

Required Age Limit:

- Maximum Age: 40 Years

Salary Package:

- Refer to Official Notification

Mode of Selection:

- Written Test
- Certification Verification
- Personal Interview

Application Fee:

- General/ OBC – Rs.25/-
- SC/ST/PWD/Ex-Serviceman – NIL

Steps To Apply For Online Mode:

- Log on to the official website www.upsc.gov.in
- Candidates can apply through online
- Candidates should ensure that they fulfill the eligibility criteria as per requirements
- Pay the application fee, if needed.
- Click on the submit button for submission of the application.
- Take a print out the application for future use

Important Instructions:

- Before Applying, Candidates are advised to go through the instructions given in the notice of examination very carefully.

Focusing Dates:

- Application Submission Dates: 25.09.2020 to 15.10.2020

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- **Notification Link:** [Click Here](#)
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CURRENT AFFAIRS FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2020

Awards

- The Dutch author who has been awarded the 2020 International Booker Prize for her book The Discomfort of Evening – **Marieke Lucas Rijneveld**

Persons

- The Japanese Prime Minister who has announced his decision to resign from the post owing to poor health – **Mr. Shinzo Abe**
- The new Election Commissioner appointed to replace Shri Ashok Lavasa who has resigned to join Asian Development Bank – **Shri Rajiv Kumar**
- The Governor of Goa who has been appointed the Governor of Meghalaya succeeding Shri Tathagata Roy – **Shri Satya Pal Malik**
- The expert committee constituted by Central Govt to consider the logistics and ethical aspects of procuring and administering the COVID-19 vaccine is headed by – **Dr. VK Paul**
- The former Lt Governor of Jammu and Kashmir who has been appointed new Comptroller and Auditor General of India succeeding Shri Rajiv Mehrishi – **Shri Girish Chandra Murmu**
- The new Lieutenant Governor of Jammu and Kashmir appointed to replace Shri GC Murmu – **Shri Manoj Sinha**

Obituary

- The well-known Indian classical vocalist of Mewati gharana (and recipient of Padma Shri, Padma Bhushan, Padma Vibhushan and Sangeet Natak Akademi Award) who passed away on 17 August 2020 in New Jersey, USA – **Pandit Jasraj**
- The former Indian cricketer and Minister of Youth and Sports of Uttar Pradesh who passed away on 16 August 2020 – **Chetan Chauhan**
- The renowned Urdu poet and lyricist who passed away on 11 August 2020 while being treated for COVID-19 – **Rahat Indori**
- The Indian theatre director and former director of National School of Drama (Padma Vibhushan and Sangeet Natak Akademi fellowship) who passed away on 04 August 2020 – **Ebrahim Alkazi**

- The former Samajwadi leader and Rajya Sabha member who passed away on 01 August 2020 – **Amar Singh**

Places

- The place in West Bengal where the world's largest solar tree developed by CSIR-CMERI has been installed with a capacity of 11.5 kWp – **Durgapur**
- The city from which submarine cable connectivity to Andaman and Nicobar Islands was launched by the PM Shri Narendra Modi – **Chennai**
- The two villages in Odisha which have been declared as Tsunami Ready by Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO – **Venkatraipur**
- **(Ganjam) and Noliasahi (Jagatsinghpur)**
- The station in Maharashtra from where India's first Kisan Special Parcel Train or Kisan Rail was flagged off with its destination as Danapur in Bihar – **Devlali**
- The place in Kerala where a plane of Air India Express crashed resulting in death of several people - **Kozhikode**
- The city of Lebanon in which a blast of 2750 tons of ammonium nitrate killed over a 100 people and rendered 3 lakh homeless – **Beirut**
- The place in Himachal Pradesh where the foundation stone of Indian Institute of Management was laid by Union Education Minister Shri Ramesh Pokhriyal 'Nishank' through online mode – **Sirmaur**

Sports

- The England cricketer who has become the first fast bowler to take 600 test wickets (and the 4th bowler after Muttiah Muralitharan, Shane Warne and Anil Kumble – **James Anderson**

