

**Toppers talk**  
**(How to prepare for KAS)**



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- India won Asian championship award after 58 years
- Operation Kaveri to rescue Indians from Sudan
- India's first undersea tunnel opens at Mumbai in November
- ASIAN-India Marine exercise in South China sea
- Article 142 in the context of consensual divorce
- Mumbai to get Asia's largest bio gas plant
- Neeraj chopra, became the first Indian to win the Diamond league
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## Toppers Talk

### **She had failed 5 attempts in the UPSC, but her never-say-die attitude allowed her to crack KAS.**

Congratulations on your achievement in the state public service commission commonly called KAS and getting into commercial tax division.

#### *Please introduce yourself?*

I am Mehrunnissa Begum, a resident of Shahabad in the Kalburgi District. I graduated in agriculture and then took the ICAR-JRF, passing with an All India ranking of 32. I then enrolled in the National Dairy Research Institute in Karnal and completed a master's degree in agricultural extension education. Since then, I have been studying for this exam.

#### *How many times did you try?*

This was my second effort; in my first, I got to the interview stage but didn't make the cut for the final list, and in my second, I passed every level.

#### *Who has been the inspiration to appear for the KAS?*

I'm from the most backward part of Karnataka, where completing degree is still a pipe dream and raising girls from the Muslim community is still a significant difficulty. I've always wanted to do something to improve society and promote girls' education.

Moreover, my husband constantly encouraged me to continue my preparation. After a serious accident in which both of my legs were broken, he managed to keep my spirits up and provide me with valuable guidance.

#### *How did your parents, family and friends contribute to your success?*

My parents and family had entire faith in me when I was sent out of state to pursue my master's, and they always had faith in my accomplishment.

Friends indeed backbone in your preparation.

#### *What was your approach to clear KAS?*

I could take short notes on each subject, talk about them with my peers, and revise them several times. I chose to construct my own test series and have the peer group evaluate it. Each day was fascinating and fresh, so studying didn't get too monotonous.

For prelims, I used to solve previous year question paper and relay more on Government sources like, PIB, Yojana, Kurukshetra, etc.



*Had you not been selected in the Civil Services Examination, what would have been your reaction? Which other service/career would you have gone in/opted for?*

I had always had a decent chance of getting a job in my academic field. I could have been an agriculture scientist or assistant professor, but I always wanted to get in Administration. I could have reapplied and qualified.

*How do you visualize your success?*

It provided some relief, but it also added a new responsibility to my plate. Whenever I visit my hometown, parents ask me to help them with their daughters, and schools help me inspire aspirants, which I think makes me feel good and proud.

*What were your strong points which enabled you to achieve success in the state Civil Services Examination?*

Persistence, hard work and dedication

*What is your advice to the aspirants?*

In a recent incident in Maharashtra, a young aspirant died by suicide as a result of their repeated failures in the UPSC for three years. Never expect immediate results because great responsibility comes with a lot of hard work that builds character. I failed the UPSC miserably, but I kept practicing no matter what.

Believe yourself, stay motivated and be strong and accept the defeat before trying

*Meherunnissa Begum, KAS (CTO)*

All the best!!!

## Book list –KAS (Prelims cum mains)

S.N	Subject	Author
1	Geography	Ranganath
2	History	suryakant kamath
3	Polity	Laxmikanth
4	Environment	NCERT
5	Economics	NCERT
6	Indian history/geography / science and tech	LUCENT
7	Hand book of Karnataka	Karnataka Gazetteer Department
8	Economic survey of	The Government

	<b>Karnataka</b>	<b>of Karnataka</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Current affairs</b>	<b>The Hindu, Indian Express</b>

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## **Karnataka State**

### **1. More women voter then men in half of the Karnataka:**

- the number of women voters per 1,000 men voters, to 989
- Mangalore City South constituency has the **highest** gender ratio of electors (1,091 women per 1,000 men),
- Mahadevapura seat the **lowest** (858 women per 1,000 men).

### **2. National manufacturing innovation survey (NMIS)**

- **Karnataka** ranked the most 'innovative' State by the National Manufacturing Innovation Survey.
- joint study by the **Department of Science and Technology (DST)** and the **United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)** to evaluate the innovation performance of manufacturing firms in the India.

### **3. Sakhi pink booth**

- All Women Managed Polling Booths in Karnataka Legislative Assembly Election

### **4. India tourism statistics:**

- The highest foreign arrivals in India Delhi Airport stands first and 2<sup>nd</sup> Mumbai and 3<sup>rd</sup> Bangalore International Airport

### **5. MISHTI- Mangrove initiative for shoreline habitat and tangible income**

- To protect and revive mangrove ecosystems on the Indian coast while enhancing the socio-economic status of nearby communities.
- launched by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) in 2023 to increase the mangrove cover along the coastline and on salt pan lands in India.

### **6. KARNATAKS first elephant caring centre established in Kolar**

- Karnataka state animal- Elephant
- IUCN status of Indian Elephant- Endangered
- The state of Karnataka alone is home to 22% of the elephants (Highest in India)

### **7. Shri Siddaramaiah sworn as 22<sup>nd</sup> chief minister of Karnataka**

- **K. Chengalaraya Reddy**- was the first chief minister of independent India (Mysore state)

### **8. Shri Ashakiran Shetty was appointed as the Advocate general**

- Shri K.K. Venugopal, Attorney General of India

9. **Dr. Alok Kumar Mohan appointed as the DGP Karnataka**

10. **U.T khadar sworn as the new speaker of legislative assembly**

- **V. Venkatappa**- first speaker of Karnataka state legislative assembly
- **K. S. Nagarathanamma**- first women speaker of Karnataka state legislative assembly
- **Article 178 of the Constitution of India: Speaker of Legislative assembly**

