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# **HOW TO PREPARE FOR AN EMPLOYMENT INTERVIEW**

1. Prepare yourself for interview, have a glance over the subjects you have studied, be well-informed about current affairs.
2. Please take with you, your certificate and testimonials in original.
3. Reach Employer's Office in time, if possible a few minutes earlier.
4. Wear neat, tidy and formal dress, keep up your pleasant appearance.
5. When you enter the room, wish the interviewers and stand until you are offered a seat.
6. Sit relaxed, do not sit on the edge of the chair nor recline in it and not put your hands on the table of the interviewers.
7. Leave your troubles at home, attend the interview with an open and with full determination to succeed.
8. Be very clear and precise in your answer; do not try to bluff but speak with confidence.
9. Look into the eyes of the person interviewing you, be courteous, courageous and have no fear.
10. You should have a clear idea as far as possible regarding the nature of the job for which you are a candidate.
11. Never give anybody's reference that so and so has sent you or knows you.
12. Before leaving the room thank the employer, close the door behind gently.

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## **TNPESU RECRUITMENT 2017**

### **Associate & Assistant Professor Posts:**

Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University (TNPESU), Govt. of Tamil Nadu has advertised a notification for the recruitment of Associate Professor & Assistant Professor vacancies for Physical Education department on direct basis. Eligible candidates can apply in the prescribed application format on or before 06-02-2017 at 05.30 PM. Other details like age limit & how to apply are given below...

#### **TNPESU Vacancy Details:**

**Total No.of Posts: 06**

#### **Name of the Posts:**

1. Associate Professor: 02 Posts

2. Assistant Professor: 04 Posts

Name of the Department: Physical Education

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess Master's degree in Physical Education with a minimum of 55% of marks or equivalent grade, Ph.D. in Physical Education or equivalent published work for S.No-1, Master's degree in Physical Education with atleast 55% of marks or equivalent grade for S.No-2 Posts.

**Application Fee:** Applicants required to pay Rs. 250/- for SC/ ST and Rs. 500/- for Other Community in the form of Demand Draft shall be drawn in favour of "The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University", payable at Chennai of any Nationalized Bank.

**Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected based on applicants performance in test/ interview/ selection.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates send their application along with self-attested copies of Degree/ Diploma, Experience Certificate, etc, The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University, Melakottaiyur (Po), Chennai – 600 127 on or before 06-02-2017 at 05.30 PM.

**Last Date for receipt of Application: 06-02-2017 at 05.30 PM.**

For more details like tenure, remuneration, vacancy details, emolument, selection process, age relaxation, Salary and benefits, compensation & other information click on the link given below....

source : <http://www.tnpesu.org>

## **IDBI BANK RECRUITMENT 2017**

Apply Online for **111 Manager, AGM & DGM Posts:** IDBI Bank has invited applications for the recruitment of 111 Specialist Officer (Manager, Assistant General Manager (AGM) & Deputy General Manager (DGM)) vacancies for different functional areas. Eligible candidates may apply online from 01-02-2017 to 20-02-2017. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process & how to apply are given below...

#### **IDBI Bank Vacancy Details:**

**Total No. of Posts: 111**

#### **Name of the Posts:**

1. Deputy General Manager (Grade D): 13 Posts

2. Assistant General Manager (Grade C): 17 Posts

3. Manager (Grade B): 81 Posts

**Age Limit:** Candidates age limit should be 18 – 40/ 45 years for Post 1, 20 – 36 years for Post 2, 24 – 32 years for Post 3 as on 01-10-2016. Age relaxation is applicable to SC/ ST/ OBC/ Person with disabilities (PWD)/ Ex-Servicemen as per rules.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess Graduation with first class in any stream from a recognized University for Post 1, Graduation in B.Sc Agri or Veterinary Science or in any allied courses in Agri from a recognized University or Graduation in any discipline from a recognized University with Post Graduate qualification as M. Tech. Agri or MBA Agri or M.Sc in relevant discipline for Post 2, Graduation in Law from any recognized University/ Institution for post 3 with relevant experience.

**Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected based on group discussion & personnel interview for Post 1, online written test, personnel interview for post 2, 3.

**Application Fee:** Candidates should pay Rs. 150/- (Intimation Charges) for SC/ ST/ PWD candidates and Rs. 700/- (Application fee + Intimation Charges) for all other candidates through online by using Debit Cards (RuPay/ Visa/ MasterCard/ Maestro), Credit Cards, Internet Banking, IMPS, Cash Cards/ Mobile Wallets.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates may apply online through the website [www.idbi.com](http://www.idbi.com) from 01-02-2017 to 20-02-2017.

**Important Dates:**

**Starting Date to Apply Online & Payment of Fee: 01-02-2017.**

**Last Date to Apply Online & Payment of Fee: 20-02-2017.**

**Date of Online Test at all centers: 24-03-2017.**

Source: [www.idbi.com](http://www.idbi.com)

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## CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA RECRUITMENT 2017

**Office Assistant Posts:** Central Bank of India Regional Office, Ambikapur has announced a notification for the recruitment of Office Assistant vacancies on Contract basis. Eligible candidates may apply in prescribed application format on or before 13-02-2017. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process, & how to apply are given below...

**Central Bank of India Vacancy Details:**

**Total No. of Posts: 02 Posts**

**Name of the Post: Office Assistant**

1. Rseti Surguja: 01 Post

2. Rseti Korea: 01 Post

**Age limit:** Candidates maximum age should be 18 to 35 years

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess Graduation in MBSW/ BA/ B.Com with knowledge of computer

**Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected based on Personal Interview.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates can send their application along with self attested copy of relevant certificates, in an envelope must be superscribed as “Application for the post of Office Assistant” at RSETI centre at ———” to Regional Manager/ Chairman, Local Advisory Committee, Central Bank of India, Regional Office, Dhanjal Complex Ring Road Nemnakala Ambikapur Pin 497001 on or before 13-02-2017.

**Last Date for Submission of Application: 13-02-2017.**

Source: <https://www.centralbankofindia.co.in>

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## SBI RECRUITMENT 2017 – PPMO I POSTS:

Central Recruitment & Promotion Department, Corporation Center, Mumbai, State Bank of India (SBI) has published notification for the recruitment of Permanent Part-Time Medical Officer- I (PPMO-I) vacancies. Eligible candidates may apply in prescribed application format on or before 06-02-2017. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process, application fee & how to apply are given below....

**SBI Vacancy Details:**

**Total No. of Posts: 44**

**Name of the Post: Permanent Part-Time Medical Officer – I**

**Name of the Centre:**

1. Ahmedabad: 02 Posts	11. Bhubaneswar: 01 Post	21. Meerut: 01 Post	31. Kozikode: 01 Post
2. Vadodara: 02 Posts	12. Berhampur: 01 Post	22. Jaipur: 01 Post	32. Kolkata: 02 Posts
3. Surat: 01 Post	13. Sambalpur: 01 Post	23. Agra: 01 Post	33. Allahabad: 01 Post
4. Rajkot: 01 Post	14. Chandigarh: 01 Post	24. Dehradun: 01 Post	34. Bareilly: 01 Post
5. Bhavnagar: 01 Post	15. Jammu: 01 Post	25. Haldwani: 01 Post	35. Moradabad: 01 Post
6. Bhopal: 01 Post	16. Shimla: 01 Post	26. Jorhat: 01 Post	36. Gorakhpur: 02 Posts
7. Indore: 01 Post	17. Chennai: 01 Post	27. Hyderabad: 01 Post	37. Varanasi: 01 Post
8. Raipur: 01 Post	18. Madurai: 01 Post	28. Guntur: 01 Post	38. Bhagalpur: 01 Post
9. Gwalior: 01 Post	19. Aligarh: 01 Post	29. Trivandrum: 02 Posts	39. Muzaffarpur: 01 Post
10. Bilaspur: 01 Post	20. New Delhi: 01 Post	30. Thrissur: 01 Post	

**Age Limit:** Candidates age limit should be not above 35 years as on 01-01-2017. Age relaxation is applicable to 05 years for SC/ ST candidates and 03 years for OBC candidates & other relaxation details refer the notification.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess MBBS Degree from a recognized university with relevant experience.

