		

192. The world's largest single-site solar power plant, the 2-gigawatt (GW) Al Dhafra Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Independent Power Project (IPP), has been inaugurated in _____.

Answer: UAE

193. Name the Maharatna company that has recently (November 2023) been awarded the "Best Employer for Policies in Diversity & Inclusion" Award at the 4th Diversity & Inclusion Excellence Awards and Conclave organized by Assocham.

Answer: REC Limited

194. How many medals has India won in the World Wushu Championship 2023?

Answer: Three

195. The ____ edition of Bengal Global Business Summit has been held in Kolkata in November 2023.

Answer: 7th

196. Which state of India has unveiled the world's first 3D-printed temple?

Answer: Telangana

197. The 11th edition of the International Tourism Mart (ITM) has been organized in _____.

Answer: Shillong, Meghalaya

198. Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) of India, _____, has been elected as the Vice-Chair of the United Nations (UN) Panel of External Auditors for 2024, as announced during the 63rd session of the Panel.

Answer: Girish Chandra Murmu

199. Where has the AIFF-FIFA Talent Academy been opened?

Answer: Bhubaneswar, Odisha

200. Which Indian city hosted the India Mushroom Summit 2023?

Answer: New Delhi

201. Recently (November 2023), the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM), NITI Aayog has launched a new accelerator called 'Rapid Innovation and Startup Expansion (RISE)' to support India and which country's circular economy startups?

Answer: Australia

202. Tamil writer Perumal Murugan has won the 2023 JCB Prize for Literature for his novel named '_____'.
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Answer: Fire Bird

203. Which state's Responsible Tourism (RT) Mission has been selected for the Global List of Case Studies of the United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO)?

Answer: Kerala

204. Who has launched the software application "Dashboard" portal of the Ministry of Science & Technology for real-time, prompt and effective Parliament business?

Answer: Jitendra Singh

205. Which country's EFS Facilities Services Group has recently (in Nov'23) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) to facilitate skilled International Workforce Mobility (IWM) for Indian nationals?

Answer: UAE

206. Who has been awarded the first-ever 'Lifetime Disturbing the Peace Award' by the Vaclav Havel Center?

Answer: Salman Rushdie

207. The Association of Asia-Pacific Airlines (AAPA) has set a target for its members to adopt _____ (percent) sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) usage by 2030.

Answer: 5%

208. Dr R Ravi Kannan, Director, Cachha Cancer Hospital and Research Center, Silchar has been awarded the FICCI Healthcare Excellence Award 2023 in which category?

Answer: Healthcare Humanitarian

209. Which Indian University has recently (in Nov'23) collaborated with Samarkand Institute of Economics and Service, Uzbekistan to establish a student exchange programme?

Answer: University of Delhi

210. Which state will host the 9th India International Science Festival?

Answer: Haryana

211. Who has been honoured with the 'Gaansamragini Lata Mangeshkar Award 2023'?

Answer: Suresh Ishwar Wadkar

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212. _____, a maharatna company, has won the 'the Innovation Award - India' and 'Midstream Project of the Year Awards - India' at the Asian Oil and Gas Awards 2023.

Answer: GAIL (India) Limited

213. Which Indian personality has won the 2023 Kenneth Boulding Award for Ecological Economics?

Answer: Bina Agarwal

214. Bihar Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar has approved the Bihar Reservation Amendment Bill 2023. As a result, the reservation quota for backward classes has increased from 50 percent to _____.

Answer: 65%

215. Sea buckthorn, a plant that yields tiny, sour-tasting orange or yellow berries, has been awarded a GI (Geographical Indication) tag. It has become the 4th GI tagged product of _____.

Answer: Ladakh

216. In November 2023, which entity has been barred by the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) from lending under its "eCOM" and "Insta EMI Card" products?

Answer: Bajaj Fintace

217. The Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) has recently (in Nov'23) signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with _____ to facilitate easier access to credit for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs).

Answer: Technology Development Board

218. Who is the first woman recipient of the Dhahan Prize for Punjabi Literature?

Answer: Deepti Bubuta

219. An estimated _____ children in India missed their first dose of Measles vaccine in 2022, as per the report titled "Progress Toward Measles Elimination-Worldwide, 2000-2022" released by the World Health Organization and US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Answer: 11 lakhs

220. In November 2023, Amazon India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) to promote which programme?

Answer: Amazon WoW (Women of the World) programme

221. Which Formula 1 (F1) driver has won the F1 Las Vegas Grand Prix 2023?

Answer: Max Verstappen

222. Sheynnis Palacios has been crowned Miss Universe 2023. She is from which country?

Answer: Nicaragua

223. Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh has recently (in Nov'23) attended the 10th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting - Plus (ADMM-Plus) held in _____.

Answer: Jakarta, Indonesia

224. Who has been honoured with the first 'Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award' instituted by the Goa government?

Answer: Mathavaraj S

225. Luc Frieden has been named _____ Prime Minister of Luxembourg.

Answer: 23rd

226. Who has won the NASA IMPACT Planet Award 2023 for his/ her outstanding contribution to the Geospatial AI Foundation Model project?

Answer: Sujit Roy

227. Who is the first Indian comedian to win the Emmy Award?

Answer: Vir Das

228. Ekta Kapoor has received the _____ honour at the 51st International Emmy Awards ceremony held in New York City.

Answer: Directorate Award

229. Name the first interstate transmission project commissioned by ReNew Power in November 2023.

Answer: Koppal Transmission Scheme

230. Which fintech company has tied up with global travel technology company, Amadeus, to redefine travel experience with Artificial Intelligence (AI)?

Answer: Paytm

231. Who has been appointed as the Managing Director (MD) of the State Bank of India (SBI) for the period of two years in place of Swaminathan Janakiraman?

Answer: Vinay M Tonse

Other Important Days of November 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
National New Born Week	15 th to 21 st November	Safety, Quality and Nurturing Care - Every Newborn's Birth Right	
International Day for Tolerance	16 th November		The day was first observed in 1997.
National Press Day	16 th November		
All India Cooperative Week	14 to 20 November	Role of Cooperatives in Making India \$ 5 Trillion Economy and Sustainable Development Goals	The week was first observed in 1953.
National Epilepsy Day	17 th November		
International Students' Day	17 th November		
World Prematurity Day	17 th November	Small Actions, BIG IMPACT: Immediate Skin-to-Skin Care for Every Baby, Everywhere	

World Philosophy Day	Third Thursday of November (16 th November 2023)		
National Naturopathy Day	18 th November		
World Day for Prevention of and Healing from Child Sexual Exploitation, Abuse and Violence	18 th November		
World Antimicrobial Awareness Week	18 th to 24 th November	Preventing Antimicrobial Resistance Together	
World Heritage Week	19 th to 25 th November		
World Toilet Day	19 th November	Accelerating Change	The day was first observed in 2013.
International Men's Day	19 th November	Zero Male Suicide	
National Integration Day	19 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of India's first woman Prime Minister Indira Gandhi.
Women's Entrepreneurship Day	19 th November		
World Children's Day	20 th November	For every child, every right	
Africa Industrialization Day	20 th November		
World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims	Third Sunday of November (19 th November 2023)	Justice	
World Television Day	21 st November		

World Fisheries Day

21st November

232. Recently published research in the journal Environmental International states that nearly 1 in 3 deaths from non-melanoma skin cancer is caused by working under the sun. This research is jointly published by _____.

Answer: World Health Organization (WHO) and International Labour Organization (ILO)

233. In November 2023, the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur has entered into a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Indian Institute of Skills (IIS) to mentor IIS for _____ (years).

Answer: 5 years

234. Which edition of the World Food India (WFI 2023) has been organized in New Delhi, where the Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi provided Seed Capital Assistance to over 1 lakh Self Help Group (SHG) members?

Answer: Second

235. Nadir Larbaoui has been appointed as the Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: Algeria

236. The song 'Abundance in Millets,' featuring Prime Minister Narendra Modi, has been nominated in which category at the 2024 Grammy Awards?

Answer: Best Global Music Performance

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237. Who has been honored with the 19th Kalakar Puraskar Award?

Answer: Apolinaris D'Souza

238. In the month of November 2023, the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting (MIB) approved the Digital Advertisement Policy 2023 to empower which organization?

Answer: Central Bureau of Communication

239. The _____ edition of bilateral exercise between Indian Navy and Bangladesh Navy, BONGOSAGAR-23, and the _____ edition of Coordinated Patrol (CORPAT) by the two navies have been conducted in the Northern Bay of Bengal in November 2023.

Answer: Fourth; Fifth

240. What is the rank of India in the Inclusiveness Index 2023 published by the Othring and Belonging Institute (OBI)?

Answer: 117th

241. Which organization has launched the framework for building climate resilient and low carbon health systems?

Answer: World Health Organization

242. In Nov'23, Arcelor Mittal Nippon Steel (AM/NS) India has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Government of Odisha to establish a High Performance Centre of _____.

Answer: Kho Kho

243. Which Indian cricketer has been inducted into the ICC Hall of Fame 2023 along with Diana Edulji and Aravinda de Silva?

Answer: Virender Sehwag

244. In Nov'23, _____ has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Lean Campus Startups (Trust) & WEICI India to empower corporate and women entrepreneurs through various training programmes.

Answer: Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs

245. Which Indian state's 'Airgun Surrender Abhiyan' has received international recognition at the UNESCO's International Conference on Biosphere Reserves held in Malaysia?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

246. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has developed a mobile application called 'OptRoute' to enable easier and efficient transportation of goods within cities?

Answer: IIT Madras

247. Which Indian state has topped the medal tally and won the Raja Bhalindra Singh Rolling Trophy for overall championship in the 37th National Games?

Answer: Maharashtra

248. Which state/UT police has become the first police force in India to introduce GPS tracker anklets for monitoring terror?

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

249. The Indian Women's Hockey Team has won the Jharkhand Women's Asian Champions Trophy Ranchi 2023 by defeating which team in the final match?

Answer: Japan

250. _____ has been sworn in as the new Chief Information Commissioner (CIC) by President Droupadi Murmu.

Answer: Heeralal Samariya

251. Which Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) has become the first to establish an international campus in Tanzania in November 2023?

