

Today's Event – 23rd August 2021

- 1799 – Napoleon I of France left Egypt for France to seize power
- 1839 – the United Kingdom captured Hong Kong as a base to prepare for the First Opium War with the Qing dynasty of China.
- 1866 – Austro-Prussian War ended with the Treaty of Prague.
- 1873 – Albert Bridge in Chelsea, London opened up
- 1904 – First automobile tire chain was patented
- 1923 – Captain Lowell Smith and Lieutenant John P. Richter performed the first-ever mid-air refuelling on De Havilland DH-4B, making an endurance flight record of 37 hours.
- 1948 – World Council of Churches was formed by 147 churches representing 44 countries.
- 1966 – Lunar Orbiter 1 took the first photograph of Earth from orbit around the Moon
- 1970 – The Salad Bowl strike, the largest farmworker strike in U.S. history, began
- 1973 – Stockholm Syndrome was named when a robbery in Sweden failed and the hostages felt sympathetic towards their captors
- 1990 – Saddam Hussein appeared on Iraqi state television with Western "guests" (hostages) in order to stop the Gulf War
- 1990 – Armenia declared its independence from USSR
- 1990 – West and East Germany announced their reunion as a united Germany on October 3.
- 1991 – The World Wide Web was opened for public
- 2007 – Last remains of Russia's last royal family members Alexei Nikolaevich, Tsarevich of Russia, and his sister Grand Duchess Anastasia were discovered near Yekaterinburg, Russia
- 2011 – Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi was overthrown after National Transitional Council forces took control of the Bab al-Azizia compound during the Libyan Civil War.

National Events-

- India's first-ever smog tower inaugurated by Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal
- Koli community of Mumbai celebrated Narali Purnima
- 34k cases of covid 19 and 357 deaths recorded in India
- Fear, trauma and panic prevails over Afghan students in Goa
- Shivajirao Kadam Institute of Technology and Management of Indore holds a seminar on cybersecurity during lockdown

International Events-

- Afghan tricolour flag becomes a symbol of resistance against the Taliban

- Russian President Vladimir Putin does not want militants disguised as refugees
- Hostilities arise as Hamas sites are affected by Israel's missile fire on Gaza
- New Zealand has extended a nationwide lockdown to tackle the covid issue
- No comfort for Afghan women despite Taliban's law of Sharia

Job alerts-

- Indian Air Force Jobs for group C and other posts. Last date 21st September 2021
- NTPC Jobs for Medical Assistants, Assistant officers and other posts. Last date 2nd September 2021
- HAL Jobs for medical superintendent, senior medical officer and other posts. Last date 4th September 2021
- Coast guard Jobs for group B, chargeman and other posts. Last date 13th September 2021
- BSF Jobs for GD Constable and other posts. Last date 22nd September 2021

Sports-

- Indian cricket legend Sachin Tendulkar urges people to support Paralympian athletes
- Jasprit Bumrah channels anger to rain damage on England during the Test series. People compared his performance to Zaheer Khan's performance during 2007's Nottingham series
- USA cricket chief Paraag Marathe prefer the T20 format for cricket in the Olympics but is open to other formats
- Real Madrid ends the match with a 3-3 draw against Levante
- Cricketers Yuzvendra Chahal and K Gowtham tested covid positive

Awards and honours-

- TBA

Technology-

- Google removed 10 cryptocurrency apps due to hacking and stealing money
- Nokia 3.4 received an Android 11 update
- Motorola postponed the launch of Edge 20 phones in India till August 27th 2021
- South Korea's Sejong City is utilizing drones to deliver pizza
- Buying and selling process has been initiated by PayPal in the UK

Economy –

- Sensex low at 55,408; Nifty down at 16,455
- Petrol at Rs. 101.64; diesel at Rs. 89.07
- Bitcoin jumped above 50k dollars for the first time since May
- Indian government against merging of Vodafone Idea and BSNL-MTNL

- HDFC and PayTM team up to provide payment solutions to their merchant trader

Environment –

- 21% SURPLUS rainfall recorded in Delhi
- 22 dead and many people missing after 17 inches of rainfall in Tennessee, US
- Artificial lake in Dehradun, Uttarakhand has caused fear of flood in the state

Local –

- New Town subway to be open this week in Kolkata, West Bengal
- Gangs of 10 chain snatchers busted in Goa
- Former UP CM Kalyan Singh's funeral to be held in Bulandshahr, Uttar Pradesh
- Fuel prices in Hyderabad (Andhra Pradesh) were reduced by 20 paise
- Tamil Nadu's covid cases rise to 26 lakhs accompanied by 19k fatalities

Person in News –

- TBA

GK –

Which organization has launched a new initiative called the Small Business Loans Initiative?

- [A] Facebook
- [B] Google
- [C] State Bank of India
- [D] Bank of Baroda

Which organization has launched Urja, an AI-enabled virtual assistant?

- [A] Hindustan Petroleum
- [B] NTPC Limited
- [C] Power Grid Corporation of India
- [D] Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited

Which organization has partnered with Society for Innovation & Entrepreneurship (SINE)-IIT Bombay to launch Plugin Alliance, a first-of-its-kind industry-technology alliance?

- [A] Facebook
- [B] Microsoft
- [C] Intel
- [D] Google

Which organization has launched Google Cloud Garages?

- [A] Infosys
- [B] Tata Consultancy Services
- [C] Accenture
- [D] Deloitte

Which organization, working towards the revival of Udupi sari weaving, has been awarded as one among three 'NGOs associated with NABARD?'

- [A] Rural Development Trust
- [B] Kadike Trust
- [C] Gram Vikas Parishad
- [D] National Resources Centre for Women Development

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