**Selection Process:** Shortlisted candidates will be called for interview.

**Application Fee:** Candidates should pay Rs. 600/- (Application Fee including intimation charges) for General, OBC candidates and Rs. 100/- (Intimation Charges only) for SC/ ST/ PWD candidates through Demand Draft in favour of CRPD, State Bank of India payable at Mumbai.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates may send their application in prescribed format with self attested copies of date of birth certificate, identity proof certificate, educational qualification certificates, discharge certificate, registration certificate, experience certificate, caste certificate, OBC certificate and demand draft by post/ courier to the General Manager, State Bank of India, Central Recruitment & Promotion Department, 3rd Floor, Atlanta Building, Nariman Point, Mumbai – 400 021 on or before 06-02-2017.

**Last Date for Receipt of Application: 06-02-2017.**

Source: [www.sbi.co.in/careers/](http://www.sbi.co.in/careers/).

## MAHAGENCO RECRUITMENT 2017

Apply Online for **309 Fireman, Jr Lab Chemist & Other Posts:** Maharashtra State Power Generation Company Limited (MSPGCL) has advertised a notification for the recruitment of Senior Chemist, Chemist, Lab Chemist, Junior Lab Chemist, Senior Manager (HR), vacancies. Eligible candidates can apply online from 16-01-2017 to 07-02-2017. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process & how to apply are given below...

**MAHAGENCO Vacancy Details:**

**Total No of Posts: 309**

**Name of the Posts:**

1. Senior Chemist: 19 Posts	13. Assistant Welfare Officer: 05 Posts
2. Chemist: 30 Posts	14. Senior Manager (Security): 02 Posts
3. Lab Chemist: 13 Posts	15. Deputy Senior Manager (Security): 05 Posts
4. Junior Lab Chemist: 38 Posts	16. Deputy Manager (Security): 09 Posts
5. Senior Manager (HR): 03 Posts	17. Junior Officer (Security): 31 Posts
6. Deputy Manager (HR): 08 Posts	18. Fire Officer: 02 Posts
7. Manager (HR): 06 Posts	19. Assistant Fire Officer: 10 Posts
8. Manager (F&A): 05 Posts	20. Junior Fire Officer: 07 Posts
9. Deputy Manager (F&A): 17 Posts	21. Fireman: 58 Posts
10. System Analyst: 01 Post	22. Pharmacist: 08 Posts
11. Programmer: 04 Posts	23. Nurse: 15 Posts
12. Assistant Programmer: 13 Posts	

**Age Limit:** Candidate age limit should be 38 years, 45 years for Person with Disability, 57 years for for departmental employees working in MAHAGENCO as on 07-02-2017. Age relaxation is 5 years for the candidates applying against Backward Category as per rules.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess B.E/ B.Tech. Degree in Chemical Technology Sr. Chemist from a reputed University/ Institute or its equivalent for S.No-1, B.E./ B.Tech.Degree in Chemical Technology from a reputed University/ Institute or its equivalent for S.No-2, B.Sc. (Chemistry) from a reputed University/ Institute or its equivalent for S.No-3, B.Sc. (Chemistry) from a reputed University/ Institute or its equivalent for S.No-4, Degree of a recognized University for S.No-5, 6, 7 Posts with adequate experience. Refer the notification for post wise details.

**Application Fee:** Applicants required to pay Rs. 500/- for S.No-4, 17, 20 to 23, 800/- for remaining posts for open category candidates, Rs. 300/- S.No-4, 17, 20 to 23, Rs. 600/- for remaining posts for backward class Candidates through online by using Net Banking/ Debit/ Credit Card. Physically Handicapped Category (suffering from not less than 40% of relevant disability), Ex-serviceman category (Pay Gr.III & IV) need not pay the fees.

**Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected based on applicants performance in Online test & Personal Interview for S.No-1 to 3, 5 to 7, 8, 9 Posts. Refer the notification for post wise details.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates can apply online through the website [www.mahagenco.in](http://www.mahagenco.in) from 16-01-2017 to 07-02-2017.

**Online Instructions to Apply Online:**

1. Online applicants should log on to the website [www.mahagenco.in](http://www.mahagenco.in).
2. Go to Career & Select the desired post.
3. Read the Notification & Click on “Click here to Apply Online”.
4. Fill all the details in the application form & Submit OK.
5. Take print copy of application form for future use.

**Important Dates:**

**Starting Date for Apply Online: 16-01-2017.**

**Last Date to Apply Online & Payment of Fee: 07-02-2017.**

**Tentative Date of Online Examination: March 2017.**

For more details like category, tenure, remuneration, vacancy details, emolument, selection process, age relaxation, Salary and benefits, compensation & other information click on the link given below....

Source: [www.mahagenco.in](http://www.mahagenco.in)

## VJTI JOBS 2017

**Lady Resident Matron Posts:** Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI), Mumbai has announced a notification for the recruitment of Lady Resident Matron vacancies. Eligible candidates can apply in prescribed application format on or before 06-02-2017. Other details like educational qualification & how to apply are given below...

### **VJTI Vacancy Details:**

**Name of the Post: Lady Resident Matron**

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess XII standard pass, Graduation in any discipline.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates can send their applications on plain paper along with qualification, experience certificates to Office of Director, Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute, H.R. Mahajani Road, Matunga East, Mumbai – 400019 on or before 06-02-2017.

**Last Date for Receipt of Applications: 06-02-2017.**

Source: <http://www.freejobalert.com/mumbai-university/40880/>

## MSRTC RECRUITMENT 2017

Apply Online for **13770 Driver Cum Conductor, Asst & Other Posts:** Maharashtra State Road Transport Corporation (MSRTC), Mumbai has invited applications for the recruitment of 13770 Driver Cum Conductor, Assistant, Clerk Typist vacancies. Eligible candidates can apply online from 12-01-2017 to 03-02-2017 by 11.59 hrs. Other details like educational qualification & how to apply are given below...

### **MSRTC Vacancy Details**

**Total No of Posts: 13770**

**Name of the Posts:**

1. Driver Cum Conductor (Jr.)
2. Assistant (Jr.)
3. Clerk Typist (Jr.)

**Age Limit:** Candidate age should be 24 – 38 years for Post 1, 18- 38 years for Post 2, 18- 33 years for Post 3 as on 03-02-2017. Age relaxation is applicable as per rules.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess 10th pass with Valid Driving License for Post 1, Graduation and typing speed upto 30 words per minute in Marathi and 40 words English for Post 2, ITI in relevant Trade for Post 3 & for more details refer the notification.

**Application Fee:** Candidates should pay Rs.500/- for General, Rs. 250/- for Reserved Category candidates through Online Payment Mode or Offline Mode using SBI Challan Form.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates may apply online through the website “msrtc.maharashtra.gov.in” from 12-01-2017 to 03-02-2017 by 11.59 hrs.

### **Instructions to Apply Online:**

1. Login through the website “msrtc.maharashtra.gov.in”.
2. Click on Recruitment → E-Recruitment.
3. Register & login by selecting desired post.
4. Fill all the details carefully & submit the form.
5. Take printout of application form for future use.

