

## CURRENT AFFAIRS

Name the Indian badminton player who lost to Toma Junior Popov of France to win silver medal in men's singles final of Orleans Masters 2022?

- A) Rahul Yadav Chittaboina
- B) B. Sai Praneeth
- C) Mithun Manjunath
- D) Ansal Yadav

ORLEANS (France) from 29 March to 3 April 2022: Indian badminton player Mithun Manjunath's splendid run at the Orleans Masters ended with a straight-game loss to local favourite Toma Junior Popov in the summit clash of the Super 100 tournament here

The Phase II of the 'SVANidhi se Samridhhi' has been launched in how many cities?

- A) 129
- B) 122
- C) 126
- D) 121

SVANidhi se Samridhhi' phase II launched to shield 28 lakh street vendors. The Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) has expanded the 'SVANidhi se Samridhhi' programme to **126 cities** in 14 states and union territories.

In women category, who won the 'T20 International Player of the Year' in the recently announced New Zealand Cricket Awards 2022?

- (a) Brooke Halliday
- (b) Amelia Kerr
- (c) Suzie Bates
- (d) Sophie Devine

New Zealand announced New Zealand Cricket Awards for Men and Women's cricketers.. New Zealand speedster Trent Boult and White Ferns skipper **Sophie Devine** won the 'T20 International Player of the Year' in the recently announced New Zealand Cricket Awards 2022

'Neptune Missile system', which was seen in the news, is associated with which country?

- [A] Yemen
- [B] Saudi Arabia
- [C] Ukraine
- [D] UAE

Neptune is a coastal anti-ship cruise missile which is capable of destruction of naval vessels in a range of 300 km. The Neptune Missile system was inducted into the Ukrainian Forces in 2021, after Russian threat to the coastal areas of Ukraine was growing rapidly since occupation of Crimea in 2014.

Who has been awarded with the 2022 Malcom Adiseshiah Award?

- A) Bhupender Yadav
- B) Jayati Ghosh
- C) Prabhat Patnaik

D) Shekhar Gupta

Well-known Indian economist and political commentator, Prabhat Patnaik has been selected for the Malcolm Adiseshiah Award 2022. The award is annually given by the Malcolm and Elizabeth Adiseshiah Trust to an outstanding social scientist selected from nominations received by a specially constituted national jury.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated Pradhanmantri Sangrahalaya recently. The logo of the Sangrahalaya represents the\_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) The hands of the people of India holding the Dharma Chakra
- (b) The hands of the people of India holding the National Flag
- (c) The hands of the people of India holding the Sansad
- (d) The hands of the people of India holding the Indian Map

What is the theme of World Voice Day 2022?

- (a) One World Many Voices
- (b) Human voice
- (c) Lift Your Voice
- (d) Be Kind With Your Voice

World Voice Day is observed globally every year on 16 April to bring cognizance about the need of preventing vocal issues and rehabilitating people with vocal problems.

Which team has won the 71st Men's Senior National Basketball Championship?

- A) Indian Railways
- B) Tamil Nadu
- C) Punjab
- D) Gujarat

**Tamil Nadu** beat Punjab in National basketball championship final. Tamil Nadu defeated defending champion Punjab 87-69 in the final to win the men's title in the 71st Senior National Basketball Championship

Which country will host the Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 (SCCWC 2023)?

- A) Japan
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Mauritius
- D) India

India will host the Street Child Cricket World Cup in 2023. Organised by Street Child United and Save the Children India, the Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 will welcome 22 teams from 16 countries to India next year

Name the winning team of the 71st Women Senior National Basketball Championship?

- A) Indian Railways
- B) Telangana
- C) Punjab
- D) Haryana

The formidable **Indian Railways** team won the women's title, beating Telangana 131-82 in convincing fashion, riding on Poonam Chaturvedi's 26 points. In the men's summit clash, Tamil Nadu pulled ahead after a slow start when Punjab kept pace and never looked back.

PM Narendra Modi has virtually dedicated to the nation, 200-bed K KPatel Super Speciality Hospital in \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Bhuj, Gujarat
- (b) Bhavnagar, Gujarat
- (c) Anand, Gujarat
- (d) Porbandar, Gujarat

PM Narendra Modi has unveiled 108-foot statue of Lord Hanuman in Morbi in which state on Hanuman Jayanti?

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Odisha
- (d) Kerala

On the occasion of Hanuman Jayanti today, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will unveil a 108-foot statue of Lord Hanuman in **Morbi, Gujarat** at 11 AM via video conferencing. As part of Hanuman ji Chaar Dhaam Project, this statue is the second of the four statues being set up in the four directions across the country.

