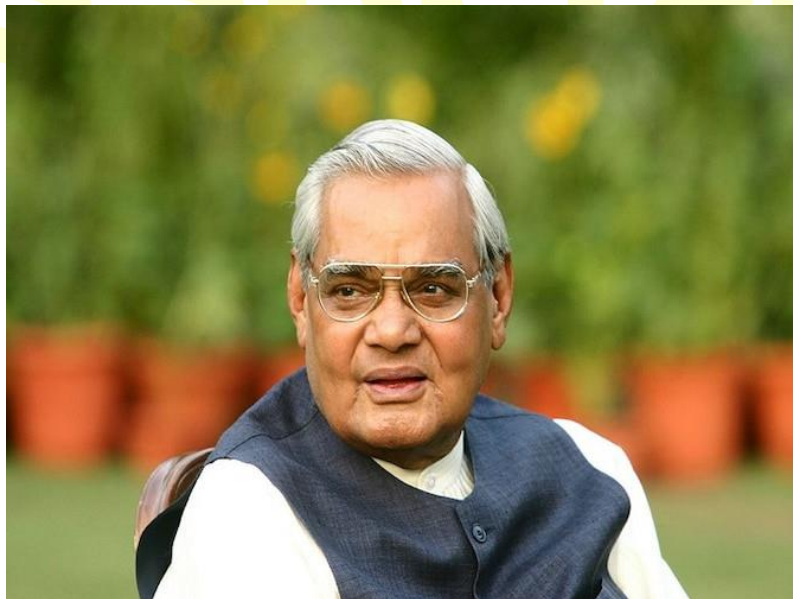


# Daily Current Affairs

## 25 December 2023

### Good Governance Day

- Good Governance Day will be celebrated on the **birth anniversary of former Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee**.
- The day is celebrated on the **25th of December every year** to foster awareness among the people of the country about accountability in Governance and Government.
- The genesis of Good Governance Day can be traced back to December 23, 2014, when Atal Bihari Vajpayee was awarded the Bharat Ratna, along with Pandit Madan Mohan Malaviya (posthumously).
- In recognition of this prestigious honor, the **Narendra Modi-led government** declared December 25 as Good Governance Day, aiming to celebrate Vajpayee's enduring legacy.

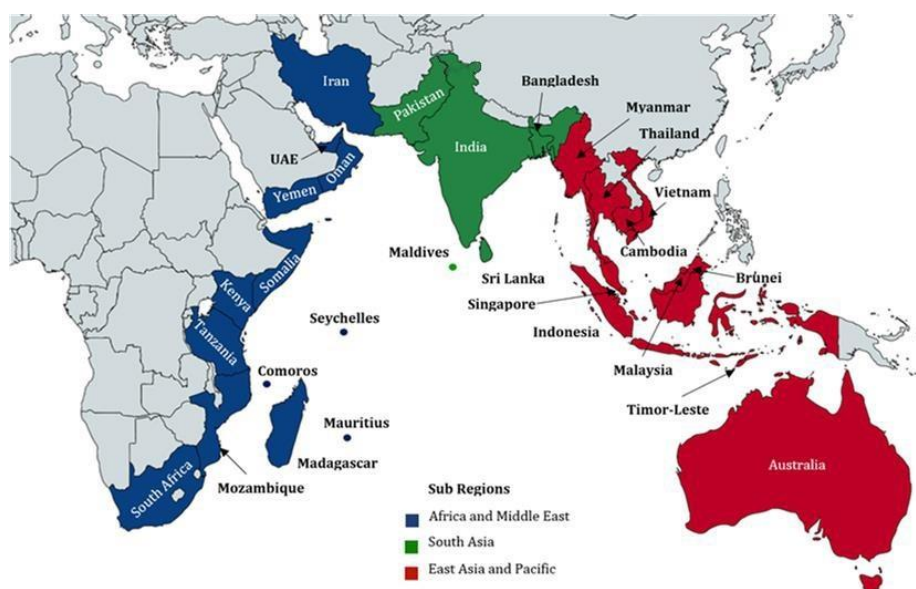


- Born on **December 25, 1924, in Gwalior**, Atal Bihari Vajpayee's political journey was marked by distinction. **Serving as the Prime Minister of India thrice**, he held office during critical junctures in the country's history.

- Beyond politics, Vajpayee was a prolific poet and writer, leaving an indelible mark on Indian literature. His leadership, marked by statesmanship and vision, paved the way for several transformative initiatives.
- The **core objectives** of Good Governance Day extend beyond mere celebration. It serves as a platform to educate citizens about their roles and responsibilities in a democratic setup.
- By fostering awareness about government accountability and administration, the day aims to create an informed citizenry capable of holding the government responsible for its actions. In the spirit of good governance, December 25 is not just a day off but a day of active participation in nation-building.
- The day serves as a **platform to educate citizens about the responsibilities** and duties of the government. Its primary objective is to bridge the gap between citizens and the government, fostering active participation from both parties and promoting good governance principles.