11. **Dr. Manu Baligar**

- ಕನ್ನಡ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ ಪರಿಷತ್ತಿನ ಶತಮಾನೋತ್ಸವ ಮನು ಬಳಿಗಾರ ಅವರಿಗೆ ಪ್ರದಾನ ಮಾಡಲಾಗುವುದು

12. **Dr, M.N Nandakumara** (member of the order of the British empire)

Award from Karnataka

- UK-Based Sanskrit Scholar MN Nandakumara Awarded

13. **K Govindaraj elected as Asia FIBA president (The International Basketball Federation)**

- Previously Sheikh Saud Ali Al Thani of Qatar was the Asia FIBA



14. **Sengol is Installed in the New parliament**

- It is a sceptre made of gold and silver and is decorated with many precious stones.
- The Sengol is 5 feet long and carries a golden orb at the top.
- The orb has a carving of Nandi, the bull that is precious to Lord Shiva.
- The Sengol is a powerful symbol of the Chola Kings authority and their commitment to justice.

15. **Hakki Pikkis Bird catchers to entrepreneurs in traditional medicines**

- Hakki Pikkis (Hakki in Kannada means 'bird' and Pikki means 'catchers') are a semi-nomadic tribe, traditionally of bird catchers and hunter



## **Awards and Honors**

16. **Swimmer Sachin Nag** won the 100m freestyle event at New Delhi 1951 to become India's first gold medallist at the Asian Games.

- **Roshan Mistry** became the first Indian woman to win an Asian Games medal when she took silver in the 100m sprint at the 1951 Asian Games.
- First to host the game was India
- 2022 it was held in China
- 2026 it will be held Japan

17. **Asian kabaddi championship held at south Korea**

- From June 27th to 30th, 2023

18. **2023 world snooker championship award**

- the match was held in England
- **Luca Brecel became the champion**

19. **Hockey India sub junior women's national championship award won by Haryana against Jharkhand it was held in Odisha**

20. **South Asian youth table tennis championship 2023 held at Itanagar (Arunachal Pradesh)**

21. **PEN Centenary Courage Award** at the 2023 PEN America Literary Gala given Salman Rushdie

22. Knight of the legion of honour was given to N, Chandrasekhar

- France's highest civilian award

23. **Neeraj chopra, became the first Indian to win the Diamond league**

- The Diamond League is an annual series of elite track and field athletic competitions comprising fourteen of the best invitational athletics meetings



24. **World chess championship**

- The World Chess Championship is played to determine the world champion in chess.
- The current world champion is Ding Liren, who defeated his opponent Ian Nepomniachtchi in the 2023 World Chess Championship.
- Magnus Carlsen, the previous world champion, declined to defend his title

**25. 2023 badminton Asian championship**

- badminton tournament held at the Sheikh Rashid Bin Hamdan Indoor Hall in Dubai, United Arab Emirates

**26. Asian weightlifting championship at south Korean**

- Indian weightlifters finish with three silver medals in South Korea

**27. Chennai super kings clinch the IPL for the fifth time**

- They defeated Gujrat titans on the final ball

<b><u>Padma Vibhushan-2023 from Karnataka</u></b>		
<b>Sl. No</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Field</b>
01	Shri S M Krishna	Public Affairs
<b><u>Padma Bhushan -2023 from Karnataka</u></b>		
<b>Sl.no</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Field</b>
02	Shri S L Bhyrappa	Literature & Education
03	Ms. Sudha Murty	Social work
<b><u>Padma Shri -2023 from Karnataka</u></b>		
<b>Sl.no</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Field</b>
04	Shri Khadar Valli Dudekula	Science & Engineering
05	MS Rani Machaiah	Art
06	Shri Nadoja Pindipapanahalli Munivenkatappa	Art
07	Shri Shah Rasheed AhmedQuadri	Art
08	Shri S Subraman	Others Archaeology

## **Books and Authors**

### **1. Girls without cloths**

- Russian poet Maria **Stepanova wins** Leipzig Book Prize for her volume of poetry 'Girls Without Clothes'

### **2. Kerala story director - Sudipto Sen**

### **3. International bookers prize**

- “**Time Shelter**” written by **Georgi Gospodinov** and translated into English by Angela Rodel, has won the International Booker Prize 2023

## **Government schemes and policies**

### **1. Drug recall law in India.**

- Drug Recall, Not of Standard Quality,
- Drug recall refers to the action of removing or withdrawing a batch of product from distribution or use, to be returned to the manufacturer.

### **2. Thalassemia bal seva yojana.**

- Coal India Limited, under the auspices of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India is implementing Thalassemia Bal Sewa Yojana as part of its CSR initiative to support the treatment of children affected by two diseases - Thalassemia and Aplastic Anaemia.
- The scheme is being implemented since 2017.

### **3. Pratima murthy committee**

- The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDAI) has established a five-member expert committee to provide guidance on insurance and mental health issues

### **4. Model prisons act 2023**

- The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) announced that it has finalised the **preparation of the Model Prisons Act, 2023**, to replace the existing 130-year-old colonial law in an attempt to shift the focus of incarceration from “retributive deterrence” to “reform and rehabilitation”



5. **PoSH act**

- The POSH Act was passed to safeguard women from workplace sexual harassment.
- Employers are required by this Act to offer female employees a secure and safe work environment

6. **Kerala government proposes to introduce a pension scheme**

- for workers registered under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREG)