### **Important Dates:**

Start Date to Apply Online	12-01-2017
Start Date for Payment of Fee (Online)	13-01-2017
Last Date to Apply Online & Payment of Fee (Online)	03-02-2017 by 11.59 hrs
Start Date for Payment of Fee (Offline)	14-01-2017
Last Date for Payment of Fee (Offline)	05-02-2017

Source : [www.msrtexam.in](http://www.msrtexam.in) , [www.msrtc.gov.in](http://www.msrtc.gov.in)

## MSRTC RECRUITMENT 2017

**Apply Online for 483 Traffic Inspector, JE & Other Posts:** Maharashtra State Road Transport Corporation (MSRTC), Mumbai has invited applications for the recruitment of 483 Traffic Inspector, Junior Engineer, Assistant Workshop Manager & other vacancies. Eligible candidates can apply online from 12-01-2017 to 03-02-2017 by 11.59 hrs. Other details like educational qualification & how to apply are given below...

### MSRTC Vacancy Details

**Total No of Posts: 483**

#### Name of the Posts:

1. Junior Engineer (Architecture) (Junior): 46 Posts
2. Junior Engineer (Electrical) (Junior): 07 Posts
3. Assistant Workshop Superintendent (Jr.): 92 Posts
4. Charge man (Jr.): 10 Posts
5. Sr. Computer Operator (Jr.)/ Divisional Computer Supervisor (Jr.): 15 Posts
6. Store Supervisor (Jr.)/ Sr. Stock Verifier (Jr.): 02 Posts
7. Store Keeper (Jr.): 40 Posts
8. Assistant Traffic Superintendent (Junior): 25 Posts
9. Traffic Inspector (Junior): 148 Posts
10. Accountant (Jr.)/ Jr. Stock Verifier (Jr.): 63 Posts
11. Security Inspector (Jr.): 12 Posts
12. Asst. Security Inspector (Jr.): 22 Posts
13. Firewarden (Jr.): 01 Post

**Age Limit:** Candidate age should be 18 – 38 years as on 03-02-2017. Age relaxation is applicable as per rules.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess any Graduation for more details refer the notification.

**Application Fee:** Candidates should pay Rs.500/- for General, Rs. 250/- for Reserved Category candidates through Online Payment Mode or Offline Mode using SBI Challan Form.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates may apply online through the website “msrtc.maharashtra.gov.in” from 12-01-2017 to 03-02-2017 by 11.59 hrs.

#### Instructions to Apply Online:

1. Login through the website “msrtc.maharashtra.gov.in”.
2. Click on Recruitment → E-Recruitment.
3. Register & login by selecting desired post.
4. Fill all the details carefully & submit the form.
5. Take printout of application form for future use.

#### Important Dates:

Start Date to Apply Online & Payment of Fee (Online)	12-01-2017
Last Date to Apply Online & Payment of Fee (Online)	03-02-2017 by 11.59 hrs
Start Date for Payment of Fee (Offline)	14-01-2017
Last Date for Payment of Fee (Offline)	05-02-2017

Source : [www.msrtexam.in](http://www.msrtexam.in) , [www.msrtc.gov.in](http://www.msrtc.gov.in)

## MPSC RECRUITMENT 2017

**Apply Online for 300 Sub Inspector Posts:** Maharashtra Public Service Commission (MPSC) has published notification for the recruitment of 300 Sub Inspector vacancies. Eligible candidates may apply online from 13-01-2017 to 02-02-2017. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process, application fee & how to apply are given below....

**MPSC Vacancy Details:****Total No. of Posts: 300****Name of the Post: Sub Inspector****Name of the Exam: Sub Inspector, State Excise preliminary Examination – 2017****Age Limit:** Candidates age limit should be between 18 – 38 years as on 01-05-2017.**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess Graduation or equivalent from a recognised University.**Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected based on preliminary exam, main exam, physical standard test & interview.**Application Fee:** Candidates should pay Rs. 273/- for Reserved Category Candidates and Rs. 373/- for All other Candidates through SBI Challan/ Online Payment using debit card/ credit card/ net banking/ CSC (Citizen Service Center) .**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates may apply online through the website [www.mpsc.gov.in](http://www.mpsc.gov.in) from 13-01-2017 to 02-02-2017.**Instructions to Apply Online:**

1. Log on the website [www.mpsc.gov.in](http://www.mpsc.gov.in)
2. Click on Advertisement/ Notifications
3. Select the desired post & read all instructions
4. Fill all the details & submit the form
5. Now take a print out of online application form for future use

**Important Dates:**

<b>Starting Date to Apply Online</b>	13-01-2017
<b>Last Date to Apply Online</b>	02-02-2017
<b>Last Date for Payment of Fee</b>	03-02-2017
<b>Date for Preliminary Exam</b>	28-05-2017
<b>Date for Main Exam</b>	24-09-2017

Source: [www.mpsc.gov.in](http://www.mpsc.gov.in), <https://mahampsc.mahaonline.gov.in>**UPSC NDA & NA (I) NOTIFICATION 2017**

**Apply Online for 390 Defence & Naval Academy Posts:** Union Public Service Commission (UPSC) has invited applications to conduct National Defence Academy & Naval Academy (I) Examination 2017 for admission to the Army, Navy and Air Force wings of the NDA for the 139th Course and for the 101st Indian Naval Academy Course (INAC) commencing from 02-01-2018. Eligible unmarried male candidates may apply online from 18-01-2017 to 10-02-2017 till 06:00 P.M. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process, how to apply are given below...

**UPSC NDA & NA (I) Vacancy Details:****Total No of Posts: 390****Name of the Posts:****1. National Defence Academy: 335 Posts**

- i. Army: 208 Posts
- ii. Navy: 55 Posts
- iii. Air Force: 72 Posts

**2. Naval Academy (10+2 Cadet Entry Scheme): 55 Posts****Age Limit:** Candidates should be born not earlier than 02-07-1998 and not later than 01-07-2001.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should Pass 12th Class of the 10+2 pattern of School Education or equivalent examination conducted by a State Education Board or a University for Army Wing of National Defence Academy, 12th Class pass of the 10+2 pattern of School Education or equivalent with Physics and Mathematics conducted by a State Education Board or a University for Air Force and Naval Wings of National Defence Academy and for the 10+2 Cadet Entry Scheme at the Indian Naval Academy.

**Selection Process:** Candidates will be selected based on performance in Written Examination, Psychological Aptitude Test, Intelligence & Personality Test and SSB Interview.

**Application Fee:** Candidates have to Pay Rs.100/- in the form of Cash in any Branch of SBI or by using net banking facility of State Bank of India/ State Bank of Bikaner & Jaipur/ State Bank of Hyderabad/ State Bank of Mysore/ State Bank of Patiala/ State Bank of Travancore or by using Visa/ Master Credit/ Debit Card. No Fee for SC/ ST candidates and sons of serving/ ex-Junior Commissioned Officers/ Non-Commissioned Officers/ Other Ranks of Army and equivalent ranks in the Indian Navy/ Indian Air Force.

**How to Apply:** Eligible unmarried male candidates may apply online through the website [www.upsonline.nic.in](http://www.upsonline.nic.in) from 18-01-2017 to 10-02-2017 till 06:00 P.M.

**Instructions for Applying Online:**

1. Before applying online candidates should scan the copies of photograph and signature.
2. Log on to the website [www.upsonline.nic.in](http://www.upsonline.nic.in).
3. Click on "Online Application for Various Examinations of UPSC".
4. Select the desired post & fill the Part I Online Application form by selecting the link.
5. Fill all the mandatory details and Submit.
6. After successful submission, an unique Registration ID will be generated, note it.
7. Make the fee payment and revisit the website.
8. Select Part II Registration and Log in yourself.
9. Fill all the mandatory details in Part II of Application.
10. After submitting the application form, take print out of system generated application form for further reference.

