



Smartkeeda
The Question Bank

TestZone

PRESENTS

CURRENT AFFAIRS

MOCKDRILL SERIES

(Month Wise)

- ✓ Excellent Content
- ✓ Unmatched Explanation
- ✓ Brilliant Analysis

UNIQUE FEATURES

- Monthly 700+ Important News
- 13 to 15 PDFs per Month
- Free Mock Tests based on Each PDF
- Unlimited re-attempt option
- Monthly Topic-wise PDFs



Friends!

We used **TESTZONE** and cracked Bank Exams

बैंक परीक्षाओं के लिए निश्चित रूप से
सर्वश्रेष्ठ मॉक टेस्ट सीरीज



Karishma Pradhan
SBI Clerk 2021



Mayank Jain
IBPS Clerk 2021



Aarvi Pareek
IBPS PO 2021



Rahul Raj
IBPS PO 2021



Manisha Arora
SBI Clerk 2021

It's Your Turn Now
Take A FREE Mock Test

Testzone presents
Full-Length Current Affairs
Mock Test Series

September
MockDrill
PDF No. 1

(PDF in English)



Smartkeeda

Test Launch Date: 15th September, 2022

Attempt Test No. 1 based on this PDF!

(NOTE: All Current Affairs Mock Tests are FREE for ALL.)

Warning: Smartkeeda possesses all copyrights on its content. This doesn't allow anyone to use its content for commercial purposes. If any infringement is found, legal action will be taken against the individual or entity. If you want to use the content for commercial purposes, kindly write to us at admin@smartkeeda.com.

INDEX

National & States Affairs.....	5
International Affairs.....	7
Banking, Finance, Insurance & Economic Affairs.....	8
Defence Affairs.....	9
Sports & Games.....	10
Science & Technology	10
Appointments & Resignations	12
Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes	13
Schemes & Initiatives	14
Important Days & Dates	14
Books & Authors	15
Obituaries	15
Meetings, Conferences & Summits	16
Ranks, Reports & Serveys	16
Amount & Agreements	17
MoUs, Collaborations & Partnership	17

National & States Affairs

1. On September 2, Karnataka government launched the Global Startup Challenge - “VentuRISE” to support growth stage startups in manufacturing and sustainability-related sectors. VentuRISE will be a part of the Global Investors Meet, “Invest Karnataka 2022”, which will be held from 2-4 November in Bengaluru. The global challenge will help entrepreneurs across the globe with a platform to showcase their innovative products or solutions and connect with potential investors. A cash prize of \$1,00,000 is earmarked for the winners. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “Invest Karnataka 2022”, a Global Investors Meet – to be held in Bengaluru (in November)
- Karnataka – launched the Global Startup Challenge - “VentuRISE” to support growth stage startups
- [Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore](#) | [CM – Basavaraj Bommai](#) | [Governor – Thaawarchand Gehlot](#)

2. On September 2, Chhattisgarh Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel inaugurated Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki as the 29th district of the state. It has been carved out of Rajnandgaon district. While on September 3, he also inaugurated Sarangarh-Bilaigarh and Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandai as the 30th and 31st districts of the state. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Chhattisgarh inaugurated:
 - ‘Mohla-Manpur-Ambagarh Chowki’ as 29th district
 - ‘Sarangarh-Bilaigarh’ as 30th district
 - ‘Khairagarh-Chhuikhadan-Gandai’ as 31st district
- [Chhattisgarh: Capital – Raipur](#) | [CM – Bhupesh Baghel](#) | [Governor – Anusuiya Uikey](#)

3. On September 1, Union Home and Cooperation Minister, Amit Shah launched the “CAPF e-AWAS” web portal in New Delhi for allocating residential quarters to the Central Armed Police Force (CAPF) personnel. The Housing Satisfaction Ratio was around 33% in 2014, which is 48% at present, with the launch of the CAPF e-Awas portal. The Housing Satisfaction Ratio is estimated to reach 73% by November 2024. Moreover, an ‘e-Transfer’ software has been developed to bring transparency in the transfer of CAPF personnel. Besides, the Government of India has also started the ‘Ayushman CAPF’ scheme to provide better medical facilities to families of Jawans, under which more than 35 lakh Ayushman Cards have been distributed to 10 lakh personnel. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Amit Shah – launched “CAPF e-AWAS” web portal in New Delhi to allocate residential quarters to the CAPF personnel
- Housing Satisfaction Ratio at present – 48% (from 33% in 2014)
- ‘e-Transfer’ software is developed to bring transparency in the transfer of CAPF personnel
- ‘Ayushman CAPF’ scheme – for medical facilities to families of Jawans

