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History of December 11

- ◆ **1687** : The East India Company formed the Municipal Corporation in Madras.
- ◆ **1858** : Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay and Yadunath Bose became the first graduates of arts subjects from Calcutta University.
- ◆ **1845** : The first Anglo-Sikh war began
- ◆ **1946** : Dr. Rajendra Prasad was elected President of the Constituent Assembly of India.
- ◆ **1964** : UNICEF of the United Nations was established.
- ◆ **1946** : The European country Spain was suspended from the United Nations.

Current Affairs Related to 11 December

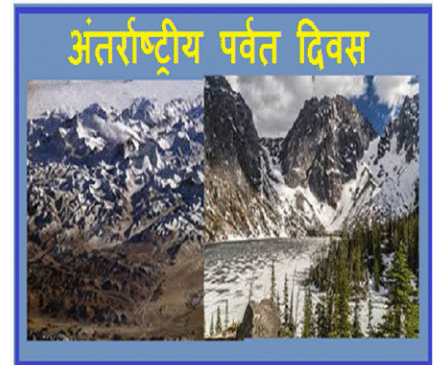
- ◆ S&P Global Ratings has released a report titled Global Credit Outlook 2024 New Risk, New Playbook. According to the report, India will remain the fastest growing major economy for the next three years. According to the rating agency, the growth rate will be 6.4 percent in 2024-2025, which will increase to 7 percent in 2026-2027. China's GDP growth is projected to slow to 4.6 percent in 2024, and return to 4.6 percent in 2026, according to the report.
- ◆ A nationwide awareness program on cardiopulmonary resuscitation training is being launched. The program is being launched by the National Board of Examination in Medical Studies, an autonomous body under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare. The Health Ministry has made this announcement after the recent increase in the number of heart attack cases across the country. Under the program, training will be given to more than 10 lakh participants across the country at one go. In this, basic knowledge of CPR will be imparted through online medium to lakhs of citizens including students, professionals and paramedical staff.
- ◆ Jammu and Kashmir Reservation Bill 2023 and Jammu Kashmir Reorganization Bill 2023 were taken up for discussion in the Lok Sabha. The Jammu and Kashmir Reservation Act 2004 is to be amended by the Jammu and Kashmir Reservation Bill, 2023. This Act provides reservation in admission to jobs and professional institutions to members of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other socially and educationally backward classes.
- ◆ Geographical Information System application Gram Map launched by Ministry of Panchayati Raj. This Geographic Information System has been started by the Gram Panchayat with the aim of promoting spatial planning. This application facilitates Gram Panchayats in planning at Gram Panchayat level using geospatial technology.
- ◆ Two pilots died when a Pilatus PC-7 Mk II training aircraft crashed.
- ◆ State Bank of India will acquire additional 20 per cent stake in SBI Pension Fund from SBI Caps for Rs 229.52 crore, taking its stake to 80 per cent. State Bank of India also informed the exchanges that SBI has proposed to acquire 20 percent stake of SBI Pension Funds Private Limited from SBI Caps.
- ◆ A report titled Equitable Phaseout of Fossil Fuel Extraction has been released by the Civil Society Equity Review. The report has been endorsed by over 200 civil society organizations and social movements. Canada, the US, Norway, Australia and the UK should end fossil fuel extraction by the early 2030s, according to the report. To meet their fair share at the bottom, the US, UK, EU, Japan and Australia will need to more than double the targets set out in their NDCs, according to the study.
- ◆ Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Center has launched a Seed Fund Scheme. This seed fund scheme focuses on urban development and disaster management. It has been launched to provide financial assistance up to Rs 1 crore to start-ups focused on these sectors. The Indian National Space Promotion and Authorization Center has initiated the scheme in collaboration with ISRO's National Remote Sensing Centre. The selected startups will receive seed funding to help them develop an innovative concept into a working prototype with ISRO facility support and space technology.
- ◆ The Advocates Bill 2023 was passed by Parliament on the first day of the winter session. Lok Sabha approved this bill. The bill was passed by the Rajya Sabha during the monsoon session of Parliament in August this year. This bill amends the Advocates Act 1961. It repeals certain sections of the Legal Practitioners Act 1879 relating to agents or brokers.

National & International Current Affairs

1. When is International Mountain Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 10th December (B) 11th December
(C) 12th December (D) 13th December

(B) This day was designated by the United Nations General Assembly to celebrate International Mountain Day on 11 December. According to the United Nations the mountains host almost half of the world's biodiversity hotspots and 30% of all major biodiversity areas. More than half of humanity's everyday life depends on mountain freshwater.



2. When is UNICEF Day celebrated every year?

- (A) 11th December (B) 12th December
(C) 13th December (D) 14th December

(A) UNICEF Day is celebrated with the aim of increasing awareness about child development. Its objective is to eliminate hunger, violation of children's rights and discrimination against race, region or religion. UNICEF also works to protect children and adolescents from violence and exploitation.



