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## History of 11th July

- ◆ **1987** : The world population reached the figure of five billion. The United Nations had decided to celebrate it as **Population Day**.
- ◆ **2003** : **Dosti bus** started operating from Lahore and **Sada-e-Sarhad** bus from Delhi.
- ◆ **1902** : India's famous freedom fighter, personality and first Defense Minister Sardar **Baldev Singh** was born.
- ◆ **2006** : People were killed in **bomb blasts** in **Mumbai**.

## Current Affairs Related to 11th July 2024

- ◆ **Guidelines for funding for testing facilities, infrastructure and institutional support** for development of standards and regulatory framework under NGHM have been issued by the Centre. According to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, this scheme will be implemented at a total budgetary outlay of Rs 200 crore by the financial year 2025-2026. The scheme will be implemented by the National Institute of Solar Energy. The scheme will assist in identifying gaps in the existing testing infrastructure for parts, technologies and processes making up the value chain of green hydrogen and its derivatives.
- ◆ **Governments of Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan signed an MoU for the implementation** of Parvati Kalisindh Chambal River Linking Project at a cost of Rs 72,000 crore. The objective of the Parvati, Kalisindh, Chambal river linking project is to provide drinking water and industrial water in 13 districts of eastern Rajasthan and Malwa and Chambal regions of Madhya Pradesh. It will provide water to at least 2.8 lakh hectare area in both the states.
- ◆ **According to a study published in The Lancet Planetary Health journal, the number** of deaths due to air pollution in India is higher even in cities which were previously considered to have relatively clean air. The report found that of the 33,000 deaths annually due to air pollution in the 10 cities surveyed, a significant portion were recorded in coastal centers such as Bangalore, Chennai, Kolkata and Mumbai, where air quality is considered moderate.
- ◆ **Chemicals and Petrochemicals Secretary Nivedita Shukla Verma inaugurated the conference** and exhibition. It is a platform for start-ups, environmental experts and industry leaders to showcase their latest advances. It is also a platform for them to share insights on achieving sustainability in the plastics industry. It is also a platform for them to share insights on achieving sustainability in the plastics industry.
- ◆ **An MoU was signed by the Indian Register of Shipping and the Indian Institute of Technology Bombay** to advance maritime security through the development of ship trajectory prediction tools.
- ◆ **Bihar government has decided to offer Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery programs** in Hindi. This makes Bihar the second state after Madhya Pradesh to offer such a degree. State Health Minister Mangal Pandey announced that medical students will have the option to study MBBS in Hindi from the upcoming academic session. The government has taken this historic step after thorough deliberations on essential aspects including the availability of Hindi textbooks for the MBBS course.
- ◆ **Scientists have discovered artwork depicting three human-like figures interacting with** a wild boar on the ceiling of a limestone cave on the Indonesian island of Sulawesi. Researchers have used a new scientific approach to determine the minimum age of paintings inside the Leang Karampuang cave. This painting is the oldest cave painting in the world, dating back at least 51,200 years.
- ◆ **RBI has imposed a total fine of Rs 1.32 crore on Punjab National Bank.** Along with Know Your Customer, fine has been imposed for violating the rules related to loans and advances. PNB had given working capital demand loans to two companies owned by the state government. These loans were given against the amount received from the government in the form of subsidy, refund or reimbursement.
- ◆ **Jharkhand Mukti Morcha working president Hemant Soren took oath as the Chief Minister** for Jharkhand. Governor CP Radhakrishnan administered the oath of office and secrecy to Mr. Soren at a ceremony held at Raj Bhavan. He was sworn in as chief minister of the state for the third time, days after the High Court released him on bail in the Kathim money laundering case.

