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"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them."

- Walt Disney

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OPPORTUNITIES

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

❖ SSC Junior Engineer Recruitment 2024 (968 vacancies)

The SSC is released the official notification for the recruitment of JE under various departments of the Government of India on 28 March 2024. Candidates can apply online through the official website

Opening date of application: 28.03.2024

Closing date of application: 18.04.2024

Eligibility: Diploma/ Engineering Degree in Civil/Mechanical/Electrical

For more details visit: https://ssc.gov.in

❖ Kerala High Court Assistant (45 Vacancies)

Applications are invited from qualified Indian Citizens for appointment to the following post in the High Court of Kerala. Candidate shall apply online through the Recruitment Portal

Recruitment Nos.	No. of vacancies	Method of appointment
4/2024	4	Special Recruitment for differently abled candidates (to fill up backlog vacancies for the period from 29.06.2021 to 21.07.2023)
5/2024	41 (Anticipated)	Direct Recruitment.

For more details and apply online visit: www.hckrecruitment.keralacourts.in

Last date for submitting online application: May 2^{nd} 2024

❖ Bank of India Recruitment 2024 (143 officer posts)

Bank of India invites applications for recruitment of Officers as mentioned below

A. DETAILS OF THE POST / VACANCIES/ RESERVATIONS:

Name of the Post	Stream	Scale	Category wise distribution of vacancies to be declared				Out Of which			Age as on 01.02.2024				
			sc	ST	ОВС	EWS	GEN	TOTAL	н	VI	ОС	ID	Min.	Max.
Credit Officers	GBO	MMGS-II	3	1	6	2	13	25	-	1	•	-	23	35

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			SC	ST	OBC	EWS	GEN	TOTAL	H	VI	ОС	ID	Min.	Max.
Chief Manager - Economist	SPL	SMGS-IV	1	1	•	•	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	45
Chief Manager - IT – Database Administrator	SPL	SMGS-IV	1	1	1	•	1	2	1	1	1	1	28	40
Chief Manager - IT - Cloud Operation	SPL	SMGS-IV	1	1	•	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	40
Chief Manager - IT - Network	SPL	SMGS-IV	•		1	•	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	40
Chief Manager - IT - System	SPL	SMGS-IV	1	1	•	•	-	1	1	1	1	1	28	40
Chief Manager - IT - Infra	SPL	SMGS-IV	1	1	•	•	1	1	1	1	•	1	28	40
Chief Manager - IT – Info. Security	SPL	SMGS-IV	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	•	-	28	40
Chief Manager - Marketing (Chief Wealth Manager)	SPL	SMGS-IV	-	-	•	-	1	1	1	•	1	•	32	40
Total			1	•	2	-	6	9	•	-	•	•		

Eligibility: MBA,LLB,Btech holders can apply

Last date for submitting online application is ${\bf 10}^{\rm th}$ April ${\bf 2024}$

For more details and apply online visit: https://ibpsonline.ibps.in/boiomarc24/

GCDA-Greater Cochin Development Authority

Greater Cochin Development Authority (GCDA) invited application from the competent individuals for the below mentioned temporary posts for the newly constituting Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for the implementation of Urban Rejuvenation and City Beautification Project at Kochi City Region

Last date: 17th April 2024

Sl	Post	No.	Qualification	Experience	Salary
No		of Posts			
1	Clerk	1 No	M.Com	1.At least 2 yrs experience in handling Accounting//Finance matter of Govt/PSU Projects 2.Must possess strong knowledge in written communication in Malayalam and English	Rs.25,000 - 30,000/month depending upon experience and proficiency in the field
2	Computer Assistant	1 No	in Computer Application	1.At least 2 yrs. Experience 2.Proficient in Microsoft office 3.Must possess strong communication skills in Malayalam and English	Rs.20,000 - 25,000/month depending upon experience
3	Messenger/ Peon	1 No		Must have good communication skills	Rs.10,000 - 15,000/month

For more details visit: https://gcda.kerala.gov.in/

***** Rescheduled Dates of Some Competitive Examinations

Name of Exam	New Schedule
Kerala PSC Degree level Preliminary	May 11 and 26
Kerala PSC Degree level Mains	June 15
Kerala PSC Women Police Constable	June
Kerala PSC Police constable	June
Kerala PSC Staff Nurse Examination	April 29
Kerala PSC Electrician	April 30
UPSC Civil Service Exam	June 16
NEET PG	June 23

Educational Opportunities

KEAM – Kerala Engineering Architecture and Medical Exam 2024

The Kerala Engineering Architecture and Medical exam, commonly known as KEAM is a state-level exam conducted every year in the state of Kerala for admission in B. E, B.Tech, B.Arch, and B.Pharm courses to Government and Private institutions. The KEAM 2024 exam will be held offline across the state in May. There will be 2 question papers in the KEAM exam 2024. Paper 1 is Mathematics; Paper 2 is Physics and Chemistry combined.

