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## History of 12 April

- ◆ **1621** : Sikh Guru Tegh Bahaduri was born.
- ◆ **1801** : William Cray was appointed Professor of Bengali Language at William College in the Fort, Calcutta.
- ◆ **1801** : Daulat Singh declared himself the king of Punjab.
- ◆ **1236** : Itutmish, the ruler of Delhi, died.
- ◆ **1885** : Rakhaldas Banerjee, the famous historian who discovered Mohenjodaro, was born.
- ◆ **1991** : The Gulf War ended

## Current Affairs Related to 12 April

- ◆ The United States and Britain have joined forces to strengthen safety measures surrounding upcoming advanced artificial fireworks on beaches. The collaboration, formalized through a Memorandum of Understanding, aims to develop an Advanced Group Model Test Park as part of a series of events organized during the Hotel Security Summit held at Bletchley.
- ◆ The Uttarakhand state government has suggested proactive measures to address and mitigate the risks associated with glacial lake outburst FLD. Two expert panels have been established to conduct risk assessments and monitor five high-risk glacial lakes in the region. These lakes are identified as emergency threats that require immediate attention and intervention.
- ◆ India has lifted the ban on essential commodities like egg, potato onion, rice, wheat flour, sugar and pulses for the financial year 2024-2025. This step was taken to book passport stock between the two countries since November last year.
- ◆ The line between judicial activism and judicial overreach was highlighted by former CJI Ranjan Gogoi. Former CJI Ranjan Gogoi distinguished between judicial activism and judicial overreach, saying it is the responsibility of the judiciary to know when to act as a catalyst for change and when to maintain the status quo. He also underlined the need for judicial systems to adapt to changing times, which is being recognized globally.
- ◆ Parivartan Chintan a tri-service conference was organized in New Delhi. The objective of this conference is to generate new ideas, reforms and initiatives to advance jointness and integration efforts. Chief of Defense Staff General Anil Chauhan presided over the day-long discussion. This was the first conference of all the tri-service institutions, Department of Military Affairs, Headquarters Integrated Defense Staff and Chiefs of the three services.
- ◆ A 32-member Congress campaign committee was approved by the AICC for the Lok Sabha elections in Rajasthan. Former Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, Deputy CM Sachin Pilot, Congress candidates CP Joshi and Pratap Singh Khachariyawas have been included in this committee. Surprisingly, Arjun Singh Bamanian, who was made the party candidate from Banswara but failed to file nomination, has also been included in the campaign committee.
- ◆ Section 144 has been imposed to maintain peace and public order in Leh district of Ladakh. To take out any kind of procession, rally or march for the implementation of Section 144, written permission will have to be taken from the District Magistrate Office of Leh. It has also been ordered not to make any such statement which may disturb communal harmony and peace or create any problem related to law and order in the district. The ban came just two days before a proposed Pashmina march by climate activist Sonam Wangchuk in Changthang area to highlight the Union Territory's dwindling pasture land.
- ◆ INS Sharda has been awarded the On the Spot Unit Citation by Admiral R Hari Kumar, Chief of the Naval Staff during his visit to the Southern Naval Command, Kochi. INS Sharda has been awarded this award for successfully conducting anti-piracy operations. INS Sharda participated in the safe release of all 19 crew members of the Iranian fishing vessel Omari.
- ◆ Triple world champion Red Bull's Max Verstappen built his library at the Japanese Grand Prix and gave his team a lead of two with teammate Sergio Perez. After a pole start, Verstappen remained in control throughout the race as he took his third win in the first four races of the 2024 season.



## National & International Current Affairs

**1. Recently, which country's army will launch a campaign to collect garbage from Mount Everest?**

- (A) Nepal (B) Bhutan  
(C) Japan (D) Germany

**(A)** Nepal Army will collect about 10 tonnes of garbage and five bodies lying on Mount Everest as part of the mountain clean-up campaign 2024. The 12-member team led by Major Aditya Karki will start their journey from the base camp on April 14. This team will bring garbage from Mount Everest, Mount Whotse and Mount Nuptse. An 18-member Sherpa team will help the army in the cleaning operation.



**2. According to a recent report by financial group Pantomath, by when will India's market capitalization reach \$10 trillion?**

- (A) 2025 (B) 2030  
(C) 2035 (D) 2040

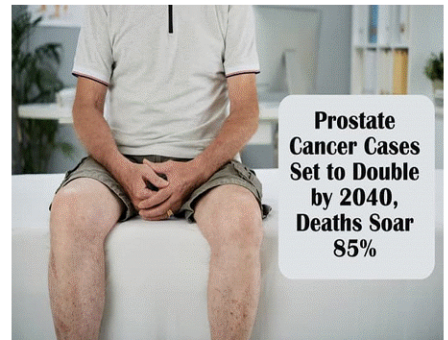
**(B)** American equity research company Jefferies believes that India will become the world's third largest economy by 2027 and India's market capitalization will reach \$10 trillion by 2030. With the economy continuing to grow, good returns are expected from the market. Due to which the confidence of both domestic and foreign investors is increasing in the Indian market.



