

### Bihar Special

#### Vaibhav Suryavanshi

##### Why in the news?

Vaibhav Suryavanshi scripted history as he became the youngest-ever player to be sold at an Indian Premier League (IPL) auction.



- ❖ He was roped in by Rajasthan Royals for INR 1.10 crore on day 2 of the IPL mega auction at the Abadi Al Johar Arena in Jeddah.
- ❖ He was born on March 27, 2011, in Tajpur village of Samastipur district of Bihar.

### International Relations

#### Riyadh Design Law Treaty

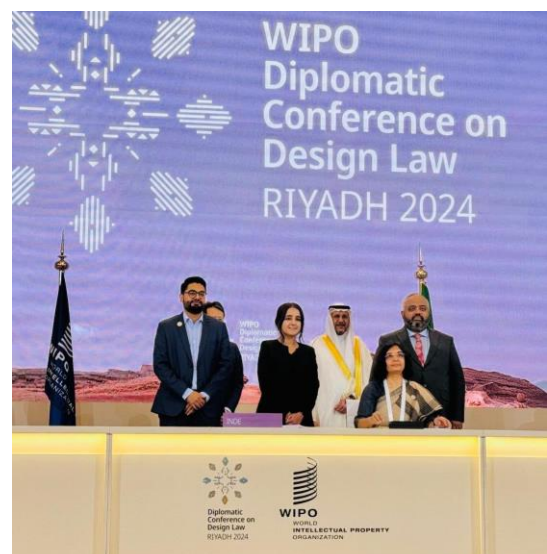
##### Why in the news?

India has signed the final Act of the Riyadh Design Law Treaty.

- ❖ **Objective:** To reaffirm its commitment to fostering inclusive growth and ensuring equitable access to intellectual property protection.

##### What is the Riyadh Design Law Treaty?

- ❖ It seeks to harmonise the procedural frameworks for industrial design protection, improving the efficiency and accessibility of registration processes across multiple jurisdictions.
- ❖ It reduces administrative burdens to promote global creativity in design.
- ❖ Its goal is to ensure that the benefits of streamlined design protection are accessible to all stakeholders, with particular emphasis on small and medium-sized enterprises, startups, and independent designers.



## Environment And Geography

### Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF)

#### Why in the news?

Punjab National Bank (PNB) became a signatory to the globally recognised Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF).

- ❖ It reinforces PNB's commitment to transparency and proactive climate action.
- ❖ It aligns with the Reserve Bank of India's (RBI) draft framework on climate-related financial risk disclosures.
  - It requires banks to begin reporting on governance, strategy, and risk management for climate-related financial risks and opportunities from FY 2025-26 onwards, and on metrics and targets related to these risks and opportunities from FY 2027-28 onwards.

#### Partnership for Carbon Accounting Financials (PCAF)

- ❖ It was founded in 2015 by 14 Dutch financial institutions under the leadership of ASN Bank.

- ❖ It is a global coalition of financial institutions working to create a synchronized approach for assessing and disclosing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with their loans and investments.



## Schemes In News

### One Nation One Subscription (ONOS)

#### Why in the news?

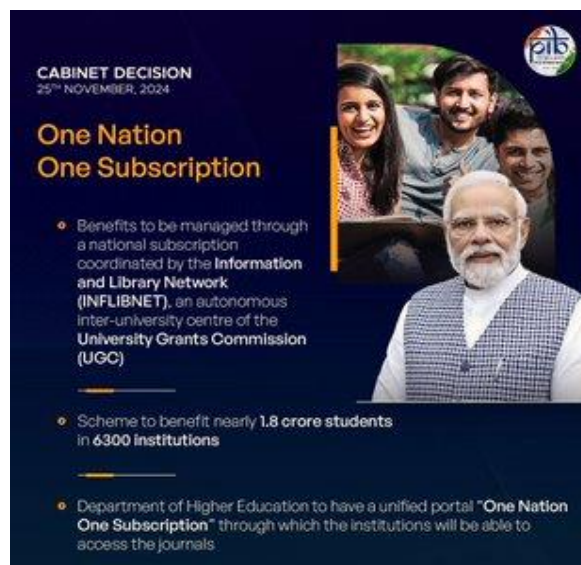
The Union Cabinet has approved the One Nation One Subscription scheme.

#### What is One Nation One Subscription?

- ❖ It is a new Central Sector Scheme for providing country-wide access to scholarly research articles and journal publications.
  - It will provide all central and state-run higher education institutions with access to prestigious international journals via a single platform.
  - The access will be facilitated through a national subscription managed by the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET), an autonomous centre under the University Grants Commission (UGC).

➤ A total of about Rs.6,000 crore has been allocated for One Nation One Subscription for 3 calendar years, 2025, 2026 and 2027 as a new Central Sector Scheme.

- ❖ The Department of Higher Education will have a unified portal "One Nation One Subscription" through which the institutions will be able to access the journals.
- ❖ **Significance:** It will supplement the ANRF initiative to promote research and development and foster a culture of research and innovation throughout government universities, colleges, research institutions, and R&D laboratories.



