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Jan Kalyan Abhiyan and Jan Kalyan Parv



On completion of 1 year of formation of government in Madhya Pradesh, Jan Kalyan Abhiyan will be celebrated from 11 December to 26 January 2025 and Jan Kalyan Parv from 11 to 26 December.

Key Point

- ❖ Under the campaign, benefits of government schemes will be provided to every eligible beneficiary.
- ❖ The ministers of the state will participate in various activities in their charge and home districts.
- ❖ Good Governance Day programme will be held on 25 December on the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee in Jan Kalyan Parv.
- ❖ A Chintan Shivir will be organized in Pachmarhi. Also, a Cabinet meeting will be held in Pachmarhi in memory of Raja Bhabhut Singh. On

the last day of Jan Kalyan Parv on 26 December, there will be a dialogue with students in Ravindra Bhavan, Bhopal.

About Chief Minister's Jan Kalyan Abhiyan:

- ❖ **Objective:** To work with determination for the welfare and development of the youth, women, farmers and poor sections of the state by the Central and State Government.
- ❖ To implement the schemes being run for the benefit of these sections on the ground.
- ❖ **Goal:** To make 34 beneficiary-oriented, 11 target-based and 63 other services easily accessible to the common citizens.
- ❖ Under this campaign, "Rajasw Mahabhiyan-3" will also be conducted to resolve revenue related matters.

About Jan Kalyan Parv:

- ❖ Jan Kalyan Parv will be celebrated in Madhya Pradesh from 11 to 26 December 2024.
- ❖ During this Jan Kalyan Parv, developmental activities will be completed in various districts of the state.
- ❖ This festival will be inaugurated on 11 December in Bhopal with the distribution of the amount of Ladli Bahana Yojana.

No confidence motion against Rajya Sabha Chairman

The opposition has submitted a no-confidence motion against Rajya Sabha Chairman, Jagdeep Dhankhar accusing him of being partisan in functioning in the House.



Key Point

- ❖ Article 67 Provides the procedure for the removal of the Vice-President of India.
- ❖ The Vice-President, who also serves as the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha, can be removed through this process.
- ❖ The Chairman of the Rajya Sabha (Vice-President) can only be removed if he/she is removed from the office of the Vice-President.
- ❖ The removal resolution can only be introduced in the Rajya Sabha, not in the Lok Sabha.
- ❖ A 14-day advance notice is mandatory before moving the resolution.
- ❖ Effective Majority in Rajya Sabha: The resolution must be passed by the majority of the then members of the Rajya Sabha, excluding vacant seats.

- ❖ The resolution must also be agreed to by a simple majority in the Lok Sabha.
- ❖ When a resolution for the removal of the Chairman of the Rajya Sabha is under consideration, he/she cannot preside over the House.
- ❖ Precedents include resolutions against Lok Sabha Speakers like G.V. Mavalankar (1951), Sardar Hukam Singh (1966), and Balram Jakhar (1987), all negated by the House after discussion.
- ❖ There is no precedence of a no-confidence or impeachment resolution being moved against the Rajya Sabha Chairman.

Golden Globe Award

Payal Kapadia became the first Indian woman nominated for Best Direction at the Golden Globe Awards for her film *All We Imagine as Light*.



Key Point

- ❖ The film was also nominated for Best Non-English Language Film, making a proud moment for Indian cinema.

- ❖ *All We Imagine As Light* is an Indo-French co-production starring Kani Kusruti, Divya Prabha, and Hridhu Haroon. The film tells the story of Prabha, a nurse navigating personal challenges, and her roommate Anu as they embark on a journey of self-discovery during a visit to a beach town.
- ❖ This landmark film became the first Indian entry in 30 years to compete in the Cannes Film Festival's competition section, where it earned the prestigious Grand Prix award.
- ❖ The Golden Globe Awards celebrate excellence in international film and television. Held annually since 1944.
- ❖ A.R. Rehman is the first Indian to have won the Golden Globes award.

UNEP Champions of Earth Award

Indian ecologist **Madhav Gadgil** who is a prominent figure in India has been chosen to be among the six individuals and institutions that will be awarded with the 2024 United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) 'Champions of the Earth'.



