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1. India won the Women's Under-19 T20 Asia Cup title.

The Indian women's cricket team won the U-19 Asia Cup title by defeating Bangladesh by 41 runs on 22 December. The match was played in Kuala Lumpur, where the Indian team batted first and scored 117 runs for the loss of 7 wickets in 20 overs. Gongadi Trisha played a brilliant innings of 52 runs in 47 balls, while Mithila Vinod contributed 17 runs in 12 balls.



2. Contract for K9 Vajra-T cannon.

Recently, the Ministry of Defense has signed a contract with Larsen & Toubro Limited for the Indian Army, under which 155 mm K9 Vajra-T automatic tracked artillery guns will be purchased. The total cost of this contract is Rs 7628.70 crore. K9 Vajra-T cannons are equipped with state-of-the-art technology, which gives them high accuracy and heavy capacity.



3. Advanced Facility Center for Pashmina Authentication and DNA Sequencing

Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change Shri Bhupendra Yadav inaugurated the Advanced Center for Pashmina Authentication and Next Generation DNA Sequencing Facility at the Wildlife Institute of India. Next Generation DNA Sequencing Facility is a revolutionary technology that makes genome decoding faster and high throughput by analyzing millions of DNA sequences.



4. Justice Madan B. Lokur appointed Chairman of UN International Judicial Council

Former Supreme Court Judge of India, Justice Madan B. Lokur has been appointed Chairman of the United Nations International Judicial Council (IJC). According to a letter sent by UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres on 19 December 2024, the appointment comes into effect immediately and will remain valid till 12 November 2028.



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5. ISRO and ESA sign agreement to advance human space flight

The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the European Space Agency (ESA) have signed a landmark agreement to enhance cooperation in human space exploration. The agreement is to promote astronaut training, mission implementation and joint research experiments. Signed by ISRO Chairman S. Somanath and ESA Director General Dr. Joseph Ashwacher, the agreement will strengthen cooperation between the two agencies.



6. India Forest Status Report – 2023

Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Shri Bhupendra Yadav released the "India State of Forest Report-2023" on 21 December 2024 at Forest Research Institute, Dehradun. This report is being published by the Forest Survey of India on a bi-annual basis since 1987, and the 2023 report is the 18th report in this series.



7. India and Japan to collaborate to tackle space debris

India and Japan have entered into a significant partnership to tackle space debris, using laser technology. Leveraging advanced laser technology from Japan's Orbital Laser and India's Inspaceity, the two countries are exploring commercial opportunities to remove space debris. This collaboration reflects the growing ties between the two countries in the space sector.



8. December 25 - Good Governance Day.

Good Governance Day in India is celebrated every year on December 25 as the birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee. The day was established by the Government of India in 2014, to honor the contributions of Prime Minister Vajpayee and to promote accountability in government and awareness among citizens. The day is also called "Good Governance Day", and has been declared as a government action day.



1. Indian women's Under-19 T20 Asia Cup team defeated which team to win the title?

- A - Bangladesh**
C - Sri Lanka

- B - Pakistan**
D - Afghanistan

The Indian women's cricket team won the U-19 Asia Cup title by defeating Bangladesh by 41 runs on 22 December. Batting first, the Indian team scored 117 runs in 20 overs, in which Gongadi Trisha scored 52 runs. Bangladesh got a target of 118 runs, but they were all out for 76 runs in 18.3 overs. In Indian bowling, Ayushi Shukla took 3 wickets, while Sonam Yadav and Parunika Sisodia took 2-2 wickets. Farzana Ismin took 4 wickets for Bangladesh.



2. Recently, the Ministry of Defense has signed a contract with which company for K-9 Vajra-T cannon?

- A - Larsen & Toubro Ltd.**
C - Flipkart

- B - Ashok Lee - Land**
D - Tata Motors

The Ministry of Defence has signed a Rs 7628.70 crore contract with Larsen & Toubro Ltd to procure 155 mm K9 Vajra-T automated tracked artillery guns for the Indian Army. These state-of-the-art guns are capable of striking from 28 to 38 kilometres and can operate effectively even in high altitude areas along the China border. The deal will boost Indian defence production and create employment opportunities.



3. Where is the Wildlife Institute of India located?

- A - Bangalore**
C - Chennai

- B - Dehradun**
D - New Delhi

Union Environment Minister Shri Bhupendra Yadav inaugurated the Advanced Centre for Pashmina Authentication and Next Generation DNA Sequencing Facility at the Wildlife Institute of India. The DNA sequencing facility will provide researchers with in-depth information about genetic diversity and population health, thereby contributing to wildlife conservation.

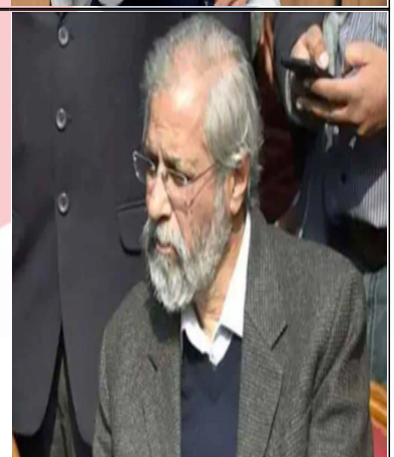


4. Which Indian jurist was recently appointed as the Chairman of the United Nations Internal Justice Council?

- A - Justice Madan B. Lokur**
C - Justice Ranganathan Goi

- B - Justice Sohan Deshpande**
D - Justice C.S. Rao

Former Supreme Court Judge of India, Justice Madan B. Lokur has been appointed as the Chairman of the United Nations Internal Justice Council (IJC). The appointment is effective from 19 December 2024 and will remain valid till 12 November 2028. The IJC is a key advisory body that ensures the impartiality and independence of the UN's judicial system. Justice Lokur's appointment is a matter of pride for India, reflecting his global legal standing.





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1. Indian women's under-19 team won the Asia Cup by defeating Bangladesh by how many runs. - **41 runs**
2. Recently, the Defense Ministry has signed a contract with Larsen & Toubro to manufacture which cannon. - **K-9 Vajra Cannon**
3. When was the Indian Wildlife Institute established - **1982**
4. How long will Justice Lokur serve as the Chairman of IJC - **Till 12 November 2028**
5. The Chairman of ISRO is - **S. Somnath**
6. Which country has recently contributed 1 million dollars to the UNESCO World Heritage Center - **India**
7. Where has the first bio-bitumen national highway been inaugurated in India - **Nagpur**
8. The Minister of Environment, Forest and Climate Change is - **Mr. Bhupendra Yadav**
9. Announced to celebrate Good Governance Day - **2014**
10. What percentage of India's total geographical area is covered in forest cover - **21.76%**

