



CURRENT AFFAIRS 11th November 2021

National News

1. PM Modi to launch RBI Retail Direct and Integrated Ombudsman Scheme



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch two innovative customer-centric initiatives of the Reserve Bank of India tomorrow at 11 AM through video conferencing.
- These initiatives are the RBI Retail Direct Scheme and the Reserve Bank - Integrated Ombudsman Scheme.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and RBI Governor Shaktikanta Das will also attend the event.
- The RBI Retail Direct Scheme is aimed at enhancing access to the government securities market for retail investors.
- It offers them a new avenue for directly investing in securities issued by the Government of India and the State Governments.
- The central theme of the scheme is based on One Nation-One Ombudsman with one portal, one email, and one address for the customers to lodge their complaints.

2. CM Yogi Adityanath flags off Kanpur Metro trial run.



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi will launch the Kanpur Metro by the end of this year.
- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath flagged off the trial run of Kanpur Metro on nine-kilometre priority track between IIT and Moti Jheel.
- During the trial run, he also inspected the facilities available in the metro coaches as well as the arrangements for the platforms.
- On the occasion, Chief Minister said that the residents of Kanpur will have a great transportation service in the next six to eight weeks.

3. Odisha government launches road safety initiative 'Rakshak' to train first responders



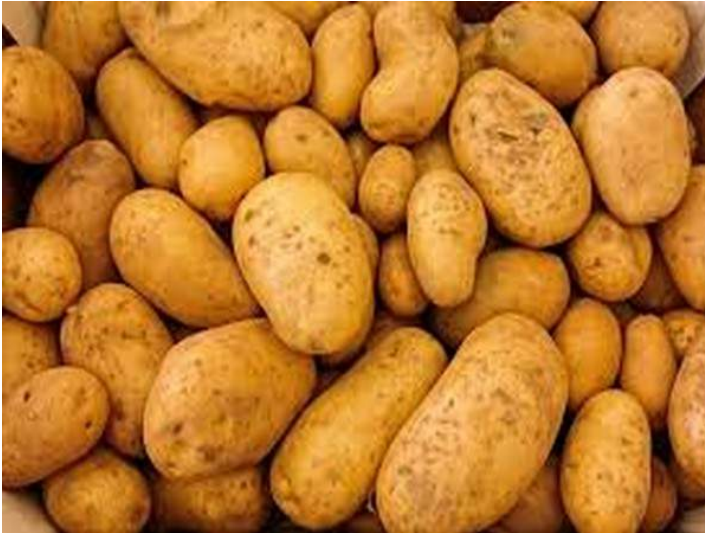
- Odisha government yesterday launched Rakshak, a road safety initiative to save precious lives.
- In a first of its kind State-level program, 30,000 volunteers staying or working at the eateries and different business establishments located near accident-prone spots will be trained as First Responders to road accidents.
- Under the program, 300 master trainers will train and empower the local people in all the 30 districts to render help to the victims of road accidents.
- These 30,000 first responders will be equipped to administer first aid and pre-hospital trauma care to accident victims within the golden hour.

4. Idol of Goddess Annapurna retrieved from Canada, hand over to UP government for Prana Prathista



- The idol of Goddess Annapurna which was retrieved from Canada today handed over to the UP government for installation and Prana Prathista at Kashi Vishwanath in Varanasi.
- It has begun its journey to the Kashi Vishwanath temple.
- Earlier, Union Culture Minister G Kishan Reddy and other Union Ministers Dharmendra Pradhan and Hardeep Puri performed puja to Annapurna Devi Murti at the National Gallery of Modern Art in New Delhi.

5. Punjab Cabinet nod for tissue culture-based seed potato rules



- The Punjab Cabinet headed by chief minister Charanjit Singh Channi approved the 'Punjab Tissue Culture Based Seed Potato Rules-2021' to develop Punjab as a standard potato seed centre.
- The Cabinet also approved to introduce the 'Punjab Horticulture Nursery Bill-2021' by amending 'Punjab Fruit Nursery Act-1961'.
- Punjab Governor: Banwarilal Purohit
- Punjab Capital: Chandigarh
- Punjab Chief minister: Charanjit Singh Channi.

