

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – OCTOBER 12, 2023

STATE

- **UP - Declares Gangetic Dolphin As State Aquatic Animal**
- ✓ **Uttar Pradesh** Chief Minister **Yogi Adityanath** has made a significant announcement regarding the **Gangetic Dolphin**, designating it as the state's aquatic animal.



- ✓ This move highlights the importance of conserving these unique creatures and preserving the purity of the rivers and ponds they inhabit.
- ✓ Uttar Pradesh's decision to declare the Gangetic Dolphin as the state aquatic animal and the launch of the "**Meri Ganga Meri Dolphin 2023**" campaign demonstrate the government's commitment to wildlife conservation, environmental preservation, and raising awareness about the importance of maintaining the purity of rivers and ponds.

INDIA & OTHER COUNTRIES

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- ✓ External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar announced this operation, emphasizing the government's commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of Indian nationals abroad.
- ✓ Special charter flights and other arrangements are being organized to bring back Indian citizens from Israel.
- ✓ The Indian Embassy in Israel has initiated contact with registered Indian citizens, starting with the first group, for the special flight.

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- **6th Annual Technology Conference - Infinity 2023**
- ✓ Rajeev Chandrasekhar delivered a message of hope and opportunity to India's youth at the 6th Annual Technology Conference - Infinity 2023 which was held in Noida.



- ✓ He encouraged young Indians to acquire skills that align with India's future in the technology and startup sectors.
- ✓ He stressed the immense potential for growth and opportunities in the field of startups.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Sight Day – October 12**
- ✓ Every year, the **second Thursday of October** marks a crucial occasion on the global calendar, **World Sight Day**. This day is dedicated to raising awareness about vision impairment and blindness. This year it falls on **12th October**.



- ✓ The theme for World Sight Day 2023, **'Love Your Eyes at Work,'** resonates deeply in our fast-paced, digital age where we increasingly strain our eyes through prolonged screen time and demanding work schedules.
- ✓ It emphasizes the importance of caring for our eyes while navigating the challenges of the modern workplace.

