

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MARCH 14, 2024

TAMIL NADU

- **Tata Motors To Establish Rs 9,000 Crore Manufacturing Unit In Tamil Nadu**
- ✓ In a strategic move to bolster its production capacity in South India, automaker Tata Motors has announced plans to set up a new manufacturing unit in Tamil Nadu.



- ✓ With an investment of Rs 9,000 crore over the next five years, the company aims to leverage the state's conducive business environment to propel its growth trajectory.
- ✓ With existing manufacturing bases in Dharwad, Karnataka, and other parts of India, Tata Motors seeks to enhance its manufacturing capabilities to meet the rising demand for commercial and passenger vehicles in the region.

SPORTS

- **Khelo India Rising Talent Identification (KIRTI) Programme Launched**

- ✓ The Union Minister for Youth Affairs and Sports, Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, has inaugurated a unique talent hunt event called KIRTI (Khelo India Rising Talent Identification) in Chandigarh.



- ✓ This nationwide programme, under the Khelo India mission, aims to identify talented athletes between the ages of 9 and 18 years, currently enrolled in schools across the country.
- ✓ KIRTI will conduct 20 lakh assessments across the country throughout the year to identify talent through notified Talent Assessment Centres.

RANKING

- **India Jumps 14 Ranks On UNDP Gender Inequality Index**
- ✓ According to the Human Development Report 2023-2024 released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), India has made significant progress in bridging the gender divide.



India jumps 14 ranks on Gender Inequality Index 2022

- ✓ The country has improved its ranking by 14 positions on the Gender Inequality Index (GII) 2022 compared to the previous year.
- ✓ In the GII 2022, India ranked 108 out of 193 countries, with a score of 0.437. This marks a significant improvement from the 2021 ranking of 122 out of 191 countries, with a score of 0.490.

IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ **World Kidney Day: March 14**

- ✓ World Kidney Day is an annual global health awareness campaign that aims to raise awareness about the importance of kidney health and the increasing burden of kidney diseases worldwide.



- ✓ It is observed on the second Thursday of March every year. This year World Kidney Day is observed on 14th March.
 - ✓ The 2024 World Kidney Day campaign theme is Kidney Health for All – Advancing Equitable Access to Care and Optimal Medication Practice.
- ### ➤ **International Day Of Action For Rivers: March 14**
- ✓ The International Day of Action for Rivers is observed annually on March 14th.
 - ✓ This year, on Thursday, March 14, 2024, the theme is “Water for All,” emphasizing the fundamental right of every individual to access clean water.



- ✓ River experts from 20 nations declared March 14th as the “Day of Action for Rivers,” with the aim of forming a coalition against the degradation of ecologically sensitive water bodies, rivers, and watersheds.

