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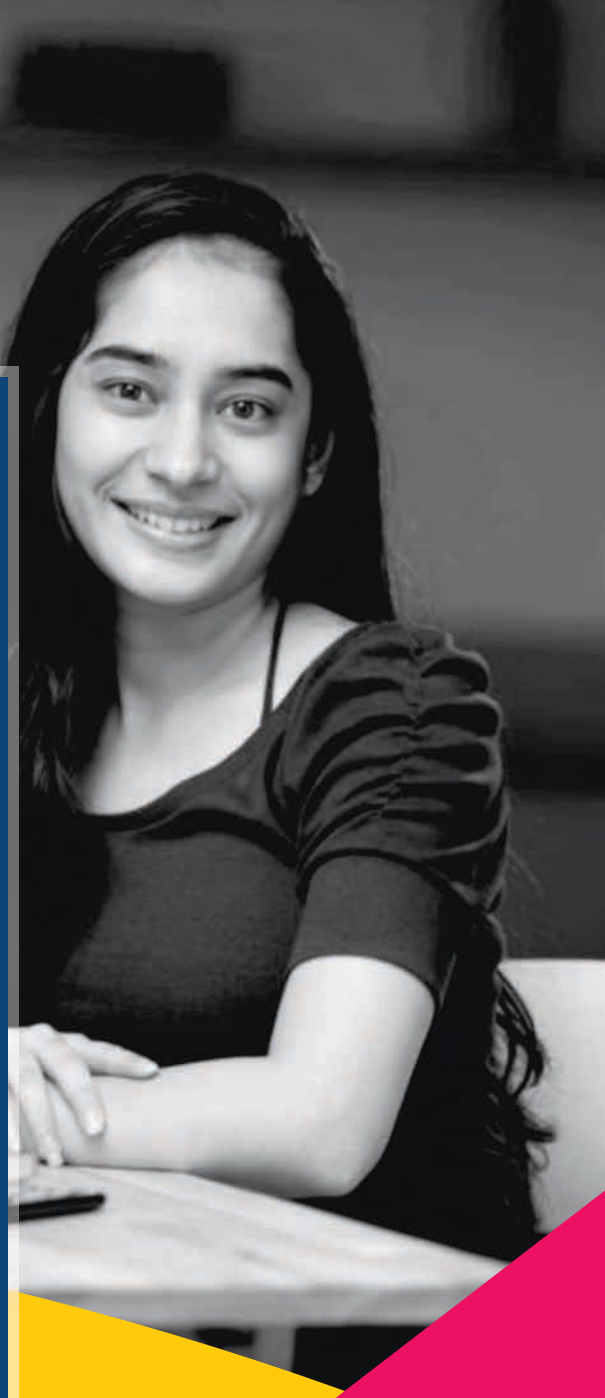

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Scheme of Tier-I Examination

Tier	Mode of examination	Scheme of Examination	Number of Questions	Marks	Time
I	**Computer based**	A. General Intelligence and Reasoning	25	50 Marks	1 hour (1 hour and 20 minutes for the candidates eligible for scribe as per Para-7.1 and 7.2)
		B. General Awareness	25	50 Marks	
		C. Quantitative Aptitude	25	50 Marks	
		D. English Comprehension	25	50 Marks	

Tier-I will consist of Objective Type, Multiple choice questions. The questions will be set both in English & Hindi except for English Comprehension.

There will be negative marking of 0.50 for each wrong answer.

Scheme of Tier-II Examination

Tier	Paper	Session	Subject	Number of Questions	Maximum Marks	Time allowed
II	**Paper-I**	**Session-I :** **(2 hours and 15 minutes)**	**Section-I :** **Module-I :** Mathematical Abilities **Module-II :** Reasoning and General Intelligence.	30 30 Total = 60	60*3 = 180	1 hour (for each section) (1 hours and 20 minutes for the candidates eligible for scribe as per Para-7.1 and 7.2)
			Section-II : **Module-I :** English Language and Comprehension **Module-II :** General Awareness	45 25 Total = 70	70*3 = 210	
			Section-III : **Module-I :** Computer Knowledge Module	20	20*3 = 60	15 Minutes (for each module) (20 minutes for the candidates eligible for scribe as per Para-7.1 and 7.2)
		Session-II : (15 minutes)	**Section-III :** Module-**II :** Data Entry Speed Test module	One Data Entry Task	-	
	Paper-II		Statistics	100	100*2 = 200	2 hours (for each Paper) (2 hours and 40 minutes for the candidates eligible for scribe as per Para-7.1 and 7.2)
	Paper-III		General Studies Finance and Economics)	100	100*2 = 200	

Tier-II will include conducting of Paper-I, Paper-II and Paper-III in separate shift(s)/ day(s).

