



- 1) World Cat Day is observed in - *August 8th*
- 2) Five time Tamil Nadu Chief Minister who passed away recently is - *M Karunanidhi.*
- 3) Kolkata man tops IQ world list with the score of - *148*
- 4) NITI Aayog identified 117 districts as Aspirational Districts for - *RUSA Scheme*
- 5) President Ram Nath Kovind to inaugurate centenary celebrations of - *St Thomas College Thrissur*
- 6) Dr. Mahesh Sharma inaugurated the 64th Foundation Day Celebrations of Lalit Kala Akademi in - *New Delhi*
- 7) Restricted Area Permit eased for foreigners visiting - *Andaman and Nicobar Islands*
- 8) China successfully tests first hypersonic aircraft - *Xingkong-2.*

USEFUL INFO	
China Capital	Beijing
Currency	Renminbi, Yuan
President	Xi Jinping

- 9) Venezuela's President Maduro survives 'assassination attempt'

USEFUL INFO	
Venezuela Capital	Willington
Currency	Dollar
PM	Winston Peters

- 10) GOAMILES: Goa Tourism's app-based taxi service flagged off by - *CM Manohar Parrikar*
- 11) A three judge bench to hear the challenging Article 35A for – Jammu and Kashmir

USEFUL INFO	
Jammu & Kashmir Capital	Jammu & Srinagar
CM	Vacant
Governor	Narinder Nath Vohra

- 12) Uttarakhand 1st state to give ID cards to - *Gau Rakshaks*

USEFUL INFO	
Uttarakhand Capital	Dehradun
CM	Trivendra Singh Rawat
Governor	Krishan Kant Paul



13) Italian Bike-Maker Benelli signs MoU for Plant In – *Telangana*

USEFUL INFO	
Telangana Capital	Hyderabad
CM	Chandrasekhar Rao
Governor	ESL Narashiman

14) Government extends deadline for imposing duty hike on 29 US products by - *45 days*

15) Core industries growth quickens to 6.7% in - *June 2018*

16) Director & GM United India Insurance - *S Gopakumar*

17) International Conference on Sustainable Growth Through Material Recycling Inaugurated In - *New Delhi.*

18) ISRO to launch its heaviest satellite GSAT 11 on - *November 30*

19) Former PM Indira Gandhi's aide who passes away aged 81 is - *RK Dhawan.*

20) The International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples is celebrating on - *August 9*

USEFUL INFO	
Theme	"Indigenous peoples' migration and movement"

21) Quit India Day 2018 - August 9

22) Non-Resident Indians could not file - *Right to Information (RTI) applications*

23) UK rejects India's request to ban pro Khalistan event in – *London*

USEFUL INFO	
UK Capital	London
Currency	Pound Sterling
PM	Theresa May

24) State that has launched online system of releasing grant-in-aid to government departments – *Haryana.*

USEFUL INFO	
Haryana Capital	Chandigarh
CM	Manohar Lal Khattar
Governor	Kaptan Singh Solanki



25) World's first thermal battery plant to be unveiled in - *Andhra Pradesh*

USEFUL INFO	
Andhra Pradesh Capital	Hyderabad, Amaravathi
CM	Chandrababu Naidu
Governor	ESL Narashiman

26) Khangchendzonga Becomes 11th Biosphere Reserve To Be Included In - *World Network of Biosphere Reserves*

USEFUL INFO	
Sikkim Capital	Gangtok
CM	Pawan Kumar Chamling
Governor	Shriniwas Patil

27) India Baja 2018 is hosted by - *Jaisalmer*

USEFUL INFO	
Rajasthan Capital	Jaipur
CM	Vasundra Raje
Governor	Kalyan Singh

28) Mobile Wallet Transactions Hit Record Rs14,632 Crore In - *June*.

29) We can donate to Clean Ganga Fund by - *SBI ATM*

30) Dividend paid by RBI to government for FY18 is - *Rs 50,000 crore*.

31) Amazon opens its largest fulfillment centre in - *Haryana*

32) Government, NABARD And NWDA Sign Revised MoA For Funding Of Projects Under - *PMKSY*

33) TRAI Integrates Its Mobile App DND 2.0 & MyCall With - *UMANG Platform*

34) Commerce & Industry Minister Suresh Prabhu Launches Mobile App - *'Niryat Mitra'*

USEFUL INFO	
Federation of Indian Export Organisations (FIEO) Headquarters	New Delhi
President	Ganesh Kumar Gupta

35) 'Block 5' Rocket is launched by - *SpaceX*

36) Indian U-20 And U-16 Team Wins Titles In - *Football*



37) Senior Congress leader who passes away recently is - *RK Dhawan*

38) Journalist who passes away is - *Mony K. Mathew*

39) Washington Open (tennis) 2018

Event	Winner	Runner-up
Men's Singles	Alexander Zverev (Germany)	Alex de Minaur (Australia)
Women's Singles	Svetlana Kuznetsova (Russia)	Donna Vekić (Croatia)
Men's Singles	Jamie Murray (United Kingdom), Bruno Soares (Brazil)	Mike Bryan (United States), Édouard Roger-Vasselin (France)
Women's Doubles	Han Xinyun (China), Darija Jurak (Croatia)	Alexa Guarachi (Chile), Erin Routliffe (New Zealand)

40) World Biofuel Day is observed every year on - *10th August*

41) 1st Indian tribal language to get own Wiki edition - *Shantali*

42) New Colombia's next President is - *Ivan Duque*.

