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History of April 18

- ◆ **1917** : Mahatma Gandhi selected Champaran in Bihar for Satyagraha.
- ◆ **1612** : Shah Jahan, the emperor of the Mughal Empire, married Mumtaz.
- ◆ **1971** : The country's first jumbo jet aircraft named Emperor Ashoka 747 landed in Mumbai.
- ◆ **1950** : Vinoba Bhave started the Bhoodan movement from Pachampally village in Andhra Pradesh.

Current Affairs Related to 18th April

- ◆ The Uttarakhand government is all set to implement the Him Prahari Yojana. This scheme is especially for ex-servicemen and youth. The Uttarakhand government is seeking cooperation from the central government to implement the scheme in the areas bordering Uttarakhand. Under this scheme, priority will be given to settle ex-servicemen in the areas bordering the state. The objective of this scheme is to stop the migration of people from Uttarakhand. Under the plan, the focus will be on those areas where migration is rapid so that people stay put, and do not move out to any other province or place. The estimated expenditure of the scheme is about Rs 5.45 crore.
- ◆ Indian economist and political commentator Prabhat Patnaik has been selected for the 2022 Malcolm Adisesia Prize. The award will be presented to him at a function to be held in Chennai, the date of which will be announced later. Dr. Patnaik has worked at the Center for Economic Studies and Planning at the School of Social Sciences at Jawaharlal Nehru University in New Delhi. He was the Deputy Chairman of the Kerala State Planning Board.
- ◆ Indian author Prem Rawat released his book Here Yourself for the Indian subcontinent in Mumbai. The New York Times bestseller is already available in 58 countries and five languages. This book is meant to help people realize their potential. This will help them find peace in the noisy world. He also advised the audience that they have more knowledge in their own right than they understand. This book is meant to help them develop better self-understanding.
- ◆ Iqbal Singh Lalpura reappointed as the chairman of the National Commission for Minorities. Who was first appointed as the Speaker in September last year, had to resign from the post in December to contest as a BJP candidate from the Ropar assembly constituency, which he lost.
- ◆ India is set to host the Street Child Cricket World Cup in the year 2023. This World Cup is being organized by Street Child United and Save the Children India. Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 will feature 22 teams from 16 countries. In addition to the partnership between Street Child United and Save the Children, Street Child Cricket World Cup 2023 will also support the World Cup, the ICC and the British High Commission.
- ◆ Mumbai team captain Rohit Sharma made a big record by hitting Kagiso Rabada for a six against Punjab Kings in the 23rd match of the 2022 season of the Indian Premier League. He became the second Indian batsman to complete 10,000 runs in T20 cricket.
- ◆ UNDP and the Adaptation Innovation Marketplace partners have announced \$2.2 million in climate action funding for 22 local innovators in 19 countries, including India. The funding of the first round of the Adaptation Fund Climate Innovation Accelerator window will improve local climate action and accelerate the achievement of the ambitions of the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals.
- ◆ The Central Government has re-appointed Iqbal Singh Lalpura, a retired IPS officer of Punjab cadre, as the chairman of the National Commission for Minorities. Lalpura, who was first appointed as the Speaker in September last year, had to resign from the post in September to contest as a BJP candidate from the Ropar assembly constituency, which he lost.
- ◆ Indian Air Force and Indian Institute of Technology Madras have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to find indigenous technology for technology development and maintenance of various weapon systems. The joint partnership between the Indian Air Force and IIT Madras aims to accelerate the indigenization efforts of the Indian Air Force to achieve the goal of a self-reliant India.

National & International Current Affairs

- World Monuments and Archaeological Sites Day is celebrated every year due to**

(A) 16 April (B) 17 April
(C) 18 April (D) 19 April

(C) Keeping in mind the value of these precious items that keep the memories of our ancestors and old times, the United Nations organization UNESCO started celebrating World Heritage Day on 18 April every year since 1983. Earlier, every year 18 April was celebrated as World Monuments and Archaeological Sites Day. But UNESCO, considering the heritage given by our ancestors as priceless, changed this day into World Heritage Day.
- Recently Netherlands won the FIH Junior Women's Hockey World Cup 2022 by defeating which country?**