4. On September 1, London-based Tony Blair Institute for Global Change and Canadian NGO Children Believe jointly launched a ‘Generation Global Programme’ for schools and colleges in Andhra Pradesh and Tamil Nadu. The initiative aims at transforming the mindset of school and college students in the age group of 13 to 17 years, and to make them ‘Global Citizens’. Rural Organization for Poverty Eradication Services (ROPES) organised the programme. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Tony Blair Institute for Global Change ([London](#)) + Children Believe ([Canada](#)) = launched a 'Generation Global Programme' for schools & colleges in Andhra Pradesh & Tamil Nadu
- [Andhra Pradesh: Capital – Amravati | CM – YS Jaganmohan Reddy | Governor – Biswabhusan Harichandan](#)
- [Tamil Nadu: Capital – Chennai | CM – Muthuvel Karunanidhi Stalin | Governor – Ravindra Narayan Ravi](#)

5. On September 1, the Department of Pharmaceuticals granted 'in-principle' approval to the proposals of 3 states - Himachal Pradesh (Una), Gujarat (Bharuch) and Andhra Pradesh (East Godavari) under the Scheme for "Promotion of Bulk Drug Parks", a key initiative to support the Bulk Drugs manufacturing in India. The Scheme, with a financial outlay of Rs 3,000 Crore notified in 2020, aims to bring down the cost of manufacturing of bulk drugs by creation of world class common infrastructure facilities supported by the Central Government. The Indian Pharmaceutical industry is the 3rd largest in the world by volume. India exported pharmaceuticals worth Rs 1,75,040 Cr in the financial year 2021-22, including Bulk Drugs/Drug Intermediates worth Rs 33,320 Cr. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dept. of Pharmaceuticals – granted 'in-principle' approval of 3 "Promotion of Bulk Drug Parks" to HP, Gujarat & AP
- Scheme outlay – Rs 3,000 Cr
- Indian Pharmaceutical industry is the 3rd largest in the world by volume
- India's pharmaceuticals exports in FY22 – Rs 1,75,040 Cr

6. The Association of Renewable Energy Agencies of States (AREAS) has recognised Tripura for installing the highest number of solar irrigation pumps in the northeastern states and achieving the second highest solar power installed capacity after Rajasthan. Meanwhile, Tripura Renewable Energy Development Agency (TREDA) has been selected as the best performing state nodal agency in the northeast. Moreover, Tripura government embarked on an ambitious project of illuminating markets and roads in remote tribal hamlets also through solar power under Grameen Bazar Alok Jyoti Scheme. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- AREAS – recognised Tripura for installing the highest number of solar irrigation pumps in the Northeastern states
- TREDA – selected as the Best Performing State nodal agency in the northeast
- Grameen Bazar Alok Jyoti Scheme – by Tripura Govt.
- [Tripura: Capital – Agartala | CM – Manik Saha | Governor – Satyadev Narayan Arya](#)

7. On September 2, Unique Identification Authority of India (UIDAI) has topped amongst all Ministries/Departments for resolving Public Grievances in the ranking report published by Department of Administrative Reforms and Public Grievances (DARPG) for the month of August 2022. UIDAI has been a top performer in resolution of cases received through Centralized Public Grievance Redress and Monitoring System (CPGRAMS). The UIDAI will soon launch state-of-the-art Open Source CRM Solution to further strengthen its Grievance Redressal Mechanism. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DARPG: UIDAI has topped amongst all Ministries/Departments for resolving Public Grievances during August 2022
- Cases were received through CPGRAMS - **C**entralized **P**ublic **G**rievance **R**edress **A**nd **M**onitoring **S**ystem
- UIDAI will soon launch state-of-the-art Open Source CRM Solution
- [HQs of UIDAI – New Delhi | CEO – Saurabh Garg | Founded on – January 28, 2009](#)

8. On September 3, the Central government announced its plan to set up India's first "Night Sky Sanctuary" also known as "Dark Sky Reserve" in Ladakh within the next 3 months. The proposed reserve/sanctuary will be located at Hanle in Ladakh as part of Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary. The reserve will boost Astro Tourism in India and will be one of the world's highest-located sites for optical, infrared, and gamma-ray telescopes. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India's first 'Night Sky Sanctuary/Dark Sky Reserve' – to be set up at Hanle, Ladakh within next 3 months
- It will be located in – Changthang Wildlife Sanctuary (Ladakh)
- [Ladakh: Capital – Leh | Lt. Governor – R. K. Mathur](#)

9. On September 2, Blue Energy Motors unveiled India's first LNG-fuelled Green Truck by launching a manufacturing plant at Chakan, Pune. The facility was inaugurated by Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari. The market entry of the LNG-fuelled trucks will start with introduction of 5528 4x2 tractor as the first model. Blue Energy Motors' trucks will be Liquefied Natural Gas-fuelled, long-haul, heavy-duty trucks. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Blue Energy Motors – unveiled India's first LNG-fuelled Green Truck by launching a manufacturing plant – at Pune
- The facility was inaugurated by – Nitin Gadkari

