



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – OCTOBER 03, 2023

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- **'Shramdaan Event' For A 'Garbage-Free India'**
- ✓ On 1st October 2023, the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) took a significant step towards realizing the vision of a "Garbage Free India."



- ✓ Shramdaan' epitomized a united and concerted effort. Participants from the Ministry of MSME, including its diverse range of organizations and field offices scattered across the country, actively participated. This collective engagement amplified the impact of the cleanliness drive.
- ✓ "Garbage Free India" The focal theme of 'Shramdaan' revolved around the concept of "Garbage Free India." Emphasizing the importance of cleanliness, the event sought to engage citizens in proactive measures for a cleaner and healthier nation.

DEFENCE

- **Swavlamban 2.0**
- ✓ The Indian Navy is preparing to host the second edition of the Naval Innovation and Indigenization Seminar, known as Swavlamban, scheduled to take place on October 4th and 5th in the vibrant city of New Delhi.



- ✓ The Indian Navy is set to unveil two remarkable platforms at this event: the Autonomous Weaponized Boat Swarms and the Autonomous Vessel Underwater (AUV).
 - ✓ The Indian Navy has entered into a significant agreement with the Sagar Defence Engineering Pvt. Ltd for the development of these autonomous systems. With the implementation of an integrated autonomous system, the foremost objective is to address India's maritime security needs by executing diverse naval and security missions.
- **SAMPRITI-XI**
- ✓ India and Bangladesh commenced the 11th edition of annual joint military exercise, SAMPRITI on 03rd October 2023 in Umroi, Meghalaya.



- ✓ The exercise underscores the importance of enhancing interoperability between the two armies, sharing tactical drills, and promoting best practices.
- ✓ SAMPRITI-XI, scheduled for 14 days, will engage approximately 350 personnel from both sides.
- ✓ Centered on the conduct of Sub-Conventional Operations as per Chapter VII of the UN mandate, SAMPRITI-XI will include a Command Post Exercise (CPX) and a Field Training Exercise (FTX), culminating in a Validation Exercise.

ECONOMY

➤ **India's GST Revenue Growth Slows To 10.2% In September**

- ✓ In September 2023, India's Gross Goods and Services Tax (GST) revenues witnessed a significant slowdown, growing at the slowest pace in 27 months.



- ✓ The growth rate dropped to 10.2% from the previous months' approximately 10.8%. This decline, although notable, was coupled with some intriguing state-wise variations in GST collections.
- ✓ Components of GST included Central GST (CGST) collections of 29,818 crore, State GST (SGST) of 37,657 crore, and Integrated GST (IGST) of 83,623 crore. GST compensation cess inflows were 11,613 crore, which included 881 crore collected on the import of goods.

AWARDS

➤ **Nobel Prize In Physics 2023**

- ✓ This year Nobel Laureates in Physics 2023, were awarded to Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L'Huillier were recognised "for experimental methods that generate attosecond pulses of light for the study of electron dynamics in matter".



- ✓ Pierre Agostini, Ferenc Krausz and Anne L'Huillier have demonstrated a way to create extremely short pulses of light that can be used to measure the rapid processes in which electrons move or change energy.
- ✓ The Nobel Prize in Physics is awarded by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, Stockholm, Sweden.

➤ **Global Indian Award**

- ✓ Renowned author, philanthropist and the wife of Infosys co-founder N.R. Narayana Murthy, Sudha Murthy, was honored with the prestigious Global Indian Award by the Canada India Foundation (CIF) at a grand Indo-Canadian gala in Toronto.



- ✓ The award, which carries a value of \$50,000, is presented annually to an outstanding Indian personality who has left an indelible mark in their respective field.
- ✓ Sudha Murthy's exceptional contributions to literature, philanthropy and her dedication to giving back to society made her a fitting recipient for this esteemed award.
- ✓ In a touching and generous gesture, Sudha Murthy donated \$50,000 award money to The Field Institute at the University of Toronto.

IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ **World Nature Day – October 03**

- ✓ World Nature Day, established by the World Nature Organization (WNO) on October 3, 2010, serves as a crucial platform to raise awareness about the challenges our environment faces, particularly due to climate change.



- ✓ It also encourages eco-friendly practices such as recycling, reducing plastic usage, and adopting sustainable lifestyles.
- ✓ Theme: Forests and Livelihoods: Sustaining People and Planet.

➤ **World Space Week – October 04-10**

- ✓ World Space Week (WSW) is a global celebration that highlights the significance of space science and technology in enhancing human life.



- ✓ The choice of October 4 as the starting date of WSW is a tribute to the day when the Soviet Union launched Sputnik 1, the first human-made Earth satellite, marking the beginning of the Space Age and the first Space Race.
- ✓ The theme for World Space Week 2023 is “Space and Entrepreneurship.” This theme underscores the evolving landscape of the commercial space industry and its growing influence.

