CURRENT AFFAIRS OF APRIL 2019

NATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

RBI will issue Rs 20 banknotes of greenish-yellow colour. The new Rs 20 banknotes will bear which heritage site of India?	Ellora Caves
Which rule under the 'Conduct of Elections Rules' lists out a 6-month jail term along with a Rs 1000 fine for falsely reporting malfunctioning of EVMs and VVPATs?	Rule 49MA
Which cyclone is expected to intensify into a very severe cyclonic storm and will continue to move North West and change its path to North East in India, as per Indian Meteorological Department (MeT) department?	Cyclone Fani
Wrestling Federation of India recommended whom for the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award 2019?	Bajrang Punia and Vinesh Phogat
The National Company Law Tribunal approved the merger of which bank with Bharat Financial Inclusion?	IndusInd Bank
The High Court of which state lifted the ban on mobile application TikTok, three weeks after it had asked the government to prohibit further downloads of this popular Chinese short-video application?	Madras High Court
Former Indian Army Chief General Dalbir Singh Suhag was recently appointed as India's High Commissioner to which country?	Seychelles
The Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) launched the MERA India programme to eliminate which disease from India by 2030?	Malaria
Which country in a landmark step released a special stamp on the theme of Ramayana for the first time underlining strong centuries old cultural bonds?	Indonesia
How many medals did India win at the 23rd edition of the Asian Athletics Championship?	17 medals (3 Gold, 7 silver and 7 bronze)
What was India's position at the 23rd edition of the Asian Athletics Championship?	Fourth
The Indian Army recently began online registration of women for recruitment into which field for the first time?	Military Police
Which Indian financial institution has sold its entire stake in the National Housing Bank (NHB) and the National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD) to the Union Government for Rs 1,450 crore and Rs 20 crore, respectively.	Reserve Bank of India
Bollywood actor Sunny Deol has joined which political party on 23rd April 2019?	Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP)
On which day the Civil Services Day is celebrated every year in India?	21st April
Which Indian wrestler has become world number one in the men's 65kg freestyle category?	Bajrang Punia
What is India's rank in the World Press Freedom Index 2019?	140th
The Supreme Court of India has determined which illness as a ground to spare death row convicts from the gallows?	Mental illness

Which Sub-Sonic Cruise Missile was successfully test fired by DRDO on April 15, 2019?	Nirbhay
Who has been named captain of the Indian squad for the ICC World Cup 2019 in England and Wales?	Virat Kohli
ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 is scheduled to begin in England and Wales from May 30, 2019.	
Who is the first Chief Minister to have been barred from campaigning by the Election Commission on April 15, 2019, for a set period for violating the model code of conduct during election rallies?	Yogi Adityanath
The Election Commission of India has stalled the release of a biopic during election period. The film was based on which political leader?	PM Narendra Modi
Lakshmi Vilas Bank recently announced merger with which mortgage financier firm in an all stock deal?	Indiabulls Housing Finance Ltd
Who was appointed as the first chief justice of new Andhra Pradesh High Court?	Vikram Nath
Kartik Chandra Rath passed away after a prolonged illness. He belonged to which field?	Theatre
On which day the National Maritime Day is observed every year in India?	5th April
Which country recently honoured PM Narendra Modi with its highest decoration Zayed Medal?	United Arab Emirates (UAE)
Which country has approved the sale of 24 multi-role MH-60R Seahawk maritime helicopters to India at an estimated cost of USD 2.6 billion?	USA
Name the chatbot platfform in which a majority stake was bought by Reliance Jio in a Rs 700-crore deal, which includes a Rs 470 crore investment for future growth of the business?	Haptik
Name the guided missile destroyer launched by the Indian Navy at Mazagaon Dock Shipbuilders, Mumbai?	INS Imphal
Which team won the 73rd edition of Santosh Trophy football tournament defeating Punjab in the finals?	Services
Name the HDFC promoted finance company with which the merger of Bandhan Bank has been approved by Competition Commission of India (CCI)?	GRUH Finance
Name the renowned Hindi poet, known for his humorous poetry, who passed away on April 12, 2019?	Pradeep Choubey
Name the programmes launched by the Government of West Bengal which have won the prestigious World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) awards under the United Nations?	Utkarsh Bangla and Sabuj Sathi
Name the Telugu poet who has been awarded the Saraswati Samman 2018 for his collection of poetry Pakkaki Ottigilite?	K Siva Reddy
Name the highest civilian award of Russia which has been awarded to the Indian Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi?	Order of the St Andrew, the Apostle
Name the railway station in North East Frontier Railway zone which has become the first in the country to be awarded ISO certification (ISO-	Guwahati