43) Maharashtra Government announces special assistance of Rs 500 crore for - *OBC community*

44) Helpline launched for SCs/STs in - *Karnataka*

45) NSE unveils new brand identity (logo)

46) A unified payment terminal POS machine launched by SBI is - *MOPAD*.

47) PayU Reliance Money Announced Strategic Partnership for - *Instant Loan*

48) Modi government raises import duties on 328 textile products by up to - *20%*

49) R S Sharma re-appointed TRAI chairperson till 2020

51) Germany's Mario Gomez retires from International Football

52) India's flag-bearer for Asian Games opening ceremony is - *Neeraj Chopra*

53) Kannada writer who passes away - *Sumatheendra Nadig*.

54) Govt extended eVisa facility for citizens of - *165 countries*

55) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) approved continuation and revision of Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Post Matric Scholarship for Other Backward Classes Students for studying in India (PMS-OBC) till - *2020*



- 56) Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved continuation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) beyond - *12th Five Year Plan period ((2012–2017))*
- 57) The government has set up a four-member group of ministers (GoM) headed by trade minister Suresh Prabhu to advise prime minister Narendra Modi on whether to continue with or withdraw from - *The 16-member Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) negotiations*
- 58) Human Resource Development (HRD) Ministry announced a spending of Rs 418 crore from 2018-20 on collaborative research between Indian and foreign institutes under the 'Scheme for promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration' (SPARC).
- 59) IFFCO forays into food processing, forms JV with Spanish firm at Ludhiana in Punjab
- 60) RSS thinker S Gurumurthy, Satish Marathe appointed as directors on RBI board
- 61) IMF forecasts GDP growth for India in 2018-19 is - *7.3% (7.5% in 2019-20)*
- 62) Axis Bank introduces iris authentication for - *Aadhaar-based transactions*
- 63) Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC) have launched a new digital platform which is to simplify capital raising process through capital markets is - *'MyDeal'*.
- 64) The Delhi high court with a sanctioned strength of 60 judges after the appointment of - *Justice Rajendra Menon*
- 65) Chairperson of National Commission for Women is - *Rekha Sharma*
- 66) Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Federation of India Limited (TRIFED) has signed MOU with National Medicinal Plant Board The main aim to promote - *Medicinal and Aromatic Plants (MAPs) forest*
- 67) Global Innovation Index (GII) 2018 launched in - *India*
- 68) The President of India, Ram Nath Kovind, inaugurated the 'One District One Product' Summit in - *Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh.*
- 69) The Union Cabinet approved for four more battalions of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF). The estimated cost for the approval is - *Rs.637 crore.*
- 70) International Youth Day is an awareness day
- 71) The World Elephant Day is observed every year on - *August 12*
- 72) Astronomers, from Pune, used an Indian telescope, Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope (GMRT), and discovered the most distant radio galaxy ever known. The galaxy is located at a distance of - *12 billion light-years.*



- 73) Indian Railways to stop free travel insurance from *September 1*
- 74) According to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Meghalaya, Mizoram and Tripura have emerged as the new hotspots for - *HIV*
- 75) Oral Hygiene Day was celebrated in - *KLEVE Institute of Dental Sciences, Bangalore*
- 76) Nepal-India Literature Festival 2018 commenced at - *Birgunj*
- 77) Macau set to overtake Qatar as world's richest place by - *2020*
- 78) Haryana Government to launch Ayushman Bharat scheme on - *Aug 15*
- 79) Defence Industrial Corridor Launched in - *Aligarh, UP*
- 80) Israel opens visa centre in - *Kolkata*
- 81) Delhi Police inducts India's first all-woman SWAT team for - *Anti-terrorist operations*
- 82) 'Prathibandhit Sahitya Mein Swatantrata Sangram' inaugurated by - *Ministry of Culture*
- 83) Assam government to conduct door to door survey under - *PMAY-G*
- 84) Operation Madad and Operation Sahyog launched to rescue people in - *Kerala*
- 85) Excise Department used drones with camera to identify ganja plants in - *Karnataka*
- 86) Rajasthan government to organize human chain along - *Pakistan border*
- 87) PayPal and HDFC Bank Partner to offer - *Seamless Payment Experiences*
- 88) Bajaj Allianz General Insurance and Vijaya Bank entered into - *Bancassurance Deal*
- 89) India's first genetic bank for wildlife conservation inaugurated in - *Hyderabad*
- 90) Google introduces Cameos, a video Q&A app aimed at - *Celebrities*
- 91) Michelle Bachelet: Former Chilean president appointed UN High Commissioner for - *Human Rights*
- 92) Indian Housing Project in Plantation Areas: India hands over 1st lot of houses built in - *Sri Lanka*
- 93) NITI Aayog Hosts Investors Conference in - *Andaman & Nicobar, And Lakshadweep Islands*
- 94) Exercise SCO Peace Mission 2018 to be conducted in *Russia*
- 95) India's rank on the Global Innovation Index (GII) Improves to - *57th*
- 96) India to launch its second lunar mission Chandrayaan-2 on - *January 3 next year*
- 97) Nobel Prize Winner Vidiadhar Surajprasad Naipaul died at - *85*





## Important Weekly Current Affairs Revision Tit-Bits (8<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018)

