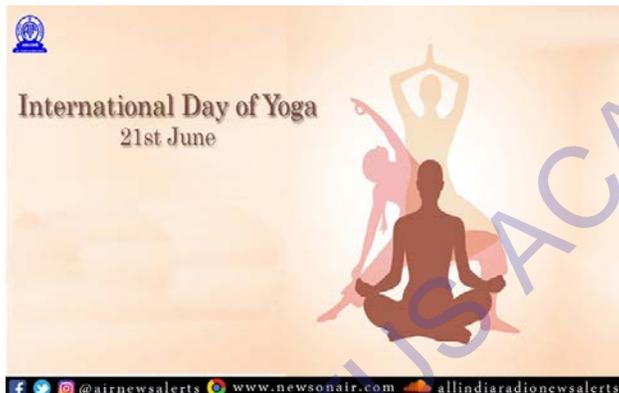




## CURRENT AFFAIRS 21st June 2022

### National News

1. Eighth International Day of Yoga being celebrated across the world today



- The 8th edition of International Day of Yoga is being celebrated today. Prime Minister Narendra Modi will lead the mass Yoga demonstration at Mysuru in Karnataka.
- Over 15 thousand participants are expected to do yoga along with the Prime Minister.
- Crores of people will participate in various International Day of Yoga programs being organized in India and the world.
- The theme of this year's International Day of Yoga is 'Yoga for Humanity'.
- As the International Day of Yoga is falling in the year of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', Yoga Day is being celebrated in 75 iconic places across the country.

- As part of the Guardian Ring initiative, the movement of the Sun from east to west will be celebrated through Yoga.
- Indian Missions in different countries will organise Yoga programmes at sunrise according to the local time there.

## 2. New Advanced Light Helicopter Squadron 840 CG inducted in Indian Coast Guard



- In the Indian Coast Guard, a new air squadron was created in Chennai yesterday by the name 840 Squadron, initially with an Advanced Light Helicopter (ALH) Mark-III aircraft.
- The aircraft was received with the traditional water cannon salute, in presence of Inspector General AP Badola, Commander of the eastern Coast Guard Region.
- This is the first such aircraft to be positioned by the defence force in the eastern region.
- Three more ALH aircraft will be added in the inventory of the new Squadron shortly, says the Coast Guard.
- The aircraft are having Beyond the Visual Range detection, using modern radars.
- It is equipped for target neutralisation operations, using its mounted Heavy Machine Gun.

### 3. Agniveers: Indian Army issues notification, Registrations from July

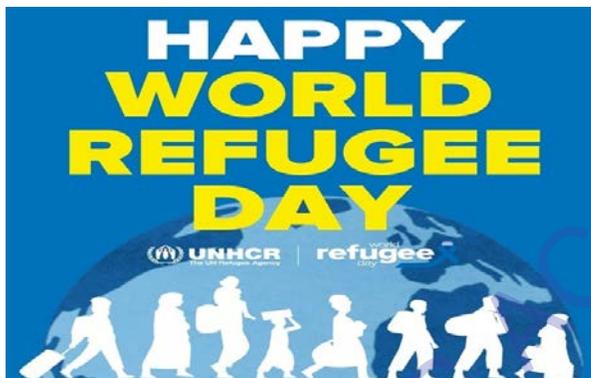


- The Indian Army today issued notification for the recruitment for Agniveers under the newly launched Agnipath scheme.
- The registrations will be opened from July onwards by the respective Army Recruitment Offices (ARO) for various trades.
- Registrations can be done through Indian Army's website [joinindianarmy.nic.in](http://joinindianarmy.nic.in)
- In the notification, Indian Army said, personnel enrolled through Agniveers scheme will be required to undergo periodical medical check-ups and physical, written and field tests.
- The performance would be considered for subsequent offer for enrolment in the regular cadre. It has been stated in the notification that Agniveers can be posted to any regiment and can be further transferred in organisational interest and all agniveers will be discharged on completion of four years of service.
- Based on organizational requirement and policies, Agniveers who are completing their engagement period in

each batch will be offered an opportunity to apply for enrolment in the regular cadre of Indian Army.

- It has been clearly stated that not more than 25 per cent of each specific batch of Agniveers will be enrolled in regular cadre of the Indian Army post completion of four years' engagement period.
- Agniveers enrolled as regular cadre would be required to serve for a further engagement period of 15 years in the Indian Army.

