

## Important Current Affairs August 2017 – Keralasarkar.com

### 1st August 2017

- Delhi Metro declared as world's first green metro on - 28th July 2017
- Strong adhesive for wound healing developed by - Scientists
- 2017 Hungarian Formula One Grand Prix won by - Sebastian Vettel
- US tests missile-defence system after North Korea missile launch on - 30th July 2017
- Jhulan Goswami and Subrata Bhattacharya felicitated by Mohun Bagan on - 29th July 2017
- Russia asks 755 US diplomats to leave country following American sanctions on - 30th July 2017
- India, Pakistan had talks on hydropower projects under Indus Waters Treaty on - 31st July 2017
- 2017 FIBA Women's Asia Cup on - 29th July 2017
- Los Angeles announced its bid for - 2028 Summer Olympics
- Dhruwad maestro Ustad Hussain Sayeeduddin Dagar passed away on - 31st July 2017
- Lt. Gen Abhay Krishna appointed as Chief of Eastern Command on - 31st July 2017
- Swachh Survekshan 2018's anthem 'Swachhata Ki Jyot Jagi Hai' released on - 31st July 2017
- New Trade and Transit agreement between India and Bhutan comes into force on - 29th July 2017

- World's longest pedestrian suspension bridge launched by - Switzerland
- Niti Aayog Vice-Chairman, Arvind Panagariya resigned on - 1st August 2017
- LPG prices to be hiked by Rs 4 per month ordered by - Union Government
- Use of five harmful metals in firecrackers banned by - Supreme Court

### **2nd August 2017**

- US army medic conferred Medal of Honour by President Trump 48 years later on - 1st August 2017
- Renowned scientist Pushpa Mitra Bhargava passed away on - 1st August 2017
- Planning to relocate tigers from Vidarbha region to sanctuaries by - Maharashtra government
- e-RaKAM portal for selling agricultural produce launched by - Union Government
- Rs 100cr corpus to study & find permanent solution to flood problem in North-East announced by - PM Modi
- Christopher Wray is confirmed as- FBI Director
- Agreement on transfer of sentenced persons signed between India - Somalia
- Who has been appointed as Secretary General of FICCI ? - Sanjaya Baru

### **3rd August 2017**

- ASI protected monuments to be declared Polythene free zones by - The Archaeological Survey of India

- Contest for logo design for 'Women of India Festival' launched by - WCD Ministry
- Prince Philip officially retired on - 2nd August 2017
- Hassan Rouhani sworn in as Iran's President for second term on - 3rd August 2017
- Resolution to prevent terrorists' access to weapons adopted by - UNSC
- Human embryos edited to stop disease by - Scientists
- Third Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Statement 2017-18 released by - RBI
- Opposition's demand to remove NOTA in Gujarat Rajya Sabha polls rejected by - Election Council

#### **4th August 2017**

- Mumbai-Ahmedabad high-speed rail project sanctioned on - 2nd August 2017
- Status on Indus Waters Treaty between India and - Pakistan
- Who has been appointed Air Officer-in-charge Administration of Indian Air Force ? - Air Marshal
- Mohammad Mustafa appointed as CMD of SIDBI on - 3rd August 2017
- Compulsory retirement for non-performing teachers & officials above 50 declared by - Bihar Government
- NABARD (Amendment) Bill, 2017 passed by - Lok Sabha
- Appointment of three Indian Americans confirmed by - US Senate

- NASA working towards completion of NISAR mission by 2021 with - ISRO
- Book Tatkal Train Tickets now and Pay Later announced by : Indian Railways

#### **5th August 2017**

- Garo Tribe of Meghalaya MoU on - 3rd August 2017
- India's first ever Heli-taxi service launched by - Bangalore
- Online portals MahaDBT, MahaVASTU launched by - Maharashtra Government
- Rs 3375-crore Mauritius metro order bagged by - L&T

#### **6th August 2017**

- First environmental research satellite launched by Israel on - 2nd August 2017
- India's first private missile production facility unveiled in Hyderabad on - 3rd August 2017

#### **7th August 2017**

- Exoplanet with glowing water atmosphere detected by - NASA's Hubble

#### **8th August 2017**

- New Vice Chairman of NITI Aayog - Rajiv Kumar
- Who has been elected as next Vice-President of India? - Venkaiah Naidu

- Who has been appointed Executive Director at World Bank?- Senior bureaucrat Aparna
- Ravindra Jadeja ranked No 1 Test all-rounder on - 8th August 2017
- National Handloom Day observed across India to promote welfare of weavers on - 7th August 2017
- Coconut regains tree status in Goa as Assembly passes bill on - 7th August 2017

