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### History of January 14

- ◆ **1761** : The third battle of Panipat took place between the Maratha rulers and Ahmed Shah Durrani in India.
- ◆ **1969** : The name of India's southern state Madras was changed to Tamil Nadu.
- ◆ **1999** : India's first state-of-the-art air traffic complex in Delhi was dedicated to the nation.
- ◆ **2000** : Computer king Bill Gates handed over the world's largest computer software company to Steve Walmer.

### Current Affairs Related to 14 January

- ◆ The Union Cabinet approved the signing of MoU between India and Guyana on cooperation in the hydrocarbon sector. The MoU will be signed between the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas, Government of India and the Ministry of Natural Resources of the Republic of Guyana. The signing of the MoU will help in strengthening bilateral trade and promoting investment in each other.
- ◆ Gunotsav 2024 launched by the Government of Assam for holistic evaluation of the performance of students. It has been launched for holistic assessment of the performance of about 40 lakh students of 43,498 government schools in 35 districts of the state. Gunotsav, an initiative of the Government of Assam, is covering all government primary and secondary schools in the state. The services of 18,098 external evaluators will be used for this evaluation process to be started in all primary and secondary schools of the state. The evaluators include state Chief Ministers, MLAs, Chief Secretaries, college teachers and government officials.
- ◆ The Union Cabinet approved the Earth Sciences Scheme of the Ministry of Earth Sciences. The Cabinet has approved the scheme for implementation during the period 2021-2026 at a cost of Rs 4,797 crore. The Earth Sciences Scheme will enable integrated multidisciplinary Earth Sciences research and development of innovative programs across various institutions of the Ministry of Earth Sciences. Integrated R&D efforts will help address the challenges of weather and climate, oceans, cryosphere, seismology and services. These integrated R&D efforts will explore living and non-living resources for sustainable exploitation.
- ◆ Vice Admiral Dinesh K Tripathi has replaced Vice Admiral Sanjay J Singh, who became the Flag Officer Commanding in Chief, Western Naval Command. Dinesh K Tripathi joined the Indian Navy on 1 July 1985. He served as the Flag Officer Commanding in Chief of the Western Naval Command.
- ◆ National Highway Authority of India signed an MoU with National Remote Sensing Center to develop Green Cover Index for the extensive network of National Highways. The main focus of the Green Highway Policy for the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and NHAI has been to green the highway corridors. Green cover index will be a robust and reliable mechanism. This will provide a time-saving and cost-effective solution to generate large-scale estimates of greenery along National Highways. The first assessment cycle will cover sector wise green cover index for National Highways.
- ◆ One District One Product Awards 2023 were presented at the Atmanirbhar Bharat Utsav 2024 in New Delhi. The Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade, Ministry of Commerce and Industry hosted the Atmanirbhar Bharat Utsav 2024. The objective of ODOP initiative is to promote socio-economic development of all the districts of the country to realize the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi of Self-reliant India.
- ◆ Israel Defense Forces have claimed to have killed the deputy leader of Hamas. Terrorist organization Hamas has also confirmed that Israel killed its deputy commander Saleh Al Aroui in Lebanon. Lebanon's acting Prime Minister Najib Mikati condemned the killing of Saleh al-Arouhi. Al Aroui was a 57-year-old Lebanese resident.
- ◆ The National Statistical Office has released its second advance estimates for the Indian economy. According to this, the Indian economy is expected to grow at the rate of 7.3% in the financial year 2023-2024. In the financial year 2023-2024, the Indian economy will grow at the rate of 7.3%, higher than the provisional growth rate of 7.2% in the last financial year. The NSO reports are based on the first advance estimates of national income for fiscal years 2023-2024.





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### National & International Current Affairs

1. Recently, which state has declared 22 January as a dry day in honor of Ram Temple?

- (A) Chhattisgarh (B) Rajasthan  
(C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Uttar Pradesh

(A) Recently, Chief Minister Vishnu Dev Sai has made a big announcement regarding the consecration ceremony of Ramlala at Shri Ram Janmabhoomi temple on January 22 in Ayodhya. He has said that the state government has decided to declare January 22 as a dry day in the entire Chhattisgarh state. There will be a festive atmosphere in the entire state on this day.



