

## CURRENT AFFAIRS OF AUGUST 2019

### NATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

Which three banks will be merged into a single entity to form the 2nd largest bank of India?	PNB, OBC & United Bank of India
Who has become the first IPS officer to be honoured with the prestigious Tenzing Norgay National Adventure Award 2018?	Aparna Kumar
To commemorate the birth anniversary of hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand, National Sports Day is celebrated across the country on which date?	29 August
Which financial institution recently decided to transfer a record high surplus reserve of Rs 1.76 lakh crore to the government after approving all the recommendations of the Bimal Jalan-led expert committee?	Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
Name the Delhi High Court judge who revoked former UPA minister P Chidambaram's anticipatory bails in INX Media case by ED and CBI 48 hours before his retirement and who has been appointed as the new Chairperson of PMLA Appellate Tribunal?	Sunil Gaur
Which telecom company has become the leading telecom operator by revenue market share (RMS) of 31.7 per cent in the April-June quarter?	Reliance Jio
In a bid to fill the vacant seats in trains and meet the challenges posed by the roadways and airways, the Indian Railways has decided to give discount of up to _____ to passengers on ticket fares in air-conditioned executive class and chair cars of trains like Shatabdi Express, Gatiman Express, Tejas Express, Double Decker and Intercity Express.	25 per cent
Name the India's first woman Director General of Police (DGP) who passed away recently?	Kanchan Chaudhary
Which stadium in Delhi will soon be renamed as Arun Jaitley Stadium?	Feroz Shah Kotla stadium
Name the 22-year-old tennis player from Haryana who earned a dream Grand Slam debut for himself in the US Open as he beat the 20-time Grand Slam champion Roger Federer 6-4 in the opening set of the match?	Sumit Nagal
Which item has been banned by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) while travelling in planes as these items have been deemed fire hazard because their batteries can overheat?	Apple Mac Book
Name the former Finance Minister and Member of Parliament who passed away on August 24, 2019 after prolonged illness?	Arun Jaitley
Who became the first Indian to win Badminton World Championships gold by defeating Nozomi Okuhara in two straight games 21-7, 21-17?	PV Sindhu
In which country PM Narendra Modi officially launched the RuPay card on August 24, 2019?	UAE
Which country awarded Prime Minister Narendra Modi 'The King Hamad Order of the Renaissance'?	Bahrain

Whose 109th birth anniversary was commemorated across the world on August 26, 2019?	Mother Teresa
Who won their maiden title by defeating Mohun Bagan 2–1 in the 2019 Durand Cup Final which was held on August 24, 2019?	Gokulam Kerala FC
Name the Director General of Central Public Works Department (CPWD) who was selected for the Outstanding Engineer Award-2019 by Institution of Engineers in India?	Prabhakar Singh
The Direct Tax Code (DTC) task force has recommended a major cut in corporate tax for both domestic and foreign companies. What is the newly recommended corporate tax rate for both domestic and foreign companies?	25 percent
According to Greenpeace data which country is the largest emitter of anthropogenic sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> ) which is produced from burning of coal and greatly contributes to air pollution?	India
Which country bestowed its highest civilian award 'Order of Zaid' upon Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi?	UAE
Which Indian structures featured in Time's 2019 list of 100 greatest places in the world?	Statue of Unity
What will be the retirement age of the Central Armed Police Force personnel irrespective of rank as per the order issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs?	60 years
In which country PM Narendra Modi inaugurated Mangdechhu hydroelectric power plant?	Bhutan
Union Minister of State for Power and New and Renewable Energy (IC) and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, RK Singh approved a proposal to declare _____ as Renewable Energy.	ocean energy
From which state former Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh has recently been elected as a member of Rajya Sabha?	Rajasthan
Name the music composer of films like 'Umrao Jaan', 'Bazaar' and 'Kabhi Kabhi' who passed away recently?	Mohammad Khayyam
Name the former Chief Minister of Bihar who died recently in Delhi at the age of 83?	Jagannath Mishra
In which city Punjab and Haryana High Court started its first virtual court through video conferencing?	Faridabad
In which sector Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the creation of the post of Chief in his Independence Day speech 2019?	Defence
Which Indian batsman has become first cricketer to score 20,000 international runs in a decade?	Virat Kohli
Who created history by becoming the first Indian to claim a world title in motorsports by lifting the FIM World Cup held in Hungary in the women's category?	Aishwarya Pissay
Who won the National Film Award 2019 for Best Actress for her performance in Telugu film Mahanati?	Keerthy Suresh
Who won the National Film Award 2019 for Best Actor?	Ayushmann Khurrana (Andhadhun), Vicky

