

CURRENT AFFAIRS



CAC – 15th August 2017:

IMPORTANT DAY

Nation celebrates its 71st Independence Day

The nation celebrates its 71st Independence Day (15th August 2017) and the main function was held at the Red Fort of the national capital where Prime Minister Narendra Modi hoisted the National Flag.

STATE

India-ASEAN Youth Summit Begins in Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh

The India-ASEAN Youth Summit begins in Bhopal. The event is being organised by Foreign Ministry, Madhya Pradesh government and India Foundation. Minister of State for External Affairs General VK Singh, and Madhya Pradesh CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan inaugurated the five day Summit. The exercise will mark the 25th anniversary of the ASEAN-India dialogue partnership in the ongoing year and also the commemorative year's theme of "Shared Values, Common Destiny".

Pro Tip:

State – Madhya Pradesh

Capital – Bhopal

CM – Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Governor – Om Prakash Kohli (Additional charge)

Minister of State for External Affairs – General Vijay Kumar Singh

Constituency – Ghaziabad, Uttar Pradesh

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Lalit Modi has resigned as president of the Nagaur District Association, marking an end to his presence in the Rajasthan Cricket Association (RCA), which was banned by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) for allowing him in its fold.

Pro Tip:

State – Rajasthan

Capital – Jaipur

CM – Vasundhara Raje

Governor – Kalyan Singh

NATIONAL:

Nation Tribute to Sri Aurobindo on 145th Birth Anniversary

India paid tributes to Sri Aurobindo on his 145th Birth Anniversary. Sri Aurobindo's rich thoughts and grand vision for India continues to be a great source of inspiration. A spiritual reformer and philosopher, Sri Aurobindo had a major contribution in the Indian freedom struggle.

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The 9 year old Kaamya Karthikeyan became the youngest person to reach the summit of the 6,153 metres-high Mt Stok Kangri in Kashmir. Kaamya reached the peak by climbing 30 Km over a course of 3 days, with an altitude gain of 2,750 metres. In May 2017, Kaamya had successfully reached the base camp of Mt. Everest at 5,464 metres.

Pro Tip:

State – Jammu & Kashmir

Capital – Jammu (winter), Srinagar (Summer)

CM – Mehbooba Mufti Sayeed

Governor – Narinder Nath Vohra

AWARD

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On the occasion of 71st Independence Day, 112 Gallantry Awards have been approved by the President Ram Nath Kovind for the Armed Forces and Paramilitary Forces. It includes five Kirti Chakras, 17 Shaurya Chakras, 85 Sena Medals (Gallantry), three Nao Sena Medals (Gallantry) and two Vayu Sena Medals (Gallantry).

Havaladar Giris Gurung from first Gorkha Rifles who was martyred during a major counter-infiltration operation along the Line of Control in Naugam sector of Kashmir has been awarded Kirti Chakra posthumously.

Major David Manlun, who was martyred during an encounter with militants in Mon district of Nagaland, CRPF commandant Pramod Kumar who was martyred in a terror attack in Srinagar's Nowhatta hours before last Independence Day has also been awarded Kirti Chakra Posthumously.

CRPF commandant Chetan Kumar Cheetah who miraculously recovered from the deep coma after being hit by at least nine bullets during a gun battle with terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir has been awarded Kirti Chakra, the 2nd highest peacetime gallantry award.

Pro Tip:

1st President of India – Rajendra Prasad
14th President of India – Ram Nath Kovind

Indian Army's T-90 Performance in Tank Biathlon Russia 2017

The Indian Army has been evicted from a multi-nation tank competition in Tank Biathlon Russia 2017 at Russia due to their T-90 main battle tanks had technical problems at the Alabino ranges in the Moscow region.

Pro Tip:

Country – Russia
Capital – Moscow
Currency – Russian Ruble
President – Vladimir Putin

SPORT

The greatest sprinter of modern times, Usain Bolt from Jamaica retired from the Athletics

The greatest sprinter of modern times, Usain Bolt from Jamaica retired from the Athletics world. But at farewell Race, he injured himself while running the last lap of the men's 4x100m relay race in the World Athletics Championships in London. Running the final race of his career, the 30-year-old Bolt, after taking the baton from his Jamaican teammate Yohan Blake, suffered cramps on his left hamstring.

Pro Tip:

Usain Bolt – A pure Non-drug Athlete in the History
Country – Jamaica
Capital – Kingston
Currency – Jamaican dollar

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India bagged two gold in the 6th Golden Glove Women's Boxing Tournament at Vojvodina, Serbia. While Jyoti won Gold in 51 kg category, and Vanlalharitpuii bagged it 60 kg category. In all, India won two gold, four silver and four bronze medals in the tournament. The silver medals were clinched by Anjali in 48kg, Sakshi in 54kg, Ashtha in 69kg and Anupama in 81kg categories. Mandeep in 57kg, Nisha in 64kg, Shruti in 75kg and Neha in 81+kg category settled for bronze medals.