

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS - DECEMBER 29, 2024

INTERNATIONAL

- > China Approves world's largest \$137 Billion Dam on Brahmaputra River
- ✓ The Chinese government has given its green signal to the construction of the world's largest dam on the river Yarlung Zangbo/Tsangpo (known as the Brahmaputra in India) on the eastern rim of the Tibetan plateau.



- ✓ The dam, part of China's 14th Five-Year Plan, could generate over 300 billion kWh of electricity annually.
- ✓ The dam is to be built at a huge gorge in the Himalayan reaches where the Brahmaputra makes a U-turn to flow into Arunachal Pradesh and then to Bangladesh.

PERSONALITIES

- ➤ Kaamya Karthikeyan: Youngest Female to Conquer Seven Summits
- √ 17-year-old Kaamya Karthikeyan is from Mumbai's Navy Children School.



- ✓ On December 24, she and her father, Commander S. Karthikeyan, completed the Seven Summits Challenge by reaching the peak of Mount Vincent in Antarctica.
- ✓ When Kaamya Karthikeyan climbed Mount Everest, she was sixteen years old.
- ✓ In 2021, she was bestowed with India's highest national award for young achievers, the Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Shakti Puraskar.

SPORTS

- > World Rapid and Blitz Championship
- ✓ In Chess, India's Koneru Humpy wins her second women's title beating Indonesia's Irene Sukander in the World Rapid and Blitz Championship held in New York.



- ✓ Humpy finished the tournament with 8.5 points from 11 rounds to secure her victory. Aged 37, the top ranked Indian is only the second player after China's Ju Wenjun to clinch the title more than once.
- ✓ Indian Chess Grandmaster Humpy previously won in 2019 at Georgia.

