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History of 19th September

- ◆ **1893** : Swami Vivekananda gave a historic speech at the World's Parliament of Religions in Chicago.
- ◆ **1962** : China invaded India's northern border.
- ◆ **1581** : Sikh Guru Ramdas, the fourth Sikh Guru, died.
- ◆ **2009** : The Nanavati Commission, which was investigating the post-Godhra riots in Gujarat, disposed of a petition seeking summoning of Chief Minister Narendra Modi and six others.

Current Affairs Related to 19th September 2024

- ◆ Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh has launched a web portal for monitoring the progress of Special Swachh Bharat Abhiyan 4.0. This was announced during a virtual meeting with Nodal Officers of Special Abhiyan 4.0, Nodal Officers of Public Grievances and Appellate Officers of all 84 Ministries and Departments of the Government of India. The government has decided to run a special campaign from October 2 to October 31 every year to institutionalize cleanliness and reduce pending cases. The initial phase before Special Campaign 4.0 will be run from September 16 to September 30, 2024.
- ◆ The Public Hearing Portal of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry was launched by Union Minister Piyush Goyal. The portal aims to help exporters resolve their problems online and enable direct, transparent interaction between dealers and various departments including the Directorate General of Foreign Trade, APEEDA, Coffee Board, Spices Board, Rubber Board and Tea Board. Mr. Goen also inaugurated the redesigned Smile ERP facility of Export Credit Guarantee Corporation.
- ◆ The World Health Organization has approved the use of a vaccine against mpox in adults in Africa. The pre-qualification of the vaccine by Bavarian Nordic means that donors such as the GAVI Vaccine Alliance and UNICEF can purchase it. This first pre-qualification of a vaccine against mpox is an important step towards fighting this disease. According to the WHO, the vaccine can be given to people aged 18 years and above in two doses.
- ◆ Algeria has become the new member of the BRICS New Development Bank. BRICS has approved Algeria's membership in the New Development Bank. This was announced by NDB chief Dilma Rousseff at a meeting in Cape Town, South Africa. Algeria has taken an important step towards integration into the global financial system.
- ◆ As per the decision of the government, the new name of Port Blair in Andaman and Nicobar Islands will be Sri Vijayapuram. According to Union Home Minister Amit Shah, the government has decided to free the country from its colonial legacy. According to the Union Home Minister, Sri Vijayapuram represents the successful freedom struggle of the country. According to the Union Home Minister, the Andaman and Nicobar Islands hold a unique place in the history and freedom struggle of the country.
- ◆ A Memorandum of Understanding was signed by the Department of Food and Public Distribution and Food Corporation of India for the financial year 2024-2025 to enhance the efficiency and accountability of foodgrain procurement and distribution. The MoU outlines specific performance standards and accountability measures, including performance standards for FCI depots. These are aimed at optimizing the use of public funds in managing food security operations.
- ◆ Initial automotive trials of the Indian Light Tank, Zoravar have been successfully conducted by DRDO. The light tank performed well in the desert terrain where the field trials were conducted. During the field trials, it effectively engaged every target that was intended. The platform is highly adaptable and can be used in high altitude environments. The firing capability of the tank was closely monitored during the first phase and it achieved the required accuracy on the pre-identified targets.
- ◆ The Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change organised a dialogue on the topic 'Montreal Protocol: Advancing Climate Action'. The Montreal Protocol is an international agreement to protect the ozone layer by reducing the consumption of substances that deplete the ozone layer and that deplete it. It also highlights the need for sustained climate action to save it for future generations. The increased use of cooling systems like refrigerators and air conditioners has increased the temperature.

National & International Current Affairs

- Where will the fifth edition of the recently concluded Brillante Piano Festival be held?**

(A) Indore (B) Jabalpur
(C) Bengaluru (D) None of these

(C) Brillante, the world's only multi-genre piano festival is making its debut in Bengaluru, and will host its fifth edition in the city. The prestigious event will take place on 28th and 29th September 2024 at the Prestige Shrihari Khoday Centre for Performing Arts. Known as the world's only multi-genre piano festival with its roots in Nagaland, Brillante is making its much-awaited debut in South India with a grand showcase in Bengaluru.
- Recently, to which country will the US sell High Altitude Anti-Submarine Warfare Sonobuoys worth \$52.8 million?**

