

CURRENT AFFAIRS OF AUGUST 2016

NATIONAL CURRENT AFFAIRS AND EVENTS

Name the Indian wicketkeeper batsman who has become the fastest player to score centuries in all three formats (Test, ODI and T20I) in international cricket, taking 20 innings cumulatively? (He is also the only batsman to reach 100 with a six in all formats.)	K L Rahul
Which state (As of August 2016) has become the first Indian state to distribute 2 crore LED bulbs under Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All (UJALA) scheme?	Gujarat
Name the ace badminton player who was made brand ambassador by Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF), India's largest paramilitary force, on 29 August 2016? (She won a historic silver medal in the women's singles badminton at the recently concluded Rio Olympic Games.)	P V Sindhu
Name the Indian wrestler whose bronze medal from the 2012 London Olympics was upgraded to silver on 30 August 2016? (The medal was upgraded after second-place finisher late Besik Kudukhov of Russia was stripped off his medal for failing a dope test.)	Yogeshwar Dutt
Name the woman wrestler who was named as Haryana's brand ambassador for Beti Bachao, Beti Padoao campaign? (She recently won the bronze medal at 2016 Rio Olympics in the 58 kg category.)	Sakshi Malik
Name the Hindi scholar and writer who was on 17 August 2016 awarded with the prestigious 25th Vyas Samman 2015 for her poetry collection Kshama?	Sunita Jain
Against which country India on 22 August 2016 won the four-match test series 2-0?	West Indies
As per The International Kabaddi Federation (IKF) announcement on 22 August 2016 which Indian state will host the 2016 Kabaddi World Cup?	Gujarat
Name the eminent author who was awarded the prestigious Saraswati Samman for the year 2015 for her autobiography 'Chitt-Chete' written in Dogri language?	Padma Sachdev
National Sports Day was observed across India on? (This day is celebrated to mark the birth anniversary of the legendary hockey player Dhyan Chand who was born on 29 August 1905.)	29 August 2016
The Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) on 28 August 2016 successfully test launched the Supersonic Combustion Ramjet engine, called, from the Satish Dhawan Space Centre,	Scramjet

Sriharikotta in Andhra Pradesh.	
Which state/UT recently passed the GST Constitutional Amendment Bill becoming the 7th and 8th states/UT to ratify the legislation? (The Constitution Amendment Bill requires ratification by at least 15 states to become a law.)	Madhya Pradesh and Delhi
AIIMS of which state has introduced a nine-month course on Sanskrit for students and staff members?	Bihar (AIIMS,Patna)
Which Indian cricketer has created record for winning the most Man of the Series titles in Test after winning his sixth one in the recently concluded India-West Indies series? (He broke the record of Sachin Tendulkar and Virender Sehwag who both had won five Man of the Series titles.)	Ravichandran Ashwin
For the first time since the inception of the award, the Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, India's highest sporting honour, will be given to four athletes in the same year. Who are these four sportspersons?	Sakshi Malik, PV Sindhu, Dipa Karmakar and Jitu Rai
Who recently sworn-in as the new Governor of Assam?	Banwarilal Purohit
Which state became the 4th and the 5th state to pass the Goods and Services Tax (GST) Bill? (Before these two states, Assam, Bihar and Jharkhand were the first three states to have passed the Bill.)	Himachal Pradesh and Chhattisgarh
Who recently sworn-in as the 12th Lieutenant Governor of Andaman and Nicobar Island?	BJP leader Jagdish Mukhi
Who recently sworn-in as the new Governor of Punjab?	V P Singh Badnore
Name the Indian Olympic Committee (IOC) Chief who was awarded the Olympic Order for outstanding services to the Olympic movement? (Established in 1975, the Olympic Order is the highest award of the Olympic Movement, awarded for particularly distinguished contributions to the movement.)	Narayana Ramachandran
What is the position of India in terms of medal tally at the recently concluded Rio Olympics?	67th
How many medals India won at the recently concluded Rio Olympics games?	2 medals (1 silver and 1 bronze)
Who was India's flag bearer for the closing ceremony of the Rio Olympics? (She became the first India woman wrestler to win an Olympic medal.)	Sakshi Malik
Who was re-appointed as the Chairman of telecom giant Bharti Airtel for another 5 years?	Sunil Mittal

