

# Current Affairs 16 July, 2024

## National

### 1. Foundation of India's Longest Urban Tunnel Project



Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently laid the foundation for India's longest urban tunnel project in Maharashtra. This tunnel aims to alleviate traffic congestion and improve connectivity in the urban area, significantly boosting the region's infrastructure and economic development.

### 2. E-Mobility R&D Roadmap for India



Ajay Kumar Sood, the Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India, recently launched the report on the e-mobility R&D roadmap for India. This report outlines strategic research and development initiatives to accelerate the adoption of electric mobility solutions in the country.

### 3. India Launches First National Toll-Free Anti-Narcotics Helpline



India is set to launch its first national toll-free anti-narcotics helpline, '1933', alongside an email service under the name MANAS (Madak Padarth Nisedh Asuchna Kendra). Scheduled for launch by Union Home Minister Amit Shah during the seventh Narco-Coordination Centre meeting on July 18, the helpline aims to provide a user-friendly platform for citizens to report drug-related crimes and seek assistance 24×7.

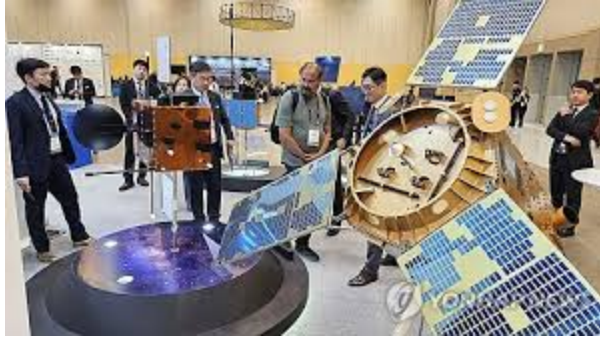
#### 4. Uttarakhand Opens Its First-Ever Bird Gallery In Dehradun



Uttarakhand's Forest Department opened the state's first bird gallery at the Nature Education Centre, Jolly Grant, in Dehradun on July 15. The gallery showcases high-resolution images of Uttarakhand's birds, offering an eye-catching display of the state's diverse avian life.

## International

#### 5. Global Conference on Space Research



The global conference on space research was organized in Busan, South Korea. This event gathered leading scientists, researchers, and space enthusiasts from around the world to discuss advancements, challenges, and future directions in space exploration and research.

#### **6. Second Asia Pacific (APAC) Ministerial Conference**



The second Asia Pacific (APAC) ministerial conference will be held in India. This conference aims to foster regional cooperation and discuss key issues related to sustainable development, economic growth, and regional security among APAC countries.

#### **7. World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2024**



The World Heritage Young Professionals Forum 2024 is being organized by the Archaeological Survey of India. This forum brings together young professionals from around the world to engage in discussions and activities related to heritage conservation, cultural preservation, and sustainable management of World Heritage Sites.

## **Science & Tech**

## 8. ICAR's 'One Scientist-One Product' Program



The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has launched the 'One Scientist-One Product' program to enhance research in agriculture and animal husbandry. This initiative aims to leverage the expertise of individual scientists to develop innovative solutions and products that address specific challenges in these fields.

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