

**Today's Event – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2021**

- 1187 – Saladin begins the Siege of Jerusalem.
- 1260 – The Great Prussian Uprising among the old Prussians begins against the Teutonic Knights
- 1519 – Ferdinand Magellan sets sail from Sanlúcar de Barrameda with about 270 men on his expedition to circumnavigate the globe.
- 1835 – The decade-long Ragamuffin War starts when rebels capture Porto Alegre in Brazil.
- 1857 – The Indian Rebellion of 1857 ends with the recapture of Delhi by troops loyal to the East India Company.
- 1870 – The *Bersaglieri* corps enter Rome through the *Porta Pia*, and complete the unification of Italy.
- 1871 – Bishop John Coleridge Patteson, first bishop of Melanesia, is martyred on Nukapu, now in the Solomon Islands.
- 1881 – U.S. President Chester A. Arthur is sworn in, the morning after becoming president upon James A. Garfield's death.
- 1893 – Charles Duryea and his brother road-test the first American-made gasoline-powered automobile.
- 1946 – The first Cannes Film Festival is held, having been delayed seven years due to World War II
- 1954 – The first *Moomins* comic strip was published in the British newspaper *The Evening News*
- 1965 – Following the Battle of Burki, the Indian Army captures Dograi in course of the Indo-Pakistani War of 1965.
- 1977 – Vietnam is admitted to the United Nations.
- 1990 – South Ossetia declares its independence from Georgia
- 2000 – The United Kingdom's MI6 Secret Intelligence Service building is attacked by individuals using a Russian-built RPG-22 anti-tank missile
- 2001 – In an address to a joint session of Congress and the American people, U.S. President George W. Bush declares a "War on Terror"
- 2011 – The United States military ends its "Don't ask, don't tell" policy, allowing gay men and women to serve openly for the first time.

**National Events-**

- 30k fresh covid cases recorded in the last 24 hours in India
- As per TMC leader Babul Supriyo, Bengal CM Mamata Banerjee is one of the top contenders for the 2024 elections for Prime Minister
- Meeting meet US VP Kamala Harris and Apple CEO Tim Cook included during PM Modi's visit to the US
- A Hindu family was held and tortured for fetching water from a local mosque

- Congress leader Rahul Gandhi is likely to attend the oath-taking ceremony of Charanjit Singh Channi as chief minister of Punjab on Monday

#### **International Events-**

- The last two of six Palestinian prisoners who escaped a maximum-security Israeli prison two weeks ago were rearrested early on Sunday, the Israeli military said
- President Vladimir Putin's party was set to retain a majority in parliament as Russia Sunday concluded a three-day election in which most Kremlin critics were barred from running.
- Unidentified gunmen shot dead a police constable escorting a team of polio workers in northwest Pakistan's restive Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province on Sunday
- Select Hong Kong residents voted for members of the Election Committee that will choose the city's leader in the first polls Sunday following reforms meant to ensure candidates with Beijing loyalty
- The military earlier said the militants killed late Saturday were Ali Kalora, leader of the East Indonesia Mujahideen network that has claimed several killings of police officers and minority Christians, and another suspected extremist, Jaka Ramadan, also known as Ikrima.

#### **Job alerts-**

- DHFWS Ambala Jobs for AMO, Nurse, ANM, and other posts. Last date 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021
- TN TRB Jobs for PG Assistant and other posts. Last date 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021
- CLW Jobs for apprentice and other posts. Last date 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2021
- SECR Jobs for apprentice and other posts. Last date 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021
- IIT Jodhpur Jobs for Intern and other posts. Last date 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

