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History of January 6

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- ◆ **1899** : Both the culprits of Indira Gandhi's assassination were hanged.
- ◆ **1929** : Mother Teresa came to Kolkata to serve the sick and poor people in India.
- ◆ **1947** : The All India Congress Committee accepted the partition of India.

Current Affairs Related to 6 January

- ◆ In a significant step towards enhancing infrastructure in Ladakh, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari announced that the government has approved Rs 1170.16 crore for 29 road projects in the region. The development aims to address the connectivity challenges faced by Ladakh, the largest Union Territory in terms of area and the second least populous in the country. The primary objective of these initiatives is to improve connectivity to remote villages of Ladakh.
- ◆ The government is actively engaged in discussions with both domestic and international stakeholders to formulate a policy aimed at increasing local manufacturing of electric vehicles. A senior government official highlighted the ongoing talks with various countries, including Italy and Korea, and stressed the inclusiveness of the policy for both domestic and foreign carmakers.
- ◆ Allahabad High Court ruled that a survey will be conducted for Teen Gundarwali Masjid Shahi Eidgah in Mathura. They are demanding the appointment of a commission to inspect the Shahi Idgah Mosque located near the Krishna Janmabhoomi temple in Mathura.
- ◆ Researchers at Linköping University in Sweden have developed electronic soil that can accelerate plant growth in hydroponic spaces. Electronic soil is a new conductive agricultural substrate specially designed for hydroponic systems.
- ◆ The Administrative Council chaired by Lieutenant Governor Manoh Sinha approved significant changes to the Jammu and Kashmir Panchayati Raj Act, 1989. The amendments focus on including the definition of Other Backward Classes in grassroots level democratic institutions within the Act to facilitate their reservation.
- ◆ The Reserve Bank of India has approved ICICI Prudential Asset Management Company Limited to acquire up to 9.95% stake in Federal Banks.
- ◆ In a strategic move to increase the reach of foreign exchange services, the Reserve Bank of India is set to introduce an unprecedented category of money changers, known as Foreign Exchange Correspondents. This innovative approach is designed to streamline foreign exchange transactions and promote greater ease for users. FXC will operate under a lead agency model, partnering with Category-I and Category-III authorized dealers without the need for separate authorization from RBI.
- ◆ Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank is set to lead a Rs 2500 crore fundraising round for the Mahindra Group-backed Sustainable Energy Infrastructure Investment Trust. According to sources familiar with the matter, various domestic institutional investors will also actively participate in this initiative.
- ◆ In a significant development aimed at boosting tourism and infrastructure in the state of Uttar Pradesh, Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath inaugurated the state's first intra-district helicopter service in Bateshwar, a historic village located 65 km from Agra city. This venture, running on public-private partnership model, is expected to open new doors for tourism in the region.
- ◆ Famous Indian cricketer Ambati Rayudu joined YSR Congress. Rayudu joined the party in the office of the Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh. By including Ambati Rayudu in the party, YSR Congress is considering it a decision to bring the youth of the state into its fold before the upcoming Lok Sabha elections.
- ◆ The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways presented a document in Parliament, according to which Kerala has the highest financial burden followed by Haryana and Uttar Pradesh. The reason for this is the norms like the state bearing 25% of the land acquisition cost for national highway development.



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National & International Current Affairs

1. When is World War Orphans Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 5th January (B) 6th January
(C) 7th January (D) 8th January

(B) World War Orphans Day is celebrated every year on 6 January. Many awareness programs are organized on World War Orphans Day to create awareness about the trauma endured by orphan children. The day aims to spread awareness and address the crisis faced by war orphans or children in conflict.



2. Recently in which state will India's first submarine tourism be unveiled?

- (A) Gujarat (B) Kerala
(C) Himachal Pradesh (D) Uttar Pradesh

(A) Gujarat Government is all set to create waves in the tourism industry by launching India's first submarine tourism venture in collaboration with Mazagon Dock Limited. This ambitious project aims to explore the mesmerizing marine life around Bet Dwarka, a sacred island off the coast of the city of Dwarka, filled with mythological significance within Hinduism.



