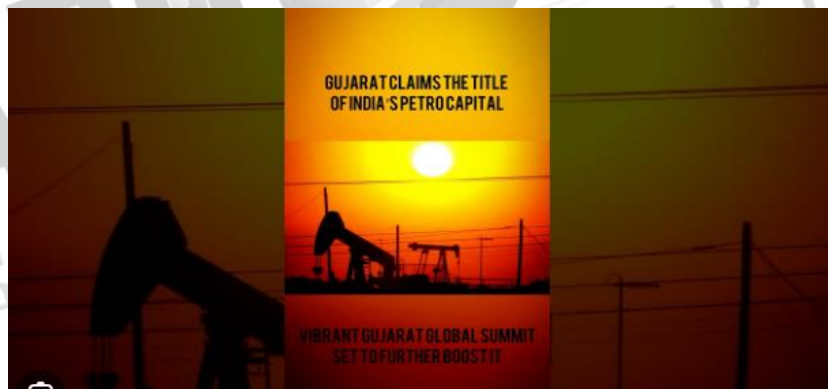


## EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – DECEMBER 30, 2023

### STATE

#### ➤ **India's Petro Capital**

- ✓ Gujarat has emerged as the nation's petrochemical powerhouse, boasting the world's largest grassroots oil refinery and a state-of-the-art petrochemical complex.



- ✓ With established players like Reliance, Shell, ONGC, and others having firmly established their manufacturing units in Gujarat, experts foresee the state becoming unparalleled in the chemicals and petrochemicals sector.
  - ✓ The upcoming 10th edition of VGGGS, themed 'Gateway to the Future,' is poised to further boost investments and collaborations in the petrochemical domain.
- #### ➤ **India's First Submarine Tourism**
- ✓ India's first submarine tourism business will be started by the Gujarat government and Mazgaon Dock Limited (MDL). This will make waves in the tourism industry.



- ✓ The big goal of this project is to study the fascinating sea life around Bet Dwarka, a holy island off the coast of Dwarka city that has a lot of mythological meaning in Hinduism.
- ✓ The Gujarat submersible tourism project is based on the Titanic submersible mission and aims to provide a one-of-a-kind underwater experience.
- ✓ Tourists will be able to dive 100 meters below the surface of the water in a specially made submarine. This will give them a chance to get close to the sea life around the island.
- ✓ The tourism center should be up and running before Diwali in 2024.

## ECONOMY

- **India - 2nd largest producer of Steel in the World**
- ✓ India's Steel Sector records remarkable growth and emerges as the 2nd largest global producer.



- ✓ India has emerged as a global force in steel production and the 2nd largest producer of steel in the world.
- ✓ Domestic finished steel production stands at 89.711 million tonnes, which is 14.3% higher than the corresponding period last year (CPLY).

- ✓ The domestic steel consumption stood at 87.066 million tonnes, which is 14.9% higher than CPLY of 75.765 million tonnes.

