
1. What is the theme of World Veterinary Day 2024?

- A. Value of Vaccination
- B. Veterinarians are essential health workers
- C. Promoting Diversity, Equity, and Inclusiveness in the Veterinary Profession
- D. Environmental protection for improving animal and human health



- ✓ **World Veterinary Day annually celebrates veterinarians' contributions globally, emphasizing their role in public health and animal welfare. Observed on the last Saturday of April, World Veterinary Day raises awareness of veterinarians' vital role in maintaining both animal and human health. In 2024, celebrated on April 27, the theme is "Veterinarians are Essential Health Workers".**
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2. Recently, which country won the gold medal in the Archery World Cup in the men's recurve event?

- A. India
- B. South Korea
- C. Malaysia
- D. Indonesia



- ✓ **India's men's recurve team clinched a historic gold at the Archery World Cup Stage-1 by defeating South Korea, breaking a 14-year gold drought. The triumphant trio – Dhiraj Bommadevara, Tarundeep Rai, and Pravin Jadhav – beat South Korea's world-champion squad 5-1. This marked India's highest-ever medal tally in an Archery World Cup, with 8 medals, including 5 golds, 2 silvers, and 1 bronze. India sent a 16-member squad, featuring 8 men and 8 women, to Shanghai.**
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3. What is a green taxonomy?

- A. A system for categorizing environmentally friendly investments
- B. A framework for classifying financial assets based on their color
- C. A method for organizing government budgets related to environmental projects
- D. A type of plant species found in tropical rainforests

- ✓ **The RBI and Finance Ministry could draw from ASEAN's evolving green taxonomy for sustainable trajectories. Green taxonomy defines environmentally sound investments, aiding in preventing greenwashing and guiding informed investment decisions. It channels funds toward sustainable economic activities, encompassing climate mitigation, adaptation, and biodiversity conservation.**
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4. Raja Ravi Varma was associated with which field?

- A. Sports
- B. Medicine
- C. Music
- D. Painting and art



- ✓ The first true copy of Raja Ravi Varma's painting "Indulekha" will be revealed at Kilimanoor Palace, Kerala, on his 176th birth anniversary. Varma, born in 1848, was a renowned Indian painter, famous for merging European techniques with Indian themes. He created around 7,000 paintings, blending Hindu mythology with Western composition. Varma's notable works include "Damayanti Talking to a Swan" and "Shakuntala Looking for Dushyanta."

5. Recently, where was the 'Critical Minerals Summit 2024' held?

- A. Chennai
- B. New Delhi
- C. Hyderabad
- D. Bhopal



- ✓ The Ministry of Mines, along with partners Shakti Sustainable Energy Foundation, CEEW, and IISD, hosted the "Critical Minerals Summit: Enhancing Beneficiation and Processing Capabilities" in New Delhi from April 29th-30th, 2024. Aimed at bolstering India's critical mineral supply chain, the summit convenes stakeholders from industry, government, academia, and startups. Key topics include mineral auction progress and sustainable solutions. Technical sessions focus on eight key minerals crucial for clean energy technologies and electric vehicles.

6. Recently, which trade association has launched a corporate governance charter for startups?

- A. India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO)
- B. Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)
- C. ASSOCHAM
- D. Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)



- ✓ Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) releases Corporate Governance Charter for Startups, emphasizing principles like Transparency and Fairness. Aimed at guiding startups towards stability and success, it addresses governance failures seen in high-profile cases like BharatPe and GoMechanic. The charter, applicable to startups under the Companies Act 2013, outlines guidelines for different stages.

7. Which state's education department recently released the 'Guidelines for Elimination of Corporal Punishment (GECP)'?

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Telangana
- C. Kerala
- D. Meghalaya



- ✓ **Tamil Nadu issues Guidelines for Elimination of Corporal Punishment in Schools (GECP) to foster safe environments for students, as per Right to Education Act, 2009. The GECP issued jointly by Directors of School and Elementary Education, aims to prevent physical and mental harm and discrimination. It includes awareness camps on National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) guidelines. Measures include prompt complaint redressal and forming monitoring committees at schools.**

8. Recently, which Indian has been selected for the 'Goldman Environmental Prize 2024'?

- A. Rajendra Singh
- B. Tulsi Gowda
- C. Alok Shukla
- D. Ramesh Agrawal



- ✓ **Chhattisgarh's Alok Shukla, environmental activist, wins 2024 Goldman Environmental Prize for grassroots efforts. Known as "Green Nobel Prize," it honors his work in preserving Hasdeo Arand Forest, vital for Chhattisgarh's ecosystem. Facing coal mining threats, Shukla rallied local tribes, pressuring the government to cancel auctions of 21 coal mines in 2022. His organization, Hasdeo Aranya Bachao Sangharsh Samiti, champions environmental protection in the region.**

9. What is INS Vikrant?

- A. Submarine
- B. Aircraft carrier
- C. Tankers
- D. Frigates



- ✓ **The Indian Navy recently showcased twin carrier operations with its two aircraft carriers: INS Vikramaditya and INS Vikrant. India operates these carriers, with INS Vikrant being the first aircraft carrier purchased from the UK, active since the 1960s. INS Viraat, India's second carrier, was originally HMS Hermes. INS Vikramaditya, formerly Russia's Admiral Gorshkov, joined the Indian Navy in 2013, marking India's third carrier.**

10. Which organization recently released a satellite-data-based analysis on the expansion of glacial lakes in the catchments of Indian Himalayan river basins?

- A. ISRO
- B. DRDO
- C. CSIR
- D. NDMA



- ✓ The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) recently released a satellite-data-based analysis on the expansion of glacial lakes in the catchments of Indian Himalayan River basins. The analysis uses long-term satellite imagery from 1984 to 2023 to show significant changes in the lakes. According to ISRO, 676 of the 2,431 lakes larger than 10 hectares identified in 2016-17 have expanded significantly since 1984. The analysis highlights the risks of glacial lake outburst floods (GLOFs) and their impact on infrastructure and settlements downstream of such lakes.

11. Which country's parliament recently passed a law criminalizing same-sex relationships?

- A. Iran
- B. Iraq
- C. Vietnam
- D. Egypt



- ✓ Iraq's parliament recently passed a law criminalizing same-sex relationships, imposing up to 15 years in prison for such acts. Promoting homosexuality or prostitution can lead to a minimum of seven years behind bars. Additionally, changing one's biological gender or dressing in an effeminate manner can result in one to three years of imprisonment. The legislation was supported by conservative Shi'ite Muslim parties, aiming to uphold religious values and protect Iraqi society from moral decay.

12. Recently, Bru community participated in Lok Sabha elections for the first time as voters from which state?

- A. Mizoram
- B. Tripura
- C. Nagaland
- D. Karnataka



- ✓ In 2024, the Bru community, indigenous to Northeast India, voted for the first time in Tripura's Lok Sabha elections. Predominantly residing in Tripura, Mizoram, and Assam, they hold Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Group status. Ethnically Indo-Mongoloid, they belong to the Austro-Asiatic linguistic groups.

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