St. Anne's Sr. Sec. School, Jodhpur

GK Updates for First Periodic Assessment 2025-26

Class VIII

AWARDS

- 1. **Bharat Ratna:** The highest civilian award, recognizing exceptional service or performance of the highest order in any field.
- 2. **Padma Vibhushan:** The second-highest civilian award, recognizing distinguished service of a high order in any field.
- 3. **Padma Bhushan:** The third-highest civilian award, recognizing distinguished service of a high order in any field.
- 4. Padma Shri: The fourth-highest civilian award, recognizing distinguished service in any field.
- 5. **Param Vir Chakra (PVC):** The highest military decoration, awarded for the most conspicuous act of valour or self-sacrifice in the face of the enemy.
- 6. **Maha Vir Chakra (MVC):** The second highest military decoration, awarded for acts of conspicuous gallantry in the presence of the enemy.
- 7. Vir Chakra (VC): Awarded for acts of gallantry in the presence of the enemy.
- 8. **Ashoka Chakra:** The highest peacetime gallantry award, equivalent to the Param Vir Chakra in peacetime.

CURRENT AFFAIRS

- 1. <u>Dr. D. Nageshwar Reddy</u>, Chairman of AIG Hospitals, Hyderabad, received the prestigious 'Legends of Endoscopy' award from the Japanese gastroenterology community during the Tokyo Live Global Endoscopy 2025 event at SHOWA Medical University, Tokyo.
- 2. <u>Indira Gandhi International (IGI)</u> Airport of India, has secured the 9th position globally among the world's busiest airports in 2024, as per the Airports Council International (ACI) World.
- 3. The Government of India has granted the prestigious Geographical Indication (GI) tags to Ryndia Silk and Khasi Handloom from Meghalaya.
- 4. Virat Kohli became the first Indian cricketer to surpass 13,000 runs in T20 cricket.
- 5. The <u>New Pamban Bridge</u>, India's first vertical lift Railway Bridge, was inaugurated on April 6, 2025, by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.