7. **Kerala Achieves First Fully E-governed State Status**

## Appointments

1. Karnataka DGP Praveen Sood, CBI Director
2. Manoj Soni takes charge as Chairman of UPSC
3. LIC chairman- Siddharth mohanti, founded September 1956 HQ- Mumbai
4. Atomic energy commission A K mohanti appointed
5. World bank new chairman Indian man world bank established july-1944 HQ- Washington
6. He is currently serving as the 47th Deputy Chief of the Air Staff appointed new vice admiral - Ashutosh Dixit
  - Air Chief Marshal VR Chaudhary, motto: touch the sky with glory
7. Twitter new CEO - Linda Yaccarino
8. National investment and infrastructure fund newly appointed - Rajiv Dhar

9. CBI Director Praveen Sood
10. Competition commission of India new chief -IAS Ravneet Kaur
11. Petroleum and natural gas regulatory board (2006)- chairman anil kumar jain
12. Data security council of India new chairman Pramod Basin

### Famous personalities

#### 1. Mridangam virtuoso Karaikudi Mani takes the final bow

- Indian Mridangam player from Tamil Nadu,



#### 2. Sai Samarth Ramdas

- Samarth Ramdas the guru of Chhatrapati Shivaji
- Ramdas or previously Narayan was born at Jamb, a village in present-day Jalna district, Maharashtra on the occasion of Rama Navami, probably in 1608 CE.

#### 3. Nishanth Dev Boxer

- boxer who is participating in the Men's World Boxing Championships

#### 4. Ranajeet guha no more

- was an Indian historian, who was one of the early pioneers of the Subaltern Studies group

#### 5. Kami Rita Sherpa(Nepal), worlds most number times claimed the mount Everest

- Kami Rita currently holds the record for most 8,000 meter summits, with 38 total
- **Edmund Hillary and Tenzin Norgay became the first** people to have successfully climbed the mountain.
- Avtar Singh Cheema is the first Indian man to have climbed the mountain.

6. **Arun Manilal Gandhi died**
  - South African-born Indian-American author, socio-political activist and son of Manilal Gandhi
7. **Charles-III The new emperor of UK**
8. **Calyampudi Radhakrishna Rao**
  - C. R. Rao, is an Indian-American mathematician and statistician.
  - **International Prize in Statistics:** The International Prize in Statistics is awarded every two years by a collaboration among five leading international statistics organizations.
9. **Virat Kohli has become the first batsman to complete 7000 runs in the Indian Premier League (IPL)**
10. **Kamal Hasan outstanding achievement award by IIFA**
11. **Oskar from India**
  - The song **Naatu Naatu** from the hit Telugu-language film RRR has made history by becoming the first Indian film song to win an Oscar
  - The First Oscar Award in India was given to **Bhanu Athaiya**.
12. **Champion of the order of Fiji awarded to Indian PM by Sitiveni Rabuka (PM)**



## Summits and conferences

1. **International Labour Day theme 2023**
  - "A safe and healthy working environment as a fundamental principle and right at work."
2. **World tuna day 2<sup>nd</sup> may**
  - **The global Tuna Industry: Trailblazing through tough times**
3. **National technology day -May 11<sup>th</sup>**
  - School to Startup-Igniting Young Minds to Innovate
4. **G-7 meet Modi to attend Hiroshima first PM after Pokhran n- test**
  - G7 presidency, rotates annually among member countries in the following order: France, United States, United Kingdom, Germany, Japan, Italy and Canada
  - Founded 1975
  - **Little Boy**: The United States dropped an atomic bomb on the city of Hiroshima
  - **Fat Man**: second atomic bomb was dropped on Nagasaki
5. **Forum for India Pacific Islands Cooperation (FIPIC)- at Port Moresby in Papua New Guinea**
  - Forum for India-Pacific Islands cooperation(FIPIC) is a multinational grouping developed in 2014 for cooperation between India and 14 Pacific Islands nations which include Cook Islands, Fiji, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Niue, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Tonga, Tuvalu and Vanuatu.
  - The 3rd Forum for India–Pacific Islands Cooperation (FIPIC) Summit was held in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea on May 22, 2023
  - **Capital city of Papua New Guinea- Port Moresby**
6. **(B-READY), Business ready project started by world bank**
  - B-READY improves upon and replaces Doing Business.
7. **Bridging the gender digital divide published by –UNICEF**
8. **KHELO INDIA universities games held at UP, Gujrat**

## 9. FIBA – Qatar

- Qatar has been awarded the men's International Basketball Federation (FIBA) Basketball World Cup in 2027,
- Germany securing the women's edition in 2026.

## 10. Indian ocean conference- 2023

- Bangladesh: host of the 6th Indian Ocean Conference IOC
- The first edition of the Indian Ocean conference was held in Singapore in 2016 and fifth in 2021 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates

## 11. National homeopathic summit Uttarakhand (Dehradun)

- Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh Dhami Inaugurates National Homoeopathic Convention 'Homeocon 2023'

## 12. International organization for standardisation conference was held at New Delhi

- It adopted the 'New Delhi Declaration on Collection and Classification of Traditional Medicine (TM) Diagnostic Data'.
- ICoSDiTAUS-2020 is the biggest ever international event dedicated to standardisation of Diagnosis and Terminologies of Traditional Medicine in terms of the broad level of participation covering virtually all the continents.

# FORESIGHT KAS

Science and technology

## 1. Blue bugging

- Type of malicious attack that allows hackers to gain access to your Bluetooth-enabled devices

## 2. Starberrysense

- The main function is to quickly and accurately calculate when satellite is pointing in space as for any space mission

## 3. (Tele-MANAS) launched by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

- It aims to provide mental health support, early screening, first-aid, distress management, mental well-being, suicide prevention, and psychological crisis management in Jammu and Kashmir.

