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Today's Event – 28[™] October 2021

- 1636 The Massachusetts Bay Colony votes to establish a theological college, which would later become Harvard University.
- 1664 The Duke of York and Albany's Maritime Regiment of Foot, later to be known as the Royal Marines, is established.
- 1707 The 1707 HÅDei earthquake causes more than 5,000 deaths in Japan.
- 1726 The novel *Gulliver's Travels* is published.
- 1776 American Revolutionary War: British troops attack and capture Chatterton Hill from the Continental Army.
- 1834 The Pinjarra massacre occurs in the Swan River Colony. An estimated 30 Noongar people are killed by British colonists.
- 1835 The United Tribes of New Zealand are established with the signature of the Declaration of Independence.
- 1886 US president Grover Cleveland dedicates the Statue of Liberty.
- 1891 The Mino–Owari earthquake, the largest inland earthquake in Japan's history, occurs.
- 1893 Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 6 in B Minor, *Pathétique* receives its première performance only nine days before the composer's death.
- 1919 The U.S. Congress passes the Volstead Act over President Wilson's veto, paving the way for Prohibition to begin the following January.
- 1922 Italian fascists led by Benito Mussolini march on Rome and take over the Italian government.
- 1928 Indonesia Raya, now the national anthem of Indonesia, is first played during the Second Indonesian Youth Congress.
- 1942 The Alaska Highway first connects Alaska to the North American railway network at Dawson Creek in Canada.
- 1948 Paul Hermann Müller is awarded the Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for his discovery of the insecticidal properties of DDT.
- 1965 Pope Paul VI promulgates *Nostra aetate*, by which the Church officially recognizes the legitimacy of non-Christian faiths.
- 1971 Prospero becomes the only British satellite to be launched by a British rocket.
- 1982 The Spanish general election begins fourteen years of rule by the Spanish Socialist Workers' Party.
- 1990 Georgia holds its only free election under Soviet rule.
- 1995 The Baku Metro fire sees 289 people killed and 270 injured.
- 2005 Scooter Libby is indicted due to his involvement in the Plame affair.



- 2006 A funeral service takes place at the Bykivnia graves for Ukrainians who were killed by the Soviet secret police.
- 2007 Cristina Fernández de Kirchner becomes the first directly elected female President of Argentina.
- 2009 The 28 October 2009 Peshawar bombing kills 117 and wounds 213.
- 2009 NASA successfully launches the Ares I-X mission, the only rocket launch for its short-lived Constellation program.

National Events-

- In line with the New Education Policy (NEP), the Centre on Wednesday notified a four-year integrated teacher education programme. Now, the BEd course will be integrated and will be of four-year duration.
- Hitting-out at Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, the BJP on Wednesday said that the Supreme Court's decision to constitute an expert committee to look into the alleged use of the Pegasus software for surveillance is in line with the Government's affidavit on the matter.
- A manifold increase in public communication through media to keep the people aware of the functioning of the Rajya Sabha has marked the four years in office of M.Venkaiah Naidu as the Chairman of the House.
- The Election Commission (EC) on Wednesday warned Assam chief minister Himanta Biswa Sarma over the violation of the model code of conduct during campaigning for the assembly by-elections on October 30.
- A private school teacher in Rajasthan's Udaipur was on Wednesday arrested, a day after she was sacked by the school management for allegedly posting a WhatsApp status celebrating Pakistan's victory over India in a T20 Cricket World Cup match.

International Events-

- More than 30 instances of violence and threats of violence against Afghan journalists were recorded in the last two months, with nearly 90% committed by the Taliban, a media watchdog said.
- Midday bombings near a busy government office injured at least nine people in Myanmar's second biggest city on Wednesday, in what appeared to be the latest high-profile attack by militants opposed to the country's military rulers.
- Nepal Supreme Court Chief Justice Cholendra Shumsher Rana has refused to resign from his post amidst allegations that he helped his brother-in-law secure a berth in the Sher Bahadur Deuba-led Cabinet, triggering an unusual judicial crisis.
- The United States asked Britain's High Court on Wednesday to overturn a judge's decision that Julian Assange should not be sent to the United States to face espionage charges, promising that the WikiLeaks founder could serve any prison sentence he receives in his native Australia.
- The United States and China are stepping up their war of words over Taiwan in a long-simmering dispute that has significant implications for the power dynamic in the Indo-Pacific and beyond.