India has been elected to which major body of United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)?

- (a) The Committee on Economic, Social, and Cultural Rights
- (b) The Commission for Social Development
- (c) The Commission on Science and Technology for Development
- (d) The Committee on Non-Governmental Organisations
- (e) All of the above

"India gets elected to 4 @UN ECOSOC Bodies: **Commission for Social Development, Commission on NGOs, Commission on Science & Technology for Development and Ambassador Preeti Saran** gets re-elected to Committee for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights," India's Permanent Mission to the UN tweeted on Wednesday.

The 20th edition of the India-France Joint Staff talks held in \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Mumbai
- (b) Paris
- (c) Lyon
- (d) New Delhi

The 20<sup>th</sup> edition of India-France Joint Staff talks was held in Paris, France on April 12-13, 2022.

Which scheme has been selected for Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2020 under the Innovation (General) – Central category?

- (a) PM Mudra Yojna
- (b) PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana
- (c) Smart Cities Mission
- (d) UDAN scheme

Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) flagship Regional Connectivity Scheme UDAN (UdeDeshkaAamNagrik) has been selected for Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2020 under the category "Innovation (General) – Central".

Which state topped the NITI Aayog's State Energy and Climate Index among smaller states?

- a) Sikkim
- b) Goa
- c) Manipur
- d) Tripura

Which nation will host the 2026 Commonwealth Games?

- a) New Zealand
- b) Australia
- c) Austria
- d) Germany

In a deviation from the conventional single host city approach, the Commonwealth Games will be held in Victoria in 2026, with the majority of events being organised by the state's regional centres.

Odisha Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik has unveiled the logo of the 2023 FIH Men's Hockey World Cup. 2023 FIH Men's Hockey World Cup will be organized in which city of Odisha?

- (a) Rourkela
- (b) Bhubaneswar
- (c) Cuttack
- (d) Puri
- (e) Both a & b

Which country has successfully tested a new laser missile-defence system named 'Iron Beam'?

- (a) Israel
- (b) Afghanistan
- (c) Lebanon
- (d) Germany

**Israel** has successfully tested the new "Iron Beam" laser interception system. This is the world's first energy-based weapons system that uses a laser to shoot down incoming UAVs, rockets & mortars at a cost of \$3.50 per shot.

Who has become the first batsman to retire out in the IPL?

- a) R Ashwin
- b) Shardul Thakur
- c) Yuzvendra Chahal
- d) Moeen Ali

Who has won gold in the men's 200m butterfly event at the Danish Open swimming in Copenhagen, Denmark?

- (a) Aditi Ashok
- (b) Sajan Prakash
- (c) Avinash Sable
- (d) Vedaant Madhavan

Teenager Vedaant Madhavan won his second medal at the Danish Open swimming meet in Copenhagen, Denmark with a gold in 800m freestyle event. He had won the silver medal in the 1500m freestyle

As per the World Bank report on the extreme poverty in India, the extreme poverty count in the country declined by what percentage between 2011 and 2019?

- A) 15.5%
- B) 11.6%
- C) 10.2%
- D) 12.3%

World bank Report States Extreme Poverty in India Decline by **12.3%** The extreme poverty rate in India fell from 22.5% in 2011 to 10.2% in 2019 as per World Bank Policy Research Working Paper.

Indian Army's Trishakti Corps has organized an Integrated Fire Power exercise EX KRIPAN SHAKTI at Teesta Field Firing Ranges (TFFR) in \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Karnataka
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Odisha
- (d) West Bengal

Prafulla Kar who has passed away recently was a noted singer and music director specialised in which language?

- A) Hindi
- B) Malayalam
- C) Marathi
- D) Odia

What is the theme of International Day for Monuments and Sites 2022?

- A) Complex Pasts: Diverse Futures
- B) Shared Cultures, Shared Heritage, Shared Responsibility
- C) Heritage and Climate
- D) Rural Landscapes

The Day **18 April as the International Day for Monuments and Sites** is promoted by ICOMOS globally, and the theme for 2022 is '**Heritage and Climate.**' Climate change is one of the defining issues of our time, and among the greatest threats facing cultural and natural UNESCO World Heritage monuments and sites

India's first-ever radio channel for the visually impaired, named \_\_\_\_\_ has been launched in Nagpur, Maharashtra.

- (a) Radio Anokhi
- (b) Radio Param
- (c) Radio Rudra
- (d) Radio Aksh

Manju Singh passed away recently. She was a/an \_\_\_\_\_.