(A) India (B) Germany
(C) America (D) UK

(B) Recently Netherlands won the FIH Junior Women's Hockey World Cup 2022 by defeating Germany. This year the FIH banned Russia from the 2022 Women's Hockey Junior World Cup due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine in 2022. The 2023 Women's FIH Hockey Junior World Cup will be the tenth edition and will be held in Santiago, Chile.
- Where was the first Khelo India National Ranking Women's Archery Championship 2022 held in India ?**

(A) Jamshedpur (Jharkhand) (B) Kolkata (West Bengal)
(C) Pune (Maharashtra) (D) Ahmedabad (Gujarat)

(A) The first Khelo India National Ranking Women's Archery Championship 2022 was held at Tata Archery Academy, Jamshedpur (Jharkhand) in India. The tournament will be conducted as per the World Archery Rules, with the senior, junior and cadet categories in the recurve and compound events.
- Who is the author of the book Here Yourself?**

(A) Kamlesh Sharma (B) Arun Ahuja
(C) Manoj Verma (D) Prem Rawat

(D) Recently Prem Rawat released his book Here Yourself for the Indian subcontinent in Mumbai. The New York Times bestseller is already available in 58 countries and five languages. This book is meant to help people realize their potential.
- Whom has BPCL partnered with to drive digital transformation?**

(A) Microsoft (B) Amazon
(C) Facebook (D) Google

(A) Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) an Indian oil refinery has teamed up with Microsoft to improve its customer experience. It will also integrate cloud computing and artificial intelligence to help the oil and gas business optimize digitally.

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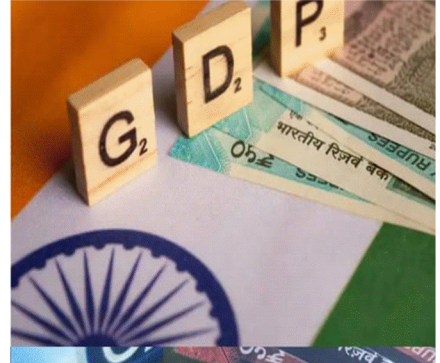


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6. Who has launched the Utsav portal to promote various tourist areas of India as popular tourist destinations across the world?
- (A) Giriraj Singh (Union Minister for Rural Development)
(B) Piyush Goyal (Union Commerce Minister)
(C) G.Kishan Reddy (Union Minister of Tourism, Culture)
(D) Ashwani Vaishnav (Union Minister of Railways and Communications)
- (C) The Union Minister for Tourism, Culture, G.Kishan Reddy has launched the Utsav portal to promote various tourist areas of India as popular tourist destinations across the world. The objective of launching this portal is to showcase various aspects, dates and details of events and festivals of India on a global platform.
7. Recently in which state a rare species of butterfly was seen palming?
- (A) Tamil Nadu (B) Kerala
(C) Chhattisgarh (D) Odisha
- (A) Recently a rare species of butterfly palming was seen in Tamil Nadu. This is the first recorded instance of a rare species in the state. It is the 321st species of butterfly found in Tamil Nadu out of 1500 species in India. Palming was first observed in South India by British scientist HS Ferguson in 1891.
8. India's retail inflation increased to what percent in March 2022?
- (A) 2.5% (B) 6.95%
(C) 7.88% (D) 10%
- (B) Data from the National Statistics Office showed that India's retail inflation rose to a 17-month high of 6.95 per cent in March, from 6.07 per cent in the previous month, driven by a sharp rise in food prices. Retail inflation, as measured by the Consumer Price Index, remained above the upper limit of the Reserve Bank of India's tolerance band for the third consecutive month.
9. Where was India's first community museum inaugurated to preserve cultural heritage?
- (A) Patna (Bihar) (B) Banaras (Uttar Pradesh)
(C) Imphal (Manipur) (D) Leh (Ladakh)
- (D) India's first community museum has been inaugurated in Leh district of Ladakh to preserve the cultural heritage for future generations. The objective of setting up this community museum is to preserve and take forward the cultural heritage.
10. Who has won the prestigious Reykjavik Chess Tournament 2022 title?
- (A) Alex Doboletta (B) SL Narayanan
(C) Sergei Azarov (D) R Pragyanand
- (D) R Pragyanand has won the title of the prestigious Reykjavik Open Chess Tournament 2022. In the final match played between Indian players, R Pragyanand won this title by defeating GM D Gukesh.





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