	Kaushal (Uri: The Surgical Strike)
Which film won the National Film Award 2019 for Best Feature Film category?	Helaru (Gujarati)
Who won the National Film Award 2019 for Best Direction?	Aditya Dhar (Uri: The Surgical Strike)
Which film won the National Film Award 2019 for Best Hindi Film?	Andhadhun
Which film won the National Film Award 2019 for Best Popular Film category?	Badhaai Ho
How many states have signed MoU with Union Ministry of Textiles for skilling about 4 lakh workers as part of Scheme for Capacity Building in Textile Sector (SAMARTH)?	16
Name the ISRO Chief who led ISRO's successful launch of Chandrayaan 2 mission recently and who was awarded Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Award by Tamil Nadu government?	K Sivan
Who was elected as the first woman President of Indian National Science Academy (INSA)?	Chandrima Shaha
Name the founder of ISRO on whose 100th birthday Google has dedicated a doodle?	Vikram Sarabhai
Which Article along with Article 35A related to Jammu and Kashmir was scrapped by the Parliament recently?	Article 370
After scrapping of Article 370, now India has how many union territories?	9 (earlier it was 7)
After scrapping of Article 370 which two union territories were formed?	Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh
Now as a union territory, out of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, which one will not have a Legislative Assembly?	Ladakh
After scrapping of Article 370, now India has how many states?	28 (earlier it was 29)
Name the former External Affairs Minister and first women chief minister of Delhi who passed away recently?	Sushma Swaraj
The BCCI after years of opposition has finally agreed to come under the ambit of the _____ and agreed to adhere to its anti-doping policy.	National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA)
Name the former President of India who was conferred the Bharat Ratna by President Ram Nath Kovind?	Pranab Mukherjee
Name the Assamese singer and Bharatiya Jana Sangh leader who were also awarded Bharat Ratna posthumously by President Ram Nath Kovind?	Bhupen Hazarika and Nanaji Deshmukh
Pakistan has permanently stopped which train's services to India?	Samjhauta express
Name the Indian freedom struggle movement which completed 77 years on August 8, 2019?	Quit India
Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) Third Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement, 2019-20 reduces Repo Rate by _____ from 5.75 per cent.	35 basis points

According to the Periodic Labour Force Survey (PLFS) 2017-18, what percentage of India's young people (15-29 years) in the labour force are unemployed?	17.8 per cent
On which day The National Handloom Day was observed across India?	7 August
India's 1st 3-D Smart Traffic Signal "Intelights" devised by the students of Chitkara University was launched in which city?	Mohali
As per the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI), in which state 'Bharati Huda', a rural settlement, had thrived about 3600 years ago?	Odisha
How many individuals will be scanned under the Human Genome Mapping Project of Government of India?	20,000
Who has sworn in as the Governor of Nagaland?	RN Ravi
Delhi Government announced to provide free electricity to households consuming up electricity up to what power?	200 units
Which Indian journalist of NDTV news channel has been selected for the Ramon Magsaysay Award 2019?	Ravish Kumar
Name the veteran Bollywood actress who was known for her role in films like Choti si Baat, Rajnigandha etc. who passed away on August 15, 2019?	Vidya Sinha
Name the former Indian cricketer who has been appointed coach of Indian cricket team for the second time in a row?	Ravi Shastri
What was the rank of India in the Global GDP rankings released by World Bank for 2018?	seventh

INTERNATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

Which country will be the host of G7 summit 2020?	United States
On which day Women's Equality Day is observed every year to celebrate the passage of the 19th Amendment in the United States of America that provides voting rights to the women?	26 August
Amazon rainforest, the world's largest rain forest, which provides almost 20 percent of the earth's oxygen, has been burning for over 16 days resulted in a major loss of trees and biodiversity. This rainforest is in which continent?	South America
Which glacier in Iceland has lost its identity due to climate change?	Okjokull
What is the name of new Android version launched by Google on August 22, 2019?	Android 10
Which nation has unveiled a domestically-built Bavar-373 missile defense system despite sanctions?	Iran
Which country hosted the 28th BASIC ((Brazil, South Africa, India and China)) Ministerial meeting on Climate Change?	Brazil
On which day the World Humanitarian Day 2019 was observed across the world?	19 August

Who won 'Doodle for Google' 2019 contest for her Doodle titled "Once You Get It, Give It Back."?	Arantza Pena Popo
On which day the World Sanskrit Divas 2019 was celebrated?	15 August
What was the theme of International Youth Day 2019?	Transforming Education
Which South African cricketer has announced his retirement from all forms of International cricket on August 8, 2019?	Hashim Amla
Which player topped Forbes magazine's list of highest-paid women player in sports category?	Serena Williams
Name the Hollywood actress who has been named the highest paid actress in 2019 by the Forbes magazine?	Scarlett Johansson