## Indian Ocean Naval Symposium

- The 8th edition of the **Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS)** Conclave of Chiefs (CoC) concluded **in Bangkok, Thailand**.
- The conclave organized by **Royal Thai Navy** began on the 19th of this month. Chiefs of Navies or Senior Delegates from 27 Members or Observer countries participated in the event.
- Chief of the Naval Staff, **Admiral R Hari Kumar**, attended the event with a three-member Indian Naval delegation.



- During the Conclave of Chiefs, **Thailand assumed the duties of Chair of IONS**, and the Work Plan for the next two years was finalized.
- As a first, the **Flag designed by India was selected as the IONS Flag**. India also took over as the co-chair of IONS Working Groups on Maritime Security and HADR for the forthcoming cycle.

## Amnesty To More Than 1000 Convicts

- Sri Lankan President **Ranil Wickremesinghe** granted amnesty to more than a thousand convicts, and they were released from jails across the country to mark Christmas.
- Among those freed today were people jailed for not being able to pay **outstanding fines**.



- The latest pardon came after **police arrested nearly 15,000** people during a weeklong military-backed anti-narcotics drive that was halted on the eve of Christmas.
- A police statement said 13,666 suspects were arrested while nearly 1,100 addicts were detained and sent for compulsory rehabilitation at a military-run facility.

## Anmol Kharb

- In Badminton, **Anmol Kharb** has won the women's singles title at the **National Badminton Championships 2023 in Guwahati**. The teenager lost the first game of the final to Tanvi Sharma but fought back to level the score.
- The men's singles title clash saw an upset as the unseeded Chirag Sen secured the national title after defeating fourth-seed Tharun M.



- In the mixed doubles **summit clash**, **Dhruv Kapila and Tanisha Crasto** defeated the sixth-seeded duo of Nitin Kumar-Navdha Manglam 21-13, 21-8 to claim their maiden national title.
- **Priya Devi Konjengbam and Shruti Mishra** lifted the women's doubles title with a win over Ritika Thaker-Simran Singh. The men's doubles final was an edge-of-the-seat thriller where K Pruthvi Roy-Suraj Goala caused an upset by defeating Krishna Prasad Garaga-Vishnuvardhan Goud Panjala.



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## Extraordinary Moments That Have Global Impact In 2023

- **Chandrayaan 3's Momentous Touchdown at the Moon's Southern Pole** - Among the remarkable highlights in the footage, Chandrayaan 3's historic landing on the moon's south pole takes center stage. This extraordinary accomplishment not only showcases India's advanced space capabilities but also marks a monumental stride in lunar exploration.



- **India Leads the Charge:** Rapid 5G Deployment Surpasses Global Standards, India has achieved one of the world's swiftest 5G rollouts, spanning 738 districts and catering to nearly 100 million users. This rapid implementation signifies a significant milestone in India's technological progress, promising transformative impacts across industries and solidifying the nation's position as a global telecommunications frontrunner.
- **Swarved Mahamandir:** Hosting the World's Largest Meditation Center PM Modi recently inaugurated the Swarved Mahamandir in Uttar Pradesh, the world's largest meditation center, featured prominently in the video. This spiritual sanctuary embodies India's cultural opulence and commitment to nurturing inner peace and spiritual well-being.



- **PM Modi Flags Off World's Longest Ganga River Cruise** , Prime Minister Narendra Modi launches MV Ganga Vilas, the world's longest river cruise and India's maiden domestically manufactured cruise vessel. Spanning 3,200 km over approximately 51 days and featuring three decks, 18 suites accommodating 36 tourists, this cruise culminates in Dibrugarh, Assam, via Bangladesh.



- **PM Narendra Modi's UN Yoga Session** In a distinctive and symbolic demonstration of India's dedication to wellness, the video showcases Prime Minister Narendra Modi leading an extensive yoga session at the United Nations. This event not only secured a Guinness World Record but also spotlighted India's commitment to promoting health and mindfulness globally.



- The video emphasizes **Air India's feat in securing the world's largest aircraft deal**, emphasizing India's prominence in the aviation sector. This groundbreaking agreement not only bolsters the national carrier but also enhances India's global stature in aviation.



- India's Soaring Economy:** Global Fast-Track Growth , The video proudly highlights India's claim as the world's fastest-growing economy in 2023. This economic surge has played a pivotal role in shaping India's narrative as a global force, drawing attention and admiration from across the globe.
- Digital Payments Progress** In the age of digital transformation, India has emerged as a frontrunner in digital payments. The video showcases India's expertise in this realm, illustrating the nation's seamless integration of technology into its financial landscape and its strides in digital innovation.
- Surat's Architectural Marvel:** Hosting the World's Largest Office Building Surat takes the spotlight with the inauguration of the world's largest office building. This architectural marvel not only stands as a testament to India's urban development but also reaffirms the nation's commitment to grand-scale infrastructure creation.