- (a) Actor
- (b) Lyricist
- (c) Writer
- (d) Journalist

Which company has become an official digital payments partner for the prime ministers' museum?

- (a) PhonePe
- (b) Google Pay
- (c) Amazon Pay
- (d) Paytm

**Paytm** has become an official digital payments partner for the prime ministers' museum. It is offering its payment gateway, EDC (Electronic Data Capture) machines and QR code payment options to make way for superfast, convenient and secure transactions.

Who among the following has got one year extension as Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission?

- (a) Vishwas Patel
- (b) Kamlesh Nilkanth Vyas
- (c) Vinay Kumar Tripathi
- (d) Tarun Kapoor

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- B) Army
- C) Punjab
- D) Haryana

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Hamish Bennett has announced his retirement from all forms of cricket for which country?

- A) Australia
- B) England
- C) New Zealand
- D) South Africa

Which director has been honoured with the Director Of The Year award at 2021 AIMA Managing India Awards?

- (a) Anurag Kashyap
- (b) Mani Ratnam
- (c) Shoojit Sircar
- (d) Rajkumar Hirani

Nitin Gadkari, Minister for Road Transport and Highways, presented the 2021 AIMA Managing India Awards (AIMA).

Who has been appointed as ambassador for Karnataka's Brain Health Initiative?

- (a) Pankaj Tripathi
- (b) Jasprit Bumrah
- (c) Manoj Bajpayee
- (d) Robin Uthappa

Karnataka named **Robin Uthappa** as brand ambassador for Brain Health Initiative. Indian cricketer Robin Uthappa has been recently appointed as the brand ambassador for Karnataka-Brain Health Initiative (Ka-BHI)

Which of the following will build the world's highest tunnel at Shinku La Pass at 16,580 feet to connect Himachal Pradesh to Ladakh?

- (a) Border Security Force
- (b) Border Roads Organisation
- (c) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways
- (d) Indo-Tibetan Border Police

To be built at 16,580ft above sea level by the BRO, **the tunnel at Shinku La Pass** is expected to be operational by 2025. The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) has said it will construct the world's highest tunnel at Shinku La Pass at an altitude of 16,580ft, connecting Himachal Pradesh to the Union Territory of Ladakh.

Who has been appointed as the Chairman and Managing Director (CMD) of Air India Asset Holding (AIAHL)?

- (a) Alok Mishra
- (b) Vikram Dev Dutt
- (c) Jose J Kattoor
- (d) Atul Bhatt

Which of the following apex body has appointed Bimal Kothari as its new Chairman?

- (a) All India Council of Technical Education
- (b) Indian Chamber of Food and Agriculture
- (c) Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority
- (d) India Pulses and Grains Association

Who is the author of the book "The Boy Who Wrote a Constitution"?

- A) Akhileshwar Pathak
- B) Amita Dhanda
- C) Rajesh Talwar
- D) M. P. Singh

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Where is the 'WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine (GCTM)' located in India?

- [A] Mumbai
- [B] Varanasi
- [C] Jamnagar
- [D] Kochi

The Ministry of Ayush and the World Health Organization (WHO) is establishing world's first and only Global Centre for Traditional Medicine (WHO GCTM) in **Jamnagar, Gujarat**.

Who has surpassed Virat Kohli to become fastest Indian to score 6000 T20 runs?

- a) KL Rahul
- b) Rohit Sharma
- c) Shikhar Dhawan
- d) MS Dhoni

Lucknow Super Giants skipper KL Rahul surpassed Virat Kohli and became the fastest Indian to score 6000 T20 runs in terms of innings on April 19, 2022. He reached the milestone in 179 innings at a strike rate of 138.18, breaking Kohli's record of 184 innings.

Which nation has provided Ukraine with fighter planes?

- a) US
- b) UK
- c) Poland
- d) Germany



Ukraine has received additional aircraft and spare parts from the United States to increase its fleet size amid the conflict with Russia. This was announced by US Defense Department spokesperson John Kirby on April 19, 2022. Ukraine has received additional platforms and parts to be able to increase their aircraft fleet size. They have received additional aircraft and aircraft parts to help them get more aircraft in the air.

Which city is hosting Global Ayush Investment and Innovation Summit?

- a) Ahmedabad
- b) Surat
- c) Gandhinagar**
- d) Jamnagar

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the three-day Global Ayush Investment and Innovation Summit (GAIS) in Gandhinagar on April 20, 2022. WHO Director General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Mauritius PM Pravind Kumar Jugnauth, Gujarat CM Bhupendra Patel and Union AYUSH Minister Sarbananda Sonowal were present at the ceremony.

Which nation has signed a security pact with Solomon Islands?