3. According to the recent S&P Global Ratings, by which year India will become the third largest economy in the world?

- (A) 2025 (B) 2027
(C) 2030 (D) 2035

(C) S&P Global Ratings said India will be the world's third largest economy by 2030. But a bigger challenge for the country will be to take advantage of the huge opportunity and become the next big global manufacturing hub. The rating agency expects India to be the fastest growing major economy in the next three years.



4. Where was the Men's Volleyball Club World Championship 2023 organized recently?

- (A) India (B) Sri Lanka
(C) Germany (D) France

(A) Recently, the Men's Volleyball Club World Championship 2023 was held at the Koramangala Indoor Stadium in Bengaluru. This prestigious tournament was organized for the first time in India. This is the 18th edition of the club championship. This championship is being held every four years since 1962.



5. Who has recently become the first woman medical officer of the Indian Army to be deployed in Siachen?

- (A) Meera Murati (B) Geetika Kaul
(C) Kanchan Devi (D) Sheetal Devi

(B) The first woman medical officer to be deployed in Siachen is Captain Geetika Kol. The Fire and Fury Corps of the Indian Army announced this historic achievement on social media. Siachen is the highest battlefield in the world. The Northern Himalayas are where Siachen is located.



6. Recently Lakadong turmeric of which state has been awarded the Geographical Indication tag?

- (A) Manipur (B) Meghalaya
(C) Karnataka (D) Chhattisgarh

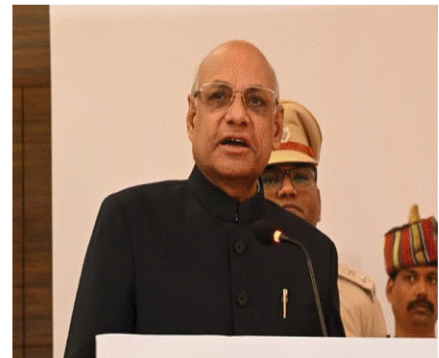
(B) Recently Lakadong turmeric of Meghalaya has been awarded the Geographical Indication tag. Along with this, Maro Dakmanda Larnai pottery and alcoholic beverages have also been awarded the GI tag. It is found in the Lakadong region of Jaintia Hills of Meghalaya.



7. How many school initiatives were recently launched by Maharashtra Governor Ramesh Bais for overall development?

- (A) 2 (B) 3
(C) 4 (D) 5

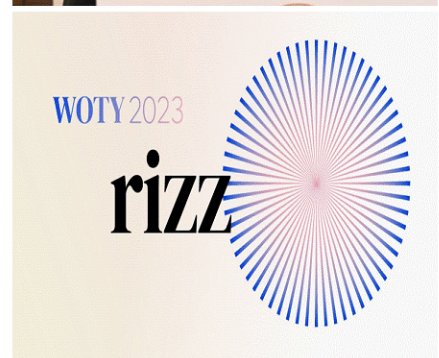
(D) Five school initiatives launched by Maharashtra Governor Ramesh Bais for holistic student development. These five futuristic initiatives include Mukhyamantri Majhi Shala Sunder Shala, Maha Vachan Utsav, Adopt a School Campaign, Majha Shala Majhi Parasbagh and Swachhata Monitor. These initiatives are aimed at developing the overall personality of the students.



8. Who has been recently named the Word of the Year by Oxford University Press?

- (A) AI (B) Rizz
(C) Hallucinate (D) Who has been recently named the Word of the Year by Oxford University Press?

(B) Oxford University Press has declared rizz its Word of the Year, reflecting the linguistic preferences of Generation Z. The word used to describe the ability to attract or attract another person has triumphed over finalists like Swifty, Situationship, and Prompt in an annual decision made by language experts from the renowned publisher of the Oxford English Dictionary.



9. Who has recently won the President's Award for excellent work in the field of empowerment of persons with disabilities?

- (A) Prashant Aggarwal (B) Rajkumar
(C) Pratham Mittal (D) None of these

(A) President Draupadi Murmu presented the National Award to Prashant Aggarwal, President of Narayan Seva Sansthan. This award was given to Aggarwal in the best individual category for his excellent work in the field of empowerment of disabled people. Prashant Aggarwal said that this honor belongs to those disabled brothers and sisters whose lives brought happiness and benefited from the institute.



10. Who has recently inaugurated the museum in the basement of the Platinum Jubilee Memorial Building in the West Bengal Assembly?

- (A) S. Jaishankar (B) Amit Shah
(C) Dharmendra Pradhan (D) Mamata Banerjee

(D) Recently, West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee inaugurated a museum in the basement of the Platinum Jubilee Memorial Building in the West Bengal Legislative Assembly. The museum showcases the rich history of the Legislative Assembly, its origins, functioning of the Legislative Council in pre-independence days and the transfer of power from the British.