Job alerts-

• UPSC Jobs for ADEO, MO, SSO and other posts. Last date 11th November 2021



- BMRCL Jobs for assistant security officer and other posts. Last date 17th November 2021
- UCIL Jobs for apprentice and other posts. Last date 2nd November 2021
- Uttarakhand Vidhan Sabha Jobs for Group B, Group C and other posts. Last date 30th October 2021
- Malkangiri Court Jobs for clerk, steno, typist and other posts. Last date 8th November 2021

Sports-

- Celebrated former captain Rahul Dravid is all but certain to to be the Indian cricket team's next head coach after he formally applied for the high-profile position on Tuesday.
- Aiden Markram struck a whirlwind unbeaten fifty as South Africa produced an all-round effort to bounce back strongly from their opening defeat and beat West Indies by eight wickets to secure their first win in the Super 12 stage of the ICC T20 World Cup here on Tuesday.
- South African star Quinton de Kock on Thursday made himself available for his team's remaining matches of the T20 World Cup, saying he is fine taking a knee if it "educates others" and that he was deeply hurt at being called a racist for refusing to make the gesture earlier.
- After another poor performance and yet another loss, Ronald Koeman couldn't hang on any longer as Barcelona coach.
- Debutants Namibia got themselves out of a difficult situation in a low-scoring game to record a memorable four-wicket win over Scotland in their opening Super 12 match in the ICC T20 World Cup here on Wednesday.

Technology-

- Intel has officially announced its new 12th Gen Core processors for the desktop based on the company's Alder Lake architecture using a 10nm fabrication process.
- Eighty per cent of gas stations in Iran were back in service after a major cyberattack caused widespread disruption, an official said.
- Google has implemented a new policy under which anyone under the age of 18, or their parent or guardian, can now request the removal of their images from Search
- Some OnePlus 8 users are claiming that they are unable to use Google Pay, banking apps along with several other apps after updating their OnePlus 8 with Oxygen OS
- Android on a tablet still lacks the level of optimisation that Apple has achieved over the years. Google plans to change that with a new optimised OS called Android 12L.

Economy –

- The 30-share index was trading 306.32 points or 0.50 per cent lower at 60,837.01 in initial deals. Similarly, the Nifty fell 89.50 points or 0.49 per cent to 18,121.45.
- Crisil Rating on Wednesday warned that despite the respite from a temporary fall in power demand, a tenth of the thermal capacity is still vulnerable to the outage as it sees coal-stock remaining in single-digit days through the rest of the year.
- With an aim to create 3,000 jobs within next 36 months by creating a pool of qualified job-ready skilled resources in the diagnostic sector, Healthians in collaboration with Shri Vishwakarma Skill



University (SVSU) has announced the launch of the on-the-job training programme of selected youth candidates.

- The Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (MoRTH) is giving enormous thrust on improving Logistics in the country and taking steps to bring efficiency into logistics management.
- A body of tea planters on Wednesday expressed concern over rising imports of the commodity and said a minimum price should be fixed for shipments arriving from overseas to protect the domestic units.

Local –

- Slight rise in covid tally in Maharashtra
- 1.5 crore vaccine shots in 7 NCR districts of Delhi
- Two gaanjaa peddlers arrested in arrested in Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh)
- Kolkata Municipal Corporation prepares ghats for Chhatt Puja rituals
- Theatres to open in Tamil Nadu from 1st November 2021

GK –

As per the recent amendments to Indian Telegraph Right of Way Rules, what is the maximum one-time compensation, per kilometer?

[A] Rs 500

- [B] Rs 1000
- [C] Rs 5000
- [D] Rs 10000

As per recent RBI rules, what is the maximum IPO funding per borrower, by NBFCs?

- [A] Rs 25 lakh
- [B] Rs 50 lakh
- [C] Rs 1 Crore
- [D] Rs 5 Crore

Which country has recently given in-principle support for net zero by 2050?

- [A] Australia
- [B] Norway
- [C] UAE
- [D] New Zealand

Which neighbouring country of India has passed a new law to strengthen land border protection?

[A] Nepal

[B] China



[C] Sri Lanka[D] Bangladesh

Which Indian actor has been conferred with 51st Dadasaheb Phalke Award recently?

[A] Rajinikanth[B] Kamal Hassan[C] Mohanlal[D] Chiranjeevi