

DESCRIPTIVE SESSION

❖ “The Hero of Tiger Hill: Autobiography of a Param Vir”

- Author: Yogendra Singh Yadav
- The Youngest Param Vir Chakra (PVC) awardee, at the age of 19 for his actions in the 1999 Kargil conflict.

❖ “Indian Banking in Retrospect – 75 years of Independence”

- Author: Ashutosh Raravikar
- He is the Director of the Department of Economic & Policy Research (DEPR), Reserve Bank of India (RBI)

❖ National Nutrition Week

- National Nutrition Week is observed every year from 1st September to 7th September since 1982 and can be considered a significant period to raise awareness on the therapeutic effects of foods.
- As per the Global Hunger Index Report 2021, India ranks 101 among 116 countries and malnutrition is a major cause of death across the country.
- The events of NNW are organised by the Food and Nutrition Board of the Ministry of Women and Child Development (WCD), Government of India to educate the importance and role of nutrition in the human body.

❖ National Small Industry Day

- National Small Industry Day is observed every year in India on August 30 to recognize the significance of and the contribution of the small industries in India.

➤ National Small Industry Day 2022 aims at encouraging the development and growth of small-scale businesses that contribute as much as 40 percent to the gross industrial value of India's economy.

➤ Small Scale Industries are those industries in which the manufacturing, production and rendering of the services are done on a small or micro scale.

➤ The Government of India has started various initiatives to promote Small Scale Industry in India. They contribute in making MSMEs stronger and stable in the country. Some of them are- Champions Portal, UDYAM, and National SC-ST Hub

❖ **International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances**

➤ International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances is observed globally on the 30th of August every year by United Nations.

➤ The day is being observed to express deep concern about the rise in enforced or involuntary disappearances in different regions of the world including the incidents of arrest, detention and abduction.

➤ According to the UN, more than 6,000 people were registered as missing in Kosovo since 1999. Hence, the resource centre for missing persons in Kosovo has also been initiated by the UN.

➤ United Nations Founded: 24 October 1945; Headquarters: New York, United States; Secretary general: António Guterres.

❖ **Santosh Iyer to serve as MD and CEO of Mercedes-Benz India**

➤ Santosh Iyer will take over as managing director and chief executive officer of Mercedes-Benz (The German luxury automaker) India's operations on January 1, 2023.

➤ Martin Schwenk, who will take over as President and Chief Executive Officer of Mercedes-Benz Thailand, will be replaced by Santosh Iyer.

❖ Miss Diva Universe 2022

- 23-year-old Divita Rai from Karnataka won the prestigious title of Miss Diva Universe 2022. She was crowned by the reigning Miss Universe 2021, Harnaaz Sandhu, at a lavish ceremony that celebrated the 10th anniversary of the coveted pageant.
- At the 71st Miss Universe pageant, Rai will be representing India, where Harnaaz Sandhu was crowned as the winner last year. Pragnya Ayyagari of Telangana was declared Miss Diva Supranational 2022.

❖ 67th Filmfare Awards 2022

- The 67th Filmfare Awards ceremony, presented by The Times Group, honoured the best Indian Hindi-language films of 2021. Held at Jio World Centre, the 67th Filmfare Awards honour the films released in 2021.
- At a press conference helmed by the editor of Filmfare magazine, Jitesh Pillai revealed Wolf777news as the title sponsor. Bollywood actors Ranveer Singh and Arjun Kapoor were announced as co-hosts.
- Popular awards:
 - a) Best Film: Shershaah (Dharma Productions)
 - b) Best Director: Vishnuvardhan (Shershaah)
 - c) Best Actor: Ranveer Singh (83) as Kapil Dev
 - d) Best Actress: Kriti Sanon, Mimi as Mimi Rathore
 - e) Best Music Director: Tanishk Bagchi, B Praak, Jaani, Jasleen Royal, Javed-Mohsin And Vikram Montrose (Shershaah)
 - f) Filmfare Lifetime Achievement Award: Subhash Ghai

❖ UGC to roll out 'e-Samadhan' portal for resolving grievances of students, staff

- Higher education sector regulator University Grants Commission (UGC) is now set to monitor and resolve all grievances of students and staff in varsities using a centralised portal named 'e-Samadhan.
- This platform ensures transparency, prevents unfair practices in Higher Education Institutions and provides a time-bound mechanism for redressal of grievances.
- The portal will be the one-stop solution for all grievances; and all other existing portals and helplines will be merged with it except for the anti-ragging helpline.
- The users can register their complaints on the portal by following a simple procedure using their email id or by placing a call on the toll-free number 1800-111-656.
- UGC has a wide range of stakeholders which includes 1043 Universities, 42343 Colleges, 3.85 Crore Students and 15.03 Lacs Teachers.

❖ Shumang Leela festival celebrated in Manipur

- The 50th All Manipur Shumang Leela Festival 2021-2022 kicked off at Iboyaima Shumang Leela Shanglen at Palace Compound in Imphal.
- Manipur Governor La Ganesan and Chief Minister N. Biren Singh attended the inaugural function.
- During the festival, the Governor also distributed medals to the winners of 49th All Manipur Shumang Leela Festival 2020-21.
- Shumang Leela is a traditional form of theatre in Manipur.

