

CURRENT AFFAIRS 24 MAY 2016

INTERNATIONAL

1. G7 finance summit held in Japan

The G7 finance summit held in Sendai in Japan to give fillip for balancing the growth of the global economy amid the slowing down of the Chinese economy and those of other emerging countries.

- ❖ The world's seven most developed countries was represented by finance ministers and governors of the central banks.
- ❖ G7 representatives and their European Union counterparts met informally in the forum titled Future of the Global Economy.

G7 Countries

- ☞ Japan, the US, Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada.
- ☞ The G7 countries represent more than 64% of the net global wealth (\$263 trillion)

2. International Day for Biological Diversity 2016 observed across the world.

- ❖ The United Nations (UN) observed the International Day for Biological Diversity (IBD) on 22 May 2016. The theme for the year 2016 is Mainstreaming Biodiversity; Sustaining People and their Livelihoods

3. UN House of Representatives gave nod to bolster defence ties with India on par with NATO

- ❖ The US House of Representatives gave its nod to a bipartisan legislation to improve defence ties with India.

NATIONAL

4. 2016 Women Economic Forum (WEF) hosted by India and organized by All Ladies League

The ALL Ladies League (ALL) organised the Women Economic Forum (WEF) from May 16-21, 2016 in New Delhi, India

- ❖ Theme: "Women: Uplifting and Uniting the World"
- ❖ Participants: 1500 women from 75 countries
- ❖ Goal: Energize women's entrepreneurship and leadership

5. Union Cabinet approved ordinance to keep states out of NEET for one year.

- ❖ The Union Cabinet approved an ordinance to exempt the State boards from the purview of National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) for one year.

APPOINTMENTS

6. Anurag Thakur becomes youngest BCCI president gets elected unopposed after Shashank Manohar

Thakur was unanimously elected as the youngest BCCI President and taking charge as the Most profile position in Indian Cricket Administration

- ❖ Previous President: Shashank Manohar
- ❖ Current President: Anurag Thakur

7. Former IPS officer Kiran Bedi appointed as Lt Governor of Puducherry

The BJP government has named former IPS officer and BJP leader Kiran Bedi as the lieutenant-governor of Puducherry for nearly two years.

- ❖ The post was lying vacant after the centre sacked UPA nominee Virendra Kataria.
- ❖ Lt Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Island Lt Gen Ajay Singh had been given additional charge of Puducherry.

IACE – INDIAN ACADEMY OF COMPETITIVE EXAMS

8. Ratan P Watal appointed as Principal Adviser for Social Sector in NITI Aayog

- ❖ Former Finance Secretary Ratan P Watal was appointed as Principal Adviser (Social Sector) in NITI Aayog for 3-years.

SPORTS

9. Mohun Bagan beats Aizawl FC 5-0 to lift 14th Fed Cup title

Mohun Bagan clinched Hero Federation Cup by defeating Aizawl Football Club by a record 5-0 margin and regain the title after eight years, at the Indira Gandhi Stadium in Kolkata.

- ❖ The record margin victory comes as two goals was Mizoram striker JejeLalpekhluwa while Haitian Sony Norde, Dhanachandra Singh and Bikramjit Singh scored one each.
- ❖ Mizoram striker JejeLalpekhluwa became the most prolific Indian striker, as he completed a tally of 20 goals in the season. He scored eight goals, including a hat-trick in the contest

DEATHS

10. World's Oldest Olympic champion Sandor Tarics, Berlin veteran, dies at 102

The world's oldest Olympic champion, Sandor Tarics, has died at the age of 102 in San Francisco.

- ❖ He was the team member of the Hungarian water polo team that gave triumph to its side in the Berlin Olympics in 1936, pushing Germany into second place.

BOOKS

11. Two new books released by Ruskin Bond

Sahitya Academy Award Winning author Ruskin Bond has released two new books both themed on nature.

- ❖ The books namely
 1. My Favourite Nature Stories
 2. The World outside My Window

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