Q. When is the World Pest Day observed?

A) 4 June  
B) 5 June  
C) 6 June  
D) 3 June

Answer: C

➢ Every year, the World Pest Day (also sometimes called World Pest Awareness Day) is observed on 06 June.

**Complete list of national and international days in June 2021:**

| June 1, 2021: | World Milk Day and Global Parents Day |
| June 2, 2021: | International Sex Workers Day and Telengana Formation Day |
| June 3, 2021: | World Bicycle Day |
| June 4, 2021: | International Day of Innocent and Children Victims of Aggression |
| June 5, 2021: | World Environment Day |
| June 6, 2021: | World Pest Day |
| June 7, 2021: | World Food Safety Day |
| June 8, 2021: | World Oceans Day and World Brain Tumour Day |
| June 12, 2021: | World Day Against Child Labour |
| June 14, 2021: | World Blood Donor Day |
| June 15, 2021: | Global Wind Day and World Elder Abuse Awareness Day |
| June 16, 2021: | Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev |
| June 17, 2021: | World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (International) |
| June 18, 2021: | Autistic Pride Day and International Picnic Day |
| June 19, 2021: | World Sickle Cell Awareness Day and World Sauntering Day |
| June 20, 2021: | World Refugee Day |
| June 26, 2021: | International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking and International Day in support of victims of torture |
June 30, 2021: World Asteroid Day

Q. On the occasion of World Environment Day, PM Modi has launched three E 100 ethanol dispensing stations under a pilot project in which city?

A) Hyderabad
B) Ahmedabad
C) Pune
D) New Delhi

Answer: C

- Pilot Project of E 100 ethanol dispensing stations has been launched by PM Modi at three locations in Pune, for the production and distribution of ethanol across the country, because ethanol have a better impact on the environment as well as on the lives of farmers.

Q. Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari has been appointed as the next Vice Chief of the Air Staff. He will succeed whom to take over the charge from July 2021?

A) Harjit Singh Arora
B) Arjan Singh
C) Rakesh Kumar Singh Bhadauria
D) Karambir Singh

Answer: A

- The Appointments Committee of the Cabinet (ACC) has appointed ace fighter pilot Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari as the next Vice Chief of the Air Staff.
- Chaudhari will replace incumbent Air Marshal Harjit Singh Arora who will superannuate on June 30, 2021.

Latest Appointment in News 2021:

- Air Marshal Vivek Ram Chaudhari appointed Vice Chief of Air Staff
- Dr R S Sodhi, MD of Amul, Unanimously elected to Board of International Dairy Federation
- Adar Poonawalla Appointed as Chairman of Mumbai-Based NBFC ‘Magma Fincorp Ltd.’
• Vice Admiral Ravneet Singh Takes Charge as Deputy Chief of Naval Staff
• Dr Patrick Amoth of Kenya Appointed as Chair of WHO Executive Board, Replacing Dr Harsh Vardhan
• Isaac Herzog Elected as President of Israel
• Former Supreme Court Judge Justice Arun Mishra takes over as new Chairperson of NHRC
• Dr Vinay K Nandicoori appointed as Director of CCMB, Hyderabad
• IBF Appoints Justice (retd.) Vikramjit Sen as Chairman of Digital Media Content Regulatory Council
• WhatsApp appoints Paresh B Lal as Grievance Officer for India
• CII Elects Tata Steel's MD & CEO T.V. Narendran as its President for 2021-22
• J B Mohapatra Gets Additional Charge as CBDT Chairman

Q. The Government of India has made it mandatory for all Oil Companies to sell ethanol blended petrol with percentage of ethanol up to ______ from April 01, 2023

A) 40%  
B) 30%  
C) 10%  
D) 20%

Answer: D

➢ As a part of WED 2021, Government of India has released E-20 notification, directing Oil Companies to sell ethanol blended petrol with percentage of ethanol up to 20% from April 01, 2023; and BIS Specifications for higher ethanol blends E12 & E15.

Q. Name the winner of the prestigious 2021 Nature TTL Photography Awards?

A) Auditya Venkatesh  
B) Sudhir Shivaram  
C) Thomas Vijayan  
D) Murad Osmann

Answer:C
Kerala-based Thomas Vijayan, who is now settled in Canada, has won 2021 Nature TTL Photography Awards for his photo of an Orangutan clinging to a tree.

