



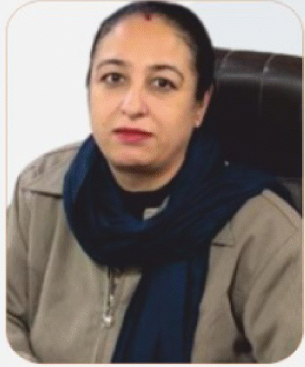
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History of 21st November

- ◆ **1872** : Famous Rajasthani poet and freedom fighter **Kesari Singh Barhat** was born.
- ◆ **1517** : **Bahlol Lodi's** son and Delhi Sultan **Sikandar Shah Lodi** died.
- ◆ **1962** : **China** declared ceasefire during the India-China border dispute.
- ◆ **1877** : Famous scientist **Thomas Alva Edison** introduced the first **phonograph** to the world.

Current Affairs Related to 21st November 2024

- ◆ **21st July 2024**: The winners of the 2024 SAMAPA Awards have been announced. Nityanand Haldipur, Shashi Vyas, Kamalini Dutt, Harish Tiwari and Bashir Arif will be honoured in the upcoming edition of the SAMAPA Awards. They will be honoured during the 20th SAMAPA Music Conference. It will be held from 22 to 24 November at Kamani Auditorium. The Samapa Awards are given every year to musicians and individuals who have contributed to the art and culture of India. Shashi Vyas will be honoured with the Kala Vardhan Samman for his contribution in the field of art and culture.
- ◆ The ten-day annual **Jhiri Mela** began in Jammu and Kashmir. The Jhiri Mela is celebrated at Jhiri village on the outskirts of Jammu city. The fair is associated with the supreme sacrifice of Baba Jitto, a 16th-century Dogra hero and revolutionary and honest farmer. He fought against injustice and sacrificed his life for justice and dharma after being cheated by the zamindar of the region. The fair promotes unity, honesty, truth, courage and innocence in society and is a symbol of the rich culture of the region.
- ◆ **Reliance Industries** has successfully merged its media assets with the India division of international media group Walt Disney. This has been done to create a new joint venture worth Rs 70,352 crore. Reliance Industries has invested Rs 11,500 crore in this joint venture for its development. Nita Ambani will serve as the chairperson of the joint venture. As per the transaction, the value of the joint venture is Rs 70,352 crore. RIL will have control over the joint venture upon closing of the transaction.
- ◆ **Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan and Uzbekistan** have signed an energy system integration agreement during COP 29. This agreement has been signed during the Climate Action Summit of World Leaders.
- ◆ The **National Mission for Clean Ganga**, the apex body for cleaning the holy river, is going to launch a special dolphin ambulance to rescue injured aquatic animals. Cleaning the Ganga includes preserving its rich biodiversity, especially the endangered dolphins. The Ganges dolphin, identified as the national aquatic animal of India, is also found in the river systems of India, Bangladesh and Nepal. A special vehicle will be developed to help endangered dolphins under an ambitious project approved for the conservation of the Ganges river dolphin.
- ◆ The successful completion of flight trials of the guided **Pinaka multi-barrel rocket system** as part of the Provisional Staff Qualitative Requirements validation trials has paved the way for its induction. This has increased the range of Pinaka to over 75 km. The flight trials were conducted in three phases at various field firing ranges. During these trials, the rockets were extensively tested to evaluate PSQR parameters like range, accuracy, stability and rate of fire against multiple targets in salvo mode.
- ◆ **PM Modi first visited Nigeria** on the invitation of Nigerian President **Bola Ahmed Tinubu**. This is the first visit of an Indian Prime Minister to Nigeria in 17 years. During his two-day stay in Nigeria, PM Modi also addressed a gathering of the Indian community in Nigeria. The strategic partnership between India and Nigeria has been going on since the year 2007. More than 2000 Indian companies have invested more than \$27 billion in several key sectors in Nigeria.
- ◆ **Niti Aayog's Women Entrepreneurship Platform** has partnered with **Urban Company** to support women MSMEs. As a part of its Award to Award initiative, Niti Aayog's WEP launched a pilot program with Urban Company. The program focuses on providing support to women entrepreneurs who own local salons and parlours.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is World Television Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 21 November (B) 22 November
(C) 23 November (D) 24 November

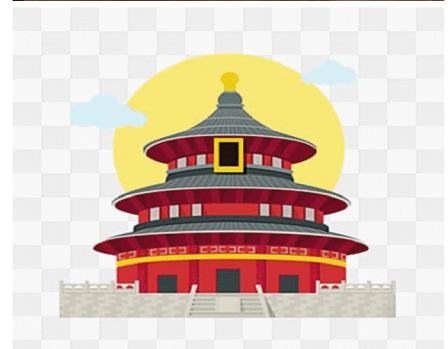
(A) World Television Day is celebrated every year on 21 November. According to the United Nations, this day highlights the daily role of television. Because it presents various spheres that influence people. This day is celebrated as a currency of influence and reach of global television Samual communication.



