

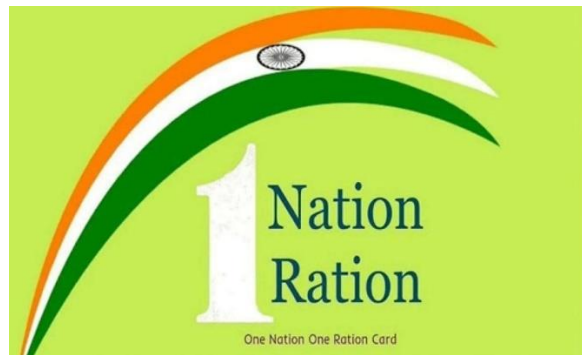
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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal khattar on the eve of 8th International Yoga Day released a book titled Ashtang Yoga authored by Dr Sonu Phogat.

NATIONAL

One Nation One Ration Card



- ❖ Assam has become the 36th State to implement the One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) scheme.
- ❖ With this, the ONORC plan is successfully implemented in all 36 states, and Union Territories.
- ❖ The ONORC scheme is being implemented under National Food Security Act (NFSA).
- ❖ It was initiated in August 2019 by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution.
- ❖ It is a scheme that will nationalise a beneficiary's ration card by a process called Aadhaar Seeding.
- ❖ Aadhaar seeding ensures that the beneficiary can pick up their entitled food grain from any fair price shop in the country.

PM Yoga Award

- ❖ On the occasion of International Yoga Day, the AYUSH ministry has announced to give the 'Prime Minister's Award for Outstanding Contribution towards the Development and Promotion of Yoga' for 2022.

- ❖ Two individuals Bhikkhu Sanghasena from Ladakh, Marcus Vinicius Rojo Rodrigues from Brazil and two organisations, “The Divine Life Society” from Uttarakhand and the British Wheel of Yoga from United Kingdom have been chosen for award.



The poster features the Government of India emblem, the 75th Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav logo, and the Yoga For Humanity logo. The main title is "Prime Minister's Awards" in yellow, followed by "Outstanding Contribution towards the Development and Promotion of Yoga" in white. Below this, the "Awardees of 2021" are listed with decorative icons: International Individual (Shri Marcus Vinicius Rojo Rodrigues, Sao Paulo, Brazil), International Organization (British Wheel of Yoga, United Kingdom), National Individual (Shri Bhikkhu Sanghasena, Leh, Ladakh), and National Organization (The Divine Life Society, Rishikesh, Uttarakhand). A glass award trophy is shown on the left, and a silhouette of a person in a yoga pose is on the right. The hashtag #YogaForHumanity is at the bottom right.

Droupadi Murmu



- ❖ She may become India's First Tribal and Second Female President.
- ❖ BJP leader JP Nadda announced Murmu's candidacy.
- ❖ She is an Odisha-based Santhal Tribe.
- ❖ If elected, Murmu will become the second woman to hold the office of President following UPA supporter Pratibha Patil (2007–12).

Yashwant Sinha

- ❖ Yashwant Sinha's name was finalised as the common opposition candidate for the upcoming Presidential Elections 2022.
- ❖ He had joined IAS in 1960.
- ❖ He resigned from the service in 1984 to join politics.
- ❖ Sinha was a senior leader of the Bharatiya Janata Party
- ❖ But he left the party in April 2018 and joined the Trinamool Congress.



INTERNATIONAL

Mango Festival – Belgium



- ❖ Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal, inaugurated a 'Mango Festival' organised in Brussels.
- ❖ This is the first time it has been hosted in Belgium
- ❖ It aims to create awareness among the Europeans and create a market for Indian mangoes in Europe.
- ❖ India is a big supplier of mangoes to the rest of the globe.
- ❖ But most of the mangoes end up in the Middle East rather than Europe.

Afghanistan Earthquake 2022

- ❖ Afghanistan Earthquake on June 22 was the deadliest since 2002.
- ❖ The earthquake had struck about 44 km from the South eastern City of Khost, near the border of Pakistan.



THE Asia University Rankings 2022

- ❖ Times Higher Education Asia University Rankings 2022 was released by the Times Higher Education (THE).
- ❖ Japan is the most-represented nation again this year, with 118 institutions.
- ❖ India was the third most-represented country, behind Japan and mainland China.
- ❖ Elsewhere, a Palestinian university is ranked for the first time
- ❖ The Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bengaluru continued to be the best institute of the country.
- ❖ It is ranked at 42nd place.

- ❖ The JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research of Mysuru makes its debut in 65th place, followed by the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Ropar at 68 and IIT Indore at 87 rank.

