

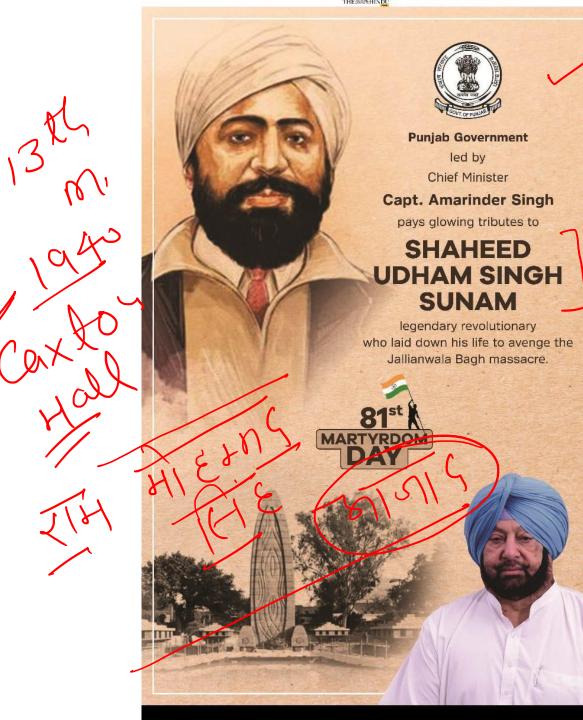
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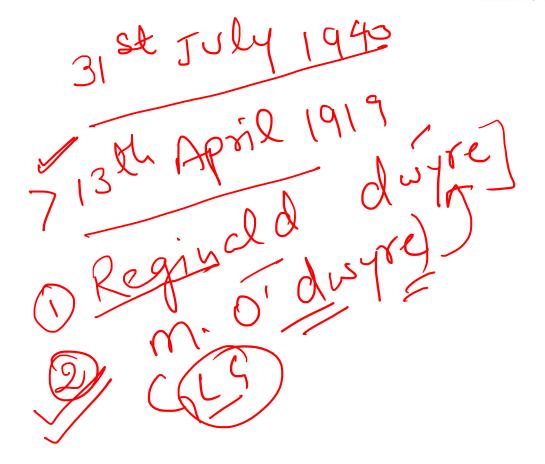
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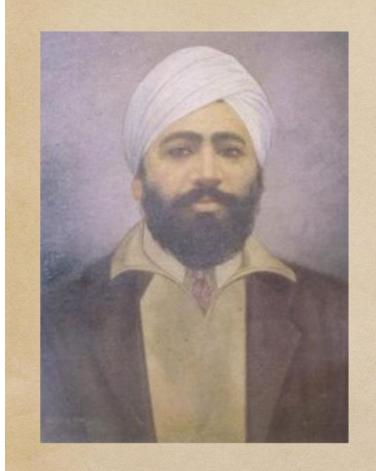












Udham Singh Kamboj (1899-1940) was serving water to the crowd gathered in Jallianwalah Bagh on 13 April, 1919. He was witness to Jallianwalah Bagh massacre. After 21 years he assassinated Michael O'Dwyer in London, who was the Governor of Punjab and had sent troops to Jallianwalah Bagh. He was executed on 31st July, 1940.





Recently, Which English cricketer has completed 500 wickets in Test cricket?

- A. Stuart Broad
- **B. James Anderson**
- C. Jofra Archer
- D. Moeen Ali

Ans. A



Spm of IRAO

Which former Prime Minister of Malaysia has been jailed for 12 years for corruption charges ?

- A. Hassanal Bolkiah
- B. Mustafa Al-Kadhimi -
- C. Mahathir bin Mohamad
- P. Najib Razak Ans. Dring A. J. (Bounei)



Which Indian cricketer has taken the most wickets in Test cricket?

- A. Piyush Chawla
 B. Anil Kumble
 C. Harbhajan Singh
 - D. R. Ashwin

Ans. B



Avrows

What is the full form of HAMMER missile used in Rafael?

- A. Highly Altitude Modular Munition Extended Range
- **B. Highly Agile Modular Munition Extra Range**
- C. Highly Agile Mode Munition Extended Range
- D. Highly Agile Modular Munition Extended Range

Ans. D



Which two Indian states share a border with both China and Nepal?

