



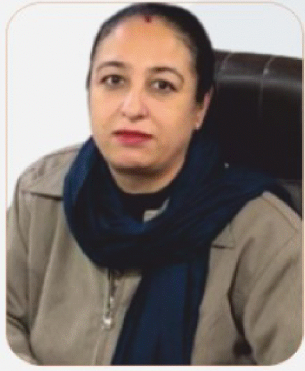
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History of 1st December

- ◆ **1965** : **Border Security Force** was established.
- ◆ **1991** : **AIDS Awareness Day** was started.
- ◆ **1959** : The first **colour picture** of the Earth was brought from **outer space**.
- ◆ **1963** : **Nagaland** became the **16th state** of India.
- ◆ **1885** : India's famous **Gandhian freedom** fighter, educationist, journalist and writer **Kaka Kalelkar** was born.
- ◆ **1985** : Famous **freedom fighter**, writer and scientific thinker **Dada Dharma Pracharak** passed away.

Current Affairs Related to 1st December 2024

- ◆ **Canara HSBC Life** has introduced a new generative AI solution called **Omnigen AI**, which aims to optimise risk assessment in underwriting. This innovative system uses allotment technology on Amazon Web Services, which enables underwriters to make quick and accurate decisions based on a broad set of data. The system aims to reduce, improve neutrality and speed up the process of issuing securities.
- ◆ **S&P Global Ratings** has kept **India's average rate forecast stable at 6.8%** for FY 2025, while it was raised to 6.7% for FY 2026. The agency has reduced the enrollment fee to 4.6% for FY 2025. It is mainly due to depletion of natural resources like food items and flowers and agricultural supply due to increase in heat waves.
- ◆ **The Central Cabinet led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi** has approved the **One Nation One Subsidy Scheme**. Under this, Rs 6000 crore has been paid for 2025-2027. The scheme aims to provide digital access to more than 13000 international e-journals to 1.8 crore students, supermarkets and supermarkets. It is classified through INFLIBNET. It is a significant effort to realize the vision of **Developed India @2047** and strengthen the research based education system.
- ◆ **The Government of India announced the National Natural Farming Mission**, which involves an amount of 2481 crores. This scheme has been launched with the aim of promoting natural farming across the country. The mission aims to cover 1 crore farmers and about 750000 hectares of land in the next two years. This initiative approved old schemes like **Indian Natural Farming Method** and **Gobardhan Mission**, to promote zero budget natural farming and other locally adapted agricultural methods.
- ◆ **The much-awaited Indian Premier League 2025** will bring a new wave of mega comics as franchises are looking for top cricket talents to strengthen their teams. This hockey tournament, the latest event in the IPL calendar, serves as a platform to shape team combinations for the upcoming season. The tournament promises to be one of the most prestigious in the country with a register of 1574 players and an orchestra cast.
- ◆ **The winter session of Parliament has begun**. The government has listed 15 bills to be introduced in this session, including an amendment to the Waqf Act and five new bills. The Merchant Shipping Bill will also be introduced to ensure compliance of India's obligation under maritime treaties. The Coastal Shipping Bill and the Indian Ports Bill will also be introduced in Parliament. The session will have 19 sittings over 26 days. This winter session of Parliament will end on December 20.
- ◆ **The International Cooperative Alliance Global Cooperative Summit 2024** was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi and also launched the **United Nations International Year of Cooperatives 2025**. The ICA Global Cooperative Conference and ICA General Assembly are being held in India for the first time in the 130-year history of ICA, the apex body of cooperatives globally. The Global Conference is being organized by Indian Farmers Fertilizer Cooperative Limited in collaboration with ICA and Government of India and Indian cooperatives AMUL and KRIBHCO.
- ◆ **The Government launched the national campaign Ab Koi Bahane Nahi in New Delhi**. The campaign urges the general public, government and key stakeholders to take concrete action to eliminate gender-based violence. It is a joint effort of the Ministries of Rural Development and Women and Child Development, supported by UN Women. A film on Ab Koi Bahane Nahi was released during the campaign.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is World AIDS Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 1 December (B) 2 December
(C) 3 December (D) 4 December

(A) World AIDS Day is a very important day which is celebrated every year on 1 December to spread awareness about HIV/AIDS and show support for people affected by this disease. The theme for 2024 is, Take the right path: My health, my right. This day is also a time to honor those who have lost their lives due to AIDS-related diseases and recognize the progress in the fight against HIV/AIDS.



