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Q. Government has extended the deadline to make payment under the Vivad Se Vishwas’. What is the new deadline?

A) 30 April 2021  C) 31 May 2021
B) 30 June 2021  D) 31 July 2021

Answer - B

➢ The government has once again extended the deadline for making payment under the direct tax dispute settlement scheme ‘Vivad Se Vishwas’ by two months till June 30, 2021 to provide relief to the taxpayers facing hardships amid the pandemic.

Q. The ‘VARUNA-2021’ is the 19th edition of the bilateral navy exercise conducted between the Indian Navy with the navies of which country?

A) France  C) Singapore
B) Russia  D) Sri Lanka

Answer - A

➢ The Indian and French Navy bilateral exercise ‘VARUNA-2021’ will be conducted in the Arabian Sea from 25 to 27 April 2021.

Military Exercise in NEWS

- Indian Army to participate in Multinational Military Exercise SHANTIR OGROSHENA 2021 in Bangladesh
- India-Uzbekistan Joint Military Exercise DUSTLIK II Commences In Ranikhet
- 16th India-US Joint Military Exercise ‘Yudh Abhyas 20’ Commenced
- India-US Special Forces military exercise ‘Vajra Prahar 2021’ held in Himachal Pradesh
- Andaman And Nicobar Command To Conduct Joint Military Exercise ‘Kavach’
India withdraws from multilateral military exercise, **Kavkaz** 2020, in Russia

Q. PM Narendra Modi launched a scheme for distribution of e-property cards to rural population across the country on April 24, 2021. Name the scheme.

A) Kaushal  
B) Adarsh Gram  
C) Samridhi  
D) Svamitva

**Answer - D**

- **Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched the distribution of e-property cards under the **SVAMITVA scheme** on National Panchayati Raj Day on April 24, 2021 through video conferencing. The launch marked the roll out of the implementation of SVAMITVA scheme across the entire country.**

**About Swamitva Scheme**

- **SVAMITVA stands for** Survey of Villages and Mapping with Improvised Technology in Village Areas.
- **The Swamitva Scheme was launched by Prime Minister on 24 April 2020 as a Central Sector Scheme to promote a socio-economically empowered and self-reliant rural India.**

**Latest Schemes in NEWS 2021**

- AP Launched **Jagananna Vidya Deevena Scheme**
- Piyush Goyal Launches **The Startup India Seed Fund Scheme**
- **Khelo India Scheme** Extended Till 2025-26
- Rajasthan becomes first state to launch “**Health Insurance for All**” its residents
- Centre launches ‘**Gram Ujala Scheme**’ to offer LED bulbs at Rs 10/piece in rural areas
- Government announces “**All India Tourist Vehicles** Authorization and Permit Rules, 2021” to be effective from April 01
- HDFC Bank launches ‘**SmartUp Unnati**’ for Women Entrepreneurs
- ”**Gharoki Pechan, Chelik Naam**” Scheme launched in Nainital
• Health Minister Harsh Vardhan launches Mission **Indradhanush 3.0**
• Maharaja Chhatrasal Convention Centre inaugurated at **Khajuraho under Swadesh Darshan Scheme**
• Jammu And Kashmir Launches **Super-75 Scholarship Scheme**
• World Bank Plans **$100-Mn Guarantee Scheme** For Solar Rooftop Projects
• Cabinet Approves PLI Scheme For Telecom Sector Worth Rs 12,195 Crore
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• Federal Bank Launches ‘**FedFirst**’ Savings Account Scheme For Children
• Kerala Governor Launches ‘**One School One IAS’ Scheme**
• Tata Power Partners With SIDBI To Offer Easy & Affordable Financing Scheme For MSME

**Q.** Which day of the year is commemorated as the World Malaria Day (WMD)?

A) 23 April  
B) 24 April  
C) 25 April  
D) 26 April

**Answer - C**

➤ *The World Malaria Day (WMD) is observed globally on 25 April each year to recognize the efforts of the people worldwide to control malaria.*

