

# Daily Current Affairs

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### India Tops Global Milk Production

- India is ranked **first** in milk production contributing **25 percent** of global milk production.
- Milk production in the country is growing at an **annual growth rate of about 6 per cent** over the past 9 years whereas world milk production is growing at **2.1 per cent per annum**.



- Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying Rajiv Ranjan Singh said that the **procurement price and sale prices of milk** in the country are decided by the cooperative and private dairies based on their cost of production and market forces.

### Khelo India

- In the Union Budget presented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman, the government's flagship sports initiative, **Khelo India**, emerged as one of the top beneficiaries in the sports ministry's allocation.
- The program, aimed at fostering grassroots sports, **secured 900 crore rupees** from the overall sports **budget of over 3,442 crore rupees**.



- This marks a **20 crore rupees increase** from the **previous year's** revised allocation of **880 crore rupees**.
- **Khelo India, which has been pivotal** in promoting sports at the grassroots level across India, continues to be a priority for the government as it aims to nurture young talent and enhance sporting infrastructure nationwide.
- Ever since the inaugural **Khelo India Youth Games in 2018**, the government has continued to add more programmes.
- The sports ministry added **Khelo India University Games in 2020**, before also launching the **Khelo India Winter Games** the same year and the **Khelo India Para Games** in 2023.
- **Hundreds of Khelo India State Centres** of Excellence have been set up across the country, which aim to provide facilities for athletes with potential. Several Khelo India athletes are currently in India's Olympic-bound contingent.

## National Jal Jeevan Mission

- **National Jal Jeevan Mission** has achieved a historic milestone providing tap water connections to **15 crore rural households** across the country.
- Mission has showcased unprecedented speed and scale increasing rural tap connection coverage from three crore in **2019 to 15 crore** in a short span of five years.
- The **mission was announced in 2019**, with the aim to provide tap water supply to every rural home by 2024.
- In a post on social media post, Jal Shakti Minister C.R. Patil said, this milestone has not only given a **gift of pure water to the countrymen** but also improved their quality of life.

- **As on date, eight States and three Union Territories** have achieved **100 per cent coverage**. This includes Goa, Telangana, Haryana, Gujarat, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh, Puducherry, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, and Andaman and Nicobar Islands.



## World's Most Powerful Passports 2024

- **Singapore has reclaimed its title as the world's most powerful passport**, offering visa-free access to a record 195 global destinations according to the Henley Passport Index. India ranks 82nd, allowing visa-free entry to 58 countries.



- **Singapore:** Visa-free access to 195 destinations, ranking first.
- **Joint Second:** France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Spain, each with visa-free access to 192 destinations.
- **Joint Third:** Austria, Finland, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands, South Korea, Sweden, each with 191 destinations.
- **Fourth Place:** UK, Belgium, Denmark, New Zealand, Norway, Switzerland with 190 destinations.
- **Eighth Place:** US with 186 destinations, continuing its decade-long slide.
- **India's Position 82nd Spot:** India, tied with Senegal and Tajikistan, allows visa-free entry to 58 countries.

## Climate Finance Action Fund

- **Azerbaijan, hosting COP29** from November 11 to 22 this year, has announced the **creation of a Climate Finance Action Fund (CFAF)**.
- This fund will be raised from **fossil fuel producers** to support green projects in developing countries and help member nations **meet the 1.5°C temperature target**.



- **CFAF aims to mobilize both public and private sectors**, with Azerbaijan as the founding contributor.
- It plans to **attract \$1 billion** and secure at least **10 contributing countries**. **50% of CFAF** will be used for climate projects, including clean energy technology and climate resilience.
- The **remaining 50% will support** nations in meeting their Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs).



- **Additionally, 20% of revenues** will fund a Rapid Response Funding Facility (2R2F) for disaster relief.
- The fund will be **headquartered in Baku**, with an independent audit committee providing quarterly reports. A working group of international financial experts will help develop the fund's management and funding mechanisms.

## Green Charcoal Plant In Haryana

- **Municipal Corporations of Gurugram and Faridabad** are all set to establish two waste-to-charcoal plants, also known as **green coal plants**, in the two districts at a **cost of ₹500 crore each**.
- They added that these plants would convert **1,500 tonne of waste daily into charcoal** using indigenous technology.



- A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between **NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Limited (NVVNL)**, a wholly owned subsidiary of NTPC Limited, and the **Municipal Corporations of Gurugram and Faridabad**.



- “NTPC will soon take possession of the land and start setting up the plants, which are expected to be **completed in about 30 months**. These plants will be based entirely on indigenous technology,” CM Saini said.
- The establishment of these plants **aims to support Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s Swachh Bharat campaign**, making Gurugram and Faridabad garbage-free, said Saini.
- “**This torrefied charcoal** will be used in power generation plants, reducing the use of mineral coal. He stated that this effort will play a crucial role in significantly enhancing urban cleanliness and promoting environmental sustainability in Gurugram and Faridabad,” .

## World Leaders Summit 2024

- **World Leaders Summit 2024** is a pivotal event bringing together influential figures at the historic **House of Lords in the UK Parliament**.
- This summit represents a significant opportunity for global dialogue and collaboration in addressing **urgent international issues** such as climate change, economic disparity, and technological advancements.



- The **House of Lords, a symbol of stability and leadership** on a worldwide scale, is an apt venue for the summit. The world’s top officials may work together in this setting, which is crucial for solving complex problems.
- The varied backgrounds of the leaders in attendance boost creative problem-solving and increase the likelihood of genuine, cross-border relationships. **World Leaders Summit 2024** sparked vital conversations on pressing global issues. Economic Growth: Discussions centered on promoting sustainable, inclusive economic development.