- A. Assam & Arunanchal Pradesh
- B. Uttrakhand & Sikkim 🥢 🦯
- C. Uttrakhand & Himachal Pradesh
- D. Arunanchal Pradesh & Uttrakhand

Ans. B







World No. 1 Barty pulls out of US Open

BRISBANE World No. 1 Ashleigh Barty has pulled out of the US Open, to be held from August 31 to September 13 in New York, because she doesn't want to risk travelling during the pandemic. The 24-yearold Australian is yet to decide if she'll defend her French Open title. The second Slam will begin on Sept. 27. AP Men's Tennis SAFALTACLASS In Initiative by SIFTER SIFTER

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Natesa of Rajasthan temple returns to India





- The idol of Natesa is a rare sandstone idol in the 9th-century Prathihara style of Rajasthan.
- It is a brilliant depiction of Lord Shiva.
- A beautiful depiction of Nandi is shown behind the right leg of the Natesa icon.
- It is originally from the Ghateswara Temple at Baroli, Rajasthan.



- In 2002, the Rajasthan Police had opened an investigation titled "Operation Blackhole" against Vaman Ghiya.
- Vaman Ghiya was arrested in 2003, standing accused of having stolen 20,000 pieces of art and laundering them via a host of Swiss front companies.



WTO to set up dispute panels against India

The World Trade Organisation (WTO) has accepted the request of Chinese Taipei and Japan for setting up panels in an ICT tariff case against India.

The three panels have been set up to decide on New Delhi's move to levy 10% customs duty on mobile phones and some other ICT products for the first time in July 2017 which it increased to 15% that year.



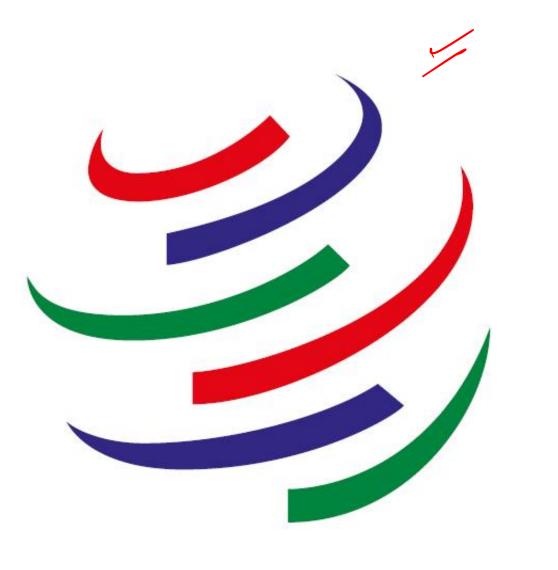
The duties were further increased to 20% despite opposition from a number of WTO members.

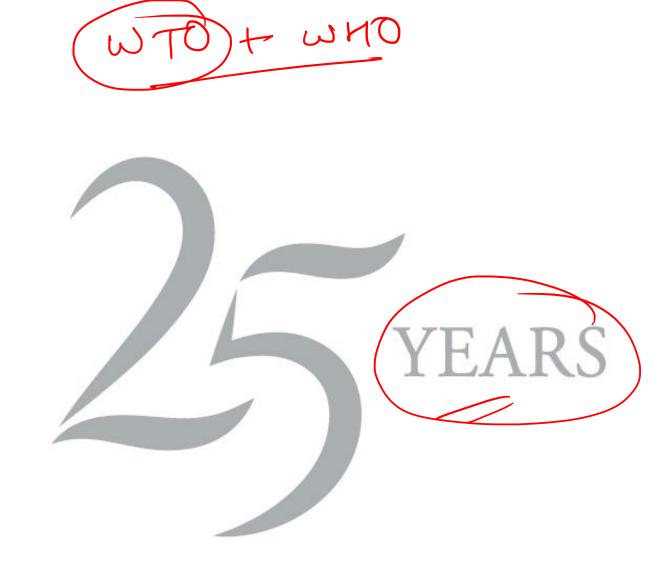
India has stated that these ICT products are part of WTO's Information Technology Products (ITA-2) agreement, and New Delhi is not part of this pact.



