

### International Relations

#### G20 Summit 2024

##### Why in the news?

- ❖ The summit was held in Rio de Janeiro on 18-19 November 2024.
- ❖ The theme of G20 Summit 2024 was 'Building a Just World and a Sustainable Planet'.
- ❖ G20 leaders have adopted the Rio de Janeiro Declaration at its 19th Summit in the Brazilian city.

##### Main Highlights of Declaration:

The Summit focused on three priorities:

- ❖ Social Inclusion & fight against Hunger and poverty
  - Global Alliance against Hunger and Poverty: Launched to eradicate poverty and Hunger.
  - Global Coalition for Local and Regional Production, Innovation and Equitable Access: Launched to promote access to vaccines, diagnostics, and other health technologies for neglected diseases and vulnerable persons.

##### Sustainable development, energy transitions & climate action:

- ❖ It welcomed the establishment of the Task Force on global mobilization against climate change.

- Established to identify & address structural barriers to foster private capital flows for climate action, particularly for developing countries.

##### Reform of Global Governance Institutions:



- ❖ UN Security Council Reform: A pledge to align the Council with 21st-century realities by making it more inclusive, effective, democratic, and accountable.
- ❖ G20 MDBs Roadmap: Support for the G20's initiative to enhance multilateral development banks, making them larger, more efficient, and impactful.

##### Group of Twenty (G20):

- ❖ The Group of Twenty (G20) is a forum for the world's major economies to discuss economic, political, and social issues.
- ❖ Established in 1999.

- ❖ The G20 is made up of 19 countries (Argentina, Australia, Brasil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Russia, Türkiye, UK and USA) and two regional bodies: the African Union and the European Union.
- ❖ The members of the G20 represent around 85% of the world's GDP, more than 75% of world trade and around two-thirds of the world's population.
- ❖ The 18th G20 Summit was held in New Delhi, India on September 9–10, 2023:
- ❖ The summit was held at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi.
- ❖ The theme of India's G20 presidency was "One Earth, One Family, One Future".

### Environment And Geography

#### Baku climate talks

#### Why in the news?

Recently, the COP29 Presidency launched the Reducing Methane from Organic Waste Declaration and the Baku Harmoniya Climate Initiative for Farmers.

- ❖ The declaration builds on the work of previous COPs by supporting the implementation of the 2021 Global Methane Pledge (GMP), launched at COP26.

#### About Reducing Methane from Organic Waste Declaration

- ❖ Signatories declared their commitment to set sectoral targets to reduce methane from organic waste within future NDCs and launch policies and roadmaps to meet sectoral methane targets. Organic waste is the third largest source of anthropogenic methane emissions, behind agriculture and fossil fuels.
- ❖ It has been developed with the UNEP-convened Climate and Clean Air Coalition (CCAC).
- ❖ CCAC is a voluntary partnership founded in 2012 aimed at reducing short-lived climate pollutants (SLCPs) like methane, black carbon, HFCs, and tropospheric ozone.
- ❖ 35 countries (India is not a signatory), representing 47% of global methane emissions resulting from organic waste.

### Baku Harmoniya Climate Initiative for Farmers':

- ❖ Baku Harmoniya Climate Initiative for Farmers was launched by the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the UN (FAO), in partnership with the Azerbaijan COP29 presidency.
- ❖ The initiative will look for opportunities to realise co-benefits from climate actions in agriculture and food systems, including reducing the risk of loss and damage, reducing emissions, and conserving biodiversity and soil health.
- ❖ The platform will empower farmers, in particular women and youth, and support the development of climate-resilient villages and rural communities for adaptation action in the food, agriculture and water sectors.
- ❖ The initiative, which was launched at the opening of COP29's Food, Agriculture and Water Day (November 19), facilitates and supports the transformation of agri-food systems.



### Defence And Security

#### SANYUKT VIMOCHAN 2024'

##### Why in the news?

The Indian Army conducted the Multilateral Annual Joint Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief (HADR) Exercise, 'Sanyukt Vimochan 2024' at Ahmedabad and Porbandar on 18-19 November 2024.

- ❖ The exercise was conducted by the Konark Corps of Southern Command of the Indian Army.
- ❖ The 2024 Sanyukt Vimochan Exercise theme was "Cyclone in the Coastal Region of Gujarat".
- ❖ Exercise 'Sanyukt Vimochan 2024' represented a significant step towards strengthening India's preparedness and response capabilities, solidifying its leadership in disaster management at the global stage.

### Miscellaneous

#### Prasar Bharati

##### Why in the news?

Prasar Bharati, the national public broadcaster has launched its OTT platform named 'WAVES'.

- ❖ The platform was launched by Dr Pramod Sawant, Chief Minister of Goa at the International Film Festival of India (IFFI).