**4. What is Bluesky, the latest micro-blogging platform in the market?**

- Bluesky is a decentralized social app conceptualized by former Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey and
- Developed in parallel with Twitter

**5. Space Science and Technology AweRness Training (START)**

- at post-graduate and final-year undergraduate students of physical sciences and technology
- Indian academic institutions can register for the programme by submitting their Expression of Interest in the prescribed format through the **Jigyasa portal**

**6. Project- SMART**

- The SMART (Scope for Mainstreaming Ayurveda Research in Teaching Professionals) program aims to boost scientific research through Ayurveda colleges and hospitals.
- SMART' program will have a deep long term rejuvenating impact on research in the field of Ayurveda and it will be a great service to the nation.

**7. Respiratory syncytial virus(RSV).**

- No segmented negative-strand RNA virus
- Also called as syncytial-
- RSV is the single most common cause of respiratory hospitalization in infants, and reinfection remains common in later life: it is a notable pathogen in all age groups.

**8. Commission for scientific and technical terminology.**

- which operates under the supervision of the Union Ministry of Education,
- it is tasked with developing technical and scientific terminology in 10 Indian languages that are underrepresented in the learning landscape.

**9. What is Open Network for Digital Commerce (ONDC)**

- , ONDC goes beyond the current platform-centric digital commerce model where the buyer and seller have to use the same platform or application to be digitally visible and do a business transaction

**10. Gaganyaan: parachutes for re - entry capsule sent to ISRO facility in Bangalore**

- Gaganyaan programme is to demonstrate indigenous capability to undertake human space flight mission to LEO.



- As part of this programme, two unmanned missions and one manned mission are approved by Government of India (GoI)
- with launch planned for the **first quarter of 2024.**
- **GSLV rocket** will be used for the launch

**11. PRET: Preparedness and Resilience for emerging threads- WHO**

- initiative is an innovative approach to improving disease pandemic preparedness

**12. Internet in India report the highest internet user –goa and least is Bihar**

**13. Saksham (stimulating advanced knowledge for sustainable health management)**

- is an initiative of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India?
- It provides all health-related training programmes to healthcare professionals of the country in digital mode.

**14. World's first commercial space station by spacex**

- Vast has now announced its intention to be the owner/operator of the first commercial space station by launching its Haven-1 station as soon as August 2025 via a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket.

**15. WHO has removed covid-19 and monkey pox from list of pandemics**

**16. World health statistics-2023 from WHO**

- WHO- 7<sup>th</sup> April 1948 HQ- Geneva(Switzerland)
- Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus is the Director-General of WHO

## Environment

### 1. Galapagos Islands

- It is situated in the Pacific Ocean in South American region
- It belongs to republic of Ecuador
- Three major tectonic plates Nazca, Cocos and Pacific meet at the basis of the ocean
- It is designated as a UNESCO World Heritage site in 1978.



### 2. Central Asian Flyway

- Central Asian Flyway (CAF) covers a large area of Eurasia between the Arctic and Indian Oceans.
- One of the nine most important flyways for migratory birds around the world
- Including India, there are 30 countries under the Central Asian Flyway.
- Bar-headed goose – the world's highest-altitude migrant, capable of clearing even Mount Everest travels along this flyway.

### 3. India's first water bodies census

- Recently the Ministry of Jal Shakti released the report of the first census of waterbodies in which Bengal (7.47 lakh water bodies) topped the report.
- India has a total of 24.24 lakh water bodies such as ponds, lakes and tanks etc.
- West Bengal has the highest number of ponds and reservoirs
- Andhra Pradesh has the highest number of tanks
- Tamil Nadu has the highest number of lakes
- Maharashtra is the leading state with water conservation schemes

### 4. Cyclone mocha

- It originated in the Bay of Bengal.
- With a recorded wind speed of 277 kmph, Mocha became the strongest cyclone for all seasons in both Arabian Sea and Bay of Bengal,
- Affected Countries: Bangladesh and Myanmar

## 5. Olive Ridley turtle

- The Olive ridley turtles are the smallest and most abundant of all sea turtles found in the world.
- is listed as endangered in IUCN Red List
- The Odisha's Gahirmatha Marine Sanctuary is known as the world's largest rookery (colony of breeding animals) of sea turtles.
- Odisha is the largest mass nesting site for Oliver Ridleys in the world.



## 6. Milkweed butterflies

- Milkweed Butterflies are a diverse group of butterflies belonging to the brush-footed butterfly family.
- They feed mainly on milkweed plants and sometimes on nightshade.
- These butterflies fly slowly, and some migrate great distances.
- belonging to the family Nymphalidae

## 7. Baobabs tree

- Baobabs are deciduous trees ranging in height from 5 to 20 meters.
- Found in Africa
- During the rainy season it absorbs and stores water in its vast trunk, enabling it to produce a nutrient-dense fruit in the dry season when all around is dry and arid.



## 8. Satkosia santury- Jumbo concern

## 9. The first district in India to be declared ODF Plus

- Wayanad district(Kerala)
- This status is given if at any point of the day, not a single person is found defecating and/or urinating in the open, and all community and public toilets are functional and well maintained

## 10. State of India pollution control board report released by centre for policy research

## 11. Harit sagar- the green port guidelines 2023

- Harit Sagar Guidelines 2023' envisages Ecosystem Dynamics in port development, operation and maintenance



- **'Sagar Shreshtha Samman'** awards were also conferred to major ports for their exceptional achievements in various operational parameters

**12. The highest number of GI tags to Tamil nadu (55), UP 2<sup>nd</sup> and Karnataka 3<sup>rd</sup> position**

**13. Global report on international displacement-2023 released by international Displacement monitoring centre**

**14. India launches 'Operation Karuna' to assist cyclone-hit Myanmar**

**15. Madhya Pradesh has been selected by the Union Ministry of Jal Shakti for the first place in the best state category in the National Water Award, 2022,**

- for its excellent work in management conservation and augmentation of water resources

