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Executive Summary of the Day

Welcome to the Daily Master Current Affairs! This special edition covers all the fresh and important updates from today, August 9, 2026. From India crossing massive milestones in clean energy to new global appointments, defence exercises, and important days, we have curated the most exam-relevant facts to keep your preparation perfectly up to date.

1. National News & State Affairs

India Crosses 300 GW of Installed Non-Fossil Fuel-Based Power Capacity

- India has officially crossed the **300 GW** milestone of installed non-fossil fuel-based electricity capacity.
- This showcases a massive **400% surge** in renewable energy capacity over the last 12 years.
- New and Renewable Energy Minister **Pralhad Joshi** highlighted this as a reflection of India's growing role in setting global clean energy benchmarks.

11th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting: Held in **Bhopal** under India's BRICS Chairship. The meeting adopted the 'Bhopal Declaration' to strengthen cultural cooperation. India announced a pilot 'Voluntary Artist Registry' to promote cultural exchanges and networks.

DPIIT MoUs for Startup Ecosystem: DPIIT signed strategic MoUs with five entities—Cashfree Payments, Darwin Dynamics, Vultr India, Cars24, and Council for Startup India (CSI)—to strengthen the Indian startup ecosystem, focusing on digital infrastructure, mentorship, and tier-II/III region expansion.



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CEO Round Table at India Medical Device Conference 2026: Union Health Minister **Jagat Prakash Nadda** chaired a CEO Round Table at this conference in New Delhi, aiming to position India as a global hub for quality medical devices.

NUCFDC Office Inaugurated in Mumbai: Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah inaugurated the new office complex of the National Urban Cooperative Finance and Development Corporation (NUCFDC) in Mumbai's Fort area. NUCFDC also signed an MoU with the National Forensic Sciences University for cybersecurity in Urban Cooperative Banks.

West Bengal Emergency Pension: West Bengal announced a monthly pension of **₹10,000** for 325 people who were jailed during the Emergency protests (1975–77) under the '*Paschimbanga Loktantra Senani Samman*' scheme.

Mithila Makhana Export: India successfully completed its first-ever sea export of GI-tagged Mithila Makhana from Bihta (near Patna, Bihar) to **Australia**, routed through Kolkata.

Har Ghar Tiranga Abhiyan in A&N Islands: Vice-President C. P. Radhakrishnan launched the campaign by hoisting the National Flag at Flag Point, Sri Vijaya Puram (Andaman & Nicobar Islands) on August Kranti Diwas.

2. Appointments & Resignations

- **Justice Abha Nayar Patel:** Appointed as the **first woman of Indian origin** to serve as a Judge of the Supreme Court of **Zambia**.
- **Rahul Navin:** Granted a one-year extension as the Director of the **Enforcement Directorate (ED)**, extending his tenure to August 13, 2027.

3. Sports & Defence

Asian Youth & Junior Weightlifting Championships (Tashkent):

- **Titli Maji** won the silver medal in the women's 45 kg category with a total lift of 145 kg.
- **Maharajan Arumugapandian** won the silver medal in the men's 65 kg category with a total lift of 285 kg.

Korea Masters Badminton: **Ashmita Chaliha** became the first Indian to win the Korea Masters, securing the women's singles title by defeating China's Han Qian Xi.



Indian Navy-US Navy EOD Exercise 2026: The 8th edition of the bilateral Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Exercise between the Indian and US Navies commenced in **Kochi** to boost interoperability.

4. Important Days

August 9 - International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples: Observed globally to raise awareness about the rights and cultures of Indigenous Peoples.

Theme 2026: *Honouring Indigenous Midwives: Safeguarding Life and Well-being.*

5. Daily MCQs for Practice (Top 15)

Q1. India recently crossed what milestone in installed non-fossil fuel-based electricity capacity?

- a. a) 100 GW
- b. b) 200 GW
- c. c) 300 GW
- d. d) 500 GW

Answer: c) 300 GW

Q2. Where was the 11th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting held?

- a. a) New Delhi
- b. b) Mumbai
- c. c) Bhopal
- d. d) Varanasi

Answer: c) Bhopal



Q3. DPIIT signed strategic MoUs with how many organisations recently to strengthen the startup ecosystem?

- a. a) Three
- b. b) Four
- c. c) Five
- d. d) Six

Answer: c) Five

Q4. Union Health Minister JP Nadda chaired a CEO Round Table at which conference in New Delhi?