## National & International Current Affairs

- When is World Population Day celebrated every year?**  
 (A) 8th July (B) 9th July  
 (C) 10th July (D) 11th July  
**(D)** World Population Day is celebrated every year on 11 July. The objective of which is to awaken global awareness on population related problems. This organization was established in 1989 by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme. It was inspired by public interest in the five billion day anniversary of 11 July 1987, the estimated date on which the world population reached five billion people.
- Recently, GRSE will make tags to be used in the sea for which country?**  
 (A) Bangladesh (B) India  
 (C) Bhutan (D) Japan  
**(A)** Bangladesh Navy has signed an agreement with India's Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers for 800 tonne seaplanes. This agreement is one of the major contracts under the \$500 million credit line provided by India for defense equipment procurement to Bangladesh. The deal was signed in Dhaka in the presence of the establishments of GRSE and Directorate of Defense Procurement of Bangladesh Navy.
- Recently, in which state's medical colleges, students will start studying in Hindi medium from the upcoming academic session?**  
 (A) Haryana (B) Rajasthan  
 (C) Kerala (D) Bihar  
**(D)** After the announcement by the governments of Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh to make medical courses available in Hindi under the provisions of the National Education Policy 2020, now the Bihar government has also taken steps in this direction. Bihar government has now announced that the medical graduate course MBBS will be conducted in Hindi.
- Who has recently started the Sampurnata Abhiyaan across the country?**  
 (A) NITI Aayog (B) Ministry of Agriculture  
 (C) Ministry of Health (D) None of these  
**(A)** Recently, NITI Aayog launched Sampurnata Abhiyan, a 3-month campaign till 30 September 2024 focusing on topics like health, nutrition, agriculture, social development and education. It saw significant participation from citizens across the country. Programs were organized in all 112 aspirational districts and 500 aspirational blocks.
- Recently the CM of which state has launched Lokpath mobile app to solve road problems.**  
 (A) Uttar Pradesh (B) Madhya Pradesh  
 (C) Rajasthan (D) Kerala  
**(B)** Madhya Pradesh Chief Minister Mohan Yadav has launched Lokpath mobile app for the public to solve their road problems in seven days. CM has launched the mobile app in the media center of Bhopal. Through this app, people of the state can report problems related to roads and this app will also ensure accountability of the officials. Any person will be able to lodge a complaint by taking a photo of potholes/defects on the roads recorded in the app.



6. Who has recently launched the world's first CNG bike?

- (A) Hero (B) Bajaj  
(C) Honda (D) Suzuki

(B) Bajaj launched the world's first CNG powered bike. Bajaj Auto, the world's leading manufacturer of two-wheelers and three-wheelers, launched the world's first CNG motorcycle. Bajaj Freedom CNG motorcycle offers a range of over 200 kilometers on just 2 kg of CNG fuel. It will also have a 2 liter petrol tank, which will give a range of 130 km.



7. Who has recently been appointed Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana High Court?

- (A) Justice Sheel Nagu (B) Dr. B.N. Gangadhar  
(C) Chirag Mittal (D) None of these

(A) Acting Chief Justice of Madhya Pradesh High Court Sheel Nagu will be the new Chief Justice of Punjab and Haryana High Court. The Ministry of Law and Justice of the Central Government issued its notification. Supreme Court Chief Justice Dhananjay Y Chandrachud, Justice Sanjiv Khanna and Justice BR Gavai had issued orders regarding the appointment of Justice Nagu on 27 December 2023.



8. Who has recently partnered with the Indian Olympic Association as a major sponsor?

- (A) IOCL (B) HPCL  
(C) BPCL (D) None of these

(C) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited, a Maharatna and Fortune Global 500 company, proudly announces its role as the Official Principal Partner of the Indian Olympic Association for four years from the Paris Olympics in 2024 to the Los Angeles Olympics in 2028. BPCL's partnership aims to honor and support the fair spirit of Indian athletes who come from underprivileged backgrounds in many countries.



9. Who has recently been honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Munich Film Festival?

- (A) Zora Thiessen (B) Kate Winslet  
(C) Felix Clair (D) None of these

(B) While accepting her award at the Deutsches Theater in Munich, Kate Winslet talks about the European premiere of her latest film, Alan Kuras's biography Lee, in which she plays war photographer Lee Miller. According to The Hollywood Reporter, in addition to numerous awards, the stunning actress has now received a Lifetime Achievement Award at the Munich International Film Festival.



10. Who has recently launched Nano Fertilizer Subsidy Scheme?

- (A) Shivraj Singh Chauhan (B) Piyush Goyal  
(C) Narendra Modi (D) Amit Shah

(D) Recently Amit Shah launched the Nano Fertilizer Subsidy Scheme. Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah launched Agriculture 2, a central scheme providing 50% subsidy to farmers for the purchase of nano fertilizers. Amit Shah gave subsidy to three farmers under the scheme. Government launches 100-day action plan to promote nano fertilizers.