**16. Ginkgo Tree**

- The Oldest Living Ginkgo Tree in the World
- It is located in Lebang Village in western China.
- It's believed to be a bit over 4,000 years' old



**17. Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh has become the first city in India to adopt the localisation of the United Nations-mandated sustainable development goals (SDG).**

## Defense

**1. Rajnath lays foundation stone for Coast Guard Harbour in Maldives**

- The development of the Coast Guard Harbour and repair facility at Sifavaru is one of the biggest grant-in-aid projects of India

**2. Mig-21 Crash.**

- supersonic jet fighter and interceptor aircraft, designed by the Mikoyan-Gurevich Design Bureau in the Soviet Union

**3. Exercise samudra Shakti 23**

- Indo-Indonesia bilateral exercise Samudra Shakti-23 concluded in the South China Sea

**4. Ajeya warriors -2023 an Indo- UK joint military exercise**

- Ajeya Warrior' is being conducted at Salisbury Plains (United Kingdom)

**5. AIME-2023**

- scheduled to be held at Changi Naval Base of Singapore Navy. Indian Naval Ships Satpura and Delhi arrived at Singapore to participate in the exercise

**6. Project Sanjay**

- focuses on building the Army's Battlefield Surveillance System.

**7. IAF India's first heritage centre established at Chandigarh inaugurated by Shri Rajnath Singh Defence minister**

**8. Operation samudra Gupta**

- Indian Navy and NCB have been launching massive crackdown on narcotics in the Indian waters.

## Economy

**1. GST e-invoicing to include smaller firms from august 1**

- The government has made it mandatory for small firms with annual turnover of ₹5 crore or more to issue e-invoices for business to business supplies from august 1,2023 to check goods and services tax (GST) evasion, reduce disputes over input-tax credit and make compliance easy
- Currently, the e-invoicing system is already implemented for GST registered persons whose aggregate turnover in any previous financial years (2017-18to2021-22) exceeds ₹20crore

**2. THE FUTURE OF JOB REPORT RELEASED BY WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM**

**3. GEOGRAPHICAL SURVEY OF INDIA DISCOVERS LITHIUM RESERVE IN RAJASTHAN**

- The Geological Survey of India has discovered lithium reserves in Rajasthan degana Nagpur. The find comes 3 months after the 5.9 million tons' lithium reserves in Jammu and Kashmir. While the capacity has not been disclosed.

**4. CHIEF ECONOMIC OUTLOOK REPORT RELEASED BY WORLD ECONOMIC FORUM**

- Explores the key trends in the economic environment including the prospects for growth inflation and monetary and fiscal policy

## 5. KALADHAN MULTIMODAL PROJECT

- The kaladhan road project is a us \$484million project connecting the eastern indian seaport of kolkata with sittwe seaport in rakhine state, Myanmar by sea.



## 6. INDIA'S FIRST POD TAXES WILL BE FIRST ESTABLISHED IN NOIDA (UP)

- India is set to get its first pod taxi between noida international airport in Jewar to the film city.
- The project is anticipated to cost approximately 810 crore rupees.

## 7. THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC OUTLOOK RELEASED BY IMF

## 8. THOUSAND RUPEES NOTES WILL BE WITHDRAWN WITH EFFECT FROM 30TH SEPTEMBER 2023

- **Clean Note Policy** of the Reserve Bank of India, it has been decided to withdraw the Rs 2000 denomination banknotes from circulation.



## 9. State and trends of carbon pricing the report was released by-World Bank

- **Ajay Banga** has been appointed as the President of the World Bank for a five-year term.
- He is the first Indian-born nominee to the World Bank president role.
- World Bank: 1944, Hq- Washington, Members: 189

## Art and culture

1. **A Cham Lama performance on the auspicious occasion of (Buddha Jayanti) at Tupchiling Gompa in Lahaul in Himachal Pradesh**

- A traditional Cham Lama dance is an event held by Tibetan monasteries during special Buddhist festivals

2. **Trimbakeshwar Temple Nasik**

- Trimbakeshwar is one of the twelve holy jyotirlingas of Lord Shiva.
- The origin of the sacred Godavari river is near Trimbak.
- The current temple was built by Peshwa Balaji Baji Rao

3. **Kudamattam ceremony celebrated in Trissur**

- It is the largest and most famous of all poorams in India.
- Thrissur pooram is also one of the largest festivals in Asia with more than 1 million visitors.



4. **Bihan Mela held at Odisha**

- Bihan Mela is literally the seed festival celebrated by the Kondh Tribe in Odisha.

5. **Tungnath temple (Uttarakhand), central government declared as national monuments**

- A monument or a site is declared to be of National Importance by the Archaeological Survey of India provided it meets the following requirements:
- The monument or archaeological site is not less than 100 years' old

6. **City of Dead is a UNESCO World Heritage Site**

- In Egypt Cairo.
- India's first World Heritage City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat





## National

### 8. Indian Olympic Association

- Indian Olympic Association President- PT usha (first woman president of Indian Olympic Association)

### 9. Dead after inhaling toxic gas in Ludhiana

- Ludhiana gas leak is a Neurotoxin (hydrogen sulphide)

### 10. Shiv Bhojan scheme:

- Maharashtra government's Shiv Bhojan scheme.

### 11. Bharat tap

- Initiative will provide low-flow, sanitary-ware at scale, and thereby reduce water consumption at source considerably
- Minister for Housing and Urban Affairs **Hardeep S Puri** launched

### 12. India's first undersea tunnel opens at Mumbai

- Connecting Girgaon to Priyadarshini Park.
- 2.07-kilometer twin tunnels run 17-20 meters below sea level

### 17. Smart cities deadline pushed to next year- 2024

- **Shillong**, the capital city of Meghalaya, has been selected as the 100th Smart City of India by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs
- **Bhopal, Surat, Bhubaneswar, Udaipur, Ahmedabad, Varanasi and Indore** are set to be declared India's 'first set of smart cities'.