**Important Dates:**

<b>Starting Date to Apply Online</b>	18-01-2017
<b>Last Date to Apply Online</b>	10-02-2017 till 06:00 P.M.
<b>Last Date for Payment of Fee through Offline</b>	09-02-2017 by 23.59 hrs
<b>Last Date for Payment of Fee through Online</b>	10-02-2017 till 06:00 P.M.
<b>Availability of e-Admit Cards</b>	03 Weeks before the commencement of examination
<b>Date of Written Examination</b>	23-04-2017
<b>Examination Centres</b>	Agartala, Ahmedabad, Aizawl, Allahabad, Bengaluru, Bareilly, Bhopal, Chandigarh, Chennai, Cuttack, Dehradun, Delhi, Dharwad, Dispur, Gangtok, Hyderabad, Imphal, Itanagar, Jaipur, Jammu, Jorhat, Kochi, Kohima, Kolkata, Lucknow, Madurai, Mumbai, Nagpur, Panaji (Goa), Patna, Port Blair, Raipur, Ranchi, Sambalpur, Shillong, Shimla, Srinagar, Thiruvananthapuram, Tirupati, Udaipur and Vishakhapatnam
<b>Date of Declaration of Written Examination Results</b>	July 2017
<b>Date of SSB Interviews</b>	September 2017 to October 2017
<b>Commencement of Course</b>	02-01-2018

Source: [www.upsc.gov.in](http://www.upsc.gov.in)

## ASRB RECRUITMENT 2017

**52 Senior Scientist Posts:** Agricultural Scientists Recruitment Board (ASRB), Krishi Anusandhan Bhawan, New Delhi has issued a notification for the recruitment of 52 Senior Scientist vacancies in various departments on permanent basis. Eligible candidates can apply in prescribed application format on or before 28-02-2017 & for remote areas on or before 15-03-2017. Other details like age limit, educational qualification, selection process, application fee & how to apply are given below...

### ASRB Vacancy Details:

**Total No.of Posts: 52**

**Name of the Post: Senior Scientist**

**Name of the Department:**

1. Vivekananda Parvatiya Krishi Sansthan: 04 Posts
2. Directorate Of Weed Research:04 Posts
3. Indian Grassland And Fodder Research Institute: 01 Post
4. Directorate Of Floricultural Research:03 Posts
5. Central Potato Research Institute:01 Post
6. Central Institute Of Fisheries Technology:01 Post
7. Central Sheep & Wool Research Institute: 01 Post
8. Central Institute For Research On Goats: 01 Post
9. Indian Veterinary Research Institute: 03 Posts
10. National Research Centre On Yak:02 Posts
11. National Research Centre On Mithun:03 Posts
12. Central Arid Zone Research Institute:08 Posts
13. Central Arid Zone Research Institute (RRS-LEH): 01 Post
14. Central Arid Zone Research Institute (RRS- JAISALMER): 02 Posts
15. Central Arid Zone Research Institute (RRS- KUKMA-BHUJ): 01 Post
16. Central Arid Zone Research Institute (RRS- LEH (J&K)): 01 Post
17. National Institute Of Abiotic Stress Management: 15 Posts

**Age Limit:** Candidates age should not have attained 47 years as on 28-02-2017.

**Educational Qualification:** Candidates should possess Doctoral degree in Agricultural Biotechnology, Doctoral degree in Agricultural Engineering with specialization in Land & Water Management Engineering, Doctoral degree in Agricultural Economics or Economics/ Statistics with specialization in Agricultural Economics, Doctoral degree in Agricultural Entomology with relevant experience in the relevant subject as Scientist/ Lecturer/ Extension specialist or in an equivalent position for S.No-1 & for other details refer the notification.

**Selection Process:** Candidate will be selected based on applicants performance in interview.

**Application Fee:** Applicants required to pay Rs. 500/- in the form of Crossed Demand Draft drawn in favour of Secretary, ASRB payable at New Delhi (India). SC/ ST/ Women/ Physically Handicapped (PH) applicants/ candidates are exempted from paying the application fee.

**How to Apply:** Eligible candidates can send their application in prescribed format along with affixing photographs, self attested copies of Date of Birth, qualification certificates, caste certificate, DD personally/ by hand or through speed post or courier directly in an envelope should be contained as "Name, name of the post applied, Advertisement no. and Item no." to the ASRB, Krishi Anusandhan Bhawan-I, New Delhi-110012 on or before 28-02-2017 & for remote areas on or before 15-03-2017.

### Important Dates:

**Last Date for Receipt of Applications: 28-02-2017 .**

**Last Date for Receipt of Applications for Remote Areas: 15-03-2017.**

Source: <http://www.icar.org.in/>

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## CURRENT AFFAIRS OF DECEMBER 2016

### Awards

- The Bengali poet and critic who has been chosen for the 52nd Jnanpith Award – **Sankha Ghosh**
- The mathematicians who have been presented the SASTRA Ramanujan Award 2016 on the occasion of the National Mathematics Day on Dec 22 (Birth Anniversary of Ramanujan) – **Kaisa Matomaki and Maksym Radziwill**
- The teenage girl from United Arab Emirates who has been awarded the International Children's Peace Prize 2016 by the KidsRights Foundation for her fight for climate justice and against environmental degradation – **Kehkashan Basu**
- The scholar from the People's Republic of China who has been awarded the 2nd ICCR Distinguished Indologist Award by the President – **Prof. Yu Long Yu**

### Appointments

- The new and 21st Lieutenant Governor of Delhi who has been appointed following the resignation of Shri Najeeb Jung – **Anil Bajjal**
- The Vice Chief of Air Staff who has been chosen to be the next Chief of Air Staff succeeding Air Chief Marshal Arup Raha retiring on 31 Dec 2016 – **Air Marshal BS Dhanoa**
- The Vice Chief of Army Staff who has been chosen to be the next Chief of Army Staff succeeding Gen Dalbir Singh Suhag retiring on 31 Dec 2016 – **Lt Gen Bipin Rawat**
- The leader of National Party of New Zealand who has taken over as the Prime Minister following resignation of John Key – **Bill English**
- The senior most judge of Supreme Court who has been chosen to be the next Chief Justice of India from 04 Jan 2017 – **Justice JS Khehar**
- The new Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu appointed following the passing away of Ms J. Jayalalitha – **O. Panneerselvam**

### Sports

- The State which has been chosen to host National Games in 2022 – **Meghalaya**
- The cricketer from Gujarat who has broken a 117-year old record of highest total for a batsman carrying his bat through the innings by scoring 359 runs not out – **Samit Gohel**

- The Indian cricketer who has been chosen as the Captain of the Australia's ODI Team of the Year 2016 – **Virat Kohli**
- The Tanzanian professional boxer whom Indian boxer Vijender Singh defeated to retain his WBO Asia- Pacific Super Middleweight title – **Francis Cheka**
- The team which has won the 2016 Indian Super League football tournament defeating Kerala Blasters in the finals – **Atletico de Kolkata**
- The team India defeated in the finals to win the Hockey Junior World Cup tournament 2016 held in Lucknow – **Belgium**
- The Portuguese footballer who has been awarded the Ballon d'Or Award for the fourth time in his career – **Cristiano Ronaldo**
- The Ethiopian athlete who has been awarded the 2016 World Athlete of the Year (Female) by the International Association of Athletic Federation – **Almaz Ayana**
- The Jamaica athlete who has been awarded the 2016 World Athlete of the Year (Male) by the International Association of Athletic Federation – **Usain Bolt**
- The team India defeated in the finals to win the Women's Asia Cup T20 cricket tournament in Thailand – **Pakistan**
- The Norwegian chess player who has won the World Chess Championship title defeating Russian player Sergey Kajakin in a tie break – **Magnus Carlsen**