Paper-I is compulsory for all the posts.

Paper-II will be for only those candidates who apply for the posts of Junior Statistical Officer (JSO) in the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation and who are shortlisted in Tier-I for these Posts.

Paper-III will be for only those candidates who are shortlisted in Tier-I for Paper-III i.e. for the posts of Assistant Audit Officer/ Assistant Accounts Officer.

SYLLABUS

GENERAL INTELLIGENCE & REASONING

It would include questions of both verbal and non verbal type. This component may include questions on analogies, similarities and differences, space visualization, spatial orientation, problem solving, analysis, judgement, decision making, visual memory, discrimination, observation, relationship concepts, arithmetical reasoning and figural classification, arithmetic number series, non-verbal series, coding and decoding, statement conclusion, syllogistic reasoning etc. The topics are, Semantic Analogy, Symbolic/Number Analogy Figural Analogy, Semantic Classification, Symbolic/Number Classification, Figural Classification, Semantic Series, Number Series, Figural Series, Problem Solving, Word Building, Coding & decoding, Numerical Operations, Symbolic Operations, Trends, Space Orientation, Space Visualization, Venn Diagrams, Drawing inferences, Punched hole/pattern –folding & un-folding, Figural Pattern – folding and completion, Indexing, Address matching, Date & city matching, Classification of centre codes/roll numbers, Small & Capital letters/numbers coding, decoding and classification, Embedded Figures, Critical thinking, Emotional Intelligence, Social Intelligence.

GENERAL AWARENESS

Questions in this component will be aimed at testing the candidates general awareness of the environment around him and its application to society. Questions will also be designed to test knowledge of current events and of such matters of every day observations and experience in their scientific aspect as may be expected of any educated person. The test will also include questions relating to India and its neighbouring countries especially pertaining History, Culture, Geography, Economic Scene, General Policy & Scientific Research.

QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

The questions will be designed to test the ability of appropriate use of numbers and number sense of the candidate. The scope of the test will be computation of whole numbers, decimals ,fractions and relationships between numbers, Percentage, Ratio & Proportion,Square roots, Averages, Interest, Profit and Loss, Discount, Partnership Business, Mixture and Alligation, Time and distance, Time & Work, Basic algebraic identities of School Algebra & Elementary surds, Graphs of Linear Equations, Triangle and its various kinds of centres, Congruence and similarity of triangles, Circle and its chords, tangents, angles subtended by chords of a circle, common tangents to two or more circles, Triangle, Quadrilaterals, Regular Polygons , Circle, Right Prism, Right Circular Cone, Right Circular Cylinder, Sphere, Hemispheres, Rectangular Parallelepiped, Regular Right Pyramid with triangular or square base, Trigonometric ratio, Degree and Radian Measures, Standard Identities, Complementary angles, Heights and Distances, Histogram, Frequency polygon, Bar diagram & Pie chart.

ENGLISH COMPREHENSION

Candidates' ability to understand correct English, his basic comprehension and writing ability, etc. would be tested.

Current Affairs

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● National ● International ● Sports and Games ● Awards and Honours ● Persons and News ● Who's Who

NATIONAL

'AIS For Taxpayer' Mobile App

- The Income Tax Department has launched a mobile app named 'AIS For Taxpayer' to help taxpayers get a comprehensive view of their Annual Information Statement (AIS) on their mobile phones.
- This move is in line with the government Digital India campaign aimed at providing citizens with access to various services through their smartphones.
- The app offers taxpayers an easy way to access all information related to their AIS on their smartphones. It is aimed at providing a comprehensive view of the AIS/TIS to the taxpayer displaying information collected from various sources pertaining to the taxpayer.

