

# **Current Affairs: 14th November 2024**

#### 1. Website Launched for 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas in Bhubaneswar



The 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) is set to take place in Bhubaneswar, Odisha, from January 8 to 10, 2025, in collaboration with the state government. To facilitate participants, a dedicated website has been launched to provide event details and enable online registrations. This grand event, celebrating the contributions of the Indian diaspora, will be inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

## 2. Supreme Court Issues Guidelines to Curb Illegal Property Demolitions



On November 13, 2024, the Supreme Court of India issued important guidelines to address the issue of illegal demolitions carried out based on mere allegations of crimes. The judgment mandates authorities to adhere strictly to due process, ensuring that citizens' fundamental rights under Article 21 (Right to Life and Personal Liberty) are not violated. This landmark decision seeks to prevent unjust actions without evidence or a fair trial.

3. India International Trade Fair 2024 Returns to Pragati Maidan



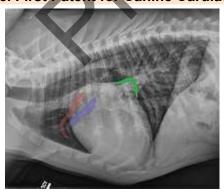
The 43rd India International Trade Fair (IITF) is being hosted at Pragati Maidan in Delhi from November 14 to 27, 2024. With the theme "Vocal for Local, Local to Global," the event emphasizes India's self-reliance and its efforts to boost exports. Over 3,500 exhibitors, including participants from 11 countries, are showcasing a wide array of products and services, attracting significant attention from the global market.

#### 4. Government Invests ₹13.3 Crore Under National Technical Textiles Mission



The Indian government has approved 12 innovative research projects under the National Technical Textiles Mission, with an allocation of ₹13.3 crore. These projects focus on enhancing India's capabilities in technical textiles, particularly in defense, agriculture, and medical applications. The initiative is expected to strengthen India's position as a global leader in the technical textile sector.

#### 5. First Patent for Canine Cardiac Disorder Treatment Granted



Scarecrow Inc., a Japan-based company, has been granted the first-ever patent for a groundbreaking treatment for canine cardiac disorders. The patented medicine, Pinfenon (S) (R), has been effective in reducing atrial natriuretic peptide (ANP) levels in dogs. This innovative development represents a significant step forward in veterinary medicine, offering hope for better care for dogs with heart conditions.

## 6. Dominica to Award Its Highest National Honour to PM Modi



Dominica is set to honor Prime Minister Narendra Modi with its highest national award during the upcoming India-CARICOM Summit in Guyana. This award recognizes his exceptional leadership and India's pivotal role during the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly in providing vaccines to nations in need. The accolade reflects India's rising global stature under Modi's leadership.

# 7. Trump Picks Elise Stefanik as U.N. Ambassador



Former U.S. President Donald Trump has announced Elise Stefanik as his choice for the U.N. Ambassador role if he returns to power. Stefanik is known for her strong support for Israel and her strategic leadership within the Republican Party. Her appointment is expected to bolster U.S. diplomacy and reinforce Trump's international policies.

#### 8. Amaravati Capital Project Secures ₹13,500 Crore Loan



The World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB) have approved a joint loan of ₹13,500 crore for the development of Amaravati, the proposed capital of Andhra Pradesh. The funding will be utilized to construct sustainable infrastructure, including eco-friendly buildings and efficient public service systems. This ambitious project aims to transform Amaravati into a modern, inclusive capital city.

## 9. Indian Navy to Conduct Coastal Defence Exercise, 'Sea Vigil-24'



India's largest coastal defense exercise, Sea Vigil-24, is scheduled to take place on November 20 and 21, 2024. It will involve 21 government agencies, including security forces, to assess and strengthen India's coastal security framework. Simulated scenarios will test inter-agency coordination and readiness to counter potential maritime threats.

# 10. Swami Vivekananda Vidya Mandir Inaugurated in Silvassa



President Droupadi Murmu inaugurated the Swami Vivekananda Vidya Mandir school in Silvassa on November 13, 2024. She interacted with students during the event, participating in

games and poetry recitation to motivate young learners. The school aims to provide quality education and instill the values championed by Swami Vivekananda.