#### Defence

- The 120 kg. class smart weapon, developed by DRDO, and capable of engaging ground targets up to range of 100 kms successfully test fired in Chandipur – **SAAW (Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon)**
- The seventh edition of joint military exercise between the Indian Army and Maldives National Defence Force being held from 15 to 28 Dec 16 at Kadhdhoo, Laamu Atoll, Maldives is named – **EKuverin**
- The ninth edition of annual bilateral maritime exercise between Indian Navy and Russian Navy being conducted in Bay of Bengal from 14 to 21 Dec is named – **INDRA NAVY-16**
- The 2016 edition of the annual bilateral maritime exercise between the Indian Navy and the Royal Navy (United Kingdom) being held from 05 - 16 Dec 16 at Mumbai and Goa is named – **Exercise Konkan**

#### Persons – India

- The former Chief Minister of Madhya Pradesh who passed away on 28 Dec 2016 – **Sundar Lal Patwa**
- The renowned painter, instrumental in designing the National Emblem, who passed away on December 25 – **Dinanath Bhargava**
- The bollywood actress who has been chosen to as the PETA Person of the Year 2016 for promoting the rescue of homeless dogs and cats – **Sunny Leone**
- The noted Gandhian, environmentalist and author of the book Aaj bhi khade hai Talaab who passed away on 19 Dec 2016 – **Anupam Mishra**
- The Union Cabinet minister who has been included in the Global Thinkers 2016 (Decision Makers) by the American magazine Foreign Policy – **Sushma Swaraj**
- The Indian film actress who has been appointed UNICEF's Global Goodwill Ambassador – **Priyanka Chopra**
- The noted Tamil actor, editor, political satirist, film director and founder editor of Thuglak magazine who passed away on 07 Dec 2016 – **Cho Ramaswamy (Srinivas Iyer)**
- The 13 member Committee of Chief Ministers constituted by the Central Govt to promote digital payment systems to promote transparency, financial inclusion and also prepare a roadmap in this regard is headed by – **Chandrababu Naidu**

#### Persons – World

- The contestant from Puerto Rico who has been crowned Miss World 2016 at the beauty pageant held in Oxon Hill, Maryland, USA – **Stephanie Del Valle**

- The person at the top of Forbes World's Most Powerful people with the Indian Prime Minister at position #9 – **Vladimir Putin**
- The American aviator, astronaut and senator who became the first from his country to orbit the earth in 1962, who passed away on 08 Dec 2016 – **John Glenn**
- The new Prime Minister of France named following the resignation of Manuel Valls on 06 Dec 2016 – **Bernard Cazeneuve**
- TIME's Person of the Year 2016 – **Donald Trump**
- The Prime Minister of New Zealand who has announced his decision to resign after being in office for 8 years – **John Key**

### Places

- The State which has launched malaria elimination scheme 'Daman' in eight of its districts – **Odisha**
- The place in Punjab where foundation stone laying ceremony for setting up the first Second Generation (2G) Ethanol Bio-refinery in India is being held on 25th December, 2016 with an approximate investment of Rs 600 crores by Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL) – **Village Tarkhanwala, Bathinda**
- The city in which North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda and Homoeopathy (NEIAH), was formally inaugurated by the Minister of State for AYUSH Shri Shripad Yesso Naik – **Shillong**
- The State which has banned illegal Sharia courts functioning in the premises of mosques in the State – **Tamil Nadu**
- The place in Uttarakhand where a statue of renowned Tamil poet and philosopher Thiruvalluvar was unveiled by the Chief Minister Harish Rawat – **Haridwar**
- The venue of multidisciplinary Serendipity Arts Festival to be held from 16 to 23 Dec 2016 – **Goa**
- The State which has banned carrying of arms at wedding functions after several incidents of celebratory firing has resulted in loss of lives – **Haryana**
- The city in Uttar Pradesh where the Prime Minister Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of India's first Indian Institute of Skills – **Kanpur**
- The country which has demonetized its highest denomination of 100 bolivar banknotes to curb mafia hoardings – **Venezuela**
- The country with which India has signed a \$700 million deal for the supply of M777 ultra-light howitzers manufactured by BAE Systems – **USA**
- The places in Uttar Pradesh between which Asia's first and longest cycle highway (207 km) was recently inaugurated – **Etawah and Agra**

### Space News

- The first mini-satellite of China dedicated to carbon dioxide detection and monitoring launched using a Long March-2D (Chang Zheng-2D) launch vehicle from Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center is named – **TanSat**
- The first of second generation weather satellites launched by China from Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in southwest China's Sichuan Province is named – **Fengyun-4**

### Technology

- The mobile app for the Unified Payment Interface which will be common for all banks and financial institutions, launched by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is named – **BHIM (Bharat Interface for Mobile)**
- The App launched by Govt of India to track progress on household electrification in 6 lakh villages, with more than 15 lakh habitations having 17 crore people is named – **Garv-II**
- The TV channel launched by Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeiTY) to promote digital transactions is named – **DigiShala**

### Miscellaneous

- The IVRS number launched by the DoT in Delhi, Mumbai, Punjab, UP, Uttarakhand, Maharashtra and Goa to address the problem of call drops – **1955**
- The theme of National Consumer Day 2016 observed on December 24 – **Alternate Consumer Disputes Redressal**
- The Merriam Webster Word of the Year 2016 (definition in the dictionary: marked by the intense irrational reality of a dream) – **Surreal**
- The rank of India in the Global Wind Power Capacity status released by Global Wind Energy Council for the year 2015 – **4th**
- The national newspaper for senior citizen published by Harikrit Publishers, Delhi, the first issue of which was released by the Union Minister for Social Justice and Empowerment, Shri Thaawarchand Gehlot – **Saanjhi Saanjh**
- The stations between which the first Humsafar clan of trains (fully Air Conditioned 3 AC service having facility GPS based Passenger Information System, Passenger announcement System, fire and smoke detection and suppression system, CCTVs, integrated Braille display, Fire retardant curtains, etc.) was flagged off by the Rail Minister – **Gorakhpur to Anand Vihar**
- The language which has been ranked as the most powerful by the Power Language Index 2016 published by World Economic Forum (Hindi has been ranked 10th) – **English**
- The mind-body discipline based on ancient Indian philosophy which has been inscribed by the UNESCO in its list of Intangible Cultural Heritage – **Yoga**
- The Govt bank whose merger with State Bank of India has been approved by the Competition Commission of India – **Bhartiya Mahila Bank**

### Important Days of December

<b>World AIDS Day:</b> 01.12.2016 Launched by: World Health Organisation Theme: Hands up for #HIVPrevention First Observed in: 1988	<b>International Day of Persons with Disabilities:</b> 03.12.2016 Established by : United Nations Organisation Theme: Achieving 17 Goals for the Future We Want First Observed in: 1992
<b>International Volunteer Day:</b> 05 December 2016 Established by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: Global Applause - Give Volunteers a Hand First Observed in: 1986	<b>World Soil Day:</b> 05 December 2016 First launched by : International Union of Soil Sciences (2002) Endorsed by : Food and Agricultural Organisation (Jun 2013) Accepted by : United Nations General Assembly (Dec 2013), Theme: Soil and Pulses, a Symbiosis for Life
<b>International Anti Corruption Day:</b> 09.12.2016 Established by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: United against corruption for development, peace and security First Observed in: 2003	<b>United Nations Human Rights Day: 10.12.2016</b> Established by : United Nations General Assembly Theme: Stand up for someone's rights today First Observed in: 1948

### Abbreviations in News

- WIFEX: Winter Fog Experiment
- UPI: United Payments Interface
- SAAW: Smart Anti-Airfield Weapon
- BHIM: Bharat Interface for Mobile

