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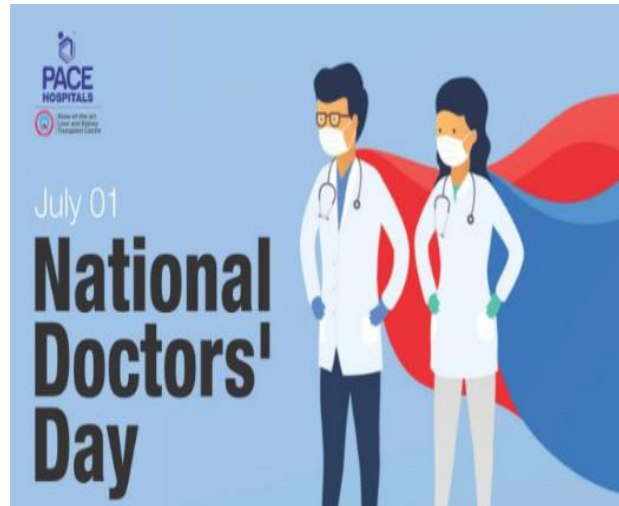
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2 & 3 June 2023 Daily Current Affairs

Important Days

1st July 2023 National Doctor's Day

- ❖ National Doctor's Day is annually observed across India on 1st July to appreciate and honour the valuable contributions of doctors and healthcare professionals in India.
- ❖ This day also gives an opportunity to thank doctors for their selfless service and efforts for the well-being of the people in India.
- ❖ The day also commemorates the birth as well as the death Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. Bidhan Chandra Roy (BC Roy), a physician and one of the most influential designers of India's contemporary healthcare system.
- ❖ The national observance of Doctor's Day across India is led by the Indian Medical Association (IMA).
- ❖ **Theme: "Celebrating Resilience and Healing Hands".**



Background

- ❖ In India, the celebration of National Doctor's Day was initiated by the Indian Medical Association (IMA) for the first time on 1st July 1991.
- ❖ Since 1991, the day has been celebrated as a significant occasion to honour and appreciate the invaluable contributions of doctors, promote medical awareness, and encourage the well-being of the medical community.

Indian Medical Association

- ❖ Started in 1928
- ❖ National President- Dr. Sharad Kumar Agarwal
- ❖ Headquarters- New Delhi, Delhi

1st July 2023 -75th National Chartered Accountants Day

- ❖ The National Chartered Accountants (CA) Day is annually observed across India on 1st July to commemorate the establishment of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) on 1st July 1949. It is also known as ICAI Foundation Day which honors the work of all Chartered Accountants.





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- ❖ 1st July 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of the ICAI.
- ❖ Theme 'Empowering Financial Excellence'.

Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI)

- ❖ President- Aniket Sunil Talati
- ❖ Headquarters- New Delhi

1st July 2023 6th Goods and Services Tax Day

- ❖ Goods and Services Tax (GST) Day is annually observed on 1st July to commemorate the implementation of the GST system, a comprehensive indirect tax levied on the supply of goods and services in India.
- ❖ 1st July 2023 marks the observance of the 6th GST Day which commemorates the 6th anniversary of GST coming into force (1st July 2017).

Background

- ❖ On 1st July, 2017, GST laws were implemented, replacing multiple indirect taxes such as excise duty, service tax, value-added tax (VAT), and others levied by the Central and State Governments.
- ❖ On 30th June 2018, the Government of India announced the decision to celebrate the 1st July of every year as the GST Day.
- ❖ The first-ever GST day was observed on 1st July 2018, which marked the first anniversary of GST coming into force.

GST Council

- ❖ As per Article 279A (4), the GST Council will make recommendations to the Union and the States on important issues related to GST, like the goods and services that may be subjected or exempted from GST, model GST Laws, principles that govern Place of Supply, threshold limits.
- ❖ Chairperson of GST Council is Union Finance Minister.

