



## EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – NOVEMBER 04, 2024

### CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

- **India's Updated Biodiversity Action Plan Launched at COP 16**
- ✓ MoS for Environment Kirti Vardhan Singh launched India's updated National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan at COP 16 in Colombia.



- ✓ The NBSAP emphasizes a collaborative approach, addressing challenges in ecosystem and wetland restoration, and sustainable coastal area management.
- ✓ The plan aims to halt biodiversity loss by 2030, with a vision for harmonious living with nature by 2050.

### SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

- **India's First Analog Space Mission**
- ✓ Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has started the country's first analog space mission at Leh in Ladakh, where space agency will simulate life in an interplanetary habitat.



- ✓ The move assumes significance as India is planning to send a human to the Moon in the near future.
- ✓ Analog space missions are field tests in locations on Earth that have physical similarities to the extreme space environments and play a significant role in problem solving for spaceflight research.

## RANKING

- **India ranks 72 in AI Preparedness Index 2023**
- ✓ Singapore leads the AI Preparedness Index with a score of 0.80, followed by Denmark and the U.S., as advanced economies are better equipped with AI frameworks.

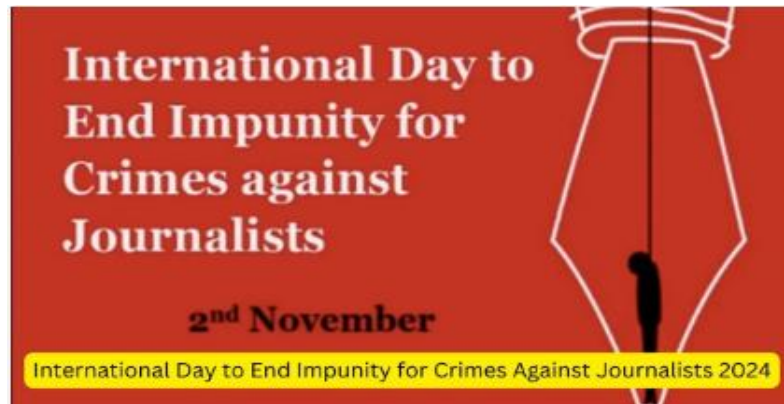


- ✓ India ranks 72nd, scoring 0.49, with high ChatGPT awareness (45% user rate) and over 338 AI startups, showing growth in AI adoption.
- ✓ Other Countries: Bangladesh (0.38) on 113, Sri Lanka (0.43) on 92, and China (0.63) on 31.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ **International Day to End Impunity for Crimes Against Journalists - November 02**

- ✓ This day focuses on addressing the urgent need to protect journalists and bring those who harm them to justice.



- ✓ It's a day to stand up for the right to freedom of expression and to honor those who have lost their lives in the pursuit of truth.
- ✓ The date was chosen in commemoration of the assassination of two French journalists in Mali on 2 November 2013.
- ✓ Theme of 2024 is Safety of Journalists in Crises and Emergencies.

