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WEEKLY CURRENT AFFAIR 22ND – 28TH AUG 2022

- 1. 17th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas 2023 to be held at Indore :** According to External Affairs Ministry spokesperson Arindam Bagchi, the 17th Pravasi Bhartiya Divas 2023 will be held at Indore in January next year. Pravasi Bharatiya Divas is celebrated every year on the 9th of January to mark the contribution of the overseas Indian community to the development of India. It also commemorates the return of Mahatma Gandhi from South Africa to India on 9th January 1915. Since 2015, its format has been revised to celebrate the Pravasi Bhartiya Divas(PBD) once every two years and to hold theme-based Pravasi Bhartiya Divas Conferences during the intervening period with participation from overseas diaspora experts, policymakers, and stakeholders. The 16th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas was held during 21–23 January 2019 at Varanasi, India.
- 2. International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition:** The International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition is an international day celebrated on August 23 of each year. The day was chosen by the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) to memorialize the transatlantic slave trade. The theme for this year is 'Decolonisation.' The fundamental right to self-determination is identified by the United Nations as core to decolonization, allowing not only independence, but also other ways of decolonization.
- 3. World Water Week 2022: 23 August to 1 September:** World Water Week 2022 takes place from 23 August to 1 September. The World Water Week is an annual event organized by Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI) since 1991 to address the global water issues and related concerns of international development. The theme of the 2022 World Water Week is: "Seeing the unseen: The value of water", which helps us view water in new and fascinating ways.
- 4. World Gujarati Language Day 2022: 24 August:** World Gujarati Language Day 2022 is celebrated every year on 24 August. This day is celebrated to commemorate the birth anniversary of the great writer of Gujarat 'Veer Narmad'. 'Gujarati Diwas' is celebrated because the poet Narmad was considered to be the creator of the Gujarati language. He has made Gujarati literature international. People pay tribute to the poet who contributed significantly to the speech by also making a new Gujarati dictionary amid extreme tribulations. The dictionary contains words of all dialects with their diverse usages.
- 5. Internaut Day celebrates ever year on 23 August :** Internaut Day is being celebrated around the world to mark the invention of the World Wide Web. An "internaut" is a person who possesses a thorough knowledge of how to use the Internet and its history. August 23 marks the day when the World Wide Web was opened to the public back in the year 1991 for the first time by WWW inventor Tim Berners Lee as he allowed its access, CERN announced that the internet would be free to everyone and there would be no fee for its use.
- 6. International Dog Day 2022 celebrates on 26th August:** International Dog Day is celebrated annually on August 26 to promote the adoption of dogs instead of buying them from pet shops. The day was founded by Animal Welfare Advocate and Pet Lifestyle expert Collen Paige.
- 7. Women's Equality Day 2022:** Women's Equality Day 2022 is celebrated all over the world to celebrate women's empowerment and equality. This year, Women's Equality Day will be celebrated on 26th August 2022. In 1973, the first Women's Equality Day was celebrated across the world. Every year 26th August is celebrated as Women's Equality Day because on this day the United States gave women the right to vote. The day highlights the continuous efforts of women to achieve complete equality in society. Women's Equality Day 2022 will be

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celebrated on the 26th of August and every year it is based on themes. Women's Equality Day 2022 theme is "Gender Equality Today for a Sustainable Tomorrow".