People in the news

Tushar Mehta appointed as Solicitor General of India for second term

- ❖ On June 30, 2023, the Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) approved the reappointment of Tushar Mehta as Solicitor General of India (SGI).
- ❖ He will hold office for three years from 1 July 2023.
- ❖ Tushar Mehta has been serving as the Solicitor General of India since 10 October 2018.
- ❖ Tushar Mehta
- ❖ Born on May 5, 1962 in Gujarat, Dushar Mehta started his career as a lawyer in 1987.





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- ❖ In 2007, the Gujarat High Court declared him a senior advocate. Appointed Additional Advocate General in 2008
- ❖ In 2014, he was promoted to Additional Solicitor General of India.
- ❖ He was also the Special Public Prosecutor in the 2G spectrum issue and related cases.

Appointments Committee of Cabinet (ACC)

- ❖ Year of Establishment – January 26, 1950
- ❖ President – Narendra Modi (Prime Minister of India)
- ❖ Headquarters - New Delhi, Delhi

Appointment of K. Nandakumar as Public Sector Secretary

- ❖ K. Nandakumar has been appointed as the Public Sector Secretary of the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ Chief Secretary Sivdas Meena has issued an order in this regard: K. Nandakumar - Public and Rehabilitation Department Secretary, Human Resource Management Department Secretary will additionally look after the responsibility.
- ❖ D. Jagannathan - will continue as Secretary, Department of Cooperatives, Food and Consumer Protection. In addition, Anna will also look after the directorship of the Administrative Staff College.



Defence

Tejas MK-1A aircraft

- ❖ The Tejas MK-1A light fighter jets will be available to the Air Force in February next year, the Defense Ministry said. Tejas fighter jets have been in service with the Air Force for seven years.
- ❖ In February 2021, it signed an agreement with Hindustan Aeronautics for the purchase of 83 Tejas MK-1A aircraft for the Air Force at a cost of Rs. 48,000 crore contract by the Ministry of Defence. The Tejas is a single-engine multirole fighter aircraft.
- ❖ Egypt, Argentina, USA, Australia, Indonesia, Countries including Malaysia and the Philippines have shown serious interest.





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- ❖ The Tejas MK-1A fighter jets will be equipped with state-of-the-art equipment. These aircraft will also be equipped with electronic radar equipment, advanced weapons, and the ability to carry missiles.
- ❖ The Ministry of Defense said that the 45th Squadron of the Air Force was the first to use the Tejas aircraft.
- ❖ The squadron has deployed Vam Pyr, Nat and MiG-21 Piezo fighter jets. Currently | Tejas uses aircraft. Last May 2020, it was the second to use Tejas flights
- ❖ 18th Brigade has been formed as a brigade.

Reports and indices

Iceland has been named the world's most peaceful country for the 15th time

- ❖ Iceland has topped this year's list of the world's most peaceful countries for the 15th time in a row. DD
- ❖ This year, Iceland has been ranked the world's most peaceful country for the 15th year in a row, according to the Global Peace Index. Also, Singapore, Portugal, Slovenia, Japan and Switzerland are among the top 10 countries.
- ❖ Canada, the Czech Republic, Finland and Croatia, which were previously at the top of the list, have fallen lower in this year's list.
- ❖ Europe is said to be the most peaceful region in the world. Meanwhile, Afghanistan is declared as the most dangerous country in the world.



Awards & Honors

Including the director of 'The Elephant Whisperers' Award for Indian Environmentalists

- ❖ It is the first Indian production since the Oscar-winning 'The Elephant Whisperers'.
- ❖ British King Charles and Queen Camilla presented to Indian environmentalists including the director of the documentary short film, Karthiki Consalves.
- ❖ These awards have been given on behalf of 'Elephant Family', an international NGO based in Britain.
- ❖ Last March, 'The Elephant Whisperers', a documentary short film that sensitively chronicled the life of a tribal couple who care for baby elephants who have lost their mother in the Mudumalai forest region of Tamil Nadu and the relationship between the baby elephants and the couple, won an Oscar last March.
- ❖ Karthiki received the 'Dhara' award and 70 tribal artisans from The Real Elephant Collect Div (DREC), a voluntary organization operating in the Nilgiris, received the 'Mark Shunt' award.





