

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JULY 12, 2024

STATE

- **Kerala's Vizhinjam International Port**
- ✓ First Mothership Docks at Kerala's Vizhinjam International Port.



- ✓ The 'San Fernando' from China is the first container ship to dock at Vizhinjam International Sea Port.
- ✓ The Vizhinjam International Seaport Thiruvananthapuram it is planned to be India's first deep water container transshipment port, currently under trial run in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala.

SCHEMES

- **DRDO Seven New Projects Awarded to Industries Under Technology Development Fund Scheme**



- ✓ The Defence Research & Development Organisation (DRDO) has taken a significant step towards promoting self-reliance in the defense sector by awarding seven new projects to industries under the Technology Development Fund (TDF) scheme.
- ✓ These projects aim to address various requirements of the Armed Forces and the aerospace & defense sectors, while simultaneously nurturing the growth of industries, particularly MSMEs and start-ups, in these domains.

AWARDS

➤ Agriculture Leadership Awards 2024



- ✓ In a significant recognition of its efforts in agricultural development, **Nagaland has been awarded the title of best state in horticulture** at the prestigious Agriculture Leadership Awards 2024.
- ✓ This accolade highlights the state's commitment to innovative agricultural practices and rural development.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

➤ **MeDevIS (Medical Devices Information System)**

- ✓ The World Health Organization (WHO) has launched MeDevIS (Medical Devices Information System), an online platform designed to be the first global open access clearing house for information on medical devices.



- ✓ It aims to support governments, regulators, and users in making informed decisions about the selection, procurement, and use of medical devices for diagnostics, testing, and treatment of various health conditions.

REPORT

➤ **United Nations (UN) World Population Prospects Report**

- ✓ According to the United Nations (UN) World Population Prospects report, India's population is likely to reach 1.70 billion by 2062.
- ✓ Currently, India is the most populous country in the world. India's population will hit its peak after 38 years.
- ✓ International News India's population will start declining between January and July 2062.
- ✓ In 2063, India's population will decline by about 115,000. In 2064, this number would increase to 437,000 and 793,000 in 2065.
- ✓ At present, India is the most populous country in the world, with 1.451 billion people. It is followed by China at 1.419 billion and the United States at 345 million.

IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ **International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms – July 12**

- ✓ Recognizing the international concern surrounding sand and dust storms, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed 12 July as the International Day of Combating Sand and Dust Storms (A/RES/77/294).



- ✓ The impacts of sand and dust storms are felt in all regions of the world, affecting both developed and developing countries.
- ✓ At least 25 percent of global dust emissions originate from human activities, and in some areas, desert dust has doubled in the 20th century.



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