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History of April 8

- ◆ 1929 : Revolutionaries **Bhagat Singh** and **Batukeshwar Dutt** threw the Delhi Assembly bomb.
- ◆ 1894 : **Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay**, the author of India's national song **Vande Mataram**, passed away.
- ◆ 1857 : **Sepoy Mangal Pandey** of the First Indian Freedom Struggle was hanged.
- ◆ 1985 : The border war started **between India and Pakistan**, also known as the **Second War of Kashmir**.

Current Affairs Related to 8th April

- ◆ **SEBI Chairperson Madhabi Puri Buch** while launching an Ideathon to spur innovation said that India is ideally poised to harness technology in the securities market to deliver bespoke solutions at very low cost to individuals across the country. Butch said at the start of the Ideathon brainstorming that the implementation of fintech in the securities market presented tremendous potential for all parties involved.
- ◆ **There are now 124 self-made female billionaires in the world, 6 fewer than the previous year**, according to the Hurun Richest Self Made Woman in the World 2022. Three Indian women-Nayaka's Falguni Nair, Biocon's Kiran Mazumdar Shaw and Zoho's Radha Vembu feature in the latest Hurun list of women's self-made billionaires. Falguni Nair has overtaken long-time Bharti's number one billionaire Kiran Mazumdar Shaw to become India's richest self-made woman.
- ◆ **USD 5,00,000 has been contributed by India to the United Nations Agency for UN Woman Empowerment and Gender Equality**. This contribution was made by India to reaffirm the country's valuable partnership of gender equality and women-led development. India will work with New World to further boost our relations.
- ◆ **Pulitzer-winning American poet Richard Howard has died at the age of 92**. **Richard Joseph Howard** was born on 13 October 1929 in Cleveland, Ohio, United States. He was an American poet, literary critic, essayist, teacher, and translator. Howard won the Pulitzer Prize for Untitled Subjects in 1970 and was a National Book Award finalist in 2008 for Without Saying. His translation of Charles Baudelaire's Les Fleurs du Mal won the National Book Award in 1983.
- ◆ **The World Health Organization has given a big decision regarding Bharat Biotech's Covaccine**. The WHO has suspended the supply of the vaccine.
- ◆ **HP acquired Poly for a purchase price of \$1.7 billion, with a total transaction value of \$3.3 billion**, including debt. Poly is a manufacturer of office communication equipment such as headsets, AV conference room equipment such as desk phones and software.
- ◆ **Award-winning children's author and historian Devika Rangachari has penned a new novel called Queen of Fire**, which explores the story of Rani Laxmibai of Jhansi. The book focuses on Rani Lakshmi Bai's journey as a queen, soldier and statesman. The book provides a detailed account of how the queen took over the kingdom as a widow and joined the revolutionaries to revolt against the East India Company. Devika Rangachari is a historian who has conducted post-doctoral research on gender in early medieval Indian history.
- ◆ **Google Pay in association with Pine Labs has launched a new feature Tap to Pay for UPI in India**. Near field communication technology is used in this. It will allow users with NFC enabled Android smartphones and Google Pay linked NFC accounts to make transactions by tapping their phone at any Pine Labs Android point of sale terminal across the country.
- ◆ **State Bank of India and Border Security Force signed MoU to extend special benefits to serving and retired BSF personnel and family pensioners**. These special benefits will be given under the Central Armed Police Salary Package Scheme. State Bank of India will provide personal and air accident insurance cover, additional cover in case of on-duty death and permanent total disability/partial disability cover to BSF personnel.

National & International Current Affairs

1. **Where will the 83rd National Table Tennis Championship 2022 (National Table Tennis Championship 2022) be held?**

- (A) Shillong (Meghalaya) (B) Ahmedabad (Gujarat)
(C) (Maharashtra) (D) Srinagar (Jammu and Kashmir)

(A) The 83rd National Table Tennis Championship 2022 (National Table Tennis Championship 2022) will be held in Shillong (Meghalaya). The tournament is being hosted in honor of the 50th anniversary of the state.



2. **Who has recently become the brand ambassador of Farm Easy?**

- (A) Amitabh Bachchan (B) Sonu Sood
(C) Aamir Khan (D) None of these

(C) Recently Farm Easy started its latest campaign with Bollywood star Aamir Khan. PharmEasy is an Indian healthcare app and e-commerce platform. Siddharth Shah is the current CEO of Farm Easy. Godrej Appliances has named Ayushmann Khurrana as its brand ambassador.



