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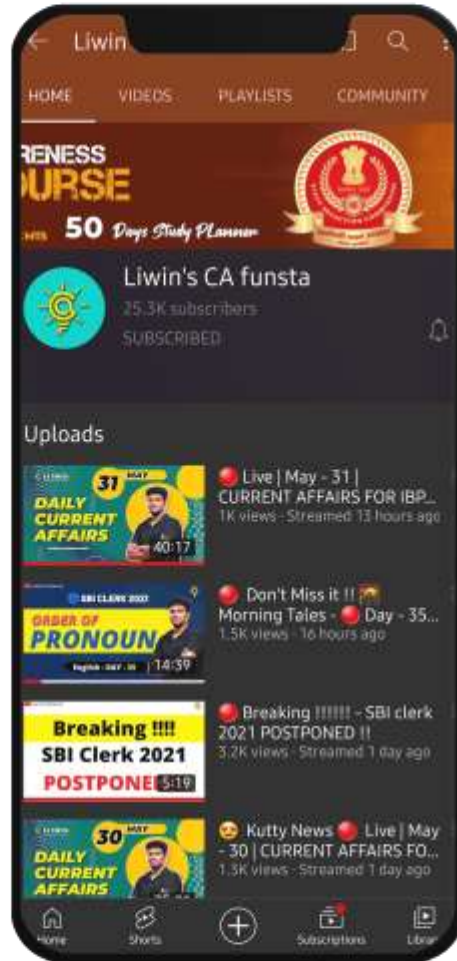
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# Important Days



➤ **World Art Day is celebrated on?**

- A) April 13
- B) April 12
- C) April 15
- D) April 14
- E) April 11

**Answer**  
**C) April 15**



# Important Days



## Explanation

- **April 15** is celebrated as **World Art Day** across the global.
- To honour and mark the birthday of the greatest artist of all time, Italian **polymath Leonardo da Vinci.**
- **UNESCO's** General Conference in **2012** declared April 15 World Art Day.



# Important Days



➤ First battalion of J&K celebrated its \_\_\_\_\_ anniversary?

- A) 150<sup>th</sup>
- B) 140<sup>th</sup>
- C) 130<sup>th</sup>
- D) 155<sup>th</sup>
- E) 145<sup>th</sup>

**Answer**  
A) 150<sup>th</sup>



# Important Days



## Explanation

- The **first battalion** of Jammu and Kashmir, famous for taking part in the two world wars, celebrated the **150th anniversary** of its raising day at **Dalhousie Military Station.**
- Raised by **Maharaja Ranbir Singh** on **13 April 1873** at Satwari Lines in Jammu, the battalion has earned the title of **'Saviours of Poonch'** for its bravery in **'battle of Poonch'**, and was awarded battle honour of Poonch and Theatre honour of Jammu and Kashmir.



# SPORTS



➤ Official logo of **FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023** unveiled by who among the following?

- A) Shri MK Stalin
- B) Shri Naveen Patnaik
- C) Shri Pinnari Vijayan
- D) Shri Yogi Adityanath
- E) Shri Aravind Kejriwal

**Answer**

**B) Shri Naveen Patnaik**





## Explanation

- **Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik** unveiled the official logo of the **FIH Odisha Hockey Men's World Cup 2023 Bhubaneswar - Rourkela** at the Kalinga Hockey Stadium.
- The prestigious quadrennial tournament is scheduled to be held next year from **January 13 to January 29.**
- **Hockey India** and its official partner **Odisha** will host the marquee event for the second consecutive time in the country after successfully conducting the event in **2018.**
- The **15th edition** of the **FIH Hockey Men's World Cup** will be staged in two cities **Bhubaneswar and Rourkela**, where the country's largest hockey stadium is being constructed.
- The new world-class stadium will have a seating capacity of **20,000.**



➤ Who among the following partnered with Extreme IX to enable faster payments?