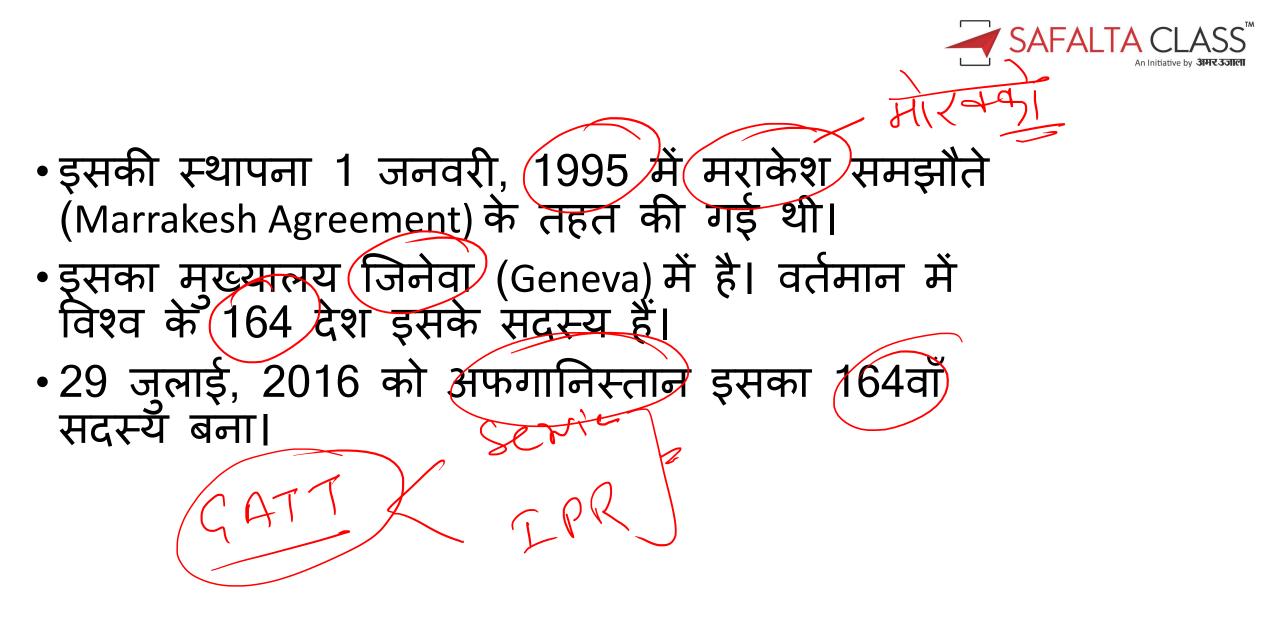
India is a part of ITA-1, signed in 1997.

The EU, US, China, Singapore, Taiwan, Canada, Japan and Thailand initiated consultations with India on the matter claiming that the move substantially affects them.





WTO





- The current Director-General is Roberto Azevêdo of Brazil.
- विश्व व्यापार संगठन (World Trade Organization- WTO), विश्व में व्यापार संबंधी अवरोधों को दूर कर वैश्विक व्यापार को बढ़ावा देने वाला एक अंतर-सरकारी संगठन है।



Protesting is a fundamental right; UN

 A UN committee has reaffirmed that protesting peacefully, online or in person, is a fundamental human right.

 The independent experts on the Human Rights Committee published a fresh interpretation of the right of peaceful assembly.



 It offers comprehensive legal guidance about where and how it applies and also outlines governments' obligations.

• The committee is tasked with monitoring how countries implement the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), which under Article 21 guarantees the right to peaceful assembly.

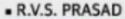






Learning plan

A look at the key features of the new education policy:





 Public spending on education by States, Centre to be raised to 6% of GDP

 Ministry of Human Resource Development to be renamed Ministry of Education

 Separate technology unit to develop digital education resources



SCHOOL EDUCATION

 Universalisation from age 3 to Class 10 by 2030

Mission to ensure literacy and numeracy skills by 2025

- Mother tongue as medium of instruction till Class 5 wherever possible
- New curriculum to include 21st century skills like coding and vocational integration from Class 6
- Board exams to be easier, redesigned



HIGHER EDUCATION

 New umbrella regulator for all higher education except medical, legal courses

 Flexible, holistic, multi-disciplinary UG degrees of 3-4 years' duration

- 1 to 2 year PG programmes, no M.Phil
- College affiliation system to be phased out in 15 years



Replacing 10+2 structure of school curricula with a 5+3+3+4 format:

The 10+2 system will be divided into 5+3+3+4 format. This means the first five years of school will comprise of the foundation stage. The next three years will be divided into a preparatory stage from classes 3 to 5.



Later, there will be three years of middle stage (classes 6 to 8), and four years of secondary stage (classes 9 to 12).

Schools will not have any rigid formation of streams of arts, commerce, science, etc. and students can take up whichever courses they want.



Regions such as aspirational districts, which have large numbers of students facing economic, social or caste barriers will be designated as 'Special Educational Zones'.

It also aims to double the Gross Enrolment Ratio in higher education, including vocational education, from 26.3% in 2018 to 50% by 2035.



Gross enrolment ratio (GER)

- Definition: Total enrolment in a specific level of education, regardless of age, expressed as a percentage of the official school-age population corresponding to the same level of education.
- Calculation: Divide the number of pupils enrolled in a given level of education regardless of age by the population of the age group which officially corresponds to the given level of education, and multiply the result by 100.

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