Answer: IIT Madras

252. Who has become the 1st Athlete to receive the Council of Fashion Designers of America's (CFDA) Fashion Icon Award?

Answer: Serena Williams

253. Who has been appointed as the Surveyor General of India?

Answer: Hitesh Kumar S. Makwana

254. Name the nation that has become the 95th member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA).

Answer: Chile

255. Which IT firm has entered into a three-year partnership with Amazon Web Services (AWS) to accelerate the cloud transformation of financial organizations in Europe, the Middle East, and Africa?

Answer: Infosys

256. With which country has India recently (in Nov'23) signed a Memorandum of Intent (MoI) to cooperate on medical product regulation and enhance the quality of medical products and healthcare services?

Answer: Netherlands

257. Which life insurance company has recently (in November 2023) launched the Guaranteed Assured Income (GAIN) for the customers of Karnataka Vikas Grameena Bank (KVBG)?

Answer: Canara HSBC Life Insurance

258. Who has been appointed by the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) as its UPI Safety Ambassador?

Answer: Pankaj Tripathi

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World Urbanism Day	8 th November	Learn Globally, Apply Locally	
International Day of Radiology	8 th November	Celebrating Patient Safety	The day was first observed in 2012.
National Legal Services Day	9 th November	Access to Justice for All: Empowering the Marginalised through Legal Awareness	

International Week of Science & Peace	9 th to 15 th November		The week was first observed in 1986.
World Science Day for Peace and Development	10 th November	Building Trust in Science	
World Usability Day	Second Thursday of November (9 th November 2023)	Collaboration and Cooperation	The day was first observed in 2005.
National Education Day	11 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the first education minister of independent India.
World Quality Week	6 th to 10 th November 2023	Quality: realising your competitive potential	
World Pneumonia Day	12 th November	Every Breath Counts: Stop Pneumonia in Its Track	
Public Service Broadcasting Day	12 th November		
World Kindness Day	13 th November	Be Kind Wherever Possible	The day was first observed in 1998.
World Diabetes Day	14 th November	Access to Diabetes Care	
National Children's Day	14 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of India's 1 st Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru (2023 marks the 134th birth anniversary of him)
Tribal Pride Day	15 th November		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Birsa Munda (2023 marks the 148th birth anniversary of him)

World Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Day	Third Wednesday of November (15 th November 2023)	Breathing is Life - Act Earlier	The first World COPD Day was held in 2002.
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259. Mera Hou Chongba is a festival of solidarity observed in which Indian state/UT?

Answer: Manipur

260. Durga Bharat Samman is an award presented by which state?

Answer: West Bengal

261. Max Verstappen has won the Formula 1 (F1) Mexico City Grand Prix 2023. Who has finished second in the race?

Answer: Lewis Hamilton

262. Who has been named the Brand Ambassador of Henry Harvin Education (HHE)?

Answer: Chetan Bhagat

263. Who has been appointed as a member of the Strategic and Technical Advisory Group (STAG) for Tuberculosis by the World Health Organization (WHO)?

Answer: Sarang Deo

264. Argentine professional footballer Lionel Messi has won the Ballon d'Or Award 2023 for the record ___ time.

Answer: 8th

265. What is the theme of the 16th edition of the Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference & Exhibition 2023?

Answer: Integrated and Resilient Urban Transport

266. What is the main aim of the 'Mission Kala Kranti' launched by the Government of West Bengal?

Answer: To promote the art and culture of West Bengal and India

267. Koppu Sadashiv Murthy has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of the _____.

Answer: Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL)

268. Which Indian city has been designated as the 'City of Literature' by UNESCO in 2023?

Answer: Kozhikode

269. During the 6th Session of the International Solar Alliance Assembly in New Delhi, it has been decided to increase the Viability Gap Funding (VGF) Cap for solar projects from 10% up to _____ of project cost.

Answer: 35%

270. _____ state government has recently (November 2023) launched the "Dr Puneeth Rajkumar Hrudaya Jyoti Yojana" to provide treatment to cardiac arrest patients.

Answer: Karnataka

271. Who has been appointed as the President-renewables and CEO and MD of Tata Power Renewable Energy (TPREL)?

Answer: Deepesh Nanda

272. In the Hangzhou Asian Para Games 2022, India has finished ____ position in the medal tally with ____ medals.

Answer: 5th position; 111 medals

273. The bulk deposit limit for Regional Rural Banks (RRBs) has been increased to _____ from Rs.15 lakh.

Answer: Rs.1 crore

274. Name the lender that has become the first foreign bank in India to introduce Electronic Bank Guarantee (E-BG) services to facilitate digitization of trade finance.

Answer: HSBC India

275. In November 2023, who has been appointed as the new Executive Director of the Reserve Bank of India (RBI)?

Answer: Manoranjan Mishra

276. Where is the Asian Shooting Championships 2023 held?

Answer: Changwon, South Korea

277. Surendra Kumar Adhana has been re-elected as a member of the United Nations Advisory Committee on Administrative & Budgetary Questions (UN-ACABQ) for the term _____.

Answer: 2024-26

278. India will host the World Telecommunication Standardisation Assembly in which year?

Answer: 2024

279. At which city has the RailTel Corporation of India Limited set up a Centre of Excellence (CoE) to provide training on railway signalling, and telecommunications systems in November 2023?

Answer: New Delhi

280. Recently (November 2023), Bharat Petroleum Corporation (BPCL) and Gas Authority of India (GAIL) have signed a ____ (year) contract, estimated at a value of over Rs.63,000 crore, to supply propane to GAIL's propane dehydrogenation (PDH)-polypropylene (PP) project in Usar in _____ (state).

Answer: 15 years; Maharashtra

281. Which country has become the first in the world to fully sterilise and vaccinate its entire stray dog population?

Answer: Bhutan

282. According to the EdelGive Hurun India's Philanthropy List for 2023, _____ is India's leading philanthropist with an annual donation of Rs.2,042 crore.

Answer: Shiv Nadar

283. How much funding has been approved by the Government of Norway for strengthening food security and environmental protection in Uttarakhand under India's 'The Hunger Project'?

Answer: USD 44.7 million

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World Vegan Day	1 st November	
International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists	2 nd November	
International Biosphere Reserve Day	3 rd November	
India Water Week (IWW)	1 st to 5 th November	
World Tsunami Awareness Day	5 th November	Fighting Inequality for a Resilient Future
International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict	6 th November	
Infant Protection Day	7 th November	
National Cancer Awareness Day	7 th November	

284. What is India's first semi-high speed regional rail service called?

Answer: Namo Bharat

285. _____ has become the first district in India to officially designate its own tree, flower, bird and species.

Answer: Kasaragod

286. Who has been conferred with the 19th Mother Teresa Memorial Award for Social Justice (2023)?

Answer: Narges Mohammadi

287. Dhordo village has been honoured with the Best Tourism Village 2023 title by the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO). It is located in which state?

Answer: Gujarat

288. Which Indian state has launched the 'iStart Talent Connect Portal' to boost employment opportunities?

Answer: Rajasthan

289. Recently (October 2023), the _____ Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) has become the second to get habitat rights in the state of Chhattisgarh.

Answer: Baiga

290. Which Indian city will host the 'Bharat Tex 2024'?

Answer: New Delhi

291. What is the purpose of the Nanda Gaura Yojana (NGY) introduced by Uttarakhand state government?

Answer: To improve the gender ratio and education of girls.

292. Who has been felicitated with the 2022 'Award for Global Leadership' conferred by the Centre on the Legal Profession, Harvard Law School?

Answer: D Y Chandrachud

293. Who has been appointed as the next Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of IRCTC?

Answer: Sanjay Kumar Jain

294. Who has been named the brand ambassador of PepsiCo India's potato chips brand Lay's?

Answer: MS Dhoni

295. Which country has honoured Dr Ashok Gadgil and Dr Subra Suresh with the National Medal for Technology and Innovation and the National Medal of Science, respectively?

Answer: USA

296. India's first liquid Nano Di-Ammonia Phosphate (DAP) plant of the Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) has been set up at which place?

Answer: Kalol, Gujarat

297. Who has been appointed as the next Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Kotak Mahindra Bank with effect from 1st January 2024?

Answer: Ashok Vaswani

298. In October 2023, Kotak Mahindra Bank has received approval from the RBI to acquire 100% stake of which non-banking finance company?

Answer: Sonata Finance

299. Swayampurna e-bazaar, an online platform that supports self-help groups, has been launched by which Indian state?

Answer: Goa

300. The International Conference of the Global Media and Information Literacy Week (2023) has been co-organized by UNESCO and the Government of _____.

Answer: Jordan

301. The book titled "*The Lords of Wankhede: Tales Between Two Titles*" explains the changes that occurred in Indian cricket between 1983 and 2023. This book is co-authored by _____.

Answer: W.V. Raman and R. Kaushik

302. Where has the Indian Army established its first Vertical Wind Tunnel (VWT)?

Answer: Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh

303. Robert Fico has been elected as the new Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: Slovakia

304. Who has been appointed as the Vice Chairman of Mirae Asset Investment Managers (India) Private Limited (Mirae AMC)?

Answer: Swarup Anand Mohanty

305. Jamrani Dam Multipurpose Project, seen in the news recently, is present in which Indian state?

Answer: Uttarakhand

306. A new book titled "Breaking the Mould: Reimagining India's Economic Future" has been written by whom?

Answer: Raghuram Rajan and Rohit Lamba

307. Who has been named as the 'National Icon' for voter awareness and education by the Election Commission of India (ECI) in October 2023?

Answer: Rajkumar Rao

308. _____ has become the first state in India to have hallmarking centres in all districts.

Answer: Kerala

309. Which digital transformation solutions company has won the 'Mahatma Awards 2023 for CSR Excellence in the Community Initiative' category?