(A) India (B) China
(C) Sri Lanka (D) Australia

(A) The move will enhance India's ability to conduct anti-submarine warfare operations. Sonobuoys are air-launched, expandable, electro-mechanical sensors designed to transmit underwater sound to a remote processor. These can be used by anti-submarine warfare aerial ASW combat aircraft, making them both efficient and cost-effective.
- Recently in which state will Ford Motor Company start its manufacturing plant again?**

(A) Gujarat (B) Rajasthan
(C) Telangana (D) Tamil Nadu

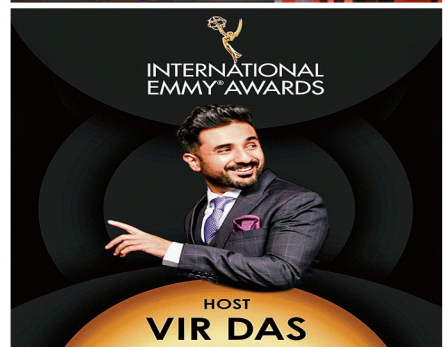
(D) Recently, American auto maker company Ford Motor has decided to manufacture cars in India again. The company will manufacture cars in its Chennai manufacturing plant. The cars made here will be exported only to the global market, but will not be sold in India. The company said in its statement that currently the company employs 12000 people in Tamil Nadu.
- Which app has been launched recently by Union Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairy Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lallan Singh?**

(A) Jaldhara (B) Umang fish
(C) Rangoli fish (D) None of these

(C) Recently Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Minister Rajiv Ranjan Singh alias Lallan Singh launched Rangoli Fish Mobile App in Bhubaneswar. This app will provide multilingual information on popular ornamental fish species in eight Indian languages. Minister of State for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Shri George Kurien and other senior officials attended the event.
- Who has recently become the first Indian to host the International Emmy Awards?**

(A) K. Reddy (B) Vir Das
(C) R Ravindra (D) None of these

(B) In a historic first for India, actor-comedian Vir Das has been announced as the host of the upcoming International Emmy Awards. He shared a photo of himself with a news article and wrote, "Thank you for your support. An Indian Emmy host can't wait to welcome the @iemmys this year." The 2024 International Emmy Awards will take place on November 25 in New York City.



6. Recently, who has become the first player to complete 100 crore followers on social media platform?

- (A) Cristiano Ronaldo (B) Virat Kohli
(C) Lionel Messi (D) Rohit Sharma

(A) Recently, Portugal's star footballer Cristiano Ronaldo has become the first person in the world to have one billion i.e. 100 crore followers on social media platforms. Ronaldo posted a post after achieving this feat. At the end of this post he wrote, thank you for believing in me, supporting me and being a part of my life.



7. Which state government has recently announced transgender specific government recruitment and social welfare program?

- (A) Kerala (B) Odisha
(C) Karnataka (D) Telangana

(D) The Telangana government has announced a transgender specific government recruitment and social welfare programme under which transgender persons will be trained and recruited for traffic management. The state government has claimed that this is the country's first transgender specific government recruitment programme.



8. Who has been reappointed as the MD&CEO of Central Depository Service Limited recently?

- (A) Nehal Vora (B) Subhashree
(C) Deepti Gaur (D) None of these

(A) Nehal Vora has been reappointed as MD and CEO of Central Depository Services India. Vora has been heading the country's only listed depository since September 24, 2019. His second five-year term will be from September 18, 2024 to September 17, 2029. His appointment follows regulatory approval from SEBI through a letter dated August 29.



9. Where was the G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting held recently?

- (A) Canada (B) Finland
(C) Brazil (D) Japan

(C) India held a series of bilateral meetings with key global partners including the US, Brazil, Japan, Germany, the UK, Spain and the UAE on the sidelines of the G20 Agriculture Ministerial Meeting in Cuiaba, Brazil. Several key areas such as climate resilient agriculture, food processing, trade barriers and technical cooperation were in focus.



10. Recently Swati Vijay Kulkarni has been appointed as India's ambassador to where?

- (A) Sri Lanka (B) Algeria
(C) Singapore (D) None of these

(B) Recently, the Ministry of External Affairs has announced that Swati Vijay Kulkarni has been appointed as the next Ambassador of India to Algeria. Swati Vijay Kulkarni is a 1995 batch Indian Foreign Service Officer. She is currently working as Additional Secretary in the Ministry. She is expected to take charge soon.

