

EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

DEFENCE

➤ Exercise Kakadu

- ✓ The Indian Navy's P8I aircraft, led by Commanding Officer Captain Ajay Kanwar, has reached Australia's Darwin to participate in the 16th edition of Exercise Kakadu 2024.



- ✓ The Indian Navy will participate in the exercise alongside more than 30 nations with the theme of 'Regional Cooperation through Trusted and Proven Partnerships.'
 - ✓ Kakadu is an important exercise hosted by RAN as it deepens relationships and interoperability between participating armed forces.
- #### ➤ Exercise Eastern Bridge VII
- ✓ The seventh edition of the bilateral military exercise Exercise Eastern Bridge between the Indian Air Force and the Royal Oman Air Force commenced at the Air Force Base Masirah, Oman.



- ✓ The Indian Air Force has sent a contingent of MiG-29s, Jaguar fighter planes, and C-17 Globemaster III transport planes.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

➤ Southern Birdwing

- ✓ Southern Birdwing, India's second largest butterfly species, has been discovered between Chathirapatti and Kadavur on New Natham Highway in Madurai district.



- ✓ Southern Birdwing was India's largest butterfly species from 1932 to 2020. This is mainly found in the Western and Eastern Ghats regions.
- ✓ It has a wingspan of 190mm. It moved to second position after a British Brigadier William Harry Evans recorded a butterfly species named Golden Birdwing with a wingspan of 194mm.

IMPORTANT DAYS

➤ National Engineers Day 2024

- ✓ The National Engineers Day, celebrated on September 15th annually in India, is a significant occasion dedicated to honouring the outstanding contributions made by engineers to society.



- ✓ It serves as a fitting tribute to the visionary engineer, Sir Mokshagundam Visvesvaraya, as his birth anniversary coincides with this special day.
- ✓ The National Engineers Day theme for 2024 focuses on “**Innovating for a Sustainable Future**”.



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