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### **Current Affairs Quiz - 10th September 2017**

- **Brilliant Basics acquisition completed**
  - Infosys has completed the acquisition of London-based Brilliant Basics.
  - Through this acquisition, Infosys further expands its worldwide connected network of Digital Studios that are focused on fulfilling the needs of global clients for end-to-end digital transformation solutions
  - Infosys had acquired the company in a cash deal worth GBP 7.5 mn, including earn-out & employee retention amounts
- **Mohan nominated to Jet Airways' board**
  - Harsh Mohan, Etihad Group's chief of support services has been nominated to Jet Airways board.
  - He joined the airline as vice president, internal audit and risk management in 2011, before progressing to senior VP audit, compliance and risk management in 2013.
  - So far Jet has announced just a single nomination-Mohan-to the board.
  - Etihad currently owns about a quarter of Jet.
- **NPS upper age limit raised**





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- The Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority has announced that the upper age limit for joining the National Pension Scheme had been raised to 65 years, from the current 60.
- The aim is to open up pensions to sectors that are without pensions.
- NPS has emerged as a scheme for income security of senior citizens and grew by over 100 per cent last year.
- **World's most expensive coffee**
  - India, Asia's 3rd-largest producer & exporter of coffee, has started producing world's most expensive coffee, in Coorg district of Karnataka.
  - The Civet coffee, also called as Luwark coffee, is expensive because of uncommon method of producing such a coffee.
  - It is produced from the coffee beans digested by civet cat. The feces of this cat are collected, processed and sold.
- **March against child abuse**
  - Nobel laureate Kailash Satyarthi launched a march across the country to mobilise action against sexual abuse and trafficking of children.
  - Starting from the southernmost tip of peninsular India, Kanyakumari, and passing through Kashmir, the Bharat Yatra will culminate in New Delhi on October 16.
  - He urged the youth to join the campaign to ensure the safety and security of children.
- **New avenues for cooperation**
  - PM Modi will hold wide-ranging talks with Belarus President Lukashenko to bring new momentum to bilateral engagement, particularly in areas of trade & investment
  - His visit takes place in a year when Belarus & India are celebrating 25th anniversary of establishment of diplomatic relations
  - Two sides are likely to exchange views & assessments on regional & multilateral issues of mutual interest





- **Impact of smart city projects**

- To measure quality & impact of ongoing smart city projects, Centre will hold a contest carrying total prize money of Rs 50 lakh.
- A contest is aimed at recognising & rewarding cities, projects & innovative ideas that promote goals of Smart City Mission.
- Housing & urban affairs ministry has circulated a concept note & guidelines on 'India Smart Cities Awards Contest, 2017' to all States & UT's

- **Firodia takes over as SIAM president**

- Force Motors Chairman Abhay Firodia has been elected as the new President of the automobile industry body Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM).
- Firodia headed SIAM in 1990-91 and 1991-92 as well.
- Firodia joined the Force Motors board in 1975 and led the company as Managing Director till 2009.
- Force Motors is a pioneer in the automobile industry in India for last 60 years.

- **Sumit Nagal wins ITF Futures**

- Sumit Nagal blasted Colin van Beem 6-3, 6-0 in the singles final to justify the top billing in the 8th MCC – S R Subramaniam Memorial ITF Futures Men's tennis championship.
- Nagal, who is ranked 261 in the world will pocket 18 ranking points and a cheque for \$2,160 for his effort.
- The top-seed played fluently from the start, stroking the ball and kept his rival on the run.

- **China mulls petrol car ban**

- China is gearing up to ban petrol and diesel cars, a move that would boost electric vehicles.