Women and Men in India–2022 Report

- The Union Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation released the women and men in India 2022 report on 16th March, 2023. The report revealed that India's sex ratio, or the number of females per 1000 males, is expected to improve from 943 in 2011 to 952 by 2036.
- However, the report also highlighted the gender disparity in labour force participation rates in the country. This report revealed that women are severely logging behind men in labour force participation rates.
  The report showed that the labour force participation rate for those above 15 years of age has been increasing since 2017-18.
- However, the rate was 77.2% for males and 32.8% for females in 2021-22, with no improvement in the disparity over the years.

ATL Sarthi

- Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)–NITI Aayog, a government led think tank of India, has launched ATL Sarthi, a comprehensive self-monitoring framework to strengthen the ecosystem of Atal Tinkering Labs (ATL) in schools.
- AIM has established 10, 000 ATL in India to promote curiosity, imagination and creativity among young students and to develop skills such as computational thinking, physical computing, and design thinking.
- ATL Sarthi was launched to enhance the performance of ATL's and achieve the desired objectives. It aims to provide a monitoring and evaluation framework that can help improve the functioning of ATL's.

Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman–2023

- The Ministry of Jal Shakti is commemorating International Women's Day by honouring women who have contributed to various programme of the Ministry through the Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman 2023.
- The award will recognise women for their exceptional contributions to the Swachh Bharat Mission-Grameen, Jal Jivan Mission (JJM) & National Water Mission (NWM) undervarious categories.
- The main objective of Swachh Sujal Shakti Samman is to emphasise the outstanding efforts of women in the water sector and encourage others to work towards a water secure future.

PM of Italy Giorgia Meloni to be on 2 day visit to India

Prime Minister of Italy Giorgia Meloni will be on a two day visit to India from 2nd March, 2023.

She will be accompanied by Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Antonio Tajani and a high powered business delegation.

The Italian Prime Minister will be the Chief Guest and Keynote Speaker at the 8th Raisina Dialogue, 2023.

INS Sukanya arrived at Port Colombo of Sri Lanka on Official Visit

The Indian Naval Ship, INS Sukanya arrived at the Port Colombo of Sri Lanka on 27th Feb, 2023 on an official visit.

The 101 metre long Offshore patrol vessel along with 106 crew members, was welcomed by the Sri Lanka Navy.

The crew of the ship will participate in several programmes to promote cooperation between the navies of both countries.

In a historic first, 8 Aircraft of IAF land at Saudi Air Force Base

In a historic first, eight aircraft of the Indian Air Force landed at a Royal Saudi Air Force base on 26 February 2023.

The Indian contingent comprising 145 Air Warriors with its complement of 05 MIRAGE, 02 C17 and 01 IL 78 tankers had an overnight halt in the Kingdom.

On 27 February the Contingent left for participating in the forthcoming Cobra Warrior 23 Exercise in the UK.

EAM's Annual Flagship Event, Asia Economic Dialogue Begins in Pune

External Affairs Ministry's (EAM) annual flagship event on Geoeconomics, Asia Economic Dialogue began in Pune, Maharashtra on 23 February 2023.

The 3-day event is being hosted by EAM and Pune International Centre.

The principal theme for the Dialogue is 'Asia and Emerging World Order'.

More than 44 speakers from various countries will be participating in this Dialogue.

Financial Literacy Week-2023

Reserve Bank of India organized the Financial Literacy Week-2023 between 13-17 February, 2023. The main objective of the week is Financial Education. RBI will conduct a mass media campaign to spread financial awareness during the week.

The theme of this year Financial Literacy week is Good Financial Behaviour Your Saviour. This theme aligns with the goal of the National strategy for Financial Education.

UNION BUDGET 2023-24

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman presented Union Budget 2023-24 on February 1, 2023.

