



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – DECEMBER 27, 2025

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- **Indian Railway's AI-Based Wildlife Protection System**
 - ✓ Indian Railways has strengthened its Artificial Intelligence (AI)-based wildlife protection system along railway tracks to enhance wildlife conservation and railway safety.
 - ✓ The initiative aims to reduce train accidents involving elephants, lions, tigers, and other wildlife, especially in forest areas and wildlife corridors, by providing real-time alerts to train operators.
 - ✓ The system uses AI-enabled cameras and advanced sensor technologies to detect animal movement near railway tracks and generate alerts well in advance, enabling loco pilots to slow down or stop trains in time.
 - ✓ AI-based cameras can alert loco pilots nearly 500 metres in advance.
 - ✓ With this expansion, total coverage will increase to 1,122 route kilometres across sensitive wildlife zones in the country.
- **India Announces \$450 Million Humanitarian and Reconstruction Package for Sri Lanka after Cyclone Ditwah**
 - ✓ India has announced a \$450 million humanitarian and reconstruction assistance package for Sri Lanka following the large-scale devastation caused by Cyclone Ditwah.
 - ✓ The assistance was announced during high-level meetings in Colombo, reinforcing India's role as a first responder and trusted neighbour in the Indian Ocean Region.

- ✓ President Dissanayake termed India's assistance as "a new chapter in Indo-Sri Lanka relations."

AWARDS

➤ **Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar**

- ✓ The 14-year-old batter Vaibhav Suryavanshi, Seven-year-old chess prodigy Pragnika Vaka Lakshmi and Swimming sensation Dhinidhi Desinghu were conferred with the prestigious Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar by President Droupadi Murmu.
- ✓ 9-year-old Vyoma Priya from Tamil Nadu were received award for bravery, lost her young life while selflessly trying to save a six-year-old child during an electrical accident.
- ✓ The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar (PMRBP) is a prestigious national-level award conferred annually by the President of India to recognise exceptional achievements of children (below 18 years) across multiple fields.
- ✓ The award honours young achievers in six categories: Bravery, Social Service, Environment, Sports, Art & Culture, and Science & Technology.

