

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – FEBRUARY 09, 2024

CONFERENCES & SUMMITS

➤ 7th Indian Ocean Conference

- ✓ The 7th edition of the Indian Ocean Conference will get underway in Perth, Australia. External Affairs Minister Dr. S Jaishankar would address inaugural session of Conference.



- ✓ Two day Conference is being held in association with the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Government of Australia, along with S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies, Singapore and Perth-US Asia Centre in Australia.
- ✓ Theme of this edition of the conference is “Towards a Stable and Sustainable Indian Ocean”.
- ✓ Indian Ocean Conference is a flagship consultative forum for countries in the Indian Ocean Region.

AWARDS

- **Bharat Ratna - PV Narasimha Rao, Chaudhary Charan Singh, And MS Swaminathan**

- ✓ India's highest civilian award, the Bharat Ratna, is set to honour the indelible contributions of three distinguished individuals whose efforts have significantly shaped the nation's trajectory.



- ✓ Former Prime Ministers PV Narasimha Rao and Chaudhary Charan Singh, alongside renowned agricultural scientist MS Swaminathan, are the esteemed recipients of this prestigious accolade, acknowledging their unparalleled dedication to the progress of India.
- ✓ The 'Bharat Ratna,' the country's highest civilian award, was established in 1954.