The photograph is titled ‘The World is Going Upside Down’.

Recently Awards & Honours in News 2021:

- French Novelist David Diop wins 2021 International Booker Prize
- Indian-Origin Photographer Thomas Vijayan Wins Nature TTL Photographer of the Year 2021
- WHO Honours Dr Harsh Vardhan with Special Recognition Award for his Tobacco Control Efforts
- Hockey India Wins Etienne Glichitch Award, Odisha CMs Secretary VK Pandian Awarded With FIH Presidents Award
- 3 Indian peacekeepers honoured posthumously with UN medal for sacrifice in line of duty
- AIG Hospitals Chairman Dr D Nageshwar Reddy becomes first Indian to win Rudolf Schindler Award
- Veteran Indian Chemist C.N.R. Rao Receives 2020 International ENI Award for Research in Energy Frontiers
- Nobel Laureate Amartya Sen conferred with Spain’s top award in social sciences
- Indian-Origin Chemist Shankar Balasubramanian and David Klenerman Wins 2020 Millennium Technology Prize
- Suresh Mukund Becomes First Indian to Win Annual ‘World Choreography Award 2020’
- Union Education Minister Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank Conferred with 2021 ‘International Invincible Gold Medal’
- NBA Creates Social Justice Champion Award, named after legendary Kareem Abdul-Jabbar
- Nuklu Phom of Nagaland Wins 2021 Whitley Awards

Q. The World Day Against Speciesism is marked annually on ________
A) June 3  
B) June 5  
C) June 6  
D) June 4  

Answer: B

- The World Day Against Speciesism is marked on June 5 every year, to stop discrimination based on species membership.

Q. June 6 is dedicated to celebrate which official language recognised by the United Nations?

A) Chinese  
B) English  
C) Russian  
D) French  

Answer: C

- The UN Russian Language Day is observed annually on 06 June.
- It is one of the six official languages used by the United Nations throughout the Organization.

About Russia:

- President: Vladimir Putin Trending
- Capital: Moscow
- Population: 14.44 crores
- Currency: Russian ruble
- Continent: Europe, Asia

Q. Which year has been declared by UN to be commemorated as the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture?

A) 2021  
B) 2023  
C) 2022  
D) 2025  

Answer: C
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- UN has declared the year 2022 as the International Year of Artisanal Fisheries and Aquaculture, to help focus attention on the small-scale fishermen and women who comprise 90 percent of the world’s fisheries work force.

Q. India has signed a loan agreement with ADB for upgrading major district roads in ______.

A) Sikkim  
B) Assam  
C) Tripura  
D) Nagaland

Answer: A

- India has signed a loan agreement with Asian Development Bank (ADB) for upgrading major district roads in Sikkim.
- The estimated cost of the project to be supported by ADB is US $ 2.5 million.

**ADB in News 2021:**

- ADB inks USD 2.5 million loan pact with Union government to upgrade road infra in Sikkim
- ADB commits record $3.92 billion loan to India for 13 projects in 2020
- ADB launches Asia Pacific Tax Hub to enhance domestic resource mobilisation and international tax cooperation
- ADB provided $1.5-billion fiscal support to India for pandemic response
- ADB Projects India’s GDP to grow 11% in FY22
- $484 Million ADB Loan to Upgrade Road Network in Tamil Nadu Industrial Corridor
- ADB Appoints Woochong Um as Managing Director General
- ADB to provide Rs 100 cr loan to Medanta to combat Covid-19 pandemic
- ADB approves USD 2.5 million technical assistance to support advanced biofuel development in India
- ADB & India sign $231 million loan to enhance power generation capacity in Assam
- ADB announces Rs 2100 crore loan to Tripura for urban & tourism development
• ADB & India sign $300 million loan to upgrade power distribution network in Uttar Pradesh
• ADB launches $9 bn Asia Pacific Vaccine Access Facility (APVAX) for Developing Countries
• ADB approves USD 2.5 million technical assistance to support advanced biofuel development in India
• ADB and India sign $50 million loan agreement for West Bengal
• ADB released a new book titled ‘Future of Regional Cooperation in Asia and the Pacific’.
• ADB sign $132.8 million loan agreement for Meghalaya’s Power supply
• ADB inks $500 Million Loan agreement with India for Delhi-Meerut RRTS Corridor
• ADB and India inks USD 177 million loan for state road improvements in Maharashtra

**ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK (ADB)**

- Founded : 19 December 1966
- HQ : Mandaluyong, Metro Manila, Philippines
- President : Masatsugu Asakawa
- Vice President : Ashok Lavasa
- Director of ADB for India : Takeo Konishi
- Executive Director : Sameer Kumar
- Member Countries : 68 (Nuie)

**Sikkim in News:**

• ADB inks USD 2.5 million loan pact with Union government to upgrade road infra in Sikkim
• Book Titled “Sikkim: A History of Intrigue and Alliance” Written by Preet Mohan Singh Malik
• Indian Army Launches First Solar Plant in North Sikkim
• Reserve Bank of India (RBI) brings State Bank of Sikkim under its regulatory purview
• JK Maheshwari sworn in as Chief Justice of Sikkim High Court
• Famous chilli of Sikkim “Dalle Khursani” gets GI Tag
• TBP launches cycling expedition from its Pegong base in Sikkim
About Sikkim:

- Capital: Gangtok
- Governor: Ganga Prasad
- Population: 6.19 lakhs
- Chief minister: Prem Singh Tamang

Latest Agreement in news 2021:

- CBSE partners with Microsoft to introduce Coding and Data Science as new subjects in 2021-22 academic session
- Union Cabinet approves Signing and Ratification for Agreement on Cooperation in the field of Mass Media between all the Member States of SCO
- Online Medical Platform ‘PharmEasy’ acquires rival ‘Medlife’ to become India’s Largest e-pharma Company
- TRIFED joins hand with NITI AAYOG to implement Van Dhan initiative in Tribal Clusters of all Aspirational Districts of India
- NASA Partners ISRO to develop Earth System Observatory to address Climate Change with better Disaster Management
- Google Cloud Partners With SpaceX To Offer Starlink Satellite Internet Service Worldwide

Q. Which scheme has been launched in Ladakh for encouraging students to adopt digital learning?

A) YouthTab  
B) YounTab  
C) EduTab  
D) OnlineTab

Answer: B

- YounTab scheme has been launched in Ladakh for encouraging students to adopt digital learning.
- This will benefit around 12,300 students of Class 6th to 12th.
About Ladakh:

- Union territory: 31 October
- Districts: 2
- Population: 2.74 lakhs
- Capitals: Leh, Kargil

Recently Schemes in News 2021:

- Ladakh LG RK Mathur Launches YounTab Scheme to Distributes 12,300 Tablets Among Students of Government School
- Thaawarchand Gehlot Launches SAGE Programme and Portal to support India’s Elderly Persons
- Madhya Pradesh Government launches ‘Ankur’ scheme to award people for planting trees
- PM Modi announces Rs 10 Lakh PM CARES Fund for kids orphaned due to COVID
- Government announces measures to help families who lost the earning member due to Covid
- Government launches YUVA – Prime Minister’s Scheme For Mentoring Young Authors
- Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma Appoints ‘Guardian Ministers’ for growth of districts
- Uttarakhand Government Launches ‘Vatsalya Yojana’ for Children Orphaned due to Covid
- Maharashtra Launches Scheme “Mission Oxygen Self-Reliance” to Meet Oxygen Need
- Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik Declares Journalists as Frontline Covid Warriors

Q. FIDE has signed an MoU with _______ for organizing the Global Chess League.

A) Infosys
B) Reliance Digital
C) Accenture
D) Tech Mahindra

Answer: D

- International Chess Federation (FIDE) has signed an MoU with Tech Mahindra for organizing Global Chess League.
Vishwanathan Anand has also joined in the partnership as a mentor and a partner.

About The International Chess Federation (FIDE):
- Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland
- CEO: Geoffrey D. Borg
- Founded: 20 July 1924, Paris, France
- Motto: Gens una sumus
- President: Kirsan Ilyumzhinov
- Membership: 195 national associations

About Tech Mahindra:
- CEO: C. P. Gurnani
- Parent organization: Mahindra Group
- Headquarters: Pune
- Revenue: 38,642 crores INR (US$5.4 billion)
- Founder: Anand Mahindra
- Subsidiaries: Tech Mahindra Business Services Limited

Q. ______ has acquired online medicine platform Medlife.
A) 1mg  C) Netmeds
B) PharmEasy  D) Jio Mart

Answer: B
- PharmEasy has acquired online medicine platform Medlife.
- With this acquisition, PharmEasy has become the biggest e-Pharma company of India.