### ICC AWARDS 2016

- ICC Cricketer of the Year (Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy) – **Ravichandran Ashwin** (India)
- ICC Test Cricketer of the Year – **Ravichandran Ashwin** (India)
- ICC ODI Cricketer of the Year – **Quinton de Kock** (South Africa)
- ICC Women's ODI Cricketer of the Year – **Suzie Bates** (New Zealand)

- ICC Women's T20I Cricketer of the Year – **Suzie Bates** (New Zealand)
- ICC T20 Performance of the Year – **Carlos Brathwaite** (West Indies ) (34 not out, 10 balls, 1x4, 4x6, ICC WT20 India 2016 final v England, Kolkata)
- ICC Emerging Cricketer of the Year – **Mustafizur Rahman** (Bangladesh)
- ICC Associate/Affiliate Cricketer of the Year – **Mohammad Shahzad** (Afghanistan)
- ICC Spirit of Cricket Award – **Misbah-ul-Haq** (Pakistan)
- ICC Umpire of the Year (David Shepherd Trophy) – **Marais Erasmus**

#### Release of Commemorative Postage Stamps

- Department of Posts has released a special stamp cover on freedom fighter Shri Gaya Prasad Katiyar. Gaya Prasad Katiyar was born at Jagadishpur (UP). He joined Hindustan Socialist Republican Association in 1925 and got connected with Chandra Shekhar Azad and Bhagat Singh. Later he participated on Lahore Conspiracy Case and was arrested from Saharanpur in 1929. He joined the hunger strike at Lahore Jail with his co prisoners. Later he was transported to Cellular jail in Andaman and again he
- participated on hunger strike there. He was repatriated in 1937 but again arrested and transported to cellular jail from where he was released in 1946.
- Postage stamps were also released on Personalities Series: Bihar and Hardayal Municipal Heritage Public Library at Chandni Chowk, Delhi.
- The eight personalities of Bihar whose commemorative stamps were released are:  
1. Dr. Sachchidananda Sinha; 2. Karpoori Thakur; 3. Dashrath Manjhi; 4. Vidyapati; 5. Kailashpati Mishra; 6. Kunwar Singh; 7. Phanishwar Nath Renu and 8. Sri Krishna Sinha

#### AIFF AWARDS 2016

- Men's Player of the Year: **Jeje Lalpekhlua**
- Woman Footballer of the Year: **Sasmita Malik**
- Emerging Player of the Year: **Rowllin Borges**
- Emerging Woman Footballer of the Year: **Sanju**
- Award for Best Grassroots Development Programme: **Punjab Football Association**
- Award for Best Referee: **Pranjal Banerjee**
- Award for Best Assistant Referee: **Joseph Tony**

#### Sahitya Akademi Awards 2016

Language	Title and Genre	Author
Assamese	Meghmalar Bhraman (Poetry)	Jnan Pujari
Bengali	Mahabharater Astadashi (Essays)	Nrisinghaprasad Bhaduri
Bodo	Ang Maboroi Dong Dasong (Poetry)	Anjali Narzary
Dogri	Cheta (Short stories)	Chhatrapal
English	Em and the big Hoom (Novel)	Jerry Pinto
Gujarati	Anekek (Poetry)	Kamal Vora
Hindi	Paarijat (Novel)	Nasira Sharma
Kannada	Swatantryada Ota (Novel)	Boluwaru Mohammad Kunhi
Kashmiri	Aane Khane (Criticism)	Aziz Hajini
Konkani	Kale Bhangar (Novel)	Edwin J.F. D'souza
Maithili	Barki Kaki at Hotmail Dot Com (Short stories)	Shyam Darihare
Malayalam	Shyamamadhavam (Poetry)	Prabha Varma
Manipuri	Cheptharaba Eshingpun (Short Stories)	Moirangthem Rajen
Marathi	Aalok (Short stories)	Asaram Lomate
Nepali	Janmabhumi Mero Swadesh (Novel)	Gita Upadhyay
Odia	Prapti (Short Stories)	Paramita Satpathy
Punjabi	Masia Di Raat (Play)	Swarajbir
Rajasthani	Murdjat Ar Dujee Kahaniyan (Short Stories)	Bulaki Sharma
Sanskrit	Kavyanirjhari (Poetry)	Sitanath Acharya

Santali	Nalha (Poetry)	Gobinda Chandra Majhi
Sindhi	Akhar Katha (Poetry)	Nand Javeri
Tamil	Oru Siru Isai (Short Stories)	Vannadhasan
Telugu	Rajanigandha (Poetry)	Papineni Sivasankar
Urdu	Mabad-e-Jadidiat Se Naye Ahed Ki Takhliqiyat Tak (Criticism)	Nizam Siddiqui

### India England Test Series 2016

Test Match	Venue	Won by	Player of the match
1	Rajkot	Drawn	MM Ali (England)
2	Visakhapatnam	India	Jayant Yadav (India)
3	Mohali	India	Ravindra Jadeja (India)
4	Mumbai	India	Virat Kohli (India)
5	Chennai	India	Karun Nair (India)

- Player of the Series: **Virat Kohli**
- First Englishman to cross 11,000 runs: **Alastair Cook** (5th test)
- **Karun Nair** became the second India to score a triple century after Virender Sehwag and only the third man in the game's history to convert a maiden Test ton into a triple.

### Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, 2016

- The Taxation and Investment Regime for Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana, 2016 (the Scheme) introduced vide The Taxation Laws (Second Amendment) Act, 2016 commenced on 17th December, 2016 and shall remain open for declarations up to 31st March, 2017.
- The salient features of the Scheme are as under:
  - Declaration under the Scheme can be made by any person in respect of undisclosed income in the form of cash or deposits in an account with bank or post office or specified entity.
  - Tax @30% of the undisclosed income, surcharge @33% of tax and penalty @10% of such income is payable besides mandatory deposit of 25% of the undisclosed income in Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Deposit Scheme, 2016. The deposits are interest free and have a lock-in period of four years.
  - The income declared under the Scheme shall not be included in the total income of the declarant under the Income-tax Act for any assessment year.
  - The declarations made under the Scheme shall not be admissible as evidence under any Act (eg. Central Excise Act, Wealth-tax Act, Companies Act etc.). However, no immunity will be available under Criminal Acts mentioned in section 199-O of the Scheme.
  - Non declaration of undisclosed cash or deposit in accounts under the Scheme will render such undisclosed income liable to tax, surcharge and cess totaling to 77.25% of such income, if declared in the return of income. In case the same is not shown in the return of income a further penalty @10% of tax
  - shall also be levied followed by prosecution. It may be noted that the provisions for levy of penalty for misreporting of income @200% of tax payable under section 270A of the Income-tax Act have not been amended and shall continue to apply with respect to cases falling under the said section.
  - The Taxation Laws (Second Amendment) Act, 2016 has also amended the penalty provisions in respect of search and seizure cases. The existing slab for penalty of 10%, 20% & 60% of income levied under section 271AAB has been rationalised to 30% of income, if the income is admitted and taxes are paid. Otherwise a penalty @60% of income shall be levied.

## Launch of RESOURCESAT-2A

Launch Date: 07 Dec 2016

Launched from: Satish Dhawan Space Centre SHAR, Sriharikota

Launch vehicle: PSLV-C36

- Like its predecessors RESOURCESAT-1 and 2, RESOURCESAT-2A has a unique 3-Tier imaging system with Advanced Wide Field Sensor (AWiFS), Linear Imaging Self Scanner-3 (LISS-3) and Linear Imaging Self Scanner-4 (LISS-4) cameras. The AWiFS provides images with a sampling of 56 metres, a swath of 740 km and a revisit of 5 days whereas the LISS-3 provides 23.5 metre sampled images with 141 km swath and a repetivity of 24 days. LISS-4 provides 5.8 metre sampled images with 70 km swath and a revisit of 5 days.
- The data sent by RESOURCESAT-2A will be useful for agricultural applications like crop area and crop production estimation, drought monitoring, soil mapping, cropping system analysis and farm advisories generation.
- This is the launch vehicle's 38th flight (37th consecutively successful mission). The total number of satellites launched by PSLV is 122 (43 Indian and remaining 79 from abroad).

