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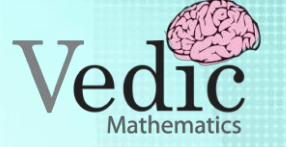
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## Today in History on 27 JUNE

- **1693: The first women's magazine 'Ladies Mercury' started publication in London.**

In 1693, the first women's magazine, The Ladies' Mercury, began publication in London. It was a single sheet, published weekly, and was essentially a women's-interest spin-off of The Athenian Mercury. The Ladies' Mercury featured a question-and-answer section where women could submit queries about love, marriage, and other topics, which was a popular feature in The Athenian Mercury.



- **1838: Birth of Bankim Chandra Chatterjee, the composer of the national song 'Vande Mataram'.**

In 1838, Bankim Chandra Chatterjee, the composer of the national song 'Vande Mataram' was born. He was born on 26 or 27 June 1838 in Kanthalpada in

24 Parganas district of West Bengal. Bankim Chandra Chatterjee was a famous Bengali writer, poet and journalist. He wrote the song 'Vande Mataram', which became a source of inspiration in the Indian freedom struggle. This song was also included in his novel 'Anand Math'.



- **1940: Soviet forces invade Romania.**

In the summer of 1940, the USSR occupies Bessarabia and Northern Bukovina, severely weakening Romania and diminishing its international prestige. Taking advantage of the situation, both Hungary and Bulgaria press territorial claims on Romania. Disputes mediated by Germany and Italy lead to the further loss of Northern Transylvania and Southern Dobruja to Hungary and Bulgaria, respectively.





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#### ➤ 1967: The world's first ATM was installed in Enfield, London.

In 1967, the world's first ATM was installed at Barclays Bank in Enfield, London on 27 June. It was designed by John Shepherd-Barron and inaugurated by British actor Reg Varney. The machine could dispense up to £10 at a time. ATMs became mainstream in the 1980s, but in 1967 it was a revolutionary idea.



#### Important NEWS on 27 JUNE

#### ➤ 1967: The first passenger aircraft manufactured in India, HS 748, was handed over to Indian Airlines.

The first indigenous passenger aircraft of Indian Airlines was also HS-748. There is another important fact related to HS-748 Avro aircraft. It is that Indian Airlines got the first indigenous passenger aircraft on 27 June 1967. It was Avro Hawker HS-748. It was manufactured by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited.

#### ➤ India to Launch First All-India Household Income Survey in 2026

In a landmark step towards strengthening data-driven policymaking, the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI) has announced that it will conduct the first-ever All-India Household Income Survey in 2026. This move will help understand income distribution, assess technological impacts on wages, and fill existing gaps in welfare and economic inequality data. The survey will be guided by a Technical Expert Group (TEG) chaired by Surjit Bhalla, former Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).







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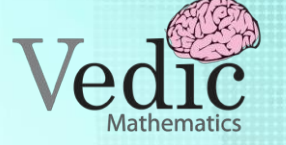
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### ➤ Neeraj Chopra Wins Ostrava Golden Spike 2025 Javelin Title with 85.29m Throw

India's golden boy of athletics, Neeraj Chopra, continued his dominant form in the 2025 athletics season by winning the men's javelin throw title at the prestigious Ostrava Golden Spike meet held in the Czech Republic on June, 2025. Chopra clinched the top spot with a best throw of 85.29 metres, beating a strong field of international competitors. This win comes on the heels of his Paris Diamond League victory, making it his second title in just six days.



### ➤ India's Northeast to Pioneer Vegan Leather Manufacturing with CSIR & NECTAR Pact

In a groundbreaking initiative toward sustainable innovation and circular economy, the CSIR-National Institute for Interdisciplinary Science and Technology (CSIR-NIIST) and the North East Centre for Technology Application and Reach (NECTAR) have signed an MoU to set up vegan leather manufacturing units in Meghalaya and other northeastern states. The initiative focuses on transforming agro-waste into plant-based leather, empowering local farmers, MSMEs, and women-led self-help groups while reducing environmental pollution from waste burning.



### ➤ ConvEx-3 (2025): IAEA and Romania Lead Largest Global Nuclear Emergency Drill

From June 2025, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), in partnership with Romania, is conducting the largest-ever international nuclear





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emergency exercise named ConvEx-3. This 36-hour drill simulates a severe nuclear accident at the Cernavodă Nuclear Power Plant, Romania's sole nuclear energy facility. The objective is simple but vital — to assess global emergency response capabilities in the event of a radiological disaster.



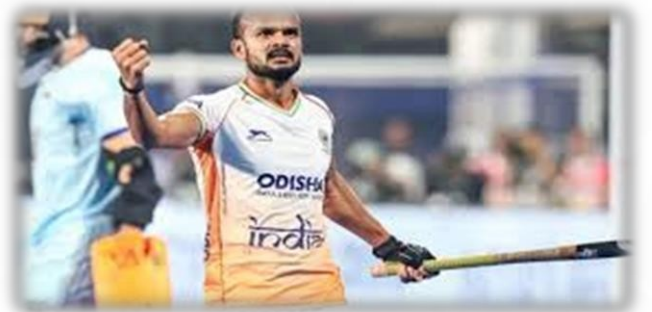
#### ➤ Kirsty Coventry Becomes First Female and African President of the IOC

On June, 2025, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) celebrated its 131st anniversary with a groundbreaking moment: Kirsty Coventry, a former Olympic swimmer from Zimbabwe, was officially inaugurated as the first female and first African IOC President. This historic inauguration took place at the Olympic House in Lausanne, Switzerland, with Coventry receiving the symbolic Olympic key from outgoing president Thomas Bach, marking the beginning of an eight-year presidency.