Art and Culture

In Vembakotta Excavations find carved lamps

- ❖ Excavation of Vembak Fort in Virudhunagar district has found clay pots and lamps full of beautiful work.
- ❖ Vijaya Karisalkulam Mettukkadu is situated on the bank of Vaipa near Vembakottai. It is a habitat area from the Iron Age to the early prehistoric period.



2 thousand items

- ❖ Here, the first phase of excavation work on a 25-acre area known as the Archeological Mound began in 2021. In it, more than 3,500 antiquities were found. The second phase of excavation work has been going on for the last 6 months. In this, more than 2 thousand ancient items have been found so far.
- ❖ 4 A flint pot found in Vembakotta excavations. Agal lamps with beautiful carvings.
- ❖ At present, black and red colored clay tiles, clay pots and Agal lamps with beautiful work have been found. A lot of antiquities are being unearthed in this area.
- ❖ When the officials of the Department of Archeology said, 'We can know the civilization and way of life of the Pre-Nors who lived in ancient times through the clay pots and agal lamps found at present.'

Sports

ATP Tennis - Title for Bambray pair

- ❖ India's Yuki Bhambri and South Africa's Lloyd Harris won the men's doubles title at the ATP Tennis Championships in Mallorca.
- ❖ The ATP tennis tournament is being held in Mallorca, Spain.
- ❖ In the men's doubles final held yesterday, the pair of Yuki Bamphrey-Lloyd won the title by defeating the pair of Netherlands' Robin Hassi and Austria's Philipp Oswald in straight sets 6-3, 6-4.



Asian Mixed Doubles Squash - Deepika/Harinderpal Debut Champions

- ❖ India's Deepika Pallikal/Harinderpal Singh Sandhu won the gold medal at the Asian Mixed Doubles Squash Championship in China. It is noteworthy that India became the champion in the inaugural season of the tournament.
- ❖ India's Deepika/Harinderpal partnership in the final
- ❖ 11-10, 11-8 Malaysia's Rasesal Arnold/Evan Yuen edged the tie.
- ❖ 8 teams from India, Malaysia, Pakistan, Iran, Hong Kong and China participated in this tournament held for the first time under the auspices of the Asian Squash Federation.





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Asian Kabaddi: India retain title

- ❖ India retained their title in the 9th Asian Kabaddi Championship for Men held in South Korea.
- ❖ It is noteworthy that in 9 seasons, India has become the champion 8 times. Iran won the trophy only in 2003.
- ❖ This time, in the final game, the Indian team defeated Iran by a score of 42-32.



Economics & Banking

The World Bank has approved USD 1.5 billion to support India's low carbon transition

- ❖ The World Bank has provided USD 1.5 billion in financing to accelerate India's development of low-carbon energy sources. The fund aims to help India scale up renewable energy, promote the development of green hydrogen, and stimulate climate finance to invest in low-carbon energy.
- ❖ This will see India achieve 500 GW of renewable energy capacity by 2030.
- ❖ India aims to phase out the use of fossil fuel-based energy sources to align with its goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2070.



World Bank

- ❖ Establishment – July, 1944
- ❖ Headquarters – Washington DC, United States of America (USA)
- ❖ President – Ajay Banga

Tamilnadu News

Priority in employment for first generation graduates Publication of guidelines

- ❖ The Government of Tamil Nadu has issued guidelines regarding giving priority to first generation 2021 graduates in government jobs.
- ❖ In this regard, the order issued by Tamil Nadu Director of Revenue and Disaster Management, Department Secretary Kumar Jayant, in the Human Resource Management Department grant request (2021-22), priority will be given to youth who have lost their parents due to corona virus, first generation graduates, and those who have studied Tamil in government schools in government jobs to be filled through job vacancies. It was announced by the government
- ❖ Accordingly, the Department of Human Resource Management has requested the District Collectors to issue necessary orders to the revenue department officers for the procedure of registration in employment offices as a priority category and for issuing certificates of being a first generation graduate.



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- ❖ Further, detailed guidelines have been issued to take steps to develop a new web portal for issuing certificates to first generation graduates, it said.