International Affairs

10. On September 1, Indian Computer Emergency Response Team (CERT-In), under Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY), in collaboration with Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA) has successfully designed and conducted the cyber security exercise called "Synergy" for 13 countries as part of the International Counter Ransomware initiative, "Resilience Working Group (RWG)". The RWG is being led by India under the leadership of National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS). The theme of the exercise was "Building Network Resiliency to Counter Ransomware Attacks". [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CERT-In + CSA = designed & conducted the cyber security exercise called "Synergy" for 13 countries
- It was held as part of the International Counter Ransomware initiative, "Resilience Working Group (RWG)" – led by India
- Theme of Exercise – "Building Network Resiliency to Counter Ransomware Attacks"
- [HQs of CERT-In – New Delhi | DG – Sanjay Bahl \(functions under MeitY\)](#)

11. Bangladesh imported 36 "F-7BGI" aircrafts from China to boost its military supplies. The F-7 BGI is a multi-role capable aircraft manufactured by Chengdu Aircraft Corporation, China. It was specially designed to meet the requirements of Bangladesh Air Force for cost-effective multi-role fighter aircraft. F-7 BG upgraded with J-7G technology for Bangladesh. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Bangladesh – imported 36 "F-7BGI" aircrafts from China to boost its military supplies
- 'F-7 BGI' aircraft is manufactured by – Chengdu Aircraft Corporation ([China](#))
- [Bangladesh – Dhaka – Taka | PM – Sheikh Hasina | President – Abdul Hamid](#)

Banking, Finance, Insurance & Economic Affairs

12. On September 2, BOB Financial Solutions Ltd (BFSL), the wholly-owned subsidiary of Bank of Baroda (BoB), and Snapdeal in partnership with National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) and Japan's JCB International Company Ltd have launched the "Snapdeal BoB JCB RuPay Credit Card". Users of the co-branded contactless credit card will receive up to 5% unlimited cashback on the Snapdeal app and website. In this tie up, JCB is the only international payment brand based in Japan. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- BFSL + Snapdeal + NPCI + JCB = launched the "Snapdeal BoB JCB RuPay Credit Card"
- HQs of BOB Financial Solutions – Mumbai, Maharashtra | MD & CEO – Shailendra Singh
- HQs of Snapdeal – New Delhi | CEO – Kunal Bahl | Founded in – 2010
- HQs of NPCI – Mumbai | Chairman – Biswamohan Mahapatra | MD & CEO – Dilip Asbe | Established in – 2008

13. On September 1, the SEBI restructured its High-Level Panel on Cyber Security that suggests measures to safeguard the capital markets from cyber-attacks. The committee, which has now 6 members, will be chaired by Navin Kumar Singh, DG at National Critical Information Infrastructure Protection Centre (NCIIPC). The committee will study major cyber-attack incidents related to financial markets in domestic and global markets and identify gaps in the existing cyber security and cyber resilience framework. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SEBI – restructured its High-Level Panel on Cyber Security to safeguard the capital markets from cyber-attacks
- The 6-member committee is chaired by – Navin Kumar Singh (DG of NCIIPC)
- HQs of SEBI – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Chairman – Madhabi Puri Buch | Established in – 1992

14. On September 1, SBI Cards & Payment Services Ltd launched the first of its kind 'Cashback SBI Card' that enables cardholders to earn 5% cashback (up to maximum of ₹10,000 per month) on all online spending without any merchant restrictions. Consumers across India, including those in tier 2 and 3 cities, can apply for 'Cashback SBI Card' from the comfort of their homes through the digital application platform 'SBI Card SPRINT'. The contactless card is free for the first year till March 2023 as a special offer. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- SBI Card – launched the first of its kind 'Cashback SBI Card'
- The card enables cardholders to earn 5% cashback on all online spending without any merchant restrictions
- HQs of SBI Cards & Payment Services Ltd – Gurgaon, Haryana | MD & CEO – Rama Mohan Rao Amara

15. On September 2, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) launched a pilot project for end-to-end digitalisation of Kisan Credit Card (KCC) lending, developed by the Reserve Bank Innovation Hub (RBIH). The decision has been taken to eliminate the challenges associated with rural finance in India. The pilot project was scheduled to begin in September 2022 in selected districts of Madhya Pradesh and Tamil Nadu with Union Bank of India and Federal Bank, respectively, as partner banks. Based on the learnings from the pilot, it is planned to expand the digitalisation of KCC lending to other districts in these two States and gradually across the country. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- RBI – launched a pilot project for end-to-end digitalisation of Kisan Credit Card (KCC) lending – developed by RBIH
- Pilot project began in selected districts of Madhya Pradesh (with UBI) & Tamil Nadu (with Federal Bank)
- HQs of RBI – Mumbai, Maharashtra | Governor – Shaktikanta Das (25th) | Established on – 1st April, 1935

16. On September 2, IndusInd Bank signed a pact with the Asian Development Bank for a partial guarantee programme with an initial outlay of \$70 million (Rs 560 Crore), for supply chain financing (SCF) solutions in India. ADB provides partial credit guarantees to lenders. It covers non-payment by the borrower on the guaranteed portion of the principal and interest due.