### 13. Land survey let to violence in Manipur's Kuki dominated area

- South-eastern part of Manipur, Mizoram and Myanmar in India.

### 14. Article 142 in the context of consensual divorce

- complete justice" between the parties, where, at times, the law or statute may not provide a remedy.

### 18. Bhogapuram International Airport- lay foundation stone

- Located in Andhra Pradesh
- Indira Gandhi International Airport Delhi- Biggest Airport

### 15. Mumbai to get Asia's largest bio gas plant

## 16. PM CARE funds get 535 Cr foreign funds

- Prime Minister is the ex-officio Chairman of the PM CARES Fund and Minister of Defence, Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Finance, Government of India are ex-officio Trustees of the Fund.
- PM CARES Fund has also got exemption under the FCRA and a separate account for receiving foreign donations has been opened. This enables PM CARES Fund to accept donations and contributions from individuals and organizations based in foreign countries.
- Donations to PM CARES Fund would qualify for 80G benefits for 100% exemption under the Income Tax Act, 1961. Donations to PM CARES Fund will also qualify to be counted as Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) expenditure under the Companies Act, 2013

## 17. Punjab becomes first state to enforce 'Right to walk' for pedestrians; footpaths, cycle tracks along new roads mandatory

## 18. UDAN-5.1

- Ministry of Civil Aviation launches UDAN 5.1 specifically designed for helicopter routes

## International

### 1. Operation Kaveri to rescue Indians from Sudan:

### 2. World bank launched more robust business climate ranking

### 3. ASIAN-India Marine exercise in south china sea (AIME-2023)

- The Indian warships there include the INS Delhi and the INS Satpura

### 4. China, Russia, Pak to attend SCO meet at Goa

- Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)
- Theme: **SECURE-SCO'**
- **8 member states and 4 observers from Eurasia.**

**13. India slips in press freedom index, ranks 161 out of 180 nations**

- Released by Organisation- Reporters Without Borders
- Norway is ranked first for the seventh consecutive year.

**5. The EU is planning to introduce a Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM)**

- CBAM will entail a monitoring mechanism for imports from producers deploying non-green technologies starting this October and a tax levy from January 2026.

**6. UMANG**

- (Unified Mobile Application for New-age Governance) is developed by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) and National e-Governance Division (NeGD) to drive Mobile Governance in India.

**7. Arab League member admit Syria**

- The Arab League was formed in Cairo on 22 March 1945, initially with six members: Egypt, Iraq, Transjordan, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia, and Syria. Yemen joined as a member on 5 May 1945
- Currently, the League has 22 members. Member states shown in dark green.



**8. EFTA (European free trade agreement):**

- is a regional trade organization and free trade area consisting of four European states: **Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland?**
- India is trying to get the membership

**9. Washington Consensus**

- Economist John Williamson coined the term "Washington Consensus"
- They are a set of free-market economic policies backed by prominent financial institutions such as the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

**10. QUAD-( Quadrilateral Security Dialogue) 2024 2<sup>nd</sup> such summit held in India**

- The Quad is a diplomatic network of four countries committed to supporting an open, stable and prosperous Indo-Pacific that is inclusive and resilient
- India, Japan, Australia and the United States

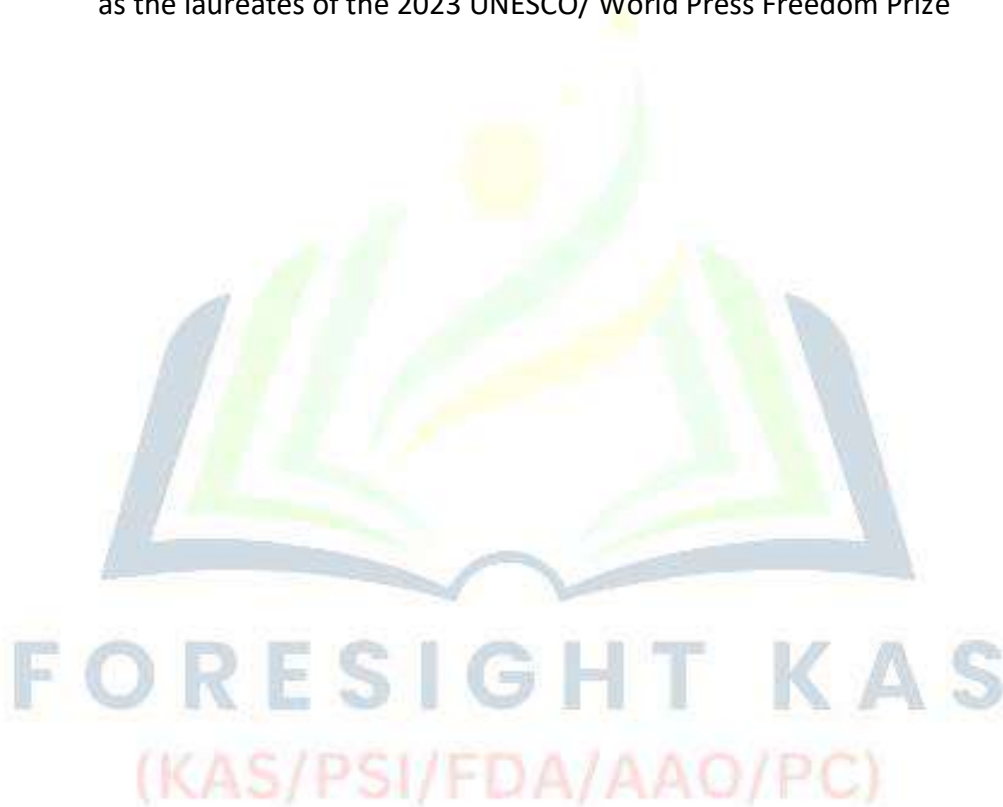
- QUAD-2023 was held in Australia

## 11. World health assembly

- World Health Assembly's 75th session is being held at World Health Organization (WHO) Headquarters (HQ), Geneva)
- Global Health Leaders Award- give those for performing outstanding activities in health sector by World health assembly

