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History of May 8

- ◆ 1847 : The rubber tire was invented by Robert W. Thompson patented.
- ◆ 1828 : Jean Henri Dunest received the first Nobel Peace Prize for his work in human service.
- ◆ 1963 : Indian Red Cross Society Centenary Celebrations.
- ◆ 1980 : The World Health Organization announced the eradication of smallpox.
- ◆ 1933 : Mahatma Gandhi observed a 21-day fast against 21 British rule.

Current Affairs Related to 8th May

- ◆ India will send Shukrayaan-1 to study the planet Venus in December 2024. This vehicle will study while orbiting the hottest planet in the Solar System. India had informed about Shukrayaan-1 mission in the year 2017. He told that the scientists have been urged to make the mission effective. Venus is on an average 41 million km away from Earth. This distance keeps on increasing and decreasing as it revolves around the Sun. Venus will be very close to Earth in December 2024. This would make it possible for the spacecraft to determine the shortest orbital path. The next time such an opportunity will come in the year 2031.
- ◆ The Initial Public Offering IPO of Life Insurance Corporation of India has been opened for public subscription with effect from 4th May 2022. It will be open for subscription till 9th May. The Life Insurance Corporation of India's IPO is the largest public offering in the country. The allotment of shares in the demat account of the bidders will take place by May 16 and will be listed for trading on May 17.
- ◆ India got its 100th unicorn when the neobanking fintech portal, Open, raised fresh capital to increase its value to over a billion dollars. Neobank raised \$50 million in a Series IIFL funding round from Singapore-based state holding company Temasek, American investment firm Tiger Global and another Indian firm 3one4 Capital. This helped its valuation cross the \$1 billion mark. Neobank is a five year old company based in Bangalore.
- ◆ Ronnie O'Sullivan has won the 2022 World Snooker Championship by defeating Jude Trump 18-13 in the final. The tournament was organized by the World Snooker Tour and sponsored by sports betting company Betfreight. The total prize money is 2,395,000 Euro and the winner gets his share of 500000 Euro.
- ◆ Two months into the Russo-Ukraine war, Transnistria, a small region that broke away from Moldova, is also at risk of being dragged into the conflict. Transnistria is actually a state located in the west of Moldova and east of Ukraine.
- ◆ India has been chosen as the Country of Honor in this film market to be held this year. This is the first time that such a tradition is being started in Cannes. Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Anurag Thakur said that India has been officially chosen as the Country of Honor at the Cannes Film Festival. This year the festival will be held from May 17 to May 28, 2022. This new tradition, which started this year, will be continued in future editions of the film festival.
- ◆ Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel has launched Mukhyamantri Mitan Yojana, which will be implemented on a pilot basis in 14 municipal corporations including cities like Raipur, Durg, Bilaspur and Rajnandgaon in Chhattisgarh. (Meitan means friend/friend). Under this scheme, residents of Chhattisgarh can avail about 100 public services at their home.
- ◆ The Biden administration has announced an automatic extension of work permit deadlines for certain categories of immigrants. In this, the spouses of H-1B visa holders who have a green card and who have got an employment authorization card for one and a half years will get the benefit.
- ◆ The Center has proposed to make Hindi as a standard language as a compulsory subject in the schools of the northeastern states. This move is being opposed in many places including Assam. Therefore, amid controversy over this move by the Center, concerns are being expressed about the existence of a native Hindi associated with Haflong, the only hill station in Assam. The name of this native Hindi is Haflong Hindi. It is a common language of Dima Hasao district of Assam.
- ◆ Annual reports on statistics have been released. According to the report, the Union Territory of Ladakh has recorded the highest sex ratio in the country in 2020. It is followed by Arunachal Pradesh, Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Tripura and Kerala. This report was released by the Registrar General of India.
- ◆ Venkataramani Sumantran has become the new chairman of airline IndiGo.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is World Thalassaemia Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 7 May (B) 8 May
(C) 9 May (D) 10 May

(B) World Thalassaemia Day is celebrated across the world on 8 May. The primary goal of organizing this day is to raise awareness about serious genetic disorders like Thalassaemia and the struggles of patients suffering from it. World Thalassaemia Day was started in the year 1994 by Thalassaemia International Federation.



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2. On which date will Mother's Day be celebrated every year?

- (A) 8 May (B) 9 May
(C) 10 May (D) 11 May

(A) This year Mother's Day will be celebrated on 8th May 2022. Mother's Day is celebrated on the second Sunday of May. The first Mother's Day was celebrated in the year 1908 by Anna Jarvis as a memorial to her mother. Mother's Day was formally started on 9 May 1914.



