







National Civil Service Day

- Every year 21st of April is celebrated as National Civil Services Day.
 - Civil Service in our country comprises Indian Administrative Service, Indian Police Service, Indian Foreign Service, and a comprehensive list of All India Services and Central Services Group A and B.

• About:

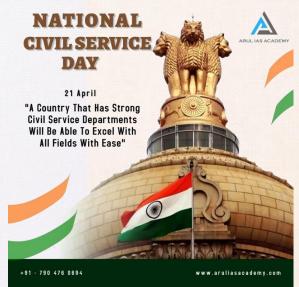
- The day is solely dedicated to India's civil servants in various departments.
- It acknowledges the contribution of these officials in public administration.

• History:

- On this day in **1947**, **India's first Home Minister Vallabhbhai Patel** had **addressed the probationers of Administrative Services Officers** at the **Metcalf House** in **New Delhi**.
 - Sardar Patel also laid out the rules and principles of good governance for the civil servants in his address.
 - He referred to administrative officers as the "Steel Frame of India".
- First such function was held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi in 2006.

• Objective:

- To **motivate** and **appreciate** the work and efforts of Civil Service officers.
- To **evaluate** the work of various departments under the civil services.
- To **felicitate** and **award** the best working individuals and groups.
 - PM's Awards for Excellence in Public Administration are presented on the day.









• Significance:

- It is an occasion for the civil servants to **rededicate themselves to cause of citizens** and **renew their commitments** to public service and excellence in work.
- It is also an occasion for all civil servants to **transform governance and constantly try to implement public policies** that will make the country '**Atmanirbhar**' (self-reliant).

Related Constitutional Articles

- Article 309: Recruitment & conditions of service of persons serving Union or States.
- Article 310: Pleasure exercised by President of India on appointment & dismissal of Civil servants.
- Article 311: Dismissal, removal or reduction in rank of persons employed in civil capacities under the Union or a State.
- Article 312: Creation of one or more All India Services common to Union & States.
- Article 315: Public Service Commissions for the Union and for the States.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel (1875-1950)

- Also known as the Iron Man of India.
- Referred to administrative officers as "Steel Frame of India".
- Indian barrister & part of Congress during the independence struggle.
- First Deputy PM, Minister of Home Affairs, Minister of Information & Minister of States.
- Played a significant role in the integration & political unification of India.
- Statue of Unity, the tallest statue in the world (182m), is a tribute to him.

