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Important days

International Firefighters' Day observed globally on May 4

International Firefighters' Day : may 4

By: JJ Edmondson

1st OBSRVD: 1999



Highlights :

- **International Firefighters' Day** is observed globally on **May 4** every year. This day is celebrated **since 1999**, to recognise and **honour the sacrifices that firefighters** make to ensure that their communities and environment are as safe as possible.
- The day was instituted, after the deaths of five firefighters in tragic circumstances in a **bushfire in Australia on 2 December 1998**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? International Firefighters' Day
When? May 04

Recent News:

- World Press Freedom Day 2022: may 3

On December 2 1998, a tragic event shook the Linton community, Australia and the world: Firefighters in Linton, approximately 150km west of the city of Melbourne in Victoria, Australia, were fighting a large wildfire and called for assistance.

This urgent call brought firefighters from a wide area including volunteers from the Geelong West Fire Brigade to the scene not knowing the despair and tragedy that was in store. Garry Vredevelde, Chris Evans, Stuart Davidson, Jason Thomas, and Matthew Armstrong were the crew on the Geelong West tanker that fateful day, they were part of a strike team and were being sent to help extinguish the flames. As the five headed out from the fire to refill their tanker with water, there was a sudden violent wind change as the cold change hit the area, engulfing the truck in flames and killing all five members.

World Asthma Day 2022 observed on 3rd May

World asthma Day : may 3(1st tuesday of may)

By: global initiative for asthma

1st OBSRVD: 1998

Theme: Closing Gaps in Asthma Care

Highlights :

- **World Asthma Day** is observed every year on the **first Tuesday of May** to spread awareness and care about asthma in the world. This year it falls on **3rd of May 2022**.
- Asthma is a chronic disease of the lungs that causes breathing problems. Symptoms of asthma include breathlessness, coughing, wheezing and a feeling of tightness in the chest.
- It is a long-term disease, which makes your airways narrow and swell and may produce extra mucus. A person suffering from asthma can have difficulty in breathing,



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? World Asthma Day
When? May 03

GINA

HQ:wisconsin,US

Founded:1993

chair: **Louis-Philippe Boulet**

Recent News:

- World Laughter Day 2022 celebrates on 1st May(1st Sunday of may)

Appointment

RBI board approves Rajiv Ranjan as MPC member after Mridul Sagar retires

Appointed : Rajiv Ranjan

as: MPC member

Replaces: mridul saggar



Highlights:

- **The Reserve Bank of India's** central board approved the nomination of **Rajiv Ranjan** as a member of the **monetary policy committee**.
- Ranjan was an advisor in-charge in the **monetary policy department**, before he was elevated as an executive director.
- Out of the six MPC members, three are external. The other three members are RBI governor who is the chairperson of the committee, the deputy governor in charge of the monetary policy, and one officer of RBI nominated by the central board.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MPC member
who? Rajiv Ranjan

RBI

GOV: shaktikant das

HQ: mumbai

Found: 1935

Recent News

- IRS officer Sangeeta Singh given additional charge of CDBT chairman

- Governor of the Reserve Bank of India – Chairperson, ex officio - Shaktikanta Das
- Deputy Governor of the Bank in charge of monetary policy — Michael Debrata Patra
- MPD advisor -rajiv ranjan
- Ashima Goyal is a member of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's economic advisory council.
- Shashanka Bhide is a senior advisor at the National Council for Applied Economic Research
- Jayanth Varma is a finance and accounting professor at the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad.

MOU

C-DOT and C-DAC sign agreement for cooperation in telecom, ICT



Highlights:

- The **Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT)**, the premier research and development institution and the **Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC)** have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for cooperation in the areas of **telecom and information and communication technology**.
- As part of the deal, both C-DOT and C-DAC have agreed to collaborate and work jointly, in the identification and development of activities in the areas of 4G/5G, Broadband, IoT/M2M, packet core and computing.
- the objective of working together in the diverse areas of Telecom and ICT to boost indigenous technological design and development

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MOU with C-DOT
by? C-DAC

C-DOT

Founded: 1984

Hq: Delhi

Exe dir: Dr Rajkumar

Upadhyay

C-DAC

DG: mahesh ethirajan

Founded: 1988

Hq: pune

Recent News

- Rail Ministry and C-DOT join hands for modernization of Telecommunications in Indian Railways

Partnership

IIT Bombay collaborates with IMD to develop climate solutions to combat climate crisis



Highlights:

- The **Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Bombay** has signed a Letter of Agreement with **India Meteorological Department (IMD)** to develop climate solutions.
- This collaboration is likely to work on the development of Sensors and Drone-based Smart Monitoring systems, Climate-smart agriculture technology for water and food security, Intelligent and automated early warning systems, and Smart power grid management.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS
What? Tie up with IMD
by? IIT Bombay