Answer: UST

310. Escrowpay has secured India's first digital escrow regulatory fintech authorization from which organization?

Answer: International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)

311. Go Savings Account, a zero-balance digital banking product, has recently (Oct'23) been launched by which lender?

Answer: RBL Bank

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Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
International Snow Leopard Day	23 rd October		
International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week	Last Week of October (22 nd to 28 th October 2023)		The year 2023 marks the 11th International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week. The focus of campaign 2023 is "End Childhood Lead Poisoning".
World Development Information Day	24 th October		
International Day of Diplomats	24 th October		The day was proposed by Indian poet-diplomat Abhay K.
United Nations Day	24 th October		The year 2023 marks the 78th anniversary of the United Nations and its founding Charter.
World Polio Day	24 th October		
Disarmament Week	24 th to 30 th October		

Global Media and Information Literacy Week	24 th to 31 st October	"Media and Information Literacy in Digital Spaces: A Collective Global Agenda"	
World Sustainability Day	4th Wednesday of October (25 th October 2023)		
World Dwarfism Day	25 th October		
Accession Day of Jammu & Kashmir	26 th October		
World Day for Audio-visual Heritage	27 th October	Your Window to the World	
Indian Army Infantry Day	27 th October		The year 2023 marks the 77 th Infantry Day.
World Occupational Therapy Day	27 th October	Unity through community	
International Animation Day	28 th October		
World Stroke Day	29 th October	Together we are #GreaterThan Stroke	
International Internet Day	29 th October		
International Day of Care & Support	29 th October		
International Open Access Week	Last week of October (23 rd to 29 th October 2023)	Community over Commercialization	
National Unity Day	31 st October		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of the Iron Man of India, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel. This year

			marks the 148th birth anniversary of him.
World Savings Day (World Thrift Day)	31 st October	Conquer your tomorrow	In India, due to the death of the late Prime Minister Indira Gandhi on 31 st October 1984, the World Savings Day is observed on 30 th October.
World Cities Day	31 st October	Financing sustainable urban future for all	The day was first observed in 2014.
Vigilance Awareness Week	30th October to 5 th November 2023	Say no to Corruption; commit to the Nation	The week is observed across India by the Central Vigilance Commission (CVC).

312. Which state government has launched the 'Hope Initiative' to curb the drug menace?

Answer: Punjab

313. The year 2023 marks the observance of _____ Raising Day of National Security Guard (NSG).

Answer: 39th

314. In the 15th annual Mercer CFA Institute Global Pension Index (MCGPI 2023), _____ has topped the index, while India has secured the _____ rank among 47 countries.

Answer: Netherlands; 45th

315. Who has been appointed as India's permanent representative to the United Nations (UN) and other international organisations in Geneva by the Ministry of External Affairs?

Answer: Arindam Bagchi

316. A harvest festival 'Kongali' is observed annually in which state of India?

Answer: Assam

317. With which country has India held 2+2 Foreign and Defence Dialogue in New Delhi in October 2023?

Answer: United Kingdom

318. Which edition of the Global Maritime India Summit 2023 has been organized in Mumbai?

Answer: Third

319. Nobel Peace Prize winner, Martti Ahtisaari, has passed away in October 2023. He served as the 10th President of which country?

Answer: Finland

320. Which state's nodal agency for investment promotion, Guidance, has received the United Nations Promotion Award 2023?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

321. The Indian Navy has recently (October 2023) conducted a two-day coastal security exercise called '_____' in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, and Puducherry.

Answer: Sagar Kavach

322. In October 2023, Union Ports, Shipping and Waterways Minister Sarbananda Sonowal has virtually flagged off a new international ferry service between Tamil Nadu's Nagapattinam and Sri Lanka's Kankesanturai. What is the name of this ferry?

Answer: Cheriyapani

323. Who unveiled the bust of Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore at the International Friendship Park in Bac Ninh province, Vietnam, as per the latest (October 2023) news?

Answer: S Jaishankar

324. Who unveiled Nagaland's first medical college named 'Nagaland Institute of Medical Sciences & Research (NIMSAR)' in October 2023?

Answer: Mansukh Mandaviya

325. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 141st International Olympic Committee (IOC) Session in ____ (city) in October 2023.

Answer: Mumbai**326.** When is the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty observed?**Answer: 17th October****Other Important Days of October 2023:**

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
World Food Day	16 th October	Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind	The day was first observed in 1981.
International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	17 th October	Decent Work and Social Protection: Putting dignity in practice for all	
World Trauma Day	17 th October		The day was created in New Delhi in 2011.
Global Dignity Day	Third Wednesday of October (18 th October 2023)		
Bone & Joint Action Week	12 th to 20 th October		
World Osteoporosis Day	20 th October	Build Better Bones	
International Chefs Day	20 th October		
World Statistics Day	20 th October		
National Solidarity Day	20 th October		
National Police Commemoration Day	21 st October		
Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders Prevention Day	21 st October		
International Stuttering Awareness Day	22 nd October	One Size Does NOT Fit All	

327. Recently (October 2023), the Executive Committee of the National Mission for Clean Ganga (NMCG) during its ___ meeting has approved seven projects worth around Rs.285 crore.

Answer: 51st

328. The Mahila Thana of ____ has become India's first women-centric police station to get ISO 9001:2015 certification.

Answer: Bhopal

329. Name the state that has recently (October 2023) launched the "Location Accessible Multi-modal Initiative" (LAccMI) scheme.

Answer: Odisha

330. Which Indian state government has introduced a poverty alleviation scheme named 'Orunodoi 2.0'?

Answer: Assam

331. A 17-year-old Grandmaster _____ has won the FIDE World Junior Rapid Chess Championship 2023 in the open section.

Answer: Raunak Sadhwani

332. Christopher Luxon has been elected as the 42nd Prime Minister of which country?

Answer: New Zealand

333. Which country's space operator Promethee has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Skyroot Aerospace Private Limited for satellite launch services onboard Vikram rockets for the Japetus earth observation constellation?

Answer: France

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334. In October 2023, the National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) tied up with Coca-Cola India to launch the 'Superpower Retailer Program' under the Skill India Mission. The Superpower Retailer Program is being piloted in the Indian state of _____.

Answer: Odisha

335. Dahyabhai Karunashankar Shastri, a renowned Indian Sanskrit scholar, has passed away in October 2023. He hails from which Indian state?

Answer: Gujarat

336. What is the theme of World Food Day 2023?

Answer: Water is life, water is food. Leave no one behind

Other Important Days of October 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
Indian Air Force Day	8 th October	IAF - Air Power Beyond Boundaries	Indian Air Force has observed its 91st Raising Day on 8th October 2023.
World Dyslexia Day	8 th October	Uniquely You	
World Hospice and Palliative Care Day	Second Saturday of October (14 th October 2023)	Compassionate Communities: Together for Palliative Care	
World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD)	Second Saturday of May (13 th May 2023) and Second Saturday of October (14 th October 2023)	Water: Sustaining Bird Life	
World Post Day	9 th October	Together for trust: Collaborating for a safe and connected future	
Indian Foreign Service Day	9 th October		Indian Foreign Service was established on 9 th October 1946.

National Postal Week	9 th to 13 th October 2023		
National Post Day	10 th October		
World Mental Health Day	10 th October	Mental Health is a Universal Human Right	
World Day Against the Death Penalty	10 th October		
National Current Good Manufacturing Practice Day (cGMP Day)	10 th October	cGMP: Transforming Helathcare	
International Day of Girl Child	11 th October	Invest in Girls' Rights: Our Leadership, Our Well-being	The day was first observed in 2012.
World Arthritis Day	12 th October	It's in your hands, take action	
World Sloth Bear Day	12 th October		IUCN Red List status of Sloth Bear is 'Vulnerable'.
International Day for Disaster Reduction	13 th October	Early Warning	
World Sight Day	Second Thursday of October (12 th October 2023)	Love Your Eyes at Work	
International E-Waste Day	14 th October	You can recycle anything with a plug, battery or cable!	The day was first observed in 2018.
World Standard Day	14 th October	Shared Vision for a Better World – Standards for Sustainable Development Goals” (incorporating SDG3)	The day was first observed in 1970.
World Egg Day	Second Friday of October (13 th October 2023)	Eggs for a healthy future	

World Student's Day	15 th October		The day commemorate the birth anniversary of the former president of India, Late Dr APJ Abdul Kalam.
International Day of Rural Women	15 th October		The day was first observed in 2008.
Global Handwashing Day	15 th October	Clean hands are within reach	The day was first observed in 2008.

337. The National Tribal Festival, 'Aadi Mahotsav', has been inaugurated by Union Minister for Tribal Affairs Arjun Munda in which place in October 2023?

Answer: Jamshedpur, Jharkhand

338. The poster girl of Kerala's adult literacy programme, Karthyayani Amma, has passed away in October 2023. She was honoured with the Nari Shakti Puraskar award, the highest civilian award for a woman, by the Government of India in which year?

Answer: 2020

339. Tamil Nadu IT Minister Palanivel Thiaga Rajan has released a book on ChatGPT for the use of professionals in various fields. What is the name of the book?

Answer: The Professionals Handbook to ChatGPT

340. The 2nd edition of annual Indian Space Conclave (ISC 2023) has been held in New Delhi. ISC 2023 has been organized by which organization?

Answer: Indian Space Association

341. To strengthen flood and riverbank erosion risk management in Assam, how much million loan has been approved by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in October 2023?

Answer: USD 200 million

342. Which lender has recently (October 2023) launched a 'Mobile Handheld Device' for its financial inclusion customers?

Answer: State Bank of India

343. Which lender has recently (October 2023) launched its digital bank proposition in its latest advertising campaign 'Open 2023'?

Answer: Axis Bank

344. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has recently (October 2023) hosted the ____ BRICS International Competition Conference (BRICS ICC) 2023 in New Delhi.

Answer: 8th

345. Which airport has become the first in Asia to commission a Disabled Aircraft Recovery Kit (DARK)?

Answer: Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj International Airport

346. At the Hangzhou Asian Games 2022, India finished fourth in the medal tally with 107 medals, including ____ Gold, ____ Silver, and ____ Bronze.

Answer: 28; 38; 41

347. Which state's Employment and Skill Development department has recently (October 2023) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Microsoft to provide training related to digital skills to the students?

Answer: Uttarakhand

348. Which nation will hold the chairmanship of the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA) from 2023 to 2025?

