



CURRENT AFFAIRS OF NOVEMBER 2024

Awards

The classical pianist and conductor and Palestinian peace activist who have been conferred the 2023 Indira Gandhi Prize for Peace, Disarmament, and Development – **Daniel Barenboim and Ali Abu Awwad**

The sci-fi novel written by English novelist Samantha Harvey which has been awarded the Booker Prize 2024 – **Orbital**

Defence

The 13th edition of bilateral exercise between the Indian Army and Singapore Armed Forces held at Field Firing Ranges, Devlali (Maharashtra) from 20 to 30th November 2024 was named – **Exercise AGNI WARRIOR (XAW-2024)**

The Space Table Top Exercise conducted from 11 - 13 Nov 2024 by Defence Space Agency of Headquarters Integrated Defence Staff aimed at bolstering the strategic readiness of the Indian Armed Forces in the domain of space warfare was named – **Antariksha Abhyas-2024**

The 5th Edition of Vietnam and India Bilateral Army Exercise conducted from 04 to 23 November 2024 at Ambala and Chandimandir is named – **Exercise VINBAX 2024**

The 3rd edition of joint military exercise by the forces of India and Australia conducted at Foreign Training Node, Pune from 8th to 21st November 2024 is named – **Exercise AUSTRAHIND**

The 9th edition of India-Indonesia Joint Special Forces Exercise conducted from 1st to 12th of November 2024 at Cijantung, Jakarta, Indonesia is named – **Exercise GARUD SHAKTI 24**

The 15th edition of India-US joint Special Forces Exercise conducted from 2nd to 22nd November 2024 at Orchard Combat Training Centre in Idaho, USA is named – **Exercise VAJRA PRAHAR**

Persons

The leading industrialist and co-founder of Essar Group who passed away on 25 November 2024 – **Shri Shashi Ruia**

The former Chief Minister of Odisha, freedom fighter, leader of the Indian National Congress, popularly known as Utkal Keshari, to commemorate whose 125th birth anniversary, the Department of Posts has released a postal stamp – **Dr. Harekrushna Mahtab**

The IAS Officer from Himachal Pradesh cadre who has taken over as the new Comptroller and Auditor General of India – **Mr. K Sanjay Murthy**

The contestant from Denmark who has been crowned Miss Universe 2024 at a beauty pageant held at the Arena CDMX in Mexico City, Mexico – **Ms. Victoria Kjær Theilvig**

The renowned Saaranghi player of Indian classical music who passed away on 09 November 2024 – **Pandit Ram Narayan**

The Judge of the Supreme Court who has taken over as the 51st Chief Justice of India on the retirement of Chief Justice YV Chandrachud – **Chief Justice Sanjiv Khanna**

The Indian folk and classical singer (mainly Maithili and Bhojpuri languages) also known as Bihar Kokila, who passed away on 05 November 2024 – **Smt Sharda Sinha**

The well-known Indian fashion designer who passed away on 01 November 2024 – **Rohit Bal**

The Indian economist and Chairman of Economic Advisory Council to the Prime Minister who passed away on 01 November 2024 – **Dr. Bibek Debroy**

Places

The place in Haryana where India's first Constitution Museum was inaugurated by Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla and Union Law minister Arjun Ram Meghwal – **OP Jindal University, Sonipat**

The venue of 2024 G20 summit held from 18–19 November 2024 – **Rio de Janeiro**

Sports

The Indian freestyle wrestler who has been banned for a period of 4 years by National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA) for violating the anti-doping code – **Bajrang Punia**

The cricketer from Bihar who has become the youngest player ever to sign a contract in Indian Premier League, joining the Rajasthan Royals at age 13 for ₹1.10 cr. – **Vaibhav Suryavanshi**

The team which has won the 14th Hockey India Senior Men's Championship defeating Haryana in the finals in Chennai, Tamil Nadu – **Odisha**

The Indian billiards player who has won the IBSF World Billiards Championship for the 28th time – **Pankaj Advani**

The Indian cricketer who has announced his retirement from all forms of the game after the 2024-25 Ranji Trophy season – **Wriddhiman Saha**

Miscellaneous

The national park in Madhya Pradesh where 10 elephants have died under suspicious circumstances from 29 to 31 October 2024 – **Bandhavgarh National Park**

FIH Awards 2024

Player of the Year 2024 (Men): **Harmanpreet Singh** (India)

Player of the Year 2024 (Women): **Yibbi Jansen** (Netherlands)

Goalkeeper of the Year 2024 (Men): **PR Sreejesh** (India)

Goalkeeper of the Year 2024 (Women): **Ye Jiao** (China)

LignoSat

Made by: **Kyoto University, Japan**

LignoSat is world's first satellite made of wood. The satellite was assembled through a traditional Japanese crafts technique without screws or glue but has some traditional aluminium structures and electronic components.