IMD
DG: Mrutyunjay Mohapatra
Founded: 1875
Hq: New Delhi

Recent News

- IIT Bombay, L&T Collaborate To Develop Green Hydrogen Technology

Defence

Fast patrol vessel ICGS 'Kamla Devi' launched in Kolkata



Highlights:

- the Indian Coast Guard launched Fast patrol vessel ICGS 'Kamla Devi', named after social reformer and freedom activist Kamladevi Chattopadhyay and built by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Ltd in a public-private partnership with TWL group.
- 'Kamla Devi' was scheduled to be the fourth ship in the series of five such FPVs that GRSE was contracted to build for the ICG, but became the fifth as the fourth one was exported to the Republic of Seychelles as the 'SCG PS Zoroaster' in 2021

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Fast patrol vessel ICGS 'Kamla Devi'
by? ICG

ICG

Head : VS pathania
HQ: new delhi
Found: 1978

Recent News

- Cochin Shipyard to build first indigenous hydrogen-fuelled electric vessels

Summit

Prime Minister Modi introduced the Semicon India Conference 2022 in Bengaluru



Highlights:

- The **Semicon India Conference-2022** will be inaugurated by **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** with the theme '**Catalysing India's Semiconductor Ecosystem**'.
- Bengaluru** will host this three-day conference by **India Semiconductor Mission, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY)**
- the three-day conference is being held to advance Prime Minister Narendra Modi's objective of making India a leader in **electronics manufacturing, semiconductor design, production, and innovation**.
- The conference is intended to serve as a springboard for the country's aspiration to become a worldwide semiconductor hub and to develop the chip design and manufacturing ecosystem.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Semicon India Conference-2022**

by? MeitY

MeitY

Ashwini vaisnaw

Cons: odisha

Recent News

- India will host the 21st World Congress of Accountants

Ranking & report

India falls 8 positions to 150th rank in RSF 2022 World Press Freedom Index



Highlights:

- India's ranking in the **World Press Freedom Index 2022** has fallen down to **150th position** from last year's 142nd rank out of **180 countries**, according to a report by **reporters without borders(RSF)** released.
- **Nepal** has climbed up by 30 points in the global ranking at **76th position**. Last year, the Himalayan nation had been placed at **106th position**.
- This year, **Norway (1st) Denmark (2nd), Sweden (3rd) Estonia (4th) and Finland (5th)** grabbed the top positions, while **North Korea** remained at the **bottom of the list** of the 180 countries

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? World Press Freedom Index 2022

By? RSF

Top? Norway

India? 150

RSF

Hq: Paris, France

DG: Christophe Deloire

Formation: 1985

Recent News

- SIPRI's "Trends in World Military Expenditure report 2021": India ranked 3rd

THE Impact Rankings 2022



Highlights:

- The **Times Higher Education (THE)** has released the **2022 4th edition of its Impact Rankings**, in which **India has been featured as the fourth most-represented nation** along with Turkey with **64 universities**. As per the THE rankings, apart from **Calcutta University, two universities are in the top 100**.
- The Calcutta University grabbed **14th position globally** in the ‘Decent Work and Economic Growth’ sub-category.
- Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham was ranked 41**, and **Lovely Professional University** secured **74th position** globally.
- This year, a record 1,524 institutions from 110 countries participated in the rankings. **Australia’s Western Sydney University** secured the **top position globally** in the overall ranking.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **THE Impact Rankings 2022**
top?western sydney university

Recent News

- QS World University Rankings by Subject 2022: IIT Bombay & IIT Delhi among top 100

The State of the World's Forests (SOFO) 2022 by UN FAO



Highlights:

- FAO's flagship publication **"The State of the World's Forests" (SOFO)** presents data and analysis on the interaction between forests and people every two years, with a focus on a specific pertinent topic.
 - The world has **lost 420 million hectares (mha), approximately 10.34 per cent** of its total forest area in the last 30 years.
- though forests cover **4.06 billion ha (31 per cent)** of the earth's geographical area, the report said.
- It added that although the rate of deforestation was declining, 10 mha of forests were lost every year between 2015 and 2020.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **The State of the World's Forests" (SOFO)**
by?UN FAO

FAO

DG: **Qu Dongyu**

Hq: rome, italy

Founded: 1985

Recent News

- UN-FAO: Mumbai and Hyderabad recognised as '2021 Tree City of the World'

Banking

IRDAI authorise insurance companies for investment of 25% to 30% of assets in BFSI sector



Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India

Highlights:

- The **Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority of India (IRDAI)** increased insurers' maximum investment limit in **banking, financial services, and insurance (BFSI)** companies from **25% to 30% of their assets**.
- The threshold for **financial and insurance actions** will now be **30 percent of investment assets** for all insurers, according to the most recent modifications to **IRDAI's investment Regulations, 2016**.
- This will include investments in **home finance companies and infrastructure finance companies**.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Insurer invest in BFSI
by?IRDAI