3. Recently which state government directed to implement green hydrogen policy to promote clean energy?

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

(C) Uttar Pradesh Making efforts towards clean energy and tackling climate change, Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath has directed officials to implement the state's green hydrogen policy. The objective of this policy is to encourage and promote the production and use of green hydrogen, a promising alternative to fossil fuels.



4. Who has recently been appointed as the Chief Information Officer of Bihar state?

- (A) Tripurari Sharan (B) CS Rajan
(C) Rahul Mital (D) None of these

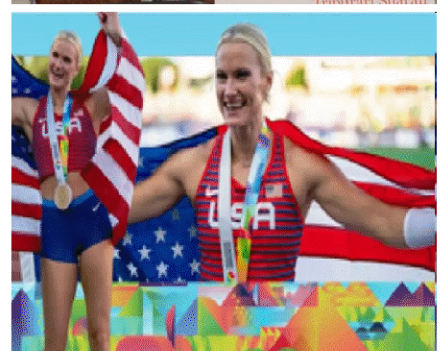
(A) Recently, Bihar Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar administered the oath of office to Tripurari Sharan as the State Chief Information Commissioner. Arlekar administered the oath of office to Tripurari Sharan as State Chief Information Commissioner at the swearing-in ceremony held at the Durbar Hall of Raj Bhavan.



5. Who has recently been appointed as the International Event Ambassador for Mumbai Marathon?

- Shakira Katie Moon
(b) Angelina Jolie (c) None of these

(B) Recently, two-time pole vault world champion and 2020 Olympic gold medalist Katie Moon has become the international event ambassador for the 19th edition of the Mumbai Marathon to be held on January 21. It is one of the top 10 marathons in the world. With a prize fund of US\$405,000, the Mumbai Marathon 2024 will see participation from all over the world.





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6. Recently the Chief Minister of which state has unveiled the board for transparent PSU recruitment.

- (A) Odisha (B) Kerala
(C) Chhattisgarh (D) Telangana

(B) Pinarayi Vijayan recently inaugurated the Kerala Public Enterprises Board, which aims to increase transparency and efficiency in the recruitment processes of public sector units. The establishment, located at Vellayambalam, is set to play a vital role in identifying and placing capable candidates within the state-run institutions.



7. Who has recently unveiled the new design of Admirals Epulettes?

- (A) Indian Navy (B) Indian Army
(C) Indian Air Force (D) None of these

(A) Recently in a significant move reflecting India's commitment to its maritime heritage and departure from colonial vestiges, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the unveiling of new designs for the epulettes of Admirals and renaming of ranks within the Indian Navy.



8. Which state has recently emerged as the petro capital of India?

- (A) Maharashtra (B) Madhya Pradesh
(C) Gujarat (D) Uttar Pradesh

(C) Gujarat is now recognized as the petro capital of India with the world's largest oil refinery at Jamnagar and the OPL petrochemical complex at Dahej in Bharuch district. He said that Reliance Industries Limited Jamnagar Refinery is the world's largest and most complex single site refinery with a processing capacity of 14 lakh barrels per day of crude oil.



9. Which country has recently stopped the death sentence of 8 former marines?

- (A) Saudi Arabia (B) UAE
(C) France (D) Qatar

(D) Recently, a day after Qatar court canceled the death sentence given to 8 former Indian Navy personnel, India has reacted on its next step. The Foreign Ministry said it would study the Qatari court's ruling in the case, discuss possible next steps in the case after discussing it with the former marines' legal team and family members.



10. Who has recently won the title of Miss Maharashtra 2023?

- (A) Khushi Patel (B) Shaliga Bhatnagar
(C) Ketaki Raut (D) None of these

(C) Recently Ketaki Raut won the title of Miss Maharashtra 2023. And Dr. Shaliga Bhatnagar has won the title of Mrs. Maharashtra 2023 with Beauty with Purpose Award.

