

# 23rd September

# NATIONAL

## 1) "International Lawyers' Conference 2023"

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the "International Lawyers' Conference 2023" at New Delhi's Vigyan Bhawan
- The conference, organized by the Bar Council of India.
- Theme: "Emerging Challenges in Justice Delivery System".

## 2) Best Tourism Village of India for the year 2023

- The Ministry of Tourism has declared Biswanath Ghat in Assam as the Best Tourism Village of India for the year 2023.
- Biswanath Ghat, situated to the south of Biswanath Chariali Town, is famously referred to as 'Gupta Kashi.'

# 3) Mithun - Food animal Tag

- The Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) has recently recognized the mithun as a 'food animal,' opening doors for its commercial use.
- The recognition of Mithun as a 'food animal' and the efforts to promote its meat as a commercial product can indeed have significant economic and cultural implications for the region.

# 4) I2U2 group

- The I2U2 group comprising India, Israel, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), and the United States has inaugurated a joint space venture.
- This collaborative initiative aims to create a groundbreaking space-based tool with wide-ranging applications for policymakers, institutions, and entrepreneurs.



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# 5) Lighthouse festival

- The Union Ministry of Ports, Shipping, and Waterways, which oversees lighthouses across the nation, has unveiled a grand plan to transform 75 lighthouses into thriving tourist destinations.
- The inaugural Lighthouse Festival of India, scheduled to take place in Goa from September 23 to 25.
- The ministry is determined to promote lighthouse heritage tourism by revamping these structures along the lines of their European and American counterparts.

### 6) 'Swachhata Train' initiative,

- Ahmedabad Municipal Corporation has embarked on a unique journey under the Swachhata Pakhwada 2023 to raise awareness about waste management in their city.
- Their creative approach, known as the 'Swachhata Train' initiative, aims to instill a culture of cleanliness and waste management in Ahmedabad.
- The 'Swachhata Train' offers a delightful and educational journey to the Kankariya Lake Front. Passengers on this train experience an informative ride, complete with engaging displays and presentations on waste management.

#### **STATE NEWS**

#### 1) CM Elevate program

- Meghalaya's Chief Minister, Conrad K. Sangma, inaugurated the CM Elevate program in Shillong, marking a significant step towards promoting entrepreneurship, boosting employment, and driving economic development within the state.
- It's objectives are: Encourage active involvement of the youth in entrepreneurship, Create substantial job opportunities for the youth of Meghalaya, Facilitate economic growth and development in the state.



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# **GEOGRAPHY & ENVIRONMENT**

### 1) September Equinox

- On Saturday, 23rd September 2023, the world witnessed an astronomical event known as the September Equinox.
- This significant event marks the transition from summer to fall in the Northern Hemisphere and from winter to spring in the Southern Hemisphere.

### 2) Pollution Response Table-Top exercise

- The Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Pollution-Control Vessel 'Samudra Prahari' conducted a Pollution Response Table-Top exercise and demonstration at Khlong Toei Port in Bangkok, Thailand.
- Thailand (capital Bangkok) is a Southeast Asian country located on the Indochinese Peninsula. Thailand shares borders with Myanmar, Laos, Cambodia, and Malaysia, and maritime boundaries with Vietnam, Indonesia, and India.

## **IMPORTANT DAYS**

#### 1) International Day of Sign Languages

- The United Nations General Assembly has designated September 23rd as the International Day of Sign Languages.
- It is observed to raise awareness about the crucial role sign language plays in upholding the human rights of individuals who are deaf.
- Theme of 2023: "A World Where Deaf People Everywhere Can Sign Anywhere!"



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