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### Most Important Question for Current Affairs

**Q.1. When is the Global Energy Independence Day celebrated?**

- a. 07 July
- b. 09 July
- c. 08 July
- d. 10 July

**Q.2. Where has the Indian Air Force Chief recently inaugurated the 'Weapon System School'?**

- a. Mumbai
- b. Hyderabad
- c. New Delhi
- d. Chennai

**Q.3. Which country has recently taken over the rotating presidency of the 'European Union Council'?**

- a. Germany
- b. Poland
- c. Hungary
- d. Jordan

**Q.4. Who has been appointed as the new Deputy National Security Advisor recently?**

- a. Dinesh Khara
- b. T. V. Ravichandran
- c. Ravindra Kumar Tyagi
- d. Deepak Kumar

**Q.5. Recently, the Chief Minister of which state has resigned?**

- a. Manipur
- b. Rajasthan
- c. Jharkhand
- d. Mizoram

**Q.6. Recently, the joint military exercise 'Maitri' has started between the armies of India and which country?**

- a. France
- b. Mongolia
- c. Thailand
- d. Indonesia

**Q.7. Recently, where did India participate in the third conference led by Afghanistan and the United Nations?**



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a. Kabul

c. Tehran

b. Doha

d. Qatar

**Q.8. Recently, which agency of the United Nations has released the annual World Drug Report?**

a. WHO

c. UNESCO

b. Unicef

d. UNODC

**Q.9. Recently, in which state 'NTR Bharosa Pension Scheme' has been launched?**

a. Telangana

c. Tamil Nadu

b. Andhra Pradesh

d. Kerala

**Q.10. Recently, which Union Minister has launched 'Nirman Portal'?**

a. Ashwani Vaishnav

c. G Kishan Reddy

b. Chirag Paswan

d. Anurag Thakur

**Q.11. Recently, which country has increased the student visa for foreign students from \$710 to \$1600?**

a. Australia

c. Ukraine

b. Russia

d. Canada

**Q.12. Recently who has won the first K Saraswati Amma Prize for Feminist Studies?**

a. Preeti Nair

c. Sarah Joseph

b. P Geetha

d. Sudha Sharma

**Q.13. Recently, 'Dick Schoof' has become the new Prime Minister of which country?**

a. Sweden

c. Netherlands

b. Finland

d. Indonesia



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**Q.14. Recently, 'Puma India' has made whom its brand ambassador?**

- a. Riyan Parag
- b. Nitish Kumar Reddy
- c. Both of the above
- d. Rohit Sharma

**Q.15. Recently, who has become the first Indian to get the first rank in ICC T20?**

- a. Rishabh Pant
- b. Hardik Pandya
- c. Suryakumar Yadav
- d. Virat Kohli

### Answer Key & Explanation

1. D

Global Energy Independence Day is celebrated every year on July 10 across the world. The day reminds governments, organizations and individuals about the importance of reducing dependence on non-renewable resources and moving towards cleaner and more resilient energy systems.

2. B

A new chapter in the history of the Indian Air Force (IAF) has begun with the inauguration of the Weapon Systems School (WSS) by Chief of the Air Staff (CAS) Air Chief Marshal VR Choudhary at Begumpet Air Force Station in Hyderabad. This comes after the approval of a new branch of officers, the Weapon Systems (WS) branch, in the IAF in 2022. Aimed at reorganising and



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transforming the Indian Air Force as a future-oriented force, the formation of this new training establishment is a giant leap for the armed forces in general and the Indian Air Force in particular.

3. C

Hungary will hold the rotating presidency of the Council of the European Union for the next six months. Led by Prime Minister Viktor Orban, Hungary aims to prioritize EU competitiveness, defense policy, migration control, and agricultural reform. The presidency's motto, "Make Europe great again," reflects a stance emphasizing unity and active global engagement.