❖ 'CM Udyman Khiladi Unnayan Yojana'

- Uttarakhand Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami has launched the "Mukhyamantri Udyaman Khiladi Unnayan Yojana" on the occasion of National Sports Day.
- Under the scheme, A sports scholarship of Rs 1500 per month will be given to budding sportspersons between the age group of eight to 14 years.

- Every year a total of 3900 budding sportspersons will be given scholarships, which will include 1950 boys and 1950 girls.
- After this, players of 14 to 23 years will also be given scholarships.
- Malchang game will also be included in the game policy. Efforts will be made again to implement a 4 per cent reservation for sportspersons in government jobs as before.
- The State Sports Award is being provided as well as the Himalayan Gems Sports Awards as well as Devbhoomi Uttarakhand Sports Ratna, and Devbhoomi Uttarakhand Dronacharya Awards.

❖ **Report titled: 'Tech Cities: The Global Intersection of Talent and Real Estate' - Bengaluru placed 2nd**

- Bengaluru ranks second in the Asia Pacific region in the top tech hubs list and is only behind China's Beijing, according to a report by Cushman and Wakefield.
- The report, called 'Tech Cities: The Global Intersection of Talent and Real Estate', studied as many as 115 different 'tech cities' across the globe. After Beijing and Bengaluru, the list has three other Indian cities, Chennai, Delhi and Hyderabad.
- Mumbai and Pune also made it to the top-10 list with eighth and ninth position in a list of 14 cities from the APAC.

❖ **World's largest religious monument "Temple of the Vedic Planetarium" being built in Mayapur, West Bengal**

- One of the world's largest religious buildings is soon to open in India. The Temple of Vedic Planetarium is all set to open in Mayapur, West Bengal.
- The temple will be bigger than the St. Paul's Cathedral located in the Vatican and the Taj Mahal in Agra.
- The temple will also reportedly have the largest dome in the world and is the headquarter of the International Society of Krishna Consciousness (ISKON).
- The construction for the temple had begun in 2010 and has a budget of \$100 million.

➤ It will have the capacity to accommodate nearly 10,000 people according to ISKCON temple customs.

➤ It is expected to open by July or August 2023.

➤ The Vedic Planetarium will house the Institute of Vedic Cosmology, which will research and discuss Vedic accounts of the universe.

❖ **Gautam Adani becomes world's third-richest person: Bloomberg Billionaires Index**

➤ It's the first time an Asian person has broken into the top three of the Bloomberg Billionaires Index.

➤ With a \$137.4 billion fortune, Mr Adani has overtaken Louis Vuitton chairman France's Bernard Arnault and now trails just Elon Musk and Jeff Bezos of the US in the ranking.

➤ The group now owns India's largest private-sector port and airport operator, city-gas distributor and coal miner.

➤ In the latest Bloomberg Billionaires Index, Reliance chief Mukesh Ambani is at number 11 with a total of USD 91.9 billion worth.

➤ The first and second rankers of the index, Elon Musk and Jeff Bezos, currently have a net worth of US\$251 billion and US\$153 billion, respectively.

❖ **Rajiv Gandhi Rural Olympic Games starts in more than 11,000 panchayats in Rajasthan**

➤ Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot inaugurated month-long Rajiv Gandhi Rural Olympic Games, for which around 30 lakh villagers have registered, and briefly stepped on to the kabaddi field.

➤ Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot inaugurated the games at the state-level function organised at Pal Panchayat of Luni block in Jodhpur district.

➤ About 2 lakh 25 thousand teams are participating in these games, in which about 30 lakh players are showing talent.

➤ The state government claims that the Rural Olympics is one of the biggest sporting events in the world.

➤ Under the Rural Olympics, 6 sports-Kabaddi, Shooting Ball, Volleyball, Hockey, Kho-Kho and Tennis Ball Cricket are being played.

➤ These games are first being organized at the Gram panchayat level after that there will be competitions at block, district and state level.

❖ **Amlan Borgohain becomes India's fastest runner**

➤ Sprinter Amlan Borgohain has become India's fastest man by running 100 metres in 10.25 seconds at the All India Inter Railways Athletics Championships in Raebareli.

➤ The 24-year-old surpassed the timing of Amiya Mallick, who had set the 100-metre race national record in 2016 by clocking 10.26 seconds.

➤ Borgohain's previous best was 10.34 seconds clocked last year.

➤ Earlier this year at the Federation Cup, he had clocked 20.52s to set a new national record in the men's 200 metres.

❖ **Economist and former Planning Commission member Abhijit Sen passes away**

➤ Economist Abhijit Sen, a former Planning Commission member and one of the country's foremost experts on rural economy has passed away. He was 72.

➤ Prof Abhijit Sen taught economics at Oxford, Cambridge and New Delhi's Jawaharlal Nehru University, and held several important government positions, including the chair of the Commission of Agricultural Cost and Prices.

➤ He was a member of the Planning Commission from 2004 to 2014, when Manmohan Singh was the prime minister.

➤ In 2010, he was awarded the Padma Bhusan for public service.

❖ **'World's loneliest man', also known as 'Man of the hole', passes away**

➤ The last remaining member of an uncontacted indigenous group in Brazil has died.

- The man, whose name was not known, had lived in total isolation for the past 26 years.
- He was known as Man of the Hole because he dug deep holes, some of which he used to trap animals while others appear to be hiding spaces.
- He is thought to have died of natural causes at an estimated age of 60.
- The man was the last of an indigenous group living in the Tanaru indigenous area in the state of Rondônia, which borders Bolivia.