[{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- IndusInd Bank + ADB = a pact for Rs 560 Cr lending programme for Supply Chain Financing solutions in India
- HQs of IndusInd Bank – Pune, MH | MD & CEO – Sumant Kathpalia | Tagline – “We Make You Feel Richer”
- HQs of ADB – Mandaluyong, Philippines | President – Masatsugu Asakawa | Members – 68 | Established in – 1966

Defence Affairs

17. The Indian Army contingent of the Gorkha Regiment troops began the multilateral strategic and command Exercise “Vostok - 2022” at the training grounds of the Eastern Military District of Russia from 1 to 7 September, 2022. The exercise is aimed at interaction and coordination amongst other participating military contingents and observers. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Gorkha Regiment (Indian Army) – participated in multilateral strategic & command exercise “Vostok - 2022” – in Russia
- Russia – Moscow – Russian Ruble | PM – Mikhail Mishustin | President – Vladimir Putin

18. On September 2, PM Narendra Modi unveiled the new Naval Ensign (flag) for the Indian Navy in Kochi on the sidelines of the commissioning of India’s first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant at Cochin Shipyard Limited. Till today Indian Naval flags carried a sign of slavery which has been replaced with a new one inspired by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The present (old) ensign carries the Saint George’s Cross with the Tricolour in the canton (top left corner of flag). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PM Narendra Modi – unveiled the new Naval Ensign (flag) for the Indian Navy in Kochi
- PM Narendra Modi – commissioned India’s first indigenous aircraft carrier ‘INS Vikrant’ at Cochin Shipyard Ltd
- HQs of Cochin Shipyard – Kochi, Kerala | Chairman & MD – Madhu S. Nair | Incorporated in – 1972

19. On September 1, the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS), chaired by PM Narendra Modi, approved the “Tejas Mark-2” (Tejas MK2) fighting jet project. Flight testing and certification of the Tejas Mark-2 project would cost Rs 6,500 Crore, in addition to the Rs 2,500 Crore earlier sanctioned for it. Moreover, the CCS clearance for the over Rs 15,000 Crore project to build the 5th-gen advanced medium combat aircraft (AMCA) will follow within the next few months. The ‘Tejas Mark-2’ would succeed Mirage-2000s, Jaguars and MiGs-29s in the IAF’s combat fleet. The HAL Tejas Mark 2 or Medium Weight Fighter is being manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- CCS approved the “Tejas Mark-2” (Tejas MK2) fighting jet project at a cost of Rs 6,500 Crore (developed by HAL)
- ‘Tejas Mark-2’ would succeed Mirage-2000s, Jaguars & MiGs-29s
- HQs of HAL – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CEO – Amitabh Bhatt | Chairma & MD – R. Madhavan



Sports & Games

20. German tennis player, Andrea Petkovic announced her plans to retire after the US Open. Former World No. 9 Andrea Petkovic played her last Grand Slam match, losing to Belinda Bencic in the first round of the US Open. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Andrea Petkovic ([Germany](#)) – announced to retire from Tennis after the US Open

Science & Technology

21. Twitter has made its new feature “Twitter Circles” available for all. Twitter first began testing this feature with a small group of users in May 2022. Like Instagram’s Close Friend feature, Twitter Circle aims to give users command over who can view and react to each tweet, which makes it simpler to have more private interactions. A user’s Circle can have up to 150 people. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Twitter – made its new feature “Twitter Circles” available for all (Circle can have up to 150 people)
- HQs of Twitter – San Francisco, California, US | CEO – Parag Agrawal | Founded in – 2006

22. On September 1, Union Minister of Science & Technology Dr. Jitendra Singh announced that India has launched “Cervavac”, the country’s first indigenously developed quadrivalent human papillomavirus (qHPV) vaccine for the prevention of cervical cancer. Cervical cancer is the 4th most common cancer among women globally, according to the WHO. Cervavac was developed by the Pune-based Serum Institute of India (SII) in coordination with the Government of India’s Department of Biotechnology (DBT). Cervavac received market authorisation approval from the Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) on July 12, 2022. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- India launched “Cervavac”, the country’s first indigenously developed qHPV vaccine against Cervical Cancer
- Developed by = SII + DBT
- HQs of SII – Pune, MH | Chairman – Cyrus S. Poonawalla | CEO – Adar C. Poonawalla | Founded in – 1966