## Amritsar Declaration

- Made at: Sixth Ministerial Conference of the Heart of Asia - Istanbul Process (HoA-IP) in Amritsar on 04 Dec 2016
- Chaired by: Shri Arun Jaitley and Mr. Salahuddin Rabbani (Foreign Minister of Afghanistan)
- Inaugurated by: Shri Narendra Modi and Mr. Mohammad Ashraf Ghani (President of Afghanistan)
- Participating countries: Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, China, India, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Pakistan, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Tajikistan, Turkey, Turkmenistan, the United Arab Emirates, and the United Nations.
- Guest countries: Austria, Bulgaria, Latvia and Uzbekistan
- Salient Features of Amritsar Declaration
  - Recognized that terrorism is the gravest challenge that the Heart of Asia region and the rest of the international community faces. It recognized the necessity of taking serious measures to address recruitment of youth to extremist and terrorist networks.
  - It undertook to develop a regional approach to counter radicalization by tasking relevant experts from the fields of security, education and local governance to meet in the first half of 2017 to identify key areas to be addressed for developing this regional approach and provide recommendations to be presented to the Senior Officials Meeting of the HoA-IP in the first half of 2017 for further action on this critical issue.
  - It expressed concern about the increase in production and cultivation of opium in Afghanistan, the volume of drug trafficking and demand in the HoA Region and beyond. In this regard, it recognized that it was essential to integrate a comprehensive approach in addressing the drug problem of Afghanistan and the HoA region.
  - It urged all Afghan Taliban groups and all other armed groups to enter into peace talks with the Government of Afghanistan and also urged all those countries in the region and beyond who have leverages and influence to help bring the Taliban to the negotiation table.

## 100 million for 100 million

- Campaign organised by: Nobel Laureate Kailash Satyarthi
  - Launched by: President Shri Pranab Mukherjee on 11.12.16.
  - Aim of the campaign: To mobilise 100 million youth and children for 100 million underprivileged children across the world, to end child labour, child slavery, violence against children and promote the right of every child to be safe, free, and educated, over the next 5 years.
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## CURRENT AFFAIRS OF JANUARY 2017

- The town in Kangra district of Himachal Pradesh which has been declared to be the State's second capital - **Dharamsala**
- The team which has won the Pro Wrestling League season 2 title defeating Haryana Hammers in the finals - **Punjab Royals**
- The Bollywood actress who has been awarded the Peoples Choice Favourite Dramatic TV Actress Award for her role in American drama series Quantico - **Priyanka Chopra**
- The island on Loktak lake of Manipur which has been declared India's first cashless island by the Union Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology under its Digital India programme - **Karang island**
- The former captain of Indian cricket team who has been inducted into the Legends Club Hall of Fame - **Kapil Dev**
- The dedicated web portal for Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan launched by the Central Govt with an aim to capture and showcase innovations and progress in elementary education sector is named - **ShaGun**
- The State in which establishment of Indian Agricultural Research Institute has been approved by the Union Cabinet - **Jharkhand (Gauria Karma village in Hazaribagh)**
- The Indian scientist and black hole physicist, known as the Black Hole Man of India who passed away on 16 January 2017 - **C.V. Vishveshwara**
- The US astronaut and the last man to walk on the moon (as on date) who passed away on 16 January 2017 - **Eugene Cernan**
- The team which has won the 2017 Premier Badminton League badminton tournament defeating Mumbai Rockets in the finals - **Chennai Smashers**
- The team which has won the Ranji Trophy 2016-17 cricket tournament defeating the previous champions Mumbai in the finals - **Gujarat**
- The former Chief Minister of Punjab and also the former Governor of Tamil Nadu, Uttarakhand and Andhra Pradesh who passed away on 14 Jan 2017 - **Surjit Singh Barnala**
- The venue of 104th Indian Science Congress held from 03 Jan to 07 Jan 2017 - **Sri Venkateshwara University, Tirupati**
- The new Secretary General of United Nations Organisation - **Antonio Guterres**
- The new Chairman of Chiefs of Staff Committee - **Admiral Sunil Lanba**
- The new Chief of Air Staff - **Air Chief Marshall BS Dhanoa**
- The new Chief of Army Staff - **General Bipin Rawar**
- 2017 has been declared by the United Nations as the International Year of - **Sustainable Tourism for Development**
- The monthlong awareness programme launched by Govt of India for judicious utilization and conservation of petroleum products along with use of energy efficient appliances and switching to cleaner fuels is named - **Saksham 2017 (Sanrakshan Kshamta Mahotsav)**
- The private airlines which has launched Akhira Ahuti!, a social service under which the airline would ferry free of cost the bodies of Northeast residents who die in Delhi to their homes - **Indigo**
- The CEO and Managing Director of TCS who has been chosen to be the new Chairman of Tata Sons from February 2017 - **N Chandrasekaran**
- The second of Scorpene class submarines launched by Raksha Rajya Mantri Subhash Bhamre at Mazagon Dock Shipyard Limited (the first was named Kalveri) - **Khanderi**
- The place at which Ramayana Darshanam exhibition was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi through video conferencing on the occasion of birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda - **Kanyakumari**
- The place at which National Youth Festival is being organised from 12th to 16th January with the theme Youth for Digital India - **Rohtak**
- The European country which has decided to completely replace its FM radio with Digital Audio Broadcasting by December 2017 - **Norway**

- The European country which has become the first in the world to run all its trains on 100% wind power - **Netherlands**
- The city in which world's first Gender Literature Festival is scheduled from 07 to 09 April 2017 - **Patna**
- The nuclear capable missile test fired from a submarine by Pakistan in a step towards completing its nuclear triad (launch of nuclear weapons from land, air, and sea) - **Babur3**
- The place at which India's first international stock exchange "India International Exchange" has been set up by Bombay Stock Exchange - **GIFT city, Gandhinagar**
- The city in which a fourday Nobel Prize Exhibition titled The Nobel Prize: Ideas Changing the World was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi - **Ahmedabad**
- The venue of 20th National Conference on e-Governance to be held from 09 to 10 January 2017 - **Visakhapatnam**
- The theme of New Delhi World Book Fair being held from 7th to 15th January 2017 at Pragati Maidan - **Manushi**
- The venue of 15th Pravasi Bhartiya Diwas Convention being held from 07 to 09 January 2017 with the theme Redefined Engagement with Indian Diaspora - **Bengaluru**
- The Sikh Guru whose 350th birth anniversary is being celebrated in January 2017 - **Guru Gobind Singh**

#### FIFA Awards 2016

- The Best FIFA Men's Player Award: Cristiano Ronaldo (Portugal)
- The Best FIFA Women's Player Award: Carli Lloyd (USA)
- The Best FIFA Men's Coach Award: Claudio Ranieri (Italy)
- The Best FIFA Women's Coach Award: Silvia Neid (Germany)
- The FIFA Puskas Award 2016: Mohd Faiz Subri (Malaysia)
- The FIFA lifetime achievement award: Falcao (Columbia)

