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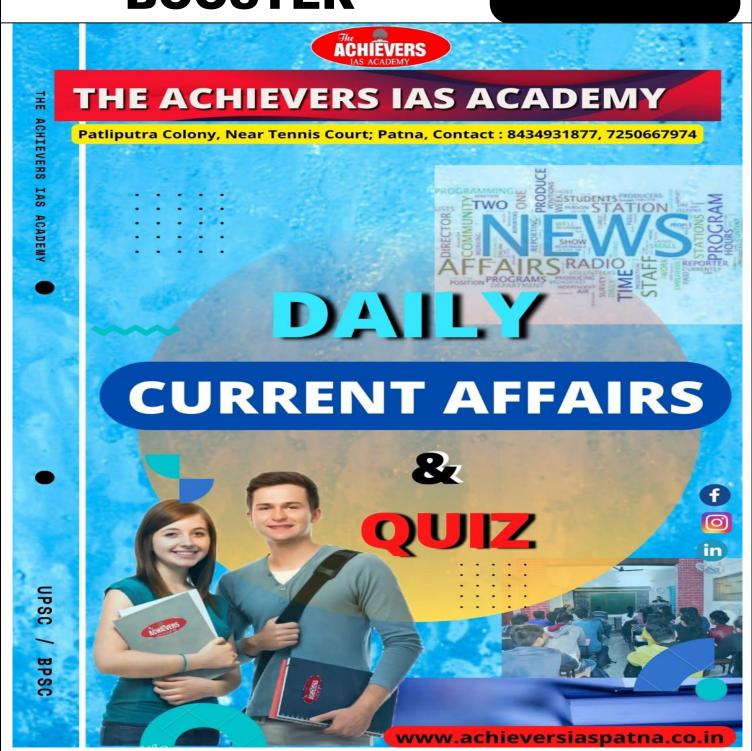
#### **ACHIEVERS IAS ACADEMY**

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# CURRENT AFFAIR BOOSTER

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#### 1. Government will soon start ' My Bill My Right ' scheme



The central government of India has launched the Mera Bill Mera Adhikar Yojana 2023. Government has launched this GST Inami Yojana for all the citizens of India through which government provides cash prizes ranging from Rs 10 Lakh to Rs 1 Crore to its customers. Through this scheme, the customer is motivated to ask for the bill every time he makes his purchase. The central government will start this scheme from 1 September 2023. All invoices issued by Goods and Services Tax (GST) registered shopkeepers to their customers will be eligible for this scheme. The officials will release the monthly and quarterly winners draw results who are eligible for the cash prize value starting from Rs.10000 and the maximum cash value of Rs.1 Crore. The minimum purchase value of the challan for the lucky draw through this scheme is Rs.200. Under the Mera Bill Mera Adhikar Scheme, a person can provide a maximum of 25 challans in a month, the government mine Bill My Rights mobile app is made available for both iOS and Android customers. All invoices uploaded on this app should reflect the GSTIN of the seller, invoice number, amount paid and tax amount.

2. Wrestling icon and WWE Hall of Famer Terry Funk passes away



Hall of Famer and hardcore legend Terry Funk has passed away at the age of 79. Funk had an interesting and remarkable career spanning five decades (1965 to 2017). He was known for his hardcore style, his charisma and his passion for the business. The late 79year-old was inducted into the WWE Hall of Fame in 2009 by his longtime friend and rival, Dusty Rhodes. He was also honored by the International Professional Wrestling Hall of Fame in 2021. The iconic WWE figure has won numerous championships, including the NWA World Heavyweight Championship, the ECW World Heavyweight Championship, and the WWF Tag Team Championship. He was also a part of many memorable feuds and matches with icons such as Ric Flair, Dusty Rhodes, Mick Foley and Bret Hart. Funk was not only a wrestler, but also an actor and performer. He appeared in several Hollywood movies, such as Roadhouse with Patrick Swayze, Over the Top with Paradise Alley and Sylvester Stallone. He also had roles in television shows such as Quantum Leap and Beyond Belief: Fact or Fiction.