2. When will the Hindu temple in Abu Dhabi be inaugurated by PM Modi recently?

- (A) 14th January (B) 26th January  
(C) 14th February (D) 5th March

(C) The first grand Hindu temple is going to open in Abu Dhabi, the capital of United Arab Emirates. This Hindu temple will be inaugurated on 14 February. This Hindu temple will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. A delegation from the temple had reached the Prime Minister's residence in New Delhi.



3. Recently in which state will Adidas establish its GCC?

- (A) Tamil Nadu (B) Telangana  
(C) Kerala (D) Maharashtra

(A) Recently renowned athletic footwear and apparel giant Adidas is taking strategic steps to expand its global operations by establishing its first and only global capability center outside China in Asia. This significant development underlines the growing trend of multinational corporations choosing India as a key destination to set up their GCCs, taking advantage of the country's abundant software skills.



4. Recently, the Prime Minister of which country was the chief guest of the Vibrant Gujarat Summit?

- (A) Australia (B) Sri Lanka  
(C) Czech Republic (D) None of these

(C) The 10th edition of Vibrant Gujarat Global Investors Summit took place in Gandhinagar. The theme of this edition is Gateway to the Future. This biennial event serves as an important platform for global policy makers, diplomats, business leaders and investors to collaborate, promote partnerships and explore investment opportunities.



5. Which state has recently become the first state to map accident hotspots?

- (A) Punjab (B) Rajasthan  
(C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Uttar Pradesh

(A) Punjab has become the first Indian state to comprehensively map all 784 accident prone areas as black spots on the navigation system Maps app. This announcement has been made by Punjab Director General of Police Gaurav Yadav. Navigation System Maps App is developed by MapMyIndia.





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6. Recently Wancho craft of which state has got GI tag?

- (A) Arunachal Pradesh (B) Rajasthan  
(C) Himachal Pradesh (D) Mizoram

(A) Recently Wancho craft of Arunachal Pradesh has got GI tag. Three products including special ginger of Arunachal Pradesh have been given the prestigious Geographical Indication tag. He said these are Adi Kekir, carpets handmade by Tibetan residents and wooden objects made by the Wancho community. Wanchu wooden craft items are unique. From this, artisans make idols of Lord Buddha, animals and dolls.



7. Recently, the Chief Minister of which state has increased the social security pension to Rs 3000?

- (A) Telangana (B) Tamil Nadu  
(C) Odisha (D) Andhra Pradesh

(D) Recently, Andhra Pradesh Cabinet approved the decision to increase the social security pension under the scheme from Rs 2750 to Rs 3000 per month. YSR Pension Kanuka is given to senior citizens, widows, single women, HIV positive persons and others.



8. Which country has recently declared the snow leopard as its national symbol?

- (A) Kyrgyzstan (B) Canada  
(C) Australia (D) America

(A) Central Asian country Kyrgyzstan has declared the snow leopard as its national symbol. The snow leopard symbolizes the health and sustainability of mountain ecosystems, which cover a significant portion of the global region. The snow leopard has been a totem animal in ancient Kyrgyz culture, associated with mythological psyche.



9. Who has recently become the winner of Mrs. India One in a Million 2023?

- (A) Khushi Patel (B) Praveena Anjana  
(C) Rupika Grover (D) None of these

(C) Recently Rupika Grover has become the winner of Mrs. India One in a Million 2023. Rupika's journey is marked by a dream from childhood. Rupika's confidence grew with each success, leading to her accepting the challenge of Mrs. India One in a Million 2023.



10. How many products of West Bengal have got GI tag recently?

- (A) 2 (B) 3  
(C) 4 (D) 5

(B) Recently three sarees of West Bengal have got GI tag. The special thing about these three sarees is that all of them are handloom sarees. Also, they are associated with the special region of West Bengal. Three varieties of handloom sarees of West Bengal, Tangail, Korial and Garad have got the status of Geographical Indication.

