

General Awareness: Points to remember

- 1 International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict observed on June 19.
- 1 Russia's Yuri Gazinskiy scored the opening goal of the 2018



World Cup.

- 1 Indian Army is observing year 2018 as "Year of Disabled Soldiers in Line of Duty" to honour soldiers who have been disabled in line of duty.
- 1 The mascot of 2018 FIFA World Cup is Zabivaka, a wolf.
- 1 The meaning of the name Zabivaka is 'Goalscorer'.
- 1 Ivan Duque elected new President of Colombia.
- 1 Men's national association football teams affiliated to FIFA are 211.
- 1 A total of twelve stadiums in eleven Russian cities have been built and renovated for the FIFA World Cup.
- 1 Sustainable Gastronomy Day observed on June 18
- 1 The World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (WDCDD) is observed every year on June 17 across to world to promote public awareness of international efforts to combat desertification.
- 1 The first World Cup Football to be held in Eastern Europe is 2018 World Cup.
- 1 The International Day of Family Remittances (IDFR) is observed every year on 16 June.
- 1 India's IT major Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) became first listed company in India to close day's trade with market capitalisation (m cap) of over Rs. 7 lakh crore (over \$103 billion).
- 1 The opening ceremony of 2018 FIFA World Cup took place on 14 June 2018, at the Luzhniki Stadium in Moscow
- 1 The opening match of 2018 FIFA World Cup was played between Russia and Saudi Arabia.
- 1 The World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) is observed every year on June 15.
- 1 Maharashtra government has signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Quebec province of Canada to increase economic cooperation and welfare of tribal community in the state.
- 1 The world's first of its kind and state-of-the-art International Centre for 'Humanitarian Forensics' (ICHF) was launched at the Gujarat Forensic Sciences University in Gandhinagar.
- 1 Mithali Raj on June 7, 2018 became the first Indian cricketer to score 2,000 runs in T20 Internationals. Mithali Raj is the highest run-scorer in women's international cricket and the only female cricketer to have surpassed the 6,000 run mark in ODIs with 6373 runs from 194 ODIs.
- 1 44th G7 summit was held in La Malbaie, Quebec, Canada in 2018 June.
- 1 The 106th Indian Science Congress will be held at Lovely Professional University (LPU) in Jalandhar, Punjab from January 3 to 7, 2019.
- 1 World Blood Donor Day observed every year across the world on June 14 to thank voluntary, unpaid blood donors for their life-saving gifts of blood.
- 1 Renowned social activist and founder of Sulabh International, Dr Bindeshwar Pathak (75) was honoured with the Japan's prestigious Nikkei Asia Prize for his contribution to Asia's development.
- 1 The fastest Super Computer in the world is Summit built by USA. Formerly Sunway Taihulight of China was the record holder.
- 1 The Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance will be awarded the Sansad Ratna Award 2018 for its outstanding performance.
- 1 Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal) scored the first hatrick in the 2018 World Cup Football.
- 1 National Tribal Museum and National Tribal Research Institute will be established in New Delhi.
- 1 Ivan Duque was elected the new President of the South American country Colombia.
- 1 Tripura launched GPS and Wireless based 24x7 mobile policing service.
- 1 India has signed two Memorandum of understandings (MoUs) with Cuba to enhance cooperation in biotechnology and traditional medicine.
- 1 The 28th plenary meeting of Nuclear Supply group was held at Jurmala in Latvia.
- 1 ICGS Rani Rashmoni is the recently commissioned fast patrol vessel of Indian Coast Guard.
- 1 Queen Pineapple has been declared as the state fruit of Tripura state.
- 1 Mike McCormack won the 2018 Dublin Literary Award



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Infantry Battalion Group was awarded United Nations Medal for "selfless service"

- 1 Solar Charka Mission was launched by Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME).
- 1 Dr. Bindeshwar Pathak got the Nikkei Asia Prize 2018.
- 1 The 10th Global Alliance to eliminate Lymphatic Filariasis Conference was held at New Delhi.
- 1 The winners of the first Cricket test match between India and Afghanistan held at Chinnaswamy Stadium, Bangalore is India.
- 1 The first Indian cricketer to score century in the first ses-



sion of test cricket is Sikkhar Dhawan.

- 1 The number of test playing nations are 12 and last country to join the list is Afghanistan (14 June 2018). Other countries in the list are England (15 March 1877), Australia (15 March 1877), South Africa (12 March 1889), West Indies (23 June 1928), New Zealand (10 January 1930), India (25 June 1932), Pakistan (16 October 1952), Sri Lanka (17 February 1982), Zimbabwe (18 October 1992), Bangladesh (10 November 2000), Ireland (11 May 2018).
- 1 GLONASS-M Navigation satellite was launched by Russia.
- 1 Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of Vanijya Bhawan, a new office complex in New Delhi for the Department of Commerce.
- 1 The mobile application COPCONNECT was launched by Telangana Police to enhance the communication facility in Police Department.
- 1 India will be the venue of the first military exercise of BIMSTEC.
- 1 National Police Museum is at Chanakyapuri in New Delhi.
- 1 Mongolia has launched construction of its first strategically important oil refinery funded by India in southern Dornogovi province.
- 1 The theme of World Day against Child Labour 2018 was 'Generation Safe & Healthy'.
- 1 The theme of 2018 World Ocean Day (June 8) is 'Clean Our Ocean'.
- 1 Ravindra Prasad Jaiswal is appointed as the new Indian Ambassador to Eritrea.
- 1 International Albinism Awareness Day is observed on 13th June.
- 1 The theme of 2018 World Environment Day is 'Beat Plastic Pollution'.
- 1 The theme of Yoga day of this year was "Yoga for Peace".
- 1 The United States under President Donald Trump administration has announced its withdrawal from United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC).