

Current Affairs - 7 December 2024

1. India Wins ISSA Award



India received the ISSA Good Practice Award for Asia-Pacific 2024, with EPFO earning Certificates of Merit for innovations like multilingual call centers and reforms in social security delivery.

2. External Affairs Minister at Doha Forum



Dr. S. Jaishankar attended the 22nd Doha Forum in Qatar and will co-chair the India-Bahrain High Joint Commission to discuss innovation and regional prosperity.

3. Krishnaveni Sangeetha Festival in Andhra Pradesh



The festival in Vijayawada promotes Carnatic music, traditional crafts, and GI-tagged products to boost "Music Tourism" and cultural heritage.

4. Launch of PM e-Vidya ISL Channel



A 24x7 Indian Sign Language (ISL) channel was launched to promote inclusive education and bridge communication gaps for the hearing impaired.

5. Copernicus Sentinel-1C Satellite Launched



The satellite was launched to enhance Earth observation and maritime tracking with high-resolution radar imagery.

6. India Chairs UN Narcotic Drugs Commission



India's UN envoy Shambhu Kumaran chaired the 68th CND session, focusing on global drug policy and representing developing nations.

7. Pooja Sharma on BBC's 100 Women List



Recognized for performing last rites for 4,000 unclaimed bodies, Pooja Sharma's "Bright The Soul Foundation" supports marginalized groups.

8. China Bans Exports to the US



China restricted the export of critical minerals like gallium and germanium, citing national security amid rising trade tensions with the US.