

Current Affairs 18th July 2024

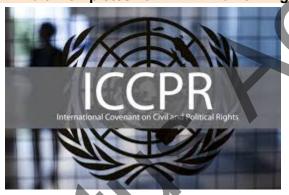
National News

1. **India Prepares to Sign Headquarters Agreement with Global Biofuels Alliance**



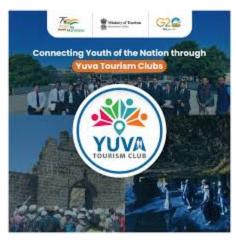
- India is set to formalize its role in the Global Biofuels Alliance (GBA) by signing a headquarters agreement, marking a key step in global sustainable energy initiatives.

2. **India Completes 4th ICCPR Human Rights Review**



- India successfully completed its 4th review under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR), emphasizing its commitment to human rights protection.

3.**Arunachal Pradesh Launches 'Yuva Tourism Club'**



- Swapnil Naik, the Tourism Secretary of Arunachal Pradesh, launched the Yuva Tourism Club' in Itanagar.

4. **NITI Aayog Releases Export Preparedness Index 2022*



- Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Karnataka, and Gujarat were recognized as the top performers in the Export Preparedness Index 2022 report released by NITI Aayog.

International News

5. **Elon Musk Announces Relocation of X and SpaceX Headquarters to Texas**



- Elon Musk announced that the headquarters of his companies, X and SpaceX, will move from California to Texas, intensifying his ongoing disputes with California.

State News

6 . *Maharashtra CM Eknath Shinde Announces Ladla Bhai Yojana**



- Chief Minister Eknath Shinde launched the Ladla Bhai Yojana to provide financial assistance and tackle unemployment for boys in Maharashtra, following the Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana for girls.

Sports

7. **Carlos Alcaraz Wins Wimbledon 2023**



- Spain's Carlos Alcaraz ended Novak Djokovic's long reign to win his first Wimbledon title in 2023, marking his second Grand Slam title.

8. **Victoria Will Not Host 2026 Commonwealth Games**



- Australia's state of Victoria announced it would not host the 2026 Commonwealth Games due to projected excessive expenditures.

Science & Tech

9. **ISRO Performs Second Orbit-Raising Maneuver of Chandrayaan-3**



- ISRO successfully executed the second orbit-raising maneuver of the Chandrayaan-3 mission.