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## QUIZ



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## 1. 415 million people came out of poverty in India in 15 years, UN praised



United Nations report on poverty in India has been released. It has been told that in the last 15 years, the number of poor has decreased in India. According to the latest data on the Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) released by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) at the University of Oxford, the world's most populous country (India) has led the way on the poverty alleviation front. But has performed very well. It states that 25 countries of the world, including India, have successfully halved their global MPI value in the last 15 years. This shows the progress made in these countries. These countries include Cambodia, China, Congo, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Morocco, Serbia and Vietnam. According to UN data, India has overtaken China in terms of population with 142.86 crore people in April.

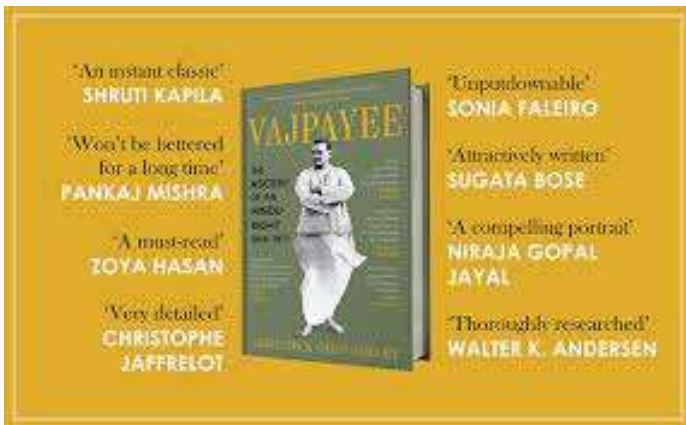
## 2. India won 11 medals in the World Archery Youth Championship, 2023



India finished second with 11 medals including six gold, one silver and four bronze in the recently concluded World Archery Youth Championships in Limerick, Ireland. A rising Indian archer, Parth Salunkhe created history by becoming the first Indian male archer to win the Youth World Championship in the recurve category. A total of 518 archers (including 277 men and 241 women) from 58 different countries competed in both individual and team events. Parth Salunkhe's extraordinary performance captivated the archery world as he won the recurve Under-21 men's individual category. In a tight final, Salunkhe overcame a strong challenge from Korean archer Song In Joon to win 7–3. Showcasing his accuracy and composure, Salunkhe hit the bull's-eye twice and won the world title. Created history as the first Indian male archer to achieve this feat. Salunkhe's journey to the top was filled with notable victories, including victories over archers from the Czech Republic, Turkey, Chinese Taipei and Germany. India's Bhajan Kaur won the bronze medal in the Under-21 women's recurve individual event by defeating Chinese Taipei's Su Hsien-yu. India's success extended to the women's under-21 individual category, where Bhajan Kaur demonstrated her skill and determination. Kaur faced Su Hsin-yu of Chinese Taipei in the bronze medal match and emerged victorious with a resounding 7–1 victory. This included victories over Chinese Taipei and the archers of Germany. India's Bhajan Kaur won the bronze medal in the Under-21 women's recurve individual event by defeating Chinese Taipei's Su Hsien-yu. India's success extended to the women's under-21 individual category, where Bhajan Kaur demonstrated her skill and determination. Kaur faced Su Hsin-yu of Chinese Taipei in the bronze medal match and emerged victorious with a resounding 7–1 victory.

## 3. Abhishek Chowdhary: 'Vajpayee: The Ascent of the Hindu Right 1924-1977'

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The early years of late Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee are captured in a new biography by Abhishek Chowdhary, *Vajpayee: The Ascent of the Hindu Right 1924-77*. The book published by Picador India was to be released in May 2023. This first volume covers 53 years of Vajpayee's life from 1924 to 1977. Initially, the novels feel biographical, even self-indulgently autobiographical. But, as the plot unfolds, the reader, without realizing it, becomes aware of a major political flaw in modern America: race, class, gender, neo-colonialism, the story of the Jewish kid from Wekwahick High School, Newark. Through. The first installment of Abhishek Chowdhary's two-volume biography of Atal Bihari Vajpayee is one of the most important works of non-academic history in recent times for several reasons. Like Roth's novel, Choudhury not only created a 'great' The details of the man's life have, rather, provided a vivid portrait of a worldview that seeks to remake India in its insecure image today – often for the worse.