2. Which state government has recently announced a new pension scheme for senior citizens?

- (A) Goa (B) Haryana
(C) Delhi (D) Manipur

(C) Recently, the Delhi government has started a new old age pension scheme for people above 60 years of age, under which eligible beneficiaries will get Rs 2500 every month. Additional benefits will also be given to SC-ST and minorities. Former Delhi Chief Minister Arvind Kejriwal said that the Aam Aadmi Party government has decided to give old age pension to 80 thousand elderly people.



3. Who has recently become the most expensive player in IPL history?

- (A) Mitchell Starc (B) Rishabh Pant
(C) Shreyas Iyer (D) Hardik Pandya

(B) Rishabh Pant became the most expensive player in the history of IPL auction. In the ongoing auction of players, Rishabh Pant has been bought by Lucknow Super Giants by bidding 27 crores. Pant was with Delhi Capitals for many years. Indian batsman Shreyas Iyer has been bought by Punjab Kings for 26.75 crores.



4. Who has recently launched Haj Suvidha App 2.0 in New Delhi?

- (A) Kiren Rijiju (B) Piyush Goyal
(C) Rajnath Singh (D) Amit Shah

(A) Recently, Union Minister Kiren Rijiju launched Haj Suvidha App 2.0. During this, he mentioned the reforms made to improve the Haj pilgrimage, which include the removal of discretionary quota and provision of special facilities for women pilgrims without Mehram. Through this app, air travel details and information related to Mecca Madin can be obtained.



5. Who has recently launched the first AI data bank to promote national security?

- (A) Canada (B) Maldives
(C) India (D) Sri Lanka

(C) Recently, India's first AI data bank was launched to promote national security. The Ministry of Science and Technology launched India's first data. Which aims to promote innovation and enhance the national security of the country. This initiative will provide access to high-quality, diverse datasets to researchers, startups and developers.



6. Recently, the newly elected President of America, Donald Trump has nominated whom as the Agriculture Minister?

- (A) Susie Bills (B) Scott Vincent
(C) Brooke Rollins (D) None of these

(C) After recently nominating Rollins, Trump has now completed the selection for all the top cabinet posts. However, appointments are yet to be made on some lower level posts like the head of the Small Business Administration and the Office of Science and Technology. Brooke Leslie Rollins is currently 52 years old.



7. Recently, how many countries have signed the United Nations Sustainable Nutrition Paper?

- (A) 30 (B) 50
(C) 60 (D) 70

(B) Recently, more than 50 countries have signed the United Nations Sustainable Tourism Declaration. The global tourism industry contributes about 3% of global GDP and accounts for 8.8% of greenhouse emissions. The declaration has been adopted along with various other initiatives such as the framework presented by hotel industry body World Sustainable Hospitality Alliance.



8. Which triathlon athlete has recently announced retirement at the age of 36?

- (A) Alistair Brownlee (B) Deb Scott
(C) Alex Yee (D) None of these

(A) Britain's Alistair Brownlee, Grand Slam gold medalist in triathlon and two-time world champion, has announced to become a saint at the age of 36. He said on social media that it is time to close this chapter. Triathlon made my life. I had never dared to fulfill those dreams in my childhood.



9. Recently Kailash Makwana has been appointed as the DGP of which state?

- (A) Haryana (B) Rajasthan
(C) Uttar Pradesh (D) Madhya Pradesh

(D) 1988 batch IPS officer Kailash Makwana will be the new DGP of Madhya Pradesh. After CM Dr. Mohan Yadav went on a foreign trip, the Home Ministry has issued orders in this regard. Kailash Makwana is currently the Chairman of Madhya Pradesh Housing Corporation. Now he will be the 32nd DGP of MP.



10. Recently how many young artists have been awarded the Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar?

- (A) 54 (B) 67
(C) 82 (D) 90

(C) Recently Ustad Bismillah Khan Yuva Puraskar for 2022 and 2023 was given to 82 young artists at a ceremony in New Delhi. The award was instituted in 2006 by the Sangeet Natak Akademi and honours artistes under the age of 40 in the fields of music, dance, drama, folk art and puppetry.

