

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – FEBRUARY 07, 2024

NATIONAL

➤ **The Public Examinations (Prevention Of Unfair Means) Bill, 2024**

- ✓ The Public Examinations (Prevention of Unfair Means) Bill, 2024, represents a comprehensive legal framework aimed at safeguarding the integrity and fairness of public examinations across India.



- ✓ The bill is introduced to address and prevent the use of unfair means in public examinations.
 - ✓ It encompasses a wide range of definitions and stipulations that clarify the roles, responsibilities, and penalties associated with the conduct of public examinations.
 - ✓ The bill's enactment underscores the government's commitment to ensuring a transparent, equitable, and merit-based assessment system.
- #### ➤ **Bharat Rice**
- ✓ 'Bharat Rice' launched by the government at subsidized rates for consumers.
 - ✓ On 06 February, the 'Bharat Rice' brand has been launched by Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, in New Delhi to provide rice to consumers at subsidized rates.



- ✓ The rice will be available in packs of 5 kg and 10 kg at a discounted rate of Rs 29 per kg.
- ✓ This includes the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation of India Limited (NAFED) and the National Cooperative Consumers Federation of India (NCCF) as well as the retail chain Kendriya Bhandar.
- ✓ Further, these agencies will pack the rice in 5 kg and 10 kg packets and retail through their outlets under the brand “Bharat Rice”.
- ✓ Rice will also be sold through e-commerce platforms.

SPORTS

- **BIMSTEC Aquatic Championships**
- ✓ In a significant moment for regional sports diplomacy, the first-ever BIMSTEC Aquatics Championship was officially declared open in New Delhi on February 6th, 2024.



- ✓ The BIMSTEC Aquatics Championship 2024 stands as a testament to the growing cooperation and camaraderie among the member states of the Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC).
- ✓ With over 400 athletes and officials from seven BIMSTEC Member States set to participate, the championship promises to be a vibrant display of sporting excellence and cultural exchange.