- a. a) India Pharma Conference 2026
- b. b) India Medical Device Conference 2026
- c. c) Global Health Summit 2026
- d. d) MedTech Innovations 2026

Answer: b) India Medical Device Conference 2026

Q5. The new office complex of the National Urban Cooperative Finance and Development Corporation (NUCFDC) was inaugurated in which city?

- a. a) New Delhi
- b. b) Lucknow
- c. c) Mumbai
- d. d) Ahmedabad

Answer: c) Mumbai

Q6. Which state announced a ₹10,000 monthly pension for 325 Emergency-era protesters under the 'Paschimbanga Loktantra Senani Samman' scheme?

- a. a) Odisha
- b. b) Bihar
- c. c) West Bengal
- d. d) Assam

Answer: c) West Bengal



Q7. India completed its first-ever sea export of GI-tagged Mithila Makhana to which country?

- a. a) USA
- b. b) Australia
- c. c) UK
- d. d) Japan

Answer: b) Australia

Q8. Who launched the 'Har Ghar Tiranga Abhiyan' in the Andaman & Nicobar Islands on August Kranti Diwas?

- a. a) Narendra Modi
- b. b) Droupadi Murmu
- c. c) Amit Shah
- d. d) C. P. Radhakrishnan

Answer: d) C. P. Radhakrishnan

Q9. Justice Abha Nayar Patel became the first woman of Indian origin to be appointed to the Supreme Court of which country?

- a. a) Kenya
- b. b) South Africa
- c. c) Zambia
- d. d) Mauritius

Answer: c) Zambia

Q10. Who has been granted a one-year extension as the Director of the Enforcement Directorate (ED)?

- a. a) Sanjay Kumar Mishra
- b. b) Rahul Navin
- c. c) Praveen Sood
- d. d) Tapan Deka

Answer: b) Rahul Navin



Q11. Titli Maji won a silver medal at the Asian Youth & Junior Weightlifting Championships in which category?

- a. a) Women's 40 kg
- b. b) Women's 45 kg
- c. c) Women's 49 kg
- d. d) Women's 55 kg

Answer: b) Women's 45 kg

Q12. Who became the first Indian badminton player to win the women's singles title at the Korea Masters?

- a. a) PV Sindhu
- b. b) Saina Nehwal
- c. c) Ashmita Chaliha
- d. d) Malvika Bansod

Answer: c) Ashmita Chaliha

Q13. The Indian Navy–US Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) Exercise 2026 is being conducted in which city?

- a. a) Visakhapatnam
- b. b) Kochi
- c. c) Mumbai
- d. d) Chennai

Answer: b) Kochi

Q14. When is the International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples observed?

- a. a) August 8
- b. b) August 9
- c. c) August 10
- d. d) August 12

Answer: b) August 9



Q15. What is the theme for the 2026 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples?

- a. a) Indigenous Youth as Agents of Change
- b. b) Honouring Indigenous Midwives: Safeguarding Life and Well-being
- c. c) The Role of Indigenous Women in the Preservation of Traditional Knowledge
- d. d) Leaving No One Behind: Indigenous Peoples

Answer: b) Honouring Indigenous Midwives: Safeguarding Life and Well-being



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1. National News: India achieved a historic milestone by crossing **300 GW** of installed non-fossil fuel capacity. The 11th BRICS Culture Ministers' Meeting took place in **Bhopal**, adopting the Bhopal Declaration. DPIIT signed 5 MoUs to boost the startup ecosystem. West Bengal announced a ₹10,000 monthly pension for Emergency-era protesters. India completed its first sea export of GI-tagged Mithila Makhana to **Australia**.

2. Appointments: Justice **Abha Nayar Patel** was appointed as the first woman of Indian origin to the Supreme Court of Zambia. ED Director **Rahul Navin** received a one-year tenure extension.

3. Sports: Indian weightlifters **Titli Maji** (45kg) and **Maharajan Arumugapandian** (65kg) won silver at the Asian Youth & Junior Championships in Tashkent. Shuttler **Ashmita Chaliha** became the first Indian to win the Korea Masters.

4. Defence: The 8th Indian Navy-US Navy EOD Exercise 2026 began in **Kochi**.

5. Important Days: August 9 is the **International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples**. The 2026 theme is "*Honouring Indigenous Midwives: Safeguarding Life and Well-being*".

