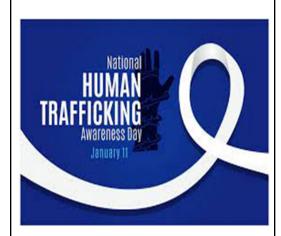


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### 11 January 2024 **International & National News**

National **Trafficking** Human Awareness Day



#### Context:

- **National Human Trafficking Awareness** Day is observed annually on January 11th
- In 2007, National Human Trafficking Awareness Day was declared by the United States Senate to be celebrated on January 11
- It aims to raise awareness about the horrific crime of human trafficking and the millions of people impacted by it worldwide.
- This day serves as a crucial reminder to stay vigilant, educate ourselves, and take action to combat this modern-day slavery.

#### About:

Human trafficking is the illegal trade people for various purposes, including forced labor, sexual exploitation, organ harvesting, and domestic servitude.

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	Blue is internationally recognized as the universal color for human trafficking prevention	
Rapid decline in India-Maldives ties	Context:	
	<ul> <li>Ties between India and the Maldives have witnessed a worrying downward spiral in recent months.</li> <li>This sudden shift, marked by diplomatic tensions and public animosity, raises concerns about the future of regional stability and cooperation.</li> </ul>	
	Triggering factors:	
	<ol> <li>Anti-India remarks by Maldivian officials</li> <li>Change in Maldivian government.</li> <li>Geopolitical influences</li> </ol>	







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Black fluid blankets	Manipur	rivulet,
alert sounded		

#### Context:

The Manipur Government on January 11 sounded an alert after a gooey black fluid blanketed a rivulet on Jan 10 night.

#### About:

- A thick, viscous black fluid has mysteriously covered a rivulet in Manipur, raising concerns about environmental contamination and potential health risks.
- The incident occurred near the Loktak Lake which is a Ramsar wetland of international importance.

#### Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023



#### Context:

- As per Central Government's annual cleanliness survey, Indore and Surat were adjudged the 'cleanest cities' in the country
- Navi Mumbai retained the third position
- In the category of 'best performing States' in 'Swachh Survekshan Awards 2023', Maharashtra bagged the top rank, followed by Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.





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Direct tax collections cross 80% of 2023-24 target

#### Context:

- India's net direct tax collections have touched ₹14.7 lakh crore, meeting over four-fifths of this year's target and reflecting a growth of 19.4% over the same period of 2022-23.
- The provisional direct tax collections continue to register 'steady growth' with gross collections rising 16.77% to ₹17.18 lakh crore, led by a 26.11% rise in Personal Income Tax (PIT) inflows.
- Corporate Income Tax or CIT collections grew at a relatively muted pace of 8.32%.

#### EU's carbon border tax



#### Context:

- The EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM), also known as the carbon border tax, is a policy that aims to level the playing field for European industries facing stricter carbon emission regulations compared to their non-EU counterparts.
- It essentially puts a price on the carbon emissions embedded in certain imported goods, such as cement, steel, aluminum, fertilizers, electricity, and hydrogen.
- The EU's ambitious goal is to achieve climate neutrality by 2050 requires significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions.









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