



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JANUARY 12, 2025

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- **South India's First Infectious Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory**
- ✓ Bangalore Medical College and Research Institute (BMCRI) will establish South India's first Infectious Disease Research and Diagnostic Laboratory (IRDL).



- ✓ This facility will focus on diseases caused by bacteria, fungi, and parasites.
- ✓ It will enable quicker diagnostics and improved management of such conditions.
- ✓ This facility has been established as part of the government initiative to establish specialized laboratories in medical colleges nationwide.
- ✓ Under this project, focus will be given to capacity building in areas like – bacteriology, mycology, and parasitology.

COMMITTEES

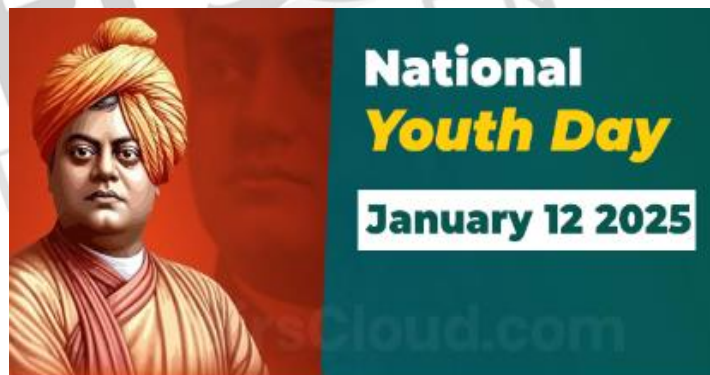
- **Committee of Experts on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics**
- ✓ India joined the UN Committee of Experts on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics (UN-CEBD).



- ✓ The UN-CEBD was formed to investigate the benefits and challenges of Big Data including the potential for monitoring and reporting on sustainable development goals.
- ✓ India will contribute to shaping global standards and practices in harnessing Big Data and data science for official statistical purposes.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **National Youth Day: January 12**
- ✓ Every year on 12th January, National Youth Day is celebrated in India, which is also known as Rashtriya Yuva Diwas.



- ✓ The birth anniversary of India's greatest philosopher and spiritual leader, Swami Vivekananda, is celebrated every year as National Youth Day since 1985.
- ✓ In 1984, the government announced 12th January as National Youth Day. Swami Vivekananda founded the Ramakrishna Mission in 1897.

