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Today's Event – 15th August 2021 75th Independence Day

- 1519- Panama City was founded
- 1537- Asuncion of Paraguay was founded
- 1540- Arequipa of Peru was founded
- 1947- India gained independence from British rule
- 1947- Muhammad Ali Jinnah appointed as Pakistan's governor-general
- 1960- Republic of Congo gained independence from France
- 1970- Patricia Palinkas becomes first woman to play American football professionally
- 1975- Bangladesh leader Sheikh Mujibur Rahman assassinated during a military coup

National Events-

- India recorded 36k active covid cases and 493 deaths
- J&K police arrested 4 Jaish-e-Mohammad terrorists
- Indian navy conducted searches in underwater to trace missing pilots of the Indian army
- Central team to arrive in Kerala to take action and assessment of rising covid cases
- Rape of a 17-year old girl in Maharashtra; one in police custody and other on the run

International Events-

- Afghan President Ashraf Ghani unwilling to give up Afghanistan to Taliban
- Sending US troops to Afghanistan for support questions US President Joe Biden's promise of complete withdrawal of troops by 31st March 2021
- Chaman-Spin Boldak border opened after Pakistan's negotiation with the Taliban
- Sri Lanka to import O₂ supplies from India to combat oxygen deficiency
- As per report, Asian Americans is the fastest growing racial in the US

Job alerts-

- State Bank of India (SBI) Jobs for Special Cadre Officer (Engineer Civil/ Electrical) and other posts. Last date 2nd September 2021
- Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) Jobs for Assistant Manager and other posts. Last date 22nd August 2021
- Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) Jobs for Head Constable (Ministerial) and other posts. Last date 22nd August 2021
- West Bengal Gramin Dak Sevaks (India Post) Jobs for GDS Vacancy - Cycle III and other posts. Last date 19th August 2021

- Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC) Jobs for RAS RTS and other posts. Last date 27th August 2021

Sports-

- KL Rahul backs up Cheteshwar Pujara and Ajinkya Rahane to come back to form
- Prithvi Shaw and Suryakumar Yadav to join Indian test test team at Lord's
- Badminton World Federation suspended Taipei Open 300 due to the covid pandemic
- Olympic gold medallist Neeraj Chopra suffers from fever but tested covid negative
- Suspended Olympic Vinesh Phogat apologizes to Wrestling Federation of India for not training with teammates

Awards and honours-

- Six ITBP personnel were awarded President's Gallantry Medal
- Major Arun Kumar Pandey, Major Ravi Kumar Chaudhary, Captain Ashutosh Kumar (posthumously), Captain Vikas Khatri, Rifleman Mukesh Kumar, and Sepoy Neeraj Ahlawat awarded Shaurya Chakra

Technology-

- Ola scooter to launch at a price of Rs. 99,999

Economy –

- US consumer sentiment low due to rise in delta variant covid 19
- Indian government invited US investors to discover opportunities of investment in the renewable energy sector
- Cab company Ola stated that transition to e-vehicles possible by 2025
- Sensex crosses 55,487.79 while Nifty soars at 16,543.60
- PM Modi has set a target of becoming an energy independent nation by 2047

Environment –

- 46 wetlands confirmed in India

Local –

- BSF hoists flag at a remote Naxal base in Orissa
- TMC MP Dola Sen alleged an attack on her convoy on 15th August 2021 while police do nothing
- Andhra Pradesh extends curfew up to August 21st, 2021
- Goa extends lockdown to 23rd August 2021
- Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Dhami to give free tablets to class 10th and 12th students

GK –

Who is the national record holder in the men's 3000m steeplechase?

- [A] Gulzar Singh Mann
- [B] Avinash Sable
- [C] Gopal Saini
- [D] Madan Singh

On which date, “International Friendship Day” is celebrated by the United Nations?

- [A] August 8
- [B] August 1
- [C] July 30
- [D] July 28

What was the theme of the “World Day against Trafficking 2021”?

- [A] Save lives
- [B] The future we want, the UN we need
- [C] Human Trafficking: Call Your Government To Action
- [D] Victims voices lead the way

Under which rules, Google India released its compliance report regarding the deletion of contents?

- [A] IT Rules 2000
- [B] IT Rules 2019
- [C] IT Rules 2021
- [D] IT Rules 2007

Roberto Calasso, who died recently, belonged to which country?

- [A] Germany
- [B] Ireland
- [C] Italy
- [D] France