## 4. China launches world's first methane-powered rocket, leaving America behind



China's private space company has launched the world's first such rocket, which is powered by methane. In this

way, China also left behind the American company SpaceX, which is Elon Musk's company. China's private aerospace company LandSpace successfully launched a rocket named Juke-2 from the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center located in the Gobi Desert. It has been successfully installed in the classroom. To achieve this feat, it has become the first rocket in the world to be powered entirely by methane and liquid oxygen. Earlier this year, America's Relativity Space Company's Terran 1 and SpaceX Company's Starship methane oxygen-powered rockets failed to reach orbit in their first attempt. Earlier, on December 14, the Chinese company launched a rocket named Juke-2. But then it failed to install in the class. But on Wednesday, China achieved this position in its second attempt. Methane-powered engines with their high performance and low operating cost are particularly well suited to the developing trend of reusable rockets. The successful launch of Juke-2 this year is a major breakthrough for China's private aerospace sector.

## 5. Bangladesh and India start business transactions in rupees to reduce dependence on dollar



Bangladesh and India have started trade transactions in rupees with an aim to reduce dependence on the US dollar and strengthen the regional currency and trade. This bilateral trade agreement is a significant milestone for Bangladesh, which is moving beyond the US dollar for a trade deal with any foreign country. Bangladesh Bank Governor Abdur Rauf Talukdar described the introduction of trade settlement in rupees as "the first step in a great journey". has told. This step is a symbol of development and economic cooperation between India and Bangladesh promoting mutual benefits. The Taka-Rupee Dual Currency Card is expected to be launched from September, which will further ease trade between the

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two countries. The dual currency card will help reduce transaction costs, enhance convenience for merchants and strengthen economic ties while doing business with India. Bangladesh is facing constant dollar shortage after Russia and Ukraine war. Due to this, its foreign exchange reserves have touched a seven-year low of \$ 31.60 billion. Because of this, the currency of Bangladesh is also continuously falling.

## 6. Defense Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the regional office of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited in Malaysia



Defense Minister Rajnath Singh inaugurated the regional office of Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) in Kuala Lumpur. The officers provided this information. This will deepen the defense industry partnership between India and Malaysia. Singh's office tweeted. In a major defense export liaison activity, HAL's first regional marketing office was opened in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in the presence of Defense Minister Rajnath Singh. This regional office will work for the South East Asian region and will also be helpful in getting orders to other PSUs in the defense sector. The center will also act as a window to other Indian Defense PSUs. Singh is currently on a visit to Malaysia which has the second largest population of Indian origin in the world and a sizeable overseas Indian community. Describing defense exports as an important pillar for the sustainable development of the Indian defense industry, Singh inaugurated HAL's regional office in Kuala Lumpur on July 11. Indian The Defense Minister's Office also shared photographs of the event. Malaysia has shown interest in purchasing Tejas fighter jets manufactured by HAL. Singh interacted with people of Indian origin in the programs. He also visited the Ramakrishna Mission in Petaling Jaya and paid floral tributes at the statue of Swami Vivekananda which was

unveiled by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2015.

## 7. IIT Kanpur made AI-SUICIDE drone



Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kanpur has developed a Kamikaji drone. This drone is a type of suicide drone which can carry up to 6 kg of ammunition up to 100 km. Subramaniam Sadrala, assistant professor in the aerospace department of IIT-Kanpur, told that such a process has been used in the drone that it is capable of avoiding radar. Professor Sadrala informed that the development of the drone is underway since last year under DRDO's Young Scientist Laboratory (DYSL-CT) project. In the next phase of development, The drones will undergo target destruction trials in the next six months. The indigenously developed kamikaze drone is 2 meters tall and has a foldable fixed-wing design. It can also be equipped with cameras and infrared sensors. The drone can be launched from a catapult or canister launcher. Indigenously developed drones are capable of neutralizing enemy targets even in the absence of Global Positioning Support (GPS) support with the help of Artificial Intelligence (AI)- in enemy territory. Battery operated UAVs up to 100 km in 40 minutes can deliver a payload of Thereby boosting the offensive capabilities of the armed forces. Once the drone developed by IIT-Kanpur is in the air, it will control itself. Along with this, this drone machine is also capable of taking decisions based on algorithms. Capable of operating from remote locations, the UAV can also provide photographs of enemy territory using the onboard high-resolution camera.

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## 8. America has the most powerful army in the world



Global Firepower, a data website that monitors global defense information, has released a list of the world's most powerful soldiers. According to Global Firepower, America has the strongest military power in the world. Russia is second and China is third in this list. There itself, India has retained its fourth position. The 'Military Strength List 2023' released by Global Firepower also includes the countries with the world's weakest military forces. This includes Bhutan and Iceland. They have been evaluated on more than 60 factors. Global Firepower said it scored each country with categories ranging from the amount of military units and financial status to logistics capabilities and geographic location. Data website said that our unique in-house formula allows smaller and more technologically advanced countries to compete with larger and less-developed powers... Special modifiers, in the form of bonuses and penalties, are applied to further improve the list, and it is compiled every year. The trends do not necessarily indicate decreasing potency as changes in the GFP formula may also be to blame.

