



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MARCH 10, 2025

NATIONAL

- **Madhav National Park Declared as India's 58th Tiger Reserve**
- ✓ In a significant step towards wildlife conservation, the Madhav National Park in Madhya Pradesh has been officially declared as India's 58th Tiger Reserve on March 9, 2025.



- ✓ The announcement was made by Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav, marking another milestone in the country's ongoing efforts to protect and conserve its rich biodiversity.
- ✓ With this recognition, Madhya Pradesh now boasts nine tiger reserves, further solidifying its reputation as the 'Tiger State' of India.

SCHEMES

- **Modified Ethanol Interest Subvention Scheme**

- ✓ Government of India has introduced a modified Ethanol Interest Subvention Scheme.



- ✓ This initiative aims to enhance the operational viability of Cooperative Sugar Mills (CSMs).
- ✓ The scheme allows these mills to convert their existing sugarcane-based ethanol plants into multi-feedstock facilities.
- ✓ The government has sought to diversify feedstocks to maintain consistent production levels.
- ✓ The Ethanol Blended Petrol (EBP) Programme aims for 20% ethanol blending with petrol by 2025.

DEFENCE

➤ Exercise KHANJAR-XII

- ✓ The 12th edition of the India-Kyrgyzstan Joint Special Forces Exercise KHANJAR-XII is set to take place in Kyrgyzstan from 10 March to 23 March 2025.



- ✓ Since its inception in 2011, the KHANJAR exercise has evolved into a significant annual training event aimed at enhancing military cooperation between the two nations.
- ✓ The exercise highlights the growing strategic partnership between India and Kyrgyzstan, reinforcing their commitment to regional peace, stability, and security.