23. On September 2, Daimler India Commercial Vehicles (DICV), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Daimler Truck AG, signed an MoU with IIT Madras Incubation Cell (IITMIC) to set up a Technology Epicenter namely ‘DICV-IITMIC’ to identify mid to long term solutions necessary for the future of Mobility. DICV-IITMIC will leverage DICV’s commercial vehicles domain expertise and IITMIC’s proficiency in academia to strengthen the innovation and startup ecosystem across India. Situated in IIT Madras Research Park, this is India’s first University-based Research Park and Incubation Cell. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- DICV + IIT Madras Incubation Cell = an MoU to set up a Technology Epicenter to develop mobility solutions
- HQs of DICV – Chennai, Tamil Nadu
- Director of IIT Madras – Bhaskar Ramamurthi





SCAN TO
DOWNLOAD APP

Smartkeeda प्रस्तुत करता है

भारत का पहला

EGS

Education-Gaming-Social-Platform



Play Quizzes in

QUANT | REASONING | ENGLISH | GS | CURRENT AFFAIRS | LAW

Useful for Exams

- BANK & INSURANCE
- SSC & RAILWAYS
- TEACHING EXAMS
- LAW EXAMS
- UPSC
- DEFENCE EXAMS
- STATE EXAMS
- CUET

इस खेल में कोई वित्तीय जोखिम नहीं है और इसकी आदत लग जाए तो अच्छा है।

Appointments & Resignations

24. On September 1, Senior IAS officer Paban Kumar Borthakur took charge as the new Chief Secretary of Assam, succeeding Jishnu Barua, who retired from service on August 31. Meanwhile, Barua would continue as the Chairman of the Assam Power Distribution Company Ltd (APDCL) for a period of 2 years. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Paban Kumar Borthakur – took charge as the new Chief Secretary of Assam (succeeding - Jishnu Barua)
- [Assam: Capital – Dispur](#) | [CM – Himanta Biswa Sarma](#) | [Governor – Jagdish Mukhi](#)

25. On September 3, the Karnataka government appointed Kannada star Kiccha Sudeep as the brand ambassador for its 'PunyaKoti Dattu Yojana', cattle adoption scheme. The scheme is aimed at encouraging adoption by public for the purpose of rearing cattle in 'goshalas' (cow shelters). [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kiccha Sudeep – appointed as brand ambassador by Karnataka Govt for its 'PunyaKoti Dattu Yojana'
- [Karnataka: Capital – Bangalore](#) | [CM – Basavaraj Bommai](#) | [Governor – Thawarchand Gehlot](#)

26. On September 2, Former Mohun Bagan and East Bengal goalkeeper Kalyan Chaubey became the new President of All India Football Federation (AIFF) after besting former India captain Bhaichung Bhutia, with 33-1 in polls, decided by the 34-member voters' list made up of state association representatives. Chaubey, a Bharatiya Janta Party leader from West Bengal, has become the first former national team player to be elected as the head of AIFF. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Kalyan Chaubey – appointed as new President of All India Football Federation (beating - Bhaichung Bhutia)
- [HQs of AIFF – Dwarka, Delhi](#) | [President – Kalyan Chaubey](#) | [Gen. Secretary – Kushal Das](#)

27. On September 1, Indian Information Service officer Vasudha Gupta, who was DG at Press Information Bureau (PIB), is appointed as the new Director General of News at All India Radio (AIR). Incumbent Director General of All India Radio N. Venudhar Reddy retired in August 2022. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Vasudha Gupta – appointed as the new Director General of News at All India Radio (succeeding - N. Venudhar Reddy)
- [HQs of AIR – New Delhi](#) | [DG – Vasudha Gupta](#)

28. On September 1, Dinesh Kumar Batra, Director (Finance) & CFO, has taken additional charge as Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of Navratna Defence PSU Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL). Dinesh Kumar Batra was instrumental in the company's move to foray into the Electro-Explosive segment. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Dinesh Kumar Batra – took additional charge as CMD of Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL)
- [HQs of BEL – Bengaluru, Karnataka](#) | [CMD – Dinesh Kumar Batra \(addi. charge\)](#)

29. On September 1, Central government appointed Rajesh Kumar Srivastava as the acting (interim) Chairman of Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC). He is the third interim chief who has been appointed in last 17 months. After current acting head, Alka Mittal superannuated, Srivastava has been given additional charge of Chairman & MD. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Rajesh Kumar Srivastava – appointed as the acting (interim) Chairman of ONGC (succeeding - Alka Mittal)
- [HQs of ONGC – New Delhi](#) | [CMD – Rajesh Kumar Srivastava \(interim\)](#)

30. On September 1, Yamuna Kumar Chaubey was given the charge of Chairman and Managing Director of National HydroElectric Power Corporation (NHPC) for 3 months. Abhay Kumar Singh ceased to be the CMD of the company with effect from August 31, 2022, upon attaining the age of superannuation. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Yamuna Kumar Chaubey – took charge as CMD of NHPC for 3 months (replacing - Abhay Kumar Singh)
- [HQs of NHPC – Faridabad, Haryana](#) | [MD & Chairman – Yamuna Kumar Chaubey](#)