**Q.** The United Nations recognised International Delegate’s Day is observed on which day?

A) 25 April  
B) Last Sunday of April  
C) 26 April  
D) Last Saturday of April

**Answer - A**

**Important Days & Dates in April 2021**

➤ 1 April – Orissa Day, Prevention of Blindness week  
4 April – International Day for Mine Awareness
5 April – National Maritime Day
6 April – International Day of Sport for Development and Peace
7 April – World Health Day (On this very day in the year 1948, WHO was formed, however, the first World Health Day was observed in the year 1950)
10 April – World Homeopathy Day
11 April – National Safe Motherhood Day, National Pet Day
12 April – Equal Pay Day
13 April – Jallianwallah Bagh Massacre Day (1919)
14 April – B.R. Ambedkar Remembrance Day
17 April – World Hemophilia Day
18 April – World Heritage Day
21 April – National Civil Service Day, Secretaries’ Day
22 April – World Earth Day
23 April – World Book and Copyright Day
24 April – National Panchayati Day
25 April – World Malaria Day, International Delegate’s Day
26 April – World Intellectual Property Day
28 April – World Day for Safety and Health at Work, World Veterinary Day
30 April – Ayushman Bharat Diwas

Q. Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana has been sworn in as the ________ Chief Justice of India (CJI) recently

A) 40  C) 52
B) 36  D) 48

Answer - D

Justice Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana was sworn in as the 48th Chief Justice of India (CJI) on April 24, 2021.
Newly Chief Justic Of High Court

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Q. The ‘Vivad Se Vishwas’ is launched by which ministry?

A) Ministry of Health & Family Welfare  
B) Ministry of Education  
C) Ministry of Finance  
D) Ministry of Agriculture  

Answer - C

Q. What is the theme of the World Malaria Day 2021?

A) Reaching the zero malaria target  
B) Zero malaria starts with me  
C) Ready to Beat Malaria  
D) Invest in the future: Defeat malaria  

Answer - A

Q. The bilateral exercise ‘VARUNA-2021’ is being held in which place?

A) Arctic Ocean  
B) Indian Ocean  
C) Arabian Sea  
D) Andaman Sea  

Answer - C
Indian Navy:

- The Indian Navy will participate with its guided-missile stealth destroyer INS Kolkata, guided-missile frigates INS Tarkash and INS Talwar, Fleet Support Ship INS Deepak, with Seaking 42B and Chetak integral helicopters, a Kalvari class submarine and P8I Long Range Maritime Patrol Aircraft.

French Navy

- The French Navy will be represented by the Aircraft Carrier Charles-de-Gaulle with Rafale-M fighter, E2C Hawkeye aircraft and helicopters Caïman M and Dauphin embarked, Horizon-class Air defence destroyer Chevalier Paul, Aquitaine-class multi-mission frigate FNS Provence with a Caïman M helicopter embarked and Command and supply ship war.

Q. Who has won the Nelson Mandela World Humanitarian Award 2021?

A) Sharankumar Limbale  
B) Rumana Sinha Sehgal  
C) Guneet Monga  
D) Alfred Aho  

Answer - B

Other Awards:

- Nationwide Award -under 50- Business Leader 2021 of Social entrepreneurship.
- International Influencer of the year 2021’ at the Influencer Summit in January 2021.
- ReXKarmaveer Chakra (silver) and Global Fellowship award 2019 for her work in the zone of women and child empowerment.
- She was crowned as the ‘Mrs Universe Successful 2018’.

