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A Note for Our Students

Current affairs form core component of General Knowledge section in almost all the competitive exams. Observing the recent trends, questions from current affairs has successively increased. But how to find out relevant current affairs from vast data available on numerous websites, apps and videos??
How to efficiently prepare current affairs keeping in mind relevance of the exam??
Don't worry!!

We have the solution; Gyanm team will segregate the important and the most relevant current affairs under heading Gyanm recommendations' so that you can prepare this crucial component with complete efficiency!!

So let's begin!!

Gyanm Recommendations!

1. MedTech Mitra to promote MedTech sector

Union Health Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya launched on Dec 25 a strategic initiative "MedTech Mitra", an online portal that aims to assist medtech innovators in clinical evaluation, regulatory facilitation, and uptake of new products. The portal will facilitate indigenous development of affordable, quality MedTech devices and diagnostics.

- MedTech is short for Medical Technology. It covers the whole lot of various high tech gadgets, equipment, technological devices used in the healthcare system.
- The portal will be coordinated collaboratively by the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) and the Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO), under the guidance of NITI Aayog's Atal Innovation Mission.
- At present India's medtech sector is import-dependent, with imports accounting for up to 80 per cent in some cases. This initiative aims to ensure that necessary medical devices are made available within the country.

- According to industry figures, India accounts for only 1.5 percent of the global medical devices market. India is currently Asia's fourth-largest medical equipment manufacturer, while having an 8 per cent share in the global medtech research and development workforce.

02. Anmol Kharb of Haryana won the women's singles title on Dec 24 at the National Badminton Championships 2023 in Guwahati. Men's singles title was won by Chirag Sen of Railways.

03. India's first AI City in Lucknow

The Uttar Pradesh government has invited proposals for the design, development and operation of India's first AI City in Lucknow to house and promote the AI ecosystem. UP Electronics Corporation Ltd. will be the nodal agency for the project.

- The proposed AI City includes the construction of Grade-A certified commercial spaces for IT companies, a state-of-the-art data centre, Grade-A flexible workspaces, and tech labs.

- Lucknow is already host to Centers of Excellence specialising in fields such as AI and medtech, showcasing extensive integration of AI technologies.
- As per a recent report, India is home to more than 70 GenAI (Generative Artificial Intelligence) startups and it is expected to grow to a market size of $17 billion by 2030; from $1.1 billion in 2023.
- The global AI market was valued at $137 Billion in 2022 and is expected to witness a compound annual growth rate of 37.3% from 2023 to 2030.

Some Other Minor News!

1. Pramod Agrawal, the former Chief of Coal India, has been confirmed as the Chairman of the Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) by SEBI.

2. Vita Dani, a noted sports entrepreneur from Mumbai, has become the first Indian to be appointed as a member of the governing board of the International Table Tennis Federation's (ITTF) Foundation.

Multiple Choice Questions!

1. Name the Union Health Minister who launched on Dec 25 a strategic initiative "MedTech Mitra", an online portal that aims to assist medtech innovators in clinical evaluation, regulatory facilitation, and uptake of new products.

    a. Ashwani Vishnaw
    b. Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
    c. Piyush Goel
    d. Arjun Munda
    e. Pralhad Joshi

2. Which state government has invited proposals for the design, development and operation of India's first AI City?

    a. Maharashtra
    b. Kerala
    c. Tamil Nadu
    d. Uttar Pradesh
    e. Gujarat

Answer Key

Q	ANSWER
1	B
2	D

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