INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION & HEADQUARTERS

1. **United Nations Conference on Trade and Development UNCTAD - Geneva**
2. **United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund UNICEF - New York**
3. **Food and Agriculture Organization FAO - Rome**
4. **International Atomic Energy Authority IAEA - Vienna**
5. **International Bank for Reconstruction and Development IBRD - Washington**
6. **International Civil Aviation Organization ICAO - Montreal**
7. **International Development Association IDA - Washington**
8. **International Finance Corporation IFC - Washington**
9. **International Fund for Agricultural Development IFAD - Rome**
10. **International Labor Organization ILO - Geneva**
11. **International Maritime Organization IMO - London**
12. **International Monetary Fund IMF - Washington**
13. **International Telecommunications Union ITU - Geneva**
14. **United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization UNESCO - Paris**
15. **Universal Postal Union UPU - Berne**
16. **World Health Organization WHO - Geneva**
17. **World Intellectual Property Organization WIPO – Geneva**
18. **African Development Bank ADB - Abidjan (C Te d'Ivoire)**
19. **Asian Clearing Union ACU - Teheran**
20. **Asian Development Bank ADB – Manila**
21. **South Asian Association for Regional**
22. **Cooperation SAARC Kathmandu (Nepal)**
23. **West African Economic Community WAEC - Ouagadougou**
24. **United Nations UN - New York**

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NATIONAL PARKS IN INDIA

[1] Anshi National Park --------- Karnataka
[2] Bandipur National Park ----------- Karnataka
[3] Bannerghatta National Park --------- Karnataka
[4] Balphakram National Park ------- Meghalaya
[5] Bandhavgarh National Park --------- Madhya Pradesh
[6] Betla National Park --------- Jharkhand
[7] Bhitarkanika National Park ------- Odisha
[8] Blackbuck National Park, Velavadar -------- Gujarat
[9] Buxa Tiger Reserve -------- West Bengal
[10] Campbell Bay National Park --------- Andaman and Nicobar Islands
[11] Chandoli National Park --------- Maharashtra
[12] Dachigam National Park ------- Jammu and Kashmir
[13] Darrah National Park --------- Rajasthan
[14] Desert National Park -------- Rajasthan
[15] Dibru-Saikhowa National Park --------- Assam
[16] Dudhwa National Park --------- Uttar Pradesh
[17] Eravikulam National Park -------- Kerala
[18] Galathea National Park --------- Andaman and Nicobar Islands
[19] Gangotri National Park --------- Uttarakhand
[20] Gir Forest National Park --------- Gujarat
[21] Gorumara National Park -------- West Bengal
[22] Govind Pashu Vihar Wildlife Sanctuary ------ Uttarakhand
[23] Great Himalayan National Park ------- Himachal Pradesh,
[24] Gugamal National Park -------- Maharashtra
[25] Guindy National Park -------- Tamil Nadu
[26] Gulf of Mannar Marine National Park ---------- Tamil Nadu
[27] Hemis National Park --------- Jammu and Kashmir
[28] Harike Wetland ------- Punjab
[29] Hazaribagh National Park ------- Jharkhand
[30] Indira Gandhi Wildlife Sanctuary and National Park -------- Tamil Nadu
[31] Indravati National Park ------- Chhattisgarh
[32] Jaldapara National Park ------- West Bengal
[33] Jim Corbett National Park -------- Uttarakhand
[34] Kalesar National Park ------ Haryana
[35] Kanha National Park ------- Madhya Pradesh
[36] Kanger Ghati National Park -------- Chhattisgarh
[37] Kasu Brahmananda Reddy National Park -------- Telangana
[38] Kaziranga National Park ------ Assam
[39] Keibul Lamjao National Park ------ Manipur
[40] Keoladeo National Park --------- Rajasthan
[41] Khangchendzonga National Park ------- Sikkim
[42] Kishtwar National Park --------- Jammu and Kashmir
[43] Kudremukh National Park ------- Karnataka
[44] Madhav National Park ------- Madhya Pradesh

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[45] Mahatma Gandhi Marine National Park ------- Andaman and Nicobar Islands
[46] Mahavir Harina Vanasthali National Park ------- Telangana
[47] Manas National Park ------ Assam
[48] Mandla Plant Fossils National Park -------- Madhya Pradesh
[49] Marine National Park, Gulf of Kutch ------- Gujarat
[50] Mathikettan Shola National Park ------- Kerala

IMPORTANT TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

The following are some of the Terms and Abbreviations that are very important:

IAEA – International Atomic Energy Agency
BIMSTEC – Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation
ISRO – Indian Space Research Organisation
WTO – World Trade Organisation
NASA – National Aeronautics and Space Administration
Interpol – International Criminal Police Organization
UNICEF – United Nations Children's Fund
FAO – Food and Agriculture Organisation
ILO – International Labour Organization
ISO – International Standard Organisation
AU – African Union
SAARC – South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
UNDP – United Nations Development Program
NAFTA – North American Free Trade Agreement
NSG – Nuclear Suppliers Group
OECD – Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
GCC – Gulf Cooperation Council
IDA – International Development Association
ADS – Air Defence Ship
APEDA – Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority
ASEAN – Association of South East Asian Nations
BIS – Bureau of Indian Standards
CAG – Comptroller and Auditor General
CCS – Cabinet Committee on Security
C-DAC – Centre for Development of Advance Computing
BOAS – British Overseas Airways Corporation
CDRI – Central Drug Research Institute
CPO – Central Passport Organisation
CRPF – Central Reserve Police Force
CVC – Central Vigilance Commission
DMRC – Delhi Metro Railway Corporation
EPABX – Electronic Private Automatic Branch Exchange
FERA – Foreign Exchange Regulation Act
FICA – Federation of International Cricketer's Association

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GAIL – Gas Authority of India Limited
GPS – Global Positioning System
HYVS – High Yield Variety Seeds
IAAI – International Airport Authority of India
ICSSR – Indian Council of Scientific and Social Research
IQ – Intelligence Quotient
NBRA – National Biotechnology Regulatory Authority
NIDC – National Industrial Development Corporation
PIL – Public Interest Litigation
TRAI – Telecom Regulatory Authority of India
TTFI – Table Tennis Federation of India
UNCTAD – United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
VPP – Value Payable Post
VSNL – Videsh Sanchar Nigam Limited
WCCB – Wildlife Crime Control Bureau
WIPO – World Intellectual Property Organisation
WWF – World Wildlife Fund
WSIS – World Summit on Information Society
XBB – Zero Based Budgeting
ZSI – Zoological Survey of India

Current Affairs of September 2014

Kaushik Basu appointed as president-elect of International Economic Association (IEA)

Kaushik Basu, Chief Economist and Senior Vice President of World Bank, has been appointed as president-elect of the association by the International Anish Economic Association (IEA). Meanwhile, Basu will continue serving as Senior Vice President and World Bank Chief Economist. A World Bank Chief Economist is appointed for a 4 year term and Basu started his Job as Senior Vice President and World Bank Chief Economist on October 1, 2012.

The International Economic Association (IEA) is one of the key organizations of professional economists, and has been significant in determining global economic policy and research. Thus, Kaushik Basu will be the 2nd Indian to head IEA.

Indian scientist Kamal Bawa wins the Midori Prize 2014

Indian scientist Kamal Bawa, an eminent professor of biology at the University of Massachusetts in Boston, won the Midori Prize (2014) in Biodiversity for his research, including in climate change in the Himalayas.

Kamal Bawa, founder president of the Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE) in Bangalore, will accept the prize with a cash award of $100,000 during the Oct 16-17, 2014 Conference of Parties (COP-12) to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) in South Korea. The theme of this year's COP-12 meeting is 'Biodiversity for Sustainable Development'.

Govt to provide training to IAS, IPS, IFoS officers in dealing with Naxalism

The government has devised a training programme for IAS, IPS and Forest Service officers on dealing with problem of Naxalism. The Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) has written to Chief Secretaries of 8 states

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requesting nomination of at least 3 officers each from Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Indian Police Service (IPS) and Indian Forest Service (IFoS) for the course. The nominated officers will be coached by armed forces personnel at theChhattisgarh Academy of Administration (Raipur) during October 15-17, 2014. The programme is being held for the first time on Naxalism.

The aim of the programme is to boost exposure of IAS, IPS, IFoS and other civil services officers to the military, so as to efficiently deal with unanticipated circumstances at short notice.

Union Government to fund "Swachh Vidyalaya" campaign

Union Human Resource Development Ministry to fund the Swachh Vidyalaya (Clean Schools) campaign, via the Swachh Bharat Kosh.

Centre will setup "Swachh Bharat Kosh" to fund the "Swachh Bharat (CleanIndia)" campaign. HRD Ministry will anchor the "Swachh Vidyalaya (Clean Schools)" drive. The campaign purposes to make sure the facility of toilets in all government schools by August 15, 2015. Swachh Vidyalaya campaign is part of mission to make India a clean country by 2019, the 150th birth anniversary year of Mahatma Gandhi.

Swachh Bharat Campaign, announced by PM Narendra Modi on the eve of 68th Independence Day on August 15, 2014, is scheduled to be launched on October 2, 2014.

SC clears 3% reservation for disabled in jobs and promotions in all Govt jobs including in IAS

The Supreme Court ruled 3% quota for disabled persons in all government jobs including IAS. A bench headed by Chief Justice R M Lodha held that the disabled people have not got their due in the last 19 years even though the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act was passed in 1995.

Supreme Court permitted the reservation in all classes of government jobs containing in the matters of appointment, selection, direct-recruitment, deputation and also for promotions.

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