#### 3. Chandrayaan-3 becomes world's most watched livestream on YouTube



ISRO did live streaming of Chandrayaan-3's soft landing on its official YouTube channel, which was watched live by 8.5 million i.e. about 85 lakh people simultaneously, which has become a record. 80,59,688 people witnessed India's historic moment on Youtube when Chandrayaan-3 was reaching the lunar surface. When Chandrayaan-3's lander stepped on the lunar surface, more than 355.6K people were watching the live streaming on ISRO's Facebook. That means there has been a lot of fanfare for watching the live streaming of Chandrayaan-3 on ISRO's YouTube channel as well as on other social media platforms. Apart from ISRO, more than 750,822 people watched the live streaming of Chandrayaan-3's soft landing on Doordarshan's

YouTube link. In terms of watching live streaming of Chandrayaan-3, Indians broke the record of Spanish streaming platform Ibai. Maximum 3 on Ibai streaming platform. There was a record of watching live streaming simultaneously of 4 million around 34 lakh people. This is also a record in itself. Also shows the enthusiasm of Indians.

### 4. LIC takes 6.7% stake in Jio Financial Services through de-merger action



Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has announced the acquisition of 6.7% stake in Jio Financial Services (JFSL), a non-banking financial services entity created from the elements of Ambani Industries run by Mukesh Ambani. The acquisition by Reliance Industries through a demerger action is set to make a significant impact on both the entities and the wider financial markets. Jio Financial Services made its debut on the stock exchanges on 21st August and entered the financial markets with a promising projector. The company claimed a market capitalization of around Rs 1.60 lakh crore post listing, indicating investor interest and confidence in its potential. Despite its strong market capitalisation, the stock faced challenges in its early trading sessions. The stock experienced a second consecutive session of decline, Which led to the lower circuit limit for both BSE and NSE - limits set by the stock exchanges to prevent excessive volatility. The stock price declined 4.99% to Rs 239.20 on BSE and 5% to Rs 236.45 on NSE. The incident has triggered a discussion about the market reaction to the demerger and the impact of this volatility on the valuation of the company.

5. Union Education Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan released the National Curriculum Framework for School Education in New Delhi



Union Minister for Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship Shri Dharmendra Pradhan released the National Curriculum Framework for School Education (NCF-SE). This framework is an important and transformative step towards the implementation of the National Education Policy. The Union Education Minister addressed the first joint workshop of the National Curriculum Framework Oversight Committee and the National Curriculum and Teaching-Training Material Committee. The development of the National Curriculum Framework for School Education (NCF-SE) was guided by a vision to align education with the needs of the 21st century and the ethos of the Indian knowledge system. Professor K. Kasturirangan, emphasizing the 5+3+3+4 model of schooling, A steering committee was constituted to prepare the curriculum as per the National Education Policy-2020. This framework addresses the entire educational system from the elementary level to the secondary level. The framework envisages multidisciplinary education, nurturing values, promoting creative pedagogy and preparing students for practical problem-solving.

6. US FDA Approves Pfizer's Maternal RSV Vaccine to Protect Babies



The US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recently approved the first vaccine designed for infants to protect them from respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)associated lower respiratory tract disease in infants from birth to 6 months of age. (LRTD) and to prevent serious cases. This important decision is raising optimism among parents and healthcare providers who are working hard to protect the well-being of these vulnerable babies. Pfizer's maternal respiratory syncytial vaccine 'Abrisvo' on FDA approval is in perspective. This vaccine is an important milestone in maternal and child health, Because it is the first vaccine to be approved specifically for use in pregnant individuals. It is given between 32 and 36 weeks of pregnancy and is given as a single dose injected into the muscle. RSV (respiratory syncytial virus) is infamous for being the leading cause of lower respiratory tract disease (LRTD) in infants. Infants face a constant threat from RSV, which often results in lower respiratory tract diseases (LRTDs) such as bronchiolitis and pneumonia. The most critical period for RSV-related health problems usually occurs within the first three months of life. The availability of a vaccine for use during pregnancy is a significant advance. By providing protection in the very first stages of life,