Who was appointed as the 24th Governor of the Reserve Bank of India succeeding Raghuram Rajan?	Urjit Patel
Who won silver medal for India in female badminton singles title after losing to world number one Carolina Marin in the final at the Rio Olympics? (She, age 21, became India's youngest Olympic medalist. She is also the youngest recipient (19 years) of the Padma Shri award.)	P V Sindhu
Name the former Governor of Bihar and West Bengal who died recently at the age of 96?	A R Kidwai
Which state in India becomes first south Indian state and third state in India to have a dedicated children's court?	Telangana
Name the Indian female wrestler who won bronze medal, India's first olympic medal, in 58-kilogram freestyle wrestling pulling off a sensational 8-5 victory over Aisuluu Tynybekova of Kyrgyzstan?	Sakshi Malik
Name the former Union Minister who was on 17 August 2016 appointed as the 18th Governor of Manipur?	Najma Heptullah
Which state became the first in the country to ratify the constitution amendment bill on the Goods and Services Tax (GST)? (Bihar becomes the second state to ratify GST Constitution amendment Bill.)	Assam
Name India's top squash player who on 13 August 2016 won the Australian Open Squash women's singles title in Melbourne? (She defeated eighth seed Mayar Hany of Egypt 10-12, 11-5, 11-6, 11-4 in the 40-minute final.)	Dipika Pallikal
Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Russian President Vladimir Putin and Tamil Nadu Chief Minister J Jayalithaa on Wednesday jointly dedicated to the nation the 1,000 MW Nuclear Power Plant-I. Where is this nuclear plant situated?	Kudankulam
Which Indian personality will be honoured at the United Nations on India's 70th Independence Day? (A.R. Rahman will pay homage to the great singer by a performance at the United Nations General Assembly.)	Renowned carnatic vocalist M. S. Subbulakshmi
In which state Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the phase-1 of Mission Bhagiratha which is aimed to provide piped drinking water to every household in the state?	Telangana
Name the lady, also known as Iron Lady of Manipur, who on 09 August 2016 ended her 16-year-long hunger strike outside the Jawaharlal Nehru Institute of Medical Sciences in Imphal, Manipur? (She went on a hunger-strike at the age of 28 following a massacre in Imphal in which 10 persons were killed. Her primary demand was repealing of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act (AFSPA) of 1958 from her state.)	Irom Chanu Sharmila
Name the former Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh who allegedly	Kalikhho Pul

committed suicide on 9 August 2016 in Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh?	
Who was recently appointed as the Managing Director of State Bank of India?	Dinesh Kumar Khara
Which authority passed The Constitution (122nd Amendment) (GST) Bill, 2014 after it was unanimously passed by the Lok Sabha by approving all the amendments made by Rajya Sabha earlier? (In the Lok Sabha the bill was passed by two-third majority, with 443 members voting in its favour and none against in the final vote.)	The Parliament
The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) in its third bi-monthly monetary policy review for year 2016-17 has maintained status quo in key policy interest rate. 1. What is the current Repo rate?, 2. What is the current Reverse Repo rate?, 3. What is the current Cash Reserve Ratio (CRR) of scheduled banks?, 4. What is the current Statutory Liquidity Ratio (SLR)?	1. 6.50 percent 2. 6.0 percent 3. 4.0 percent 4. 21.25 percent
Who recently said that the Lodha Committee recommendations on BCCI reforms are unconstitutional and illegal?	Justice Markandey Katju
Name the Indian female Gymnast who created history by becoming the first Indian gymnast to qualify for the apparatus finals of artistic Gymnastics at the Rio 2016 Olympics?	Dipa Karmakar
Name the newly elected leader of Gujarat BJP who was sworn in as the 16th Chief Minister of Gujarat on 7 August 2016? (He succeeded Anandiben Patel.)	Vijay Rupani
The 2nd National Handloom Day was celebrated all over the country on? (It was on this day in 1905 that the Swadeshi Movement was formally launched, at a massive meeting in the Calcutta Town hall. The movement involved revival of domestic products and production processes. The Government of India has declared this day as National Handloom Day every year, in memory of this.)	7th August 2016
Name the noted sports promoter and founder chairperson of Reliance Foundation who was elected as an individual member of International Olympic Committee (IOC) on 4 August 2016? (With this, she also becomes the first Indian woman to join the prestigious body which governs Olympic sports in the world.)	Nita Ambani
Which High Court on 4 August 2016 held that Lt. Governor is the administrative head of the National Capital Territory dismissing AAP Government's plea challenging the Union Government's 21 May 2015 notification giving absolute powers to LG in appointing bureaucrats in the national capital?	Delhi High Court
Which singer will be awarded 23rd Rajiv Gandhi National Sadbhavana Award on 20 August 2016 for her outstanding	Shubha Mudgal