Link to application portal: https://cee.kerala.gov.in/keamonline2024/

Opening date of application: 27.03.2024 Closing date of application: 17.04.2024

Last date of uploading documents: 24.04.2024

Exam date: 2024 June 1-9

JDC - JUNIOR DIPLOMA IN CO-OPERATION 2024 -2025

The course is of 10 months duration of which two months are devoted for practical training. There are 9 junior level training centers in the state out of which 5 are for the student under general sector and four are for SC/ST students. In addition to the SC/ST batches, one general both for the students selected in open merit is being conducted in the SC/ST centers except at Wayanad. 50% seats under general sector are reserved for Institutional and departmental candidates (i.e. 35+15) and the remaining 50% to the candidates selected from private sector.

Application details					
Starting date of application	1.03.2024				
Closing date of application	15.04.2024				
Application fee structure					
General students	175/-				
SC/ST Category Students	85/-				
Employees of Cooperative Societies	350/-				
Course details					
Duration	2024 June 1 st – 2025 March 31 st				

For more details visit: https://scu.kerala.gov.in/

KUFOS (Kerala University Of Fisheries and Ocean Studies) PG&Phd Application 2024 -2025

The online application process for UG admissions at this university will start in May 2024, and the last date for application submission will be 3rd week of June 2024. PG Courses application forms of this university will be available from the 2nd week of July, and the deadline will be 15 August 2024

		Post graduate programmes	Ph.D.programmes
1	Date of notification	19 March 2024	19 March 2024
2	Last date of online application	18 April 2024	18 April 2024
3	Date of entrance examination	25 May 2024	24 August 2024
4	Declaration of the result	05 June 2024	24 August 2024
5	Date of GD and interview for MBA	12 - 13 June 2024	
6	Date of admission for PG programme	26 - 29 June 2024	
7	Interview and admission for Ph. D./PD)F programme	Will be announced later
8	Start of academic programme	01 July 2024	

For International Students

1	Date of notification	19 March 2024	19 March 2024	
2	Last date of application	18 April 2024	18 April 2024	
3	Date of admission	01 July 2024		

For more details visit: http://www.kufos.ac.in

HIGHER EDUCATION & CAREER

APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING SCHEME (ATS)

Development of human resource is crucial for the industrial development of any nation. Training imparted in institution alone is not sufficient for acquisition of skills and needs to be supplemented by training in actual work place. The Apprentices Act ,1961 was enacted for developing skilled man power to foster the growth of our nation by using the facilities and equipment's available in industries

Apprenticeship Training Scheme (AST) is the most significant skill training schemes of Government of India providing skill training in more than 600 trades for aspiring youth of 14 years and above with qualifications of 8th pass and above.

The Apprentices Act ,1961

The Apprentices Act, 1961 and Apprenticeship Rules, 1962 was enacted with the prime objective to utilize fully the facilities available in industries for imparting practical training and thus developing skilled manpower for industries. Initially, the Act covered the apprenticeship training for the trade Apprentices. Subsequently, the Act was amended in 1973, 1986 and 2014 to bring the Graduates, Technician, Technician (Vocational) and Optional Trade Apprentices respectively under its purview and Apprenticeship Rules, 1992 were revised in year 2015. The following were the primary objectives of these Acts and Rules

- To regulate the programme of training of apprentices in the industry.
- To utilize fully the facilities available in the industry for imparting practical training

As per the Apprentices Act ,1961 it is obligatory on the part of employers in both public and private sector establishments who have a work force of 30 employers or above (sum total of regular and contract employees) to engage apprentices in the range of 2.5% to 15% of the total strength of staff members. It is optional for establishments having work force of 4-30 employees and establishments with 3 employees or less are not permitted to engage apprentices.

Who can be an apprentice?