- A) Paytm
- B) Googlepay
- C) Phonepe
- D) NPCI
- E) BHIM

**Answer**  
C) Phonepe



## Explanation

- **PhonePe**, a digital payments platform, has joined hands with an **internet exchange point, Extreme IX** to enable a faster digital payments experience for **370 million PhonePe users**.
- This partnership will help PhonePe **decrease latency** for its users irrespective of their location or ISP in India.
- Extreme IX has **30 points** of presence in **5 cities** in India.
- **More than 450 networks** including Internet service providers and prominent content delivery networks such as **Netflix, Amazon, Google, Microsoft, Akamai** to name a few, are connected to Extreme IX fabric.



## Titbits

### Phonepe

- Founded : **2015**
- HQ : **Bengaluru**
- CEO : **Sameer Nigam**
- Parent : **Flipkart (Walmart)**





➤ Who among the following became official digital payments partner for PMs' museum?

- A) Phonepe
- B) Googlepay
- C) BHIM
- D) Paytm
- E) NPCI

The Paytm logo, with "pay" in dark blue and "tm" in light blue.

**Answer**  
**D) Paytm**



## Titbits

## Paytm

- Founded : **August 2010**
- HQ : **Noida,UP**
- CEO : **Vijay Shekar Sharma**
- President : **Amit Nayyar**



➤ The Centre has completed asset monetisation worth how many crores?

- A) Rs 69,000 crore
- B) Rs 66,000 crore
- C) Rs 76,000 crore
- D) Rs 96,000 crore
- E) Rs 86,000 crore

**Answer**

**D) Rs 96,000 crore**



## Explanation

- The Centre has completed asset monetisation worth **Rs 96,000 crore** during FY22, surpassing the target of **Rs 88,000 crore**.
- For FY23, it has set itself a goal of **Rs 1.62 trillion**, and already has a pipeline of assets worth Rs 1.6 trillion under advanced stages of implementation.
- The pipeline for assets to be monetised this year is being prepared by the **NITI Aayog**, in consultation with ministries.
- The **Ministry of Roads, Transport and Highways** has monetised assets worth **Rs 23,000 crore**, which included a 390-km stretch through InvIT and three ToT bundles.





## Explanation

- The **Ministry of Power** monetised assets of **Rs 9,500 crore** with PowerGrid Corporation's InvIT and NHPC's securitisation of its operational hydel assets.
- With the opening up of coal mining for the private sector, and steps taken to boost domestic coal production, leading to the subsequent auctioning of 22 coal blocks, the **Ministry of Coal** was able to monetise assets worth **Rs 40,000 crore**.
- The **Ministry of Railways** has been a laggard, and was able to monetise assets worth **Rs 800-900 crore** against its target of Rs 17,810 crore.



➤ Which of the following metro launched 'e-ticket on WhatsApp'?



- A) Mumbai Metro
- B) Delhi Metro
- C) Lucknow Metro
- D) Kolkata Metro
- E) Chennai Metro

**Answer**

**A) Mumbai Metro**



## Explanation

- **Mumbai Metro One Pvt Ltd (MMOPL)** which operates metro service on the **Versova-Andheri-Ghatkopar route** in the city launched an **`e-ticket on WhatsApp'** facility.
- Mumbai Metro One is the first **MRTS (Mass Rapid Transit System)** in the world to offer e-ticket on WhatsApp.
- This was an extension of **"Paper QR Ticket"** currently available through ticket counters, it said. To use the facility, passengers will need to send the message **`Hi' to 9670008889.**



## Titbits

### Maharastra

- Capital: **Mumbai**
- CM: **Uddhav Thackeray**
- Governor: **Bhagat Singh Koshyari**
- Language : **Marathi**
- National Park : **Chandoli National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Bustard WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Lonar Lake**
- Tiger Reserve : **Melghat**
- Power Station : **Koyna Hydro Electric Power Plant, Tarapur Nuclear power plant, Chandrapur Super Thermal Power Plant**
- Dams : **Koyna Dam in Koyna River**
- RRB : **Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank (Bank of India), Madhyanchal Gramin Bank (State Bank of India)**





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Who among the following minister launched 'All Women Ambassadors Group'?