Space

- The new optical remote-sensing satellite launched by China from its Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre by a Long March-2D carrier rocket is named – **Gaofen-9 05**
- The rover launched by NASA on 30 July 2020 to seek signs of ancient life and collect rock and soil samples on Mars from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida as a part of its Mars 2020 Mission is named – **Perseverance**

Miscellaneous

- The disease from which Africa has been declared free by WHO since no incidence of it has occurred in the last 4 years – **Polio**
- The date upto which the validity of Fitness, Permit, License, Registration or any other concerned documents under Motor Vehicles Act and Central Motor Vehicle rules – **31 Dec 2020**
- The mobile app launched by Google for job seekers in India is named – **Kormo Jobs**
- The COVID-19 vaccine developed by Gamaleya Research Institute and Russian Defence Ministry and launched by the Russian President Vladimir Putin is named – **Sputnik V**
- The nuclear power plant in Abu Dhabi which became operational on 01 August making UAE the first Arab country to use nuclear power – **Barakah Nuclear Power Plant**
- The theme of World Breastfeeding Week observed from 01 to 07 August 2020 – **Support Breastfeeding for a Healthier Planet**

National Sports Awards 2020

RAJIV GANDHI KHEL RATNA AWARD

#	Name	Disclipine
1.	Shri Rohit Sharma	Cricket
2.	Shri Mariyappan T	Para Athletics
3.	Ms Manika Batra	Table Tennis
4.	Ms Vinesh Phogat	Wrestling
5.	Ms Rani Rampal	Hockey

DRONACHARYA AWARD

LIFETIME CATEGORY			REGULAR CATEGORY		
#	Name	Disclipine	#	Name	Disclipine
1.	Shri Dharmendra Tiwary	Archery	1.	Shri Jude Felix Sebastian	Hockey
2.	Shri Purushotham Rai	Athletics	2.	Shri Yogesh Malviya	Mallakhamb
3.	Shri Shiv Singh	Boxing	3.	Shri Jaspal Rana	Shooting
4.	Shri Romesh Pathania	Hockey	4.	Shri Kuldeep Kumar Handoo	Wushu
5.	Shri Krishan Kumar Hooda	Kabaddi	5.	Shri Gaurav Khanna	Para Badminton
6.	Shri Naresh Kumar	Tennis			
7.	Shri Om Parkash Dahiya	Wrestling			
8.	Shri Vijay Bhalchandra Munishwar	Para Powerlifting			

ARJUNA AWARD

#	Name and Disclipine	#	Name and Disclipine
1.	Shri Atanu Das (Archery)	15	Shri Deepak (Kabaddi)
2.	Ms Dutee Chand (Athletics)	16	Shri Kale Sarika Sudhakar(Kho Kho)
3.	Shri Satwik Sairaj Rankireddy (Badminton)	17	Shri Dattu Baban Bhokanal (Rowing)
4.	Shri Chirag Chandrasekhar Shetty (Badminton)	18	Ms. Manu Bhaker (Shooting)
5.	Shri Vishesh Bhriguvanshi (Basketball)	19	Shri Saurabh Chaudhary (Shooting)
6.	Subedar Manish Kaushik (Boxing)	20	Ms. Madhurika Suhas Patkar (Table Tennis)
7.	Ms Lovlina Borgohain (Boxing)	21	Shri Divij Sharan (Tennis)
8.	Shri Ishant Sharma (Cricket)	22.	Shri Shiva Keshavan (Winter Sports)
9.	Ms Deepti Sharma (Cricket)	23.	Ms Divya Kakran (Wrestling)
10	Shri Sawant Ajay Anant (Equestrian)	24.	Shri Rahul Aware (Wrestling)
11	Shri Sandesh Jhingan (Football)	25.	Shri Suyash Narayan Jadhav (Para Swimming)
12	Ms Aditi Ashok (Golf)	26.	Shri Sandeep (Para Athletics)
13	Shri Akashdeep Singh (Hockey)	27.	Shri Manish Narwal (Para Shooting)
14	Ms. Deepika (Hockey)		