7 Priorities of Budget

1. Inclusive Development
2. Reaching the Last Mile

3. Intrastructure & Investment
4. Unleashing the Potential
5. Financial Sector
6. Green Growth
7. Youth Power

Highlights

- The capital expenditure is almost 3 times of the capital expenditure in FY 2019-20.
- Fiscal Deficit estimated to be 5.9% of GDP in BE 2023-24.
- Tax exemption up to ₹ 7 lakh/year is under new tax regime.
- Agriculture Credit Target to be increased to ₹ 20 lakh crore.
- **PM Vishwa Karma Kaushal Samman :** For the first time package of assistance for traditional artisans and craftspeople has been conceptualised.
- **New sub scheme of PM Matsya Sampada Yojana**, with targeted investment of ₹ 6000 crore, to further enable activities of fishermen, fish vendors and micro and small entrepreneurs, improve value chain efficiencies and expand the market.
- A capital outlay of ₹ 2.40 lakh crore has been provided for the **Railways**.
- This highest ever outlay is about 9 times the outlay made in 2013- 14.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman increased allocation to **Defence Budget** to ₹ 593537.64 crore for 2023-24 from last year's allocation of ₹ 5.25 lakh crore.
- For 2022-23, the budgetary allocation for capital outlay was ₹ 1.52 lakh crore but the revised estimate showed the expenditure at ₹ 1.50 lakh crore.
- A separate amount of ₹ 138205 crore has been allocated for **defence pensions**.
- A one-time new small savings scheme, **Mahila Samman Savings Certificate**, will be made available for a two-year period up to March 2025.
- This will offer deposit facility upto ₹ 2 lakh in the name of women or girls for a tenor of 2 years at fixed interest rate of 7.5% with a partial withdrawal option.
- 157 new nursing colleges to be established in colocation with existing 157 medical colleges set-up since 2014.
- **National Digital Library for Children and Adolescents** to be set up for facilitating availability of quality books across languages, geographies and genres.
- For business establishments required to have Permanent Account Number, the PAN will be used as a common identifier for all Digital Systems of specified government agencies.
- **Aspirational Blocks programme** covering 500 blocks has been launched for saturation of government programmes; **PM Primitive Vulnerable Tribal Groups Development Mission** is being launched to improve conditions of vulnerable tribal groups.
- Outlay for **PM Awas Yojana** is being enhanced by 66% to over ₹ 79000 crore.
- 100 labs for developing applications using 5G services to be set-up in engineering institutions, to realise new range of opportunities, business models and employment potential.
- **National Green Hydrogen Mission** with outlay of ₹ 19700 crore will facilitate transition to economy to low carbon intensity, our target is to reach annual production of 5 MMT by 2030.
- **Phase 3 of e-courts project** to be launched with outlay of ₹ 7000 crore, for efficient administration of justice.
- Government to provide higher limit of ₹ 2 lakh per member for cash deposit and loans by **Primary Agricultural Credit Societies**.

Some Notable Achievements

- 11.7 crore household toilets under Swachh Bharat Mission
- 9.6 crore LPG connections under Ujjawala
- 220 crore Covid vaccination of 102 crore persons
- 47.8 crore PM Jan Dhan bank accounts
- Insurance cover for 44.6 crore persons under PM Suraksha Bima and PM Jeevan Jyoti Yojana
- Cash transfer of ₹ 2.2 lakh crore to over 11.4 crore farmers under PM Kisan Samman Nidhi

Economic Survey 2022-23

The Economic Survey 2022-23 was tabled by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman in Parliament on January 31, 2023.

Key Features

- India's GDP growth is expected to remain robust in FY23 at 7% (in real terms).
- The GDP forecast for FY24 to be in the range of 6-6.8%.
- The Gross Tax Revenue registered a Year-on-Year (YoY) growth of 15.5% from April to November 2022.
- Central & State Government's budgeted expenditure on health sector touched 2.2% of GDP in FY22 (RE).
- Social sector expenditure increases to ₹ 21.3 lakh crore in FY23 (BE) from ₹ 9.1 lakh crore in FY16.
- India declared the **Net Zero Pledge** to achieve net zero emissions goal by 2070.
- India achieved its target of **40% installed electric capacity** from non-fossil fuels ahead of 2030.
- **National Green Hydrogen Mission** to enable India to be energy independent by 2047.
- Private investment in agriculture increases to 9.3% in 2020-21.