### National Mission on Natural Farming

#### Why in the news?

The Union Cabinet has approved the launch of the National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF).

- ❖ **Objective:** To promote natural farming in mission mode across the country as a standalone Centrally Sponsored Scheme under the Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers' Welfare.

#### About the National Mission on Natural Farming:

- ❖ It aims to promote NF practices for providing safe & nutritious food for all.
- It is designed to support farmers in reducing the input cost of cultivation and dependency to externally purchased inputs.



- ❖ Natural farming will build & maintain healthy soil ecosystems, promote biodiversity and encourage diverse cropping systems to enhance resilience as suitable to the local agroecology are the benefits of natural farming.
- It is launched as a shift to scientifically revive and strengthen agriculture practices towards sustainability, climate resilience and healthy food for farmer families and consumers.
- ❖ In the next two years, NMNF will be implemented in 15,000 clusters in Gram Panchayats, which are willing, & to reach 1 crore farmers and initiate Natural Farming (NF) in a 7.5 lakh Ha area.
- Under NMNF, around 2000 NF Model Demonstration Farms shall be established at Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVKs), Agricultural Universities (AUs) and farmers' fields, and shall be supported by experienced and trained Farmer Master Trainers.



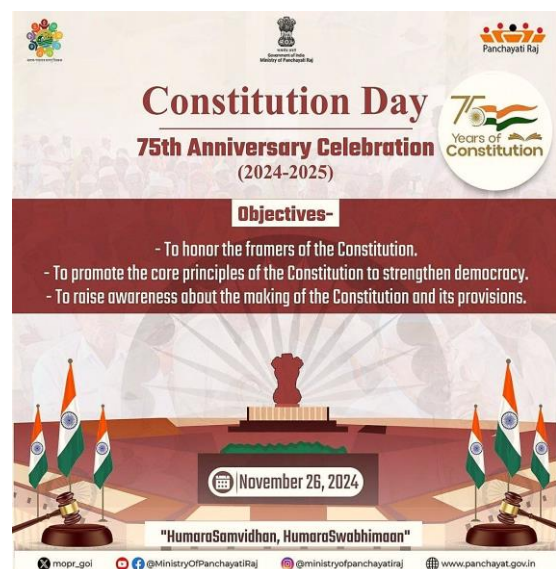
### Important Days/ Dates

#### Samvidhan Diwas

#### Why in the news?

Constitution Day, also known as Samvidhan Diwas, is celebrated every year on November 26.

- ❖ **Objective:** To commemorate the adoption of the Indian constitution shaping the democratic framework of the nation.



❖ **History of this day:**

- Under the leadership of BR Ambedkar, the Constituent Assembly finalised the constitution after three years in 1949.
- The constitution of India came into effect on January 26, 1950, marking the birth anniversary of the Indian Republic.
- Recognising the significance of this historic event, the Government of India officially declared November 26 as Constitution Day in 2015, under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

**National Milk Day**

**Why in the news?**

National Milk Day is observed annually on November 26.

- ❖ Why is it celebrated on 26th November?
  - It commemorates the birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien.
  - He was born on November 26, 1921, in Kozhikode, Kerala.

- ✓ The National Dairy Development Board (NDDB), the Indian Dairy Association (IDA), and 22 state-level milk federations decided to celebrate Dr Verghese Kurien's birth anniversary as National Milk Day on November 26, 2014.

- He is known as the "Father of the White Revolution" in India.
- Significance: He played an instrumental role in transforming India from a milk-deficient nation to the world's largest producer of milk.

- ❖ **Theme 2024:** "Transforming Dairying with AI and IT".

**Additional Facts**

- ❖ India has been the world's largest producer of milk since 1998 and at present contributing 25 percent to the world's total milk production.
- ❖ The database Bharat Pashudhan was launched by the Hon'ble PM on 2nd March 2024.
- ❖ The National Dairy Development Board (NDDB) was created in 1965.
- ❖ Operation Flood is associated with milk production. It was implemented in three phases from 1970 to 1996.
- ❖ World Milk Day is celebrated on 1st June every year.



### News in Short

- ❖ The Union Cabinet has approved the continuation of its flagship initiative, the Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) with an enhanced scope of work and an allocated budget of ₹2,750 crore rupees for the period till March 31, 2028.
  - AIM 2.0 is a step towards Viksit Bharat that aims to expand, strengthen, and deepen India's already vibrant innovation and entrepreneurship ecosystem.
  - The continuation of AIM will directly contribute to creating better jobs, innovative products, and high-impact services across sectors.

- ❖ The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) has approved
  - Investment of ₹1939 crore rupees for the construction of the Heo Hydro Electric Project (HEP) in Shi Yomi District of Arunachal Pradesh.
  - Approval for the PAN 2.0 Project of the Income Tax Department.
    - ✓ PAN 2.0 Project is an e-Governance project for re-engineering the business processes of taxpayer registration services through technology-driven transformation of PAN/TAN services for the enhanced digital experience of the taxpayers.
- ❖ India is hosting the 13th United Nations Global Geospatial Information Management (GGIM) Asia-Pacific Plenary and Regional Conference in New Delhi from 26th-29th November 2024.



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