

Current Affairs : 12th November 2024

National

1. **Supreme Court Overturns 1967 Ruling on AMU's Minority Status**



The Supreme Court has overturned its 1967 ruling, which denied Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) the status of a minority institution. This judgment could pave the way for AMU's reassessment under Article 30 of the Indian Constitution, which protects the rights of minorities to establish and administer educational institutions.

2. **5th National EMRS Fest Celebrates Tribal Heritage & Birsa Munda's Legacy**



The National Education Society for Tribal Students (NESTS) is hosting the 5th National EMRS Cultural & Literary Fest from November 12-15, 2024, in Bhubaneswar, Odisha. The event honors the 150th birth anniversary of Birsa Munda and celebrates tribal heritage.

3. **55th International Film Festival of India (IFFI)**



The IFFI 2024 will be held in Goa, celebrating global cinema. This year, Australia is the Country of Focus, and veteran filmmaker Phillip Noyce will receive the prestigious Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement Award.

International

4. **Leadership Shift in Mauritius**



The opposition in Mauritius has secured victory in the legislative elections, with Dr. Navin Ramgoolam set to become the new Prime Minister for the third time.

5. **India-Sri Lanka Coast Guard Meet**



The Indian and Sri Lankan Coast Guard held their 7th Annual High-Level Meeting in Colombo on November 11, 2024, to enhance regional maritime security.

6. **India's Space Defense Exercise - Antariksha Abhyas 2024**



India launched its first-ever space defense exercise, "Antariksha Abhyas 2024," focused on addressing threats to space-based assets and services.

Economy and Business



Tata Power has invested Rs 550 crore to supply renewable energy to Noida International Airport, supporting its sustainability goals.

Science and Technology

8. **Fire-Resilient Plant Species Discovered in Western Ghats**



A new species of Dicliptera, known for its fire-resistant properties and dual-blooming behavior, has been discovered in the Northern Western Ghats of India.

9. **IIT Madras and ISRO Collaborate on Spacecraft Thermal Research Centre**



IIT Madras is partnering with ISRO to establish a Centre of Excellence in Fluid and Thermal Sciences to enhance space exploration research.

Appointments

10. **Sonu Sood Appointed Brand Ambassador for Thailand**



Actor Sonu Sood has been appointed as the Brand Ambassador and Honorary Tourism Advisor for Thailand.

Important Days

11. **World Pneumonia Day 2024**



November 12 is observed as World Pneumonia Day to raise awareness about pneumonia, focusing on prevention and treatment.