#### ➤ Lalit Upadhyay Bids Farewell to International Hockey After a Glorious Career

Two-time Olympic medalist Lalit Kumar Upadhyay, one of India's most dynamic forwards, has announced his retirement from international hockey. The 31-year-old, who made significant contributions to India's success on the global stage, made the announcement shortly after India concluded their FIH Pro League campaign with a 4-3 win over Belgium on June, 2025.



#### ➤ Tamil Nadu delegation urges Centre to implement market intervention scheme for mango farmers







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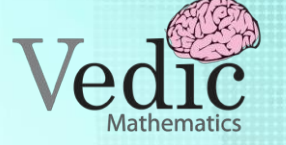
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A delegation from Tamil Nadu, led by Food Minister R. Sakkarapani, met Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmers Welfare Shivraj Singh Chouhan in New Delhi, urging the Centre to implement the Market Intervention Scheme (a component of PM-AASHA) to support mango farmers in the State who were severely affected by falling prices.



### Current affairs MCQS on 27 JUNE

**Q.1. Tomahawk is a subsonic cruise missile developed by which country?**

- (a) United States
- (b) Russia
- (c) Ukraine
- (d) India

**Answer: (a) United States**

Recently, the United States entered Israel's war with Iran by launching precision strikes on Iran's nuclear sites using Tomahawk cruise missiles and GBU-57 bunker buster bombs. The Tomahawk is a long-range, subsonic cruise missile developed by the United States Navy for land-attack missions. It is launched from ships or submarines using a vertical launch system for highly accurate strikes. The Tomahawk was first used during Operation Desert

Storm in 1991 and has been used in many conflicts since then, including in Syria in 2017.

**Q.2. Where will the commissioning ceremony of IAS Tamal be held recently?**

- (a) Dehradun
- (b) Yantra Truss
- (c) Mussoorie
- (d) New Delhi

**Answer: (b) Yantra Truss**

The commissioning of INS Tamal is significant as it is the last foreign-built warship to join the Indian Navy. Built at Russia's Yantar Shipyard, the ship marks the transition from foreign procurement to domestic production under the Indian government's 'Make in India' campaign. The ceremony will be presided over by Vice Admiral Sanjay J. Singh, marking the end of a two-decade-long era of warship imports from Russia.

**Q.3. Which state government recently launched Manjhi Vasundhara Abhiyan 6.0?**

- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Gujarat
- (c) Rajasthan
- (d) Madhya Pradesh

**Answer: (a) Maharashtra**

Recently, the Maharashtra government has announced the launch of the Mazhi Vasundhara Abhiyan 6.0, which will involve 28,317 local self-governing bodies. It will be run by the Department of Environment and Climate Change. The campaign focuses on the five elements- earth, water, air, fire and sky and aims to spread climate awareness, eco-friendly lifestyle, reduce carbon emissions and control greenhouse gases.

**Q.4. Who won the second Queens Club title recently?**

- (a) Novak Djokovic
- (b) Rafael Nadal
- (c) Carlos Alcaraz
- (d) Andy Murray

**Answer: (c) Carlos Alcaraz**





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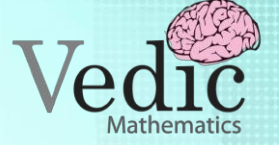
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Carlos Alcaraz recently won the HSBC Championship 2025 final by defeating Jiri Lehecka 7-5, 6-7(5), 6-2. This is his second Queens Club title. The 22-year-old Spanish player won his fifth title of the season. This is the 21st tour-level trophy of his career, which he played exciting and brilliantly to win.

**Q.5. Who was recently appointed as the Director of IIT Kharagpur?**

- (a) Rakesh Kumar
- (b) Anil Sharma
- (c) Vikram Singh
- (d) Suman Chakraborty

**Answer:(d) Suman Chakraborty**

Professor Suman Chakravarti, a renowned mechanical engineer and innovator of affordable diagnostic technologies, has been appointed Director of the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Kharagpur. His five-year term began after the interim tenure of IIT-BHU Director Professor Amit Patra. Professor Chakravarti is known for developing low-cost diagnostic solutions for diseases such as anaemia, cancer and Covid-19 and is currently a JC Bose National Fellow.

**Q.6. Which country's parliament recently started preparations to withdraw from the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty?**

- (a) North Korea
- (b) Russia
- (c) Iran
- (d) China

**Answer:(c) Iran**

In the wake of rising military tensions, Iran's parliament is drafting a bill to potentially exit the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT). The move comes after recent Israeli airstrikes on Iranian nuclear facilities, raising concerns that Iran is getting closer to weapons-grade uranium enrichment.