- 8. Geothermal energy to be used to supply energy to Ladakh:** At 14,000 feet in Ladakh, ONGC is getting ready to pump geothermal energy. State-run explorer ONGC has set out on a mission to harness the steam streaming from the earth's core at Puga, a lonely valley off the road to Chumar on the de facto boundary with China, at a height of more than 14,000 feet. In India, geothermal energy is nothing new. The Indian government first provided a report on the nation's geothermal hotspots in 1973. This occurred after shallow drilling exploration by the Geological Survey of India (GSI) revealed prospective hot spring and geothermal areas. According to estimates, India has the ability to produce 10 gigawatts of geothermal energy.
- 9. Matsya Setu App's Aqua Bazaar function introduced by Govt:** During the 9th general body meeting of the National Fisheries Development Board, Shri Parshottam Rupala, Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry, and Dairy, introduced the "Aqua Bazar" online market place feature in the "MatsyaSetu" mobile app. The Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana was used to fund the development of the MatsyaSetu app by the ICAR-Central Institute of Freshwater Aquaculture (ICAR-CIFA), Bhubaneswar, with assistance from the National Fisheries Development Board (NFDB), Hyderabad (PMMSY). The Aqua Bazar, online market will assist fish farmers and other interested parties in locating the inputs—such as fish seeds, feed, medicines, etc. Union Minister for Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying: Shri Parshottam Rupala.
- 10. Mandla becomes India's first fully 'functionally literate' district:** Madhya Pradesh's tribal-dominated Mandla region has become the first fully "functionally literate" district in the country. Another report of 2020 highlights that, more than 2.25 lakh people in this district were not literate, most of them were tribals from forest areas. Mandla is the first district of India to reach this mark, where people were able to write their names, read and count.
- 11. Gol grants GI Tag to Bihar's Mithila Makhana:** The Central government has awarded Geographical Indication (GI) tag to Mithila Makhana. With this move, growers will get the maximum price for their premium produce. Over five lakh farmers of the Mithila region of Bihar will be benefitted from this decision. Makhana registered with GI Tag, farmers will get profit and it will be easier to earn. AGI or Geographical Indication is a name or a sign given to certain products that relate to a specific geographical location or origins like a region, town or country.
- 12. Assam CM Himanta Biswa Sarma launched 'Vidya Rath – School on Wheels' project:** Assam Chief Minister, Himanta Biswa Sarma has launched the 'Vidya Rath -School on Wheels' project. This project aims at providing economically challenged underprivileged children to access elementary education for a period of 10 months. The project was launched at a function held at the premises of Gauhati High Court in Assam.
Assam Capital: Dispur; **Chief Minister:** Himanta Biswa Sarma; **Governor:** Prof Jagdish Mukhi.
- 13. Punjab & Haryana agree to be name Chandigarh airport after Bhagat Singh:** The Punjab and Haryana governments have agreed to name the Chandigarh International Airport in Mohali after Shaheed Bhagat Singh. The decision was taken during a meeting between Punjab CM Bhagwant Mann & Haryana deputy CM Dushyant Chautala. The Punjab government has already declared a state holiday on March 23, the martyrdom day of legendary freedom fighter Bhagat Singh.
- 14. National Action for Mechanism Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) :** The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs have started a joint initiative scheme called the National Action for Mechanism Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE). National Action for Mechanism Sanitation Ecosystem (NAMASTE) aims to work in Urban India for the safety and dignity of sanitation workers. This scheme will achieve the goal by creating an enabling ecosystem that recognizes Sanitation workers as one of the key

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contributors to the maintenance and operations of sanitation infrastructure. NAMASTE scheme will reduce the vulnerabilities of Sanitation workers by providing access to alternative livelihoods support and entitlements. The scheme will enable sanitation workers to access self-employment and skilled wage employment opportunities and break the intergenerationally.

- 15. International Astronomy & Astrophysics Olympiad: India ranks 3rd:** Indian team secured the third rank in the medal tally at the 15th International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics (IOAA). India held the third position jointly with Singapore with students winning three gold and two silver medals. In the medals tally, India was placed jointly in the third position along with Singapore, behind Iran's official team (5 golds) and guest team (4 golds, 1 silver). Raghav Goyal from Chandigarh, Md Sahil Akhtar from Kolkata and Mehul Borad from Hyderabad bagged gold in the event.
- 16. Rashtriya Puruskar Portal Launched by Union Government:** Union Government has launched Rashtriya Puruskar Portal to bring together all the awards of the various Ministries, Departments, and Agencies of the Government of India. The Rashtriya Puruskar Portal will make sure that all the awards are under one platform to ensure transparency and public partnership or Jan Bhagidari. The portal allows every citizen and organization to nominate individuals and organizations for various categories of Awards instituted by the Government of India.
- 17. UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage List: India nominated Garba:** India has nominated the Indian dance form Garba to be inscribed on UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list. Last year, Durga Puja was included in UNESCO's intangible cultural heritage list and for 2022, India has nominated 'Garba'. The next UNESCO meeting will be held in November. In July, India was elected by UNESCO to serve on the distinguished intergovernmental Committee of the 2003 Convention for the safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage. A total of 14 elements from India are inscribed on UNESCO'S list of Intangible Cultural Heritage and Humanity. These elements include music, dance, theatre, festivals, rituals, and storytelling.
- 18. Rajesh Verma named as Secretary to President Droupadi Murmu:** Odisha cadre 1987-batch IAS officer, Rajesh Verma has been appointed as the Secretary to President Droupadi Murmu. He replaces the incumbent Kapil Dev Tripathi, a 1980-batch IAS officer. He is currently serving as Secretary of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs & has also served as principal secretary to Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik.
- 19. South Korea and the United States Began their Largest Joint Military Drills:** South Korea and the United States began their largest joint military drills in years with a resumption of field training. This year, the annual summertime exercise has been renamed 'Ulchi Freedom Shield' and it is scheduled to end on 1st September 2022. South Korean President Yoon Suk-yeol has vowed to normalize the combined exercises and boost deterrence against the North.
- 20. UP government to build India's first education township:** The Uttar Pradesh government is planning to build an education township in the state. As per the Yogi Adityanath government, the education township will be developed on the idea of 'Single Entry, Multiple Exit'. The move will provide high-quality education to the youth and equip them with a variety of professional skills in a single place. Besides, it will provide accommodation and many other facilities to both students and teachers.
- 21. Amrita Hospital, Asia's biggest hospital in Faridabad, Haryana unveiled by PM Modi:** A 2,600-bed Amrita hospital Faridabad, Asia's biggest hospital with state-of-the-art technology, including a centrally located, fully automated laboratory, was officially inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi. This Amrita hospital Faridabad will significantly improve the NCR region's healthcare infrastructure.