contribution towards the promotion of communal harmony, peace and goodwill?	
Which body on 3 August 2016 cleared wrestler Narsingh Yadav's name for participation in the 2016 Rio Olympics? (He will be participating in the 74kg weight category of the sport.)	United World Wrestling (UWW)

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Who on 25 August 2016 won the UEFA Best Player in Europe award for 2015-16? (He won the award for the second time in three years.)	Cristiano Ronaldo
Which country recently opened one of the world's biggest suspension bridges (1.4 km long) across the Bosphorus Strait connecting Asia and Europe?	Turkey
Name the Australian pilot, age 18, who has set a world record of becoming the youngest person to fly solo around the world in a single aircraft? (He took 54 days to complete 45,000 km trip, stopping at 24 locations and 15 countries during the journey.)	Lachlan Smart
International Day Against Nuclear Tests was observed across the world on?	29 August 2016
Name the veteran Sri Lanka batsman who on 25 August 2016 announced his retirement from international cricket? He will play his last ODI in Dambulla on 28 August 2016 against Australia.)	Tillakaratne Dilshan
Name the former President of Singapore who passed away on 22 August 2016?	S.R. Nathan
How many world records were broken at the recently concluded Rio Olympics?	19
Which country top the medals table with 46 golds (121 total medals) at the recently concluded Rio Olympics? (Great Britain (27 gold) and China (26 gold) grabbed the second and third position respectively.)	USA
Name the former President of Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) who passed away at the age of 100 on 16 August 2016 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil?	Joao Havelange
Which country on 16 August 2016 launched the world's first quantum satellite named Quantum Experiments at Space Scaler (QUESS) satellite? (It is designed to establish hack-proof quantum communications by	China

transmitting uncrackable keys from space to the ground.)	
International Youth Day was celebrated across the world on? (The theme of the 2016 International Youth Day is - The Road to 2030: Eradicating Poverty and Achieving Sustainable Consumption and Production.)	12 August 2016
The World Bio-Fuel Day was observed across the world on? (The day is observed every year with an aim to create awareness about non fossil-fuels (Green Fuels).)	10 August 2016
Name the Pakistani cricketer, also known as the Little Master, who died recently in Karachi at the age of 81?	Hanif Mohammad
Who on 11 August 2016 won his fourth consecutive 200m individual medley Olympic title? (With this, he became the first swimmer ever to win four consecutive golds in the same event.)	Michael Phelps
Name the American swimmer who on 9 August 2016 won his 21st Olympic gold medal in the 4 x 200 m freestyle relay?	Michael Phelps
In which country Rio Olympic 2016 is being held?	Brazil
The International Olympic Committee (IOC) on 3 August 2016 agreed to add five new sports to the programme for 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Name the sports?	Baseball/Softball, Karate, Skateboard, Climbing Sports and surfing
Name the Chairperson of Communist Party of Nepal-Maoist (CPN-MC) who on 4 August 2016 was elected the 39th Prime Minister of Nepal?	Pushpa Kamal Dahal 'Prachanda'

Highlights of Rio Olympics 2016:

Medals Tally:

Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
USA	46	37	38	121
Great Britain	27	23	17	67
China	26	18	26	70
Russia	19	18	19	56
Germany	17	10	15	42