

Important One Liner Current Affairs of the Day (22 August 2021)

- **Ismail Sabri Yaakob (61 years)** has been appointed as the new **Prime Minister of Malaysia** by Malaysia's King Sultan Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah. Capital of Malaysia: **Kuala Lumpur**.
- **Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd (BPCL)** has launched an AI-enabled chatbot, named as '**URJA**' to provide a platform for seamless self-service experience and faster resolution of queries/issues to its customers
- **National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) Ltd** has commissioned **largest floating solar PV project of 25MW** on the reservoir of its Simhadri thermal station in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh
- **Tokyo Paralympics** is scheduled to be held from **24 August to 5 September 2021**. India will be represented by **54 athletes** and compete in **9 sports disciplines** including Archery, Athletics Track and Field, Badminton, Swimming, Weightlifting at Tokyo Paralympics.
- Govt of India has identified two Autonomous Institutes of Dept of Biotechnology (DBT), named as **National Institute of Animal Biotechnology (NIAB), Hyderabad** and **National Centre for Cell Science (NCCS), Pune**, for upgradation as **Central Drug Laboratories (CDLs)**.
- **Indian Naval Academy (INA), Ezhimala** will conduct the **8th edition of the prestigious annual 'Dilli Series' Sea Power Seminar** on 11th and 12th October 2021.
- Govt has constituted **Committee for doubling the production and quadrupling the exports of handlooms** within three years.

Today in History

- **World Sanskrit Day (Sanskrit Diwas)** is observed every year on Shraavanapoornima, that is the Poornima day of the Shraavana month in the Hindu calendar, which is also marked as Raksha Bandhan. This year, it is being observed on **August 22, 2021**.
- **International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief** is observed every year on **August 22**.