#### Golden Globe Awards 2017 – Movies

Award	Drama	Musical or Comedy
Best Movie	Moonlight	La La Land
Best Actor	Casey Affleck (Manchester by the Sea)	Ryan Gosling (La La Land)
Best Actress	Isabelle Huppert (Elle)	Emma Stone (La La Land)
Best Director	Damien Chazelle (La La Land)	
Best Animated Feature Film	Zootopia	

#### Chennai Open 2017

Title	Winner	Runnerup
Men's Singles	Roberto Bautista Agut (Spain)	Daniil Medvedev (Russia)
Mens's Doubles	Rohan Bopanna and Jeevan Nedunchezhiyan (India)	Purav Raja and Divij Sharan (India)

#### National Bravery Awards 2016

- Bharat Award: Late Km. Tarh Peeju (Arunachal Pradesh)
- Geeta Chopra Award : Tejasweeta Pradhan and Shivani Gond (West Bengal)
- Sanjay Chopra Award : Master Sumit Mangain (Uttarakhand)
- Babu Gaidhani Award: Km. Roluahpuii and Late Km. H Lalhriatpuii (Mizoram) and Master Tushar Verma (Chhattisgarh)
- The other recipients are Master Praful Sharma (Himachal Pradesh), Master Sonu Mali (Rajasthan), Km. Akshita Sharma, Master Akshit Sharma, Master Naman (all from Delhi), Km. Anshika Pandey (Uttar Pradesh), Km. Nisha Dilip Patil (Maharashtra), Km. Siya Vamansa Khode (Karnataka), Master Moirangthem Sadananda Singh (Manipur), Master Binil Manjaly, Master Adithyan M.P. Pillai, Master Akhil K. Shibu and Km. Badarunnisa K.P. (all from Kerala), Master Tankeswar Pegu (Assam), Km. Neelam Dhruv (Chhattisgarh), Master Thanghilmang Lunkim (Nagaland), Master Mohan Sethy (Odisha) and Late Km. Payal Devi (Jammu & Kashmir).

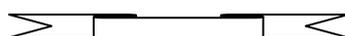
### CURRENT AFFAIRS QUESTIONS

SN	Questions			
1.	National Mathematics Day is observed on			
	A	December 20	B	December 22
	C	December 24	D	December 26
2.	Which country did India defeat to win the 2016 Under-19 Asia Cup international cricket tournament held in Sri Lanka in December 2016?			
	A	Pakistan	B	Bangladesh
	C	Sri Lanka	D	Malaysia
3.	Garv-II App launched by Govt of India is related to			
	A	Household electrification	B	Swachh Bharat Abhiyan
	C	Currency Demonetization	D	Drinking water in villages
4.	Which state observes its Statehood Day on 01 December?			
	A	Manipur	B	Nagaland
	C	Sikkim	D	Goa
5.	At which of the following places was a statue of renowned Tamil poet Thiruvalluvar installed recently?			
	A	Varanasi Allahabad	B	Mathura
	C		D	Haridwar
6.	Which of the following football clubs lost 18 of its players in an air-crash in Columbia?			
	A	Chapecoense	B	Atletico Mineiro
	C	Corinthians	D	Atletico Nacional
7.	Stephane Del Vale who was crowned Miss World 2016 belongs to			
	A	Venezuela	B	Costa Rica
	C	Puerto Rico	D	Portugal
8.	Which state awards the Yash Bharti Awards to felicitate person in various fields?			
	A	Madhya Pradesh	B	Karnataka
	C	Uttar Pradesh	D	Rajasthan
9.	Which of the following teams won the 2016 Indian Super League football tournament?			
	A	Atletico de Kolkata	B	Kerala Blasters
	C	Chennaiyin	D	Delhi Dynamos
10.	On which date is the National Pollution Control Day observed in memory of people who lost their lives in Bhopal gas tragedy 1984?			
	A	Dec 2	B	Dec 3
	C	Dec 4	D	Dec 5
11.	Who of the following has been ranked the World's Most Powerful Person by Forbes?			
	A	Barack Obama	B	Vladimir Putin
	C	Donald Trump	D	Angela Merkel
12.	With which of the following sports is Nico Rosberg associated?			
	A	Cycling	B	Golf
	C	Mountaineering	D	Formula 1 Car Racing
13.	Ekuverin was a joint military exercise between the Indian Army and the defence forces of			
	A	Mauritius	B	Singapore
	C	Oman	D	Maldives
14.	For which category of travellers has the Indian Railways made AADHAR card mandatory for availing concessions?			
	A	Children below 5 years	B	Freedom fighters
	C	Senior citizens	D	Physically challenged
15.	Which South American country demonetized its highest denomination of 100 bolivar banknotes recently?			
	A	Venezuela	B	Columbia
	C	Chile	D	Peru
16.	With which of the following countries has India entered into an agreement to train its pilots on Sukhoi 30MK2 fighter aircraft?			
	A	Indonesia	B	Vietnam
	C	Thailand	D	Myanmar
17.	How many double centuries has Virat Kohli scored in the calendar year 2016?			
	A	one	B	two
	C	three	D	none

18.	Which country won the Women's Asia Cup T20 cricket tournament held in Thailand recently?			
	A	Pakistan	B	Sri Lanka
	C	India	D	Bangladesh
19.	The annual bilateral maritime exercise between the Indian Navy and the Royal Navy held recently is named			
	A	Exercise Konkan	B	Exercise Kyant
	C	Exercise Sahyadri	D	Exercise Kutch
20.	What was the name of the cyclone which the eastern coast of India causing loss to property and lives in December 2016?			
	A	Kyant	B	Vardah
	C	Hudhud	D	Priya
21	How many types of disabilities have been recognised by the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Bill 2016 passed by the Parliament recently?			
	A	7	B	11
	C	16	D	21
22	Which of the following is the correct expansion of UPI?			
	A	United Payments Interface	B	Unified Payments Interface
	C	Unified Payment by Internet	D	Utility Payment Interface
23	What is the percentage of discount offered for cashless refuelling announced by the government to encourage cashless economy?			
	A	0.25%	B	0.50%
	C	0.75%	D	1%
24	Who of the following has been awarded the Sir Garfield Sobers Trophy by the ICC?			
	A	Virat Kohli	B	R Ashwin
	C	Alastair Cook	D	Quentin d Kock
25	Who of the following has been presented the ICFA Global Agriculture Leadership Lifetime Achievement Award 2016?			
	A	Mukesh Ambani	B	Aziz Premji
	C	Narayan Murthy	D	Ratan Tata
26	Who of the following is the only Indian woman to be included in the ICC Women's Team of the Year 2016?			
	A	Smriti Mardhana	B	Mithali Raj
	C	Harmanpreet Kaur	D	Poonam Raut
27	On which of the following libraries was commemorative postal stamp released recently?			
	A	Khuda Baksh Oriental Library	B	Asafia State Library
	C	Hardayal Municipal Heritage Public Library	D	National Library of India
28	Who of the following has been awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award 2016 for his writings in English?			
	A	Jerry Pinto	B	Ruskin Bond
	C	Arvind Adiga	D	Amitav Ghosh
29	Karun Nair who became the second Indian to score a triple century in Test cricket achieved the feat against England in the test match at			
	A	Visakhapatnam	B	Chennai
	C	Mumbai	D	Rajkot
30	With which game is Shiva Kesavan associated?			
	A	Lacrosse	B	Luge
	C	Ringette	D	Skiing

**Answers:**

1. (B) 2. (C) 3. (A) 4. (B) 5. (D) 6. (A) 7. (C) 8. (C) 9. (A) 10. (A) 11. (B) 12. (D) 13. (D) 14. (C) 15. (A) 16. (B) 17. (C) 18. (C) 19. (A) 20. (B) 21. (D) 22. (B) 23. (C) 24. (B) 25. (D) 26. (A) 27. (C) 28. (A) 29. (B) 30. (B)



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