#### **9th August 2017**

- Entire Assam as 'disturbed' area under AFSPA for a month declared by - Union Government Center
- Rs 1 lakh Cr on education and road connectivity to be spent by - J&K government
- Justice Dipak Misra appointed as 45th Chief Justice of India on - 8th August 2017
- India celebrates 75th anniversary of Quit India Movement on - 9th August 2017
- 6 States for transformative change in Health & Education sectors selected by - NITI Aayog
- Who has been appointed as Deputy Comptroller for Minority Affairs in New York? - Indian-American Dilip Chauhan

#### **10th August 2017**

- Former Union minister and BJP MP Sanwar Lal Jat passed away on - 9th August 2017
- Earthquake of magnitude 7 on Richter scale struck China on - 8th August 2017

- \$270 m from Green Climate Fund to be raised by - Maharashtra Government
- Former West Bengal Minister Gyan Singh Sohanpal died on - 8th August 2017
- Actor Dev Patel honored with Asian Game Changer Award 2017 by - The Asia Society
- Citizens of 80 countries including India can now enter Qatar without visa announced on - 9th August 2017
- Program to improve Mobile Developer Ecosystem launched by - Google and NSDC
- Web portal to enable online orders for textbooks launched by - NCERT
- India ratifies second commitment period of Kyoto Protocol on - 8th August 2017
- Second round of National Deworming Day program covers 11 Cr children on - 10th August 2017

#### **11th August 2017**

- Swachh Survekshan Gramin 2017 launched by - Union Government
- Online registration for custodians of securities launched by - SEBI
- Muslim clerics urge UN to take action against Hafiz Saeed for anti-India activities on - 9th August 2017
- Non-biodegradable plastic bags usage banned by NGT - in Delhi
- Full-fledged Hyperspectral Imaging Earth observation satellite to be developed by - ISRO

### **12th August 2017**

- YouTube competitor called 'Watch' launched by - Facebook
- Millions of black holes in Milky Way found by - Scientists
- Center to detect cyber security threats made operational on - 9th August 2017
- Law passed to ban Chhaupadi in Nepal on - 9th August 2017
- Veteran poet Vijay Nambisan passed away on - 10th August 2017
- International Youth Day 2017 observed globally on - 12th August 2017

### **13th August 2017**

- NASA's Cassini spacecraft set to embark on its final mission on - 13th August 2017
- Real Madrid beats Manchester United to win 2017 UEFA Super Cup on - 8th August 2017
- Venkaiah Naidu sworn in as 13th Vice President of the country on - 11th August 2017
- 10 projects worth more than Rs 2000 Crore approved by - National Mission for Clean Ganga
- Lok Sabha passes State Banks (Repeal and Amendment) Bill, 2017 on - 10th August 2017
- Delhi Assembly passes Minimum Wages (Delhi) Amendment Bill 2017, Netaji Subhash varsity bill on - 10th August 2017
- Ministerial meeting of BIMSTEC sets off on - 10th August 2017

- Venezuela's new Constituent Assembly declares itself superior to all other government bodies on - 8th August 2017

#### **14th August 2017**

- Gaj Yatra' launched to mark World Elephant Day 2017 on - 12th August 2017
- Who has been appointed Chairperson of Central Board of Film Certification? - Prasoon Joshi
- Somalia declared free of polio by - World Health Organization
- Warmest year recorded on Earth - 2016
- Legendary sprinter Usain Bolt retired on - 13th August 2017
- Iran responds to US sanctions by voting to boost military defence on - 13th August 2017
- First online course on Infusion Therapy launched on - 13th August 2017
- Religious Freedom Bill passed by Jharkhand Assembly on - 12th August 2017
- Indian Coast Guard Ship Shaurya commissioned in Goa on -12th August 2017
- Odisha government launches Facebook program
- 'SheMeansBusiness' on - 10th August 2017
- 91 volcanoes discovered underneath Antarctica by - Scientists
- Fruit bat "Yoda" officially recognized as - New species



### **15th August 2017**

- Namo Yuva Rojgar Kendra launched by - Maharashtra Chief Minister

### **16th August 2017**

- USFDA nod to market renal disease drug received by - Natco Pharma
- 2000 years old three ancient tombs in Egypt discovered by - Archaeologists
- Milkha Singh appointed as WHO Goodwill Ambassador for Physical Activity on - 11th August 2017
- Next steering committee meeting of TAPI gas pipeline to be hosted by - India
- G-7 Interior Minister's summit on security to be hosted by - Italy
- Alexander Zverev beats Roger Federer to win 2017 Rogers Cup on - 13th August 2017
- Highly sensitive blood test to detect cancer developed by - Scientists
- MoU signed between GeM and CII - To establish GeMSamvad