4. B

National Security Advisor (NSA) Ajit Doval has appointed TV Ravichandran and Pavan Kapoor as the new Deputy NSAs in the National Security Council Secretariat (NSCS) team. TV Ravichandran is a 1990 batch IPS officer and is currently Special Director in the Intelligence Bureau. Pavan Kapoor is a 1990 batch IFS officer and has served in several missions abroad for India. He has worked in the Ministry of External Affairs and the Prime Minister's Office. He has also worked as an international civil servant with the Commonwealth Secretariat in London.

5. C

Jharkhand Chief Minister Champai Soren has resigned from his post. The Enforcement Directorate (ED) had arrested Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) working president Hemant Soren in a money laundering case. After that Champai Soren was made the CM of Jharkhand.

6. C

Indian Army contingent left for Thailand to participate in the 13th edition of India-Thailand joint military exercise Maitree. The exercise is being held at Fort Wachiraprakan in Tak province of Thailand. The previous edition of the same exercise was held in Umroi, Meghalaya in September 2019.

7. B



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The Taliban, who rule Afghanistan, attended the UN Conference on Afghanistan for the first time. The third UN Conference on Afghanistan was held in Doha, the capital of Qatar, in July 2024. However, the conference ended without making any concrete progress on its agenda.

8. D

UNODC, the United Nations organisation responsible for combating crime and drug abuse, has released its annual World Drug Report. It is an annual report published by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). The number of drug users is set to reach 292 million by 2022, an increase of 20% over the last ten years. Cannabis remains the most popular drug in the world with 228 million users, followed by opioids (60 million), amphetamines (30 million), cocaine (23 million) and ecstasy (20 million).

9. B

The government led by Chief Minister N Chandrababu Naidu has given a great news to millions of people of Andhra Pradesh. The Andhra Pradesh government has started the NTR Bharosa Pension Scheme. Millions of people of the state are going to benefit from this pension scheme. Actually, before the elections, Telugu Desam Party (TDP) President N Chandrababu Naidu had made many promises to the people of the state, which he is now fulfilling.

10. C

Union Coal and Mines Minister G Kishan Reddy has recently launched the 'Nirman' portal to help the candidates of the National Civil Services Examination Mains exam. Under this initiative, UPSC will provide assistance of Rs 1 lakh to the eligible candidates. This will be provided to those candidates whose family's annual income is less than Rs 8 lakh and who belong to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, Women or Third Gender.

11. A

Australia has increased the international student visa fee from 710 Australian dollars (about Rs 39527) to 1600 Australian dollars (about Rs 89059) from July 2024. Along with this, visitor visa



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holders and temporary graduate visa holders have been barred from applying for student visas. This increase has made applying for a student visa to Australia more expensive than the US and Canada.

12. B

In a significant recognition of feminist literature and studies, writer, critic and feminist activist P Geetha has been awarded the first K Saraswathi Amma Award. Instituted by WINGS (Women Integration and Development through Sports) Kerala, the prestigious award is a significant moment in recognising feminist contributions to literature and social discourse.

13. C

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has congratulated the newly appointed Prime Minister of the Netherlands Dick Schoof on assuming office. In a post on social media, Mr Modi said he looks forward to working together to advance India-Netherlands partnership in the areas of renewable energy, water management, agriculture, mobility and new and emerging technologies.

14. C

July 2024 is an important day for sports fashion in India. On this day, a leading sports brand, Puma India announced two new brand ambassadors: Riyan Parag and Nitish Kumar Reddy. This exciting news reflects Puma's commitment to support young talent and connect with the youth of India.

15. B

Hardik Pandya has become the first Indian all-rounder to be ranked No. 1 in the International Cricket Council (ICC) T20 International (T20I). As per the ICC rankings released in July 2024, Hardik Pandya is at the No. 1 spot along with Sri Lanka captain Wanindu Hasaranga. Hardik earned valuable points due to his stellar performance in the Indian team's World Cup-winning campaign in the recently concluded ICC T20 World Cup 2024, making him the first Indian to achieve this feat.



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