

# Current Affairs: 24 July 2024

## National News

### 1. **\*\*TIDCO Gets Site Clearance for Parandur Airport\*\***:



- Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation (TIDCO) receives site clearance to develop a ₹20,000 crore greenfield airport at Parandur, which will handle 10 crore passengers annually.

### 2. **\*\*Shiksha Saptah Observance\*\***:



- The Department of School Education and Literacy marks the fourth anniversary of NEP 2020 with 'Shiksha Saptah' from July 22-28, featuring theme-based days like Teaching-Learning Material Day and Sports Day.

### 3. **\*\*Atal Innovation Mission and WIPO Collaboration\*\***:



- Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) and World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) sign a Letter of Intent to build joint innovation programs for the Global South, enhancing IP awareness and innovation potential.

#### 4. **\*\*NTPC Green Charcoal Plant in Haryana\*\***:



- NTPC Vidyut Vyapar Nigam Ltd. to set up two green charcoal plants in Gurugram and Faridabad, converting municipal waste into charcoal as part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Abhiyan.

## International News

#### 5. **\*\*China's High-Speed Carbon Fiber Train\*\***:



- China unveils the world's first carbon fiber-only passenger train, reducing energy consumption by 7% and reaching speeds of 87 mph.

## Sports

#### 6. **\*\*Nuno Borges Wins Swedish Open\*\***:



- Nuno Borges of Portugal defeats Rafael Nadal to win his first ATP Tour title at the Swedish Open.

## Banking and Financial

### 7. **\*\*SIDBI Green Financing Fund\*\***:



- SIDBI to create a \$1 billion fund for green financing with \$215 million from the Green Climate Fund, supporting MSMEs in renewable energy and climate-resilient projects.

### 8. **\*\*BoB Launches AI-Powered Virtual Relationship Manager\*\***:



- Bank of Baroda introduces a Generative AI-powered virtual relationship manager to enhance customer service and a credit line on UPI for easier payments.

## Important Days

### 9. **\*\*National Broadcasting Day (23 July)\*\***:



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Broadcasting Day  
23 July**

- Celebrated to honor the inception of radio broadcasting in India in 1927.

### 10. **\*\*National Income Tax Day (24 July)\*\***:



- Commemorates the introduction of income tax in India in 1860.