- **Sustainable Development:** Emphasised the need for actionable plans to balance economic growth and environmental preservation.
- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** Explored harnessing AI's potential while addressing its risks.
- **Healthcare Access:** Addressed the equitable distribution of resources post-pandemic.
- **Technology's Role:** Examined digital transformation's impact on governance and public engagement.

## Paris Olympics 2024

- **Paris Olympics 2024,** India's journey will begin today, a day before the Opening Ceremony. **Archers Deepika Kumari, Ankita Bhakat,** Bhajan Kaur, and B. Dhiraj, along with Tarundeep Rai and Pravin Jadhav, will compete in the individual ranking round.
- Indian contingent **aims to break the Olympics medal** drought in archery.
- After the ranking rounds, the competition will shift to a matchplay phase. India will compete in **all five archery events in Paris:** men's and women's teams, individual, and mixed categories.
- **In total, 128 athletes** have qualified for archery at the Paris games, 64 women and 64 men. The ranking rounds rules provide all qualifiers with 72 arrows, with a target placed 70 metres away.

TIME	EVENT	ATHLETES
01:00 PM IST	ARCHERY: WOMEN'S INDIVIDUAL RANKING ROUND	ANKITA BHAKAT BHAJAN KAUR DEEPIKA KUMARI
05:45 PM IST	ARCHERY: MEN'S INDIVIDUAL RANKING ROUND	TARUNDEEP RAI PRAVIN JADHAV DHIRAJ BOMMADEVARA

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## REVIEW QUESTIONS

**1. World's Most Powerful Passport**

- A. Denmark
- B. Singapore
- C. India
- D. Japan

**ANSWER: B**

**2. World Leaders Summit 2024 Held In**

- A. USA
- B. China
- C. UK
- D. South Korea

**ANSWER: C**

**3. Total \_\_\_\_\_ Athletes Have Qualified For Archery At The Paris Games**

- A. 64
- B. 115
- C. 128
- D. 145

**ANSWER: C**

**4. How Many Houses Were Constructed Under PM-AWAS-Gramin**

- A. 1.63 crore
- B. 2.13 crore
- C. 2.63 crore
- D. 3.13 crore

**ANSWER: C**

**5. What Was The Unemployment Rate In India In 2022-23**

- A. 2.2%
- B. 3.2%
- C. 4.2%
- D. 5.2%

**ANSWER: B**



**6. Average Annual Growth Rate Of Agriculture Sector Over Last Five Years**

- A. 3.18%
- B. 3.68%
- C. 4.18%
- D. 4.68%

**ANSWER: C**

**7. Industrial Growth Rate Supporting Overall Economic Growth In FY24**

- A. 7.5%
- B. 8.5%
- C. 9.5%
- D. 10.5%

**ANSWER: C**

**8. Percentage Of The Global Market Share Did India's Electronics Manufacturing Account For In FY22**

- A. 1.7%
- B. 2.7%
- C. 3.7%
- D. 4.7%

**ANSWER: C**

**9. What Was The Pace Of National Highway Construction By FY24**

- A. Around 24 km per day
- B. Around 29 km per day
- C. Around 34 km per day
- D. Around 39 km per day

**ANSWER: C**

**10. Current Account Deficit (CAD) As A Percentage Of GDP In FY24**

- A. 0.5%
- B. 0.7%
- C. 1.0%
- D. 1.5%

**ANSWER: B**

**11. How Much Credit Was Disbursed By Scheduled Commercial Banks In FY24**

- A. ₹124.3 lakh crore
- B. ₹144.3 lakh crore
- C. ₹164.3 lakh crore
- D. ₹184.3 lakh crore

**ANSWER: C**

**12. Capital Formation Was Facilitated By Primary Capital Markets In FY24**

- A. ₹8.9 lakh crore
- B. ₹9.9 lakh crore
- C. ₹10.9 lakh crore
- D. ₹11.9 lakh crore

**ANSWER: C**

**13. By How Much Were LPG Cylinder Prices Reduced In August 2023**

- A. ₹100
- B. ₹150
- C. ₹200
- D. ₹250

**ANSWER: C**

**14. What Was India's Share In Global Goods Exports In FY24**

- A. 1.4%
- B. 1.6%
- C. 1.8%
- D. 2.0%

**ANSWER: C**

**15. By What Percentage Did Services Exports Grow In FY24**

- A. 2.9%
- B. 3.9%
- C. 4.9%
- D. 5.9%

**ANSWER: C**

**16. What Was External Debt To GDP Ratio At The End Of March 2024**

- A. 16.7%
- B. 17.7%
- C. 18.7%
- D. 19.7%

**ANSWER: C**

**17. How Many Ayushman Bharat Cards Were Generated**

- A. 24.7 crore
- B. 29.7 crore
- C. 34.7 crore
- D. 39.7 crore

**ANSWER: C**

**18. What Was Decline In Youth Unemployment From 2017-18 To 2022-23**

- A. 5.8%
- B. 6.8%
- C. 7.8%
- D. 8.8%

**ANSWER: C**

**19. What Percentage Of India's Installed Electricity Generation Capacity Is Targeted To Come From Non-fossil Sources By 2030**

- A. 40%
- B. 45%
- C. 50%
- D. 55%

**ANSWER: C**

**20. Government Has Responsibility To Ensure Availability Of Which Among Following To All Consumers Regardless Of Their Ability To Pay Price**

- A. Giffen Goods
- B. Supplementary Goods
- C. Merit Goods
- D. Complementary Goods

**ANSWER: C**