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History of April 23

- ◆ 1984 : **Scientists discovered** about the virus of AIDS.
- ◆ 1751 : **Gilbert Eliot Minto**, Governor General of the East India Company, **was born**.
- ◆ 1661 : **Coronation** of **British Emperor Charles II** in London
- ◆ 2005 : **First video uploaded** to YouTube.
- ◆ 1616 : **William Shakespeare**, the great poet and playwright of **English literature**, died.
- ◆ : **Angad**, the second **religious leader** of the Sikhs, was born.

Current Affairs Related to 23th April

- ◆ **Dr Cyrus S Poonawalla**, Chairman and Managing Director, Serum Institute of India has topped the Hurun Global Healthcare **Rich List 2022** and has become the richest billionaire in the healthcare sector 2022.
- ◆ **Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya** organized a week-long celebration under Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav to mark the fourth anniversary of Ayushman Bharat-Health and Wellness Centres, from April 16 to April 22. The first AB-HWC was inaugurated on 14 April 2018 at Jangla, a quiet village in Bijapur district of Chhattisgarh.
- ◆ **IT major Wipro** has announced the appointment of **Satya Easwaran** as the country head for India. He will be in charge of strengthening Wipro's business in India through strategic consultancy, transformation and modernization. They will help customers leverage Wipro's capabilities and investments in cloud, digital, engineering R&D, data/analytics and cyber security. India is a strategic market for Wipro.
- ◆ **State Bank of India** India's largest commercial bank has raised **USD 500 million** through a three-year syndicated loan facility through its International Financial Services Center Gujarat International Finance Tec City branch. The facility is worth **US\$400 million**, with greenshoe options worth **US\$100 million**. SBI, on the other hand, did not provide pricing information.
- ◆ **Dr Cyrus S Poonawalla**, Chairman and Managing Director, Serum Institute of India has topped the Hurun Global Healthcare Rich List 2022 and has become the richest billionaire in the healthcare sector 2022. He topped the list with a new value of **USD 26 billion**. Cyrus Poonawalla is followed by Thomas Frist Jr and Family of HCA Healthcare, Mindray's Lee Jiting and Xu Hang with a net worth of **USD 19 billion**.
- ◆ **National Security Advisor Ajit Doval** inaugurated the **National Cyber Security Incident Response Exercise (NCX)**. NCX India is being organized as a hybrid exercise over a period of ten days from 18th to 29th April 2022. Its objective is to train the senior management of government/critical organizations to deal with cyber threats and cyber incidents. The program is being administered by the National Security Council Secretariat in association with the Data Security Council of India and the Defense Research and Development Organization. Under this, more than 140 officers will be trained in cyber security areas through training sessions, live fire and tactical exercises.
- ◆ **London-based cryptocurrency lender Nexo** has joined hands with global payments company Mastercard to launch the world's first crypto-backed payment card. Electronic money firm DiPocket is the card issuer of Nexo. The card does not require a minimum monthly payment or inactivity fee. There is no FX fee for up to **EUR 20,000** per month. The interest remains **0%** for customers who maintain a loan-to-value ratio of **20%** or less.
- ◆ **The Supreme Court of India** has reconstituted an expert committee to oversee compensatory afforestation and other mitigation measures for the Delhi-Dehradun Economic Corridor Expressway project. An independent 12-member expert committee was constituted by the National Green Tribunal under the chairmanship of Uttarakhand Chief Secretary Sukhbir Singh Sandhu.
- ◆ **Indian Grandmaster Domaraju Gukesh** won the **48th La Roda International Open chess** tournament title in Castile-La Mancha, Spain. He defeated Viktor Mikhalevsky of Israel in the final round. Armenia's GM Haik M Martirosyan finished second with 7.5 points. Indian GM Rameshbabu Pragyanananda took third and Raunak Sadhwani (India) fourth, followed by Manuel Lopez Martinez Josep and Ramon Martinez.

National & International Current Affairs

- 1. When is the World Book and Copyright Day celebrated every year?**

(A) 22 April (B) 23 April
(C) 24 April (D) 25 April

(B) World Book Day is celebrated to recognize and promote the benefits of reading, publishing and copyrighting books. The day was originally announced on 23 April 1995 during the UNESCO General Conference held in Paris.
- 2. When is the English Language Day celebrated every year?**

(A) 22 April (B) 23 April
(C) 24 April (D) 25 April

(B) 23 April was chosen as the English Language Day to commemorate both the date of birth and the date of death of William Shakespeare. The English Language Day was the result of a 2010 initiative by the Department of Public Information, which sought to establish a language day for each of the organisation's six languages.
- 3. On which date is the World Veterinary Day celebrated?**

