

NATIONAL

1. International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)

Why in news – India has won the IEC vice presidency and Strategic Management Board (SMB) chair for the 2023-25 term.

Key Points –

- Vimal Mahendru would be the IEC Vice President representing India.
- IEC is an international standard-setting body that publishes international standards for all electrical, electronic and related technologies.
- Its general meeting was held recently in San Francisco, US.

2. Republic Day chief guest

Why in news – Egypt President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi would be the chief guest at the Republic Day celebrations in January 2023.

Key Points –

- This is the first time that the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt would be the chief guest.
- Also, Egypt has been invited as a 'guest country' during India's presidency of the G20 in 2022-23.

3. Export of Vande Bharat trains

Why in news – The railways aims at becoming a major exporter of Vande Bharat trains by 2025-26.

Key Points –

- Destinations - Europe, South America and East Asia.
- They would be manufactured by the Integral Coach Factory, Chennai.
- India to get 475 Vande Bharat Express trains by 2025.

4. Samanvay 2022

Why in news – Indian Air Force is conducting Exercise 'Samanvay 2022' from Nov 28, 2022 to Nov 30, 2022.

Key Points –

- It is annual Joint Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR).
- It is being conducted at Air Force Station Agra.

INTERNATIONAL

1. Parastronaut

Why in news – The European Space Agency named world's first 'parastronaut' to work in space.

Key Points –

- Parastronaut name - John McFall, former British Paralympic sprinter.
- McFall won the 100-metres Bronze Medal at the Beijing Paralympic Games in 2008.

2. Russia as a state sponsor of terrorism

Why in news – The European Parliament designated Russia as a state sponsor of terrorism.

Key Points –

- In the EU, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and Poland have so far designated Russia as a state sponsor of terrorism.
- The U.S. State Department currently names four countries – Cuba, North Korea, Iran and Syria – as state sponsors of terrorism.

3. Asim Munir

Why in news – Lt General Asim Munir has been appointed as the new Chief of Army Staff in Pakistan.

Key Points –

- He replaced General Qamar Javed Bajwa.
- He was appointed ISI chief in Oct 2018.

4. Iran human rights probe

Why in news – The UN Human Rights Council voted to launch an independent investigation into Iran's deadly repression of protests.

Key Points –

- Mahsa Amini was killed in custody of the country's 'morality or hijab police', igniting a nationwide uprising against the regime.
- The 35th special session was held following an official request submitted by Germany and Iceland.

REPORTS & INDICES

1. Global leader approval ratings

Why in news – The survey was conducted by Morning Consult Political Intelligence.

Key Points –

Approval ratings –



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Global Leader Approval:

- Modi: 75%
- López Obrador: 63%
- Draghi: 54%
- Bolsonaro: 42%
- Biden: 41%
- Trudeau: 39%

- The ratings were based on over 20,000 global interviews conducted online daily.

SUMMITS & CONFERENCES

1. China-Indian Ocean Region Forum

Why in news – China held a meeting on cooperation in Indian Ocean region on Nov 21, 2022.

Key Points –

- Theme - “Shared Development: Theory and Practice from the Perspective of the Blue Economy”.
- Venue - Kunming, Yunnan Province.
- Representatives from 19 countries and representatives of 3 international organizations were present.
- India was not invited.

IMPORTANT DAYS

1. International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women 2022

Why in news – Every year, it is observed on Nov 25 to prevent and eliminate violence against women and girls around the world.

Key Points –

- Theme - ‘UNITE! Activism to end violence against women and girls.’

- It pays tribute to the Mirabal sisters, the Dominican Republic activists who were murdered at the order of Rafael Trujillo in 1960.

2. Constitution Day

Why in news – Nov 26 is observed as the Constitution Day of India or Samvidhan Divas.

Key Points –

- On Nov 26, 1949, the Constituent Assembly adopted the Constitution of India.
- It came into effect on Jan 26, 1950.
- India began to observe Nov 26 as Constitution Day in 2015.
- The Constituent Assembly held its first session on December 9, 1946.

3. National Milk Day 2022

Why in news – It is observed on Nov 26 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien.

Key Points –

- Dr. Verghese Kurien is the father of India’s White Revolution.
- India is the largest producer of milk.
- In 1970, India’s National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) started a rural development programme known as Operation Flood.

SECURITY

1. 8th Garuda Shakti exercise

Why in news – It is a bilateral exercise between Indian and Indonesian special forces.

Key Points –

- Venue - Karawang, Indonesia.
- It started on Nov 21, 2022 to enhance understanding, cooperation and interoperability between the Special Forces of both armies.

SPORTS

1. Cristiano Ronaldo

Why in news – Cristiano Ronaldo became the first player ever to score in 5 different World Cup tournaments.



STATES/UTS

1. Director General of Audit

Why in news – Tamil Nadu became the 1st state to create the role of Director General of Audit to oversee all audit departments.

2. Post Harvest Management Center

Why in news – Tripura CM Manik Saha inaugurated the Post Harvest Management Center and Rural Collection Center in Golaghati.

- The project was initiated under the Jal Jeevan Hariyali mission.
- It is dedicated to Rajgir, Gaya, and Bodh Gaya (Buddhist circuits).
- Project cost – Rs 4475.
- It has two objectives –
 - o To conserve floodwater, preventing wastage
 - o To transform this precious resource into safe, drinkable water.
- This floodwater would be lifted through pumps at Hathidah and transported through a 151 km pipeline to 3 enormous reservoirs in Rajgir, Tetar, and Gaya.
- Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Limited (MEIL) has executed the entire first phase of the project.
- It is also Bihar's first and largest drinking water programme.

BIHAR

1. Ganga Jal Aapurti Yojana

Why in news – Hon' CM Nitish Kumar inaugurated the the Gangajal Aapurti Yojana at Rajgir on Nov 28, 2022.

Key Points –



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POINTERS

- Which bank has recently launched the first sticker based debit card "FIRST" – **IDFC FIRST Bank.**
- Who has successfully launched the RH 200 sounding rocket recently – **Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO).**
- Which state government will give shelter to 270 tribes of "Chin Kuki" community who fled from Bangladesh – **Mizoram.**
- Which payment bank has recently launched case based eKYC – **Airtel Payment Bank.**
- The famous groundnut festival 'Kadalekai Parishe' began in which state – **Karnataka.**
- Where was the 27th Conference of Directors General of Police of North East held recently – **Agartala (Tripura).**
- Which author has recently released her new book "Now You Breathe" – **Rakhi Kapoor.**
- What is the name of India's first anti-poaching dog who passed away recently – **Zorba.**
- Who has been conferred with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Federation of India Chamber of Commerce and Industries (FICCI) recently – **Rajendra Pawar.**
- Which city will host the first G20 Sherpa meeting in India recently – **Udaipur (Rajasthan).**



NEW BPSC BATCH IS STARTING FROM 29 NOVEMBER 2022 (HINDI MEDIUM)