7. B20 Summit India 2023: Start of B20 conference



The B20 Summit India 2023 started in India. The Business 20 or B20 is one of the forums of the G20. established in 2010, representing the global business community. The G-20 summit will be held next month. India's G-20 summit sherpa Amitabh Kant said during the B20 summit that geopolitical conflicts such as the Russia-Ukraine war are best handled by the United Nations as the G-20 is an economic body promoting global growth. Is. Addressing the B20 summit organized by CII, Kant, however, expressed hope that India would be able to persuade the G-20 countries to find an amicable solution. He was replying to a question related to the Russia-Ukraine conflict. They said, Many times the G-20 groups have not been able to make a joint declaration because of the war. Kant's remarks come days ahead of the G-20 summit to be chaired by India early next month.

# 8. Tennis star Rafael Nadal becomes the global brand ambassador of Infosys



India's leading IT company Infosys appointed tennis star Rafael Nadal as its new global brand ambassador on 24 August 2023. Announcing this, the company said that Nadal will be associated with Infosys for three years as an ambassador for its brand 'Infosys Digital Innovation'. This is the first time that Nadal has partnered with a digital services company. Infosys said it and Nadal's

coaching team are working together to develop a match analysis tool based on artificial intelligence (AI). The tool will allow Nadal's team to analyze data in real time during their matches. At the core of this collaboration lies the creation of a match analysis tool powered by artificial intelligence. This personalized tool is ready to provide real-time information to Nadal's coaching team, Which enables them to simultaneously track the data of their live matches during their return to tour. The tool will merge this live data with historical match information, facilitating a comprehensive analysis that will undoubtedly enhance Nadal's performance strategy. Infosys said it and Nadal's coaching team are working together to develop a match analysis tool based on artificial intelligence (AI). The tool will allow Nadal's team to analyze data in real time during their matches.

#### QUIZ

- 1. In what name has the Government of India recently launched the Invoice Promotion Scheme?
- (a) Mera bill mera haq
- (b) Mera bill mera adhikar
- (c) Mera bill nayi pahal
- (d) none of these

The central government is soon going to launch the 'Mera Bill Mera Adhikar' scheme. Through this, those who upload the GST invoice of the goods purchased under GST (Goods and Services Tax) are going to get a chance to win the cash prize. This cash prize can be from Rs 10 lakh to Rs 1 crore. Under this, common people may soon get rewarded for uploading GST invoices on a mobile app. Under the Invoice Incentivisation Scheme , monthly/quarterly cash rewards ranging from Rs 10 lakh to Rs 1 crore can be given to people who 'upload' on the app invoices received from retailers or wholesalers.

- 2. Which player won the title of Chess World Cup 2023?
- (a) Viswanathan Anand
- (b) Levon Aronian
- (c) Magnus Carlsen
- (d) R. Praggnananda

Norwegian chess player Magnus Carlsen has won the FIDE World Cup title, his first title. In the final match,

Carlsen defeated India's young chess player Rameshbabu Praggnananda. Magnus Carlsen has also won the World Championship 5 times. India's Viswanathan Anand and Levon Aronian have won the FIDE World Cup title 2-2 times.

- 3. Where have 33 Khelo India centers been inaugurated recently?
- (a) Haryana
- (b) Rajasthan
- (c) Odisha
- (d) Kerala

On August 23, 2023, Union Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Anurag Singh Thakur inaugurated 33 centers of Khelo India in the state of Rajasthan at Sawai Mansingh Stadium, Jaipur. The Union Minister announced that a National Center of Excellence along with a dedicated Sports Science Center would be set up in 18 other Khelo India centers in Rajasthan. Thus the total number of Khelo India centers in the state will be 51. Along with this, it was also announced that competitions would be organized between Khelo India centres, while the 'Coaching the Coach' program would be extended to 'Khelo India' centres.