3. When is the World Red Cross Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 5 May (B) 7 May
(C) 8 May (D) 11 May

(C) Every year 8 May is celebrated as World Red Cross Day. John Henry Dinant, the founder of the Red Cross, was born on 8 May 1828. The Red Cross organization was started by John Henry Dinant, after which World Red Cross Day is celebrated on the occasion of his birthday.



4. Which state government has recently announced that a stadium will be built in Panipat, the native village of Olympic gold medalist Neeraj Chopra?

- (A) Haryana (B) Gujarat
(C) Punjab (D) Madhya Pradesh

(A) Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar has announced that a stadium will be built in Panipat, the native village of Olympic gold medalist Neeraj Chopra. A stadium will be built in Neeraj Chopra's village for Rs 10 crore. Last year Chopra became the first Indian to win a gold medal in Olympic track and field.



5. What is the revised repo rate after the May 2022 meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee recently?

- (A) 2.40 percent (B) 4.40 percent
(C) 4.60 percent (D) 4.80 per cent

(B) The Reserve Bank of India in the meeting of the Monetary Policy Committee has decided to increase the policy repo rate under the Liquidity Adjustment Facility to 4.40 percent from the earlier 4.00 per cent by 40 basis points with immediate effect. RBI has increased the cash reserve ratio by 50 basis points to 4.50 per cent with effect from May 21, 2022.



6. Recently the Ministry of Railways signed an agreement with whom to upgrade railway telecommunications?

- (A) Vodafone (B) C-DOT
(C) AIRTEL (D) BSNL

(B) Ministry of Railways and Center for Development of Telematics signed an MoU to forge a strong collaborative working partnership for coordination and resource sharing. Under this, the solution of C-Telecom DoT in Railways and provision of telecommunication facilities in the delivery and implementation of services will be done.



7. Who has become the new CEO of Jio Saavn?

- (A) Vijay Verma (B) Sahas Malhotra
(C) Kaushal Patra (D) Manoj Verma

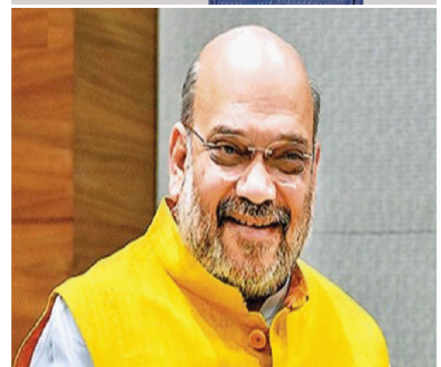
(B) Jio Saavn has named Sahas Malhotra, former director of Amazon Music and entertainment industry expert, as its new CEO. Earlier Sahas Malhotra worked for Sony Music India and Tips Industries.



8. Where has Union Home Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the National Intelligence Grid Campus to provide credible information to security agencies?

- (A) Bengaluru (B) Ahmedabad
(C) Chennai (D) Pune

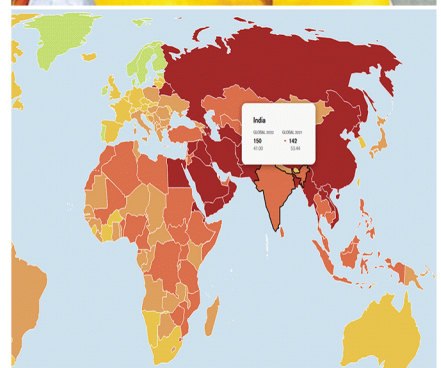
(A) To provide credible information to security agencies, Union Home Minister Amit Shah has inaugurated the National Intelligence Grid Campus in Bengaluru. The National Intelligence Grid is an integrated intelligence master database structure being established to track suspected terrorists with real time data and prevent terrorist attacks.



9. What is the rank of India in the World Press Freedom Index 2022 released by Without Borders?

- (A) 121st (B) 134th
(C) 146th (D) 150th

(D) India has been ranked 150th in the 2022 World Press Freedom Index released by Without Borders, up from 142nd last year. The ranking of other neighboring countries of India has also fallen significantly. Pakistan is at 157th, Sri Lanka at 146th, Bangladesh at 162nd and Myanmar at 176th.



10. Highest Goods and Services Tax (GST) collection of how many lakh crores was done in April 2022?

- (A) Rs 1.35 lakh crore (B) Rs 1.48 lakh crore
(C) Rs 1.68 lakh crore (D) Rs 1.88 lakh crore

(C) Goods and Services Tax collections hit an all-time high of Rs 1.68 lakh crore in April, indicating strong economic activity despite several hurdles and better tax compliance. April's collection is 20% higher than a year ago and is Rs 25,000 crore more than the previous high of Rs 1.42 lakh crore in March this year.





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