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CURRENT AFFAIRS OF APRIL 2022

Awards

The first recipient of Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar Award instituted in the memory of legendary singer, Sushri Lata Mangeshkar – **Shri Narendra Modi**

The Indian origin songwriter and singer whose album A Colorful World has won the Grammy Award in the Best Children's Album category – **Falguni Shah**

The Indian music composer and environmentalist whose album Divine Tides has won the Grammy Award for Best New Age Album – **Ricky Kej**

Persons

The General officer form Corps of Engineers who has taken over as the 29th Chief of Army Staff from General MM Naravane PVSM AVSM SM VSM ADC – **General Manoj Pande, PVSM, AVSM, VSM**

The US business magnate who has taken over social media platform Twitter for USD 44 billion – Elon Musk

The new Vice-Chairman of NITI Aayog who has been appointed following the resignation of Shri Rajiv Kumar – Shri Suman K. Bery

The President of Pakistan Muslim League who has been chosen as the new Prime Minisiter of Pakistan after the former PM Imran Khan lost the no-confidence vote – **Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif**

Defence

The mission launched by Indian Navy for transhipment of critical medical aid to Sri Lanka is named – **Mission**Sagar IX

The rank of India in military spending according to Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) report, titled "Trends in World Military Expenditure Report 2021" – **Third (behind US and China)**

The sixth and last submarine of the Indian Navy's Kalvari class submarines of Project 75 launched at the Kanhoji Angre Wet Basin of Mazagon Dock Limited (MDL) is named – **INS Vagsheer (S26)**

Places

The country which has decided to withdraw from United Nations World Tourism Organisation just ahead of a vote to suspend its membership – **Russia**

The European country which has become the first in the world to suspend its vaccination campaign citing high vaccination rate and reduction in number of new infections – **Denmark**

The venue of Khelo India University Games 2021 declared open by the Vice-President Shri Venkaiah Naidu on 24.04.2022 – **Bengaluru**

The place in Assam at which Oil India Limited (OIL) has commissioned India's First 99.999% pure Green Hydrogen pilot plant, with an installed capacity of 10 kg per day – **Jorhat**

The UT which has launched the Jan Nigrani app intended to help people lodge their complaints related to various schemes online – Jammu and Kashmir

The venue of three-day Global Ayush Investment & Innovation Summit 2022 inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi — **Gandhinagar**

The place in Gujarat where the foundation stone of WHO Global Centre for Traditional Medicine (GCTM) was laid by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in the presence of the Prime Minister of Mauritius Mr. Pravind Kumar Jugnauth and Dr. Tedros Ghebreyesus, Director-General, World Health Organization (WHO) – Jamnagar

The place in Gujarat where a 108 ft statue of Hanuman was inaugurated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on the occasion of Hanuman Jayanti on 16.04.2022 – **Morbi**

The place in Jharkhand where a ropeway accident claimed the lives of 2 persons, while 35 others were rescued by the IAF team – **Deoghar**

The state in which Madhavpur Fair held (from Ram Navami) was inaugurated by the President Shri Ram Nath Kovind – **Gujarat**

The country which has been suspended from United Nations Human Rights Council by a resolution which was adopted with 93 votes in favour, 24 against and 58 abstentions, including India – **Russia**

The place in New Delhi where Yoga Mahotsav was organised by the Union Ayush Ministry on the occasion of World Health Day 2022 – **Red Fort**

The place in Himachal Pradesh where the 9th edition of the India – Kyrgyzstan Joint Special Forces Exercise was held from 25 Mar 2022 to 06 april 2022 – **Bakloh**

The place at which the grand finale of the 12th edition of Rashtriya Sanskriti Mahotsav was held on 03 April 2022 – **Hyderabad**

Sports

The team which has won the 12th Senior Men's National Hockey Championship beating Tamil Nadu in the finals at Bhopal – **Haryana**

The venue of Asian Wrestling Championships 2022 held from 19 to 24 April 2022 with India grabbing 17 medals and standing at 5th position – **Ulan Bataar, Mongolia**

Themes

The theme of World Immunization Week observed from 24 to 30 April 2022 (last week of April) – **Long Life for All**

The theme of the largest quiz programme Sabka Vikas Mahaquiz organized by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Govt of India from April 14 to April 28 – **Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana**

Miscellaneous

The airlines which has launched the first commercial flight of made-in-India Dornier-228 between Dibrugarh and Pasighat – **Alliance Air**

