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1. Reorganization of Atomic Energy Commission

Recently, the Government of India has reorganized the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). Cabinet Secretary TV Somanathan and Expenditure Secretary Manoj Goel have been included in this new commission. Secretary of the Department of Atomic Energy Ajit Kumar Mohanty has been made the chairman of the commission.

2. Kashi Tamil Sangamam-3

The third edition of Kashi-Tamil Sangamam is being organized from 15 to 24 February 2025. It aims to further strengthen the historical and cultural ties between Tamil Nadu and Varanasi. The event will help the youth understand the importance of these ties and contribute to moving the country forward in the direction of 'Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat'.

3. Fast Track Immigration - Trusted Traveler Program (FTI-TTP).

Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the 'Fast Track Immigration-Trusted Traveler Program' (FTI-TTP) from Ahmedabad. This program is an innovative initiative of the Government of India to provide a fast, secure and smooth immigration process for international travelers. This program is especially beneficial for frequent travelers and individuals with clean records.

4. Zombie Deer Disease

Scientists and health experts are concerned about the possibility of zombie deer disease spreading to humans. It is scientifically called chronic wasting disease (CWD), which is a fatal neurological disease in animals such as deer, moose, and reindeer. The disease is named "zombie" because the affected animals behave strangely and abnormally.

5. Singapore confers honorary citizenship on Tarun Das.

Singapore has conferred its highest non-citizen honour, the Honorary Citizen Award, on former Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Director General Tarun Das for his significant contribution to strengthening India-Singapore relations. Tarun Das played a key role in strengthening economic and social ties between Singapore and India for several decades.

6. Indonesian President Subianto to be Chief Guest at Republic Day 2025 Celebrations

Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto will be the chief guest at the 76th Republic Day celebrations to be held on 26 January 2025 at Kartavya Path in New Delhi. Earlier, Indonesia's first President Sukarno attended the first Republic Day celebrations held on 26 January 1950 as the chief guest. In 2024, French President Emmanuel Macron was the chief guest of the 75th Republic Day celebrations.

7. Indian Army conducted 'Devil Strike' exercise.

The Indian Armed Forces are going to conduct a major military exercise, "Exercise Devil Strike", from 16 to 19 January 2025. The exercise will be led by the Indian Army, and aims to enhance the combat readiness of the forces. It will simulate high-intensity combat operations, incorporating advanced strategies and the latest warfare techniques.

8. Indian private space technology company Pixxel launched India's first private satellite constellation "Firefly".

The first three satellites of the Firefly constellation were successfully launched via SpaceX's Transporter-12 mission from Vandenberg Space Force Base in California. Firefly is Pixxel's flagship hyperspectral imaging (HSI) satellite constellation, consisting of six of the highest-resolution commercial hyperspectral satellites ever built.

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1. Which commission has been reorganized by the government recently

A - Environmental Protection Commission

B - Atomic Energy Commission

C - Finance Commission

D - Science and Technology Commission

The Government of India has reorganized the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). It includes Cabinet Secretary TV Somanathan, Expenditure Secretary Manoj Goel, National Security Advisor Ajit Doval, Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister Pramod Kumar Mishra and Foreign Secretary Vikram Misri.

2. Who will host Kashi-Tamil Sangamam-3 in Varanasi

A - IIT Madras

B - Banaras Hindu University (BHU)

C - Ambedkar University

D - Delhi University

The third edition of Kashi-Tamil Sangamam will be held from 15 to 24 February 2025. Its aim is to strengthen the historical and cultural ties between Tamil Nadu and Varanasi. IIT Madras is preparing the event, while BHU will host it. Students and teachers will get the opportunity to take 'Amrit Snan' in Maha Kumbh and visit Ram temple in Ayodhya.

3. Which airport first launched the Fast Track Immigration- Trusted Traveler Program (FTI-TTP)?

A - Mumbai International Airport

B - Chennai International Airport

C - Indira Gandhi International Airport (Delhi)

D - Kolkata International Airport

Amit Shah launched the 'Fast Track Immigration-Trusted Traveler Program' (FTI-TTP) from Ahmedabad, which ensures a fast, secure and simple immigration process for international travelers. This program is especially beneficial for trusted travelers who travel frequently. It was started from Indira Gandhi International Airport in Delhi in June 2024.

4. Recently, a disease called “zombie” has been found in which animal

A - Deer

B - Lion

C - Fox

D - Monkey

Scientists are concerned about the possibility of zombie deer disease, also called chronic wasting disease (CWD), spreading to humans. It is a fatal neurological disease in deer, moose and reindeer caused by an abnormal protein called prion. It spreads through contact with feces, urine, saliva, meat, or contaminated soil and water of infected animals.

5. Which Indian has been recently conferred honorary citizenship by Singapore

A - Tarun Das B - Mohan Gupta

C - Kushal Jain D - Hansal Mehta

Singapore honoured former Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) Director General Tarun Das with the Honorary Citizen Award for his significant contribution to strengthening India-Singapore relations. Das sent a delegation of Indian industrialists to Singapore in 1993 and established important milestones under the "Look East" policy.

6. Recently, the President of which country has been invited as the chief guest for the Republic Day 2025 celebrations?

A - Indonesia B - Japan

C - America D - China

Indonesian President Prabowo Subianto will be the chief guest at the 76th Republic Day celebrations to be held in New Delhi on 26 January 2025. Earlier, Indonesia's first President Sukarno was the chief guest of the first Republic Day celebrations in 1950. French President Emmanuel Macron was the chief guest in 2024.

7. Recently, which war exercise is going to be conducted by the Indian Army to increase its combat readiness

A - Exercise Shakti B - Exercise Vajra Prahar

C - Exercise Devil Strike D - Exercise Vatan

The Indian Armed Forces will conduct the "Exercise Devil Strike" military exercise from 16 to 19 January 2025. This exercise will be led by the Indian Army and aims to increase combat readiness. It will feature simulation of high-intensity combat operations, using advanced tactics and latest warfare techniques.

8. Which Indian company launched India's first private high spectral imaging satellite constellation named "Firefly"?

A - Pixel Vidyut B - Reliance Industries

C - Tata Group D - Infosys

The first three satellites of the Firefly constellation were successfully launched from California under SpaceX's Transporter-12 mission. These satellites are Firefly Pixel's flagship hyperspectral imaging (HSI) constellation, which includes high-resolution commercial HSI satellites. HSI satellites perform spectral identification of the Earth by analyzing a wide spectrum of light, providing more specific information.

One Liner

1. The chairman of the Department of Atomic Energy is - Ajit Kumar Mohanty

2. When did Kashi - Tamil Sangamam start - From the year 2022

3. What is the Fast Track Immigration Trusted Traveler Program (FTI-TTP) related to - Airports which will provide smooth and easy immigration to the passengers.

4. Why was the Zombie Deer Disease named Zombie - Animals affected by it behave abnormally and strangely.

5. Which country has recently granted honorary citizenship to Tarun Das - Singapore

6. Which ministry of the Government of India invites foreign leaders to be the chief guest in the Republic Day celebrations - Ministry of External Affairs

7. How long is the duration of the Indian Army exercise 'Devil Strike' - 16 to 19 January, 2025

8. Where is the Vandenberg Space Force Base located? From where rockets are launched into space - California, (USA)

9. In which city is India Mobility Global Expo 2025 being organized - New Delhi

10. Which Union Minister has recently launched the 'Bharat Ranbhoomi Darshan' app - Rajnath Singh