### **17th August 2017**

- 100 million years old damselfly named after Sir David Attenborough on - 16th August 2017
- Bullock Cart Racing to remain banned in Maharashtra : Bombay HC on 16th August 2017

- Procedure and mechanism for Strategic Disinvestment approved by - Cabinet
- Real Madrid beats Barcelona to win 2017 Spanish Super Cup on - 16th August 2017
- 4th Advance Estimate of production of major crops for 2016-17 released by - Union Government
- LED bulbs, tubelights, fans to go on sale at petrol pumps across India on - 16th August 2017
- MoU between India and Sweden on Intellectual Property Rights approved on - 16th August 2017
- RBI announced Aadhar linkage mandatory for farmers to avail short-term crop loans in 2017-18 on - 16th August 2017

#### **18th August 2017**

- Completion of North Koel Reservoir Project approved by - Union Cabinet
- Missing links of dinosaur Chilesaurus discovered in - southern Chile, found
- New Metro Rail Policy approved by - Union Cabinet
- Vishal Sikka resigns as Infosys CEO, on - 18th August 2017
- Artificial womb to save extremely premature babies developed by - Scientists
- GEF Grant Agreement with World Bank signed by - Union Government

#### **19th August 2017**

- Proposal to procure 6 Apache attack helicopters for Army cleared by - Defence Ministry
- Harit Diwali, Swasth Diwali Campaign launched by - Union Environment Ministry
- Veteran photographer S Paul died on - 16th August 2017
- Who has taken the charge as Executive Director of Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board? - Mamta Suri
- Asteroid Florence to pass safely by Earth : NASA
- Who has been appointed as President and MD of General Motors India? - Sanjiv Gupta
- National Safety Awards (Mines) for the years 2013 & 2014 given by - President
- World Humanitarian Day observed globally on - 19th August 2017

#### **20th August 2017**

- Two new species of Earthworm discovered in Kerala by - Scientists
- Who has been appointed as Russia's Ambassador to India? - Nikolay Kudashev

#### **21st August 2017**

- Rahul Doshi crowned as 'Child Genius' in UK on - 20th August 2017
- Action against violators of sex determination laws by - Bombay HC
- Nagaland Government constitutes committee to review Nagaland Municipal Act 2001 on - 20th August 2017

- Lost WWII wreckage of warship USS Indianapolis found in Pacific on - 18th August 2017
- 40% reservation for girls at Navodaya schools planned by - Union Government
- New state of matter discovered by - A group of Scientists
- First three of 24 fast track courts for Maharashtra to be set up in Mumbai, Thane stated on - 19th August 2017

### **22nd August 2017**

- TDRS-M Satellite to help astronauts communicate with Earth launched by - NASA
- Polish-US writer Janusz Glowacki passed on - 19th August 2017
- Arabian cap-shaped World Cup stadium to be built for FIFA 2022 in - Qatar
- RBI to issue new fluorescent blue Rs 50 banknotes on - 18th August 2017
- Compassionate family pension instead of employment to be launched by - Assam government
- India's first calf born to surrogate cow in - August 2017
- Physical police verification of passport to be replaced with - Online verification
- New Android version named Oreo introduced by - Google
- Who has been selected for 2017 Global Agriculture Leadership Award ? - K Chandrashekhara Rao
- Anti-dumping duty on tempered glass from China imposed by - Union Government

### **23rd August 2017**

- World's smallest surgical robot named Versius created by - British scientists
- National Sports Awards 2017 announced on - 22nd August 2017
- Panneerselvam sworn in as Deputy CM of Tamil Nadu on - 21st August 2017
- Digital Police Portal under CCTNS project launched by - Union Government
- ICMR signs Deal signed between IVI for vaccine research and development on - 21st August 2017
- Second ship of Landing Craft Utility MK-IV inducted by - Indian Navy
- Swasth Bachche, Swasth Bharat Program on - 21st August 2017
- Supreme Court strikes Triple Talaq by 3:2 majority on -22nd August 2017
- Work on Asian Trilateral Highway to begin shortly as part of India's Act East Policy announced on - 21st August 2017

### **24th August 2017**

- Former Manipur CM Rishang Keishing passed away on - 22nd August 2017
- India grants Pfizer patent for pneumonia vaccine in - August 2017
- Nano Missile developed by Indian Student for - Indian Army
- National Sports Museum to be established in New Delhi announced by - The Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

- International Day for the Remembrance of Slave Trade and Its Abolition 2017 observed globally on - 23rd August 2017
- Ashwani Lohani appointed as Chairman of Railway Board on - 23rd August 2017
- Cabinet approves India-Nepal MoU on drug matters on - 23rd August 2017
- Australia beats Iran to clinch 2017 FIBA Asia Cup on - 20th August 2017
- Finance Ministry gives formal go ahead to printing of Rs 200 notes on - 23rd August 2017