- 4. Neeraj Chopra has qualified for Paris Olympics 2024 with a throw of how many metres?
- (a) 88.77 m
- (b) 88.55 m
- (c) 88.00 meters
- (d) 88.33 m

Olympic champion Neeraj Chopra has qualified for the Paris Olympics 2024 with his career fourth best throw of 88.77m. The 2024 Paris Olympics qualifying mark is 85.50 metres. The qualifying window has started from July 1. The 25-year-old Chopra has qualified for the Paris Olympics 2024 in the very first attempt of the qualifying round.

- 5. Which film won the Best Feature Film Award at the 69th National Film Awards?
- (a) Sardar Udham Singh
- (b) Rocketry
- (c) The Kashmir Files
- (d) Gangubai Kathiawadi

Hindi film 'Rocketry: The Nambi Effect ' won the National Award for Best Feature Film for 2021 while

Alia Bhatt and Kriti Sanon won Best Actress and Allu Arjun won Best Actor. Bollywood actors Bhatt and Sanon shared the best actress award for their roles in "Gangubai Kathiawadi " and "Mimi " , respectively. South Indian superstar Allu Arjun has been decided to present the National Award for Best Actor for the Telugu film 'Pushpa: The Rise (Part 1)'. The National Film Award for Best Director went to Nikhil Mahajan for the Marathi film 'Godavari'.

6. Which city has got the first place in the 'More than 10 lakh population' category of Clean Air Survey-2023? (a) Indore

- (b) Bhopal
- (c) Agra
- (d) Jaipur

In the Clean Air Survey-2023, Indore has secured the first position, Bhopal fifth, Jabalpur 13th and Gwalior 41st in the category of cities with a population of more than 10 lakhs. Principal Secretary Environment Gulshan Bamra said that in the category of cities with a population of 3 lakh to 10 lakh, Sagar has got 10th place in the country with 188.02 points.

- 7. Which medal has Indian shooter Amanpreet Singh won in the men's 25m event recently?
- (a) Gold Medal
- (b) Silver Medal
- (c) Bronze medal
- (d) none

India's Amanpreet Singh has won the gold medal in the 25m standard pistol event at the ISSF World Shooting Championships in Baku, Azerbaijan. In the women's 25m individual event, Tiana, Yashita Shokeen and Kritika Sharma were out of medal contention. He won the bronze medal for the team with a combined score of 1601. With 5 gold and 4 bronze medals, India's tally now stands at 9 medals.

- 8. Where has Tejas successfully tested the air-to-air missile recently?
- (a) Rajasthan
- (b) Odisha
- (c) Goa
- (d) none

Light Combat Aircraft Tejas has successfully flight tested the indigenous Beyond Visual Range Air-to-Air

Missile Astra. The missile was successfully fired from the aircraft at an altitude of about 20,000 feet off the Goa coast. The Defense Ministry said the test was accurate and met all its objectives. Astra is a state-of-the-art supersonic missile. This air-to-air missile is capable of engaging and destroying targets. It has been designed and developed by Defense Research and Development Laboratory and other laboratories of DRDO.

#### ONE LINER

Which Indian has been appointed as the vice-president of the World Athletics Federation - Adil Sumariwala Who wrote the book " The Life, Vision and Songs of Kabir " - Vipul Rikhi

By whom is the 'My Bill My Right ' scheme being started - Central Government

Who has recently been appointed as the CMD of Power Finance Corporation – Parmendra Chopra In which research institute, a new variety of lotus flower 'Namo 108' has been developed - National Botanical Research Institute, Lucknow

Which union minister has launched the India New Car Assessment Program (India NCAP) - Nitin Gadkari Recently CR Rao has passed away at the age of 103, he is related to which field - Famous statistical scientist Who has become the player who has won the most trophies in the history of football - Lionel Messi Which country is hosting the 15th BRICS summit - South Africa

What rank has India secured in the 16th IOAA (International Olympiad) on Astronomy and Astrophysics - 2nd rank