National News

Government raises interest rates on select small saving schemes by up to 0.3% for Q2 of Financial Year 24

- ❖ The Department of Economic Affairs (DEA), Ministry of Finance (MOF) has announced an interest rate hike on selected small savings schemes by up to 0.3% for the 2nd quarter of the financial year 2023-24 (i.e July 1, 2023-September 30, 2023).
- ❖ The rates are in line with the high-interest rates in the banking system.
- ❖ Changed Interest Rates
- ❖ The interest rate for the five-year recurring deposit (RD) has been raised by 30 basis points (bps), resulting in a highest increase of 0.3%. Earlier it was 6.2%, now it is 6.5%.
- ❖ Interest rate has increased by 10bps for
- ❖ The One-year term deposits with post offices will now earn 0.1% reaching 6.9% (earlier 6.8%) and,
- ❖ The two years tenor is 7% (earlier 6.9%).

Ministry of Finance

- ❖ Union Minister- Nirmala Sitharaman (Rajya Sabha-Karnataka)
- ❖ Minister of State- Pankaj Chaudhary; Bhagwat Kishanrao Karad.

MoD signed a contract of Rs. 2725 Cr with MDL for INS Shankush

On 30th June 2023, the Ministry of Defence (MoD) signed a contract with the Mazagon Dock Shipbuilders Limited (MDL) for the Medium Refit with Life Certification (MRLC) of the Indian Navy Ship "INS Shankush", a SubSurface Killer (SSK) Class of Submarine.

- ❖ The cost of the overall contract is Rs.2725 crore and the delivery of the Submarine post-MRLC will be in 2026.
- ❖ Under this contract, INS Shankush, a submarine belonging to the SSK Class, will undergo comprehensive renovation and life certification at MDL's facility in Mumbai, Maharashtra.
- ❖ **Note:** INS Shankush belongs to the Shishumar class of Submarines and has a speed of 22 knots.

Contract

- ❖ This contract holds the significant step towards the development of MDL as a Maintenance, Repair & Overhaul (MRO) hub for supporting the industrial ecosystem of India.
- ❖ The project is set to involve the participation of over 30 Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).
- ❖ It would lead to employment generation of 1200 man-days per day throughout the project duration.



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- ❖ The INS Shankush project will be a flag bearer of Atmanirbhar Bharat in accordance with the Government of India's Make-in-India initiative.

Ministry of Defence (MoD)

- ❖ Union Minister- Raj Nath Singh (Constituency- Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh)
- ❖ Minister of State (MOS)- Ajay Bhatt (Constituency- Nainital- Udham Singh Nagar,

Power Ministry notified Carbon Credit Trading Scheme 2023 to develop India's 1st domestic carbon market

- ❖ On 30th June 2023, the Ministry of Power notified the "Carbon Credit Trading Scheme, 2023", to develop India's first domestic regulated carbon credit trading market.
- ❖ The scheme was 1st announced under the Energy Conservation (Amendment) Bill, 2022.
- ❖ The scheme was drafted by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), a statutory body under the Ministry of Power.
- ❖ The Carbon Credit Trading Scheme, 2023, entails the formation of a National Steering Committee (NSC), a technical committee, an Accredited Carbon Verification Agency and the Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) as the carbon market regulator.
- ❖ The National Steering Committee (NSC), constituted of 20-22 members, will be headed by the secretary, Ministry of Power as the ex-officio chairperson while the secretary for the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC) will be co-chairperson.

Ministry of Power

- ❖ Union Minister- Raj Kumar Singh (Constituency- Arrah, Bihar)
- ❖ Minister of State- Krishan Pal (Constituency- Faridabad, Haryana)

International news

India to host SEO conference on 4th July

- ❖ India will host the 23rd session of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) via video link on July 4.
- ❖ The countries included are Russia, China, India, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, and Kyrgyzstan.
- ❖ According to informed sources, Iran will be included as a new member state of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization. This will increase the number of SCO member countries to 9.
- ❖ India is leading the charge. India will host the G20 summit in September. International leaders including US President Joe Biden, Chinese President Xi Jinping, and Russian President Putin are expected to participate in person.

