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Important days

National Technology Day 2022 Observed on 11th May

National technology Day : may 11

By: GOI

1st OBSRVD: 1998

Theme: “Integrated Approach in Science and technology for sustainable future”



Highlights :

- **National Technology Day** is observed every year on **11th May** across the country. Every year on this day, officials pay honour to India’s scientists for their achievements.
- This day is commemorated as an achievement of India’s technical advances, since on **May 11, 1998**, the country successfully tested nuclear weapons in Pokhran.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? National technology Day

When? May 11

Recent News:

- International Day of Argania 2022 observed on 10th May

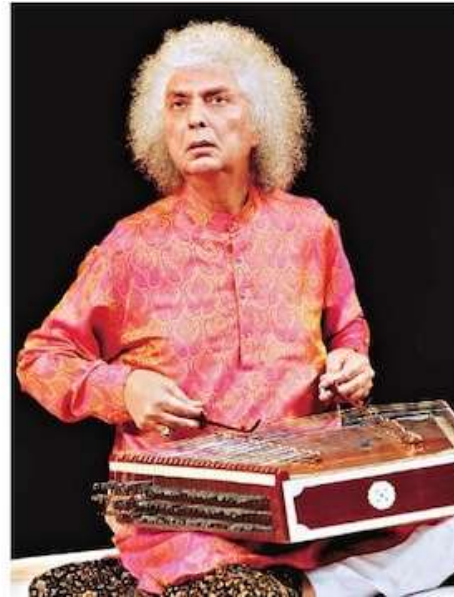
Obituaries

Padma Vibhushan Pandit Shivkumar Sharma Passes Away

Passed Away : shivkumar sharma

Field: music composer

Born: jammu



Highlights :

- Indian music composer and santoor player, **Pandit Shivkumar Sharma** passed away at the age of 84.
- He gave the **santoor**, once a little known instrument from **Jammu and Kashmir**, a classical status and exalted it along with other, more traditional and famous instruments such as the sitar and sarod. Pandit Shivkumar Sharma received the prestigious **Padma Shri in 1991, and the Padma Vibhushan in 2001.**

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

Who? shivkumar sharma

Field? Music composer

Born? jammu

Recent News:

- Padma Shri Odia Writer Rajat Kumar Kar passes away

Appointment

Alkesh Kumar Sharma appointed as Ministry of Electronics and IT's Secretary

Appointed : alkesh kumar sharma

as: MeitY secretary

Replaces: ajay prakash sawhney



Highlights:

- **Alkesh Kumar Sharma**, a senior IAS officer, has been named Secretary of the **Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology** (MeitY).
- He was previously the Cabinet Secretariat's secretary (Coordination).
- **Alkesh Kumar Sharma** previously served as Kerala's additional chief secretary for industries from May 2020 to April 2021.
- Sharma served as the Managing Director of Kochi Metro Rail and the CEO of the Cochin Smart City Mission from September 2019 until April 2021.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? MeitY secretary
who? alkesh kumar sharma

MeitY

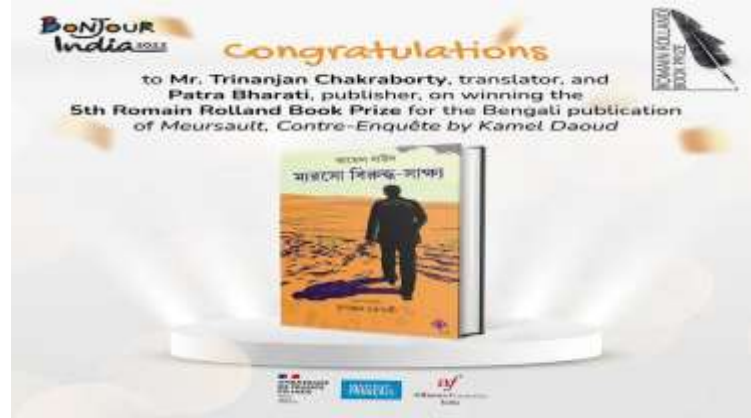
Ashwini vaishnaw
Cons: odisha

Recent News

- Delhi's new Chief Secretary has been appointed, Naresh Kumar

Awards

Bengali translation 'Meursault, contre-enquête' wins Romain Rolland Book Prize 2022



Highlights:

- The fifth Romain Rolland Book Prize – Romain Rolland Book Prize 2022 has been awarded to the **Bengali translation** of the French novel “**Meursault, contre-enquête**” (The Meursault Investigation).
- The award ceremony was organized by **the French Institute in India**.
- Meursault, contre-enquête is the debut novel of Algerian writer and journalist Kamel Daoud.
- The award was presented to translator **Trinanjan Chakraborty and publisher Esha Chatterjee of Patra Bharati**, a leading publisher of prestigious Bengali books, during the French Literary Festival-French LitFest 2022 at Bikaner House in New Delhi

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Romain Rolland Book Prize 2022 won? Meursault investigation

FII

head: emmanuel lebrun-damiens
HQ: new delhi
found: 2012

Recent News

- Guruswamy Krishnamoorthy receives British Honour 'MBE' For His Service During the COVID-19 Pandemic

The **Romain Rolland Book Prize**, which was established in **2017**, honours the finest translation of a French title into any Indian language, including English.

As part of the prize, the winning publisher and translator will each receive a guided trip to the **Paris Book Fair 2023 (Livre Paris 2023)**.

Pulitzer Prizes 2022 Announced: Complete List of Winners



EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Pulitzer prize 2022
by? Columbia university

Columbia university

Pres:lee c. Bollinger

Hq:new york

Found: 1754

Highlights:

- The **106th class of Pulitzer Prize winners** in Journalism, Books, Drama and Music were announced.

- The Pulitzer Prize is an award for achievements in newspaper, magazine, online journalism, literature and musical composition within the **United States**.

In Feature Photography category four indians Adnan Abidi, Sanna Irshad Mattoo, Amit Dave and the late Danish Siddiqui of Reuters for images of Covid's toll in India.

In Public Service,The Washington Post for its account of the assault on Washington on January 6, 2021.

Recent News

- DD National Pet Show 'Best Friend Forever' Wins ENBA Award 2021

- It was established in **1917** by provisions in the will of **Joseph Pulitzer**, who had made his fortune as a newspaper publisher, and is administered by Columbia University.

each winner receives a certificate and a US\$15,000 cash award (raised from \$10,000 in 2017).

The winner in the public service category is awarded a gold medal.

MOU

C-DOT to provide indigenous tech solutions worth over Rs 2100 crore to Railways



Highlights:

- The Railways Ministry and C-DOT have signed a memorandum of understanding for replacing foreign technology gears being used in Indian Railway.
- The Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT) will provide locally-developed technology solutions worth over Rs 2,114 crore to Indian Railways to help the latter reduce dependence on foreign technology.
- under the arrangement C-DOT will bring its R&D expertise in designing indigenous technologies and Indian Railways has its vast network for deploying these solutions.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Mou with C-DOT by?indian railways

C-DOT

Founded: 1984

Hq: Delhi

Exe dir: Dr Rajkumar Upadhyay

Recent News

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

Partnership

WEF & NITI Aayog to Focus on Emerging Tech to Benefit Small & Marginal Farmers



Highlights:

- **World Economic Forum (WEF)**, in collaboration with the government's think tank **Niti Aayog**, is focusing on how to better **use emerging technologies** like **artificial intelligence (AI)**, **the Internet of Things (IoT)**, **blockchain**, and **drones** to benefit farmers, particularly small and marginal farmers.
- These were the starting points for the WEF, which then began working with various states, including the Agriculture Ministry, to build various programmes around it.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Partner with WEF**
by? **NITI Aayog**

WEF

Hq: Cologny, Switzerland
chair: Klaus Schwab
Founded: 1971

NITI aayog

Ceo: amitabh kat
HQ new delhi
Found: 2015

Recent News

- NITI Aayog's State Energy and Climate Index: Gujarat tops

Summit

Prime Minister Modi addresses the JITO Connect 2022 launching session



Highlights:

- **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi** used video conferencing to address the opening session of the Jain **International Trade Organisation's JITO Connect 2022** in Pune under the theme of **“together towards tomorrow”**.
- The prestigious **JITO Connect 2022** – One of the World's Largest and Most **Desired Global Summits**, a 3-day power packed Summit that is set to take people on a journey to Unravel the Future and embrace Change, the only constant, It will provide unsaid stories, thoughts, and discoveries that will encourage everyone to grasp other perspectives and see the big picture.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **JITO connect 2022**
by? JITO

JITO

Hq: Mumbai

Chair: Ganpatraj Chowdhary

Founded: 2007

Recent News

- In Bengaluru, Prime Minister Modi introduced the **Semicon India Conference 2022**

Banking

HDFC Bank Launches 'Xpress Car Loan' Industry First Digital New Car Loan



Highlights:

