

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – MARCH 06, 2024

STATE

- **Kerala Welcomes 'Iris' Its First Generative AI Teacher**
- ✓ Kerala schools have introduced Iris, a humanoid teacher, marking a significant milestone in the realm of educational technology.



- ✓ Iris represents a pioneering effort to make learning more interactive, engaging, and accessible.
 - ✓ Iris is designed to be more than just a robotic presence in the classroom; it is a generative AI entity capable of conducting interactive learning sessions.
 - ✓ With the ability to communicate in three languages, Iris can tackle a wide array of questions, making it a versatile and invaluable educational tool.
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- **India's 1st Dolphin Research Centre**
 - ✓ India's first National Dolphin Research Center (NDRC) was officially inaugurated by Bihar Chief Minister Nitish Kumar.

India's 1st Dolphin Centre National Dolphin Research Centre at Patna



- ✓ This landmark facility, built at a cost of Rs 30 crore, is situated on the banks of the Ganges River within the Patna University campus.
- ✓ The NDRC's primary objective is to aid researchers and students in understanding the behavior and ecology of freshwater dolphins, particularly the endangered Gangetic dolphin.

NATIONAL

➤ India's First Underwater Metro Train Service

- ✓ Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated India's pioneering underwater metro train service in Kolkata, ushering in a landmark achievement in the nation's infrastructure and urban development.

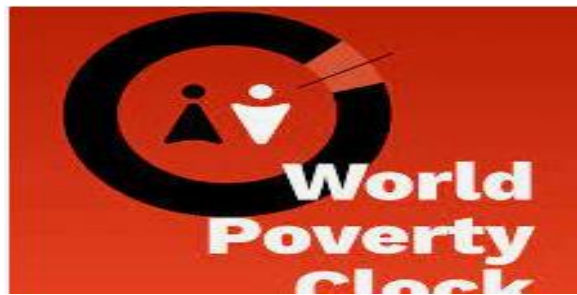


- ✓ The service, which is a significant component of the Kolkata Metro's East-West corridor, is designed to enhance connectivity between Howrah and Salt Lake, the twin cities of West Bengal's capital.
- ✓ The Ministry of Railways revealed that 10.8 kilometers of the East-West Metro route would be underground, complemented by 5.75 kilometers of elevated sections.

REPORT

➤ **World Poverty Clock**

- ✓ India has successfully brought down the rate of extreme poverty below 3% of its population as per World Poverty Clock



- ✓ The percentage of the population living in extreme poverty has decreased from 3.3% in 2022 to 2.4% in 2024. Compared to 4.69 crore in 2022, around 3.44 crore people live in extreme population in 2024.
- ✓ The World Poverty Clock provides real-time poverty estimates for nearly all countries in the world. It tracks progress with respect to ending extreme poverty, which is the UN's first SDG.
- ✓ The term "extreme poverty line" is frequently used to describe the \$2.15 per day poverty limit.