

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – DECEMBER 09, 2023

NATIONAL

➤ **Mera Gaon, Meri Dharohar**

- ✓ Union Minister G. Kishan Reddy, responsible for culture, tourism, and the development of the North Eastern Region, announced a groundbreaking initiative, titled “Mera Gaon, Meri Dharohar” (MGMD).



- ✓ The primary objective of MGMD is to make the wealth of information about Indian villages accessible to both virtual and real-time visitors.
 - ✓ This aligns with the broader goals of the National Mission on Cultural Mapping, reflecting the government’s commitment to document and map the cultural diversity inherent in villages across the country.
- #### ➤ **Infinity Forum 2.0**
- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi is set to address the second edition of the Infinity Forum, a premier Financial Technology event.



- ✓ The event, hosted by the International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA) and GIFT City, is under the auspices of the Government of India.
- ✓ Building on the success of its inaugural edition in December 2021, the Infinity Forum 2.0 promises to be a global thought leadership platform focusing on financial services.
- ✓ The central theme of the 2nd edition is 'GIFT-IFSC: Nerve Centre for New Age Global Financial Services.'

SCHEMES

➤ **Amrit Bharat Station Scheme**

- ✓ The Ministry of Railways has launched the Amrit Bharat Station Scheme for the development of stations of Indian Railways.



AMRIT BHARAT STATION SCHEME

- ✓ So far, 1309 Stations as appended have been identified for development under this scheme.
- ✓ Modernisation/upgradation of railway stations is a continuous and on-going process.
- ✓ The Ministry of Railways also envisages exploration of various models for the development and/or maintenance of railway stations including Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC), non-EPC modes etc. and a minuscule number of stations under Public Private Partnership (PPP) mode.

RANKING

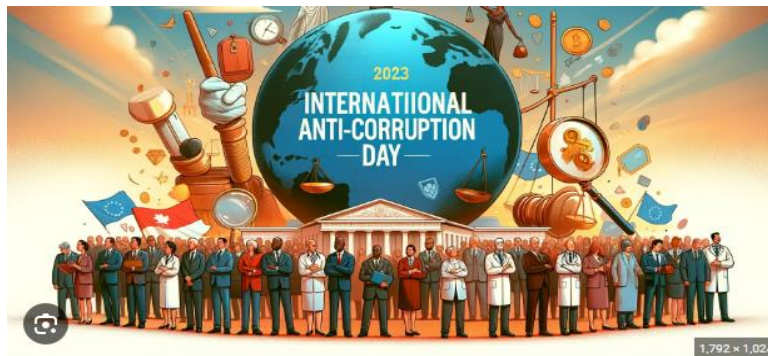
- **Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2024**
- ✓ India has secured the seventh position in climate performance during 2022, making significant progress over the previous year when it held the eighth spot.



- ✓ This positive trajectory places India effectively fourth, considering the absence of countries in the first three ranks within the 'very high' performance category.
- ✓ The rankings are part of the annual report, Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2024, published on the sidelines of COP28 in Dubai on December 8.
- ✓ Denmark retained the top spot with a remarkable score of 75.59%, showcasing consistent commitment to climate action.
- ✓ Estonia and the Philippines secured the second and third ranks, with scores of 72.07 and 70.70, respectively.
- ✓ India closely followed with a score of 70.25%, demonstrating significant improvement from the previous year's score of 67.35.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **International Anti-Corruption Day – December 09**
- ✓ International Anti-Corruption Day is celebrated worldwide on December 9 each year. In 2023, this special day falls on a Saturday.



- ✓ The aim of this day is to draw attention to the harmful impact of corruption on society and to encourage collective efforts to combat this global issue.
- ✓ The theme for International Anti-Corruption Day 2023 is 'UNCAC at 20: Uniting the World Against Corruption.'

➤ **International Day Of Commemoration And Dignity Of The Victims Of The Crime Of Genocide – December 09**

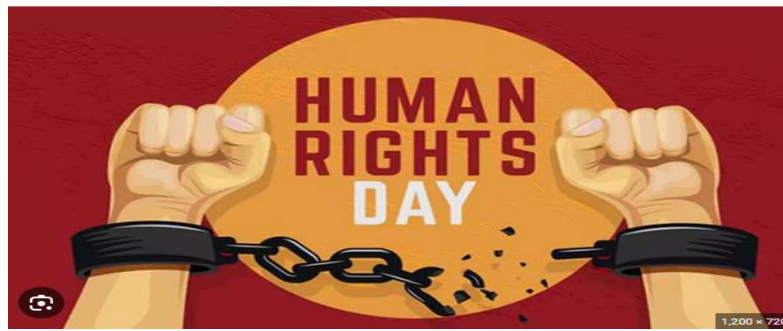
- ✓ Every 9 December holds profound significance as the Office of the Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide marks the adoption of the Genocide Convention.



- ✓ This day, also recognized as the International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide.
- ✓ This year's commemorative event centers on the theme "A Living Force in World Society: The Legacy of the 1948 Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide."

➤ **Human Rights Day – December 10**

- ✓ The year 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of a monumental global commitment—the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).



- ✓ It asserts the inherent rights of every person, regardless of race, colour, religion, sex, language, political opinion, national origin, social origin, property, birth, or other status.
- ✓ 10 December 2023 marks the 75th anniversary of one of the world's most groundbreaking global pledges: the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR).
- ✓ **Theme for 2023:** Freedom, Equality, and Justice for All.