74th Republic Day 2023 Celebrated

India celebrated its 74th Republic Day on 26 January, 2023. This year's parade was special with many events taking place for the first time.

It was the first time that the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt, Abdel Fattah el-Sisi, had been invited as the chief guest on the Republic Day. For the first time, 12 women riders were part of the Border Security Force's (BSF) camel contingent and 16 march contingents of the armed forces. The formations like 'Bheem' and 'Vajrang' showcased over the Kartavya Path for the first time. During the Beating Retreat Ceremony 2023, 3D anamorphic projection was held for the first time on the facade of North and South Block.

World's First Intranasal COVID19 Vaccine Unveiled

Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya unveiled world's first intranasal COVID-19 vaccine, iNNCOVACC in New Delhi on January 26, 2023.

It is developed by Bharat Biotech International Limited (BBIL) in collaboration with Biotechnology Industry Research Assistance (BIRAC).

iNCOVACC has been priced at ₹ 325 per dose. Bharat Biotech's intranasal COVID-19 vaccine is a recombinant replicating adenovirus vectored vaccine.

Government Launched U-WIN

After the success of the Co-WIN platform, the government has now replicated it to set-up an electronic registry for routine vaccinations U-WIN on January 25, 2023.

Named U-WIN has been launched in a pilot mode in two districts of each state and Union Territory. It is the programme to digitise India's Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP).

Moidams' Nominated for UNESCO World Heritage Site

PM Narendra Modi has selected the 'Pyramids of Assam' as the country's sole

nomination for the UNESCO World Heritage Site out of 52 heritage sites on January 24, 2023. The Ahom-era 'Moidams' (cemetery of the royal family) in Assam's Charaideo district will be India's only nomination for recognition as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

21 Andaman Islands Named after Param Vir Chakra Awardees

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on January 23, 2003 named the 21 largest unnamed islands of the Andaman & Nicobar Islands after 21 Param Vir Chakra awardees.

The 21 Param Vir Chakra winners named after these islands are : Major Somnath Sharma, Subedar and Honorary Captain (then Lance Naik) Karam Singh, MM, Second Lieutenant Ram Raghoba Rane, Naik Jadunath Singh, Company Havildar Major Piru Singh, Capt GS Salaria etc.

Brand Guardianship Index 2023 Released

Billionaire Mukesh Ambani ranked No.1 among Indians and second globally on the Brand Guardianship Index 2023, published on January 20, 2023.

He has overtaken the likes of Satya Nadella of Microsoft and Google's Sundar Pichai to be ranked No.1 among Indians and 2nd globally in this Index.

Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang and Reliance Industries Ltd's Mukesh Ambani are ranked first and second respectively in the Index (BGI).

Indian Scientists made First of its Kind Discovery on Mars

The first instance of solo electromagnetic waves has been discovered by Indian researchers on January 16, 2023.

The results were established using information from the Mars Atmosphere and Volatile Evolution (MAVEN) mission of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Using high-resolution electric field data from MAVEN's captured by Langmuir Probe and Waves sensors, scientists have detected the lone waves in the Martian magnetosphere.

112-ft Tall Adiyogi Shiva Statue Unveiled

The 112-ft face of Adiyogi, the source of Yoga, was unveiled at the Sadhguru Sannidhi in Chikkaballapura near Bengaluru on January 15, 2023.

Statue unveiled by Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai in the presence of Sadhguru, founder of Isha Foundation. Adiyogi Divya Darshanam, a unique 14-minute video imaging show mapped on the 112-foot Adiyogi, followed the unveiling.

'Aarogya Maitri' Project Announced

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has announced a new 'Aarogya Maitri' project on January 14, 2023.

Under this project India will provide essential medical supplies to developing countries affected by natural disasters or humanitarian crises.

PM proposed to set-up a 'centre of excellence' to facilitate development solutions to these countries.

PM announced this at the Concluding Session of the two-day virtual 'Voice of Global South Summit'.

World's Longest River Cruise – MV Ganga Vilas Launched

Prime Minister Narendra Modi flagged-off the world's longest river cruise, MV Ganga Vilas, and inaugurated the Tent City in Varanasi *via* video conference on January 13, 2023.

