

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS - MARCH 15, 2024

APPOINTMENT

- New Election Commissioners
- ✓ Gyanesh Kumar and Sukhbir Singh Sandhu have been appointed as new Election Commissioners by a three-member committee led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi.



✓ The selection panel for appointing Election Commissioners now includes the Prime Minister, the Leader of the Opposition, and a designated Union Cabinet minister, with the exclusion of the Chief Justice of India, as per the Chief Election Commissioner and Other Election Commissioners (Appointment, Conditions of Service and Term of Office) Act, 2023.

REPORT

- > Human Development Report 2023/24
- ✓ India ranked 134th in Global Human Development Index: India's rank on the UN Human Development Index (HDI) has improved by one place in 2022 to 134 out of 193 countries, compared to 135 in 2021.



- ✓ Life expectancy rose from 67.2 to 67.7 years, expected years of schooling reached 12.6, mean years of schooling increased to 6.57 and GNI per capita increased from USD 6,542 to USD 6,951.
- ✓ Switzerland is in the top position in the global Human Development Index.
- ✓ Norway and Iceland have been in second and third spots, respectively.
- ✓ The HDI is a composite index computed based on three parameters: life expectancy, mean years of schooling, and average income.

IMPORTANT DAYS

- ➤ World Consumer Rights Day: March 15
- ✓ World Consumer Rights Day is celebrated annually on March 15 across the globe. This day aims to raise awareness about the rights and responsibilities of consumers in the marketplace.



- ✓ It emphasizes the importance of protecting consumer rights, ensuring fair and ethical business practices, and holding companies accountable.
- ✓ This year, the theme chosen by Consumers International for World Consumer Rights Day 2024 is 'Fair and responsible AI for consumers.



STUDY