DHYAN CHAND AWARD

#	Name & Disclipine	#	Name & Disclipine
1.	Shri Kuldeep Singh Bhullar (Athletics)	9.	Shri Manpreet Singh (Kabaddi)
2.	Ms Jincy Philips (Athletics)	10.	Shri J. Ranjith Kumar (Para Athletics)
3.	Shri Pradeep Shrikrishna Gandhe (Badminton)	11.	Shri Satya Prakash Tiwari (Para Badminton)
4.	Ms Trupti Murgunde (Badminton)	12.	Shri Manjeet Singh (Rowing)
5.	Ms N. Usha (Boxing)	13.	Late Shri Sachin Nag (Swimming)
6.	Shri Lakha Singh (Boxing)	14.	Shri Nandan P Bal (Tennis)
7.	Shri Sukhvinder Singh Sandhu (Football)	15.	Shri Netarpal Hooda (Wrestling)
8.	Shri Ajit Singh (Hockey)		

TENZING NORGAY NATIONAL ADVENTURE AWARD 2019

#	Name	Disclipine
1.	Ms Anita Devi	Land Adventure
2.	Col Sarfraz Singh	Land Adventure
3.	Shri Taka Tamut	Land Adventure
4.	Shri Narender Singh	Land Adventure
5.	Shri Keval Hiren Kakka	Land Adventure
6.	Shri Satendra Singh	Water Adventure
7.	Shri Gajanand Yadava	Air Adventure
8.	Late Shri Magan Bissa	Life Time Achievement

RASHTRIYA KHEL PRO TSAHAN PURUSKAR

#	Category	Entity
1.	Identification and Nurturing of Budding and Young Talent	1. Lakshya Institute 2. Army Sports Institute
2.	Encouragement to sports through Corporate Social Responsibility	Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) Ltd.
3.	Employment of sportspersons and sports welfare measures	Air Force Sports Control Board
4.	Sports for Development	International Institute of Sports Management (IISM)

MAULANA ABUL KALAM AZAD (MAKA) TROPHY - Panjab University, Chandigarh
Important Days of August

International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples: 09 August 2020 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 1995 Theme: COVID-19 and indigenous people's resilience	World Humanitarian Day: 19 August 2020 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2009 Theme: #Real Life Heroes
International Youth Day: 12 August 2020 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2000 Theme: Youth Engagement for Global Action	International Day against Nuclear Tests: 29 August 2020 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2010
World Elephant Day: 12 August 2020 Designated by: Patricia Sims and Elephant Reintroduction Programme of Thailand First observed: 2012	International Day of Victims of Enforced Disappearances: 30 August 2020 Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed: 2011

Shri Pranab Mukherjee

- Born **11.12.1935**; Passed away: **31.08.2020** President from **July 2012** to **July 2017** **Finance Minister**
- From 1982 to 1984 under Smt Indira Gandhi and From 2009 to 2012 under Dr. Manmohan Singh;
- **Defence Minister**
- From 2004 to 2006 under Dr. Manmohan Singh
- **External Affairs Minister**
- From 2006 to 2009 under Dr. Manmohan Singh and
- From 1995 to 1996 under Shri PV Narsimha Rao
- **Awards:** Padma Vibhushan (2008) and Bharat Ratna (2019).
- Also awarded Bangladesh Muktijuddho Sanmanona in 2013 by Bangladesh
- **Books written:** Thoughts and Reflections; The Dramatic Decade: The Indira Gandhi Years; The Turbulent Years: 1980–1996; The Coalition Years: 1996–2012.