Answer: Sri Lanka

349. South Asia's first aircraft recovery training school has been set up at which airport?

Answer: Bangalore Airport

350. Who has been re-elected as the President of the Solvent Extractors' Association of India (SEA) for 2023-24?

Answer: Ajay Jhunjunwala

351. Recently (October 2023), Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of multiple projects worth about Rs.5000 crore in Jodhpur Rajasthan. During the event, he flagged off the Runicha Express which will connect ____ to ____.

Answer: Jaisalmer to Delhi

352. Which birth anniversary of Rani Durgavati is observed in 2023?

Answer: 500th

353. The first Gandhi Museum of North America has been opened in which place?

Answer: Houston, USA

354. _____ launched the first two prototype satellites 'KuiperSat-1' and 'KuiperSat-2' to Low Earth Orbit (LEO) as part of "Protoflight" mission of Project Kuiper.

Answer: Amazon

355. Claudia Goldin has won the 2023 Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel. She has been awarded for _____.

Answer: Women's labour market outcomes

356. Which state/UT has hosted the 16th edition of 'cOcon', the international cyber security and hacking conference?

Answer: Kerala

357. Operation Iron Swords' has been launched by which country in October 2023?

Answer: Israel

358. Air Force Day commemorates the official induction of the Indian Air Force (IAF) into India's armed forces in 1932. When is Indian Air Force Day observed annually?

Answer: 8th October

359. As per the data released by the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), India's fiscal deficit for the tenure April to August of the financial year 2023-24 is at _____.

Answer: Rs.6.42 trillion

360. India has been re-elected as the President of the Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD) General Conference (GC) for the ____ consecutive term.

Answer: Third

361. Which organization, in collaboration with the Savitribai Phule Pune University (SPPU), has launched an initiative titled Universalization of Traditional Indian Knowledge System (UTIKS)?

Answer: Indian Council for Cultural Relations

362. Which state has announced the formation of three new districts namely, 'Malpura', 'Sujangarh', and 'Kuchaman'?

Answer: Rajasthan

363. India's largest pumped storage project has been inaugurated in which state in October 2023?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

364. Which session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) has been held in 2023?

Answer: 78th

365. The World Health Organization (WHO) has recommended a new vaccine, R21/Matrix-M, for the prevention of _____ in children.

Answer: Malaria

366. Who has been named the 'Global Ambassador' for the men's Cricket ODI World Cup 2023?

Answer: Sachin Tendulkar

367. Which Indian state has launched the "Mukhyamantri Sukh Ashraya Yojana" to provide comprehensive support to orphans, especially abled children, destitute women, and elderly individuals in the state?

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

368. International Teachers Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 5th October

Other Important Days of October 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
International Coffee Day	1 st October	Promoting the right to a safe and healthy working environment in the coffee supply chain	The day was first observed in 2015.
National Voluntary Blood Donation Day	1 st October		
World Vegetarian Day	1 st October		
Vegetarian Awareness Month	1 st October to 1 st November		
International Day of Older Persons	1 st October	Fulfilling the Promises of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights for Older Persons: Across Generations	
National Pension System Diwas	1 st October		The day was first observed in 2021.
National Wildlife Week	2 nd to 8 th October	Partnerships for wildlife conservation	The year 2023 marks the 69 th National Wildlife Week.
World Day for Farmed Animals (WDFAs)	2 nd October		
International Day of Non-Violence	2 nd October		The year 2023 marks the 154 th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi.

World Habitat Day	First Monday of October (2nd October 2023)	Resilient urban economies. Cities as drivers of growth and recovery	
World Space Week	4 th to 10 th October	Space and Entrepreneurship	
World Animal Day	4 th October	Great or Small, Love Them All	
International Teachers Day	5 th October	The teachers we need for the education we want: The global imperative to reverse the teacher shortage	
Breast Cancer Awareness Month	1 st to 31 st October		
World Cerebral Palsy Day	6 th October	Together Stronger	
World Smile Day	First Friday of October (6 th October 2023)		The day was first observed in 1999.
World Cotton Day	7 th October	Making cotton fair and sustainable for all: from farm to fashion	The day was first observed in 2019.

369. What is the name of the annual joint military exercise conducted between India and Bangladesh, which recently (October 2023) commenced its 11th edition in Umroi, Meghalaya?

Answer: SAMPRITI

370. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched 'Sankalp Saptah', a unique week-long programme linked to the effective implementation of _____.

Answer: Aspirational Blocks Programme

371. As per the Ookla Speedtest Global Index (August 2023 edition), _____ has topped the index, while India has been ranked _____ in the index.

Answer: UAE; 47th

372. Which public sector enterprise has approved two joint ventures with EverEnviro Resource Management Pvt Ltd and GPS Renewables Pvt Ltd to set up compressed biogas (CBG) plants?

Answer: Indian Oil Corporation Limited

373. Who has become the first women to be honoured with the Global Indian Award by the Canada India Foundation (CIF)?

Answer: Sudha Murthy

374. Who has assumed the role of the 28th Director General of the Border Roads Organization (BRO)?

Answer: Lieutenant General Raghu Srinivasan

375. What is the venue of the 'Bharatiya Bhasha Summit' in 2023?

Answer: New Delhi

376. Mohamed Muizzu has been elected as the new President of _____.

Answer: Maldives

377. Who has been elected as the Chairman of PTI (Press Trust of India)?

Answer: K N Shanth Kumar

378. Which birth anniversary of Lal Bahadur Shastri has been observed on 2nd October 2023?

Answer: 119th

379. What is the rank of India in the Global Innovation Index 2023 published by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)?

Answer: 40th

380. How many individuals have been awarded the National Service Scheme Awards for the year 2021-2022?

Answer: 52

381. Who has been chosen as the recipient of the 2023 SASTRA Ramanujan Prize in mathematics?

Answer: Ruixiang Zhang

382. Chhattisgarh has launched the "Chief Minister Construction Workers Pension Assistance Scheme". The scheme provides construction workers, who are registered for ten years and completed 60 years of age, pension assistance of _____ per month for life.

Answer: Rs.1500

383. Name the Indian state that has become the fourth to introduce an e-cabinet system.

Answer: Tripura

384. The Indian Railways has inked a supply contract with the Indo-Russian joint venture Kinet Railway Solutions for manufacturing how many Vande Bharat trains?

Answer: 120

385. Which is India's most valuable brand, as per the 10th Kantar BrandZ Top 75 Most Valuable Indian Brands Report?

Answer: Tata Consultancy Services (TCS)

386. Who have been awarded the Nobel Prize for Physics in 2023?

Answer: Pierre Agostini (USA), Ferenc Krausz (Hungary), and Anne L'Huillier (France)

Other winners:

- The **2023 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine** has been awarded to Hungarian scientist **Katalin Kariko** and U.S. scientist **Drew Weissman** for their discoveries concerning nucleoside base modifications that enabled the development of effective mRNA vaccines against COVID-19.
- The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the Nobel Prize in Chemistry 2023 to **Moungi G. Bawendi (USA), Louis E. Brus (USA) and Alexei I. Ekimov (USA)** for the discovery and development of **quantum dots**, nanoparticles so tiny that their size determines their properties.

- The **Nobel Prize in Literature 2023** has been awarded to **Jon Fosse (Norway)** for his innovative plays and prose which give voice to the unsayabl
- The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences has decided to award the **Nobel Peace Prize for 2023** to **Narges Mohammadi**, an Iranian human rights activist, and scientist, for her fight against the oppression of women in Iran and her fight to promote human rights and freedom for all.

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387. Which Indian state has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute (NGI) to explore harnessing geothermal potential?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

388. What is the venue of the 13th Indo-Pacific Armies Chiefs Conference (IPACC)?

Answer: New Delhi

389. Which state has launched a new scheme namely 'Mukhyamantri Sampurna Pushti Yojana', and 'Pada Pushti Yojana' to improve nutritional status?

Answer: Odisha

390. The 4th edition of 'Nadi Utsav' has been organized on the banks of which rivers?

Answer: Yamuna

391. Which public sector undertaking (PSU) has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with state-owned hydro power firm SJVN Ltd to finance renewable energy and thermal power projects worth Rs.1.18 trillion?

Answer: Power Finance Corporation

392. Recently, a report released by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Indian Council for Research on International Economic Relations (ICRIER) states that India's Ultra-Processed Food Sector has grown at a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of ____ (percent) in retail sales value from 2011 to 2021.

Answer: 13.37%

393. Who has been named the 14th Director of the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC)?

Answer: Vivek Bhasin

394. Nihar Malvaiya has been appointed as the permanent CEO of which publishing house?

Answer: Penguin Random House

395. When will India host the 17th International Congress on the Chemistry of Cement (ICCC)?

Answer: 2027

396. Who has won the MotoGP Bharat 2023 held at the Buddh International Circuit in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh?

Answer: Marco Bezzechi

397. Biswanath Ghat in _____ (state) has been selected as the Best Tourism Village of India in 2023.

Answer: Assam

398. The First edition of 'Bharatiya Prakash Sthamb Utsav' or 'Indian Lighthouse Festival' has been hosted by which states/UTs?

Answer: Goa

399. What percentage of villages have achieved Open Defecation Free (ODF) Plus status under Phase II of the Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen), as of September 2023?

Answer: 75

400. The Union Minister of State for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Kailash Choudhary has launched an AI Chatbot for the Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi (PM-KISAN) scheme. What is the name of the chatbot?

Answer: Kisan e-Mitra

401. Who has won the 2023 F1 Japanese Grand Prix?

Answer: Max Verstappen

402. Who has been re-elected as the President of the IVPA (Indian Vegetable Oil Producers' Association) at the 46th annual general meeting of the association?

Answer: Sudhakar Rao Desai

403. Which Indian scientist has been awarded the 2023 Norman E. Borlaug Award for field research and application by the World Food Prize Foundation?

Answer: Swati Nayak

404. Which general insurance company has appointed Sanjeev Mantri as the new MD and CEO, effective from 1st December 2023?

Answer: ICICI Lombard General Insurance

405. According to the Economic Federation of the World (EFW) 2023 Annual Report, _____ is the world's freest economy, while India has ranked _____.

