

## Top 10 Current Affairs Questions of Today - December 2, 2024

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Let's check this news about (Gujarat's Gharchola Handicraft) Then, we will move ahead.

# Gujarat's Gharchola Handicraft Receives GI Tag Recognition

Gujarat's renowned Gharchola handicraft has received the Geographical Indication (GI) tag, bringing the state's total to 27, with 23 dedicated to handicrafts. This recognition emphasises Gujarat's rich cultural heritage and craftsmanship. Gharchola, traditionally worn at Hindu and Jain weddings, has evolved with modern designs. The GI tag ensures product authenticity, boosts global recognition, and supports artisans. Other GI-tagged handicrafts from Gujarat include Saadeli art, Soof embroidery, and Mata Ni Pacchedi. Government initiatives like Garvi Gurjari and ODOP further promote these crafts.



[Image Source: NDTV]

# International Jaguar Day 2024

International Jaguar Day, observed on November 29, raises awareness about the importance of jaguars and the need for their conservation. Established in 2018 by Panthera, it marks the adoption of the Jaguar Corridor Initiative, protecting jaguar habitats across 18 countries. Jaguars are crucial for ecosystem balance but face threats like habitat loss, human-wildlife conflict, illegal hunting, and climate change. To help, individuals can donate to conservation organisations, promote sustainable practices, spread awareness, and support responsible tourism.

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[Image Source: Mint]

## India has been re-elected to the UN Peacebuilding Commission for the 2025-2026 term

India has been re-elected to the UN Peacebuilding Commission (PBC) for the 2025-2026 term, highlighting its continued commitment to global peace and security. The PBC, established in 2005, supports peace initiatives in conflict-affected regions by coordinating efforts between the UN General Assembly and the Security Council. India, a founding member and major peacekeeping contributor, plays a key role in shaping peacebuilding strategies. The PBC's integrated approach strengthens peace efforts by aligning global initiatives with local needs to ensure sustainable and inclusive outcomes.



[Image Source: BBC News]

## PM Modi is set to inaugurate the Bima Sakhi Yojana in Haryana on December 9th

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On December 9th, Prime Minister Modi will launch the 'Bima Sakhi Yojana' in Panipat, Haryana, to empower women by creating job opportunities in the insurance sector. Under the scheme, women will become LIC agents, promoting financial literacy and independence. This initiative aligns with PM Modi's ongoing commitment to women's welfare, following previous campaigns like 'Beti Bachao Beti Padhao.' Haryana's legacy of women-centred policies further strengthens the state's focus on inclusive growth and women's empowerment.



[Image Source: India Today]

## India and the UK have signed an agreement on electric propulsion

India and the UK have signed a framework agreement to co-design and co-produce electric propulsion systems for future warships, enhancing their defence collaboration. The pact, finalized during the third joint working group meeting in Portsmouth, focuses on advancing electric propulsion for naval projects like Landing Platform Docks to be built in Indian shipyards. The agreement aligns with both nations' commitment to developing advanced, indigenous naval technologies and follows a recent visit by the British Minister for Indo-Pacific, Catherine West, to India.



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# Ashtalakshmi Mahotsav 2024

The Ashtalakshmi Mahotsav 2024, a three-day cultural festival, will be held at Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, from December 6th to 8th. Organized by MDoNER and NEHHDC, it highlights the cultural and economic potential of Northeast India. Over 250 artisans will showcase handicrafts, handlooms, and GI-tagged products. The event features technical sessions, an investor roundtable, buyer-seller meets, a design conclave, and cultural performances. Key performances include acts from the Shillong Chamber Choir and artists from Northeast India. The Mahotsav aims to promote the region's heritage and diversity.



[Image Source: India Today]

# ICG organizes 11th SAREX-2024 off Kochi coast

The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) hosted the 11th edition of the National Maritime Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX-2024) off the Kochi coast, emphasizing maritime safety and regional cooperation. Inaugurated by Defence Secretary Rajesh Kumar Singh, the event featured mock rescue operations, workshops, and discussions. A simulated rescue scenario tested inter-agency coordination. With 38 foreign observers, SAREX-2024 reinforced India's global maritime collaboration and commitment to enhancing search-and-rescue capabilities, aligning with India's SAGAR vision for regional security and growth.

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[Image Source: BBC News]

## India and Sri Lanka's joint operation confiscated 500 kg of crystal meth

India and Sri Lanka's navies carried out a successful joint anti-narcotics operation in the Arabian Sea, seizing 500 kg of crystal meth from two Sri Lankan fishing vessels on November 24-25, 2024. The operation, coordinated through surveillance and intelligence from the Information Fusion Centre – Indian Ocean Region (IFC-IOR), reflects growing collaboration between the two nations. The seized narcotics and crew were handed over to Sri Lankan authorities. This operation strengthens regional security and showcases India's commitment to maritime safety and transnational crime prevention.



[Image Source: India Today]

## Piyush Goyal Launches Portal to Simplify Business Operations

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Piyush Goyal launched the CII Ease of Doing Business (EoDB) and Regulatory Affairs Portal at the 2nd DPIIT-CII National Conference in New Delhi. The portal provides real-time updates on government and CII initiatives, aiming to enhance business efficiency, transparency, and accountability. It also includes a member dashboard to track progress. Goyal highlighted the importance of cooperative federalism, innovative ideas, and modernization efforts, including the National Single Window System and Jan Vishwas 2.0 Bill, to improve India's business environment.



[Image Source: India Today]

## India successfully tested the K-4 missile from INS Arighaat

India successfully tested the K-4 nuclear-capable ballistic missile with a 3,500 km range from the nuclear-powered submarine INS Arighaat in the Bay of Bengal. This test strengthens India's nuclear deterrence and positions the nation among a select few capable of launching nuclear missiles from land, air, and sea. The missile's development and launch showcase India's growing military capabilities, alongside recent advancements in hypersonic missiles. The test also responds to China's increasing military assertiveness.



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