MV Ganga Vilas has three decks with all luxury amenities, 18 suites with a capacity of 36 tourists. MV Ganga Vilas travel about 3200 km in 51 days to reach Dibrugarh in Assam via Bangladesh, crossing 27 river systems in India and Bangladesh.

National Youth Festival-2023 Held

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the National Youth Festival-2023 on January 12, 2023 on the Birth Anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.

It was organised in the twin cities of Hubballi – Dharwad in Karnataka from January 12 to 16, 2023. Theme of this year's Youth Festival was 'Vikasit Yuva, Vikasit Bharat'.

Successful Test Launch of Prithvi II

DRDO successfully carried out a training launch of a Short-Range Ballistic Missile, Prithvi-II on January 11, 2023.

It is launched from Integrated Test Range, Chandipur off the Odisha coast.

The user training launch successfully validated all operational and technical parameters of the Prithvi-II missile, which has a range of around 350 km.

Joshimath Declared as 'Landslide-Subsidence Zone'

Joshimath (a city in Chamoli district in Uttarakhand) has been declared a landslide-subsidence zone by respective authorities on January 9, 2023. Joshimath is the gateway to Hemkund Sahib and Badrinath. Big cracks are being seen between people's houses and roads.

17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention Held

Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the 17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention in Indore, Madhya Pradesh on January 8, 2023. The 17th PBDC organised from January 8-10, 2023 in collaboration with the Government of Madhya Pradesh. The theme of the conference was "Diaspora : Reliable Partners for India's Progress in Amrit Kaal".

India Surpassed Japan to become 3rd Largest Auto Market Globally

India has surpassed Japan on January 8, 2023 in terms of auto sales in 2022 to become the 3rd-largest auto market globally for the first time. India's new vehicle sales were at least 4.25 million units, ahead of the 4.2 million sold in Japan, based on preliminary results.

DRDO Developed Unmanned Vehicle

The Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed an unmanned aerial vehicle on January 7, 2023 with the aim of targeting logistics operations on the Himalayan border.

This aircraft has been displayed by DRDO at the 108th Indian Science Congress held in Nagpur, Maharashtra. This UAV can fly with a load of 5 to 25 kg. and is also capable of dropping bombs in enemy territory.

National Green Hydrogen Mission Approved

The Union Government has approved the National Green Hydrogen Mission, with an initial outlay of ₹ 19744 crore on January 4, 2023. The Mission aims to make India a Global Hub for the production, utilisation, and export of Green Hydrogen.

The targets by 2030 are likely to bring in over ₹ 8 lakh crore investments and create over six lakh jobs.

India took over Leadership of the Asian Pacific Postal Union

India has taken over the leadership of the Asia Pacific Postal Union (APPU) on January 3, 2023.

President Droupadi Murmu Inaugurated Samvidhan Udyan

President Droupadi Murmu was on a two-day visit to Rajasthan from January 3-4, 2023. She inaugurated Samvidhan Udyan at Raj Bhavan in Jaipur.

President Murmu inaugurated the Transmission System for Solar Energy Zones in Rajasthan.

She laid the foundation stone for one thousand Mega Watt Bikaner Solar Power Project virtually.

She also grace the launch of a National Campaign on 'RISE-Rising India through Spiritual Empowerment', organised by Brahma Kumaris.

National Geospatial Policy 2022 Introduced

The Ministry of Science and Technology has notified the National Geospatial Policy 2022 on January 3, 2023.

It is a citizen-centric policy that seeks to strengthen the geospatial sector to support national development, economic prosperity and a thriving information economy.

The policy has divided 14 Geospatial Data Themes to support the development of commercial geospatial applications in various sectors.

Supreme Court Found No Flaw in Demonetisation Process

A Constitution Bench of the Supreme Court, by a 4 : 1 majority, upheld the Central Government's decision to demonetise currency notes of ₹ 500 and ₹ 1000 on January 3, 2023.

Justices S. Abdul Nazeer, BR Gavai, AS Bopanna, V. Ramasubramanian held that the Centre's notification dated November 8, 2016 was valid and satisfied the test of proportionality.

