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A Note for Our Students

Current affairs form core component of General Knowledge section in almost all the competitive exams. Observing the recent trends, questions from current affairs has successively increased. But how to find out relevant current affairs from vast data available on numerous websites, apps and videos??

How to efficiently prepare current affairs keeping in mind relevance of the exam??

Don't worry!!

We have the solution; Gyanm team will segregate the important and the most relevant current affairs under heading 'Gyanm recommendations' so that you can prepare this crucial component with complete efficiency!!

So let's begin!!

Gyanm Recommendations!

01. The Indian women's cricket team won the gold medal by beating Australia in the blind cricket tournament in the IBSA World Games. In the men's category, Pakistan won gold by defeating India. IBSA—International Blind Sports Federation.



02. Emmerson Mnangagwa: Re-elected as the President of Zimbabwe for a second five-year term.

03. HS Prannoy won a bronze medal on Aug 26 in the men's singles category of Badminton World Federation (BWF) World Championships at Copenhagen, Denmark. World No. 1 An Se-young of S Korea won the women's singles title while Thailand's Kunlavut Vitidsarn won the men's singles title to emerge as world champions.

04. AUSINDEX-23: 5th edition of biennial maritime exercise 'AUSINDEX' between Indian Navy and Royal Australian Navy was conducted on 22-25 August in south Pacific Ocean, near Sydney, Australia. INS Sahyadri and INS Kolkata participated in the exercise.

05. Ex-Bright-Star-2023: The biennial tri-services exercise was held from Aug 27 to Sep 16 in Cairo (West) Air Base in Egypt. Besides a contingent from the Indian Air Force, around 150 personnel from the Indian Army also took part in the exercise. Some 8,000 troops from 34 countries, including contingents from America, Saudi Arabia, Greece and Qatar, participated in the three-week exercise.



06. India Smart Cities Awards 2022



The Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry on August 25 announced the winners of the India Smart Cities Awards 2022. Indore, Madhya Pradesh was declared the best smart city, followed by Surat, Gujarat and Agra, UP at second and third rank, respectively. Chandigarh won the overall award in the Union Territory category.

The cities were selected based on their ranking in terms of progress of projects, project outcomes and presentations submitted for the awards. Madhya Pradesh was declared the best state in the Smart Cities Mission, followed by Tamil Nadu and Rajasthan.

Under the Smart Cities Mission, which was launched in 2015, the 100 selected cities have completed 76% of the proposed projects worth Rs.1.10 lakh crore, while the remaining projects worth Rs.60,095 crore are expected to be completed by 30 June 2024.

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Some Other Minor News!

1. Under the “100 Microsites” initiative, the National Health Authority (NHA) of India has unveiled the first Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) Microsite in the capital city of Mizoram.



2. The third High Level Dialogue (HLD) between India and the European Union (EU) was held on August 27 in New Delhi. Three main issues discussed in the meet included, India-EU Free Trade Agreement; an Investment Protection Agreement; and a Geographical Indications Agreement.
3. Max Verstappen achieved a record ninth successive victory for the team Red Bull on Aug 27 by winning the Dutch Grand Prix for the third year in a row, at Zandvoort, The Netherlands.

4. Dev Kohli, veteran lyricist and poet passed away on August 26 in Mumbai. He had penned over a hundred songs for Bollywood films such as Baazigar, Hum Aapke Hain Koun, Maine Pyaar Kiya, Shoot Out At Lokhandwala, among many others.



Multiple Choice Questions!

1. The Indian women's (blind) cricket team won the gold medal in the blind cricket tournament in the IBSA World Games by defeating which country?
 - a. Pakistan
 - b. Australia
 - c. England
 - d. Bangladesh
 - e. Sri Lanka

2. Kunlavut Vitidsarn who won the men's singles title on Aug 26 to emerge as world champion in the Badminton World Federation (BWF) World Championships at Copenhagen, Denmark, hails from which country?
 - a. Japan
 - b. Thailand
 - c. Indonesia
 - d. S Korea
 - e. Spain

3. 5th edition of biennial maritime exercise 'AUSINDEX' between Indian Navy and Royal Australian Navy was conducted on 22-25 August in which area?
 - a. Eastern Indian Ocean
 - b. Timor Sea
 - c. Coral Sea
 - d. South Pacific Ocean
 - e. Tasman Sea

4. Which country hosted the biennial tri-services exercise Bright Star-2023 from Aug 27 to Sep 16?
 - a. USA
 - b. Canada
 - c. Egypt
 - d. Australia
 - e. Japan

5. Which city secured the top spot among the winners of the India Smart Cities Awards 2022, announced by the Union Housing and Urban Affairs Ministry on August 25?
 - a. Pune
 - b. Surat
 - c. Jaipur
 - d. Indore
 - e. Agra

Answer Key

Q	ANSWER
1	B
2	B
3	D
4	C
5	D

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