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- 22. Onam 2022:** Onam is a harvest festival in Kerala and it is celebrated for 10 days. Onam will start from 30th August and will last till 8th September. It is the most famous and biggest festival of Kerala which symbolizes the annual homecoming of demon king Mahabali. Onam is celebrated for ten days among the Malayalis with great enthusiasm. This year, Onam 2022 will be celebrated from 30th August 2022 and will end on 8th September 2022.
- 23. Transgenders will be covered under Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY :** According to the government of India, transgenders will be brought under the ambit of Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY). The National Health Authority (NHA) under Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Department of Social Justice and Empowerment has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to provide inclusive and composite health package for transgenders under Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY.
- 24. For The First Time, India TO Take Over The G20 Presidency By December 2022:** The Union cabinet approved the setting up of a G20 Secretariat and related structures that will implement policy decisions and be responsible for arrangements for India's forthcoming presidency of the group in 2023. India will hold the presidency of the G20 from December 1, 2022, to November 30, 2023, culminating with the G20 Summit in India next year. The G20 is an international forum, made up of 19 countries and the European Union, representing the world's major developed and emerging economies. Together, the G20 members represent 85% of global GDP, 75% of international trade and two-thirds of the world's population.
- 25. Union Minister Anurag Thakur launched 'Azadi Quest' online games:** Union Minister Anurag Thakur has launched "Azadi Quest", a series of online educational games based on India's freedom struggle, developed in collaboration with Zynga India. These games are an effort to tap into the huge market of online gamers and to educate them through games.
- 26. RBI To Launch Digital Rupee Soon:** The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) will very likely introduce its digital rupee, the Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC), in this fiscal year itself. Talks of a digital rupee in the country have been swirling since Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced it during her Budget 2022 speech back in February. At the time, she had said that the digital rupee would be launched in 2022-2023. The digital rupee blockchain, being developed by the Reserve Bank, would be able to trace all transactions, unlike the current system of mobile wallet offered by private companies. China's digital RMB was the first digital currency to be issued by a major economy. As of July 2022, four central banks have launched a CBDC: the Central Bank of The Bahamas (Sand Dollar), the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank (DCash), the Central Bank of Nigeria (e-Naira) and the Bank of Jamaica (JamDex).
- 27. World's first fleet of hydrogen passenger trains by Germany:** The world's first fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trains was launched by Germany. The first fleet of hydrogen-powered passenger trains has replaced 15 diesel trains that were previously operated on nonelectrified tracks in Lower Saxony, Germany. The engine of the trains is powered by electricity generated using hydrogen fuel cells.
- 28. Former German chancellor Angela Merkel wins Unesco Peace Prize 2022 :** Former German chancellor Angela Merkel has been awarded the Unesco Peace Prize 2022 for "her efforts to welcome refugees". In the summer of 2015, as refugees were streaming into Europe, Merkel opened her country's borders and famously declared to Germans "Wir schaffen das", "We can do this."
- 29. Uttar Pradesh CM Yogi govt to set up country's first night safari in Lucknow:** The cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath approved the proposal of the Uttar Pradesh Tourism Department to start the country's first night safari in the capital Lucknow. Tourism and Culture Minister Jaiveer Singh said that on the

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lines of Singapore's world's first night safari, this night safari in Lucknow will be developed on 350 acres in the Kukrail forest area spread over an area of 2027.46 hectares and a zoological park will be built in 150 acres.

