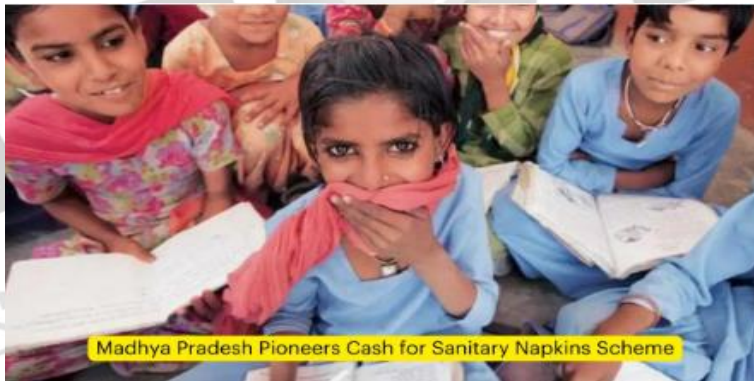


## EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – AUGUST 14, 2024

### STATE

- **Madhya Pradesh Pioneers Cash for Sanitary Napkins Scheme**
- ✓ The state of Madhya Pradesh, under the leadership of Dr Mohan Yadav, has taken a revolutionary step in addressing menstrual health and hygiene.



- ✓ In a first-of-its-kind move in India, the state government has launched a scheme to provide cash directly to adolescent girls for purchasing sanitary napkins. This innovative approach sets Madhya Pradesh apart from other states that typically distribute free sanitary napkins.
- ✓ Under the Sanitation and Hygiene Scheme, an amount of three hundred rupees has been transferred in each girl student's account for one year.
- ✓ This amount has been given to around 19 lakh students from class seventh to twelfth.

### DEFENCE

- **Long Range Glide Bomb (LRGB), GAURAV**

- ✓ DRDO successfully conducted maiden test flight of Long Range Glide Bomb (LRGB), GAURAV.



- ✓ The successful maiden test flight was conducted from Sukhoi-30 MK-I of the Indian Air Force.
- ✓ The test was carried out off the coast of Odisha. GAURAV is an air-launched glide bomb.
- ✓ It is one thousand-kilogram class glide bomb. It is capable of reaching and hitting targets at long distances.

## SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

- **Neelakurinji (Strobilanthes kunthiana)**
- ✓ Neelakurinji officially becomes a 'threatened species'. Neelakurinji (Strobilanthes kunthiana) has been included in the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) official Red List of threatened species.



- ✓ This is the first-ever Global Red List assessment for this flagship species.
- ✓ Neelakurinji blooms once in 12 years..
- ✓ This species has 34 subpopulations within 14 ecoregions of the high-altitude mountain ranges.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### ➤ Partition Horrors Remembrance Day – August 14

Partition Horrors Remembrance Day, known in Hindi as “Vibhajan Vibhishika Smriti Diwas,” is a solemn national memorial day observed annually on August 14th in India.



- ✓ This day serves as a poignant reminder of the immense suffering and loss experienced during the 1947 partition of India.
- ✓ Established in 2021 by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, this commemoration aims to honor the victims and acknowledge the profound impact of partition on millions of lives.