Key Points

- ❖ Some of the winners across distinct categories selected for this year's 'Champions of the Earth' award include Madhav Gadgil and the Brazilian leader Sonia Guajajara, Lu Qi from China, Amy Bowers Cordalis from the USA, and Gabriel Paun of Romania and the Egyptian environmental organization Sekem.
- ❖ Madhav Gadgil was the chairman of Western Ghats Ecology Expert Panel constituted by the Union Ministry of Environment and Forest in the year 2010.
- ❖ This committee in its report submitted to the government in 2011 recommended that 75% of the 129,037 sq km area of Western Ghats be declared as 'Environmentally Sensitive' on account of the presence of dense forests and optimal carrying capacity of species.
- ❖ Narendra Modi the Prime Minister of India was also conferred with 'Champions of the Earth' award in 2018.
- ❖ The Champions of the Earth award was instituted by UNEP in 2005. The Champions of the Earth award started in 2005.

- ❖ Presented each year, this award is provided to those who are engaged in the process of seeking practical and effective solutions to such problems as climate change, the loss of species, pollution, and waste.

About UNEP

- ❖ United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- ❖ Also known as UN Environment, it is headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya.
- ❖ It was established after the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment in Stockholm in June 1972.
- ❖ UNEP's mission is to inspire, inform, and enable nations and peoples to improve their quality of life without compromising that of future generations.

Krishnaveni Sangeetha Neerajanam 2024

The Krishnaveni Sangeetha Neerajanam 2024 successfully concluded on 9 December in Vijayawada after three days of musical devotion and cultural celebration.



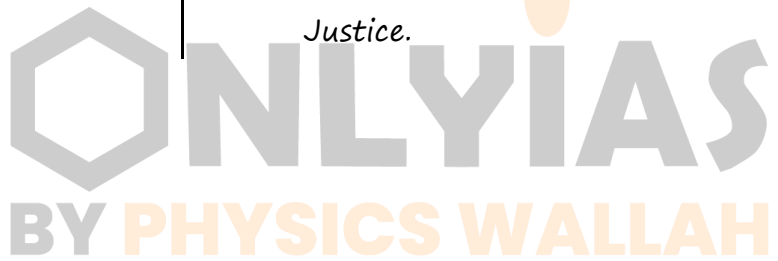
Key Point

- ❖ Organized by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India, in association with the Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Textiles, and the Government of Andhra Pradesh, this festival paid homage to the rich legacy of Telugu culture and Carnatic music.
- ❖ It featured captivating performances by renowned artists and provided an invaluable platform for emerging talent.
- ❖ The events took place at lesser-known tourist destinations in Andhra Pradesh, renowned for their spiritual and cultural heritage, including Srikakulam, Ahobilam, Mangalagiri, Rajahmundry, and Tirupati.
- ❖ The festival aimed to promote tourism in these areas, thereby enhancing local employment opportunities.
- ❖ Over three days, approximately 193 artists, including accompanists, delivered 35 captivating performances, mesmerizing the audience with their artistry.

Short News

- ❖ Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma has declared that Pravasi Rajasthani Diwas will be celebrated annually on December 10.

- ❖ The Eaglenest Bird Festival is a very popular event in Arunachal Pradesh, and the next festival will be the 4th edition which will be held from January 17 to 19, 2025 at Khellong and Thongre villages of West Kameng district.
- ❖ A recent report by the UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD) highlights a concerning trend in the global climate: over 77% of the Earth's land has become drier in the past 30 years compared to the preceding three decades.
- ❖ In its attempt to support the growth of Indian innovation and technological sectors, Flipkart has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion also known as DPIIT to support startups throughout the country.
- ❖ Harmeet Kaur Dhillon, a well-known Indian-American lawyer, has been nominated by US President-elect Donald Trump for the position of Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights in the Department of Justice.



Important Daily Current Affairs Question

1. Who became the first Indian woman to be nominated for Best Direction at the Golden Globe Awards?

- (a) Zoya Akhtar
- (b) Mira Nair
- (c) Payal Kapadia
- (d) Deepa Mehta

Answer - C

2. Who among the following has been awarded by champions of the earth award 2024?

- (a) Madhav Gadgil
- (b) Kailash Satyarthi
- (c) Vandana Shiva
- (d) Medha Patkar

Answer - A