ICC Hall of Fame

International Cricket Council has inducted the following cricketers into its Hall of Fame

1. Jacques Kallis (South Africa)
2. Zaheer Abbas (Pakistan)
3. Lisa Sthalekar (Australia)

Setting up of National Recruitment Agency to conduct CET

- Union Cabinet has approved creation of National Recruitment Agency (NRA), a Multi-Agency Body to encompass the first level test by the Staff Selection Commission (SSC), the Railway Recruitment Boards (RRBs) and the Institute of Banking Service Personnel (IBPS).
- CET: A computer based online Common Eligibility Test (CET) for the Graduate, the Higher Secondary (12th pass) and the Matriculate (10th Pass) candidates.
- A common eligibility Test would enable these candidates to appear once and apply to any or all of these recruitment agencies for the higher level of examination. NRA will have representatives of Ministry of Railways, Ministry of Finance/Department of Financial Services, the SSC, RRB & IBPS.
- Examination Centres: in every district of the country.
- CET Score to be valid for three years, no bar on attempts. Also it would be available in a number of languages.
- Financial Outlay: A sum of Rs. 1517.57 crore has been sanctioned for the National Recruitment Agency (NRA). The expenditure will be undertaken over a period of three years.

GI Tag - Products from Goa

1. Harmal Chillies
2. Myndoli banana or Moira banana
3. Khaje, a festive sweet dish

Mahendra Singh Dhoni

Announced retirement on 15 August 2020

Format	Debut country	Year	Matches	Total Runs
Test	Sri Lanka	2005	90	4876
ODI	Bangladesh	2004	350	12303
T20I	South Africa	2006	98	1617

Awards: Padma Shri (2009); Padma Bhushan (2018); Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna (2007-08)

- Dhoni is the most successful Indian Test captain with 27 Test wins, eclipsing Sourav Ganguly's record of 21.
- Fourth Indian to reach 10,000 ODI runs after Sachin Tendulkar, Sourav Ganguly & Rahul Dravid.
- Under his captaincy, India won the 2007 ICC World Twenty20, the 2010 and 2016 Asia Cups, the 2011 ICC Cricket World Cup and the 2013 ICC Champions Trophy.

Swachh Survekshan 2020

Ranking of States

States > 100 ULBs		States < 100 ULBs	
Rank	State	Rank	State
1.	Chhattisgarh	1.	Jharkhand
2.	Maharashtra	2.	Haryana
3.	Madhya Pradesh	3.	Uttarakhand

ULB: Urban Local Bodies

Ranking of Cities

Cities > 10 lakhs		Cities 1 to 10 lakhs	
Rank	City	Rank	City
1.	Indore	1.	Ambikapur
2.	Surat	2.	Mysuru
3.	Navi Mumbai	3.	New Delhi (NDMC)

Naval Innovation and Indigenisation Organisation (NIO)

- **Launched by:** Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh through an online webinar.
- **Role of NIO:** The NIO puts in place dedicated structures for the end users to interact with academia and industry towards fostering innovation and indigenisation for self-reliance in defence in keeping with the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat.
- **Structure:** The NIO is a three-tiered organisation. Naval Technology Acceleration Council (N-TAC) will bring together the twin aspects of innovation and indigenisation and provide apex level directives. A working group under the N-TAC will implement the projects. A Technology Development Acceleration Cell (TDAC) has also been created for induction of emerging disruptive technology in an accelerated time frame.

CURRENT AFFAIRS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2020**Current Affairs 01 September 2020**

1. The World Bank Group has 'paused' the publication of the Doing Business report after irregularities have been reported regarding changes to the data used in the report. अहवालात वापरलेल्या डेटामधील बदलांबाबत अनियमितता नोंदवल्यानंतर वर्ल्ड बँक समूहाने इडिंग बिझनेस रिपोर्टच्या प्रकाशनास 'विराम' दिला आहे.

2. The first commercial direct flight between Israel and the UAE landed in Abu Dhabi after both countries announced normalisation of relations.

इस्रायल आणि युएई दरम्यान पहिले व्यावसायिक थेट विमान अबू धाबी येथे उतरले तेव्हा दोन्ही देशांनी संबंध सामान्य करण्याचे जाहीर केले.

3. Japan has committed an official Development Assistance loan of 3 thousand 500 crore rupees for the COVID-19 Crisis Emergency Response Support.

जपानने कोविड-19 संकटकालीन आपत्कालीन प्रतिसाद समर्थनासाठी 3 हजार 500 कोटी रुपयांचे अधिकृत विकास सहाय्य कर्ज वचनबद्ध केले आहे.

