

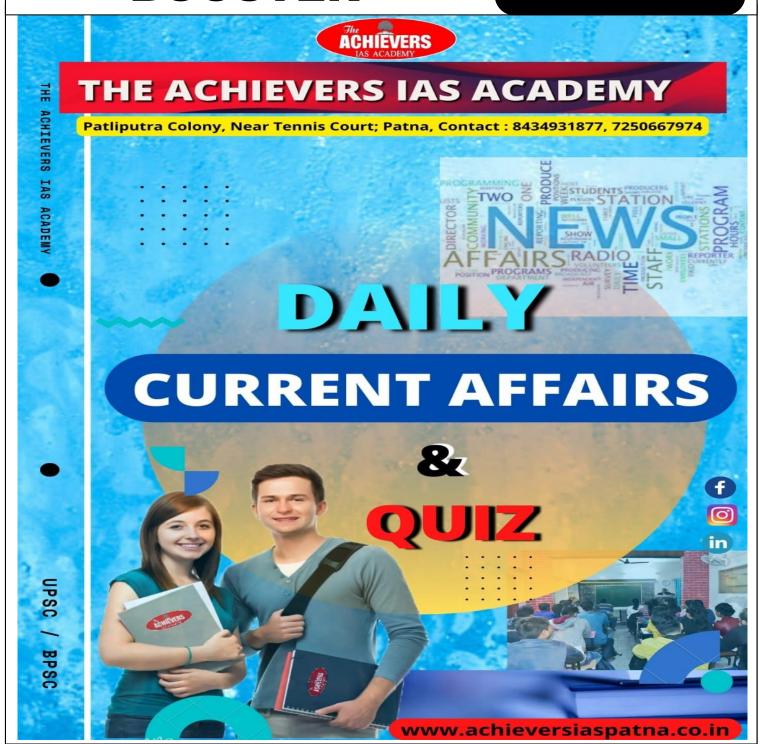
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1st India - France - UAE maritime partnership exercise begins in Gulf of Oman



The first edition of the maritime partnership exercise between India, France and the United Arab Emirates has begun in the Gulf of Oman. Indian ship INS Tarkash and French ship Sarcouf, helicopters of both countries, French Rafale aircraft and maritime patrol aircraft of UAE are participating in the exercise. The exercise, scheduled for two days, will see a wide spectrum of naval operations, including surface combat, missile on surface targets, tactical firing drills, helicopter cross deck landing operations, advanced air defense exercises and boarding operations. The exercise will also include cross embarkation of personnel for exchange of best practices. The objective of the first exercise is to enhance trilateral cooperation between the three navies, pave the way for adoption of measures to address conventional and non-conventional threats in the maritime environment.

2. 5 new countries elected as non-permanent members of UNSC



Five countries have been elected as non-permanent members of the United Nations Security Council after voting in the General Assembly. Algeria, Guyana, Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone and Slovenia will join the premier body for maintaining international peace and security, serving for a two-year term, starting in January. The five newly elected countries will join as non-permanent members of the council, along with Ecuador, Japan, Malta, Mozambique and Switzerland. They will serve a two-year term on seats currently held by Albania, Brazil, Gabon, Ghana and the United Arab Emirates. The Security Council is made up of 15 countries, five of which — China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States — are permanent members, giving them the right to veto any resolution or decision. 10 non-permanent members are elected by the General Assembly,

3. Homo naledi lived in a cave and created its culture 300,000 years ago



Our world is about 4.5 billion years old and if we talk about modern humans, we have been on this earth for about two to three lakh years. That many changes must have taken place in this long interval. We have measured the distance to the moon and stars, but we have not been completely successful in removing the veil from the history of our own origin. And it's not our fault. The span of time in human history, and even more so the span of natural history, is so vast compared to our lives. If the Earth was formed at midnight and the present moment is the next midnight, then modern humans have only one second to come to Earth. It's time look at it another way, If we take the example of the human body, the existence of the universe would begin on our shoulders and modern humans would be found at our fingertips. Evolution first took place on Earth about 2.5 million years ago, but for countless generations to come, they were no different from the creatures around them. What would we see if we somehow traveled to East Africa two million years ago? We will find the ancestors of modern humans, mothers

taking care of children, young people hunting and gathering food, and old people resting.

