



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – SEPTEMBER 18, 2024

NATIONAL

- **'One nation, one election' Bill cleared by Union Cabinet**
- ✓ The Union Cabinet has cleared the proposal for simultaneous Lok Sabha and state assembly elections, based on a report led by ex-president Ram Nath Kovind.



- ✓ The bill is expected to be introduced in the upcoming winter session of Parliament.
- ✓ The report suggests 18 constitutional amendments, moving towards synchronized elections for Lok Sabha, state assemblies, and later local bodies.

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- **Fourth Quad Leaders' Summit In US**
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be on a visit to the US from 21st to 23rd September. He will take part in the fourth Quad Leaders' Summit in Wilmington, Delaware, on 21st September.



- ✓ Following the request by the US to host this year's Summit, India has agreed to host the next Quad Summit in 2025.
- ✓ Mr. Modi will address the 'Summit of the Future' at the UN General Assembly in New York on the 23rd of September.
- ✓ The theme of the summit is 'Multilateral Solutions for a Better Tomorrow'.

DEFENCE

- **Exercise AIKYA'**
- ✓ A two-day national symposium of the National Disaster Management Authority and the Army Southern Command entitled Exercise AIKYA will begin in Chennai.



- ✓ Primary aim of the exercise is to enhance disaster preparedness and foster robust collaboration among key stakeholders.
- ✓ The exercise will feature simulations, technology discussions and expert insights into various roles of disaster management.

SPORTS

- **India wins Men's Asian Hockey Champions Trophy**

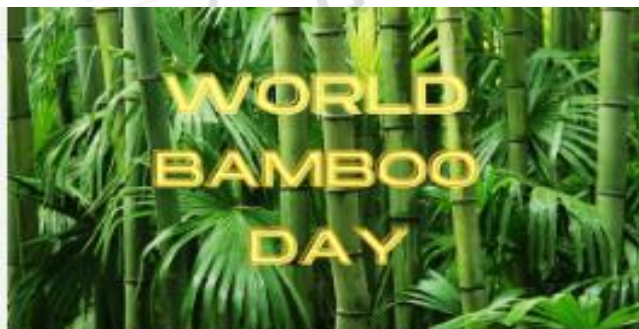
- ✓ The Indian men's hockey team, **led by Harmanpreet Singh**, defeated host China 1-0 in the final to win the Men's Asian Hockey Champions Trophy for a record fifth time.



- ✓ The final match of the 8th Men's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 was played at the Moqi Hockey Training Base in Hulunbuir City.
- ✓ Defending champion India had earlier won the trophy in 2011, 2016, 2018 and 2023.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Bamboo Day - September 18**
- ✓ World Bamboo Day is **observed** every year on 18 September.



- ✓ To increase the awareness of bamboo globally to promote cultivation and usages of bamboo as well as traditional uses locally for community and economic development.
- ✓ Theme 2024 – **Next Generation Bamboo: Solution, Innovation, and Design.**