4. CSIR-CMERI has developed the World's Largest Solar Tree, which is installed at CSIR-CMERI Residential Colony, Durgapur. CSIR-CMERIने जगातील सर्वात मोठा सौर वृक्ष विकसित केला आहे, जो CSIR-CMERI निवासी कॉलनी, दुर्गापूर येथे स्थापित आहे.

5. Indian Railways has developed a remote-controlled medical trolley named 'MEDBOT' to help deliver food and medicines to COVID-19 patients.

भारतीय रेल्वेने कोविड-19 रुग्णांना अन्न आणि औषध पोचविण्यास मदत करण्यासाठी 'MEDBOT' नावाची रिमोट कंट्रोल मेडिकल ट्रॉली विकसित केली आहे.

6. India's April-June quarter GDP contracted by a massive 23.9 per cent year-on-year (YoY), the first GDP contraction in more than 40 years. एप्रिल ते जून या तिमाहीत जीडीपीमध्ये वर्षाकाठी 23.9 टक्के घसरण झाली (, जी 40 वर्षांपेक्षा जास्त कालावधीतील पहिला सकल उत्पादन)GDP) संकुचित आहे.

7. The Gautam Adani-led Adani group has acquired a 74 per cent stake in Mumbai International Airport Limited (MIAL), a joint venture between the Airports Authority of India and GVK Industries.

गौतम अदानी यांच्या नेतृत्वाखालील अदानी समूहाने मुंबई एअरपोर्ट ऑथॉरिटी ऑफ इंडिया आणि GVK इंडस्ट्रीज यांच्या संयुक्त विद्यमाने मुंबई इंटरनॅशनल एअरपोर्ट लिमिटेड (MIAL) मध्ये 74 टक्के हिस्सेदारी घेतली आहे.

8. Tamil Nadu has appointed India's first-ever woman ambulance driver under a new initiative by CM Palaniswami. मुख्यमंत्री पलानीस्वामी यांच्या नव्या पुढाकाराने तामिळनाडूने भारताची पहिली महिला रुग्णवाहिका चालक म्हणून नेमणूक केली आहे.

9. Flipkart-owned fashion marketplace Myntra has appointed Bollywood actor Kiara Advani as its brand ambassador to increase its young customer base across tiers. फ्लिपकार्टच्या मालकीची फॅशन मार्केटप्लेस मायन्ट्राने बॉलिवूड अभिनेता कियारा अडवाणी यांना आपला तरुण ग्राहक वर्ग वाढवण्यासाठी ब्रँड अॅम्बेसेडर म्हणून नेमले आहे.

10. Pranab Mukherjee, former President of India and Bharat Ratna, passed away at 84. Mr. Mukherjee served as 13th President of India from 2012 to 2017. भारताचे माजी राष्ट्रपती प्रणव मुखर्जी आणि भारतरत्न यांचे 84 व्या वर्षी निधन झाले मुखर्जी यांनी 2012 ते 2017 या काळात भारताचे 13 वे राष्ट्रपती म्हणून कार्य केले.

Current Affairs 02 September 2020

1. Indian astronomers have discovered one of the farthest Star galaxies in the universe in a landmark achievement. भारतीय खगोलशास्त्रज्ञांनी विश्वातील सर्वात लांब तारकापैकी एक आकाशगंगा शोधला आहे.

2. Defence Minister Rajnath Singh leaves for Moscow on a three day visit to Russia to attend the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) Defence Ministers' meet. शांघाय सहकार संघटना (SCO) संरक्षण मंत्र्यांच्या बैठकीत भाग घेण्यासाठी संरक्षणमंत्री राजनाथ सिंह रशियाच्या तीन दिवसांच्या दौऱ्यावर मॉस्कोला रवाना झाले.

3. Uttar Pradesh government has decided to set up exclusive anti-electricity theft police stations in every district of state to address the problem of frequent cases of power theft. उत्तर प्रदेश सरकारने वारंवार वीज चोरीच्या घटनांच्या