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- The plan would follow decisions by France and Britain to outlaw the sale of such cars & vans from 2040 to clamp down on harmful emissions.
- The Chinese govt in June introduced draft regulations compelling automakers to produce more electrically-powered vehicles by 2020 through a complex quota system.
- **Pawan Chamling honoured**
  - Sikkim Chief Minister Pawan Chamling was honoured for his pioneering work in the field of organic farming during a ceremony at Lagau on the occasion of the One World Festival.
  - Chamling was conferred the Grand Prix Award during the One World Award ceremony.
  - It took Sikkim 13 years to fully implement organic farming since the idea was mooted way back in 2003.
- **Senior World Championships**
  - Coastal city of Kochi is all set to host the BWF World Senior Badminton Championships from Sept 11 to 17.
  - The week-long tournament will see a total of 665 players from 40 countries battle it out in 8 different age groups.
  - The championship will be held in India for the first time.
  - A total of 175 players will represent India including Olympians -- Abhinav Shyam Gupta, Nikhil Kanetkar & V Diju
- **National kickboxing championship**
  - Maharashtra has won the Chief Minister's cup with 45 gold medals at the National kickboxing championship being held in Raipur.
  - Chhattisgarh secured second position with 27 gold and Haryana third with 15 gold medals.
  - Overall 2000 players from 27 states participated in the tournament which was held in various weight categories total 500 bouts was organised.
- **Hingis, Jan win women's doubles title**





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- Martina Hingis & Chan Yung-Jan won the US Open women's doubles title after defeating Lucie Hradecka & Katerina Siniakova 6-3 6-2.
- It was the first grand slam title for Chan but the second in as many days for Hingis, who won the mixed doubles with Britain's Jamie Murray.
- The victory took Hingis's career grand-slam tally to 25, including five singles titles, 13 doubles and seven mixed doubles.
- **Adviser for bullet train project**
  - Sanjeev Sinha, former Tata executive in Tokyo & the first IIT-ian from Barmer, Rajasthan, has been appointed as adviser for Ahmedabad-Mumbai High-Speed Rail project by Japan Railways.
  - The project, largely funded by low-cost financing from Japan, is planned to be built based on Japanese technology by a consortium of six rail companies.
  - He will be the interface between govt of India & Japan.
- **Second Indian Workers' Resource Centre**
  - Indian Ambassador in UAE Navdeep Singh Suri inaugurated 2nd Indian Workers' Resource Centre in UAE.
  - It provides counseling and support to the overseas Indian Community on legal, personal and financial matters, free of cost.
  - The IWRC will receive, register and monitor grievance petitions and provide clarification to information seeking queries.
  - The first IWRC was opened in Dubai in 2010.
- **IndusInd in talks with Bharat Financial**
  - IndusInd Bank will enter into exclusive talks with Bharat Financial Inclusion to pursue a potential merger b/w the 2 financial firms.
  - Exclusivity Agreement provides for a mutually agreed exclusivity period for due diligence & discussions to evaluate a potential strategic combination b/w the bank & BFIL.



- Implied price is likely to be set at 10-12% premium over the prevailing market price of BFIL
- **Rafael Nadal wins US Open**
  - World No. 1 Rafael Nadal defeated No. 28 Kevin Anderson 6-3, 6-3, 6-4 to lift his third US Open title and his 16th overall Grand Slam title.
  - He is second to Roger Federer, who has 19 Grand Slam titles.
  - This win is also Nadal's final major with his uncle, Toni, as his coach.
  - It is his second grand slam title of 2017 after French Open in June.
- **ADB to provide \$152 mn to Nepal**
  - Asian Development Bank will provide a \$152 mn to Nepal for implementation & enhancement of its power transmission & distribution.
  - The project, having a 4 to 5-year completion period, would incorporate various components such as construction of transmission lines, upgrading sub-stations.
  - Aid will be granted to PTDEEP which supports expansion of the transmission lines in various areas of Nepal
- **India finish 5th in World Championships**
  - India finished fifth in the medals tally with one gold and two silver medals at the Moscow Shotgun World Championship.
  - Only 16 of the 76 participating nations got amongst the medals and Italy topped the tally with nine gold medals for a total of 17 medals in all.
  - Hosts Russia were third in the overall tally with two golds for a total of eight.

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