IRDAI

chair:Debasish Panda

Founded: 1999

Headquarters: Hyderabad

Recent News

- PFRDA and Irdai granted licence to FinMapp to sell NPS, insurance

HDFC ERGO launches an innovative motor insurance policy



Highlights:

- **HDFC ERGO General Insurance Company**, a leading private sector general insurance company, announced the launch of its **'Pay as you Drive' program**; an insurance solution that offers distance-based insurance to reduce upfront costs of premium.
- This policy will be best suited for those customers who prefer to drive less or have multiple cars with some of those driven less than the others. This program, under the regulatory sandbox, is applicable for 10,000 policies or ₹ 50 lacs of premium whichever happens earlier and is being offered exclusively through Maruti Suzuki Insurance Broking Private Limited.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? 'Pay as you Drive' program

by? HDFC ergo

HDFC ergo

CEO: Ritesh Kumar;

Hq: mumbai

Founded: 2002

Recent News

HDFC ERGO launched "VAULT" digital customer engagement and rewards program

International

World Bank approved \$47 million program for India's Mission Karmayogi program



Highlights:

- The **World Bank** has approved a **USD 47 million projects** to support the Government of **India's Mission Karmayogi**, a national program to build civil service capacity. There are nearly 18 million civil servants employed across India, with approximately two-thirds at the state government and local authority levels.
- The Bank's financing aims to support the Government's objectives of enhancing the functional and behavioural competencies of approximately four million civil servants.
- It will focus on three components: the development and implementation of competency frameworks; the development of an integrated learning platform; and program monitoring, evaluation, and management.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS
What? **USD 47 million**
by? World bank

World Bank

Hq: Washington, D.C., US.
Form: 1944.
Pres: David Malpass.

Recent News

- World bank Report States Extreme Poverty in India Decline by 12.3%

National

India launches NOAR platform to facilitate open access in power sector



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **NOAR website**
by? GOI

Highlights:

- the government has launched **National Open Access Registry (NOAR) website**. The platform went successfully live from May 1, Taking a step closer towards facilitating open access in the power sector.
- NOAR has been designed as an integrated single window electronic platform accessible to all stakeholders including open access participants, traders, power exchanges, national/regional/state load despatch centres for electronic processing of short-term open access applications, thereby automating the administration of the short-term open access in inter-state transmission system.

Recent News

- ABPMJAY- SEHAT scheme: Samba becomes 1st district to cover 100% households

State

Rajasthan's 'Miyan ka Bada' Railway Station renamed to 'Mahesh Nagar Halt'



Highlights:

- **'Miyan Ka Bada' railway station** in the Balotra area of Rajasthan's Barmer district was renamed "**Mahesh Nagar Halt.**" Since Independence, the people of Mian Ka Bada in Rajasthan have demanded that the village's name be changed, claiming that the village's original name was Mahesh Ro Bado.
- In 2018, the Rajasthan government changed the village's name from Mian Ka Bada to Mahesh Nagar and made the necessary revisions in the revenue records. Proposals to rename the station were sent to the railway ministry when the village's name was changed

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Renamed as mahesh nagar halt
in ? Rajasthan

Rajasthan

Capital: jaipur

Chief minister: ashok gehlot

Gov: kalraj mishra

Recent News

Gangaur festival celebrated
in Rajasthan

Assam Government Inks Tripartite Accord With AFD, ONFI For Wildlife Preservation Management



Highlights:

- A Tripartite Park and Biodiversity Partnership Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was inked between the **Assam Government, Agence Francaise de Developpement (AFD) and Office National des Forets International (ONFI)** , to exchange skills and understanding on various aspects of wildlife preservation management.
- the agency approved Rs 2.5 crores for the state government to start a programme for forest officials from France and Assam to visit similar locations and strengthen their wildlife management knowledge.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS
What? MOU with AFD&
ONFI
in ? assam

assam
Capital: Dispur
CM: Himanta Biswa Sarma
Gov: jagdish mukhi

Recent News

- India's first pure green hydrogen plant commissioned in Assam

Organisation / Bank:

GINA

HQ:wisconsin,US

Founded:1993

chair: -----

RBI

GOV: shaktikant das

HQ: mumbai

Found:-----

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Hq: -----

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C-DAC

DG: -----

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Hq: pune

IMD

DG: -----

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MeitY

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Cons: -----

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CM: Himanta Biswa Sarma

Gov: jagdish mukhi

1. World Press Freedom Day 2022: may 3: theme?

Journalism under digital siege

2. Former Amazon Music CEO _____ joins JioSaavn as CEO

sahas

3. “Leaders, Politicians, Citizens: Fifty Figures Who Influenced India’s Politics” by_____

rasheed kidwai

4. _____partners with Headstart and Anthill to support promising startups

DBS Bank

5. Narayan Rane inaugurates “_____” a month long initiative

Enterprise India