

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – APRIL 01, 2024

NATIONAL

➤ 60 Traditional Products - GI Tag

- ✓ A record 60 products from across India, including Banaras Thandai, have been given the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- ✓ This is the first time that such a large number of products have been given the GI tag at one go, a senior official from the Geographical Indications Registry said, adding that more States were coming forward and filing applications to get a GI tag for their traditional products.
- ✓ Six traditional crafts from Assam and thirteen other products from Assam have been given the tag.

DEFENCE

➤ Exercise Dosti-16

- ✓ India, Maldives & Sri Lanka's took part in 'Dosti-16' held in Maldives.



- ✓ Seeking to enhance maritime security and interoperability, coast guard personnel from India, the Maldives and Sri Lanka have embarked on a four-day trilateral exercise to identify emerging maritime challenges in the Indian Ocean Region.

- ✓ Indian Coast Guard ship Samarth and ICGS Abhinav took part at the exercise 'DOSTI-16'.
- ✓ Bangladesh is participating as an observer.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

➤ **Stargate' AI Supercomputer**

- ✓ Microsoft And OpenAI Unveil \$100 Billion 'Stargate' AI Supercomputer.



- ✓ In a groundbreaking collaboration, tech giants Microsoft and OpenAI have revealed plans to construct an unprecedented artificial intelligence supercomputer known as "Stargate."
- ✓ This ambitious endeavor, estimated to cost a staggering \$100 billion, represents a significant leap forward in AI infrastructure and capabilities.

REPORT

➤ **Food Waste Index Report 2024**

- ✓ Households across the globe wasted over one billion meals a day in 2022, even as 783 million people struggled with hunger and a third of humanity faced food insecurity, according to the Food Waste Index Report 2024.



- ✓ The report noted that in 2022, there were 1.05 billion tonnes of food waste generated amounting to 132 kilograms per capita and almost one-fifth of all food available to consumers.
- ✓ “Out of the total food wasted in 2022, 60% happened at the household level, with food services responsible for 28%, and retail 12%.
- ✓ The report monitoring of food waste, pointing out that “many low- and middle-income countries continue to lack adequate systems for tracking progress to meet Sustainable Development Goal 12.3 of halving food waste by 2030.

➤ **India Employment Report 2024**

- ✓ Employment Scenario in India Grim, says ILO report.



- ✓ The share of those with secondary or higher education among the unemployed youth in India has almost doubled from 35.2% in 2000 to 65.7% in 2022, according to the India Employment Report 2024 released by the International Labour Organisation (ILO) and the Institute of Human Development (IHD).
- ✓ The report says that youngsters account for almost 83% of the country’s unemployed workforce.
- ✓ Employment and underemployment of the youth increased between 2000 and 2019 but declined during the pandemic years.