## 28. UNESCO Press freedom prize-2023

- Niloofer Hamed, Elahe Mohammadi and Narges Mohammadi were named as the laureates of the 2023 UNESCO/ World Press Freedom Prize





## **Important days and its themes**

DATE	IMPORTANCE	THEME
May 1	International Labor's Day	maintaining safety and security at the workplace
May 2	World Tuna day	The global Tuna Industry: Trailblazing through tough times
May 3	World press freedom Day	Journalism under surveillance
May 4	International firefighter's day	Appreciating firefighters for their noble service to the communities.
May 5	International Day of the Midwife	Together again: from evidence to reality.
May 7	World Athletes day.  Rabindranath Tagore Jayanti	Athletics for All – A New Beginning
May 8	World Red cross day  International Thalassemia Day	Everything we do comes from the heart Strengthening  Education to Bridge the Thalassemia Care Gap.
May 11	National Technology day	School to Startups-Igniting Young Minds to Innovate
May 12	International Nurse Day	Our Nurses, Our Future
May 13	World bird day	Water and its importance for Migratory
May 15	International family day	Demographic Trends and Families
May 16	National Dengue day  International Day of Light	Fight Dengue, Save Lives"  Light for the future
May 17	World telecommunication day  World Hypertension Day	Speak with the heart: Veritatem facientes in caritate  Measure Your Blood Pressure Accurately, Control It, Live Longer,
May 18	World AIDS vaccine day	To increase people's capacity to combat HIV
May 20	World Metrology Day  World Bee day	Measurements supporting the global food system  Engaging in Pollinator-Friendly Agricultural Production
May 21	National Anti-terrorism day	Highlights the consequence of partaking in terrorism-imprisonment, death sentence, etc.

May 22	International Day for Biological Diversity	From Agreement to Action: Build Back Biodiversity
May 23	World Turtle Day	I Love Turtles
May 24	Commonwealth Day	Forging a Sustainable and Peaceful Common Future
May 25	World Thyroid Day	It's not you
May 28	International Day of Action on Women's Health	Our Voices, Our Actions, Our Demand: Uphold Women's Health and Rights Now
May 31	Anti-Tobacco Day or World No Tobacco Day	We need food, Not tobacco

## Objective type current affairs(May-2023)

(Daily quiz current affairs KAS/PSI/FDA/AAO/Cooperative Inspector)

1. Theme of G20 @ 2023 held in India
  - a. Many problem and one solution
  - b. Fighting against climate change
  - c. One earth, one family, one future
  - d. United we stand divided we fall

2. NEXT-G20 SUMMIT 2024
  - a. Rio de janeiro
  - b. China
  - c. Russia
  - d. India

3. 2022-G7 Meet held at
  - a. Nairobi, Kenya
  - b. Hiroshima, japan
  - c. Delhi, India
  - d. Brussels, Belgium

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5. theme of G7 meet 2023
  - a. security for all

- b. climate safety
  - c. open science
  - d. inclusive growth
6. state with the highest number of cooperative societies in India
- a. Karnataka
  - b. Maharashtra
  - c. UP
  - d. Bihar
7. 100th International Day of Cooperatives
- a. July 2
  - b. June 2
  - c. January 2
  - d. December 2
8. father of cooperative in India
- a. Fredrik Nicolson
  - b. Sir Edward
  - c. William
  - d. Adams nil
9. father of Cooperative movement in Karnataka
- a. Siddanagouda patil
  - b. Fredrik Nicolson
  - c. Sir Edward
  - d. None of the above
10. How much is GST on gold? in %
- a. 3%
  - b. 4%
  - c. 5%
  - d. 18%
11. Cumbam(TN), recently got GI for
- a. Mango
  - b. Grapes
  - c. Pineapple
  - d. Banana
12. World intellectual property day
- a. 26<sup>th</sup> April

- b. 26<sup>th</sup> May
  - c. 16<sup>th</sup> April
  - d. 16<sup>th</sup> May
13. Calyampudi Radhakrishna Rao, a prominent Indian-American mathematician and statistician, will receive
- a. 2023 International Prize in Statistics
  - b. 2023 Nobel prize in economics
  - c. 2023 Human rights prize
  - d. 2023 Magsaysay award
14. Forum for India pacific island cooperation established
- a. 2014
  - b. 2015
  - c. 2016
  - d. 2018
15. Forum for India pacific island cooperation met for the first time
- a. Kiribati
  - b. Fiji
  - c. India
  - d. Tonga
16. Forum for India pacific island cooperation Papua New Guinea 3rd summit attended by
- a. President
  - b. Prime Minister
  - c. Home minister
  - d. Defence Minister
17. GST % on gold
- a. 3
  - b. 4
  - c. 5
  - d. 10
18. Which of the following Karnataka MLC has been elected as FIBA Asia President?
- a. C Veerendra
  - b. Ramachandra Gowda
  - c. Dr Govindraj
  - d. Shashil namoshi