4. Rajasthan became the first state in the country to give recognition to private virtual schools



Virtual (online) schools will now be opened in Rajasthan on the lines of regular class schools and coaching institutes. For this the schools running regular classes, Coaching institutes or other organizations can run virtual schools after taking permission from the government. At present, this facility will be available from 9th to 12th. Students taking admission in virtual school will not need to go to the campus. All his studies will be online only. Any institution can run such schools after taking permission from the secondary education department. Director of Secondary Education Gaurav Aggarwal said that in view of the loss caused to the students during the Corona period, an initiative has been taken to start virtual schools. Non-government schools and institutions from class 9 to class 12 can take recognition of virtual school from session 2023-24. In future, students' studies will not be affected even in difficult circumstances like Corona. That Rajasthan is the first state in the country to implement such a system.

5. Author Patterson Joseph wins RSL Christopher Bland Prize 2023



Author Patterson Joseph was announced as the winner of the 2023 Royal Society of Literature (RSL) Christopher

Bland Prize for his debut novel 'The Secret Diaries of Charles Ignatius Sancho' on 8 June. The RSL Christopher Bland Prize is an annual award which is given. To a budding author for a work of fiction or non-fiction that is first published at the age of 50 or over. The winner receives prize money of £10,000. This is the fifth year of the award. The Secret Diaries of Charles Ignatius Sancho' is a historical fiction novel that tells the lesser-known story of Charles Ignatius Sancho, the first black man to vote in England. "I am more than I could have imagined to have received the Christopher Bland Prize 2023. As a budding actor, I wanted my peers to respect me and see me as 'one of us'. The grant of this award is much more than its counterpart,

6. German submarine maker Thyssenkrupp Marine Systems ties up with Indian shipyard Mazagon Dock to build submarines



German Defense Minister has shown interest in the submarine deal, TKMS is ready for this project. In Mumbai, Pistorius told the media, he was happy that the agreement between MDL and TKMS was signed and I was present. German major Thyssenkrupp Marine Systems (TKMS) and Indian government's Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) have joined hands to bag a Rs 43,000 crore contract to buy 6 Stealth submarines for the Indian Navy. That these submarines will be built under the much talked about strategic partnership model. Under which domestic defense manufacturing companies are allowed to work together with major foreign defense companies to produce high equipment, military thereby dependence on imports. The bidding process for the project, called p75 India, will continue till the end of August.

7. Free travel for women: Karnataka government's 'Shakti ' smart card scheme



The Karnataka government has advised women to apply for Shakthi smart cards to avail free travel in state buses starting June 11. The government has already issued a set of guidelines on the 'Shakti' scheme, one of the key poll promises of the Congress party in Karnataka. The Shakti scheme is applicable only on ordinary state-run bus services of Karnataka. Airavat, Airavata Club Class, Airavata Gold Class, Ambari, Ambari Dream Class, Ambari Utsav, Fly Bus, Vayu Vajra, Vajra, Non AC Sleeper, Rajahansa and EV Power Plus AC buses are excluded in this scheme. The scheme also does not apply to buses that travel outside the state. 50% seats in ordinary and express buses of KSRTC, NWKRTC and KKRTC will be reserved for men.

8. Go Digit Life Insurance gets IRDA nod for life insurance business in India



Go Digit Life Insurance Ltd., a company backed by Canada-based Fairfax Group and already operating in the general insurance sector, has received regulatory approval from the Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) to launch its life insurance business in India. Has happened. The total number of insurers in the Indian life insurance segment has gone up to 26. moreover, Go Digit General Insurance is planning to launch an Initial Public Offering (IPO) and has already submitted the necessary documents to the Securities and Exchange Board of

India (SEBI). The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI) officially granted the Certificate of Registration to Go Digit Life Insurance Limited. This regulatory approval allows the company to enter the Indian life insurance market and provide a range of life insurance products and services to customers across the country. Go Digit, backed by Canada's prestigious Fairfax Group, is already a leader in the general insurance sector in India. is installed in The company's entry into the life insurance segment reflects its commitment to further expand its presence in the Indian insurance industry and diversify its offerings

Quiz

- 1. Where is the first India France UAE Maritime Exercise being organized ? _
- (a) Bay of Bengal
- (b) Gulf of Oman
- (c) Arabian Sea
- (d) Gulf of Aden

EXPLANATION -: The first India-France-UAE Maritime Exercise is being organized in the Gulf of Oman. Indian Navy's frigate 'INS Tarkash', French Navy's ship Surcouf as well as Rafale fighter jets and UAE Navy's maritime patrol aircraft are participating in this exercise. The aim of this two-day maritime exercise is to improve trilateral cooperation and joint development among the three navies.

