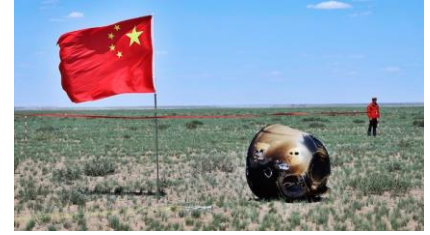


1. Which country has recently become the first country to successfully collect and return samples from the far side of the Moon?

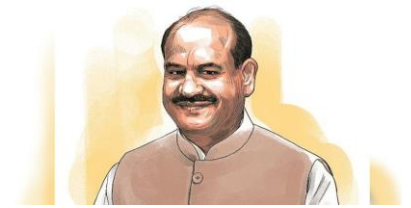
- A. China
- B. Japan
- C. India
- D. France



- ✓ **China's Chang'e-6 mission marks a historic milestone as the first to collect and return samples from the Moon's far side, specifically the South Pole-Aitken Basin. Key achievements include overcoming radio signal blockage with relay satellites, precision landing, and collecting up to 2kg of moon rock and soil. The mission enhances understanding of lunar geology, early solar system history, and Earth-Moon relations, while showcasing China's growing space capabilities and potential for international collaboration.**

2. Recently, who has been elected as the speaker of 18th Lok Sabha?

- A. K Suresh
- B. Om Birla
- C. Rajnath Singh
- D. Amit Shah



- ✓ **Om Birla has been re-elected as Speaker of the Lok Sabha, defeating opposition candidate K Suresh. This marks Birla's second term as Speaker, making him the sixth person to hold the position twice.**

3. Recently, the C-DAC has signed an MoA with which institution to create an ecosystem for human resource development in High Performance Computing and allied areas?

- A. All India Council for Technical Education
- B. IIT, Bombay
- C. IIT, Madras
- D. Indian Institute of Information Technology



- ✓ **The Centre for Development of Advanced Computing (C-DAC) and the All-India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) signed an MoA to enhance human resource development in High Performance Computing (HPC) and related areas. Key initiatives include Master Trainer Programs, Quality Improvement Programs, HPC courses on the SWAYAM platform, industry-aligned course development, and offering C-DAC's HPC learning platforms to AICTE-nominated institutes. This collaboration aims to foster innovation and meet industry and academic needs.**

4. 'School in a Box' initiative is associated with flood-affected children of which Northeastern state?

- A. Arunachal Pradesh
- B. Assam
- C. Nagaland
- D. Manipur



- ✓ Flood-affected children in Assam will receive a 'school in a box' in 167 relief camps to continue their education. The initiative, aimed at children aged 6 to 18, helps them cope with trauma from losing homes or family members. Each camp will get a UNICEF-designed child-friendly space (CFS) kit with notebooks and learning materials. The Assam State Disaster Management Authority is training officials to maximize the kits' utility and reduce children's mental stress.

5. David Warner, who recently announced his retirement from international cricket, belongs to which country?

- A. Australia
- B. South Africa
- C. England
- D. New Zealand



- ✓ David Warner's 15-year international cricket career ended quietly as Australia's exit from the 2024 T20 World Cup. Warner had announced this World Cup as his last, marking his final stages in international cricket. He played his last ODI in 2023, his final Test in early 2024, and concluded his career after the T20 World Cup, despite hinting at a possible return for the 2025 Champions Trophy.

6. Ratle power project is situated on which river of Jammu and Kashmir?

- A. Chenab
- B. Jhelum
- C. Indus
- D. Ujh



- ✓ A five-member Pakistan delegation and World Bank experts toured the Ratle power project, a run-of-the-river hydroelectric project on the Chenab River in Jammu and Kashmir. Since 2006, Pakistan has raised technical objections, seeking international arbitration, which India rejected. Under the Indus Water Treaty, India has rights over the run-of-the-river waters in Jammu and Kashmir and full rights over Punjab's rivers. India asserts its compliance with the treaty.

7. What is the primary purpose of the eSakshya app, recently tested by Ministry of Home Affairs?

- A. To provide social networking services
- B. To help police record and upload crime scene evidence
- C. To offer cloud storage solutions to businesses
- D. To provide details of infrastructural development of railways



- ✓ **The Union Ministry of Home Affairs is testing eSakshya, a mobile app developed by the National Informatics Centre (NIC) under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology. It aids police in recording crime scenes and uploading evidence to a cloud-based platform. Each recording can be up to four minutes long, with multiple files per First Information Report (FIR). The app aims to ensure digital evidence integrity.**

8. How many medals did India win at the 2024 BRICS Games in Russia?

- A. 20
- B. 21
- C. 29
- D. 30



- ✓ **India secured a total of 29 medals at the 2024 BRICS Games in Kazan, Russia, comprising 3 gold, 6 silver, and 20 bronze medals. The Indian team excelled across diverse sports disciplines, demonstrating noteworthy accomplishments in this international multi-sport event, highlighting their successful performance.**

9. Which day is observed as 'International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking' every year?

- A. June.26
- B. June.27
- C. June.28
- D. June.29



- ✓ **Every June 26th, the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking raises awareness about the detrimental impact of drugs on society. In 2024, the theme is "The evidence is clear: invest in prevention." Established by the UN General Assembly on December 7, 1987, this day highlights global efforts to combat drug use and trafficking.**

10. Recently, where was the first 'International Dairy Federation Asia-Pacific Summit' held?

- A. Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh
- B. Indore, Madhya Pradesh
- C. Kochi, Kerala
- D. Kolkata, West Bengal



- ✓ The first IDF Regional Dairy Conference Asia Pacific-2024 held at Kochi from June 26-28, 2024, at the Grand Hyatt, Bolgatty. The conference themed "Farmer Centric Innovations in Dairying" is organized by the Indian National Committee of the International Dairy Federation. The event features 22 exhibition pavilions and 17 startups showcasing dairy farms, processing equipment, and related technologies.

11. Which day is observed as Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) day every year?

- A. June.26 B. June.27
- C. June.28 D. June.29



- ✓ Since 2017, June 27 has been observed as Micro Small Medium Enterprise (MSME) Day, recognizing the sector's role in economic development and employment. MSMEs account for 90% of businesses, 60-70% of employment, and 50% of GDP globally. The United Nations General Assembly established MSME Day on April 6, 2017. The 2024 theme is "MSMEs and the SDG".

12. Recently, which country has become the 100th full member to join the International Solar Alliance?

- A. Paraguay
- B. China
- C. South Africa
- D. Brazil



- ✓ Paraguay has become the 100th full member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) by officially handing over its Instrument of Ratification in New Delhi. The ISA, co-founded by India and France during the 2015 COP21, promotes global solar energy deployment. The alliance now has 119 signatories, with 100 ratified members. The ISA aims to implement the Paris Climate Agreement through extensive solar energy adoption.

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