#### **Sports-**

- New Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) chairman Ramiz Raja has emphasised that the country's cricket had gone through experiences similar to the one when the New Zealand team pulled out at the last minute but it had "always moved forward".
- New Zealand players shouldn't be blamed for the cancellation of the tour of Pakistan as they were just following the advice of their government, said Kiwi pacer Mitchell McClenaghan.
- Indian TT pairs of Siddhesh Pande and Mudit Dani, and Fidel R Snehit and Sudhanshu Grover ended their campaign with mens doubles bronze medals at the 2021 ITTF Kazakhstan International Open in Karaganda. Both the pairs displayed a great show throughout the tournament before suffering defeats in their respective semifinals.
- West Indies cricketing legend Brian Lara is "shocked" with Indian skipper Virat Kohli's decision to step down as the T20 skipper after the ICC T20 World Cup scheduled to be held in the UAE and Oman in October-November this year.
- Ruturaj Gaikwad hit a fine half-century to lead Chennai Super Kings to a 20-run win over defending champions Mumbai Indians in the first match of the second phase of the Indian Premier League here on Sunday

**Awards and honours-**

- Kurukshetra University announces Goyal Award for 4 eminent scientists
- Michaela Coel won Emmy for writing 'I May Destroy You'

**Technology-**

- Microsoft is planning to launch new versions of its Surface Pro 8 as well as Surface Laptop 4 soon and now a new report has claimed that the Surface Pro 8 will pack an 11th gen Intel processor, a 13-inch display with a refresh rate of 120Hz as well as Thunderbolt support
- Facebook appoints former Uber Executive Rajiv Aggarwal as head of policy
- Apple+ Care expands to more countries like France and Italy
- Flipkart partners with Davinta to offer credit facilities to MSMEs and Kiranas
- Amazon adds 3 more languages- Malayali, Telegu, and Bengali for online sellers to register with ease

**Economy –**

- Advent to buy Eureka Forbes at Rs. 4400 crores
- The 30-share Sensex was trading 355.27 points or 0.60 per cent lower at 58,660.62. Similarly, Nifty fell 108.50 points or 0.62 percent to 17,476.65 in initial deals.
- The Indian Government has received maximum foreign direct investment (FDI) proposals in three departments -- electronics and IT, industry and internal trade, and heavy industries -- from countries sharing a land borders with India, an official said.
- With Afghanistan coming under the control of the Taliban, Union Minister Nitin Gadkari on Sunday said a final decision on continuing infrastructure investments in the war-torn country will be taken by the Prime Minister along with the External Affairs Minister after considering the prevailing situation
- Four of the top-10 most valued companies together added Rs 65,464.41 crore to market valuation last week, with Bharti Airtel and State Bank of India emerging as the biggest gainers.

**Environment –**

- US tribes demand emergency protection for wolves

**Local –**

- The number of containment zones in Delhi is 103
- Hindu woman forced to hit Muslim boyfriend with slippers in UP
- School children in Bengaluru (Karnataka) launches Chipko like movement to save 40 trees
- A nine-day workshop to be held in Kolkata (West Bengal) for priests on conducting rituals while maintaining covid-19 rules and regulations
- 9 districts of Karnataka has given more second doses than 1<sup>st</sup> dose

**GK –**

**Which ministry has launched a Pan-India Special Campaign called "Ek Pahal Drive?"**

- [A] Ministry of Law and Justice
- [B] Ministry of Rural Development
- [C] Ministry of Corporate Affairs
- [D] Ministry of Finance

**Which organization has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Convergence Energy Services Limited (CESL) for installing a public charging station for electric vehicles?**

- [A] Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation
- [B] Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Limited
- [C] Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Limited
- [D] Punjab Energy Development Agency

**With which organization, NITI Aayog has partnered to provide free access to education to students in 112 Aspirational Districts in India?**

- [A] Unacademy
- [B] BYJU
- [C] Tata Institute of Fundamental Research
- [D] IIT Kanpur

**The Indian High Commission located in which country has celebrated the 57th Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) day?**

- [A] Australia
- [B] Qatar
- [C] Bangladesh
- [D] South Korea

**Which organization has decided to train 50,000 youths under a recently launched scheme?**

- [A] NITI Aayog
- [B] Ministry of Railways
- [C] Prasar Bharati
- [D] Ministry of Finance