- **Uttar Pradesh Sets Guinness World Record** with 22 Lakh Diyas in Ayodhya's Deepotsav, Uttar Pradesh etches history by illuminating Ayodhya with over 22 lakh diyas. Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath leads a symbolic chariot procession, securing a Guinness World Record by simultaneously lighting 2.2 million lamps during the deepotsav celebrations, a triumph of culture and unity.



## REVIEW QUESTIONS

### 1. Rabindranath Tagore Literary Prize 2023 Awarded To

- A. Sukrita Paul
- B. Anita Bishnoi
- C. Riddhi Lakhanpal
- D. Kirti Jha

**ANSWER: A**

### 2. Good Governance Day Celebrated On

- A. 23<sup>rd</sup> December
- B. 24<sup>th</sup> December
- C. 25<sup>th</sup> December
- D. 26<sup>th</sup> December

**ANSWER: C**



**3. 'Paat Mitro' App Launched By**

- A. Ministry Of Textiles
- B. Ministry Of Rural & Development
- C. Ministry Of Skill Development
- D. Ministry Of Home Affairs

**ANSWER: A**

**4. Seen In News Anmol Kharb Is Related To**

- A. Soccer
- B. Badminton
- C. Tennis
- D. Cricket

**ANSWER: B**

**5. Which State/UT Suggested Centre To Grant "Migrated Minority" Status**

- A. Punjab
- B. Delhi
- C. Andhra Pradesh
- D. Uttar Pradesh

**ANSWER: B**

**6. Which State Adopted A Bill To Make Its Language Compulsory For State Government Jobs**

- A. Tamil Nadu
- B. Kerala
- C. Karnataka
- D. Manipur

**ANSWER: A**

**7. India Handed Over 75 Passenger Buses To Which Country As A Part Of Its 'Neighbourhood First' Policy**

- A. Bangladesh
- B. Sri Lanka
- C. Nepal
- D. Thailand

**ANSWER: B**

**8. Which Union Ministry Runs The MAARG Platform**

- A. Ministry of Commerce and Industry
- B. Ministry of Science and Technology
- C. Ministry of Education
- D. Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports

**ANSWER: A**

**9. Road Transport And Highway Ministry Announced To Scrap All Government Vehicles Older Than How Many Years**

- A. 10
- B. 15
- C. 20
- D. 25

**ANSWER: B**

**10. Which State Hosted B20 Conference, For Business Community**

- A. Assam
- B. Manipur
- C. Odisha
- D. Gujarat

**ANSWER: B**

**11. Indian Railways Introduced A Bharat Gaurav Deluxe Tourist Train To Showcase The Heritage Of Which Country**

- A. Kerala
- B. Gujarat
- C. Goa
- D. Assam

**ANSWER: B**

**12. Central Board Of Irrigation And Power Award Conferred On Which Institution**

- A. REC
- B. NTPC
- C. ONGC
- D. GAIL

**ANSWER: B**

**13. Which Institution Released Guidelines For Assessment Of Child Suspects In Heinous Offences**

- A. UNICEF
- B. NITI Aayog
- C. National Commission for Protection of Child Rights
- D. National Commission for Women.

**ANSWER: C**

**14. Which State Passed A Bill To Provide Reservation In State Government Jobs From 60 Percent To 77 Percent**

- A. Kerala
- B. Jharkhand
- C. West Bengal
- D. Andhra Pradesh

**ANSWER: B**

**15. Mission Launched By Indian Government To Evacuate Its Citizens From Sudan**

- A. Operation Gandhi
- B. Operation Kaveri
- C. Operation Vande Bharat
- D. Operation Rescue

**ANSWER: B**

**16. Aragam Set To Made India's Largest Book Village, Is In Which State**

- A. Assam
- B. Jammu and Kashmir
- C. Kerala
- D. West Bengal

**ANSWER: B**

**17. Governing Body Of The Department Of Atomic Energy In India**

- A. Atomic Energy Commission of India
- B. NITI Aayog
- C. Department of Space
- D. DRDO

**ANSWER: A**

**18. Stable Auroral Red Arc Has Been Observed Recently In Which State**

- A. West Bengal
- B. Ladakh
- C. Assam
- D. Goa

**ANSWER: B**

**19. Which City Is Set To Launch 'Kaveri 2.0' Web-based Property Registration Application**

- A. Chennai
- B. Bengaluru
- C. Pune
- D. Mysuru

**ANSWER: B**

**20. According To Recent Data From The NCRB Which City Leads In Food Adulteration Cases In 2022**

- A. Hyderabad
- B. Mumbai
- C. Chennai
- D. Kolkata

**ANSWER: A**