

Today's Event – 17th August 2021

- 1836- British parliament started accepting registration of births, marriages, and deaths.
- 1918- Bolshevik revolution leader Moisei Uritsky was assassinated.
- 1945- Sukarno and Mohammad Hatta proclaimed Indonesia's independence, starting the Indonesian National Revolution against Dutch Empire.
- 1945- George Orwell's Animal Farm first published
- 1947- The Radcliffe Line between India and Pakistan revealed.
- 1970- USSR launched Venera satellite. It became the first spacecraft to successfully transmit data from the surface of another planet (Venus).
- 1977- The Soviet icebreaker Arktika became the first surface ship to have reached the North Pole.
- 2008- American swimmer and decorated Olympian Michael Phelps becomes an athlete to win eight gold medals at one Olympic Games.

National Events-

- India recorded 25k new covid cases and 437n deaths
- Maharashtra death toll drops to 100
- The civil aviation ministry has granted permission to 10 organizations including SAIL, Mahindra and Mahindra, and Bayer Crop Science to use drones for various purposes
- CBI arrests railway engineer and clerk for bribery in Mumbai
- A man in Uttar Pradesh was awarded the death penalty for raping a toddler

International Events-

- Zambia's veteran opposition leader Hakainde Hichilema won Zambia's presidential election and was elected president
- Detainee Wu Huan claims China has a secret jail in Dubai
- Malaysian Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin resigned after getting no support for covid mismanagement
- The US assured UNSC that Afghanistan won't become a terror base ever again
- Abdul Ghani Baradar, the Taliban leader is reported as the undisputed leader of war in Afghanistan

Job alerts-

- Indian Oil Corporation Limited Jobs for Trade / Technician Apprentices and other posts. Last date 28/08/2021
- IIT Bhilai Jobs for Administrative and Technical and other posts. Last date 20/08/2021
- MP High Court Jobs for Personal Assistant and other posts. Last date 30/09/2021

- Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT) Jobs for Assistant Professor Posts and other posts. Last date 15 September 2021
- Rail Wheel Factory (RWF) Jobs for Apprentice and other posts. Last date 13 September 2021

Sports-

- Daniil Medvedev wins ATP Toronto Masters against Reilly Opelka
- Italian Camila Giorgi defeated Karolina Pliskova to win WTA Montreal Title
- Barcelona FC in debt of 1.3 billion euro's which caused Lionel Messi's departure from the team
- Tennis legend Roger Federer to undergo knee surgery
- Spectators to be barred from Tokyo Paralympics due to rise in covid cases despite security measures

Technology-

- Samsung leading curved monitor market in 2nd quarter for 2021
- Tinder to make account verification option available to users
- Xbox series X to receive 4k dashboard for higher resolution

Economy –

- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman made a cut in excise duty on petrol and diesel to drop prices
- Fuel demand recovery ongoing in August, 8% decrease in demand for diesel
- Sensex has reached 55,582.58; Nifty advanced to 16,589.40
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman expects inflation to remain in the prescribed range during the current fiscal.
- Sensex and Nifty opens at 55,646.79 and 16,578 respectively

Environment –

- 96k salmon death in Norway due to chlorine leak
- World Lion Day; Steady increase of lion population in India
- Chinese waste reported to endanger and destroy reefs in the South China Sea
- Fourteen wild elephants protected in China's Yunnan province
- UN reports state that that global temperature will rise in the next 20 years

Local –

- Swimming pools to open by 17th August 2021 in West Bengal
- Rajasthan government that 50% of children were orphaned during Covid aid
- Kerala allotted Rs.267.35 crores for covid aid
- A 20-year-old tribal woman and her lover were arrested for murdering their 2.5 years old daughter in Tamil Nadu

- 23 lakh people reported being vaccinated in Uttar Pradesh

GK –

Which state/UT has passed the Cattle Preservation Bill, 2021?

- [A] Assam
- [B] Manipur
- [C] Sikkim
- [D] Odisha

Recently, who has inaugurated an exhibition named Katha Kranthiveeron Ki?

- [A] Narendra Modi
- [B] G. Kishan Reddy
- [C] Amit Shah
- [D] Dharmendra Pradhan

Which State has announced the creation of four new districts?

- [A] West Bengal
- [B] Jharkhand
- [C] Telangana
- [D] Chhattisgarh

Which state/UT has announced smart health cards under its Swasthya Kalyan Yojana?

- [A] Kerala
- [B] West Bengal
- [C] Odisha
- [D] Karnataka

Recently, Gerd Müller, a former legendary footballer passed away. Which country did he represent in the football world cup?

- [A] East Germany
- [B] Hungary
- [C] West Germany
- [D] Switzerland