- a) China**
- b) Japan
- c) Australia
- d) US

China has signed a wide-ranging security pact with the Solomon Islands that seeks to enhance social stability and long-term tranquility in the Islands. The agreement has been signed between the two parties despite the US warning as the Western Governments fear that it could give Beijing a military foothold in the South Pacific.

Indian-American Shanti Sethi has been appointed as which world leader's defence advisor?

- a) Joe Biden
- b) Boris Johnson
- c) Kamala Harris**
- d) Justin Trudeau

Indian-American US Navy veteran Shanti Sethi has been appointed as executive secretary and defence advisor of US Vice President Kamala Harris. Sethi is the first Indian-American commander of a major US Navy combat ship.

All 100 smart cities will get integrated command and control centres by which date?

- a) July 31st
- b) August 15th**
- c) December 31st
- d) May 30<sup>th</sup>

Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Hardeep Singh Puri announced on April 18 that all 100 smart cities will have integrated command and control centres (ICCCs). While 80 of these smart cities already have these centres, the remaining 20 will have operational centres by August 15, 2022. The Minister said this while speaking at the 3-day 'Smart Cities, Smart Urbanisation' conference that began in Surat on April 18th.

Who among the following has retired from International Cricket?

a) Kieron Pollard

b) Joe Root

c) David Warner

d) Aaron Finch

West Indies all-rounder Kieron Pollard announced retirement from international cricket on April 20, 2022. The 34-year-old brought curtains down on his 15-year international career to make room for those who will carry the game forward in West Indian colours. Kieron Pollard had become the first player to represent West Indies in over 100 T20I matches and 123 ODI matches. He was a key member of the West Indies squad that had recorded a victory in the ICC T20 Cricket World Cup in 2012.

When is Guru Tegh Bahadur Jayanti 2022?

a) April 20th

b) April 21st

c) April 22nd

d) April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Guru Tegh Bahadur Jayanti 2022 or Prakash Parv 2022 is being celebrated on April 21 all over the country to mark the birth of the Ninth Guru of Sikhism, Guru Tegh Bahadur. Guru Tegh Bahadur was the youngest son of Guru Hargobind and is remembered as the warrior guru who fought for religious freedom.

Which nation has successfully tested the world's most powerful nuclear-capable intercontinental ballistic missile?

a) US

b) North Korea

c) Russia

d) Japan

Russia successfully tested Sarmat, a nuclear-capable intercontinental ballistic missile that can reportedly strike any target in the world. Russian President Vladimir warned that the weapon, which is capable of carrying nuclear charges will make Russia's enemies "think twice." Russia's Defence Ministry called Sarmat as the most powerful missile with the longest range of destruction of targets in the world, which will significantly increase the combat power of Russia's strategic nuclear forces.

Which Indian cricketer has been named among Wisden's 5 'Cricketers of the Year' 2022?

- a) Virat Kohli
- b) Rohit Sharma**
- c) Rishabh Pant
- d) KL Rahul

Indian skipper Rohit Sharma and bowler Jasprit Bumrah have acquired a place among the five players in Wisden's 'Cricketers of the Year' in the 2022 edition of the Almanack. The other cricketers named in the Wisden Cricketer of the Year 2022 list include England pacer Ollie Robinson, New Zealand Batter Devon Conway and Proteas Women star Dan Van Niekerk.

When is National Civil Service Day observed?

- a) April 19th
- b) April 20th
- c) April 21st**
- d) April 22<sup>nd</sup>

National Civil Services Day is observed by the government of India every year on April 21 as an occasion for the Civil Servants to rededicate themselves to the cause of citizens and to renew their commitments to public service and excellence in work.

Which state's cabinet has approved an insurance scheme for journalists?

- a) Tripura**
- b) Meghalaya
- c) Mizoram
- d) Manipur

Tripura Cabinet approved a proposal on April 20, 2022 to introduce a health insurance cover for accredited journalists associated with print, web and electronic media organisations. Under the scheme, journalists in the age group 21-65 years who have not enrolled in other health insurance schemes or Ayushman Bharat, can be considered eligible for the benefits of the scheme.

Which state may soon introduce new and stricter laws regulating the sale and purchase of land?

- a) Uttar Pradesh
- b) Gujarat
- c) Haryana
- d) Uttarakhand**

Uttarakhand may soon have new and stricter laws regulating the sale and purchase of land, especially in the hills, similar to those in Himachal Pradesh to prevent outsiders from buying land. The state had constituted a committee last year to recommend amendments to the land laws and it is likely to submit its recommendations to the state government in about 10 days.