- 2. Which player holds the record for scoring the most runs for India in the World Test Championship?
- (a) Rohit Sharma
- (b) Cheteshwar Pujara
- (c) Virat Kohli
- (d) K. L. A male name

EXPLANATION -: Virat Kohli, former captain of the Indian cricket team, is the highest run scorer in WTC history. At one time in the WTC final 2023 being played in England, Indian captain Rohit Sharma broke his record. However, Kohli regained the record of most runs in the 15th over of India's innings by going past Rohit.

- 3. In the International Shooting Sport Federation Junior World Cup medal list, India is at which position?
- (a) before
- (b) other
- (c) third
- (d) fourth

EXPLANATION -: The Indian junior shooting team has achieved the top position in the International Shooting Sport Federation Junior World Cup by performing brilliantly. Indian players won a total of 15 medals including six gold, six silver and three bronze medals in this tournament held in Suhl, Germany. With this achievement, India has now topped all the ISSF Junior World Cups and World Championships held since 2019.

- 4. In which country will the Miss World pageant 2023 be organized?
- (a) India
- (b) USA
- (c) China
- (d) Germany

EXPLANATION -: Miss World pageant will be organized in India after a gap of 27-years. The last time this international pageant was organized in India in the year 1996. Julia Morley, CEO and Chairperson of Miss World Organization has given information about this. This will be the 71st edition of Miss World pageant. The current Miss India World Sini Shetty will represent India in this year's Miss World pageant. The current Miss World is Karolina Belwańska of Poland.

- 5. With whom has the Indian Council of Agricultural Research signed an MoU to empower farmers?
- (a) Garuda Aerospace
- (b) Amazon farmer
- (c) Indian Railways
- (d) ISRO

EXPLANATION -: The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) signed an MoU with Amazon Farmer to empower farmers. ICAR will provide

technical support to farmers through Amazon's network. This MoU in partnership with the farmer with the Amazon Kisan program will ensure access to high quality fresh produce for consumers across India including Amazon Fresh.

- 6. Which country has named 'Biparjoy Cyclone 'in the Arabian Sea?
- (a) India
- (b) Sri Lanka
- (c) Pakistan
- (d) Bangladesh

EXPLANATION -: 'Biparjoy Cyclone' in the Arabian Sea is about 850 km west of Goa and 900 km south west of Mumbai. Also, it is expected to take a more serious form in the next three days. According to the Indian Meteorological Department (IMD), this cyclone will hit the coast of Karnataka, Goa and Maharashtra at a speed of 35-45 km per hour. 'Biparjoy' was suggested by Bangladesh and the word means 'disaster' in Bengali.

- 7. Which bank has launched the campaign 'I am Adyar, Adyar is me '?
- (a) ICICI Bank / ICICI Bank
- (b) Indian Bank
- (c) Federal Bank
- (d) Bank of Baroda

EXPLANATION -: Federal Bank has launched a unique campaign in Chennai titled 'Main Adyar, Adyar Main Hoon' to celebrate the rich culture and stories of the local community. The campaign transforms an entire bank branch into a museum of local stories, showcasing the struggles and triumphs of the individuals who make Adyar special.

- 8. Which city is the most expensive to live in the recently released Cost of Living Ranking 2023?
- (a) New York
- (b) London
- (c) Hong Kong
- (d) Singapore

EXPLANATION -: According to a new study, New York has become the most expensive city in the world to live in as an expat for the year 2023. It has left Hong Kong behind. Geneva and London ranked third and fourth in this list. At the same time, Singapore has reached the last position in the top five. This study has been done by ECA International. ECA International has cited rising inflation and rising housing costs as the reason behind New York being on top in its cost of living rankings.

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According to the recently released India Rankings 2023, which institution has retained its first position in the overall category – IIT Madras.

Recently which state has released the first District Good Governance Index – Arunachal Pradesh.

Recently India France and which country have launched the first joint maritime exercise – UAE Who will host the first global conference on Artificial Intelligence Security recently – Britain.

Where has the first round table joint meeting between India and New Zealand been held recently – New Delhi.

Which state government has recently launched the Shakti Smart Card scheme – Karnataka

Recently after 27 years in which country Miss Word 2023 will be organized – India . _

Havaldar Albi Dikru , the first Ashok Chakra winner of which state has passed away recently – Kerala .

Who has recently been named Vice President and CFO of Harvard 's Department of Finance – Ritu Kalra.

According to the recently released CSE report, who has been on top in terms of environment – Telangana.