31. On September 1, M. V. Iyer, Director (Business Development) assumed additional charge as Chairman & Managing Director of GAIL (India) Limited. He is entrusted with the responsibilities for a period of 3 months. He succeeds Sandeep Kumar Gupta. Iyer is also Director in one of the GAIL's new joint venture company Indradhanush Gas Grid Limited (IGGL) for implementation of North East Gas Grid. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- M. V. Iyer – assumed additional charge as Chairman & MD of GAIL (India) Limited
- [HQs of GAIL – New Delhi](#) | [MD & Chairman – M. V. Iyer \(addi. charge\)](#) | [Established in – 1984](#)

32. On September 2, Coffee giant Starbucks named Indian-origin Laxman Narasimhan as its new Chief Executive Officer who will replace Howard Schultz. Narasimhan will be joining the company on October 1. Schultz will continue as interim chief until April 2023, after which he will continue as a member of the Starbucks Board of Directors. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Laxman Narasimhan – appointed as next CEO of Starbucks from October 1 (succeeding - Howard Schultz)
- [HQs of Starbucks – Washington, US](#) | [CEO – Laxman Narasimhan](#)

Awards, Rewards, Recognition & Prizes

33. On September 1, Minister for Housing & Urban Affairs & Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri, presented “Smart Solutions Challenge & Inclusive Cities Awards 2022”. These awards are an initiative of the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) and the United Nations (UN) in India to address city-level accessibility and inclusion challenges faced by persons with disabilities (PwD), women and girls, and the elderly. In the category of ‘Early-stage Innovations’, the winner was a wearable technology product, Fifth Sense by Glovatrix Pvt Ltd. In the second category of ‘Market-ready Solutions’, Mouseware by Dextroware Devices Pvt Ltd was the winner. Belagavi Smarty City's system for those with disabilities to access education and healthcare was awarded the top prize in the category of ‘Implemented Solutions’. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Hardeep Singh Puri – presented “Smart Solutions Challenge & Inclusive Cities Awards 2022” – an initiative of NIUA & UN
- Winners:
 - ‘Early-stage Innovations’ category – Fifth Sense (by Glovatrix)
 - ‘Market-ready Solutions’ category – Mouseware (by Dextroware Devices)
 - ‘Implemented Solutions’ category – Belagavi Smarty City's system

Schemes & Initiatives

34. On September 1, Odisha government disbursed a total of Rs 869 Crore under the current installment of “Kalia” (Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation), the flagship agricultural scheme of Odisha. Around 41 lakh farmers in Odisha will receive Rs 2,000 each under the scheme. The state government launched the scheme for small, marginal farmers and landless agricultural households, vulnerable agricultural households in December 2018. Presently under the Kalia scheme, a farmer is entitled to get the assistance of Rs 4,000 in a year for Kharif and Rabi seasons. The Kalia scheme will remain in force till 2025. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Odisha – disbursed a total of Rs 869 Crore under the current installment of “KALIA” scheme
- KALIA – Krushak Assistance for Livelihood and Income Augmentation | Rs 2,000 each to farmers in Odisha through DBT
- Odisha: Capital – Bhubaneswar | CM – Naveen Patnaik | Governor – Ganeshi Lal

35. On September 1, Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma launched the ambitious flagship programme for the farmers – “Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme” under National Livestock Mission at Byrnihat in Ri-Bhoi district. Meghalaya acquires 18,000 MT of pork from different States and there is a huge shortfall in supply and demand. Under this mission, zero interest loan is provided for setting up fattening and pig breeding. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Meghalaya – launched the ambitious flagship programme for the farmers - “Rural Backyard Piggery Scheme”
- Meghalaya: Capital – Shillong | CM – Conrad Kongkal Sangma | Governor – Satya Pal Malik

Important Days & Dates

36. Ministry of Women and Child Development (MoWCD) is celebrating the 5th “Rashtriya Poshan Maah” from September 1 to 30, 2022. The government’s month-long special nutrition campaign, Rashtriya Poshan Maah, will focus on the promotion of indigenous toys for learning, gender-sensitive rainwater conservation at anganwadis and growth measurement drives. This year the objective is to trigger Poshan Maah through gram panchayats as “Poshan Panchayats” with key focus on ‘Women and Health’ and ‘Child and Education’. It also aims to convert Jan Andolan into Jan Bhagidari to fulfil the Hon’ble PM’s vision of a Suposhit Bharat. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 1 to 30 – 5th “Rashtriya Poshan Maah” – celebrated by MoWCD
- Key focus: ‘Women & Health’ and ‘Child & Education’