Justice BV Nagaratna, in his dissenting opinion, said that though demonetisation was well-intentioned, it should be declared illegal on legal grounds (and not on objective grounds).

Justice Nagaratna said the decision to demonetise ₹ 500 and ₹ 100 notes should have been made through legislation and not through notification.

India and Austria Signed 5 Agreements

India and Austria signed five agreements on January 2, 2023 and two of them are in the interest of the Indian community living in Austria The two agreements would be in the interest of the Indian community. There is an agreement on 'Migration and Mobility' for people who want to work in Austria and who want to come to India for business, or who come here as students/professionals.

Another agreement is on the 'Working Holiday' program that will enable Indian students in Austria to work for 6 months.

SC Launched Project to Provide Free Digital Access to Official Law Reports

Chief Justice of India (CJI) DY Chandrachud announced the launch of the electronic Supreme Court Reports (e-SCR) project on January 1, 2023.

It aims is to provide free digital access to its about 34000 judgements to lawyers, law students and the common public.

These verdicts will be available on the apex court website, its mobile app and on the judgement portal of the National Judicial Data Grid (NJDG).

The e-SCR project is an initiative to provide the digital version of the apex court's judgments in the manner as they are reported in the official law report 'Supreme Court Reports'.

India and Pakistan Exchanged Lists of Nuclear Assets and Prison Inmates

India and Pakistan exchanged the list of nuclear installations and facilities on December 31, 2022 as per the 1988 agreement.

This agreement prohibits both the countries from attacking each other's nuclear installations.

India and Pakistan exchanged lists of nuclear installations that cannot be attacked in the event of hostilities.

They both maintaining a tradition dating back to 1992 despite bilateral ties being at an all-time low.

They also exchanged the lists of prisoners held in each other's prisons, which include civilians, defence personnel and fishermen.

Union Home Minister Presided Over the Conference of Administrators of UT

Union Home Minister Amit Shah chaired the conference on development works in Union Territories in New Delhi on December 29, 2022. Lieutenant Governors and Administrators of UTs including from Delhi, Chandigarh, Andaman and Nicobar, Puducherry, Ladakh and Jammu and Kashmir attended the conference.

The conference reviewed the economic development, tourism and major schemes and future roadmap of the Union Territories to ensure their strong growth.

Cabinet Approved MSP for Copra For 2023 Season

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs has approved Minimum Support Prices (MSPs) for copra for 2023 season on December 26, 2022.

The MSP for Fair Average Quality of milling copra has been fixed at ₹ 10860 per quintal and for ball copra at ₹ 11750 per quintal for 2023 season.

This is an increase of ₹ 270 per quintal for milling copra and ₹ 750 per quintal for ball copra over the previous season.

IICA launches ESG Impact Leaders Program

Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs (IICA) has launched a programme on December 20, 2022 to create Impact Leaders in the areas of Environmental- Social-Governance (ESG). IICA is an autonomous institution under the aegis of the Ministry of Corporate Affairs.

The Six Month course comprising 8 Self-paced learning modules will be delivered online.

3 More Sites Added to UNESCO's Tentative List

Three more sites in India have made it to the tentative list of UNESCO's world heritage sites on Dec 21, 2022.

Sun Temple at Modhera, historic Vadnagar town in Gujarat, and rock-cut relief sculptures of Unakoti in Tripura, have been added to the tentative list of UNESCO world heritage sites.

The Sun Temple in Modhera, Gujarat, is dedicated to Surya Dev and is situated on the left bank of the Pushpavati River, a tributary of the River Rupan.

Vadnagar is a municipality in Mehsana district of Gujarat.

India Garnered International Support for CDRI

MoS for Home Affairs Nityanand Rai on December 20, 2022 informed that India has garnered international support for its CDRI.

31 nations and 8 international organisations including UN agencies have supported PM Modi's Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI). The support was extended at the United Nations Climate Action Summit in New York in 2019.

Centre has approved 480 crore rupees for a corpus to fund technical assistance and research projects on an ongoing basis over a period of 5 years ending in 2023-24.

CDRI has also received financial commitments and support from the United Kingdom, Australia, Netherlands, and European Union.

Technical support has been extended from the United States of America, France, and Canada.