About PharmEasy:
- Founded: 2014
- Headquarters location: Mumbai
- Parent organization: API Holdings Private Limited
Q. Which country has reported the world’s 1st human case of H10N3 Bird Flu?

A) China       C) Japan
B) India       D) Brazil

Answer: A

➢ *China has reported the world’s 1st human case of H1N03 Bird Flu.*
➢ *It has been reported from the Eastern Jiangsu Province of China.*

About China:

➢ President: Xi Jinping Trending
➢ Capital: Beijing
➢ Population: 139.77 crores
➢ Currency: Renminbi
➢ Gross domestic product: 14.34 lakh crores USD
➢ Official language: Mandarin

Latest China in News 2021:

- China to Host Second United Nations Global Sustainable Transport Conference in October 2021
- China successfully launches new ocean observation satellite ‘Haiyang-2D’
- India emerges as second-largest insurance technology market in Asia-Pacific region after China
- China’s First Mars Rover ‘ZhuRong’ Successfully Lands on the Red Planet
- Vaishali Hiwase becomes BRO’s first woman Commanding Officer to handle road project near China border

Q. DAVINCI+ and _______ missions will be implemented by NASA to Venus?

A) EQUITAS       C) ERTIGA
B) VERTIGO       D) VERITAS

Answer: B
DAVINCI+ and VERITAS mission will be implemented by National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) to Earth’s sister planet Venus.

DAVINCI+ stands for Deep Atmosphere Venus Investigation of Noble Gases, Chemistry and Imaging.

VERITAS stands for Venus Emissivity, Radio Science, InSAR, Topography and Spectroscopy.

NASA in News 2021

- Nasa is sending two new missions to Venus, which will take place between 2028 and 2030
- NASA plans to send Rover ‘VIPER’ on Moon in 2023 to search for water, other resources
- NASA Partners ISRO to develop Earth System Observatory
- Former Senator Bill Nelson Sworn in as the 14th NASA Administrator
- NASA’s Robotic Helicopter ‘Ingenuity’ Makes Historic First Flight on Mars
- NASA Set To Launch SpaceX Crew-2 Mission on April 22 with 4 Astronauts onboard
- NASA Awards $2.9 billion contract to SpaceX to build commercial moon lander
- ISRO develops radar for joint earth observation satellite mission with NASA
- Indian-American scientist Swati Mohan leads NASA’s Mars 2020 mission
- Indian-Origin Bhavya Lal appointed as Acting Chief of Staff of NASA
- NASA names ISS Space Ship in honour of pioneering black mathematician Katherine Johnson
- NASA Selects SpaceX to launch its SPHEREx Mission
- NASA selects Raja Chari as commander of SpaceX Crew-3 mission
- NASA-ESA successfully launches Sentinel-6 Michael Freilich satellite
- NASA’s SOFIA discovers water on Sunlit Surface of Moon
- NASA lifts off SS Kalpana Chawla cargo spacecraft

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)

- Founded: 1958
- Headquarters: Washington, D.C.
**STATIC GK BASED CURRENT AFFAIRS MCQ:**

Q. Sunil Chhetri is associated with which sports?

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<td>D) Boxing</td>
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Q. The headquarters of the “Amnesty International” is located at ___________.

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Q. In which state is the “Ghatprabha Bird Sanctuary” situated?

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Q. When is the “World Ocean Day” observed?
A) 18th May
B) 28th May
C) 8th June
D) 15th June
Answer: C

Q. Lek is the currency of which country?
A) Maldives
B) Gabon
C) Argentina
D) Albania
Answer: D

Q. “War Heroes Stadium” is situated in which state of India?
A) Tamil Nadu
B) Punjab
C) Chhattisgarh
D) Madhya Pradesh
Answer: B

Q. Bonalu is an annual festival celebrated in which state of India?
A) Telangana
B) Odisha
C) Assam
D) West Bengal
Answer: A

Q. In which part of India is the “Sariska National Park” situated?
A) Odisha
B) Jharkhand
C) Uttar Pradesh
D) Rajasthan
Answer: D

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