37. Every year “Teachers’ Day” or “National Teacher’s Day” or “Shikshak Divas” is celebrated on September 5. The day commemorates the birth anniversary of our first Vice President of India and the second President of India, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. He was born on September 5 in the year 1888. But teachers’ day was first observed in the year 1962 on his 77th birthday. In 2022, the theme of the day is “Leading in Crisis, Reimagining the Future”. On this occasion, the “National Awards to Teachers 2022” were presented by President Droupadi Murmu to 46 teachers across India for their outstanding contributions to the Education Sector. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 5 – National Teachers’ Day or Shikshak Divas (birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan)
- 2022’s Theme – “Leading in Crisis, Reimagining the Future”
- October 5 – World Teachers’ Day

Books & Authors

38. A book titled “When The Heart Speaks: Memoirs of a Cardiologist” is written by Dr. Upendra Kaul, an Indian cardiologist and one of the pioneers of interventional cardiology in India. The book was published by Konark Publishers. Upendra Kaul, a Kashmiri Pandit, grew up in Delhi. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- “When The Heart Speaks: Memoirs of a Cardiologist” – written by Dr. Upendra Kaul

Obituaries

39. The first Saturday in September each year is “International Vulture Awareness Day” to highlight vulture conservation and awareness. In 2022, the day was observed on September 3. The International Vulture Awareness Day has grown from Vulture Awareness Days run by the Birds of Prey Programme of the Endangered Wildlife Trust in South Africa and the Hawk Conservancy Trust in England. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 3 – International Vulture Awareness Day 2022 (first Saturday in September)

40. World Coconut Day is observed on September 2 every year. The day is marked to raise awareness about the importance and benefits of coconuts. The day was first observed in 2009. In 2022, the theme of the day is “Growing coconut for a better future and life”. This day was selected because it is the date when Asian Pacific Coconut Community (APCC) was formed. India is the 3rd largest producer of coconut in the world after Indonesia and Philippines respectively. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- September 2 – World Coconut Day (since 2009)
- 2022’s Theme – “Growing Coconut for a Better Future and Life”
- Top 3 largest producer of coconut in the world: 1st - Indonesia, 2nd - Philippines, 3rd - India
- HQs of APCC – Jakarta, Indonesia

41. On September 1, Renowned historian and academician B. Sheik Ali Saheb passed away at the age of 98. He was the founder vice-chancellor of Mangalore University and also served in Goa University as vice-chancellor. He was a recipient of the Karnataka Rajyotsava Award. He carried out extensive research on Mysuru ruler Tipu Sultan. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- B. Sheik Ali Saheb – Historian & Academician – passed away (recipient of ‘Karnataka Rajyotsava Award’)

42. On September 2, Carnatic vocalist T. V. Sankaranarayanan passed away at the age of 77. He was considered torch-bearer of the Madurai Mani Iyer style of singing and technique. He won the Sangita Kalanidhi award of the Music Academy in 2003. In the same year, the Centre conferred on him Padma Bhushan. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- T. V. Sankaranarayanan – a Carnatic Vocalist – passed away (famous for ‘Madurai Mani Iyer’ style of singing)
- Awards: Sangita Kalanidhi Award & Padma Bhushan (both in 2003)

Meetings, Conferences & Summits

43. PM Narendra Modi was set to inaugurate the 2-day Science Conclave of Science & Technology Ministers, Scientists and Technocrats of India's all States/UT at Ahmedabad, Gujarat on September 10. The meeting was aimed at creating a mechanism to facilitate smooth dissemination of information and data between the Centre and States. Union Minister of State (I/C) of Science & Technology, Dr. Jitendra Singh chaired this High-Level Meeting related to the Science Conclave. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Narendra Modi – inaugurated the 2-day 'Science Conclave 2022' at Ahmedabad, Gujarat – chaired by Dr. Jitendra Singh
- Gujarat: Capital – Gandhinagar | CM – Bhupendra Patel | Governor – Acharya Dev Vrat

Ranks, Reports & Surveys

44. According to the latest report titled "Progress on WASH in health care facilities 2000-2021" jointly released by the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF, half of the healthcare facilities lack basic hygiene services with water and soap or alcohol-based hand rub where patients receive care. As per the report, around 3.85 billion people use these facilities, putting them at greater risk of infection. The report specially focuses on WASH (Water, Sanitation & Hygiene) and infection prevention & control. The report was launched at "World Water Week" that took place in Stockholm, Sweden from 23 August to 1 September, 2022. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- "Progress on WASH in health care facilities 2000-2021" – released by WHO & UNICEF
- Around 3.85 billion people use healthcare facilities which lack basic hygiene services with water & soap
- "World Water Week" – took place in Stockholm, Sweden
- HQs of WHO – Geneva, Switzerland | DG – Tedros Adhanom | Member Countries – 194 | Founded in – 1948
- HQs of UNICEF – New York, US | Executive Director – Catherine Russell | Established in – 1946