- 30. M Venkaiah Naidu launched a book titled "A New India: Selected Writings 2014-19":** Former Vice President, M Venkaiah Naidu has released a book titled "A New India: Selected Writings 2014-19", a compilation of selected articles of former Union Minister and Padma Vibhushan Arun Jaitley on his death anniversary. The event was also attended by Jammu & Kashmir Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha, and Union civil aviation minister Jyotiraditya Scindia, who also released the book along with Naidu. The book has been published by Juggernaut.
- 31. PM Modi Inaugurates Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital in Mohali:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 300-bed Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Centre at Mullanpur, Mohali in Chandigarh. The Homi Bhabha Cancer Hospital and Research Centre has been built at a cost of over ₹660 crores by the Tata Memorial Centre which is an aided institute under the Union Department of Atomic Energy. Chief Minister of Punjab Bhagwant Mann was also present during the inaugural ceremony of the Bhabha Cancer Hospital.
- 32. Indian scientist Samir V Kamat appointed as DRDO Chairman:** According to a Personnel Ministry order, Distinguished scientist Samir V Kamat was appointed as Secretary of the Department of Defence Research and Development and Chairman of the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO). Kamat, who is Director General, Naval Systems & Materials, at the DRDO will succeed G Satheesh Reddy who has been named as scientific adviser to Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.
- 33. INS Vikrant To Be Commissioned On Sept. 2:** The first indigenous carrier which has been constructed by Cochin Shipyard Ltd, will soon be commissioned as INS Vikrant on September 2. The warship will play the role of ensuring peace and stability in the Indo-Pacific region. The aircraft landing trials on board INS Vikrant will begin in November and will be completed by mid-2023. INS Vikrant will be commissioned in Cochin in the presence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the vice chief said, adding the equipment for the aircraft carrier has been manufactured in 18 states and union territories
- 34. Fourth Edition of India's Clean Air Summit Begins in Bangalore :** The fourth edition of India's Clean Air Summit (ICAS) took place in Bangalore with global experts. With the help of India's Clean Air Summit, global experts are set to discuss an integrated approach to resolving air pollution and increasing climate change. India's Clean Air Summit will continue till 26th August 2022. The Centre for Air Pollution Studies (CAPS) and the Centre for Study of Science, Technology, and Policy (CSTEP), think-tanks have organized the summit.
- 35. India's 1st 3D Printed Post Office to soon come up in Karnataka:** India's first 3D-printed post office is slated to come up in Bengaluru, Karnataka and will cost around one-fourth of the amount spent on a traditional building. The new post office building in Cambridge Layout in Halasuru, Bengaluru will be built using 3D printing and is likely to be completed within the next month. The Post Office building is being constructed by Larsen & Toubro, which is the only company currently in India utilising 3D printing technology for construction.
- 36. Justice Uday Umesh Lalit takes oath as 49th Chief Justice of India:** Justice Uday Umesh Lalit took oath as the 49th Chief Justice of India. Newly elected President of India Smt Droupadi Murmu administered the oath of office at a ceremony held at Rashtrapati Bhavan. Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Union ministers were present at the ceremony. Justice Lalit's predecessor, Justice NV Ramana, was also present at the oath-taking ceremony.

