

Current Affairs - 15 December 2024

National News:

1. Rajmarg Saathi



The National Highways Authority of India (NHA) has launched a new initiative, 'Rajmarg Saathi', to enhance road safety. Special vehicles equipped with **AI video analytics** will patrol highways, identifying road cracks, potholes, and ensuring better monitoring.

2. Sri Lankan President's Visit to India



President Anura Kumara Dissanayake of Sri Lanka visited India for a 3-day official trip. His discussions focused on **economic cooperation, tourism, and energy** between the two nations, strengthening the **Indo-Sri Lanka** partnership.

3. Geoscience Museum Inauguration



Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar inaugurated the **Geoscience Museum** in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh. The museum showcases the wonders of Earth sciences, aiming to promote **scientific knowledge** and **public engagement** in geology.

International News:

4. Bangladesh's Victory Day Celebration



Bangladesh commemorates its **Victory Day** on December 16, marking its liberation from Pakistan in 1971. Indian and Bangladeshi war veterans participated in the joint celebrations, symbolizing the strong bond between the two countries.

5. UK Joins CPTPP



The **United Kingdom** became the **first European nation** to join the **Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)**, expanding its trade opportunities with member nations across the Pacific.

6. South Korean President Impeached



South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol was impeached by parliament over his controversial martial law declaration. The impeachment suspends his powers until a constitutional court decision is made.

Other Notable News:

7. Women's Junior Asia Cup 2024



India won the **Women's Junior Asia Cup** in Muscat, Oman, defeating China 3-2 in a

thrilling penalty shootout, retaining the title they won in 2023.

8. Moldova Embassy in India



India and Moldova marked a new milestone in bilateral relations with the inauguration of the **Embassy of Moldova** in New Delhi by **Dr. S. Jaishankar** and **Mihail Popsoi**.