14001) by the National Green Tribunal?	
Name the president of All India Football Federation who has become the first Indian to be elected as the member of FIFA Executive Council for a period of 4 years?	Praful Patel
Which team won the Sultan Azlan Shah Cup hockey tournament defeating India in the finals at Ipoh, Malaysia?	South Korea
Name the former Australian hockey player who has been appointed as the coach of Indian national men's hockey team?	Graham Reid
Name the Indian cricketer who has been named Wisden's Leading Cricketer in the World for the year 2018?	Virat Kohli
Name the Indian women cricketer who has been named Wisden's Leading Women's Cricketer in the World for the year 2018?	Smriti Mandhana
Name the village in West Imphal district of Manipur which has been tagged as India's first carbon positive settlement?	Phayeng
Which electronic intelligence satellite was launched by the Indian space agency, Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) on April 1, 2019 along with 28 other satellites of global customers?	EMISAT

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Which south-Asian country has recently announced to relocate its capital from Jakarta?	Indonesia
What is the name of Japan's new imperial era that will begin on May 1, 2019? Japan's new emperor, Naruhito, has formally ascended to the Chrysanthemum Throne, replacing his father, Akihito.	Reiwa
Which nation has announced a ban on covering of the face with any kind of veil or burqa that prevents identification of the person? The order comes a week after coordinated suicide bomb blasts hit three churches and three luxury hotels in the nation on the occasion of Easter on April 21, 2019?, killing over 250 people and injuring more than 500 others.	Sri Lanka
Which city hosted the 23rd edition of the Asian Athletics Championship? The Asian Athletics Championship began on April 21, 2019. The four-day event saw participation from 63 nations across the world.	Doha (Qatar)
Name the African country which is the first of three country in Africa in which the malaria vaccine, known as RTS,S, will be made available to children up to 2 years of age? The other two African country Ghana and Kenya will introduce the vaccine later.	Malawi
On which day the World Intellectual Property Day was observed across the world?	26th April

Which country topped the medal tally at the 23rd edition of the Asian Athletics Championship?	Bahrain (11 gold, 7 silver and 4 bronze)
China with 10 gold, 13 silver, 7 bronze and Japan with 5 gold, 4 silver, 9 bronze came second and third respectively.	
On which day World Malaria Day is celebrated every year?	25th April
On which day the World Book and Copyright Day is observed every year?	23rd April
On which day the Global Earth Day is celebrated every year?	22nd April
Theme for the year 2019: Protect Our Species.	
On which day the World Heritage Day is observed every year? It is observed with an aim to create awareness among the people to conserve and protect the valuable assets and cultural heritage across the world.	18th April
Sri Lanka on April 18, 2019 has launched its first satellite into space from the Mid-Atlantic Regional Spaceport at NASA's Wallops Flight Facility on Virginia's East Shore. What is the name of this satellite?	Raavana-1
Which organisation releases World Press Freedom Index every year?	Reporters Without Borders
Which country topped the World Press Freedom Index 2019?	Norway
Which US-based company recently announced its plans to shut down its online retail operations in China?	Amazon
A raging fire recently tore through Notre-Dame Cathedral and brought its towering spire and roof crashing to the ground, wiping out centuries of priceless heritage central to French culture and history. The cathedral is located in which country?	France
In respect of which disease, the World Health Organization (WHO) has raised an alarm over a 300 percent increase globally in the first quarter of 2019 compared with last year?	Measles
An international scientific team recently announced a milestone in astrophysics - the first-ever photo of a black hole - using a global network of telescopes to gain insight into celestial objects with gravitational fields so strong no matter or light can escape. The research was conducted by which project?	Event Horizon Telescope (EHT)
What is the name given by Hawaiian language professor Larry Kimura to the first ever black hole photographed by Event Horizon Telescope?	Powehi
Who has been elected as the new President of the World Bank on April 6, 2019?	David Malpass
On which day the World Heath Day is observed every year?	7th April
Name the Australian female umpire who has become the first woman to be an umpire in men's one-day international cricket?	Claire Polosak
Name the cloud management tool launched by Google allowing its users to run applications from anywhere?	Google Anthos
Who was sworn in as the new Prime Minister of Palestinian on April 3, 2019?	Mohammad Shtayyeh