The name given to a tulip breed to symbolize the special and enduring friendship between India and the Netherlands, during the Indian President's visit to Keukenhof Tulip Park in Amsterdam – **Maitri**

The environment awareness mascot launched by the Govt to spread mass awareness about how adoption of small changes in our lifestyle can play a big role in environment sustainability is named — **Prakriti**

The Red Fort Festival organised from 25 Mar to 03 April 2022 by the Union Culture Ministry and Dalmia Bharat Group was named – **Bharat Bhagya Vidhata**

2022 ICC Women's World Cup

Held from 04 March 2022 to 03 April 2022

Host: New Zealand

Teams: 8 namely Australia, Bangladesh, England, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Africa and West Indies

Winners: **Australia** (7th title)

Runners-up: England

Player of the Series: Alyssa Healy (Australia)

Most runs: Alyssa Healy (509)

Most wickets: Sophie Ecclestone (21) (England)

Venue of the final match: Christchurch

Wisden's Cricketers of the Year 2022

#	Name	Country
1.	Jasprit Bumrah	India
2.	Devon Conway	New Zealand
3.	Ollie Robinson	England
4.	Rohit Sharma	India
5.	Dan Van Niekerk	South Africa

Laureus World Sports Awards 2022

Laureus World Sportsman of the Year: Max Verstappen (Motor racing), The Netherlands

Laureus World Sportswoman of the Year: Elaine Thompson-Herah (Athletics), Jamaica

Laureus World Team of the Year: Italy Men's Football Team

Laureus World Breakthrough of the Year: Emma Raducanu (Tennis), UK

Laureus World Comeback of the Year: Sky Brown (Skateboarding), UK

Laureus Sport for Good Society: Real Madrid Foundation, Spain

Laureus Lifetime Achievement: Tom Brady (American football), USA

Important Days of April

World Autism Awareness Day: 02 April 2022 Theme: Inclusive Quality Education for All Designated by: UN General Assembly

First Observed in: 2008

International Mine Awareness Day: 04 April 2022 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly Theme: Safe Ground, Safe Steps, Safe Home

First Observed in: 2006

International Day of Sport for Development and Peace: 06 April 2022

Designated by: United Nations General Assembly

First Observed in: 2014

Theme: Securing a Sustainable and Peaceful Future for All: The Contribution of Sport

World Health Day: 07 April 2022

Designated by: World Health Organisation

Theme: Our Planet, Our Health

First Observed in: 1950

International Day of Human Space Flight: 12 April 2022

Designated by: UN General Assembly

First Observed in: 2011

World Haemophilia Day: 17 April 2022

Designated by: World Federation of Haemophilia Theme: Access for All: Partnership. Policy. Progress

First Observed in: 1989

International Day for Monuments and Sites (World Heritage Day): 18 April 2022

Designated by: UNESCO Theme: Heritage and Climate First Observed in: 1983

International Mother Earth Day: 22 April 2022

Designated by: UN General Assembly

Theme: Invest in our Planet First Observed in: 2010

Note: Earth Day was first observed in 1970 in the United States and it went global in 1990. The same day

was adopted by the UN in 2009 as the International Mother Earth Day.

UN English Language Day: 23 April 2022

Designated by: UN Dept of Public Information

First Observed in: 2010

World Malaria Day: 25 April 2022

Designated by: World Health Organisation

First Observed in: 2007

Theme: Harness Innovation to reduce the malaria disease burden and save lives

World Intellectual Property Day: 26 April 2022

Designated by: World Intellectual Property Organisation

First Observed in: 2000

Theme: IP and Youth: Innovating for a Better Future

World Day for Safety and Health at Work: 28 April 2022 Designated by: International Labour Organisation

First Observed in: 2003

Theme: Act together to build a positive safety and health culture

Hurun Richest Self-Made Women in the World 2022

Indian women in the list

#	Name	Company
10.	Falguni Nayyar	Nyka
25.	Radha Vembu	Zoho
26.	Kiran Mazumdar Shaw	Biocon

Bloomberg Billionaires Index 2022

#	Name	#	Name
1.	Elon Musk	10.	Gautam Adani
2.	Jeff Bezos	11.	Mukesh Ambani
3.	Bernard Arnault	36.	Aziz Premji
4.	Bill Gates	45.	Shiv Nadar
5.	Warren Buffet	73.	Radhakishan Damani