- A) Annpurna Devi Yadav
- B) Smriti Irani
- C) Nirmala Sitharaman
- D) Shobha Karandlaje
- E) Meenakshi Lekhi

**Answer**

**E) Meenakshi Lekhi**



## Explanation

- **Minister of State for External Affairs Meenakshi Lekhi** launched the '**All Women Ambassadors Group**' to advance the role of women in international diplomacy and to realise **SDG 5** to **achieve gender equality** in diplomacy.



## Titbits

### Ministry of External Affairs

- Union Minister : **Subrahmanyam Jaishankar** (Rajya Sabha MP,Gujarat)
- Minister of State : **V.Muraleedharan** (Rajya Sabha MP,Maharashtra)  
**Rajkumar Ranjan Singh** (Inner Manipur,Manipur)  
**Meenakshi Lekhi** (New Delhi)



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ Which among the following state/UT seeked Centre's cooperation in implementing Him Prahari scheme?

- A) Uttarkhand
- B) Assam
- C) Meghalaya
- D) Uttar Pradesh
- E) Nagaland



**Answer**  
**A) Uttarkhand**



## Explanation

- The '**Him Prahari**' scheme is meant for **ex-servicemen** and **youngsters** and is aimed at stopping the migration of people from the state.
- The scheme will focus on areas where migration occurs at a rapid phase so that people stay put, and not move out.
- The Uttarakhand government with the help of Police, **Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)** and **Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB)** for relief and rescue operations in divine calamity, we propose to constitute border guard teams or snow watchdog teams to stop the migration from the villages of international border districts (**Uttarkashi, Chamoli, Pithoragarh, Champawat and Khatima of Udhamasinghnagar**).
- An expenditure of about **Rs 5 crore 45 lakh** is estimated on this.



## Titbits

### Uttarkhand

- Capital: **Bahararisain (Summer), Dehradun (Winter)**
- CM: **Pushkar Singh Dhami(10th)**
- Governor: **Gurmit Singh**
- Language : **Hindi**
- National Park : **Gangotri National Park**
- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Askot Musk Deer WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Asan Conservation Reserve**
- Tiger Reserve : **Corbett**
- Power Station : **Tehri Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams : **Tehri Dam in Bhagirathi River**
- RRB : **Uttarakhand Gramin Bank (State Bank of India)**





# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



➤ **LG Manoj Sinha Approved how many Crores for 850 MW Ratle Hydropower Project on Chenab River?**

- A) Rs 3,300 crore
- B) Rs 5,300 crore
- C) Rs 3,500 crore
- D) Rs 5,800 crore
- E) Rs 8,300 crore

**Answer**

**B) Rs 5,300 crore**



## Explanation

- **Lieutenant Governor (LG) Manoj Sinha**, the Jammu and Kashmir (J&K) administration has approved the construction of **850 megawatts (MW) Ratle hydroelectric** project in a joint venture formation between the **National Hydroelectric Power Corporation (NHPC)** and **JK Power Development Corporation (JKPDC)**.
- The run-of-the-river hydroelectric power station will be executed at a cost of **Rs 5,300 crore** expectedly within **36 months** from the start of work.
- The project will come up on **Chenab River** near **Drabshalla in Kishtwar district**.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Explanation



## Titbits

### Jammu and Kashmir

- Capital: **Srinagar (May-Oct), Jammu (Nov-Apr)**
- Lieutenant Governor: **Manoj Sinha**
- Language : **Kashmiri, Dogri, Urdu, Hindi, English**
- National Park : **Salim Ali National Park (City Forest)**

### **National Park**

- Wildlife Sanctuary : **Karakoram WLS**
- Ramsar Site : **Hokera Wetland**
- Tiger Reserve : -
- Power Station : **Salal Hydro Electric Power Plant**
- Dams : **Salal Dam in Chenab River**
- RRB : **Ellaquai Dehati Bank (State Bank of India)**  
**J&K Grameen Bank (J&K Bank)**



- Who among the following signed visionary statement with India on child participation at local governance?

