

Current Affairs: 9th Nov; 2024

National

1. **Bengaluru Unveils First Digital Population Clock at ISEC**



- Bengaluru launched its first digital population clock at the Institute for Social and Economic Change (ISEC). This clock will provide real-time population estimates for Karnataka and India, helping citizens and policymakers stay informed.

2. **Centre Doubles Stubble Burning Penalty**



- The Union Ministry of Environment has doubled fines for stubble burning after the Supreme Court criticized the previous penalties under the Environment Protection Act. This move aims to address air quality issues in Delhi and neighboring regions.

3. **ATMOS 2024: Tech Fest at BITS Pilani, Hyderabad**



- ATMOS 2024, a major tech fest at BITS Pilani's Hyderabad campus, is underway, featuring robotics, drone racing, and hackathons. The event celebrates innovation and technology.

4. ****NTPC Celebrates 50th Raising Day****



- NTPC Ltd. celebrated 50 years of powering India's energy sector, reflecting on its role in sustainable energy development.

5. ****Government Invites Proposals for Green Hydrogen Excellence Centers****



- India's Ministry of New and Renewable Energy has invited proposals to set up Centers of Excellence for research under the National Green Hydrogen Mission.

Business

6. ****India Becomes Second Largest Smartphone Market****



- India's smartphone market is now the second largest globally, with a 15.5% share in global shipments, behind China. India also ranks third by market value.

Defence

7. ****India-Australia Joint Military Drill - Austrahind****



- The third edition of the joint military exercise *Austrahind* commenced in Pune, Maharashtra. It will run from November 8-21, 2024.

Appointment

8. ****Harsha Vardhan Agarwal to Take Over as FICCI President****



- Harsha Vardhan Agarwal will assume the role of President of FICCI from November 21, 2024, after serving as Senior Vice President.

Important Days

9. **World Adoption Day**



- Observed on November 9, World Adoption Day raises awareness about the impact of adoption on children's lives, promoting the importance of providing stable family environments.

10. **Uttarakhand Foundation Day**



- Celebrated on November 9, Uttarakhand Foundation Day marks the formation of the state, recognizing its cultural and historical significance.