(A) The fourth Saturday of March
(B) The fourth Saturday of April
(C) The fourth Saturday of May
(D) The fourth Saturday of June

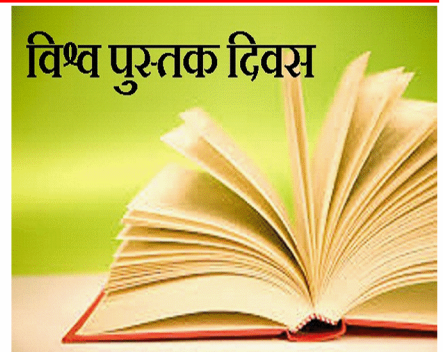
(B) In 2022, this day is being celebrated on 23rd April. World Veterinary Day is celebrated every year on the fourth Saturday of April. The day was instituted by the World Veterinary Association in 2000 to celebrate the contribution of veterinarians to the health of animals and society.
- 4. Which state government has started the Guru Ji Student Credit Card scheme to encourage the youth of the state towards education and provide financial help?**

(A) West Bengal (B) Assam
(C) Jharkhand (D) Punjab

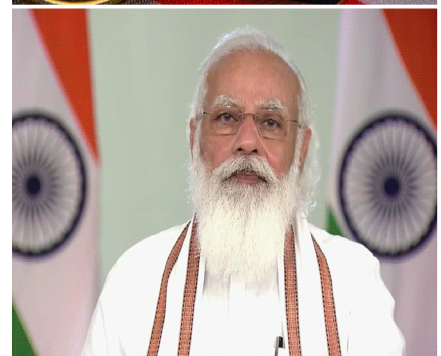
(C) The Jharkhand State Government has started the Guru Ji Student Credit Card Scheme to encourage the youth of the state towards education and to provide financial help. Under Guruji Credit Card scheme, loans will be given to the youth at very low rate of interest. Loan up to 10 lakh can be taken under this scheme.
- 5. Which bank has recently won the Global Celent Model Bank Award?**

(A) IndusInd Bank (B) AU Small Finance Bank
(C) Kotak Mahindra Bank (D) None of these

(A) IndusInd Bank has been conferred with the global Celent Model Bank Award under the category of Payments System Transformation for making it a best-in-class enterprise payments hub. The award recognizes the bank's outstanding journey in building a cloud-based central payment hub.



6. Recently, the Board IMF has reduced India's GDP growth forecast for the financial year 2023 to how much?
- (A) 7.1% (B) 8.2%
(C) 9.3% (D) 9.5%
- (B) The International Monetary Fund in its latest World Economic Outlook report has slashed India's GDP growth forecast to 8.2 per cent in FY2023. Earlier in the January report, it was estimated to be 9 per cent.
7. Recently, the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has extended the duration of the Prime Minister's Garib Kalyan Package/Scheme for how many days?
- (A) 100 Days (B) 120 Days
(C) 150 Days (D) 180 Days
- (D) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has extended the period of Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package/Scheme for 180 days from April 19, 2022. This is an insurance policy plan. Its full name is Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package, an insurance scheme for health workers fighting COVID-19. This scheme was launched on 30 March 2020.
8. National level pollution response exercise to tackle oil spill and plastic pollution in the Indian Ocean.
- (A) Ramnath Kovind (B) Rajnath Singh
(C) Ajay Kumar (D) Narendra Modi
- (C) Defense Secretary Ajay Kumar has inaugurated a national level pollution response exercise to tackle oil spills and plastic pollution in the Indian Ocean. The pollution response exercise aims to enhance the preparedness and response capacity of all stakeholders in dealing with marine spills.
9. The crypto platform company Nexo has launched the world's first crypto-backed payment card in association with which payment card?
- (A) Visa (B) Mastercard
(C) RuPay (D) Di Pocket
- (B) Crypto platform company Nexo has launched the world's first crypto-backed payment-card in association with payment card Denzmatbantak. This card will allow the user to shop or spend without selling cryptocurrencies. Bitcoin or other virtual currency will be held as a guarantee of this credit card.
10. Recently, Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently inaugurated the new premises of Banas Dairy and Potato Processing Plant in Banaskantha of which state at a cost of Rs 600 crores?
- (A) Rajasthan (B) Punjab
(C) Delhi (D) Gujarat
- (D) According to the Prime Minister's Office, the new dairy complex will be able to process 30 liters of milk per day and make 80 tonnes of butter, 1 lakh liters of ice cream, 20 tonnes of khoya and 6 tonnes of chocolate per day.





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