**3. A recent Lancet study has predicted how long it will take for prostate cancer cases to double.**

- (A) 2027 (B) 2035  
(C) 2040 (D) 2047

**(C)** Medical journal The Lancet Commission has released a report on the increasing risks of prostate cancer, in which it has been said that by the year 2040, the annual cases of this cancer may reach 29 lakhs. Currently, only 14 lakh cases are reported every year across the world, which is expected to double in the next 20 years.



**4. Recently RBI has canceled the registration certificates of how many NBFCs?**

- (A) 2 (B) 4  
(C) 5 (D) 6

**(B)** RBI has canceled registration certificates of four NBFCs and seized license certificates from 11 others. These include businesses to outdoor enterprises, commercial stores and non-essentials. In a fool-proof announcement the Reserve Bank of India has taken important statutory decisions regarding the registration of Non-Banking Finance Company.



**5. Recently, the Supreme Court has stayed the decision declaring Madrasa education policy of which state as unconstitutional?**

- (A) Assam (B) Uttarakhand  
(C) Madhya Pradesh (D) Uttar Pradesh

**(D)** Recently, while hearing the petition of Madarsa Board, the decision of Allahabad High Court was stayed. Under which the UP Board of Madrasa Education Act 2004 was declared unconstitutional. After the ban order of the Supreme Court, now the unrecognized incidents will continue as before.

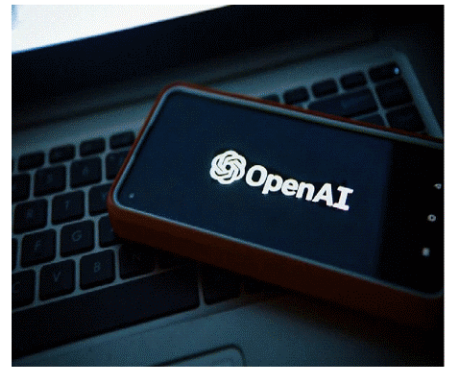




**6. Who has recently unveiled the voice cloning tool Voice Engine?**

- (A) Meta (B) OpenAI  
(C) Google (D) None of these

**(B)** Recently, Open AI has launched a new tool, which is a text to voice generative platform. The name of this platform is Voice Engine which can generate someone's voice with the help of just a 15 second audio clip. This AI tool can read your given text in the language and voice of the speaker.



**7. Which state government has recently assessed the risks of GLOF in the Himalayas?**

- (A) Uttarakhand (B) Jammu and Kashmir  
(C) Jharkhand (D) Ladakh

**(A)** The State Government of Uttarakhand has suggested proactive measures to address and mitigate the risks associated with Glacial Lake Outburst FLD. Two expert panels have been established to conduct risk assessments and monitor five high-risk glacial lakes in the region. These lakes are identified as emergency threats that require immediate attention and intervention.



**8. Who has recently become the only Indian weightlifter to qualify for Paris Olympics 2024?**

- (A) Pramiti Sinha (B) Vidhyarani Devi  
(C) Mirabai Chanu (D) None of these

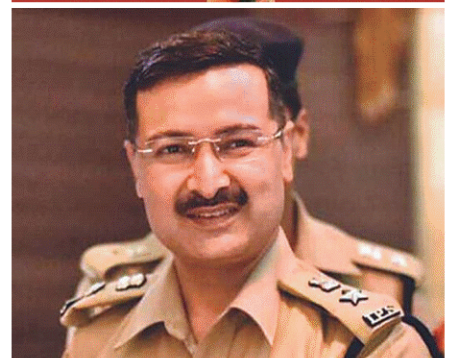
**(C)** Recently, Indian weightlifter Mirabai Chanu qualified for the Paris Summer Olympics 2024 despite finishing 12th in the 49 kg category. She is the only Indian weightlifter to qualify for the Paris Olympics. The IWF World Cup in Phuket was the last qualifying event of the weightlifting event for the Paris Olympics.



**9. Who has recently been appointed Inspector General in SPG?**

- (A) Meenesh Shah (B) Luv Kumar  
(C) Abhay Kapoor (D) Luv Kumar

**(B)** Recently, Indian Police Service officer Luv Kumar has been appointed Inspector General in the Special Security Group. According to a release from the Vocational Training and Department, the Government Secretariat Committee has approved the proposal of Luv Kumar's advocacy secretary. The post of DIG held by him was given as an ideal for the post of IG in SPG.



**10. Recently, there has been a record increase of more than how many lakh crores in Mudra loan in the financial year 2024.**

- (A) 5 lakh crore (B) 7 lakh crore  
(C) 9 lakh crore (D) 11 lakh crore

**(A)** In the financial year 2024, a loan of more than Rs 5 lakh crore was taken under the Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana, the disbursement of which reached Rs 5.20 lakh crore, which was inspired by the low delay rate and public support. The growth in Mudra credit is attributed to various factors, including lower failure rates prompting public sector banks to boost credit growth.

