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History, Art and Culture

World Sanskrit Day 2025

- **Observed annually on –** *Shravan Purnima*, which usually falls in August, according to the Hindu lunar calendar.
- **Date coincides with –** Festivals like *Raksha Bandhan and Upakarma.*
- **Aim –** To promote its learning, preserve its cultural heritage, and highlight its relevance in modern times.

Polity & Governance

Section 152 - Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita

- **Aim –** To protect national security and prevent activities that could harm the country's integrity or encourage disunity.
- **Offence –** Act *endangering sovereignty, unity and integrity* of India.
- It is a *cognizable & non-bailable.*
- **Coverage –** Secession, armed rebellion & subversive activities.
- **Punishment –** Imprisonment for life, or imprisonment for 7 years and fine.

Health

Soil Transmitted Worms

- It is *parasitic worm infections*.
- **Transmitted by –** Eggs present in human faeces, which contaminate the soil.
- **Impact –** Infected children are nutritionally and physically impaired, iron deficiency, fatigue, & poor academic performance.
- **Mitigation –** Periodical deworming to eliminate infecting worms, and improved sanitation to reduce soil contamination.

National Deworming Day or Campaign

- **Launched in –** 2015 by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare.
- **Conducted bi-annually on –** 10th February & 10th August.
- **Aim –** To deworm all preschool and school-age children (enrolled and non-enrolled) between the ages of 1-19 years.
- **Conducted through –** Schools and Anganwadi Centres by providing chewable Albendazole tablet.

Albendazole

- Albendazole is an *anthelmintic medication* used to treat various parasitic worm infections.
- **Functions –** To prevent the worms from absorbing sugar (glucose), which causes them to lose energy and die.
- **Diagnosis –** Pork tapeworm, dog tapeworm, roundworms, hookworms, threadworms, whipworms, pinworms, flukes, and other parasites.

Security

RAN SAMWAD-2025

- It is a first-of-its-kind *Tri-service seminar* on war, warfare & warfighting, at Army War College in MP.
- **Aim –** To enhance interaction, communication and cooperation among military communities *on issues critical to warfighting*.
- **Themes –** Information Warfare and Grey Zone Threats to Integrated Operations and Future Combat Technologies.

Operation "Rainbow"

9 kg cocaine, hashish and MDMA worth around Rs. 40 crores seized in Delhi.

- **Conducted by –** Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI).
- **Aim –** To curb the smuggling of various narcotic drugs.

Science

Integrated Air Drop Test (IADT-1)

- It is a trial to ensure the reliability of the parachute system's performance in real-world conditions.
- **Developed by –** Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO).
- **Aim –** To accomplish end-to-end demonstration of *parachute-based deceleration system* for *Gaganyaan missions*.
- **Demonstrated with –** A dummy crew capsule (5 tonnes) was lifted up through the air before being dropped by a Chinook helicopter.

OpenAI

- It is an *American-based Artificial Intelligence (AI) research organization*.
- **Founded in –** 2015.
- **Consist of 2 entities –**
  - OpenAI Inc., a non-profit research segment.
  - OpenAI Global LLC, a for-profit & commercialization of its AI applications.
- **Aim –** To Develop Artificial General Intelligence (AGI).
- **Launched Products –** ChatGPT, Codex, whisper and DELL-E.

Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS)

- **IVRS –** It is an *automated telephone system technology* that enables callers to receive, provide information or make requests by using *voice or menu inputs*.
- **Powered by –** A prerecorded messaging or text-to-speech technology with a *dual-tone multifrequency (DTMF) interface*.

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