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<td>• Indian Business <strong>Tycoon Yusuffali MA</strong> Gets Top Civilian Award In UAE</td>
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- **Guneet Monga** conferred with Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters honour
- **Dutee Chand** selected for inaugural Chhattisgarh Veerni Award
- **Suman Chakraborty** selected for 2021 GD Birla Award for Scientific Research
- **Alfred Aho** Wins the 2020 ACM Turing Award
- Andhra Pradesh Governor **BiswaBhusan Harichandan** Receives Kalinga Ratna Samman
- Legendary Actor **Rajinikanth** to be honoured with 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award
- Noted Marathi writer **Dr Sharankumar Limbale** selected for Saraswati Samman 2020
- **Mahinder Giri** Wins International Ranger Award 2021
- **Asha Bhosle** selected for Maharashtra Bhushan award, state’s highest honour
- Hindi Writer Prof. **Sharad Pagare** Selected for Vyas Samman 2020
- **Kiran Bedi** Receives Baton of Honor from President Ram Nath Kovind
- **Amitabh Bachchan becomes** first Indian to be honoured with 2021 FIAF Award
- Chess Player **Konaru Humpy** named BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year 2021
- Niger’s President **Mahamadou Issoufou** wins Africa’s top prize for Leadership
- India’s **Anjali Bharadwaj** among 12 people named by Biden administration for newly-instituted Anti-corruption Award
- **Sushant Singh Rajput** posthumously honoured at Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival with Critic’s Best Actor Award
- Tamil Movie “**Koozhangal**” Wins Tiger Award at Rotterdam International Film Festival 2021
- **Manasa Varanasi** of Telangana crowned VLCC Femina Miss India World 2020
- **Robert Irwin** wins Wildlife Photographer of the Year 2021

Q. Who among the following has made it to Forbes Asia’s 30 ‘Under-30’ list recently?

A) Sangita Reddy  
B) Vibha Harish  
C) Kiran Mazumdar-Shaw  
D) Vandana Luthra

**Answer - B**
Bengaluru-based lady entrepreneur Vibha Harish, CEO and founder of herbal nutrition and plant-based supplement company Cosmix, has made it to the Forbes Asia’s 30 Under-30 in just one year of opening her venture.

Q. How many gold medals have been won by the Indian women boxers in the World Youth Boxing Championships?

A. 7  
B. 6  
C. 5  
D. 4

Answer: A

Indian women boxers have won a total of 7 gold medals at the World Youth Boxing Championships held at Kielce, Poland. Apart from 7 gold medals the Indian women contingent secured 3 bronze medals.

Q. Which of the following has recently joined the LeadIT initiative?

A. USA  
B. Japan  
C. Russia  
D. India

Answer: A

USA has recently joined the Leadership Group for Industry Transition (LeadIT) initiative. It was jointly formed by India and Sweden at the 2019 UN Climate Summit. France, Germany, UK and South Korea are the other members of LeadIT.

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United States plans to have the first nuclear reactor on the moon by the end of the year 2026  
Donald Trump Honours PM Modi With Top US Honour ‘Legion Of Merit’  
US President Joe Biden & Kamala Harris jointly named Time’s ‘Person of the
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- 46th President : Joe Biden
- India ambassador to US : Taranjit Singh Sandhu
- Yudh Abhyas Exercise : India & US
- Tiger Trump Exercise : India & US
- Vajra Prahar Exercise : India & US
- Malabar Exercise : India US Australia & Japan

Q. Roscosmos will set up its own Space Station in ____.

A. 2025  
B. 2024  
C. 2023  
D. 2022

Answer: A

➤ *Russian Space Agency, Roscosmos will set up its own space station in 2025. The module for the proposed space station is being assembled by Energia Corporation at an estimated budget of USD 5 billion.*

Q. Which state has launched ‘COVID Emergency Loan Scheme’ for Entrepreneurs supplying oxygen and medicines?

A. Punjab  
B. Haryana  
C. Rajasthan  
D. Karnataka

Answer: B

➤ *Government of Haryana has launched ‘COVID Emergency Loan Scheme’ for the entrepreneurs supplying oxygen and medicines for the COVID-19 patients. The state government has allocated INR 500 crores for the newly launched scheme.*
### Q. In which state is the “Bornadi Wildlife Sanctuary” located?

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### Q. Where is the Headquarters of the “Food and Agriculture Organization” located?

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**Answer - C**

### Q. Jitu Rai is associated with which sports?

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### Q. Where in India is the Virupaksha Temple located?

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### Q. Ramagundam city is situated on the banks of which river?

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