As per the Apprentices Act ,1961 any individual who has completed 14 years of age and is physically fit and having minimum educational qualification can undergo the apprenticeship training

Categories of Apprentices

- 1. Trade Apprentices (ITI Trainees)
- 2. Graduate Apprentices
- 3. Technician Apprentices(Diploma Trainees)
- 4. Technician(Vocational) Apprentices
- 5. Optional Trade Apprentices (for trades specific to particular establishments)

	Some of the popular apprentices trades in the state					
1	Apprentice food production(Vegetarian)	26	Machinist(Grinder)			
2	Apprentice food production(General)	27	Mechanic (Agriculture Machinery)			
3	Attender Operator(Chemical plant)	28	Mechanic(Earth moving machinary)			
4	Auto Electrician	29	Mechanic(Instrument Aircraft)			
5	Auto Mechanic(2&3 Wheeler)	30	Mechanic(Motor vehicle)			
6	Baker and Confectionery	31	Mechanic Consumer Electronics			
7	Beautician assistant	32	Mechanic industrial electronics			
8	Boiler assistant	33	Mechanic Mechatronics			
9	Book binder	34	Mechanic medical electronics			
10	Cable television operator	35	Mechanic radio &TV			
11	Carpenter	36	Mechanic-cum-operator Electronics			
			communication system			
12	Computer operator & Programming	37	Medical laboratory			
	Assistant		technician(pathology)			
13	Draughtsman (Civil)	38	Medical laboratory			
			technician(Radiology)			
14	Draughtsman (Mech)	39	Motor vehicle body builder			
15	Driver-cum-fitter	40	Painter General			
16	Electrician	41	Photographer			
17	Electronic mechanic	42	Plastic Mould maker			
18	Fitter	43	Plumber			
19	Fitter structural	44	Power electrician			
20	Foundry Man	45	Programming and system administration assistant			
21	Welder	46	Furniture and cabinet maker			
22	Turner	47	Health sanitary inspector			
23	Lineman	48	Instrument mechanic			
24	Surveyor	49	Tool & die maker			
25	Laboratory assistant(Chemical Plant)	50	Sheet metal worker			

INFORMATION CORNER

Important Days in April

Day	Importance
April 1	Odisha foundation day
April 2	World Autism awareness day
April 3	National walking day
April 4	International Day of Mine awareness
April 5	National Maritime Day
April 6	National Library Day
April 7	World health day
April 11	National safe motherhood day
April 14	BR Ambedkar Remembrance Day
April 15	World Art Day
April 22	World Earth Day
April 23	World Book Day
April 26	National AI Day



GK & Current Affairs Questions and Answers for Competitive Exams

- 1. What is the theme of World Autism Awareness Day 2024?
- [A] Empowering Autistic Voices
- [B] The Transition to Adulthood
- [C] Inclusive Quality Education for All
- [D] Assistive Technologies, Active Participation

Answer: [A] Empowering Autistic Voices

World Autism Awareness Day, observed annually on April 2nd, advocates for improving the lives of individuals with autism and promoting their human rights. Established by a UN resolution in 2007, the day raises public awareness and encourages inclusive actions. The 2024 theme, "Empowering Autistic Voices," emphasizes amplifying the voices of those with autism. Its goal is to ensure they enjoy dignity, participation, and rights on par with others in society.

- 2.Recently, which port in India emerged as the top cargo-handling port in India in 2023-24?
- [A] Karaikal port
- [B] Paradip port
- [C] Kandla port
- [D] Kochi port

Answer: [B] Paradip port

Paradip Port Authority in Odisha surpassed Deendayal Port Authority in Kandla as India's top cargo-handling major port in 2023-24. Handling 145.38 MMT of cargo, it registered a 7.4% growth from the previous year. It's capable of handling 289 MMT. Notably, it excels in coastal shipping, handling 59.19 MMT of coastal traffic and achieving highest productivity among major ports. Established in 1962, it became India's 8th major port in 1966, now under the Ministry of Ports.

- 3. What is 'Callisto', recently seen in news?
- [A] Jupiter's moon
- [B] Saturn's moon
- [C] Invasive plant
- [D] Ancient irrigation technique

Answer: [A] Jupiter's moon

Researchers have found evidence of ozone on Jupiter's moon Callisto, revealing insights into chemical processes on icy celestial bodies. The study focuses on the chemical evolution of "SO2 astrochemical ice," composed of sulfur dioxide under ultraviolet irradiation. Analysis of UV absorption spectra of irradiated ice samples unveiled a distinct ozone formation signature. Callisto's stable surface suggests it may harbor subsurface oceans or potential habitats, making it a potential candidate for extraterrestrial life.

4.Judith Suminwa Tuluka, recently seen in news, became the first woman Prime Minister of which country?

- [A] Angola
- [B] Zambia
- [C] Congo
- [D] Rwanda

Answer: [C]Congo

Judith Suminwa Tuluka became the Democratic Republic of Congo's first female Prime Minister, succeeding Jean-Michel Sama Lukonde. This historic appointment by President Felix Tshisekedi fulfilled a campaign promise. Tuluka, former Planning Minister, and assumed office just a month after Lukonde resigned from the position, which he held for three years. Her appointment marks a significant step towards gender equality and representation in Congolese politics.

5. Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) recently delivered two Dornier 228 planes to which country?

- [A] Peru
- [B] Bolivia
- [C] Guyana
- [D] Chile

Answer: [C] Guyana

India has delivered two Dornier-228 aircraft to Guyana as part of a Line of Credit, marking a new phase in their partnership. The Indian Air Force dispatched a team to Guyana for the delivery. The High Commission of India in Guyana expressed enthusiasm, stating it marks the start of a significant chapter in their bilateral relations. This initiative underscores India's commitment to strengthening ties with Guyana through strategic collaborations.

6.Mataberi Pera & Pachra, recently got a GI tag, belongs to which state?

- [A] Tripura
- [B] Assam
- [C] Mizoram
- [D] Nagaland

Answer: [A] Tripura

Traditional products from Tripura, Matabari Pera Prasad and Rignai Pachara textiles, have recently earned Geographical Indication (GI) tags, bringing the state's total to 4 GI protected products. Matabari Pera Prasad, a sweet from Tripureswari temple, is made from milk and sugar. Rignai Pachara textiles, traditional hand-woven attire, symbolize Tripura's cultural heritage. These products' GI recognition highlights their significance and authenticity, attracting global attention and marketing opportunities.

- 7. Katchatheevu Island, recently seen in news, is situated between which two countries?
- [A] India and Bangladesh
- [B] India and Myanmar
- [C] India and Sri Lanka
- [D] Spain and France

Answer: [C] India and Sri Lanka

Documents obtained through an RTI application by Tamil Nadu's BJP chief K. Annamalai reveal India's inconsistent approach to the Katchatheevu island dispute with Sri Lanka. Katchatheevu, a small island in the Palk Strait, lacks a permanent settlement and freshwater source. Administered by both India and Sri Lanka historically, a 1974 agreement marked its boundary. Indian fishermen, particularly from Tamil Nadu, face challenges due to conflicting claims over the island.

- 8. Recently, how many sites have been added to the Global Geoparks network?
- [A] 16
- [B] 17
- [C] 18
- [D] 19

Answer: [C] 18

In March 2024, UNESCO's Executive Board added 18 new sites to the Global Geoparks network, bringing the total number of sites to 213 across 48 countries. The new sites are located in Belgium, the Netherlands, Brazil, China, Croatia, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Poland, Portugal, and Spain. Global Geoparks are single geographical areas that are managed with a holistic concept of protection, education, and sustainable development.

- 9. Barsana Biogas Project, which was seen in the news, is situated in which state?
- [A] Rajasthan
- [B] Uttar Pradesh
- [C] Madhya Pradesh
- [D] Tamil Nadu

Answer: [B] Uttar Pradesh

Adani Total Energies Biomass Limited (ATBL), a subsidiary of Adani Total Gas Limited (ATGL), has commissioned the first phase of Barsana BioGas plant in Mathura, Uttar Pradesh. The project, developed in three phases, will have a total capacity of 600 tonnes per day, producing 42 tonnes per day of Compressed Biogas (CBG) and 217 tonnes per day of organic fertilizer. It's set to be India's largest agri-waste-based bio-CNG plant, costing over ₹200 crore, utilizing advanced anaerobic digestion technology for sustainability and reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

- 10. Utkal Diwas 2024, recently seen in news, is related with which state?
- [A] Odisha
- [B] Bihar
- [C] Jharkhand
- [D] Telangana

Answer: [A] Odisha

Utkal Diwas, also known as Odisha Day, commemorates the formation of Odisha on April 1, 1936. It signifies the state's cultural and historical significance, marking the end of a struggle for a separate identity from British colonial rule. Celebrated annually, it showcases Odisha's rich heritage through festivities, including decorations and cultural displays. The state flag's colors symbolize Odia pride and unity, highlighting the event's importance in preserving the region's traditions and identity.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS







Outreach Activity conducted by MCC-UEI&GB, CUSAT at various institutions



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Major Activities and Objectives of Bureau

- **❖** To give employment information and advice to the University alumni.
- ❖ To give information on various courses of higher studies in India and abroad
- **❖** To collect and disseminate Career-Guidance Literature, Magazine etc to help students in their career planning
- **❖** To render vocational guidance to the students
- **❖** To collect, disseminate and provide information on Competitive examinations conducted by the various public service commissions
- **❖** To prepare employment guidance bulletin to help students in their educational and vocational planning
- **❖** To organise Campus interview in collaboration with the University departments
- **To organise pre-examination coaching scheme for some competitive examinations**
- **To get the enterprising Un-employed youths and incentives under the self-employment scheme for the registered unemployed.**

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