

Today's Event – 14th October 2021

- 1322 – Robert the Bruce of Scotland defeats King Edward II of England at the Battle of Old Byland, forcing Edward to accept Scotland's independence
- 1656 – The General Court of the Massachusetts Bay Colony enacts the first punitive legislation against the Religious Society of Friends
- 1773 – The first recorded ministry of education, the Commission of National Education, is formed in the Polish–Lithuanian Commonwealth.
- 1808 – The Republic of Ragusa is annexed by France.
- 1843 – Irish nationalist Daniel O'Connell is arrested by the British on charges of criminal conspiracy.
- 1863 – American Civil War: Confederate troops under the command of A. P. Hill fail to drive the Union Army completely out of Virginia.
- 1884 – George Eastman receives a U.S. Government patent on his new paper-strip photographic film.
- 1888 – Louis Le Prince films the first motion picture, Roundhay Garden Scene.
- 1898 – The steam ship SS Mohegan sinks near the Lizard peninsula, Cornwall, killing 106.
- 1912 – Former president Theodore Roosevelt is shot and mildly wounded by John Flammang Schrank. With the fresh wound in his chest, and the bullet still within it, Roosevelt delivers his scheduled speech.
- 1913 – Senghenydd colliery disaster, the United Kingdom's worst coal mining accident, claims the lives of 439 miners.
- 1933 – Germany withdraws from the League of Nations and World Disarmament Conference.
- 1947 – Chuck Yeager becomes the first person to exceed the speed of sound.
- 1949 – The Smith Act trials of Communist Party leaders in the United States convicts eleven defendants of conspiring to advocate the violent overthrow of the federal government.
- 1956 – Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, leader of India's Untouchable caste, converts to Buddhism along with 385,000 of his followers (see Neo-Buddhism).
- 1957 – The 23rd Canadian Parliament becomes the only one to be personally opened by the Queen of Canada.
- 1962 – The Cuban Missile Crisis begins when an American reconnaissance aircraft takes photographs of Soviet ballistic missiles being installed in Cuba.
- 1964 – Martin Luther King Jr. receives the Nobel Peace Prize for combating racial inequality through nonviolence.
- 1964 – The Soviet Presidium and the Communist Party Central Committee each vote to accept Nikita Khrushchev's "voluntary" request to retire from his offices.
- 1966 – The city of Montreal begins the operation of its underground Montreal Metro rapid transit system.

- 1968 – The first live TV broadcast by American astronauts in orbit is performed by the Apollo 7 crew.
- 1968 – Jim Hines becomes the first man ever to break the so-called "ten-second barrier" in the 100-meter sprint with a time of 9.95 seconds.
- 1982 – U.S. President Ronald Reagan proclaims a War on Drugs.
- 1991 – Burmese opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi is awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

National Events-

- The Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) on Wednesday alleged that Aryan Khan, the accused in the mid-sea drug bust case, had a role to play in the illicit procurement and distribution of drugs and that he was in touch with some persons linked to an international drug network
- This Gandhi Jayanti saw a massive sale of Khadi products in Gujarat, the land of the Mahatma. On 2nd October this year, the overall sale of Khadi products stood at Rs 3,25,5000 (Rs 3.25 crore) across all 311 Khadi India outlets in Gujarat.
- Over 90,000 employees of the erstwhile Abdul Ghani Government in Afghanistan are starving as they have not been paid their salaries for the last three months post-Taliban takeover of Kabul in August.
- Breaking away from the tradition, President Ram Nath Kovind will celebrate Dussehra this year with jawans in Ladakh's Drass area. Traditionally, the president has been participating in Dussehra celebrations in the national capital.
- The Gujarat High Court on Wednesday granted bail as an interim relief to all four persons currently in jail in the first case filed in the State under an amended Act that penalises forcible or fraudulent religious conversion through marriage.

International Events-

- Stressing on the need for enhanced connectivity, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar on Wednesday proposed that the strategic Chabahar Port in Iran be included in the North-South Transport Corridor that has the potential to bridge connectivity barriers, as he agreed on a roadmap for future course of cooperation and exchanges
- The Taliban-led government in Afghanistan has "opened a new chapter" in relations with the international community by sending a message of good ties to the world, said Acting Foreign Minister Amir Khan Muttaqi.
- The coronavirus pandemic has shown that humans are very good at responding to an immediate crisis, says New Zealand's Climate Change Minister James Shaw. But when it comes to dealing with a slower-moving threat like climate change, he says, we're "terribly bad."
- Over 140 migrants were saved by Spanish rescuers on the perilous seaborne route from Africa to the Canary Islands, Spanish authorities said Wednesday.
- The Pakistan government on Wednesday said the process to appoint the new chief of spy agency ISI was underway, amid widespread speculation that Prime Minister Imran Khan and the powerful Army Chief Gen. Qamar Javed Bajwa were not on the same page over the key posting.

