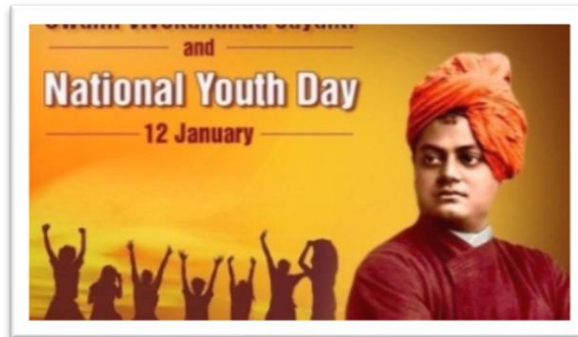


## 12 January, 2022 Current Affairs

### 1. National Youth Day 2022: Nation Observes National Youth Day on January 12



- In India, the National Youth Day is celebrated on 12 January annually to commemorate the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda.
- The main aim behind this is to make sure that the students across the country can be encouraged to learn about the life, the ideas and philosophy of Swami Vivekananda and apply them in their lives.
- In 2022, we are observing the 159th birth anniversary of Swami Vivekanand (12 January 1863). The theme for National Youth Day 2022 is "It's all in the mind."
- The decision to celebrate Vivekananda's birthday as National Youth Day was taken in 1984, and it was first marked on January 12, 1985.

## 2. CM Himanta Biswa Sarma hand over appointment letter to Lovlina as DSP in Assam Police



- Tokyo Olympic Bronze medalist Lovlina Borgohain was appointed as Deputy Superintendent of Police, DSP in Assam Police.
- Assam Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma has handed over the appointment letter to Lovlina in Guwahati.
- The appointment was made as per the sports policy of the Assam government.

## 3. Chennai International Airport ranks 8th in Global List for 'On-Time Performance'



- The Chennai International Airport is one of the top 10 large international airports in the world that ensures 'on-time' departures.
- In a review conducted by Cirium, an organisation that specialises in offering aviation data to travel, finance, aerospace, and aviation industries,

the airport has been ranked 8th for 'on-time performance' for the year 2021.

- According to the latest traffic figures of Chennai Airport, it has done recovery of 80 % in domestic traffic. It is the sixth busiest airport in India.
- Besides that, Chennai airport is the only Indian airport to figure in the top 10 positions of the list.
- The first three positions have been bagged by United State's Miami Airport, Fukuoka Airport, and Haneda Airport in Japan.

#### 4. Pig heart transplanted into a human in historic first



- The patient is a 57-year-old man called David Bennett from Maryland. There was no guarantee that the experiment would work but he was dying and was not eligible for a human heart transplant.
- In a historic first, US doctors transplanted a pig heart into a human patient at a Maryland hospital on January 10, 2022. The surgery went miraculously well and the patient was doing well three days after surgery.
- The doctors transplanted a pig heart into the patient in the last effort to save his life. It is though too soon to know if the operation will really work.
- The patient is a 57-year-old man called David Bennett from Maryland.

## 5. UNESCO agrees to publish Hindi descriptions of India's World Heritage Sites on its website



- UNESCO's World Heritage Centre has agreed to publish Hindi descriptions of India's UNESCO World Heritage Sites on its website.
- The permanent delegation of India to UNESCO announced this on 11 January 2022.
- In a tweet, Education and Skill Development Minister Dharmendra Pradhan welcomed the decision. Hindi is a matter of pride for every Indian and Hindi lover.
- The popularity of Indian languages on the global stage is encouraging.
- The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO): is a specialised agency of the United Nations (UN) aimed at promoting world peace and security through the international cooperation in education, the arts, the sciences, and culture.
- It has 193 member states and 11 associate members, as well as partners in the non-governmental, intergovernmental, and private sector.

**Formation:** 16 November 1945

**Headquarters:** World Heritage Centre Paris, France

**Director-General:** Audrey Azoulay

## 6. PM Modi inaugurates 11 New Government Medical Colleges across Tamil Nadu



- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated 11 New Government Medical Colleges across Tamil Nadu and the new campus of Central Institute of Classical Tamil in Chennai via video conferencing on 12 January 2022.
- The new medical colleges have been established at an estimated cost of about 4,000 crore rupees. Of this amount, around 2,145 crore rupees have been provided by the Union government and rest by the Tamil Nadu government.
- The districts in which the new Medical Colleges have been established are Virudhunagar, Namakkal, The Nilgiris, Tiruppur, Thiruvallur, Nagapattinam, Dindigul, Kallakurichi, Ariyalur, Ramanathapuram and Krishnagiri.
- Establishment of these medical colleges is in line with the Prime Minister's constant endeavour to promote affordable medical education and improve health infrastructure in all parts of the country.
- The new medical colleges, with cumulative capacity of 1,450 seats, have been established under the Centrally Sponsored scheme of 'Establishing of New Medical Colleges attached with existing district and referral hospital'.

- Under the scheme, medical colleges are established in districts which do not have either a government or private medical college.
- The establishment of a new campus of Central Institute of Classical Tamil in Chennai is in line with the Prime Minister's vision to protect and preserve Indian heritage and promote classical languages.
- The new campus is fully funded by the Union Government. It is built at a cost of 24 Crore rupees.
- The new campus is equipped with a spacious library, an e-library, seminar halls and a multimedia hall.
- The new campus will provide an efficient working environment for the institute in its pursuit of promoting classical Tamil across the world.

**7. SC appoints former SC Judge, Indu Malhotra to head the inquiry committee along with other members**



- The Supreme Court has appointed former SC Judge, Indu Malhotra, as the Chairperson to head the inquiry committee, along with other members.
- The inquiry committee will look into the alleged security breach of Prime Minister's Punjab visit on 5th January 2022.
- A three-judge bench headed by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) Nuthalapati Venkata Ramana and also comprising Justices Surya Kant and Hima Kohli, have passed the order on 12 January 2022.

- While pronouncing the order, the CJI Ramana, leading the bench of the Supreme Court, has said" We appoint a committee headed by Justice (Retired) Indu Malhotra, DG- NIA, DG Security of Punjab and Registrar General of Punjab and Haryana High Court".
- The Apex court has passed the order after hearing a petition filed by NGO, Lawyers Voice, seeking appropriate directions and or orders in the alleged security breach of the Prime Minister, who was on his way to Punjab to address a rally.