

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MAY 08, 2024

INDIA & OTHER COUNTRIES

➤ India and Ghana

- ✓ 4th Joint Trade Committee Meeting concluded between India and Ghana.



- ✓ The aim of enhancing bilateral trade and investment cooperation, the fourth session of the India-Ghana Joint Trade Committee (JTC) was recently held in Accra.
- ✓ During the two-day meeting on May 2-3, India and Ghana agreed to operationalize the National Payments Corporation of India (NPCI) UPI on the Ghana Interbank Payment and Settlement System (GHIPS) within six months.
- ✓ The possibility of both countries signing an MoU on digital transformation solutions and local currency settlement systems was also explored.

DEFENCE

➤ Gagan Strike-II

- ✓ The Indian Army's Kharga Corps, under the aegis of the Army's Western Command, successfully conducted a three-day joint exercise with the Indian Air Force (IAF) at multiple locations in Punjab.



- ✓ The exercise aimed to refine processes and validate the employment of attack helicopters in support of mechanized operations in developed terrain.
- ✓ The exercise, titled "Gagan Strike-II," incorporated various force multipliers, including Apache and ALH-WSI helicopters, Unarmed Aerial Vehicles (UAVs), and special forces of the Indian Army.

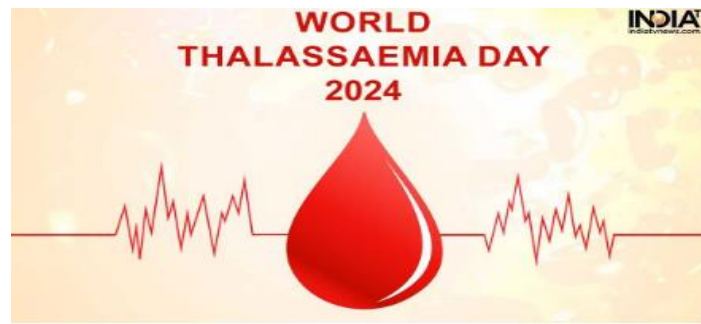
IMPORTANT DAYS

- **World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day - May 08**
- ✓ May 8th is observed as World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day, a global day to celebrate the uniqueness and unity of the International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement.



- ✓ This day is a time to recognize the spirit of humanitarianism.
- ✓ The theme of this year's World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day, Keeping Humanity Alive, is a call to celebrate those who give their time, and sometimes their lives, to ease the suffering of others and protect their inherent human dignity.

- **World Thalassaemia Day – May 08**



- ✓ Observed annually on May 8th, World Thalassaemia Day aims to raise global awareness about this genetic disorder, support those affected and their caregivers, promote research for a cure, and dispel myths surrounding the disease.
- ✓ This year's theme is: "Empowering Lives, Embracing Progress: Equitable and Accessible Thalassaemia Treatment for All".



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