CURRENT AFFAIRS OF SEPTEMBER 2016

NATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

At which place in Tamil Nadu, world's largest solar power plant of 648 megawatts was installed by Adani Green Energy Ltd. with an investment of around 4550 crore rupees?		
The Union Government on 30 September 2016 decided to raise the Employees Provident Fund (EPF) investment in Exchange Traded Fund (ETF) from existing 5 per cent to	10 per cent	
High Court of which State on 30 September 2016 quashed the State government notification completely banning liquor in the state?	Patna	
(The court said that the notification is ultra vires to the Constitution.)		
At which place Indian Army conducted surgical strikes on terror launch pads on 29 September 2016?	LOC	
Name the Indian revolutionary socialist and freedom fighter whose 109th birth anniversary was observed across India on 28 September 2016?		
Government of which state has decided to install monorail from Budge Budge in South 24-Parganas to Ruby Connector in Kolkata at a cost of 4216 crore rupees?	West Bengal	
Name the veteran music director and violinist who was on 27 September 2016 named for the 2016 Lata Mangeshkar Award for Lifetime Achievement of the Maharashtra Government?	Uttam Singh	
Name the Indian cricketer who was appointed brand ambassador of Punjab National Bank?	Virat Kohli	
Name the noted Telugu writer who was on 29 September 2016 conferred with Moortidevi Award of Bharatiya Jnanpith for the year 2015 at function in New Delhi?		
(The award was given for his novel Ananta Jeevanam.)		
In which game Indian women's team on 28 September 2016 bagged gold medal by defeating Thailand 41-31 in the final at the 5th Asian Beach Games?	Kabbadi	
President Pranab Mukherjee on 17 September 2016 appointed, a member of the Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) as its Chairman.	Alka Sirohi	
(She will succeed Deepak Gupta.)		
Name the Indian Off-spinner who has become the fastest Indian and the second fastest overall to take 200 test wickets (in 36 matches) in Test Cricket?	Ravichandran Ashwin	
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Who recently decided to do away with the distinction between the Union Budget's plan and non-plan expenditure?	Union Cabinet
(Following the Planning Commission's abolition the relevance of plan and non-plan expenditure has been lost. Non-plan expenditure includes salaries, subsidies and loans while plan expenditure is meant for government schemes and projects.)	
The GST Council, headed by finance minister Arun Jaitley, decided to fix the exemption limit for the indirect tax at Rs for Northeastern states and smaller states and Rs for other states along with decision to subsume all cesses into GST. (A trader whose annual turnover is less than the exemption limit	lakh
would not be covered under the indirect tax regime.)	
Which country was defeated by 197 runs by Indian cricket team in the first Test of the 3-match Test series while playing their 500th Test match?	
India which accounts for 4.1% of the global emissions will ratify the Paris Climate Change agreement on?	October 2
The Union Government has approved to change the name of Gurgaon city and Gurgaon district of Haryana to?	Gurugram
Due to increasing cross-border terrorist attacks in India, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has decided not to take part in SAARC Summit. In which country SAARC Summit was scheduled to be held from November 9-10?	Pakistan
Name the project, an IT-based platform for the rollout of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) regime, which was approved for Rs 2,256 crore by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs recently?	Project SAKSHAM
Name the world oldest aircraft carrier which will be decommissioned later this year after serving the Indian Navy for 29 years? (It played major role in Operation Parakram and Operation Vijay.)	INS Viraat
In which company the Union Government has decided to sell its 7% stake at a floor price of Rs 62 per share to raise capital of around of Rs 402 crore to fix its deficit?	Hindustan Copper
Which country was defeated by Indian hockey team by 3-1 in the Under-18 Asia Cup semi-final?	Pakistan
(India will face host nation Bangladesh in the final.)	
According to the latest annual survey conducted by Labour Bureau which state has the highest unemployment rate at 19.7% in 2015-16?	Tripura
How many medals India won at the recently concluded 2016 Paralympic Games held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil?	4 (2 Gold, 1 Silver, 1 Bronze)
Who won Bronze for India in Men's High Jump event at 2016 Paralympic Games?	Varun Singh Bhati
Who won Gold for India in Men's Javelin Throw event at 2016	Devendra Jhajharia