45. India's unemployment rate increased to a one-year high of 8.3% in August 2022 as employment sequentially fell by 2 million to 394.6 million from the employment of 397 million (unemployment at 6.8%) in July 2022, according to the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE). In August, the urban unemployment rate rose to 9.6% and rural unemployment rate also increased to 7.7%. According to the CMIE data, the unemployment rate during August was the highest in Haryana at 37.3%, followed by Jammu & Kashmir (32.8%) and Rajasthan (31.4%). While the unemployment was the lowest in Chhattisgarh at 0.4%. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- According to CMIE data: India's unemployment rate increased to – 8.3% in August 2022 (from 6.8% in July)
- Employment in August 2022 – 394.6 million (from 397 million in July)
- Unemployment rate during August was the highest in – Haryana (37.3%) | Lowest in – Chhattisgarh (0.4%)



46. As on September 2022, India (at \$3.5 trillion) has overtaken the U.K. (at \$3.2 trillion) to become the world's 5th largest economy and is now behind only the US, China, Japan and Germany, according to IMF projections. A decade back, India was ranked 11th among the large economies while the U.K. was at the fifth position. However, India has a population 20 times that of the U.K. So due to this huge gap in population, per capita GDP of India is only \$2,500, compared to the UK's \$47,000. The assumption of India overtaking the U.K. is based on calculations by Bloomberg using the IMF database and historic exchange rates on its terminal. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- As per the calculations by Bloomberg using the IMF database:
- India (\$3.5 trillion) – overtook the U.K. (\$3.2 trillion) to become the world's 5th largest economy
- First 4: US, China, Japan & Germany

Amount & Agreements

47. On September 3, Japan-based \$170 million Drone Fund (DF), one of the world's largest dedicated VCs for promoting unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) ecosystem, intends to invest upto \$40 million in Indian companies working in the sector. Japan's largest drone manufacturer, ACSL has tied up with drone major Aerodyne India group to invest in the latter's manufacturing facilities and also to select other local firms. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- Drone Fund ([Japan](#)) – intends to invest upto \$40 million in Indian companies in drone sector
- ACSL ([Japan](#)) + Aerodyne India = tie up to invest in Aerodyne India's manufacturing facilities

MoUs, Collaborations & Partnerships

48. On September 1, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) and Coursera entered into a partnership to address India's current and future skill gap in the taxation space. The professional services firm partnered with the online learning platform to build two entry-level professional certificates - GST Tax Executive and Direct Tax Executive, aimed at achieving skilling at scale and creating greater employment opportunities. PwC is also working with Coursera to establish a 'Tax Academy' - a knowledge hub that will equip India's taxation professionals with the most updated accounting and taxation curriculum. Coursera has now 5 industry partners - PwC India, Philips, Yunus Social Business Fund, Tally, and Hero Mindmine. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- PwC ([UK](#)) + Coursera ([US](#)) = partnership to address India's current & future skill gap in the taxation space
- Two entry-level professional certificates – 'GST Tax Executive' & 'Direct Tax Executive'
- PwC India + Coursera = to establish a 'Tax Academy'

49. The All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) signed a partnership agreement with Adobe to accelerate digital creativity skills across India. Under the agreement, Adobe will offer courses and expertise for upskilling educators, and integrate digital creativity into the curriculum, to prepare students with the essential creative and digital literacy skills needed to thrive in today's digital-first world. The partnership aims to empower over 75,000 educators across 10,000 higher education institutions with essential digital creativity skills by 2024. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- AICTE + Adobe = partnership to accelerate digital creativity skills across India
- Aim: To empower over 75,000 educators across 10,000 higher education institutions by 2024
- HQs of AICTE – New Delhi | Interim Chairman – M. Jagadesh Kumar (AICTE functions under Ministry of Education)

50. On September 1, Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) signed an MoU with Smiths Detection for 5 years to offer advanced, high-energy scanning systems to the Indian market. Smiths Detection is a global leader in threat detection and security inspection technologies. As per the agreement, BEL would handle front-end requirements in the market, supporting localisation of the projects while Smiths Detection would provide advanced screening technology and technological expertise for the project. [{Read more}](#)

Key Points:

- BEL + Smiths Detection = an MoU for 5 years to offer advanced, high-energy scanning systems to the Indian market
- HQs of BEL – Bengaluru, Karnataka | CMD – Dinesh Kumar Batra (addi. charge)
- HQs of Smiths Detection – London, UK | President – Roland Carter





Smartkeeda

The Question Bank

Presents

Testzone

India's Leading Test Series Platform

All Banks Exams

2022-2023

12 Months Plan

@Just

Rs. 593

To get 10% Off use code **FEST22**

- ✓ **Brilliant Test Analysis**
- ✓ **Excellent Content**
- ✓ **Unmatched Explanation**

Buy Now

Testzone.smartkeeda.com