TOP INDIAN UNIVERSITIES

301–350	Indian Institute of Science
351–400	Indian Institute of Technology Ropar
401–500	Indian Institute of Technology Indore
601 – 800	Banaras Hindu University
	Institute of Chemical Technology
	University of Delhi
	IISER Pune
	IISER Kolkata
	IIT-Gandhinagar
	IIT-Hyderabad
	IIIT-Delhi
	IIT-Hyderabad
	Jamia Millia Islamia
	Jawaharlal Nehru University
	King George's Medical University
	Mahatma Gandhi University
Panjab University	
Savitribai Phule Pune University and Thapar University	
801 – 1000	Aligarh Muslim University
	Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham
	Bharathiar University
	Delhi Technological University
	Guru Jambheshwar University of Science and Technology
	IIT-Bhubaneswar
	IIT-Dhanbad
	IISER-Bhopal
	Jadavpur University
	Jamia Hamdard University
	NIT-Rourkela
	NIT-Silchar
	Osmania University
Sri Venkateswara University	
VIT University	

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Spiny Horntail

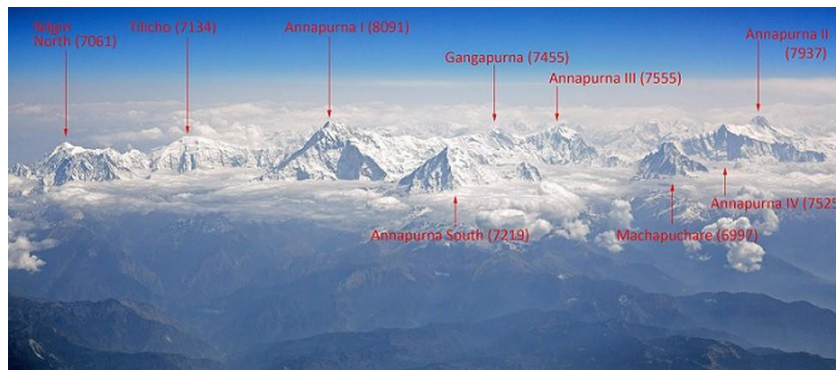


- ❖ Spiny Horntail is a dragonfly species.
- ❖ It was not seen in Kerala until now.
- ❖ This species is known to be endemic to the Western Ghats
- ❖ It was discovered in Maharashtra earlier this year.
- ❖ The species differs from other Burmagomphus species by the markings on the lateral thorax and the peculiar shape of anal appendages.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Skalzang Rigzin

- ❖ He is the first mountaineer from India to ascend Mount Annapurna's top without the aid of oxygen.
- ❖ Skalzang Rigzin has set a record to conquer two summits without oxygen supplements.
- ❖ It was done with 16 days of gap between climb of Mt Annapurna on April 28 and Mt Lhotse on May 14.
- ❖ Annapurna is a mountain situated in the Annapurna Mountain range of Gandaki Province, north-central Nepal.
- ❖ It is the tenth highest mountain in the world at 8,091 metres above sea level.
- ❖ It is also known as the Killer Mountain due to its fatality to summit rate.

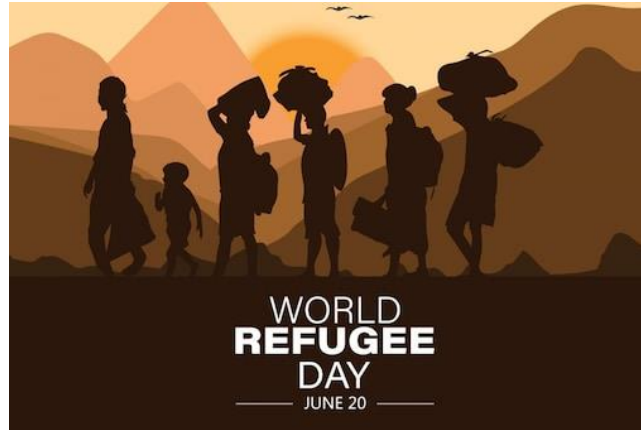


IMPORTANT DAYS

World Refugee Day – June 20

- ❖ The day was first established on 2001 in recognition of the 50th anniversary of the 1951 Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees.

- ❖ 2022 theme is ‘Whoever, Whatever, Whenever. Everyone has a right to seek safety’.



