



EVERYDAY CURRENT AFFAIRS – NOVEMBER 18, 2024

AWARDS

- **Grand Commander of the Order of Niger**
- ✓ Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi was conferred the prestigious national award, “Grand Commander of the Order of Niger”, by the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, H.E. Mr. Bola Ahmed Tinubu, at the State House.



- ✓ This honor celebrates Prime Minister Modi’s visionary leadership, transformative governance, and significant contributions to fostering stronger India-Nigeria ties and the aspirations of the Global South.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT

- **SpaceX to Launch India’s Communication Satellite GSAT-20**
- ✓ India’s heavy communication satellite GSAT-20, weighing 4,700 kg, will be launched from Cape Canaveral, USA, by Elon Musk’s SpaceX on November 19, 2024.



- ✓ The satellite, developed by the Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), will provide essential communication services, including internet connectivity to remote areas.
- ✓ This marks a significant milestone in India's space endeavors, as the satellite is too heavy for India's own launch vehicle, the LVM-3 "Bahubali."

IMPORTANT DAYS

- **National Epilepsy Day – November 17**
- ✓ **National Epilepsy Day** is observed **on November 17** to spread awareness about the neurological disorder that affects millions worldwide.



- ✓ Theme 2024 – **Milestones on My Epilepsy Journey.**
- ✓ Epilepsy refers to a condition in which the affected person faces frequent seizures.
- ✓ This chronic non-communicable disease can affect people of all ages, and each age group has its unique concerns and problems.