Answer: Singapore; 87th

406. What is the theme of World Tourism Day 2023?

Answer: Tourism and green investment

407. Tata Motors has delivered the first-of-its-kind Hydrogen Fuel Cell powered (FCEV) buses to which Maharatna company?

Answer: Indian Oil Corporation

408. Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve is present in which India state?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

409. Mithun, often referred to as the 'Cattle of the Hills', is the state animal of which two states?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh and Nagaland

410. Name the state that has recently (Sep'23) introduced the "Mukhyamantri Gramin Awas NYAY Yojana".

Answer: Chhattisgarh

411. Who will be conferred with the 53rd Dadasaheb Phalke Award?

Answer: Waheeda Rehman

412. Which country has topped the 2023 Global Crypto Adoption Index?

Answer: India

413. Who has been honoured with the 2023 World Leader for Peace and Security Award?

Answer: Mata Amritanandamayi Devi

414. Which organization has launched an innovative e-Learning Programme on sustainable finance?

Answer: United Nations Development Programme

415. Which Union Ministry of India has developed the 'UPAg' Portal?

Answer: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare

416. Who has won the 2023 Singapore Grand Prix?

Answer: Carlos Sainz Jr.

417. Which Indian state inaugurated 'Mukhyamantri Krishak Mitra Yojana' to provide permanent agricultural pump connections to the farmers?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

418. Which small finance bank (SFB) has recently (September 2023) introduced the Maxima Savings Account and Business Maxima Current Account for the premium customer segment.

Answer: Ujjivan Small Finance Bank

419. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has recently (September 2023) participated in the 19th Heads of Asian Coast Guard Agencies Meeting (HACGAM) held in _____.

Answer: Astanbul, Türkiye

420. Which state's cabinet has recently (Sep'23) approved the 'Mob Lynching Victim Compensation Scheme 2023'?

Answer: Madhya Pradesh

421. Indian team has emerged as the winner in the SAFF U-16 Championship 2023. This marks the _____ title of India in the championship.

Answer: 5th

422. Name the state/UT that has recently (Sep'23) introduced a new 'e-Bhoomi portal' to ease the process of purchasing land for government projects with the landowners' consent.

Answer: Haryana

423. In the September 2023 update, Fitch Ratings has retained its growth forecast for India for the fiscal year 2023-24 (FY24) at _____ (percent).

Answer: 6.3%

424. India has become the _____ country in the world that can issue the International Organisation of Legal Metrology (OIML) certificates.

Answer: 13th

425. What is the theme of International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer 2023?

Answer: Montreal Protocol. fixing the ozone layer and reducing climate change

426. Recently, the tenure of the Company Law Committee has been extended by one year i.e., till September 16, 2024. The committee is chaired by _____.

Answer: Corporate Affairs Secretary

427. The First Global Symposium on Farmers' Rights has been organized in which place?

Answer: New Delhi

428. Rahul Mishra has been awarded the prestigious “Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres” by the French government. He is associated with which profession?

Answer: Fashion designer

429. When is World Patient Safety Day observed?

Answer: 17th September

430. Recently (September 2023), a renowned highway and traffic expert and Founder Director of the National Transportation Planning and Research Centre (NATPAC), has passed away. What was his name?

Answer: N.S. Srinivasan

431. Who has been roped in as the title sponsor for India's first-ever MotoGP Grand Prix by MotoGP Bharat?

Answer: IndianOil

432. Which railway station in India has been named after Captain Tushar Mahajan?

Answer: Udhampur Railway Station

433. What is the monthly financial assistance provided under the 'Kalaingar Magalir Urimai Thogai Thittam', a women's rights grants scheme, recently (Sep'23) launched by the Government of Tamil Nadu?

Answer: Rs.1000

434. Recently (Sep'23), the Goa government has introduced a new scheme titled “Griha Adhar” to financially support _____.

Answer: Homemakers

435. World Bamboo Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 18th September

436. As per the Morning Consult Survey, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been named the "Most Popular Global World Leader". Who has been ranked second?

Answer: Alain Berset

437. Which country has recently (Sep'23) agreed to train Indian seafarers in polar and arctic waters?

Answer: Russia

438. "Atreyapuram Pootharekulu", recently in news, is a popular dessert of which state?

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

439. How many new Sainik Schools has the Government of India (GoI) approved for establishment across India?

Answer: 100

440. Which Indian state government has announced to launch the "CM breakfast scheme" to students studying in government primary and high schools?

Answer: Telangana

441. Which Union Ministry of India has launched the Swachhata Pakhwada 2023?

Answer: Ministry of Railways

442. What is the name of the India International Convention and Expo Centre (IICC) located in New Delhi?

Answer: Yashobhoomi

443. Who has been awarded the 'Honorary Fellowship 2022-23' by the Institution of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers (IETE) India?

Answer: G. Satheesh Reddy

444. International Week of Deaf People (IWDP) 2023 has been observed on which dates?

Answer: 18th to 24th September

445. Who has won the men's javelin throw event at the Diamond League 2023 with a best throw of 84.24m?

Answer: Jakub Vadlejch

446. Which two Indian sites have been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List in 2023?

Answer: Santiniketan & Sacred Ensembles of the Hoysalas

447. A team of scientists from India, China, Malaysia, and the USA have won the Ig Nobel Prize 2023 for their research on _____.

Answer: Re-animating dead spiders for gripping tools

448. Indian cricket team has won the Asia Cup 2023 title for a record-extending eighth time after defeating which team?

Answer: Sri Lanka

449. In the 2023 Digital Quality of Life (DQL) index, India has improved its ranking from 59th rank in 2022 to ____ in 2023.

Answer: 52nd

450. Which Union Ministry of India has developed the 'UPAg' Portal?

Answer: Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare

451. Who has won the 2023 Singapore Grand Prix?

Answer: Carlos Sainz Jr.

452. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the Digital Infrastructure Providers Association (DIPA) in place of Akhil Gupta?

Answer: Dhananjay Joshi

453. International NFT Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 20th September

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Other Important Days of September 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
International Day of Sign Languages	23 rd September	A World Where Deaf People Everywhere Can Sign Anywhere!	
World Lung Day	25 th September	Access to prevention and treatment for all. Leave no one behind	
World Pharmacists Day	25 th September	Pharmacy strengthening health systems	The day was first observed in 2010.
Antyodaya Diwas	25 th September		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Indian leader Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya. The year 2023 marks the 107th birth anniversary of him.
World Rivers Day	Fourth Sunday of September (24 th September 2023)		
International Daughter's Day	Fourth Sunday of September (24 th September 2023)		

International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons	26 th September		The day was first observed in 2014.
World Contraception Day	26 th September	The Power of Options	The day was first observed in 2007.
World Environment Health Day	26 th September	Global Environmental Public Health: Standing up to protect everyone's Health each and every day	
World Tourism Day	27 th September	Tourism and green investment	
World Rabies Day	28 th September	All for 1, One Health for all	The day was first observed in 2007.
International Day for Universal Access to Information	28 th September	The importance of the online space for Access to Information	
World Maritime Day	Last Thursday of September (28 th September 2023)		The day was first observed in 1978.
World Heart Day	29 th September	Use Heart, Know Heart	
International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste	29 th September	Reducing food loss & waste: Taking action to Transform Food Systems	The day was first observed in 2020.
International Translation Day	30 th September	Translation unveils the many faces of humanity	The day was first observed in 2017.

454. In September 2023, Telangana Chief Minister K Chandrashekhar Rao inaugurated the mega Palamuru-Ranga Reddy Lift Irrigation Scheme (PRLIS) built on which river?

Answer: Krishna River

455. Which state's Chief Minister has announced the roll out of a new scheme titled 'Mukhya Mantri Shramik Kalyan Yojana' for the welfare of the labour force of the state?

Answer: Arunachal Pradesh

456. Noted Indian American Writer-Filmmaker Gita Mehta has passed away in September 2023. She was honoured with Padma Shri in _____.

Answer: 2019

457. Sikkil Natesan Neela, the younger of the 'Sikkil Sisters' duo from Tamil Nadu, has passed away. She was a renowned _____.

Answer: Flautist

458. The Indian Army has recently (September 2023) inducted 600 indigenously-manufactured self-neutralising anti-tank mines called "_____" to provide mobility kill against enemy armoured vehicles.

Answer: Vibhav

459. Who has been elected as the Chairman of the Audit Bureau of Circulations (ABC) for the term 2023-24?

Answer: Srinivasan K Swamy

460. In India, _____ percent children live in extremely poor households, according to the third report on "Global Trends in Child Monetary Poverty According to International Poverty Lines" by the World Bank Group and UNICEF.

Answer: 11.5

461. "Swalambhan 2023", the seminar of the Naval Innovation and Indigenisation Organisation (NIIO), will be held in which city?

Answer: New Delhi

462. The theme of International Day of Peace 2023 is _____.

Answer: Actions for peace. Our ambition for the Global Goals

463. What is the new name proposed by Prime Minister Narendra Modi for the Old Parliament building?

Answer: Samvidhan Sadan

464. Who has been appointed as India's next Ambassador to Mongolia?

Answer: Atul Malhari Gotsurve

465. The state government of _____ has launched an Integrated Electricity Consumer Portal in September 2023.

Answer: Himachal Pradesh

466. _____ has integrated its Maa Navjaat Tracking app (MaNTrA) with the birth registration system.

Answer: Uttar Pradesh

467. Apurva Chandra, Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, has launched an eBook on India's G20 Presidency. What is the name of this eBook?

Answer: People's G20

468. The International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Rifle/Pistol World Cup 2023 has been held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. In the tournament, India has finished _____ in the medal tally with _____ medals.

Answer: 5th; 2

469. Which country has recently (September 2023) hosted the first joint military drills by the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) bloc on Batam Island?

Answer: Indonesia

470. Which three major USA cities have been named as the venues for the ICC Men's T20 World Cup in 2024?

Answer: Dallas, Florida and New York

471. Which IT company has collaborated with Nvidia to build generative artificial intelligence (GenAI) tools for enterprises?

Answer: Infosys

472. The 108 feet tall statue of Hindu saint Adi Shankaracharya, named 'Ekatmata Ki Pratima' (Statue of Oneness), has been unveiled in which place?