- A) UNO
- B) WHO
- C) UNESCO
- D) UNICEF
- E) World Bank

**Answer**  
**D) UNICEF**



## Explanation

- Commemorating the **75th year of India's Independence- Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav** and celebrating the iconic week program, **Yaumasa Kimura, UNICEF India Representative,** and **Sunil Kumar,** Secretary Ministry of Panchayati Raj (MoPR), signed a visionary Joint Statement of Understanding, reiterating their commitment towards the **realization of the rights of youth and children in India.**
- **One-third of India's population** comprises children - and the country has a demographic dividend with adolescents and young people constituting **22 per cent of the population.**





## Explanation

- In line with the achievement of the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, the partnership aims to include the voices of youth and children in the **Gram Sabhas** through the provision of bal / Balika (Children) Sabhas.
- Bal Sabhas will identify children's priorities and integrate these into the **Gram Panchayat Development Plans.**
- This is to ensure that **policies, social protection schemes, and programs** are inclusive and relevant to the needs and aspirations of children and adolescents.
- The partnership is guided by **Article 12 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child** for providing the right platform for every child to freely express their views.



# NATIONAL AFFAIRS



## Titbits

### UNICEF

- Abbreviation : **United Nations Children's Fund**
- Founded : **11/12/1946**
- HQ : **New York**
- Head : **Catherine M.Russell**



# QUICK RECALL



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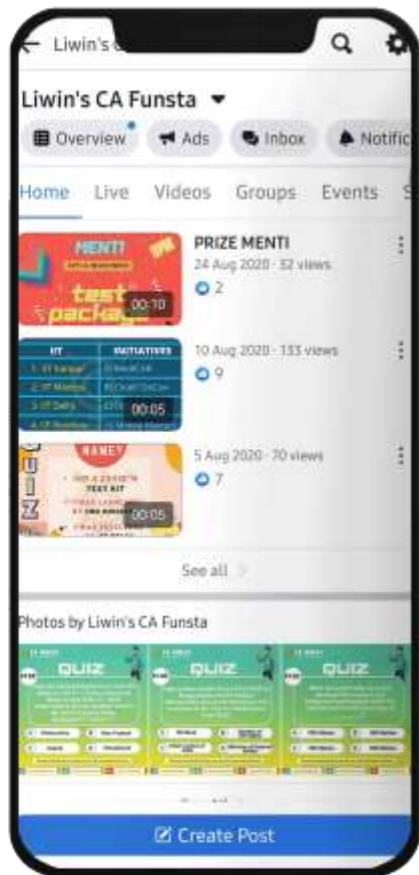


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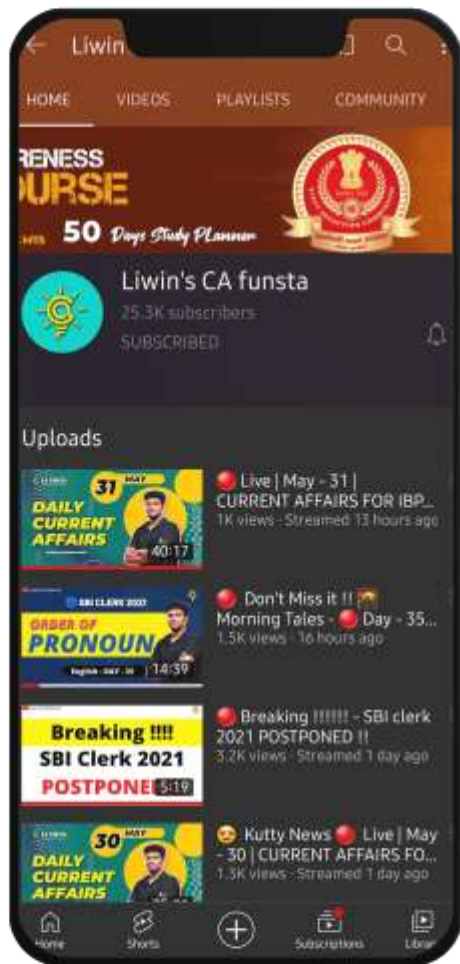
11. UNICEF, India sign visionary statement on child participation at local governance



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