

CURRENT AFFAIRS OCTOBER 20 2023

- Name the two-day comprehensive Coastal Security Exercise that has been recently (in Oct '23) conducted in Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu & Puducherry to assess the efficacy and robustness of the coastal security system.
 - **East Coast Sagar Kavach 02-23**

- Who has been recently (in Oct '23) awarded with “Best Central Bank Award 2023” for being ranked ‘A+’ in the Global Finance Central Banker Report Cards 2023?
 - **Shaktikanta Das (India)**

- In October 2023, Daniel Noboa became the youngest President elect of _____ (country).
 - **Ecuador**

- Who has been recently (in Oct '23) elected as the 42nd Prime Minister (PM) of New Zealand?
 - **Christopher Luxon**

- Name the Indian Cricketer who has recently (in Oct '23) appointed as the brand ambassador of Puma India.
 - **Mohammed Shami Ahmed**

- Martti Ahtisaari, former president of _____ (country) and Nobel Peace Prize Winner in 2008, passed away in October 2023.
 - **Finland**

- When was World Students Day 2023 observed to commemorate the birth anniversary of the 11th President of India (from 2002 to 2007) & the Missile Man of India Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam?

- **15th October 2023**

- Who is the present (as of Oct '23) Director General of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS)?

- **Pramod Kumar Tiwari**

- Who is the present (as of Oct '23) President of the European Union (EU)?

- **Ursula von der Leyen**

- In October 2023, the tallest statue of Dr B R Ambedkar, the principal architect of India's Constitution was inaugurated in a Maryland suburb of Washington, DC, United States of America(USA). The 19 feet statue has been made by _____.

- **Ram Sutar**

- In which state, the commissioning of the Lichubagan reservoir with a 4.5 lakh-litre distribution capacity daily has recently (in Oct '23) inaugurated?

- **Assam**

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- **INS Beas**

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- **3/5 Gorkha Rifles**

- In October 2023, _____ became the first Russian bank to register with the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI) as a foreign portfolio investor (FPI) for a Category I FPI License.

- **Sberbank**