Answer: Omkareshwar

473. When is World Rhino Day observed annually?

Answer: 22nd September

Other Important Days of September 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer	16 th September	Montreal Protocol: fixing the ozone layer and reducing climate change	
World Patient Safety Day	17 th September	Engaging patients for patient safety	
International Coastal Cleanup Day	3rd Saturday of September (16 th September 2023)	Sea the Change	The day was first observed in 1986.
International Red Panda Day	3rd Saturday of September (16th September 2023)		IUCN status of Red Panda: "Endangered"
World Bamboo Day	18 th September		The day was first observed in 2009.
International Equal Pay Day	18 th September		The day was first observed in 2020.

World Water Monitoring Day	18 th September		
International World Snakebite Awareness Day	19 th September		The day was first observed in 2018.
International Week of Deaf People	18 th to 24 th September 2023	A World Where Deaf People Everywhere Can Sign Anywhere!	
International NFT Day	20 th September		
World Alzheimer's Day	21 st September		The theme for World Alzheimer's Month in September 2023 is "Never too early, never too late".
International Day of Peace	21 st September	Actions for peace: Our ambition for the #GlobalGoals	The day was first observed in 1982.
World Rose Day	22 nd September		The day is dedicated to cancer patients.
World Rhino Day	22 nd September		
World-Car Free Day	22 nd September		

474. 'RAISE' is the theme of B20 Summit India 2023 held recently (Aug 2023) in New Delhi. What does the 'R' stand for here in RAISE?

Answer: The theme of B20 India 2023 is "**R.A.I.S.E**" (**Responsible, Accelerated, Innovative, Sustainable and Equitable Businesses**)

475. Which Ministry has developed the 'G20 India App', recently launched by the Indian Government?

Answer: Ministry of External Affairs

476. Subasa Mohanta and Raimati Ghiuria, popularly known as 'Millet Didis', have recently participated in the 18th G20 Summit. They hail from which state/UT of India?

Answer: Odisha

477. What is the theme of 43rd ASEAN Summit, recently hosted by Indonesia?

Answer: ASEAN Matters: Epicentrum of Growth

478. When is the International Day to Protect Education from Attack observed annually?

Answer: 9th September

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Other Important Days of September 2023:

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International Literacy Day	8 th September	Promoting literacy for a world in transition: Building the foundation for sustainable and peaceful societies	
World Physiotherapy Day	8 th September	Arthritis and the role of physiotherapists	
International Day to Protect Education from Attack	9 th September		
World Electrical Vehicle(EV) Day	9 th September		The day was first observed in 2020.
Himalaya Day	9 th September		The day is observed annually in the state of Uttarakhand since 2015.
World Suicide Prevention Day	10th September	Creating Hope Through Action	
World First Aid Day	Second Saturday of September	First Aid in the Digital World	

	(9 th September)		
National Forest Martyrs Day	11 th September		The day is observed to commemorate the anniversary of the Khejarli Trees Massacre in 1730.
United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation	12 th September	Solidarity, Equity and Partnership: Unlocking South-South Cooperation to Achieve the SDGs	
International Polycystic Ovary Syndrome (PCOS) Awareness Month	1 st to 30 th September		
Hindi Diwas	14 th September		The day was first observed in 1953.
National Engineer's Day	15 th September		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Sir Moksha Gundam Visvesvaraya, the first Civil Engineer in India.
International Day of Democracy	15 th September	Empowering the next generation	
World Lymphoma Awareness Day	15 th September		

479. India has improved its ranking by one spot to secure _____ rank in the US News & World Report's Best Countries 2023.

Answer: 30th

480. The X-ray Imaging and Spectroscopy Mission (XRISM) and the Smart Lander for Investigating Moon (SLIM) have been launched by which space agency in September 2023?

Answer: Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA)

481. Prime Minister Narendra Modi has launched the 'Global Biofuel Alliance' (GBA) during the ____ G20 Leaders' Summit held in New Delhi.

Answer: 18th

482. What is the name of the laptop and micro-PC recently (September 2023) introduced by ITI Limited?

Answer: SMAASH

483. Recently (September 2023), the Governor of Assam Gulab Chand Kataria launched the 'Sarpanch Samvad' app. This app is developed by _____.

Answer: Quality Council of India

484. Who has been re-appointed as the global Managing Director (MD) and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Tata Steel Limited for the next five years?

Answer: T.V. Narendran

485. How much budgetary allotment has recently (September 2023) been approved by the Union Cabinet for the distribution of 75 lakh free cooking gas connections under the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY)?

Answer: Rs.1,650 crore

486. Who inaugurated the 'National e-Vidhan Application' (NeVA) in Gujarat?

Answer: President of India (Droupadi Murmu)

487. Hindi Diwas is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 14th September

488. Recently (September 2023), India & UK have participated in the _____ Economic and Financial Dialogue (EFD) in New Delhi.

Answer: 12th

489. The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) will construct the world's highest fighter airfield in which place?

Answer: Nyoma, Eastern Ladakh

490. In September 2023, the Second Phase of the 21st edition of Varuna (Varuna-23) bilateral exercise between Indian and French Navy was conducted in which sea?

Answer: Arabian Sea

491. ____ has won the FIBA Basketball World Cup 2023 by defeating Serbia.

Answer: Germany

492. What is the venue of the 37th edition of the National Games of India?

Answer: Goa

493. The Governor of Andhra Pradesh ____ has recently (September 2023) released a special postal cover on freedom fighter Alluri Sitarama Raju, who led the famous Rampa Rebellion.

Answer: S. Abdul Nazeer

494. What is the name of the recently (September 2023) launched first operational tactical nuclear attack submarine by North Korea?

Answer: Hero Kim Kun Ok

495. Novok Djokovic has won the men's singles title at the US Open 2023 by defeating Daniil Medvedev. This is his ____ Grand Slam title.

Answer: 24th

496. International Literacy Day (ILD) is observed annually on 8th September. What is the theme of ILD 2023?

Answer: "Promoting literacy for a world in transition: Building the foundation for sustainable and peaceful societies."

497. A product named 'Salem sago' has received a GI (Geographical Indication) tag. It belongs to which state?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

498. India's first underground power transformer station has been unveiled in which place?

Answer: Malleswaram, Bengaluru (Karnataka).

499. Which Indian Naval Ship (INS) has recently (September 2023) participated in the Maritime Partnership Exercise between Indian & Sri Lankan Navy?

Answer: INS Delhi

500. The official sponsor of the Indian Contingent at the 19th Asian Games 2022 is _____ (company).

Answer: Amul

501. The next meeting (2024) of SCO Ministers for Law and Justice will be held in which country?

Answer: Kazakhstan

502. _____ has joined hands with the Drone Federation of India to co-host 'Bharat Drone Shakti 2023'.

Answer: Indian Air Force

503. Recently (September 2023), 'Project Naman' has been launched by the Indian Army. The project is launched for _____.

Answer: Establishing facilitation and grievance redressal centres for veterans

504. _____ has become the second city in the state after Surat to implement an Emission Trading Scheme (ETS) for particulate pollution.

Answer: Ahmedabad

505. Who has become India's first female diplomat to head a mission in Pakistan?

Answer: Geetika Srivastava

506. Recently, the Union Government has extended the Rs.25,938-crore Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for which sector by another year till FY28?

Answer: Automotive sector

507. Which country's warship builder has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Goa Shipyard Limited to collaborate in ship design?

Answer: Kenya

508. Who has been appointed as the Chairman of the Finance Industry Development Council (FIDC)?

Answer: Umesh Revankar

509. Recently, the Gujarat government has launched software to make online payment compulsory for Panchayati Raj Institutions at a state-level 'Meri Mati Mera Desh' campaign. What is the name of the software?

Answer: PRAISA

510. Which Union Territory (UT) of India has won the Best UT Award at the India Smart Cities Award Contest (ISAC) 2022?

Answer: Chandigarh

511. National Nutrition Week is observed annually from 1st September to 7th September. What is the theme of National Nutrition Month 2023, as per UNICEF?

Answer: Healthy Diet Going Affordable for All

512. Name the state that has launched the Mukhyamantri Nishulk Annapurna Food Packet Scheme.

Answer: Rajasthan

513. World Coconut Day is observed annually on which date?

Answer: 2nd September

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World Coconut Day	2 nd September	Sustaining Coconut Sector for the Present and Future Generation	
Rashtriya Poshan Maah	1st to 30th September 2023	Suposhit Bharat, Sakshar Bharat, Sashakt Bharat (Nutrition-rich India, Educated India, Empowered India)	
National Nutrition Week	1 st to 7 th September 2023		The first National Nutrition Week was observed in 1982.
International Vulture Awareness Day	First Saturday of September (2 nd September 2023)		
National Teachers' Day	5 th September		The day commemorates the birth anniversary of Dr Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, who was the second President of India and a well-renowned educationist.
International Day of Charity	5 th September		The day commemorates the death anniversary of Mother Teresa. She received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979.
International Day of Clean Air for blue skies	7 th September	Together for Clean Air	The day was first observed in 2020.

514. What is the name of the device developed by ISRO-Space Applications Centre (Ahmedabad) for the safety of fishermen, which has been successfully tested at Neendakara?

Answer: Nabhmitra

515. Recently, Union Minister of Civil Aviation Jyotiraditya Scindia has inaugurated Utkela airport in which state?

Answer: Odisha

516. Who has been appointed as the first woman CEO and Chairperson of the Railway Board?

Answer: Jaya Verma Sinha

517. In a significant feat, _____ has become the first state in the north-eastern region to introduce an Aadhaar-linked birth registration (ALBR) system.

Answer: Nagaland

518. The Indian Men's Hockey team has won the inaugural Men's Hockey 5s Asia Cup 2023 by defeating which hockey team?

Answer: Pakistan

519. In 2023, which team has won the Durand Cup?

Answer: Mohun Bagan Super Giant

520. _____ has become the new brand ambassador of Swaraj Tractors in September 2023.

Answer: M.S. Dhoni

521. Which French company has joined hands with the Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IIT Madras) to explore opportunities in various domains of energy research?

Answer: Technip Energies

522. Who has been elected as the Prime Minister of Vanuatu for the 5th time?

Answer: Sato Kilman

523. Who has been appointed as the Chairperson of the National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM)?

Answer: Rajesh Nambiar

524. Which organisation has recently (September 2023) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) to co-finance Renewable Energy projects?