**Q.7. Which country recently developed solar-based technology for green hydrogen production?**

- (a) Japan

- (b) Germany
- (c) India
- (d) Australia

**Answer:(c) India**

India has recently developed a solar-based technology for green hydrogen production. Specifically, Indian scientists have created a device that uses solar energy to split water molecules and produce green hydrogen, a clean fuel. The specialty of this technology is its high surface photovoltage and low onset potential, making it effective for hydrogen production from solar energy.

**Q.8. In which country was the Under-23 Asian Wrestling Championship 2025 held recently?**

- (a) Japan
- (b) India
- (c) Vietnam
- (d) China

**Answer:(c) Vietnam**

Recently, the Under-23 Asian Wrestling Championship 2025 was held in Vung Tau, Vietnam. Indian wrestlers performed brilliantly in this. In men's freestyle, India won six medals including five gold on the last day. Women wrestlers also won medals in all 10 categories and won the team title.

**Q.9. Which country recently launched Operation Midnight Hammer targeting Iranian nuclear sites?**

- (a) Israel
- (b) United States
- (c) Russia
- (d) United Kingdom

**Answer:(b) United States**

The Pentagon has announced the implementation of Operation Midnight Hammer, a highly secretive military operation launched by the United States against Iran's nuclear infrastructure. The announcement comes just days after President Donald Trump missed a two-week deadline, marking a dramatic shift in the US stance towards Tehran.







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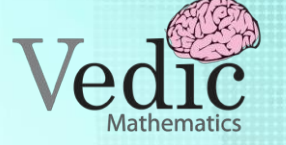
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**Q.10. Who recently released the book "Brings to Our Hopes Volume Two" based on the speeches of President Murmu?**

- (a) Amit Shah
- (b) Jagdeep Dhankhar
- (c) Rajnath Singh
- (d) Narendra Modi

**Answer:(c) Rajnath Singh**

Defence Minister Rajnath Singh released a collection of 51 speeches of President Draupadi Murmu titled 'Wings to Our Hopes' (Second Edition) and said the book will be a guide for building a developed India. Mr Singh also released the e-version of the book at a function held at Rashtrapati Bhavan here. Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw and Union Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting L Murugan were also present on the occasion.

**Q.11. Recently, the Parliament of which country approved the Terminally Ill Treatment Bill?**

- (a) France
- (b) United Kingdom
- (c) Switzerland
- (d) Canada

**Answer:(b) United Kingdom**

The UK Parliament has approved the Terminally Ill Treatment Bill 2025, also known as the Assisted Dying Bill. The bill allows adults living in England and Wales who have less than six months to live to apply for assisted dying. The bill passed the first time round by 314 to 291 votes in the House of Commons.

**Q.12. Recently, how many medals did India win in the 2025 Asian Para Badminton Championship?**

- (a) 27
- (b) 25
- (c) 20
- (d) 30

**Answer:(a) 27**

Indian para shuttlers dominated the Asian Para Badminton Championships 2025, winning 27 medals. This was the best performance by Indian

para badminton players at the Asian Championships, bettering their record of 13 medals in the 2016 edition held in Beijing, China.

**Q.13. Lake Tahoe, which was in the news recently, is located in which country?**

- (a) Australia
- (b) France
- (c) United States of America
- (d) China

**Answer:(c) United States of America**

Recently a tragic incident occurred at Lake Tahoe, where a boat capsized, leaving six people dead and two missing. Lake Tahoe is a cobalt blue freshwater lake located in the Sierra Nevada mountains on the border of California and Nevada, United States. Lake Tahoe has extremely pure water with 99.994% purity.

**Q.14. Recently, which state became the third fully literate state of India under the Ullas Nav Bharat Literacy Program?**

- (a) Mizoram
- (b) Tripura
- (c) Goa
- (d) Kerala

**Answer:(b) Tripura**

Tripura was declared a fully literate state under 'ULLAS - Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram' (New India Literacy Program). It is worth mentioning that ULLAS Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram is a centrally sponsored scheme whose implementation is proposed from the year 2022 to 2027. The declaration ceremony was attended by Tripura Chief Minister Prof. (Dr.) Manik Saha, senior officials of the Ministry of Education, Government of India and the State Education Department as well as neo-literate learners and community stakeholders who played a vital role in this transformational journey.

**Q.15. Which state topped in digital public procurement through government e-marketplace recently?**





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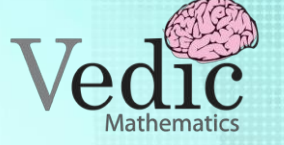
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- (a) Maharashtra
- (b) Uttar Pradesh
- (c) Gujarat
- (d) Tamil Nadu

**Answer:(b) Uttar Pradesh**

Recently, Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal praised Uttar Pradesh's excellent performance in public procurement through the GeM portal. In the financial year 2024-25, Uttar Pradesh completed more than 72 lakh orders with purchases worth ₹5.43 lakh crore. From 2020-21 to 2024-25, the state made a total purchase of ₹65,227.68 crore on GeM. GeM is an online portal for government procurement.