### QUIZ

1. NABARD has celebrated its foundation day on July 12, 2023.

- a) 42nd
- b) 43rd
- c) 44th
- d) 45th

National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) celebrated its 42nd Foundation Day on July

12, 2023. The day was marked by a series of events across the country, including "NABARD: 42 Years Of Rural Transformation." A webinar on the theme was also included.

2. The Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council has agreed to levy what percentage of tax on online gaming.

- a) 27 percent
- b) 28 percent
- c) 29 percent
- d) 30 percent

The Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council has agreed to levy 28 percent tax on online gaming. The food items inside the cinema will also become cheaper now. After the 50th meeting of the GST Council, Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said that we have offered exemption on GST for satellite launch services provided by private organizations.

3. How many medals has India won in the World Archery Youth Championship, 2023?

- a) 9 medals
- b) 10 medals
- c) 11 medals
- d) 12 medals

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4. Which country has won the 34th International Biology Olympiad?

- a) India
- b) China
- c) France
- d) united arab emirates

India has emerged as the overall winner in the 34th International Biology Olympiad (IBO) held in Al Ain, UAE from July 2-11.

Host for International Biology Olympiad 2024: Kazakhstan.

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Minister of Education in the United Arab Emirates:  
Ahmed Belhoul Al Falasi.

**5. Which minister has been invited as the guest of honor for Bastille Day celebrations in France?**

- a) Arjun Munda
- b) Amit Shah
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) **Narendra Modi**

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been invited as the guest of honor for France's Bastille Day celebrations, which will take place on July 14. Bastille Day is a national holiday in France, known locally as the "Fête de la Fédération", Prime Minister of France: Elisabeth Borne. President of France: Emmanuel Macron.

**6. When has 'World Kiswahili Language Day 2023' been celebrated recently?**

- a) 05 July
- b) **July 07**
- c) 06 July
- d) 08 July

The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) observed World Kiswahili Language Day on 7 July. In the 1950s the United Nations established the Kiswahili language unit of United Nations Radio, and today Kiswahili is the only African language within the Global Communications Directorate at the United Nations. Kiswahili is the first African language to receive this honour. Kiswahili is also known as the Swahili language or Kiswahili. The day provides a platform to promote the potential of Kiswahili to achieve both the United Nations Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development and the African Union Agenda 2063.

**7. Who appointed 2 new judges in the Supreme Court?**

- a) **President Murmu**
- b) Amit Shah
- c) Rajnath Singh
- d) Narendra Modi

President Draupadi Murmu has appointed Telangana High Court Chief Justice Justice Ujjal Bhuiyan and Kerala High Court Chief Justice Justice SV Bhatti as judges of the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court

Collegium had recommended the elevation of these judges on July 5. With these appointments, the number of judges in the Supreme Court will go up to 32.

**8. Which country has launched its first Open-Source Computer OS (OpenKylin)?**

- a) India
- b) **China**
- c) France
- d) united arab emirates

China launched the country's first open-source desktop operating system (OS), named OpenKylin 1.0, with the aim of building an independent software system and reducing dependence on US technology. China recently launched its first open-source desktop operating system (OS), named OpenKylin 1.0, to reduce its dependence on American technology and create China's independent software system. The launch of OperKillin, an open-source desktop system, marked the country's latest effort at developing home-grown software that reduces reliance on Western technologies.

## ONE LINER

Which university's researchers have developed a new variety of wheat - **Punjab Agricultural University**

Which Formula 1 racer has won the British Grand Prix title - **Max Verstappen**

Who has given permission to the Enforcement Directorate to share data with GSTN - **Central Government**

Which bank has launched ₹10,000 crore Urban Infrastructure Development Fund - **National Housing Bank (NHB)**

Who has been appointed as the new chairman of the International Financial Services Center Authority - **K Rajaraman**

In which airport of India, the country's first Elevated Cross Taxiway Service has been started - **Indira Gandhi International Airport**

Which state government is planning to set up Micro Dairy of Indian Cow Breeds - **State Government of Uttar Pradesh**

Who has been appointed by the ITC board as the Chairman and Managing Director - **Sanjiv Puri**

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Which has become the first department in India to get the Anti-Bribery Management System Certificate - **Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC)**

Who has been awarded the ICC 'Player of the Month' award for June 2023 - **Wanindu Hasaranga and Ashley Gardner**

Who has been appointed as the MD & CEO of SBI Cards & Payment Services (SBI Card) – **Abhijit Chakraborty**