Answer: India Infrastructure Finance Company Ltd (IIFCL)

525. In September 2023, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE), the Ministry of Education (MoE), and Meta have signed a three-year partnership known as '*Education to Entrepreneurship: Empowering a Generation of Students, Educators and Entrepreneurs*' to skill _____ entrepreneurs.

Answer: 5 lakh

526. What is the main objective of the 'Chief Minister SABAL Yojana', recently (September 2023) launched by the state government of Himachal Pradesh?

Answer: To empower specially-abled children

527. Who has been nominated as the new President of the Film and Television Institute of India (FTII)?

Answer: R Madhavan

528. Recently, what status has been accorded to Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Limited (RCFL) by the Indian Government?

Answer: Navratna status

529. Which former Chief Justice of the Calcutta High Court has recently (Aug 2023) been appointed as the new chairperson of the National Green Tribunal (NGT)?

Answer: Justice Prakash Shrivastava

530. Recently (Aug 2023), the Chief Minister of Kerala Pinarayi Vijayan has launched the Kerala Solid Waste Management Project (KSWMP) as part of the second phase of 'Malinya Muktham Navakeralam' (garbage free) campaign. What is the total outlay of the project?

Answer: Rs.2400 crore

531. According to the news report from August 2023, the Government of Telangana has partnered with UNESCO to put into action the UNESCO recommendation concerning the Ethics of what specific domain or area?

Answer: Artificial Intelligence

532. Which police department has recently (Aug 2023) initiated the 'SaveraYojna' program to offer timely assistance to senior citizens?

Answer: Ghaziabad Police

533. Recently (Aug 2023), Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla has inaugurated the 9th India Region Conference of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association at which place?

Answer: Udaipur

534. The Department of Animal Husbandry & Dairying (DAHD), Government of India has recently (Aug 2023) received a grant of USD 25 million from which fund to strengthen animal health system of India?

Answer: G20 Pandemic Fund

535. Srettha Thavisin has been elected as the 30th Prime Minister of which country in August 2023?

Answer: Thailand

536. In August 2023, NHPC Limited has signed a pact with RITES Limited to construct a railway siding for a _____ (Megawatt) Dibang multipurpose project in Arunachal Pradesh.

Answer: 2880 MW

537. Identify the program that has recently (Aug 2023) been launched by the Road Transport & Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari, with the goal of improving road safety by elevating safety standards of M1 category motor vehicles.

Answer: Bharat New Car Assessment Programme (BNCAP)

538. Recently (Aug 2023), the National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) has approved whom as the 54th Tiger Reserve of India?

Answer: Dholpur-Karauli Tiger Reserve

539. Which edition of Namaste Vietnam Festival has been held in August 2023?

Answer: Second

540. Who has represented India in the 20th ASEAN-India Economic Ministers' meeting held in Semarang, Indonesia?

Answer: Rajesh Agrawal

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541. Who has been named the new 'national icon' of the Election Commission of India (ECI) to spread awareness of the need for greater voter participation in the electoral process?

Answer: Sachin Tendulkar

542. India's first Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) microsite has been launched in the capital of _____.

Answer: Aizawl

543. Recently, the International Cricket Council (ICC) has collaborated with which fintech company for the ICC Men's Cricket World Cup 2023?

Answer: Mastercard

544. Guwahati airport has achieved the distinction of being the first airport in the northeast region to offer which facility to passengers?

Answer: Digi Yatra facility

545. The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) has recently (Aug 2023) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which country's Coast Guard to enhance maritime cooperation?

Answer: Philippines

546. India's first Artificial Intelligence (AI) School has been opened in which state?

Answer: Kerala

547. In the month of August 2023, the G20 Trade and Investment Ministers Meeting (TIMM) has been held under India's G20 Presidency in _____.

Answer: Jaipur

548. Recently (Aug 2023), the Government of Uttar Pradesh has launched a portal to bring transparency in the work of all the officers and employees of all 74 departments in the state. What is the name of the portal?

Answer: Manav Sampada portal

549. Which company appointed tennis icon Rafael Nadal as its brand ambassador in August 2023?

Answer: Infosys

550. Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) and which refinery have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to utilize National Waterways-2 (Brahmaputra) and Indo Bangladesh Protocol Route (IBPR) for exporting petroleum products to Bangladesh and other Southeast Asian countries?

Answer: Numaligarh Refinery

551. National Sports Day is observed annually on 29th August to commemorate the birth anniversary of which Indian sports personality?

Answer: Dhyan Chand

552. Identify the state that has recently (Aug 2023) become the first in India to provide free breakfast to students in all government schools.

Answer: Tamil Nadu

553. Kunlavut Vitidsarn, who won the men's singles title at the BWF World Championships 2023 in Copenhagen, belongs to which country?

Answer: Thailand

Important Days of August 2023:

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Internaut Day	23 rd August		The day marks the invention of the World Wide Web (WWW). Tim Berners Lee invented the WWW in 1989.
International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition	23 rd August		
World Water Week	20th August-24th August 2023	Seeds of Change: Innovative Solutions for a Water-Wise World	
World Gujarati Language Day	24 th August		The day commemorate the birth anniversary of the great writer of Gujarat 'Veer Narmad'
International Dog Day	26 th August		
Women's Equality Day	26 th August		The day is observed annually across the USA.
International Day against Nuclear Tests	29 th August		The day was first observed in 2010.
National Sports Day	29 th August		The day commemorate the birth anniversary of Hockey Wizard Major Dhyan Chand.
National Small Industry Day	30 th August		
International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances	30 th August		The day was first observed in 2011.
International Whale Shark Day	30 th August		

International Day for People of African Descent	31 st August		The day was first observed in 2021.
World Sanskrit Day	31 st August 2023		The day is annually observed across India on the Poonima Tithi of Shravana month in the Hindu Calendar. The day was first observed in 1969.

554. Indian Men's Hockey Team has won the Hero Asian Champions Trophy 2023 by defeating which team?

Answer: Malaysia

555. Which Indian film has been selected in the semi-final round of Oscar's Student Academy Award 2023

Answer: Champaran Mutton

556. Which country has recently (August 2023) honoured Myra Grover with the prestigious 'Empowered Women Icon Award'?

Answer: United Kingdom

557. In the month of August 2023, Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of Sant Shiromani Gurudev Shri Ravidas ji Memorial that will be constructed at ____ village of Sagar district in Madhya Pradesh.

Answer: Badtuma

558. Recently (August 2023), Telangana State Road Transport Corporation (TSRTC) has introduced the 'Gamyam' app with the aim of providing information about ____.

Answer: Bus tracking

559. In August 2023, Union Home Minister Amit Shah performed the Bhumi Puja (groundbreaking ceremony) and laid the foundation stone of the IFFCO Nano DAP (Liquid) Plant at which place?

Answer: Gandhidham

560. Name the country that has recently (Aug 2023) launched the disaster monitoring satellite 'L-SAR4 01', the world's first high-orbit synthetic aperture radar (SAR) satellite.

Answer: China

561. India's Defence Ministry has recently (Aug 2023) decided to replace the Microsoft Operating System (OS) with a locally built Maya for all its computers that can connect to the Internet. The unique feature of Maya OS is _____.

Answer: It is an Ubuntu-based OS

562. In August 2023, the Government of ____ has launched its flagship scheme "Gramin Mitra" to provide doorstep delivery of government services.

Answer: Goa

563. Which state's Farmers Fresh Zone (Farmers FZ) has been selected by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) for the SDG Agrifood accelerator programme?

Answer: Kerala

564. In August 2023, which city has been reinstated as the host city for 2024 Under-20 Athletics World Championships?

Answer: Lima

565. What is the objective of 'Athidhi Portal' recently (Aug 2023) launched by the Government of Kerala?

Answer: To expedite the registration for migrant workers

566. Who has been assigned with the additional charge of the post of Managing Director (MD) of the National Highways and Infrastructure Development Corporation Limited (NHIDCL)?

Answer: Mahmood Ahmed

567. Who has been appointed as Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Power Finance Corporation Limited (PFC)?

Answer: Parminder Chopra

568. Recently (Aug 2023), India has handed over a substitute Dornier-228 maritime surveillance aircraft to which country's air force?

Answer: Sri Lanka

569. What is the purpose of the 'FloodWatch' app recently (Aug 2023) developed by the Central Water Commission (CWC)?

Answer: To provide real-time flood updates and information

570. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has recently (Aug 2023) been signed between Trinidad and Tobago & the Indian government with the objective of _____.

Answer: Sharing India stack

571. In the month of August 2023, Union Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Minister Dharmendra Pradhan, and Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Nirmala Sitharaman have jointly launched Kuwi and Desia books in which state of India?

Answer: Odisha

572. Who has launched an initiative to integrate blockchain technology with the e-forensic app of the Delhi Forensic Science Laboratory (DFSL) in August 2023?

Answer: Vinai Kumar Saxena

573. Recently (Aug 2023), Indian Navy's second Missile Cum Ammunition (MCA) barge, Yard 76 (LSAM 8), has been launched at _____.

Answer: Andhra Pradesh

574. Which organization has developed an open-source software "National Carbon Registry"?

Answer: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

575. What is the theme of International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism 2023?

Answer: Legacy

576. Which Indian state government has recently (Aug 2023) inaugurated India's first-ever night street racing circuit?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

577. Which company has recently (Aug 2023) collaborated with Skye Air to enable delivery shipments using drones?

Answer: Shiprocket

578. Anduri Utsav, popularly known as Butter Festival, has been observed in which state/UT of India?

Answer: Uttarakhand

579. Which cloud infrastructure provider has been chosen by the Ministry of Education to modernize the national education technology platform, Digital Infrastructure for Knowledge Sharing (DIKSHA)?

Answer: Oracle Cloud Infrastructure

580. A 17-year-old Chess Grandmaster _____ has recently (in Aug 2023) surpassed Viswanathan Anand to become India's highest-ranked player in the FIDE rankings.

Answer: Gukesh D

581. In the 2023 World Archery Championships, India has topped the medal tally with ___ Gold, ___ Silver, & ___ Bronze. It is followed by _____.