6. IBM opens Client Innovation Centre in Mysuru



- **IBM Corp. launched a client innovation centre in Mysuru with support from the Karnataka Digital Economy Mission (KDEM) to attract companies to set up operations in cities beyond Bengaluru.**
- **The Karnataka Government's 'Beyond Bengaluru' initiative is expected to attract and host 5,000 IT companies and startups by 2026 in the Mysuru, Hubballi and Mangaluru clusters.**
- **IBM Corp. CEO: Arvind Krishna**
- **IBM Corp. Headquarters: Armonk, New York, United States**
- **IBM Corp. Founded: 16 June 1911**

Banking News

7. RBI to organise its first global hackathon with theme 'smarter digital payments'



- Reserve Bank of India has announced its first global hackathon 'HARBINGER 2021 - Innovation for Transformation' with the theme 'smarter digital payments'.
- Registration for the hackathon starts from November 15.
- For the Hackathon, RBI invites participants to identify and develop solutions that have the potential to make digital payments accessible to the under-served, enhance the ease of payments and user experience, while strengthening the security of digital payments and promoting customer protection.
- Ideas have also been sought for innovative, easy-to-use, non-mobile digital payment solutions for converting small-ticket cash transactions to digital mode; alternative mechanism for digital payments; and social media analysis monitoring tool for detection of digital payment fraud and disruption.

8. Junio ties up with RuPay for debit card for pre-teens, teenagers



- Children-focussed fintech, Junio, has launched a smart multipurpose card for pre-teens and teenagers on the RuPay platform.
- The Junio RuPay Card is designed for kids and can function as a debit card for both their online and offline purchases.
- Kids and parents can sign up on the Junio app, and use virtual Junio smart cards with zero annual charges.
- children can enjoy up to seven per cent cashback and other reward benefits on Junio payments.

Appointments

9. Vice Admiral R Hari Kumar to take over as Navy chief from November 30



- Vice Admiral R Hari Kumar has been named as the next Chief of the Naval Staff by the Government of India.
- He is presently posted as Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief Western Naval Command.
- He will take on the new role with effect from November 30, 2021. He will replace the incumbent Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral Karambir Singh
- Indian Navy Founded: 26 January 1950

Sports News

10. India Won 5 medals at inaugural ISSF President's Cup



- ISSF President's Cup was held at the Wroclaw in Poland
- The top-12 shooters in each of the shotgun, pistol and rifle categories participated in the tournament.
- Manu Bhaker- 25m Rapid Fire pistol Mixed Team competition (Gold)
- Manu Bhaker- 10m air pistol mixed team competition (Gold) partnering with **Javad Foroughi of Iran**
- Rahi Sarnobat- Women's 25m pistol silver individual competition (Silver)
- Saurabh Chaudhary- Men's 10m Air Pistol individual competition (Silver)
- Abhishek Verma- Men's 10m Air Pistol individual competition (Bronze)

International News

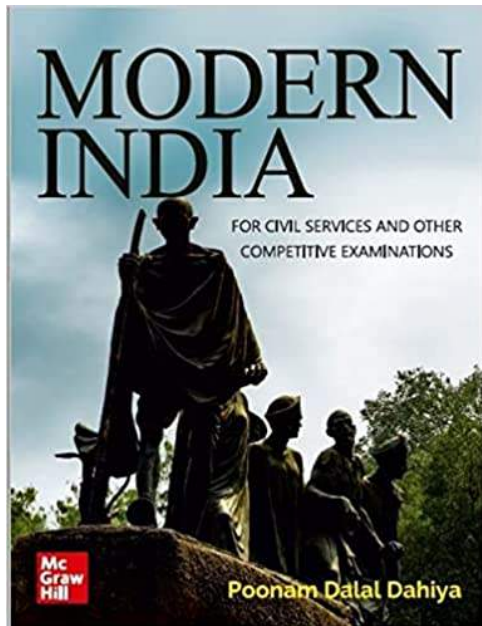
11. US joins International Solar Alliance as a member country