#### **25th August 2017**

- Union Government names Rajiv Bansal as CMD of Air India on - 23rd August 2017
- Nepal launches Climate-Smart Snow Leopard Plan on - 23rd August 2017
- India-Nepal signed 8 agreements to boost the bilateral relations on - 24th August 2017
- Union Cabinet approves setting up of Commission to examine Sub-Categorization within OBCs on - 23rd August 2017
- Radar system in Palau, island nation south-west of Guam to be installed by - US military
- England striker Wayne Rooney retires from international football on - 23rd August 2017
- Pradhan Mantri Kisan Sampada Yojana (PMKSY) - 23rd August 2017
- Amalgamation of Public Sector Banks through Alternative Mechanism approved by - Union Cabinet

### **26th August 2017**

- Project Brainwave for real-time artificial intelligence launched by - Microsoft
- Amit Shah, Smriti Irani sworn in as Rajya Sabha members on - 25th August 2017
- Rooftop solar programme launched by - Odisha CM Naveen Patnaik
- Amazon national reserve for mining opened by - Brazil
- England to host 2018 International Table Tennis Federation Team World Cup on - 24th August 2017

### **27th August 2017**

- Who has been appointed as Chairman of Infosys Board? - Nandan Nilekani
- Potential new way to treat HIV identified by - Researchers
- E-waste disposal in state schools has been launched by - Kerala Government
- Canada to allow gender-neutral passports to promote equality on - 24th August 2017
- Project Brainwave for real-time artificial intelligence launched by - Microsoft
- 'Business Week' in India to be led by - Australian Trade Minister

### **28th August 2017**

- Production of Light Combat Helicopter at HAL inaugurated by - Union Government

- India wins South Asian Football Federation Under-15 Championship on - 27th August 2017
- 'Cleanliness is Service' campaign announced by - PM Narendra Modi
- Who has been crowned first Miss TransQueen India? - Nitasha Biswas
- Biosensor to detect kidney disorder developed by - IIT Researchers
- Justice Dipak Misra sworn in as 45th Chief Justice of India on - 28th August 2017
- World Badminton Championship won by - Nozomi Okuhara
- Who has been appointed as CEO of Uber Technologies Inc? - Dara Khosrowshahi
- Lewis Hamilton wins 2017 Belgian Grand Prix on - 27th August 2017

#### **29th August 2017**

- India-China Doklam border standoff end on - 28th August 2017
- 'National Sports Talent Search Portal' launched by - Vice President Venkaiah Naidu
- UEFA Men's Player of the Year Award won by - Cristiano Ronaldo
- Subramanian Swamy's plea to direct BCCI to e-auction IPL rights rejected by - Supreme Court
- 10-year jail term for Dera chief Ram Rahim Singh pronounced by - CBI court
- International Day Against Nuclear Tests 2017 observed globally on - 29th August 2017



- Union Government to launch Deep Ocean Mission on - 28th August 2017
- DIPP releases Consolidated FDI Policy on - 28th August 2017
- Non Resident Indians can also have convertible notes on non-repatriation basis.

### **30th August 2017**

- Ocean forecasting system for Comoros, Mozambique and Madagascar launched by - ICOSIS
- Barefoot footballer Ahmed Khan passed away on - 27th August 2017
- International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances was celebrated across the world on - 30th August 2017
- "YUVA - Skill Development Programme inaugurated by - Rajnath Singh
- No interview for non-gazetted posts in Uttar Pradesh announced by - The Uttar Pradesh Government
- Sri Lankan Selectors stepped down on - 29th August 2017
- Gobindobhog rice gets Geographical Indication status on - 24th August 2017
- Largest fossil of Ichthyosaurus discovered accidentally in Museum by - UK Scientists

### **31st August 2017**

- 99 percent of demonetised notes returned stated by - RBI Report
- IAS officer Rajiv Gauba takes charge as Union Home Secretary on - 31st August 2017
- Union Cabinet approves equivalence of posts in PSUs, Banks, Insurance companies on - 30th August

- Joint Proposal in WTO on Aggregate Measurement of Support by India and - China
- National level awards to Anganwadi workers conferred by - WCD Minister
- MoU between India and Brazil for Zebu Cattle Genomics apprised by - Union Cabinet
- Biggest X-ray laser gun on earth opening in - September 2017
- China's TCL to launch waterproof BlackBerry phone in - October 2017
- ISRO all set to launch India's 8th navigational satellite on - 31st August 2017

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