#### 4. World Refugee Day Observed with the theme 'Right to Seek Safety'



- Today is World Refugee Day. It is observed every year on 20th of June, to honour refugees around the globe and to spread awareness and sensitivity towards millions of people who have been displaced due to war, persecution, political turmoil or violence.
- The theme set by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees for this year is 'Right to Seek Safety'.
- we have a report --
- Every minute 20 people leave everything behind to escape war, persecution or terror. There are several types of forcibly displaced persons.
- According to the United Nations report, more than 100 million people have been forced to flee their homes so far due to various reasons including violence, disasters and war, among other reasons.

## 5. Today is National Reading Day

### **NATIONAL READING DAY**



- Today is the National Reading Day. The day is celebrated in honour of P N Panicker, considered the Father of Kerala's Library and Literacy Movement.
- It also marks the beginning of the month-long Digital Reading celebrations.
- Started as a Reading Day celebration on June 19, 1996, by the Government of Kerala in association with the P N Panicker Foundation, National Reading Day, became a mass movement to promote literacy and the culture of reading in the state.
- In 2017, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the National Reading / Digital Reading Month in Kochi and gave a clarion call to the country's citizens to propagate the message, Read and Grow.
- Several programmes are envisaged for the month-long celebrations by the union and state governments, NITI Ayog, National Digital Library of India in association with

the PN Panicker Foundation and various other stakeholders.

## 6. The top 20 best airports in the world according to passengers



- Qatar's Hamad International Airport has been named the World's Best Airport for the second year running.
- The announcement took place at the Skytrax 2022 World Airport Awards, held at Passenger Terminal EXPO in Paris, France.
- Kempegowda International Airport, Bengaluru (BLR Airport) was named the finest regional airport in India and South Asia. Customers voted for the airport with the greatest customer service every year in a global study, and BLR Airport received this honor.
- Singapore Changi Airport (World's Best Airport Staff Service and World's Best Airport Dining).

- **Istanbul Airport (World's Best Airport Shopping and Most Family-Friendly Airport).**
- **Tokyo Haneda Airport won awards as the World's Cleanest Airport, the World's Best Domestic Airport, the Best Airport in Asia, and the Best Airport PRM & Accessible Facilities.**
- **King Khalid International Airport in Riyadh secured the award as the World's Most Improved Airport.**

## **7. World Cup 2026 host cities revealed, with 11 venues in U.S., 3 in Mexico and 2 in Canada**



- **Matches for the 2026 World Cup will be held in 11 US cities as well as three host sites in Mexico and two in Canada, soccer's world governing body, FIFA, announced.**
- **The 16 host cities will be: Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, Guadalajara, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Mexico City, Miami, Monterrey, New York/New Jersey, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, Toronto and Vancouver.**
- **It will also be the first time that 48 teams will feature in the tournament, an increase from the 32 that will contest in FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022 from November 21 – December 18.**
- **60 matches will take place in the US, including all matches from the quarter-finals onward, while Canada and Mexico will host 10 games each.**

- Mexico also hosted the FIFA World Cup in 1970 and 1986.

8. LIC introduces 'Dhan Sanchay' savings life insurance plan; details here



- The Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) has introduced Dhan Sanchay, a non-linked, non-participating individual savings life insurance plan that offers both protection and savings.
- This plan provides financial support to the family if the life assured dies prematurely during the policy's term.
- According to a LIC press release, it also provides a guaranteed income stream from the date of maturity to the conclusion of the payout period
- The first two alternatives require a minimum Sum Assured of Rs.3,30,000/-, the third option requires a minimum Sum Assured of Rs.2,50,000, and the fourth option requires a minimum Sum Assured of Rs.22,00,000.

- There are no limitations on the maximum Premium. The minimum age for entrance varies depending on the Policy term selected.
- The death benefit payable on the death of a Life Assured during the policy term after the date of starting of risk but before the stipulated date of maturity is known as the Sum Assured on Death.
- According to the Policyholder's/Life Assured's option, the Death Benefit will be paid in a lump sum or in instalments over a 5-year term. After the Death Benefit is paid, the policy will expire, and no further payments will be paid.

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