Job alerts-

- Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission Jobs for Non-Gazetted Posts and other posts. Last date 7th December 2021
- FSSAI Jobs for 254 Vacancies and other posts. Last date 12th November 2021
- Samagra Shiksha Assam Jobs for Consultant , Data Analyst and other posts. Last date 24 October 2021

Sports-

- Fast bowling all-rounder Shardul Thakur on Wednesday replaced Axar Patel in India's squad for the T20 World Cup to be held in the UAE and Oman from October 17. The 29-year-old Thakur has impressed with his 18 wickets in the ongoing IPL for Chennai Super Kings.
- Delhi Capitals head coach Ricky Ponting "knows" that only three-four players would be retained by his franchise before IPL's mega auction but given a chance, he wouldn't mind entering the next season with almost the same team that he has at his disposal now.
- Rahul Tripathi struck a stunning six in the penultimate delivery after opener Venkatesh Iyer's brilliant half century to help Kolkata Knight Riders beat Delhi Capitals by three wickets in the drama-filled second qualifier and enter the IPL final here on Wednesday.
- Indian golfers Aditi Ashok, Tvesa Malik and Diksha Dagar will compete at the third leg of the Aramco Series in New York beginning this week. Only Tvesa has played both earlier legs in London and in Spain, while Diksha was in the winning team in London and missed the event in Spain.
- Another hat trick for Cristiano Ronaldo, another win — and qualification for the World Cup — for Denmark.

Technology-

- As India takes advanced steps to launch 5G technology soon, Dell Technologies has introduced new telecom software, solutions and services to help communications service providers (CSPs) accelerate their open, cloud-native network deployments and create new revenue opportunities at the edge.
- Apple is reportedly planning to launch its third-generation Apple AirPods, along with the upcoming 14-inch and 16-inch MacBook Pro devices, powered by the unannounced M1X chipset on October 18.
- Social media giant Facebook has announced that it will be removing severe "sexualizing content" targeting public figures, including celebrities, politicians and creators, as part of a new update to its harassment policies.
- The Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellite communications company OneWeb backed by India-based Bharti Enterprises has launched 36 satellites
- Google Pocket Gallery was launched in 2018, but it was limited only to AR-capable smartphones to access and view artworks from the art museum.

Economy –

- After scaling a lifetime intraday high of 60,836.63 during the session, the 30-share Sensex settled 452.74 points or 0.75 per cent higher at 60,737.05 - its all-time closing high. Similarly, the Nifty rallied 169.80 points or 0.94 per cent to a new closing peak of 18,161.75. It also touched an intra-day record of 18,197.80.
- Consumer prices rose 0.4 per cent last month, slightly higher than August's gain and pushing annual inflation back to the highest increase in 13 years.

- The rupee on Wednesday rebounded by 15 paise to close at 75.37 against the US dollar following a rally in domestic equities and weak American currency in the overseas markets. In addition, lower crude prices and a benign retail inflation in September also supported the rupee sentiment, forex dealers said.
- IDFC FIRST Bank on Wednesday announced the launch of India's first Centre for Trauma Studies and Innovation (CTSI), in association with Banyan Academy of Leadership in Mental Health (BALM).
- Closing above the 61,000-mark for the first time, the 30-share Sensex settled 568.90 points or 0.94 per cent higher at 61,305.95. Similarly, the Nifty surged 176.80 points or 0.97 per cent to a new lifetime closing high of 18,338.55.

Local –

- Delhi BJP to start jhuggi yatra from Friday
- Rainfall in Karnataka causes energy crises on solar farms
- Cops in Kolkata stopped visitors to enter Burj Khalifa pandal
- Heavy rainfall in Odisha have dampened Dusshera festive spirit
- 11k out 90k test samples tested covid positive in Kerala

GK –

Which public sector unit has recently been accorded "Maharatna" status?

- [A] Power Finance Corporation
- [B] Airports Authority of India.
- [C] Bharat Dynamics Limited.
- [D] BEML Limited.

What is the theme of the 'World Arthritis Day 2021'?

- [A] Don't Delay, Connect Today: Time2Work
- [B] Leaving No one behind
- [C] Misdiagnosis in Arthritis
- [D] 25 years of Arthritis Day

Union Home Ministry began tripartite talks with Gorkha representatives and which state government?

- [A] Odisha
- [B] West Bengal
- [C] Assam
- [D] Jharkhand