19. Who has been appointed as new advocate general of Karnataka?
- Vishwanath shetty.
  - Mr. Navadgi.
  - R Venkataramani
  - Shashi Kiran shetty.
20. BCCI announces which of the following as kit sponser for indian cricket team?
- Adidas
  - Byjus.
  - Nike.
  - Bella Vita
21. Recently, President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the silver jubilee celebrations of which of the following?
- Janashree
  - Kudumbashree
  - Manashree
  - Adhishree.
22. Which district in Karnataka has highest and lowest passing percentage respectively in SSLC Board exam results 2023?
- Udupi , Bidar
  - Uttara Kannada , Raichur
  - Chitradurga, yadgir
  - Hasan, Kalburgi
23. Who was the first elected speaker of Karnataka state legislative assembly
- V. Venkatappa
  - H. S. Rudrappa
  - S. R. Kanthi
  - Satish Gowda
24. first female speaker of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly
- Nagarathanamma
  - Muniratnamma
  - Laxmidevi

d. Jayamala

25. Which state got the most innovative ranking under National manufacturing innovation survey (NMIS) ?

- A. Karnataka
- B. Kerala
- C. Punjab
- D. Gujarat

26. Which ministry launched the MISTHI initiative to improve the mangrove coverage in the india?

- A. Ministry of Tribal affairs
- B. Ministry of environment and climate change
- C. Ministry of Agricultural and farmer's welfare
- D. Ministry of Finance

27. IUCN status of Indian elephant?

- A. Endangered
- B. Critically endangered
- C. Vulnerable
- D. Near Threaten

28. First elephant caring centre in Karnataka?

- A. Mandya
- B. Kolar
- C. Chikkamanagaluru
- D. Mysore

29. Who is the first women speaker of Karnataka legislative assembly?

- A. V. S. Ramadevi
- B. K. S. Nagarathanamma
- C. Meera kumari
- D. Muniratnamma

30. Which article of Indian constitution empowers the president to appoint the attorney general of India?

- A. Article 75
- B. Article 76
- C. Article 77
- D. Article 78

31. With reference to Indian art and culture which is the powerful symbol installed in the New Indian parliament?
- A. Ashoka chakra
  - B. Sengol
  - C. Nandi statue
  - D. Gandaberunda
32. Who is the first Indian to win the diamond league recently held in America?
- A. Neeraj chopra
  - B. Kidambi Srikanth
  - C. Achanta sharath kamal
  - D. Bajarang punia
33. Shri S L Bhyrappa honoured with the Padma Bhushan recently for the contribution in which field?
- A. Literature & Education
  - B. Social work
  - C. Art
  - D. Public affairs
34. Which famous personalities of Karnataka recently awarded with the Padma shri ?
- A. Ms. Sudha Murty
  - B. Shri S M Krishna
  - C. Shri S L Bhyrappa
  - D. Shri Khadar Valli Dudekula
35. Which country hosted Asian weightlifting championship?
- A. South Korea
  - B. Japan
  - C. Philippines
  - D. Indonesia
36. Who is the winner of World chess championship 2023?
- A. Magnus Carlsen
  - B. Ding Liren
  - C. Ian Nepomniachtchi
  - D. Vishwananth Anand

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  - B. Mr. Navadgi.
  - C. R Venkataramani
  - D. Shashi Kiran shetty.
38. Kannada sahitya Parishad award 2023 is received by following person?
- A. Dr Amaresh
  - B. Mallikarjun Hiremath
  - C. Vasumati udupa
  - D. Dr Manu baligar.
39. Recent international booker prize is won by?
- A. Georgi gospondinav
  - B. Haruki murakami
  - C. George Orwell
  - D. John keay.
40. With reference to Indian constitution, it provides all states and union territories for the appointment of a speaker is under which article?
- A. Article 177
  - B. Article 176
  - C. Article 179
  - D. Article 178
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42. In constituency of Karnataka the highest gender ratio of electors of women per 1000 male voters
- A. Mangalore City South constituency
  - B. Mahadevapura
  - C. Mudhol
  - D. Muddebihal
43. Recently Shri Siddaramaiah becomes the new chief minister of Karnataka, what is the number in Karnataka chief minister list?
- A. 21
  - B. 22



- C. 23  
D. 24
44. Recently Hakki Pikki word is in the news, what is this one means?
- A. Tribal association name
  - B. North Farmers association of Karnataka
  - C. Semi- nomadic tribe of Karnataka
  - D. Non- Tribal association name
45. From which Date is the GST e-invoicing to indulge in smaller firms
- A. 2 march
  - B. 21 august
  - C. 4 October
  - D. August 1
46. Who is the 25<sup>th</sup> governor of Reserve Bank of India (RBI)
- A. Nagendra singh
  - B. sunil bhat
  - C. Shaktikanth Das
  - D. Banwarilal Purohit
47. The future of Job Report released by World Economic Forum
- A. Global warming
  - B. Marketing
  - C. economic health and geopolitical trends
  - D. All of the above
48. which is the second state to have discovered the lithium reserves
- A. karnataka
  - B. Rajasthan
  - C. Tamil Nadu
  - D. Punjab
49. what is the approx estimated budget for kaladhan multimodal project
- A. \$484 million
  - B. £556 billion
  - C. \$321trillion
  - D. ₹100crore
50. India's first Pod Taxies will be first established in
- A. Noida, UP

- B. Chennai
- C. Karnataka
- D. Goa

### Key Answers

1	C	11	B	21	B	31	B	41	C
2	A	12	A	22	C	32	A	42	A
3	D	13	A	23	A	33	A	43	B
4	B	14	A	24	A	34	D	44	C
5	C	15	B	25	A	35	A	45	D
6	B	16	B	26	B	36	B	46	C
7	A	17	A	27	A	37	D	47	C
8	A	18	C	28	B	38	D	48	B
9	A	19	D	29	B	39	A	49	A
10	A	20	A	30	D	40	D	50	A




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