- **HDFC Bank**, a private sector lender, has introduced **30-minute 'Xpress Car Loans'**, an end-to-end digital new car loan solution for both existing and non-customers. The bank has integrated its lending application with automobile dealers throughout India.
- The facility will be offered at all of the bank's branches, dealerships, and, eventually, on third-party aggregator platforms.
- This comprehensive, faster, more convenient, and inclusive digital journey for car buyers will simplify the automobile purchase process and boost car sales across India, particularly in semi-urban and rural locations.
- it anticipates 20%–30% of clients to use this loan facility of up to **Rs. 20 lakhs**.
- Currently, the facility is only available for four-wheelers, and it will be gradually extended to include two-wheeler loans.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Xpress car loan**
by? **HDFC bank**

HDFC bank

Hq: mumba

CEO: Sashidhar Jagdishan;

Founded: 1994

Recent News

- **HDFC ERGO** launches an innovative motor insurance policy pay as you drive

International

World's Longest Glass-Bottomed Bridge Opens In Vietnam



Highlights:

- **Vietnam** launched a new attraction for tourists with the **opening of a glass-bottomed bridge** suspended **150 metres (490 feet) above a lush jungle**.
- The **Bach Long** pedestrian bridge -- whose name translates to "white dragon" -- in northwest Son La province snakes, hitting a total length of **632 metres (690 yards)**.
- The floor of the bridge is made from French-produced tempered glass, making it strong enough to support up to 450 people at a time.
- it is the world's longest glass-bottomed bridge, surpassing a 526-metre structure in Guangdong, China.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Longest bridge**
by? vietnam

Vietnam

Capital: Hanoi

Curr: Vietnamese dong

Pres: Nguyễn Xuân Phúc

Recent News

- Brazil landscape garden Sitio Burle Marx receives UNESCO World Heritage status

National

LS Speaker Om Birla launches Kalam website to encourage vernacular literature



Highlights:

- Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla formally launched the **Kalam website**, a literary initiative of the **Prabha Khaitan Foundation** to support and encourage **vernacular literature**.
- The aim of Kalam is to popularize Hindi literature and provide a platform for veteran and young authors and poets to talk about their writings and love for vernacular literature.
- Kalam is in sync with the philosophy of our nation – ‘Unity in Diversity’ which is reflected in the tagline of Prabha Khaitan Foundation – ‘Aapne Bhasha Aapne Log’.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? Kalam website
by? Prabha Khaitan
Foundation

Recent News

- Lokpal to get permanent office at World Trade Centre in Delhi, office space bought for ₹ 254 cr.

State

Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister launched Ladli Laxmi scheme 2.0



Highlights:

- **Madhya Pradesh** Chief Minister, **Shivraj Singh Chouhan** launched the second phase of the **Ladli Laxmi scheme (Ladli Laxmi scheme-2.0)**.
- The scheme is an innovative initiative to encourage girl children to pursue higher education and make them self-dependent.
- Ladli Laxmi scheme is a comprehensive scheme that offers financial assistance for a girl from birth until her marriage in instalments.
- The family should come under **below the poverty line (BPL)**, i.e., should not be an income taxpayer. A maximum of two daughters can be registered under this scheme.

EXPECTED QUESTIONS

What? **Ladli laxmi scheme 2.0**

in ? MP

MP

Capital: Bhopal

Cm: Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Gov: mangubhai c patel

Recent News

- Madhya Pradesh authorities to arrange startup park in Indore

Organisation / Bank:

FII

head: -----

HQ: new delhi

found: 2012

Columbia university

Pres:-----

Hq:new york

Found: 1754

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Hq: Delhi

Exe dir:-----

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chair: -----

Founded:1971

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Ceo: amitabh kat

HQ -----

Found: 2015

JITO

Hq: mumbai

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Founded: -----

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Capital: Hanoi

Curr: Vietnamese dong

Pres: -----

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MP
Capital: Bhopal
Cm: Shivraj Singh Chouhan
Gov: mangubhai c patel

**1. International Day of Argania 2022 observed on 10th May:
theme?**

“The Argan tree, symbol of resilience”

2. _____ takes office as president of Costa Rica

Rodrigo Chaves

3. Sebi constitutes advisory panel on ESG-related matters under_____

HDFC's Munot

4. IRCTC's _____ to stop at Nepal's Janakpur

Bharat Gaurav Tourist Train

5. _____ govt announced breakfast scheme for primary school students

Tamil Nadu