

## **EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MAY 03, 2024**

### **INDIA & OTHER COUNTRIES**

#### ➤ **India & Maldives**

- ✓ India, Maldives held talks to enhance trade cooperation.



- ✓ India and Maldives engaged in talks to boost economic ties, signifying a strengthened relationship with trade exceeding \$500 million in 2022.
- ✓ Under the 1981 India and Maldives trade agreement, provisions are made for the export of essential commodities.
- ✓ India emerged as Maldives' 2nd largest trade partner in 2022 and the largest in 2023.

### **AWARDS**

#### ➤ **'Green Oscar' Whitley Gold Award 2024**

- ✓ A wildlife biologist from Assam, **Dr Purnima Devi Barman** has won her second **Whitley Gold Award**, also known as the Green Oscar.



- ✓ She was honoured for her conservation effort of the endangered bird, Hargila or Greater Adjutant Stork and its wetland habitat.
- ✓ This is the second time that Dr Barman has been honoured with the Whitley Gold Award. She was also awarded the prize in 2017.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Press Freedom Day: May 03**
- ✓ On May 3rd, the global community will come together to observe World Press Freedom Day, a significant event that honours the fundamental principles of press freedom and the vital role journalists play in informing and enlightening the public.



- ✓ This year, World Press Freedom Day falls on a Friday, and the theme for 2024 is “A Press for the Planet: Journalism in the Face of the Environmental Crisis.”
- ✓ The theme highlights the crucial role of journalism and freedom of expression in addressing the global environmental crisis.

