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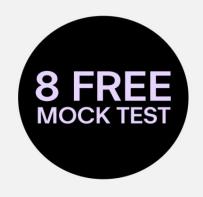
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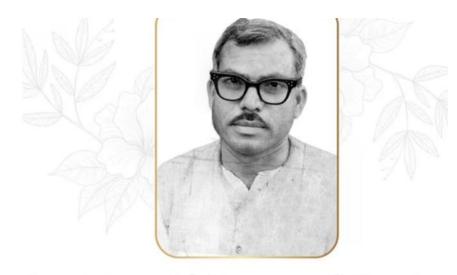
#### PRELIMS PRACTICE QUESTION

- Q. The term "A23a" often mentioned in news, is related to which of the following?
- A. Malware
- B. Operating system
- C. Celestial body
- D. Iceberg

#### PRELIMS PRACTICE QUESTION

- Q. Meghalaya plataeu is a part of -
- A. Himalayan ranges
- B. Satpura Ranges
- C. Eastern Ghat Mountain
- D. Peninsular block

JAN NAYAK KARPOORI THAKUR



Jan Nayak' Karpoori Thaku

#### **CONTEXT**

The Indian Government recently posthumously awarded the 'Bharat Ratna,' the nation's most prestigious civilian honor, to Karpoori Thakur on the occasion of his 100th birth anniversary.

## WHO IS KARPOORI THAKUR?

- Early Life and Influence -
  - Influenced by Mahatma Gandhi and Satyanarayan Sinha.
  - Joined All India Students Federation during school.
  - Participated in Quit India Movement,
     leaving graduation studies.

- Post-Independence Career
  - Began as a village teacher.
  - Elected in 1952 Bihar Legislative Assembly from Tajpur.
  - Joined Socialist Party, focusing on workers' rights and backward classes reservations.
  - Led labor strikes and fast-unto-death for workers in 1970.

- Core Values
  - Advocated for simplicity and social justice.
  - Lifelong dedication to equal opportunity and fair resource distribution.
- Championing Social Justice
  - Worked towards a society with equitable resource distribution.
  - Addressed systemic inequalities in Indian society.

- Pioneer of OBC Politics in Bihar
- Implemented quotas for backward classes.
- Established Mungeri Lal Commission, leading to 26% reservation with specific allocations for various groups

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

- Refrained from benefiting from political leader housing scheme as Chief Minister of Bihar.
- Implemented a total alcohol ban in Bihar in 1970
- Founded numerous schools and colleges, especially in Bihar's underdeveloped areas.
- Aimed to make education accessible to marginalized communities.

#### **G-77 PLUS CHINA**



#### CONTEXT

- The third summit of the Group of 77 (G-77) and China recently took place in Kampala, Uganda.
- China, while not a member of G-77, aligns politically with the group, often referred to as 'G-77 plus China.'

#### **GROUP OF 77**

- Largest intergovernmental group of emerging countries in the United Nations.
- Established in 1964 by seventy-seven developing countries at the end of the first UNCTAD session in Geneva.
- Guided by the Charter of Algiers, serving as its institutional structure

- Membership increased to 134 countries, retaining the original name for historical significance.
- The Chairmanship, the highest political body, rotates regionally between Africa, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean

#### PRELIMS PRACTICE QUESTION

- Q. Mention the capital of Uganda
- A. Nairobi
- B. Kinshasa
- C. Lusaka
- D. Kampala

### **NATIONAL VOTERS' DAY**



#### CONTEXT

Since 2011, National Voters' Day has been celebrated on January 25 every year, all across the country to mark the foundation day of the Election Commission of India, i.e. 25th January 1950

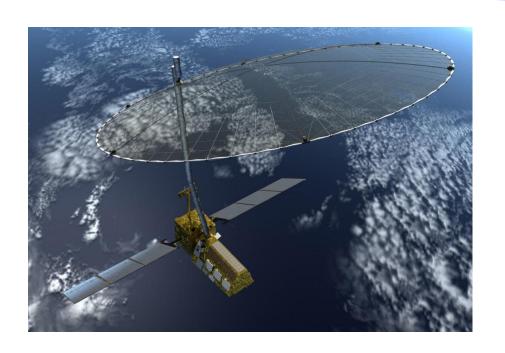
- Theme for this year's NVD is 'Nothing Like Voting, I Vote for Sure'
- The main purpose of the NVD celebration is to create electoral awareness amongst citizens and encourage them to participate in the electoral process.
- New voters are felicitated and handed over their Elector Photo Identity Card (EPIC) in the NVD functions held across the country.

#### PRELIMS PRACTICE QUESTION

Q. Which Article in the Indian Constitution provides for the Election Commission?

- A. Article 324
- B. Article 128
- C. Article 256
- D. Article 378

## **NISAR MISSION**



#### **ABOUT**

- The NASA-ISRO Synthetic Aperture Radar Mission is designed to observe natural processes and changes in earth's complex ecosystems; the final tests of the mission are scheduled for this week.
- Designed as a low-earth orbit observatory, highresolution data expected from it over a three-year mission life.

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