3. **HDFC and which bank will merge to make the country's third most valuable enterprise?**

- (A) ICICI Bank (B) HDFC Bank
(C) Axis Bank (D) None of these

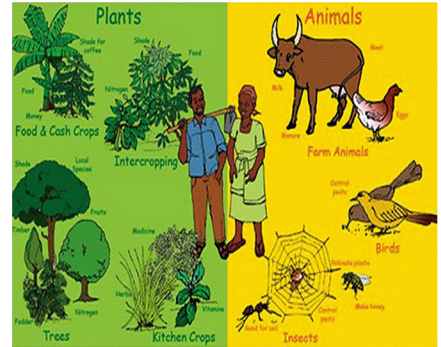
(B) HDFC Bank India's most valuable lender has agreed to acquire the country's largest mortgage lender HDFC Ltd in a deal worth USD 40 billion. After the transaction becomes effective, 100% of HDFC Bank will be held by public shareholders, and existing shareholders of HDFC will hold 41% of the bank.



4. **Which Indian state has signed an agreement with WWE India to develop a State Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan?**

- (A) Arunachal Pradesh (B) Himachal Pradesh
(C) Andhra Pradesh (D) None of these

(A) Arunachal Pradesh signed an agreement with WWE India to develop a State Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan. The State Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan will be aligned with the post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework and the Definitive Declaration. The state cabinet had last year adopted the Pakke Tiger Reserve 2027 Declaration on Climate Change Resilient and Responsive Arunachal Pradesh.



5. **Who has launched Mandir-360 website to allow people to visit the temples of their choice?**

- (A) Meenakshi Lekhi (B) Smriti Zubin Irani
(C) Kiren Rijiju (D) Nitin Gadkari

(A) Minister of State for Culture and External Affairs Meenakshi Lekhi has launched a website Mandir-360 during an event organized at Indira Gandhi National Center for the Arts, New Delhi. Mandir-360 is a digital platform where one can visit 12 Jyotirlingas and Char Dham from any place, thereby keeping people connected as well as making life convenient for everyone.



6. Who among the following has become the richest person in India and Asia recently?

- (A) Shiv Nadar (B) Gautam Adani
(C) Radhakishan Damani (D) Lakshmi Mittal

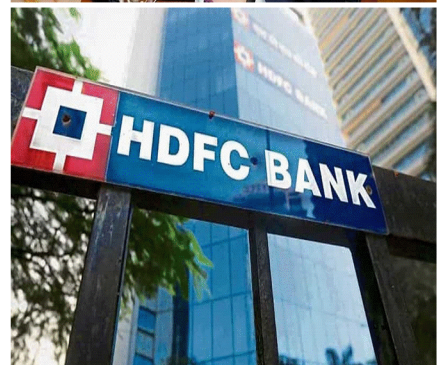
(B) According to the Bloomberg Billionaires Index, Adani has a net worth of \$100 billion. With this, he has also become the 10th richest person in the world. Mukesh Ambani, the head of Reliance Industries, is now at 11th place in Bloomberg's list of richest people.



7. Which bank has been adjudged the best performing bank in SHG linkage by DAY-NRLM?

- (A) ICICI Bank (B) HDFC Bank
(C) State Bank of India (D) None of these

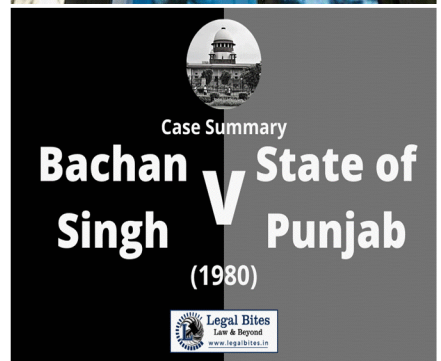
(B) HDFC Bank Limited has been adjudged the Best Performing Bank in Self Help Group Linkage by Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana National Rural Livelihoods Mission, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India at a function held at Vigyan Bhav, New Delhi.



8. The Bachchan Singh case of 1980 is related to which of the following cases?

- (A) Reservation (B) Death penalty
(C) Euthanasia (D) Dowry

(B) The Supreme Court has recently expressed concern over the manner in which the trial courts and high courts decide the death penalty. In the case of Bachchan Singh itself, the Supreme Court upheld the constitutionality of the death penalty in 1980. Along with this, a framework was also issued for the judges to keep in mind the things between the decisions of life imprisonment and death sentence.



9. Recently four agreements and many projects have been signed between India and which country?

- (A) Bhutan (B) Nepal
(C) Japan (D) Bangladesh

(D) Prime Minister Narendra Modi and his Nepalese colleague Sher Bahadur Deuba met in New Delhi, launched several projects and signed four important agreements in various fields. Indian Oil Corporation Limited and Nepal Oil Corporation Limited signed agreements for Nepal to become the 105th member of the International Solar Alliance, for technical cooperation in railways, petroleum product distribution and technical, experience sharing in the petroleum sector.



10. Who has become the Prime Minister of Hungary?

- (A) Carlos Alvarado (B) Serdar Berdimuhamedov
(C) Viktor Orban (D) Gabriel Borik

(C) Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán secured a fourth consecutive term in office with a landslide victory in the country's general elections for 2022. His right-wing Fides party secured 53.1 percent of the total of 98 percent of the vote. The 58-year-old is already the longest-serving head of government in the European Union since taking over as prime minister in May 2010.





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