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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!

1. December 3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities



Also called World Disability Day, it is observed every year to address the problems faced by persons with disabilities (PwD) around the world. The Day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilise support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. The theme selected by the UNO for this Day in 2023 is “United in action to rescue and achieve the Sustainable Development Goals for, with, and by persons with disabilities”.

2. December 4: National/Indian Navy Day

Celebrated every year to mark the decisive Indian victory over Pakistan in 1971 through Indian Navy's Operation Trident on Dec 4-5 in which the Indian Navy inflicted heavy damage on Karachi harbour and destroyed two Pakistani warships and one cargo ship.

The Indian Navy was established by the East India Company in 1612. Later, it was named as Royal Indian Navy and post-Independence, it was reconstituted as the Indian Navy in 1950. Admiral R Hari Kumar is the current chief of the Indian Navy.

3. December 4: International Day of Banks



Observed globally with the support of UNO to highlight the vital role of banking systems in contributing to the improvement of the standard of living of the people and strengthening of economies. It also recognises the significant potential of multilateral development banks and other international development banks in financing sustainable development.

“Achieve sustainable development goals and improve the global financial architecture” is the theme of the Day for 2023.

4. Business & Philanthropy Climate Forum

Taking a giant leap towards funding of climate change initiatives, a historic collaboration took shape on Dec 2 at the Dubai COP28. Named ‘Business & Philanthropy Climate Forum’, a first-of-its-kind private-sector engagement initiative within the COP program, brought together over 1,300 global business leaders and philanthropists from across the globe.

The Forum's partners represented a diverse range of regions and sectors, ensuring an inclusive global outlook. Some major collaborators included International Finance Corporation (IFC), OECD, World Economic Forum, Asian Development Bank, Africa Finance Corporation, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and many more.

The Green Climate Fund, Allied Climate Partners, and Allianz Global Investors pledged 5 billion dollars to begin with. This coalition will coordinate strategies on how the private sector can help address the financing gap of over USD 3 trillion required annually to achieve net-zero emissions, support climate adaptation, reverse nature loss and restore biodiversity.

5. World's first portable hospital

The World's first portable hospital, 'Aarogya Maitri Aid Cube' was unveiled on Dec 2 in Gurugram, Haryana. It has been developed as part of Modi ji's ambitious 'Project BHISHMA' (Bharat Health Initiative for Sahyog Hita and Maitri) and consists of a fully equipped operation theatre, mini-ICUs, ventilators, blood-testing equipment, an X-ray machine, and even a cooking station. It also includes a shelter facility and power generator, making it entirely self-sufficient during emergencies.

It is made up of 72 detachable mini-cubes, each being a specialised station for emergency response and humanitarian efforts. These cubes are light and portable, and can be rapidly deployed anywhere, from airdrops to ground transportation. The cubes can be dismantled and reassembled in various combinations as per the requirements and availability of space. This hospital can handle bullet injuries, burns, head, spinal and chest injuries, minor surgeries, fractures and major bleeding cases. It can treat as many as 200 patients at a time.

Under this initiative, India is now equipped to provide critical medical supplies to developing countries grappling with the aftermath of natural disasters like earthquake, landslide or other humanitarian emergencies like armed conflicts.

6. UAE Declaration on Climate, Relief



Making significant strides in the battle against climate challenges, the COP28 Presidency unveiled on Dec 3 the “COP28 UAE Declaration on Climate, Relief, Recovery, and Peace”. With support from 70 governments and 39 organisations, this declaration is set to redirect climate finance into highly vulnerable and fragile areas, offering comprehensive financial, programming, and partnership solutions. The new declaration will enrol countries into a voluntary commitment to increase climate adaptation efforts and access to finance for communities threatened or affected directly by climate change but do not have funding to combat it. These funding commitments will help countries and people be better prepared and protected against extreme weather events and natural disasters.

7. HORNBILL FESTIVAL BEGINS IN NAGALAND



The 24th edition of the 10-day long Hornbill Festival began on Dec 01 at Naga heritage village Kisama, about 12 km from Kohima, capital of Nagaland. It is the biggest musical and cultural extravaganza of Nagaland, showcasing the food and culture of all the tribes of Nagaland. The USA, Germany and Columbia are the Country Partners and Assam is Partner State for this year's edition.

Hornbill is a popular large bird, with a typical long curved bill, found in the forests of Nagaland. The festival, supported by the state government, showcases the diverse Naga ethnicity through folk dances, traditional music, tribal rituals, indigenous games, local cuisine, handicraft, artwork and textiles.

8. Vaishali Rameshbabu: In a historic achievement for Indian chess, she became the third Indian female GrandMaster on Dec 01 by crossing 2,500 International Chess Federation (FIDE) ranking points during the IV El Llobregat Open in Spain. The other two female GMs are Koneru Humpy and Harika Dronavalli.

22 year old Vaishali is elder sister of GM Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa, making them the first brother-sister pair in history of Grandmasters.

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Some Other Minor News!

1. The RBI and the Bank of England, central bank of England, signed an MoU on collaboration and the exchange of information related to the Clearing Corporation of India Ltd (CCIL). The MoU enables the Bank of England to assess CCIL's application for recognition as a third-country clearing and settlement agency for transactions in government securities, foreign exchange, and money markets.



2. India was re-elected to the International Maritime Organisation (IMO) Council in elections held at its assembly on Dec 01 in London for the 2024–25 biennium. The IMO is the leading world authority that regulates the maritime industry, which supports global trade, transportation, and all marine operations.



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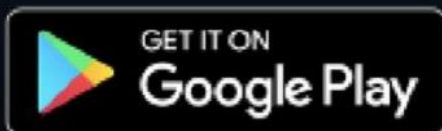
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