2. When is National Philosophy Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 19 November (B) 20 November
(C) 21 November (D) 22 November

(C) National Philosophy Day is celebrated every year on 21 November. National Philosophy Day is a global recognition of the profound influence of society, culture and human philosophy. The contemporary portrayal established by this day is an important light-house of critical thinking, dialogue and presentation. This day promotes academic exchange of philosophy for the development of human thought.



3. Recently Arshdeep Singh has become which number highest wicket-taker of India in men's T20I?

- (A) First (B) Second
(C) Third (D) Fourth

(B) Arshdeep Singh has become India's second highest wicket-taker in men's T20I by taking 92 wickets in 59 innings at an economy of 8.34. He is just four wickets behind Yuzvendra Chahal, who is the highest wicket-taker in the shorter format. Arshdeep Singh achieved this feat by leaving behind Jasprit Bumrah and Bhuvneshwar Kumar in the third T20I match of the series against South Africa.



4. Recently India and which country signed MoU for cooperation on Pantsir air defense systems?

- (A) Russia (B) France
(C) Africa (D) China

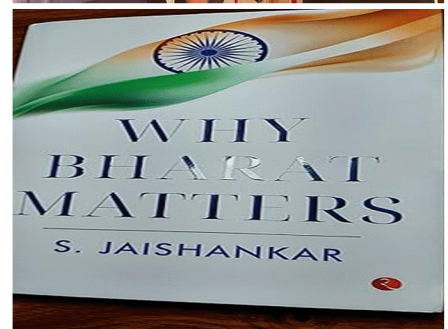
(A) Recently an agreement has been signed between Russia's leading arms exporter and an Indian government defense company to cooperate on jointly developed versions of the Pantsir air defense missile and gun system. The move is aimed at strengthening the country's air defense capabilities. It has been designed to protect small military, administrative and industrial establishments from aircraft and cruise missiles.



5. Recently the Home Ministry has declared the jurisdiction of six police stations of which state as disturbed areas?

- (A) Jammu and Kashmir (B) Uttar Pradesh
(C) Jharkhand (D) Manipur

(D) Recently the Home Ministry has declared the jurisdiction of six police stations of Manipur as disturbed areas. These areas have been brought under the Armed Forces Act or AFSPA 1958. Earlier, areas under the jurisdiction of 19 police stations were excluded from AFSPA. Out of the 19 police stations that were excluded earlier, six are being covered under AFSPA.



6. Who has recently become the world's number one ODI bowler?

- (A) Shaheen Afridi (B) Rashid Khan
(C) Keshav Maharaj (D) None of these

(A) Recently, Pakistan's Shaheen Afridi has become the world's number one bowler. Shaheen Afridi recently bowled brilliantly in the three-match ODI series against Australia. Pakistan won this series 2-1. After 22 years, the Pakistan team managed to win the ODI series in Australia. Shaheen Afridi also played an important role in this victory.



7. Who has recently been appointed as the CEO of Professional Golf Tour of India?

- (A) Kunal Dalal (B) Suma Shirur
(C) Amandeep Johal (D) None of these

(C) Recently, the Professional Golf Tour of India announced the appointment of Amandeep Johal as the Chief Executive Officer. Johal is a respected name in the Indian golf world. He also has extensive experience in the game. Legendary cricketer Kapil Dev took over the role of chairman in June this year.



8. Who has been nominated as the chairman of the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee recently?

- (A) Justice Suryakant (B) Justice Prabhakaran
(C) Justice V Madhav (D) None of these

(A) Recently, the second most senior judge of the Supreme Court, Justice Suryakant, was appointed as the chairman of the Supreme Court Legal Services Committee. The nomination was made by the Chief Justice of India. Justice Suryakant will take over from Justice B.R. Gavai, who held the post before being appointed as the acting chairman of the Legal Services Authority.



9. Who has been appointed as the Director of National Intelligence by the newly elected President of America, Donald Trump?

- (A) Susie Wills (B) Mike Waltz
(C) Tulsi Gabbard (D) None of these

(C) Recently, the newly elected President of the United States, Donald Trump, appointed Tulsi Gabbard as the Director of National Intelligence. She will need the approval of the Senate to take office. If she is selected for this post, Gabbard will manage a budget of more than \$ 70 billion and oversee 18 intelligence agencies.



10. Who has recently released the book 'Why Bharat Matters'?

- (A) Piyush Goyal (B) Dr. S Jaishankar
(C) Jagdeep Dhankhar (D) Amit Shah

(B) Recently, External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar released his new book 'Why India Matters' at an event in New Delhi. The book examines India's transformation in foreign policy over the past decade under PM Modi's leadership. It also connects India's development with Ramayana.

