

1. Which day is observed as World Food Day?

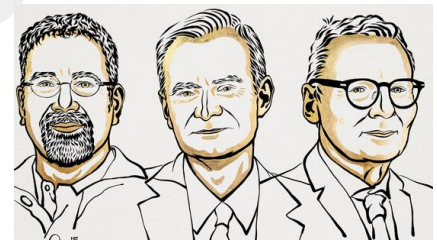
- A. October 16
- B. October 17
- C. October 18
- D. October 20



- ✓ **World Food Day is celebrated on October 16 each year by the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO). It highlights the commitment to ensure food and nutritional security globally. Significant advancements in food production have been made through better seeds, irrigation, and efficient farm machinery. About 2.33 billion people still face food insecurity, which is a challenge for achieving global food security. This year's theme is "Right to Foods for a Better Life and a Better Future." The National Food Security Act (NFSA), passed in 2013, aimed to provide subsidized grains to two-thirds of India's population.**

2. Who have been awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics 2024?

- A. Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson, and James Robinson
- B. Joseph E. Stiglitz and James J. Heckman
- C. Paul Krugman and Esther Duflo
- D. James J. Heckman and Andrei Shleifer



- ✓ **The 2024 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences was awarded to Daron Acemoglu, Simon Johnson, and James A Robinson for their research on how institutions affect economic prosperity. They distinguished between inclusive and extractive institutions, emphasizing that societies with poor rule of law and concentrated power do not foster growth. Their findings link the historical choices made by colonizers regarding institutions to present-day economic disparities, highlighting the importance of inclusive systems for long-term prosperity.**

3. Which state government launched the Anna Bhagya Scheme?

- A. Rajasthan
- B. Gujarat
- C. Karnataka
- D. Maharashtra



- ✓ **The Anna Bhagya Scheme is a cash transfer initiative launched in Karnataka, aimed at enhancing food security by providing unconditional cash transfers to beneficiaries, enabling them to purchase food grains. This innovative approach has shown to improve household welfare, increase financial inclusion, and facilitate savings among marginalized communities. The scheme was introduced as a response to the unavailability of additional rice for distribution, marking a significant shift from traditional food rationing methods.**

4. Which ministry launched eMigrate V2.0 web portal and mobile app?

- A. Ministry of Home Affairs
- B. Ministry of External Affairs
- C. Ministry of Defence
- D. Ministry of Tourism



- ✓ External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar inaugurated the eMigrate V2.0 web portal and mobile app in Delhi. The eMigrate portal promotes safe and legal migration for Indian workers. The new version reflects the government's commitment to protecting the rights and dignity of Indian migrants. It aligns with Goal 10 of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, supporting safe and responsible migration. Global demand for skilled workers is increasing, and India is negotiating migration agreements since 2015.

5. What is the name of the first vessel launched under the two Multi-Purpose Vessel (MPV) project by the Indian Navy?

- A. Viksit
- B. Kaveri
- C. Samarthak
- D. Samudra



- ✓ The Indian Navy recently launched Samarthak, the first vessel of the Multi-Purpose Vessel (MPV) project at L&T Shipyard, Kattupalli. This initiative is part of India's Aatmanirbhar Bharat and Make in India programs, promoting indigenous shipbuilding. Samarthak, meaning "Supporter," is designed for various roles including towing ships, launching targets, and testing weapons. The vessel is 106 meters long, 16.8 meters wide, and can reach speeds of 15 knots.

6. Which state has bagged the best state award in 5th National Water Awards 2023?

- A. Odisha
- B. Jharkhand
- C. Bihar
- D. Gujarat



- ✓ The 5th National Water Awards 2023 were announced in New Delhi. Odisha won the first prize for Best State, followed by Uttar Pradesh in second place. Gujarat and Puducherry jointly secured third place. The event, led by Union Minister C.R. Patil, aimed to recognize efforts in water conservation and management. A total of 38 winners were honored in various categories, promoting awareness of sustainable water practices.

7. Where was the ITU – World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly, 2024 inaugurated?

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Chennai
- C. New Delhi
- D. Kolkata



- ✓ India recently hosted the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA) 2024 in New Delhi, marking the first time this pivotal event is held in India and the Asia-Pacific region. The WTSA brings together industry leaders, policymakers, and tech experts from over 190 countries to discuss and establish future standards for technologies like 6G, Artificial Intelligence, and cybersecurity.

8. What is the name of the mission initiated by Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) to advance Electric Vehicle technology?

- A. MAHA-EV Mission
- B. Sustainable EV mission
- C. EMPS mission
- D. Sarthak mission



- ✓ The Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF) launched the MAHA-EV Mission to advance electric vehicle (EV) technology. It aims to reduce import dependency, boost domestic innovation, and make India a global leader in the EV sector. The mission is part of ANRF's program to tackle critical scientific challenges through collaboration. Focus areas include Tropical EV Batteries, Power Electronics, Machines and Drives (PEMD), and EV Charging Infrastructure. It will enhance India's capability in EV component design and development. The mission supports global competitiveness, innovation, and promotes a greener, sustainable future with electric mobility.

9. Recently, the Uttar Pradesh government has established country's first language museum of Hindi literature in which city?

- A. Varanasi
- B. Gorakhpur
- C. Ayodhya
- D. Prayagraj

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- ✓ The Uttar Pradesh government is launching India's first language museum dedicated to Hindi literature in Kashi, the parliamentary constituency of PM Narendra Modi. This museum aims to showcase manuscripts, photographs, and documents of renowned Hindi scholars like Kabirdas and Munshi Premchandra. With a budget of Rs 25 crore, it will include an amphitheater and garden, enriching the cultural heritage of the region.

10. What is the theme of World Standards Day 2024?

- A. Protecting the planet with standards
- B. Shared Vision for a Better World: Standards for the Changing Climate
- C. Shared Vision for a Better World
- D. Video standards create a global stage



- ✓ **World Standards Day is celebrated on October 14 to honor experts who create voluntary standards for safety and consumer satisfaction. It originated in 1946, leading to the creation of the International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) in 1947. The first official World Standards Day was held in 1970. National standards bodies and organisations like ISO, ITU, ASME, and IESBA mark the day with events like seminars and exhibitions. This year's theme is "Shared Vision for a Better World: Standards for the Changing Climate."**

11. Who has won women's singles title at the Bendigo International Challenge badminton tournament in Australia?

- A. Aakarshi Kashyap
- B. Ashmita Chaliha
- C. Tanya Hemanth
- D. Manasi Joshi



- ✓ **Tanya Hemanth won the women's singles title at the Bendigo International Challenge badminton tournament in Australia. She beat Taipei's Tung Ciou-Tong in straight games, 21-17, 21-17. This is Tanya's third international title and her first in 2024. She was the runner-up at the Polish Open and Azerbaijan International in 2024. Tanya won titles at the India International in 2022 and Iran Fajr International in 2023. In men's doubles, India's Hariharan Amsakarunan and Ruban Kumar Rethinasabapathi lost to Taipei's Chen Cheng Kuan and Po Li-Wei.**

12. Which country hosted 19th International Conference of Drug Regulatory Authorities (ICDRA)?

- A. India
- B. Russia
- C. China
- D. Australia



- ✓ **The 19th ICDRA, hosted by India, brings together global regulatory authorities to enhance cooperation in drug regulation, share knowledge, and address challenges like antimicrobial resistance and AI's role in healthcare. The conference underscores India's commitment to global health standards, recognizing its position as the "Pharmacy of the World" by ensuring access to quality medicines and vaccines, especially post-COVID-19.**

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