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- 1.** Which of the following state becomes the 1st 'Har Ghar Jal' certified state in India?
A. Uttarakhand B. Rajasthan C. Uttar Pradesh D. Kerala E. Goa
- 2.** Which of the following country becomes first country to make period products free for all?
A. Ireland B. Scotland C. Switzerland D. Netherland E. England
- 3.** World Humanitarian Day is celebrated on every year to recognise all aid and health workers who volunteer to help victims of disasters and crises against all odds.
A. August 20 B. August 19 C. August 18 D. August 17 E. August 16
- 4.** On which date World Photography Day is celebrated each year?
A. August 23 B. August 22 C. August 21 D. August 20 E. August 19
- 5.** Union Minister of Road, Transport & Highway Nitin Gadkari has launched India's first electric double-decker bus in which city?
A. Noida B. Bhubaneswar C. New Delhi D. Ahmedabad E. Mumbai
- 6.** The Border Road Organization (BRO) will construct a pilot road using steel slag in which state?
A. Tripura B. Jammu and Kashmir C. Assam D. Arunachal Pradesh E. Meghalaya
- 7.** PM Narendra Modi sets 'Panch Pran' target for next
A. 05 yrs B. 10 yrs C. 15 yrs D. 20 yrs E. 25 yrs
- 8.** Who has hand over to the Indian Army the much-awaited Future Infantry Soldier as a System (F-INSAS)?
A. Smriti Irani B. Amit Shah C. Narendra Modi D. Rajnath Singh E. Nitin Gadkari
- 9.** Which of the following bank has announced the launch of a new campaign titled 'Vigil Aunty'?
A. HDFC Bank B. ICICI Bank C. Yes Bank D. IDBI Bank E. Axis Bank
- 10.** The recently launched "Manthan" Platform is associated with which of the following?
A. Train tracking system in Railways B. Better industry and R&D collaboration
C. Indigenous Products in Indian Army D. Private Players collaboration in Space Technology
E. Collaboration between different departments of Government
- 11.** Which edition of the Asia's oldest football tournament- Durand Cup began in Kolkata in August 2022?
A. 100th B. 110th C. 131st D. 150th E. 148th
- 12.** Which bank has launched its first branch dedicated to start-ups in Koramangala, Bengaluru?
A. State Bank of India B. Axis Bank C. Yes Bank D. HDFC Bank E. Canara Bank
- 13.** From which year, India will start supplying petrol with 20 percent ethanol at select petrol pumps?
A. 2022 B. 2023 C. 2024 D. 2025 E. 2026
- 14.** What is the name of India's first saline water lantern?
A. Jagmag B. Surya C. Prakash D. Drishti E. Roshini
- 15.** William Ruto, was recently elected as the next president of which country?
A. South Africa B. Brazil C. Egypt D. Kenya E. Libya
- 16.** The Central government has reappointed four independent directors on the RBI central board for a term of four years. Who among the followings is not in the list?
A. Revathy Iyer B. Sachin Chaturvedi C. Krishnan Iyer D. Satish K Marathe E. Swaminathan Gurumurthy
- 17.** Prime Minister Narendra Modi is leading the celebrations from Red Fort in New Delhi and is addressing the nation from Red Fort in New Delhi. This is his address as the prime minister.
A. 5 B. 6 C. 7 D. 8 E. 9
- 18.** This year India is celebrating Independence Day on 15th August 2022 to mark the country's freedom from nearly two centuries of British colonial rule.

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A. 73rd B. 74th C. 75th D. 76th E. 77th

- 19.** Which of the following bank has introduced a unique term deposit programme called "Utsav Deposit Scheme"?
- A. Punjab National Bank B. Union Bank of India C. Canara Bank D. Bank of Baroda E. State Bank of India
- 20.** To improve the security of passengers, the Indian Railway along with the Railway Protection Force (RPF), have launched a pan-India operation known as?
- A. Operation Surakshit Sukhad safar B. Operation Surakshit safar C. Operation Yatri Suraksha
D. Operation Sukhad Yatra E. Operation Surakshit operation
- 21.** Rakesh Jhunjhunwala recently died at the age of 62 in Mumbai, following a cardiac arrest. Rakesh Jhunjhunwala is associated with?
- A. Construction B. Stock market C. Medical science D. Film industry E. Dance
- 22.** As on 14th August 2022, how many wetlands from India are declared as Ramsar sites during the year 2022?
- A. 21 B. 25 C. 28 D. 20 E. 18
- 23.** Who among the following has been appointed as the CEO of national intelligence grid (NATGRID)?
- A. Rakesh Mishra B. Anand Joshi C. Adarsh Chauhan D. Anurag Thakur E. Piyush Goyal
- 24.** Partition Horrors Remembrance Day is observed on which day?
- A. 9 August B. 8 August C. 10 August D. 12 August E. 14 August

ANSWER

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| 1) E | 5) E | 9) A | 13) B | 17) E | 21) B |
| 2) B | 6) D | 10) B | 14) E | 18) D | 22) C |
| 3) D | 7) E | 11) C | 15) D | 19) E | 23) E |
| 4) E | 8) D | 12) A | 16) C | 20) C | 24) E |

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