

1. On which date of August is International Youth Day celebrated?

- A) August 07
B) August 08
C) August 10
D) August 12



- ✓ International Youth Day is marked on August 12. The theme of the day this year has been decided as "Transforming Food Systems: Youth Innovation for Human and Planetary Health". The first International Youth Day was celebrated in 1999.

2. Which organization has released The Handbook for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Implementation?

- A) National Development Council
B) NITI Aayog
C) Ministry of New and Renewable Energy
D) Ministry of Road Transport and Highways



- ✓ NITI Aayog today released a handbook to guide state governments and local bodies to frame policies and norms towards setting up charging networks for electric vehicles (EV).
✓ The objective is to enhance charging infrastructure and facilitate a rapid transition to electric mobility in the country. The Handbook for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Implementation has been jointly developed by NITI Aayog, Ministry of Power (MoP), Department of Science and Technology (DST), Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), and World Resources Institute (WRI) India.

3. Who has been appointed as the new chairman of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority?

- A) Kamlesh Kumar Pant
B) Shubhra Singh
C) Dr Rakesh Sarwal
D) Dr K Rajeswara Rao



- ✓ Kamlesh Kumar Pant, IAS has been appointed as the new chairman of National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) by the Appointments Committee of the Union Cabinet. Pant, formerly the Principal Secretary (Revenue) in the government of Himachal Pradesh and also the Financial Commissioner (Appeals) at Himachal Pradesh and the head of the Himachal Pradesh State Pollution Control Board, has taken charge of NPPA with immediate effect.

4. Which National Park has become the first national park in India to be equipped with satellite phones?

- A) Kaziranga National Park
B) Gir National Park
C) Anamudi Shola National Park
D) Anshi National Park



- ✓ Kaziranga National Park has become the first national park in India to be equipped with satellite phones. The satellite phones will be used in pockets of the park's six ranges with no wireless or poor mobile connectivity. The Park authorities will bear the monthly expenses for the service provided by Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd.

5. Which date of August is observed as World Elephant Day?

- A) August 10
B) August 12
C) August 14
D) August 16



- ✓ 12th August is observed as World Elephant Day to draw focus towards protection and conservation of elephants.
✓ World Elephant Day aims to accelerate efforts to offer better protection to elephants, prevent the trade of ivory, improving enforcement policies, conserve elephant habitat, illegal poaching, better captive environments for elephants, and reintroduce the captive elephants back in their natural sanctuaries.

6. In which State/UT, Narendra Singh Tomar has inaugurated the world's second-largest refurbished state-of-the-art National Gene Bank?

- A) New Delhi
B) Uttar Pradesh
C) Gujarat
D) Goa



- ✓ Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Narendra Singh Tomar has inaugurated the world's second-largest refurbished state-of-the-art National Gene Bank at the National Bureau of Plant Genetic Resources (NBPGR), Pusa in New Delhi. The need for bio fortified crop varieties is being felt, which the government is trying to overcome.
✓ The National Gene Bank established in the year 1996 to preserve the seeds of Plant Genetic Resources (PGR) for future generations, has the capacity to preserve about one million germplasm in the form of seeds. Presently it is protecting 4.52 lakh accessions, of which 2.7 lakh are Indian germplasm and the rest have been imported from other countries.

7. What is the rank of Neeraj Chopra in the World Athletics ranking?

- A) 01
B) 02
C) 03
D) 04



- ✓ Javelin Thrower Neeraj Chopra has finished at number 2nd rank in the World Athletics ranking after securing Gold Medal at the Tokyo Olympics 2020. Neeraj Chopra has been ranked second with his score of 1315. He is only behind German athlete Johannes Vetter who is having the score of 1396.

8. With which state, APEDA has collaborated to export five unique varieties of apples to Bahrain?

- A) Jammu & Kashmir
B) Himachal Pradesh
C) Uttarakhand
D) Arunachal Pradesh



- ✓ APEDA in collaboration with Himachal Pradesh Horticultural Produce Marketing and Processing Corporation Ltd (HPMC) exported first consignment comprising of five unique varieties of apples in order to promote agricultural and processed food products exports to newer destinations.
✓ 5 varieties of apples including Dark Baron Gala, Royal Delicious, Scarlet Spur, Red Velox & Golden Delicious were exported to Bahrain. These apples were sourced from farmers of Himachal Pradesh. 1st consignment was exported by APEDA registered DM Enterprises.

9. Which country has test fired a cruise missile with a new turbofan engine named Manik?

- A) India
- B) Israel
- C) Germany
- D) Japan



- ✓ The Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) has successfully tested the 'Nirbhay' Indigenous Technology Cruise Missile, powered by the Made-in-India 'Manik' Turbofan Engine. The missile was designed by the Aeronautical Development Establishment, a DRDO laboratory in Bengaluru.
- ✓ The engine was designed and developed by another DRDO laboratory, Gas Turbine Research Establishment, which is also based in Bengaluru. The 'Nirbhay' subsonic missile, which has a range of 1000 kilometers, was fired from a military testing facility off the coast of Odisha on Wednesday and it flew for nearly 150 kms in 15 minutes.

10. Which date in August is celebrated as the International Left-Handers' Day?

- A) August 12
- B) August 13
- C) August 14
- D) August 15



- ✓ The International Left-Handers' Day 2021 is celebrated every year on August 13. It is a way to acknowledge those who, unlike the majority of the population, are born left-handed. A considerable part of the population, almost 10-12% of the global population, consists of left-handers. There are people who are afraid of the left-side or left-handed people. This condition can take the form of a phobia and is known as Sinistrophobia.