Answer: 3, 0, 1; South Korea

582. Recently, NewSpace India Limited (NSIL), the commercial arm of ISRO, has transferred the Indian Mini Satellite-1 (IMS-1) Bus Technology to Alpha Design Technologies Pvt. Ltd (ADTL). Which organization developed IMS-1 satellite bus?

Answer: U R Rao Satellite Centre (URSC)

583. To develop AI for the shipbuilding and defence sectors, the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with which defence public sector undertakings (PSUs)?

Answer: Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL)

584. Which state's Responsible Tourism Mission (RT Mission) in collaboration with UN Women has recently (Aug 2023) organized an orientation program called the 'Trainer of Trainers' under the 'Women-Friendly Tourism' initiative?

Answer: Kerala

585. According to the recent news, India has provided financial assistance of Rs. _____ million to Sri Lanka for the Sri Lanka Unique Digital Identity (SL-UDI) project.

Answer: 450

586. In the month of August 2023, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Minister Amit Shah launched the digital portal of the Central Registrar of Cooperative Societies (CRCS) office in _____ (city).

Answer: Pune

587. Foxconn Industrial Internet, a subsidiary of the Taiwanese firm Foxconn, has inked Rs.1600 crore deal with which state to set up electronic components manufacturing facility?

Answer: Tamil Nadu

588. Name the state that has recently (Aug 2023) launched the 'Gruha Jyoti' free electricity scheme.

Answer: Karnataka

589. Indian weightlifting contingent has finished the Asian Youth and Junior Weightlifting Championships 2023 with a total of _____ medals in August 2023.

Answer: 42

590. Recently (in Aug 2023), the Indian Naval Ship (INS) _____ has participated in a Passage Exercise (Passex) with Royal Saudi Naval Ship HMS Al Jubail.

Answer: INS Chennai

591. How much amount has been allocated for the special initiative 'Transforming Lives, Building Futures: Skill Development and Entrepreneurship in North-East' launched by the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship (MSDE) in August 2023?

Answer: Rs.360 crore

592. Which state of India has extended its social security scheme named 'Madhu Babu Pension Yojna' for the elderly, widows and other vulnerable sections, as announced in August 2023?

Answer: Odisha

593. As per the news, Amazon India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India (EDII) and the Cottage and Rural Industries Department, Government of _____, to help drive e-commerce exports from the state.

Answer: Gujarat

594. Who has inked a pact with REC Ltd and Power Finance Corporation (PFC) to get finance of Rs.9,120 crore for its various projects in India?

Answer: Apraava Energy

595. What is the objective of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between the UNDP Indonesia and the eGov Foundation of India in August 2023?

Answer: To improve medical waste management

596. Which state's/UT's Chikri wood craft and Mushqbudji rice have received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag recently (August 2023)?

Answer: Jammu & Kashmir

597. Which country has been working on a first-of-its-kind tripartite electricity trade deal in South Asia?

Answer: India, Nepal & Bangladesh

598. Which general insurance company has signed a contract with the Government of Meghalaya for the implementation of the Megha Health Insurance Scheme (MHIS) and the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB-PMJAY) Phase 6?

Answer: Reliance General Insurance

599. Recently (August 2023), Larsen & Toubro (L&T) has planned to invest USD 4 billion in green hydrogen projects, along with its joint venture (JV) partners named _____ & _____.

Answer: Indian Oil Corporation and ReNew Power

600. Which Union Ministry of India has launched the Indian Web Browser Development Challenge (IWBDCh)?

Answer: Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology

601. Which district has been ranked as the top performing district under Jal Jeevan Survekshan (JJS-2023) among 114 Har Ghar Jal certified villages across India?

Answer: Srinagar

602. 'Kamar' tribe, a Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group (PVTG) in _____, has been awarded habitat rights in August 2023.

Answer: Chhattisgarh

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ASEAN Day	8 th August	Stronger Together	
Nagasaki Day	9 th August		
International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	9 th August	Indigenous youth as agents of change for self-determination	
World Lion Day	10 th August		The day was first observed in 2013.

World Biofuel Day	10 th August		The day was first observed in 2015.
World Steelpan Day	11 th August		
World Elephant Day	12 th August	Ending the Illegal Wildlife Trade	
International Youth Day	12 th August	Intergenerational Solidarity: Creating a World for All Ages	
International Lefthanders Day	13 th August		The day was first observed in 1976.
World Organ Donation Day	13 th August	Step up to volunteer; need more organ donors to fill the lacunae	
Partition Horrors Remembrance Day	14 th August		
Independence Day of India	15 th August		

603. To share INDIA STACK, the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) of India has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Ministry of Information and Communication Technology (MICT) of which country?

Answer: Papua New Guinea

604. Recently, the Government of Tamil Nadu has planned to set up a botanical garden in Chengalpattu in collaboration with which country?

Answer: United Kingdom

605. Recently, the Falcon Heavy Rocket of SpaceX has launched the Hughes JUPITER 3 mission, the world's largest commercial communications satellite, to which orbit?

Answer: Geostationary transfer orbit (GTO)

606. Prem Prakash, who has been honoured with the Global Education Mentor (GEM) Award 2023-Lifetime Achievement Award, is associated with which profession?

Answer: Journalist

607. Recently, the National Health Authority (NHA) has launched the 100 Microsites Project under Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM). This project will be implemented by _____.

Answer: State Mission Directors

608. As per the news, Tata Technologies has signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with the Government of Chhattisgarh to modernise 36 government-owned Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) into Industry 4.0 Tech Hub. What is the total cost of the project?

Answer: Rs.1188.36 crore

609. During the 3rd round of Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) held between India and _____ in July 2023, 5 Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) have been signed for the implementation of five Quick Impact Projects (QIPs).

Answer: Lao People's Democratic Republic

610. Identify the state government that has launched a mobile application-based elephant movement tracking system to reduce human-elephant conflicts in the state.

Answer: Jharkhand

611. Recently, Union Minister Amit Shah has unveiled the book 'Memories Never Die'. The book is associated with which Indian personality?

Answer: A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

612. Which women's hockey team has won the Torneo del Centenario 2023 tournament by defeating Spain?

Answer: India

613. Recently, ISRO has successfully launched its seven Singaporean satellites using which launch vehicle?

Answer: PSLV C56

614. As per World Health Organization (WHO), the theme for World Breastfeeding Week 2023 is _____.

Answer: Let's make breastfeeding and work, work

Other Important Days of August 2023:

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
World Lung Cancer Day	1 st August		Pearl or white is the colour of the Lung Cancer Awareness ribbon. November is observed as Lung Cancer Awareness Month.
Muslim Women's Rights Day	1 st August		
World Wide Web Day	1 st August		World Wide Web (WWW) was introduced by Tim Berners Lee on 1 st August 1991.
World FinTech Day	1 st August		
World Breastfeeding Week	1 st to 7 th August	Let's make breastfeeding and work, work (as per WHO) and Enabling breastfeeding: making a difference for working parents (as per WABA)	
Earth Overshoot Day	2 nd August (2023)		
Indian Organ Donation Day	3 rd August		The day was first observed in 2010.
National Bone & Joint Day	4 th August		
Hiroshima Day	6 th August		The year 2023 marks the 78th anniversary of Hiroshima Day.

National Handloom Day	7 th August	Handloom for Sustainable Fashion	The day was first observed in 2015.
National Javelin Day	7 th August		

Important Day	Date/Month	Theme for 2023	Remark
World Photography Day	19 th August	Landscapes	The day was first observed in 2010.
World Humanitarian Day	19 th August		
World Mosquito Day	20 th August		
Sadbhavna Diwas	20 th August		The year 2023 marks the observance of the 79th birth anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi.
Renewable Energy Day	20 th August		The day was first observed in 2004.
World Senior Citizen's Day	21 st August		
International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism	21 st August	Legacy	
International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief	22 nd August		

615. Recently, the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) has launched a chatbot in India for adolescents and young adults called '_____' in collaboration with the National Health Mission (NHM) and the Department of Public Health and Family Welfare, Government of Madhya Pradesh.

Answer: Just Ask

616. Recently, Reza Mia has won the 2022/2023 National Science and Technology (NSTF)-South32 Awards in the category for _____.

Answer: Innovation

617. As per the news, Reliance Industries Limited (RIL) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Brookfield Asset Management to manufacture renewable energy and decarbonization equipment in _____ (country).

Answer: Australia

618. Based on the latest data released by the Controller General of Accounts (CGA), India's fiscal deficit for the first quarter of the current financial year 2023-24 (FY24) stood at _____ as against Rs.3.5 lakh crore in the corresponding period in FY23.

Answer: Rs.4.5 lakh crore

619. In the month of August 2023, President of India Droupadi Murmu has inaugurated 'Unmesha', an International Literature Festival, and 'Utkarsh', a Festival of Folk and Tribal Performing Arts, in which place?

Answer: Bhopal

620. Aadi Perukku, also known as Pathinettam Perukku, is a festival observed on the 18th day of the Tamil month of Aadi. This festival is observed to show the gratitude to _____.

Answer: Monsoon

621. Recently, the Government of India (GoI) has launched a portal to facilitate fast transfer of mortal remains of Indian nationals who die abroad. What is the name of the portal?

Answer: e-CARe

622. In August 2023, _____ has collaborated with All India Football Federation (AIFF) to promote football at grass root level.

Answer: Subroto Mukerjee Sports Education Society

623. Recently, US-based International Battery Company (IBC) has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Karnataka government to set up a recyclable lithium-ion manufacturing unit with an investment of _____.

Answer: Rs.8000 crore

624. The Union Ministry of Home Affairs has recently (in Aug 2023) introduced a new category of visa, called the Ayush (AY) visa. This Visa is specifically designed for _____.

Answer: Foreigners

625. As per the latest news, the Ministry of Railways and ____ (A) ____ have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish the India 5G testbed at the Indian Railway Institute of Signal Engineering and Telecommunications (IRISET) in ____ (B) ____.

Answer: IIT Madras; Secunderabad

626. In the month of August 2023, _____ has won a project to provide an advanced Key Management System to Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR (SDSC-SHAR), India's esteemed Spaceport.

Answer: Godrej Security

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