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India Lifts Men's Asian Champions Trophy For Record 5th Time

In Hockey, India lifted the Men's Asian Champions Trophy for a record fifth time after defeating the hosts China.



Key Point

- ❖ The last match of the series was played on 17.09.2024 at the Moqi Hockey Training Base in Hulunbuir City of China.
- ❖ India has won the trophy in the past as the defending champions which they had done in the year 2011, 2016, 2018 and 2023.
- ❖ In the final match, Jugraj Singh was the goal scorer for the 2-1 victory and scored the final goal in the 51st minute of the match.
- ❖ The 8th Men's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 was scheduled to be in Hulunbuir City, Inner Mongolia, China on 8th September to 17th September 2024.

World Food India 2024

The Ministry of Food Processing Industries is set to host World Food India 2024 at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi covering a vast area of 70,000 square meters.



Key point

- ❖ This highly anticipated global event from 19-22 September 2024 will see participation from over 90 countries, 26 Indian States and Union Territories, and 18 Central Ministries and allied government bodies.
- ❖ The event promises to be a major convergence of innovation, technology, and sustainability in the food processing sector.
- ❖ To broaden the appeal of World Food India 2024, the organizers have launched the Swaad Sutra, a culinary contest, showcasing regional dishes from across India.

Exercise AIKYA

A two-day national symposium of the National Disaster Management Authority and the Army Southern Command entitled Exercise AIKYA will begin in Chennai.



Key Point

- ❖ The primary aim of the exercise is to enhance disaster preparedness and foster robust collaboration among key stakeholders.
- ❖ The exercise will feature simulations, technology discussions and expert insights into various roles of disaster management.
- ❖ The symposium will also have a knowledge exchange, capacity building and strategic planning on Exercise Aikya.

About National Disaster Management Authority (NMDA)

- ❖ Parent body: Ministry of Home Affairs.

- ❖ NDMA was established through the Disaster Management Act enacted by the Government of India in 2005.
- ❖ The Prime Minister is the ex-officio chairperson of the NDMA, who chairs a 9-member board.
- ❖ The remainder of the board consists of members nominated based on their expertise in areas such as planning, infrastructure management, communications, meteorology etc.

Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024

Recently, the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) released the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024.



Key point

- ❖ The GCI measures the commitment of countries to cybersecurity.
- ❖ It highlights the importance of cybersecurity.
- ❖ Identifies nations that are excelling in online safety.

- Evaluates how sectors like business, government, and technology maintain online security.
- ❖ India is ranked in Tier-1 in the GCI 2024, as per the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).
- ❖ **Ranking:** India scored 98.49.
- ❖ It placed it among the 47 leading countries for cybersecurity commitment.

PM Narendra Modi To Attend Fourth Quad Leaders' Summit In US

Prime Minister Narendra Modi will be on a visit to the US from 21st to 23rd September. He will take part in the fourth Quad Leaders' Summit in Wilmington, Delaware, on 21st September.



Key Point

- ❖ Following the request by the US to host this year's Summit, India has agreed to host the next Quad Summit in 2025.

- ❖ The theme of the summit is 'Multilateral Solutions for a Better Tomorrow'.
- ❖ A large number of global leaders are expected to participate in the summit.
- ❖ On the sidelines of the summit, Prime Minister Modi will also hold bilateral meetings with various world leaders and discuss issues of mutual interest.
- ❖ The Prime Minister will address a gathering of the Indian community in New York.

About QUAD

- ❖ The QUAD is a strategic forum comprising India, the United States, Japan, and Australia aimed at promoting a free, open, and inclusive Indo-Pacific region.
- ❖ Established in 2007 and revitalized in 2017
- ❖ QUAD focuses on regional security, economic cooperation, infrastructure development, maritime security, and disaster relief.
- ❖ Quad also aims to counterbalance the growing influence of China in the Indo-Pacific

Two years of Project Cheetah

Project Cheetah completes two years on September 17, 2024.



Key Point

The Government of India launched it to bring back Cheetahs to India.

- ❖ Cheetahs were declared extinct in India in 1952.
- ❖ Implementing Body: National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA), a statutory body under the Ministry of Environment.
- ❖ **Objective:** The Indian government hopes to bring 50 cheetahs from African countries to various national parks over the next five years.
- ❖ Currently, a total of 20 radio collared Cheetahs were brought from Namibia and South Africa to Kuno National Park, Madhya Pradesh, in a first-ever transcontinental wild-to-wild translocation i.e Africa to Asia.
- ❖ **IUCN status:** Asiatic Cheetah is critically Endangered whereas African cheetah is Vulnerable

About Kuno National Park:

- ❖ Kuno National Park is a national park in MP established in 1981 as a wildlife sanctuary.
 - In 2018, it was given the status of a national park.
- ❖ It is part of the Khathiar-Gir dry deciduous forests.
- ❖ Kuno-Palpur Wildlife Sanctuary is underway to become India's second home for the Asiatic lion.

Short News

- ❖ The 11th National Level Exhibition and Project Competition (NLEPC) under the flagship INSPIRE– MANAK (Million Minds Augmenting National Aspirations and Knowledge) scheme was inaugurated at the India Trade Promotion Organization (ITPO), New Delhi.
- ❖ The International Cricket Council (ICC) has declared that from the 2024 Women's T20 World Cup onwards, teams competing in both men's and women's cricket World Cups will receive the same amount of prize money.

- ❖ Recently Odisha-based NTPC Talcher Kaniha or Talcher Super Thermal Power Station has been awarded the prestigious 2024 Energy Management Insight Award from the Clean Energy Ministerial (CEM).
- ❖ Former Italy and Juventus striker Salvatore Schillaci, a star of the 1990 World Cup on his home soil, has died at the age of 59.
- ❖ After IIT in Rajasthan, students will now be able to study medicine in Hindi medium.
- ❖ After England's Southampton University, Australia's renowned Melbourne University has now decided to set up a centre in the country, which will be located in Delhi.
- ❖ Oscar Piastri of McLaren secured his first Formula 1 victory at the

Azerbaijan Grand Prix, held at the Baku City Circuit.

- ❖ The Indian Army has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Tiranga Mountain Rescue (TMR) at Centre for Land Warfare Studies (CLAWS), Delhi.
- ❖ Brijendra Pratap Singh has been recommended for the position of Chairman & Managing Director (CMD) of National Aluminium Corporation (NALCO) by the Public Enterprises Selection Board (PESB) panel.
- ❖ Manu Bhaker, a double Olympic medal winner in shooting, has been appointed as the brand ambassador for India's Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW).

Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. In the Global Cybersecurity Index (GCI) 2024, India is ranked in which tier?

- (a) Tier-2
- (b) Tier-3
- (c) Tier-4
- (d) Tier-1

Answer -D

2. India lifted the Men's Asian Champions Trophy for a record fifth time by defeating which of the following countries?

- (a) Japan
- (b) China
- (c) Pakistan
- (d) Indonesia

Answer -B

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