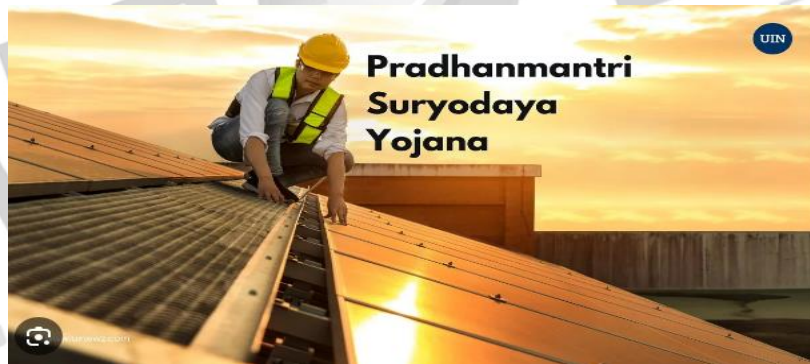


EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – JANUARY 23, 2024

SCHEMES

- **Pradhanmantri Suryodaya Yojana**
- ✓ PM Modi Launches Sunrise Scheme To Install Solar Panels In 10 Million Households.



- ✓ The initiative, named 'Pradhanmantri Suryodaya Yojana,' seeks to propel India towards self-reliance in the energy sector while benefitting the common citizens.
- ✓ The initiative is poised to empower households across India by enabling them to generate their electricity through rooftop solar systems.
- ✓ By installing solar panels on one crore houses, the government aims to alleviate the financial burden on the poor and middle class while fostering sustainability and self-sufficiency in the energy domain.

DEFENCE

- **Exercise KHANJAR**

- ✓ The 11th edition of the India-Kyrgyzstan Joint Special Forces Exercise KHANJAR has kicked off at the Special Forces Training School in Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh.



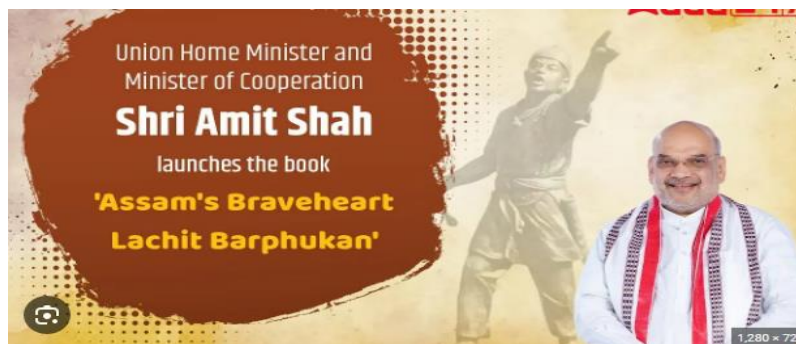
- ✓ Scheduled to take place from 22nd January to 3rd February 2024, this annual event has become a crucial platform for fostering collaboration and enhancing the capabilities of both nations' special forces.
- ✓ The primary aim of the exercise is to facilitate the exchange of experiences and best practices in Counter-Terrorism and Special Forces Operations.
- **Exercise 'CYCLONE'**
- ✓ The Indian Army contingent comprising 25 personnel reached Egypt to take part in the 2nd edition of India-Egypt Joint Special Forces Exercise CYCLONE.



- ✓ The Exercise will be conducted at Anshas, Egypt from 22nd January to 1st February 2024.
- ✓ The 2nd edition of Exercise CYCLONE commences, featuring a contingent of 25 Indian Army personnel from The Parachute Regiment (Special Forces) alongside Egyptian counterparts.
- ✓ Aimed at familiarizing both sides with operating procedures in desert/semi-desert terrains.

BOOKS & AUTHORS

- **'Assam's Braveheart Lachit Barphukan'**
- ✓ Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, released the book 'Assam's Braveheart Lachit Barphukan' in Guwahati, Assam.



- ✓ In his address, Shri Amit Shah highlighted the remarkable story of Lachit Barphukan, who fought against bigotry and power-hungry forces in the Northeast.
- ✓ He likened Lachit Borphukan to Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj of Eastern India, emphasizing the significance of his role in India's freedom struggle.
- ✓ He credited Lachit for halting invasions from Khilji to Aurangzeb, safeguarding Assam and contributing to the region's integration with India.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

- **'Anuvadini' App For Multilingual Education**
- ✓ In a significant move towards promoting multilingualism in education, the central government has introduced the 'Anuvadini' app, an Artificial Intelligence-based platform.



- ✓ The initiative aims to make study materials for all school and higher education courses available in digital form, specifically in Indian languages listed in the 8th Schedule of the Indian Constitution.

- ✓ This step aligns with the recommendations of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, emphasizing the importance of studying in one's mother tongue.

IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ **Parakram Diwas: January 23**

- ✓ Parakram Diwas, observed on January 23rd, 2024, marks the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, a prominent figure in India's freedom struggle.



- ✓ This day is celebrated to honour his indomitable spirit and invaluable contribution to India's independence.
- ✓ Parakram Diwas 2024 is a national event celebrated annually in India since 2021. It commemorates Netaji's birth anniversary and is a tribute to his brave legacy. The day serves as a reminder of the courage and determination of one of India's most revered freedom fighters.