Size: It measures 10 centimetres (3.9 in) on each side, and weighs 900 grams.

Launched on: November 5, 2024 by SpaceX's Falcon 9 Block 5 rocket

Launched from: Kennedy Space Center in Florida to the International Space Station' LC-39A. It will be deployed into orbit via the Kibō module sometime within month.

Important Days of November 2024

World Tsunami Awareness Day: 05 November

Designated by: United Nations General Assembly

First Observed in: 2016

Theme: **Lessons from the 2004 Indian Ocean Tsunami for the Next Generation**

<p>World Science Day for Peace and Development: 10 November Designated by: UNESCO Theme: Youth at the forefront First Observed in: 2001</p>
<p>World Pneumonia Day: 12 November Designated by: WHO First Observed in: 2009</p>
<p>World Diabetes Day: 14 November Designated by: International Diabetes Federation Theme: Diabetes and Well-being First Observed in: 1991 by IDF, adopted by UN in 2006</p>
<p>International Day for Tolerance: 16 November Designated by: United Nations General Assembly First observed in: 1995</p>
<p>World Toilet Day: 19 November Designated by: World Toilet Organisation Theme: Toilets: A Place for Peace First Observed in: 2001 by World Toilet Organisation and accepted by UN in 2013</p>
<p>World Childrens' Day: 20 November Designated by: UN General Assembly Theme: Listen to the Future Day established in: 1954</p>
<p>World Philosophy Day: (3rd Thursday of Nov) 21 November Designated by: UNESCO First Observed in: 2002</p>
<p>World Television Day: 21 November Designated by: UN General Assembly Day established in: 1997</p>
<p>World Fisheries Day: 21 November Designated by: World Fisheries Forum First Observed in: 1997</p>
<p>International Day for Elimination of Violence against Women: 25 November Designated by: United Nations General Assembly Campaign Slogan: Every 10 Minutes, a woman is killed. #NoExcuse. UNiTE to End Violence against Women First Observed in: 2000</p>
<p>National Milk Day: 26 November Designated by: Indian Dairy Association Occasion: Birth anniversary of Dr. Verghese Kurien First Observed in: 2014</p>

2024 Women's Asian Champions Trophy (Hockey)

Held from: 11 November to 20 November 2024

Host city: **Rajgir** (Bihar)

Teams: 6 (India, China, Japan, Malaysia, South Korea, Thailand)

Winners: **India**

Runners-up: **China**

Top scorer: **Deepika Sehrawat** (11 goals)

Best player: **Deepika Sehrawat**

Best young player: **Tan Jinzhuang** (China)

Best goalkeeper: **Yu Kudo** (Japan)

55th International Film Festival of India

Venue: Goa

Held from 20 to 28 November 2024

Theme: **Young Filmmakers: The Future is Now**

Satyajit Ray Lifetime Achievement award: **Australian film director Phillip Noyce**

No. of films screened: 180.

Opening film: **Better Man (British)**

Closing film: **Dry Season (Czech)**

Best Debut Director of Indian Feature Film: **Gharat Ganpati (Marathi)** by Navjyot Bandiwadekar

ICFT-UNESCO Gandhi Medal: **Crossing** directed by Levan Akin

Golden Peacock for the Best Film: **Toxic** (Lithuanian)

Silver Peacock for Best Director: **Bogdan Muresanu** for The New Year That Never Came (Romania)

Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Male): **Clement Favreau** for Holy Cow

Silver Peacock for Best Actor (Female): **Vesta Matulyte and Vilma Raubaite** for Toxic

Special Jury Award: **Holy Cow** by Louise Courvoisier, France

Award for Best Debut Feature Film of a Director: **Familiar Touch** by Sarah Friedland

Indian Film Personality of the Year: **Vikrant Massey**

Special Recognition for Contribution to Bharatiya Cinema Award: **Allu Arjun**

Best Web Series (OTT) Award: **Marathi Web series 'Lampan'**

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