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A Note for Our Students

Current affairs form core component of General Knowledge section in almost all the competitive exams. Observing the recent trends, questions from current affairs has successively increased. But how to find out relevant current affairs from vast data available on numerous websites, apps and videos??
How to efficiently prepare current affairs keeping in mind relevance of the exam??
Don't worry!!

We have the solution; Gyanm team will segregate the important and the most relevant current affairs under heading Gyanm recommendations' so that you can prepare this crucial component with complete efficiency!!

So let's begin!!

Gyanm Recommendations!

1. May 23: World Turtle Day

The day is celebrated with the purpose of increasing attention and knowledge about turtles and tortoises, and to raise awareness about the measures that should be taken to help them survive and thrive in their natural environment. This year's theme for the Day is "I love Turtles". The theme asks everyone to Love and Save Turtles.

Turtles belong to one of the oldest reptile groups in the world. Their origin dates back to the time of dinosaurs, which is nearly 200 million years back. All tortoises are turtles, but all turtles are not tortoises. Most turtles are primarily water-dwelling reptiles while the Tortoises are land-dwelling reptiles, though both can survive in water and on earth.

2. UP hosts Khelo India University Games

The 3rd Khelo India University Games were inaugurated on May 25 in Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh. These games will be organised at four places in the state – Noida, Lucknow, Gorakhpur, and Varanasi. All athletes are in the under-27 category and are competing in 21 sports.

The Game's mascot is Jitu, the Barasingha.

3. Neeraj Chopra, India's Tokyo Olympics gold medallist, reached the top of the latest men's javelin throw rankings issued by the World Athletics. Chopra secured 1455 points, 22 more than Grenada's Anderson Peters.

4. Kami Rita Sherpa: The 53-year-old record-holding Nepalese mountain guide scaled Mt Everest for a record 28th time on May 23, beating his own record with the highest number of ascents on the world's highest (8,848.86 m) peak. A resident of Solukhumbu district in eastern Nepal, Kami Rita first reached Everest on May 13, 1994. He has also conquered several famous mountain peaks, including Mt K2, Mt Cho Oyu, Mt Lhotse and Mt Manaslu.

5. UGC launches 'NEP SAARTHI'

The University Grants Commission (UGC) announced a new initiative titled 'NEP SAARTHI (Student Ambassador for Academic Reforms in Transforming Higher Education in India') on May 19 to involve students in the implementation of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The initiative aims to foster an environment where students can engage meaningfully and come together as active participants to make effective use of the provisions of NEP 2020.

The UGC has urged all vice chancellors, directors and principals of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) to nominate three students from their institutions to be considered as NEP SAARTHIs along with a brief write-up justifying the nomination.

The UGC will select 300 NEP SAARTHIs from among the nominees and communicate it to the students. The selected students will be given orientation and guided on how to carry out their roles effectively in hybrid mode.

6. MP first to launch free air trip for pilgrims

Madhya Pradesh became the first state in the country to launch a free air travel facility to senior citizens for pilgrimage. The first batch of 32 pilgrims, over the age of 65 years, took off from the Bhopal airport on 21 May to visit Prayagraj in Uttar Pradesh. All expenses of the pilgrimage will be borne by the state under the Mukhyamantri Tirth-Darshan Yojana. The scheme is meant only for non income tax paying senior citizens. Many more such trips will be arranged in the near future.

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Multiple Choice Questions!

1. The Italian Open Tennis Tournament was held in which city of Italy?

   a. Milan
   b. Venice
   c. Rome
   d. Turin
   e. Naples

2. The Anti-Terrorism Day on May 21 marks the death anniversary of India's seventh Prime Minister (1984-89) Rajiv Gandhi. What is the name of the memorial built in his honour near Raj Ghat, New Delhi?

   a. Veer Ghat
   b. Shakti Ghat
   c. Yuva Sthal
   d. Veer Bhumi
   e. Shaheed Sthal

3. International Tea Day falls on May 21. Which Indian city is popularly known as the Tea Capital of India?

   a. Jorhat
   b. Dispur
   c. Dibrugarh
   d. Palampur
   e. Darjeeling

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Answer Key

Q	ANSWER
1	C
2	D
3	A

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