World Music Day – June 21

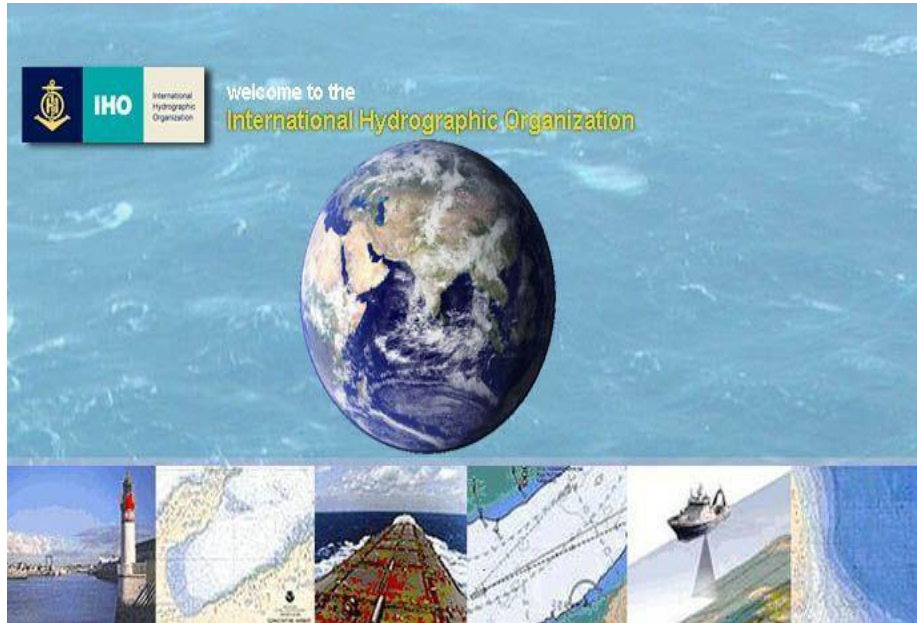
- ❖ The theme of 2022 is “Music on the intersections”.
- ❖ It was first celebrated in the year 1982 on the Summer Solstice in France.
- ❖ The former French minister of art and culture, Jack Lange, along with Maurice Fleuret started the Fête de la Musique in Paris.



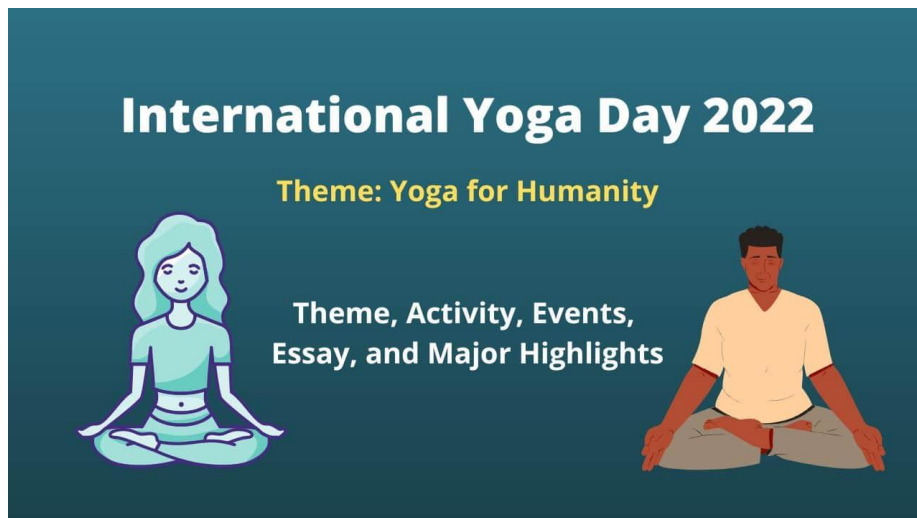
World Hydrography Day – June 21

- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly accepted a resolution to celebrate World Hydrography Day on every June 21 in 2005.
- ❖ It was approved and implemented by the International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO).

- ❖ 2022 marks the 101st anniversary establishing the International Hydrographic Organization.
- ❖ The theme for 2022 is: "Hydrography - contributing to the United Nations Ocean Decade".



8th International Day of Yoga – June 21



- ❖ It has been celebrated across the world annually on June 21 since 2015, following its inception in the United Nations General Assembly in 2014.
- ❖ June 21 is the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere.
- ❖ Theme for 2022 is 'Yoga for Humanity'.

- ❖ This year PM Modi led a mass Yoga event at the Mysuru Palace grounds in Karnataka.

International Day of the Celebration of the Solstice – June 21

- ❖ This day bring awareness about solstices and equinoxes and their significance for several religions and ethnic cultures.
- ❖ The Summer Solstice is the day of the year when the sun reaches its highest point in the sky.
- ❖ The Summer Solstice is the shortest day of the year in the Southern Hemisphere and the longest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere.
- ❖ It occurs between December 20 to December 23 in the Southern Hemisphere.



World Rainforest Day – June 22



- ❖ It was founded in 2017 by Rainforest Partnership.
- ❖ The theme of this Day for 2022 is 'The Time is Now'.
- ❖ Rainforests are a source of many resources such as fresh water and clean air as they absorb harmful gases including carbon dioxide.



- ❖ Despite covering just 6 per cent of the Earth's surface, rainforests are home to around 50 per cent of all terrestrial biodiversity found on Earth.