- ❖ Waves will have content from over 12 languages including Hindi, English, Bengali, Marathi, Kannada, Malayalam, Telugu, Tamil, Gujarati, Punjabi, and Assamese.
- ❖ It will also stream popular shows like Ramayan and Mahabharat.



### Hornbill Festival

#### Why in the news?

Japan has been announced as the country partner for the upcoming Hornbill Festival in Nagaland, alongside Wales, which was previously confirmed as a partner country.

- ❖ The Hornbill Festival, also known as the “Festival of Festivals,” is an annual celebration that showcases the rich cultural heritage of Nagaland.
- ❖ This year’s festival, scheduled to take place from December 1 to 10 at Kisama near Kohima, promises to be an exciting event with Japan’s participation in various sectors, including cultural performances, capacity building, and workshops on handicrafts and bamboo products.



### Silofar Panchamrit Kalash'

#### Why in the news?

Prime Minister Narendra Modi, gifted the Nigerian President Bola Ahmed Tinubu, a 'Silofar Panchamrit Kalash' (pot) which is a stunning example of traditional craftsmanship from Kolhapur, Maharashtra.

#### About Silofar Panchamrit Kalash'

- ❖ Made from high-quality silver, and shaped with skill and precision, the 'Silofar Panchamrit Kalash' features elegant engravings typical of Kolhapur's renowned metalwork, with motifs that often include floral patterns, deities, and traditional Kolhapur designs.
- ❖ The Kalash's handle and lid are crafted to provide ease of use during religious ceremonies, where Panchamrit – a sacred mixture of milk, curd, ghee, honey, and sugar – is served.



## Awards and Honors

### Green World Awards 2024

#### Why in the news?

Coal India Limited (CIL), the state-owned coal mining corporation received the Green World Awards 2024 during the much-awaited presentation ceremony at The Orangery, Kensington Palace, London.

- ❖ The award was given by The Green Organization, which began in 1994 and is an independent, non-political, non-profit environment group, dedicated to recognizing, rewarding and promoting environmental best practices and CSR around the world.
- ❖ The Certificate of Achievement was presented to Coal India Ltd in recognition of winning a Green World Award for their commitment to environment best practice.



## Sports

### 8th Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024

#### Why in the news?

The Indian hockey team beat the People's Republic of China 1-0 in the final to win the Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 at the Rajgir Hockey Stadium in Bihar.

- ❖ Organised by the Asian Hockey Federation and hosted by Hockey India and the Bihar government from 11-20 November 2024.
- ❖ The mascot for the 2024 Women's Asian Champions Trophy hockey tournament in Bihar is Gudiya.
- ❖ The logo features the Bodhi Tree, symbolizing growth and resilience, tied to Bihar's spiritual heritage.
- ❖ Deepika (31') scored the winning goal for the Indian women's hockey team and finished as the tournament's top goal scorer with a tally of 11.
- ❖ Hockey India announced a reward of Rs 3 lakh each for all players and Rs 1.5 lakh each for all support staff following the Indian Women's Hockey Team's triumphant victory in the Bihar Women's Asian Champions Trophy Rajgir 2024.

- ❖ The Bihar government has decided to award Rs 10 lakh to each playing member of the Indian women's hockey team that won the Asian Champions Trophy

### Women's Asian Hockey Champions Trophy history

- ❖ The Hockey Women's Asian Champions Trophy features the top six nations from the Asian Hockey Federation.
- ❖ Founded in 2010, the tournament has been held seven times, in 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016, 2018, 2021, and 2023.
- ❖ Became a biennial event starting in 2016.
- ❖ South Korea: Most successful team with 3 titles (2010, 2011, 2018).
- ❖ India: Reached the final five times, winning in 2016, 2023, and 2024.
- ❖ Japan: The only other team to have won the title.

### Women's Asian Champions Trophy winners list

Year	Winner	Runner-up
2010	South Korea	Japan
2011	South Korea	China
2013	Japan	India
2016	India	China
2018	South Korea	India
2021	Japan	South Korea
2023	India	Japan
2024	India	China

### Women's Asian Champions Trophy 2024 topscorers

Player	Goals
Deepika sehrawat	11 Goals
Tan Jinzhuang	7 Goals
Sangita Kumari	4 Goals



### News in Short

- ❖ Hyderabad Metro Becomes India's First to Achieve Green Certification for All Stations.
- ❖ Scientists at IIT Bombay have developed a portable water-pollutant detecting device called 'AroTrack'.
- ❖ Iraq conducts the first national census in nearly 40 years.
- ❖ Shivangi Desai, a 22-year-old law student has achieved the remarkable milestone of winning the national title of Miss Charm India 2024.

❖ India's Nandan Kumar Jha has been elected as the president of the International Mind Sports Association (IMSA), a global body for the governance and promotion of mind sports.

❖ Cambridge Dictionary has declared 'manifest' as its word of the year for 2024, highlighting the growing influence of the concept in popular culture and beyond.



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