Paralympic Games?	
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The Union Government cleared the deal to buy 36 Rafale fighter jets at a cost of Rs 58,000 crore (approx.). From which country India is buying these fighter jets?	France
Which state was ordered by the Supreme Court of India to release 6,000 cusecs of Cauvery water to Tamil Nadu daily between 21 and 27 September?	Karnataka
Which award was conferred on cricketers Rohit Sharma and Ajinkya Rahane on 16 September 2016 by Sports Minister Vijay Goel?	Arjuna Award
(Rohit Sharma was given the award for 2015 and Ajinkya Rahane for 2016.)	<i>cO),</i>
With which telecom operator company Reliance Communications has announced its merger which will create India's fourth-largest mobile company in terms of customers and revenue?	
Duleep Trophy is related to which sports?	Cricket
(This tournament concluded on 14 September 2016.)	
National Hindi Divas (Hindi Day) was observed across India on? (On this day in the year 1949, Hindi was adopted as the Official Language of the Union of India.)	14 September 2016
Name the Javelin thrower who became the first Indian to clinch two gold medals at the Paralympics?	Devendra Jhajharia
Name the Indian athlete who on 12 September 2016 became the first Indian woman to bag a medal at the Rio Paralympics? (She clinched a silver medal in the shotput F-53 event.)	Deepa Malik
Which authority on 12 September 2016 approved the process, formation and functioning of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Council?	Union Cabinet
(The council will consist of Union Finance Minister and State Finance Ministers. It will make recommendations on issues related to Goods and Services Tax (GST).)	
Who won the Durand Cup football title (Asia's oldest football tournament) on 11 September 2016 by defeating Neroca FC 6-5 via penalty shoot outs in the final held at New Delhi?	Army Green
Which facility was recently launched by Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) for online redressal of taxpayers grievances related to refunds, ITRs and PAN among others?	e-nivaran
Which state bagged 'Best Horticulture State' award for the concerted efforts made by the state government to increase the income of the farmers in horticulture?	Haryana

(The award was given on 9 September 2016 at two-day 9th Agricultural Leadership Summit 2016. The summit was organized by Indian Council of Food and Agriculture (ICFA) in New Delhi.)	
The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on 8 September 2016 cancelled the certificate of registration of five non-banking financial companies (NBFCs). The certificates were cancelled in exercise of the powers conferred on it under of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934.	Section 45-IA (6)
Name the former Indian women's cricket team captain who in the first week of September 2016 became the first Indian woman cricketer to get the prestigious honorary life membership of the Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)?	Anjum Chopra
Who on 8 September 2016 gave assent to the Constitution 122nd Amendment) (GST) Bill, 2014 as per Article 111 of Constitution of India?	
(With this assent, the bill has become a law. Now, the union and the state governments will have to draft the Central GST, State GST and integrated GST laws for being passed in the winter session of the Parliament.)	
Name the two-time Olympic-medallist wrestler who was nominated by Wrestling Federation of India (WFI) for the Padma Bhushan, India's third-highest civillian honour?	Sushil Kumar
According to a survey carried out by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) which Indian state has been adjudged the cleanest state in rural sanitation?	
According to a survey carried out by the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) which Indian state ranked last in the list on the condition of sanitation in rural areas?	Jharkhand
Which place was inaugurated as the 35th district of Assam by Assam's Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on 8 September 2016? (Thus, it became India's first island district. On 1 September 2016, it replaced Brazil's Marajo to become the world's largest river island in the Guinness Book of World Records.)	Majuli
Name the application in which the Union Government launched integration of Driving Licenses (DL) & Vehicle Registration Certificates (RC)?	DigiLocker
(According to this facility drivers would not be required to carry their driving licence and registration certificate but can store them in this application. The soft copy can then be verified by traffic police and law enforcement agencies when required.)	
Which life insurance company has received the Securities and Exchange Board of India's (SEBI) approval to file its initial public offering (IPO), which will be the first life insurance sector IPO in India?	
Which world body recognised India as Yaws and Maternal and	World Health
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Noonatal Tatanua (MNT) from nation?	Organization (MHO)
Neonatal Tetanus (MNT)-free nation?	Organisation (WHO)
In which Indian language the United Nations Charter has been translated for the first time since coming into force in 1945?	Sanskrit
The Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) raised the monthly wage limit for coverage under its health insurance scheme from ₹ 15,000 to	₹ 21,000
Name the 12-year old Indian boy who became the first Indian to win the Asian karting championship?	Shahan Ali Mohsin
Name the advanced weather satellite which was successfully launched by Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) on 8 September 2016?	INSAT-3DR
Name India's lone individual Olympic gold medallist, who on 4 September 2016 officially announced his retirement from shooting?	Abhinav Bindra
Who on 4 September 2016 became the fourth Indian to be proclaimed a saint?	Mother Teresa
(She was proclaimed a Saint by Pope Francis in a ceremony at the Vatican.)	
Name the Chairperson and Managing Director of Biocon Limited, who was on 1 September 2016 appointed Chevalier de l'Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur (Knight of the National Order of the French Legion of Honour)?	
(Shaw was honoured for her contribution to biosciences and research.)	
Which company on 31 August 2016 announced the acquisition of sports broadcasting business of Zee Entertainment for 385 million US dollar in an all-cash deal?	

INTERNATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

Japan's Aichi prefecture and its capital city Nagoya will co-host the Asian Games?	2026	
World Tourism Day 2016 was observed across the world on?	27 September 2016	
(The theme of the World Tourism Day 2016 is Tourism for All - promoting universal accessibility.)		
World Rabies Day was observed on?	28 September 2016	
(The theme for World Rabies Day is Rabies: Educate. Vaccinate. Eliminate.)		
World Maritime Day was observed across the world on?	29 September 2016	

(Theme for World Maritime Day 2016 is shipping: indispensable to the world.)	
What is the name of latest mobile chat application launched by Google?	Allo
Name the Syrian civil defence group who won the Right Livelihood Award, also referred to as the 'Alternative Nobel' for their outstanding bravery and humanitarian engagement?	White Helmets
Name the female tennis star who now holds the all-time record for most number of victories in Grand Slam matches in tennis history?	Serena Williams
(She surpassed Roger Federer's 307 win record earlier this month in the US Open.)	m
Name the current President of World Bank who has been reappointed as its head for a second five-year term which begins on July 1, 2017?	Jim Yong Kim
Name the Swiss tennis player who on 11 September 2016 defeated world number one Novak Djokovic by 6-7, 6-4, 7-5, 6-3 to win 2016 US Open Men's Singles title?	Stan Wawrinka
Name the Germany tennis player who on 10 September 2016 defeated Karolina Pliskova by 6–3, 4–6, 6–4 to win 2016 US Open Women's Singles title?	Angelique Kerber
At which place Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Summit 2016 was held recently?	Vientiane, Laos
What was the theme for ASEAN 2016 summit?	Turning Vision into Reality for a Dynamic ASEAN Community
Name the American company which has agreed to buy Formula One racing for \$4.4 billion in cash and convertible debt?	Liberty Media Corporation
Name the General Motors Chairman and CEO who has retained her top position on Fortune magazine's 2016 list of Most Powerful Women?	Mary Barra
(Pepsico CEO Indra Nooyi was ranked second on the list.)	
Which country registered the highest ever score of 263/3 in T20I history against Sri Lanka?	Australia
(The score surpassed the previous best score of 260/6 scored by Sri Lanka against Kenya in 2007.)	
Name the Chinese company which became Asia's most valuable company at a valuation of \$263 billion?	Tencent
(This company is the owner of WeChat social networking platform.)	
Name the former Vice-President of Brazil who sworn-in as the country's new President after the Senate voted to remove Dilma Rousseff from office?	Michel Temer

In which country La Tomatina festival was celebrated recently?	Spain	
(Over 1,50,000 kg of ripe tomatoes were used by around 20,000 people who participated in the hour-long festival.)		
The 2016 Summer Paralympic Games (15th edition) began at?	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	
International Literacy Day 2016 was celebrated across the world on?	8th September	

Highlights of US Open 2016

Title	Winner	Runner-up
Men's Singles	Stan Wawrinka (Switzerland)	Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
Women's Singles	Angelique Kerber (Germany)	Karolína Plíšková (Czech Republic)
		Pablo Carreño Busta and Guillermo García-López (Spain)
	· /	Caroline Garcia and Kristina Mladenovic (France)
	` ,	Coco Vandeweghe and Rajeev Ram (USA)

Highlights of 2016 Paralympic Games held at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Medals Tally

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1. China	107	81	51	239
Great Britain	64	39	44	147
3. Ukraine	41	37	39	117
43. India	2	1	1	4