- **The United States has joined the International Solar Alliance (ISA) as a member country.**
- **It becomes the 101st country to sign the framework agreement of the ISA to catalyze global energy transition through a solar-led approach.**
- **US Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, John Kerry announced the decision at COP26 in Glasgow**
- **Director General of ISA- Dr. Ajay Mathur**
- **The launch of ISA was announced by Mr. Modi and the then French President Francois Hollande in November 2015 at the 21st session of the United Nations Climate Change Conference of the Parties (COP-21) in Paris.**

Books and Authors

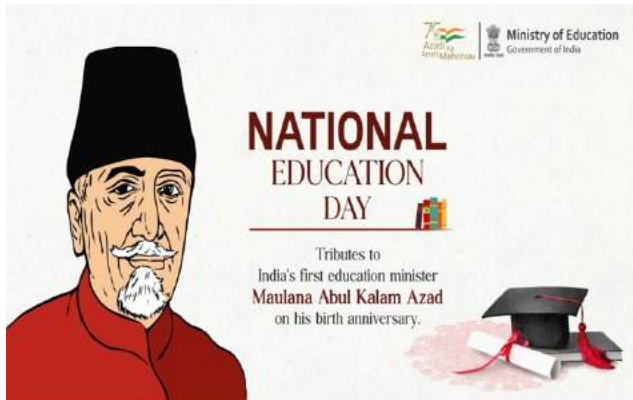
12. “MODERN INDIA: For Civil Services and Other Competitive Examinations” authored by Poonam Dalal Dahiya



- Manohar Lal Khattar, Chief Minister (CM) of Haryana released the book titled “MODERN INDIA: For Civil Services and Other Competitive Examinations” authored by Poonam Dalal Dahiya.
- Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), Gurugram. During the launch event, Poonam Dalal Dahiya gifted the first copy of the book to CM Manohar Lal Khatta

Important Days

13. National Education Day: 11 November



- It is observed to mark the birth anniversary of Maulana Abul Kalam Azad since 2008.
- Maulana Abul Kalam Azad was the first education minister of independent India.
- He served the nation from August 15, 1947, to February 2, 1958. Maulana Abul Kalam Azad was a reformer and freedom fighter.
- He was not merely a scholar but committed to building the nation through education.
- world education day: 24 January

Rank and Index

14. Denmark, Sweden lead the way in climate change performance

CLIMATE CHANGE PERFORMANCE INDEX

Rank	Country	Score
4.	Denmark	76.92
5.	Sweden	74.46
6.	Norway	73.62
7.	UK	73.29
8.	Morocco	71.64
9.	Chile	69.66
10.	India	69.22
11.	Lithuania	69.06
12.	Malta	64.39
13.	Germany	63.82
14.	Finland	62.74
15.	Switzerland	61.98
16.	Portugal	61.45
17.	France	61.33
18.	Luxembourg	61.03
19.	Netherlands	60.81
20.	Ukraine	60.52

GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

Rank	Country	Score
4.	UK	33.93
5.	Sweden	33.84
6.	Mexico	32.85
7.	Chile	32.69
8.	Malta	31.56
9.	Morocco	29.35
10.	India	31.42
11.	Denmark	31.22
12.	Morocco	30.71
13.	Norway	30.50
14.	Switzerland	30.03
15.	Germany	29.12
16.	Philippines	28.80
17.	Ukraine	27.38
18.	Romania	27.37
19.	Finland	27.21
20.	France	26.97

No rankings allotted from 1 to 3 because "no country performed well enough in all categories to achieve an overall very high rating, or did enough to lower their gas emissions"

- India has been placed at 10th spot in the global Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2022 released by Germanwatch on the side-lines of the COP26.
- In 2020 also India was at 10th position.
- India has retained its position as the top 10 best-performing countries with higher climate performance for the third year in a row.

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