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History, Art and Culture

Swadesh Darshan Scheme

- **Launched in** - 2014-15
- **Nodal agency** - Ministry of Tourism
- **Aim** - For the integrated development of *theme-based tourist circuits*.

PRASHAD

- **PRASAD** - Pilgrimage Rejuvenation and Spiritual Heritage Augmentation Drive' scheme.
- **Launched in** - 2014-15
- It is a Central Sector Scheme
- **Nodal agency** - Ministry of Tourism
- **Aim** - To provide *financial assistance to the State governments* and union territories for development of tourism infrastructure at the pre-identified pilgrimage destinations.

International Relations and Issues

India-Kuwait trade

- Kuwait India's 6th largest crude supplier and 4th largest LPG supplier, meeting 3% of its energy needs.

Science

CSIR-Jigyasa platform

- It is a flagship outreach program that *connects school students to scientists* at CSIR labs.
- **Outreach** - So far from 2017 onwards about 10 lakhs school students have participated in the program.

DNA Isolation by School Students

- Around 830 School Students across the country performed DNA isolation at 33 CSIR Labs.
- **Coordinated by** - Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB), Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR)
- **Activity** - Students isolated DNA from their own saliva.

Neoantigen proteins

- **Observation** - They are found *only on cancerous cells*.
- **Recognition** - Immune cells could continue to recognise these neoantigens even up to 12 years after the tumour had been removed.

Cholera in Yemen

- **Cholera** - It is a *bacterial disease* causing severe diarrhoea and dehydration, usually spread in water.
- **Caused by** - *Vibrio cholera*
- **WHO data** - Yemen accounts for 35% of worldwide cholera cases and 18% of related deaths this year (2024).

Miscellaneous

Sample

'Veer Baal Diwas' programme

- **Celebrated on** - 26th December, 2024
- **Conducted by** - Ministry of Women and Child Development
- **Focus** - To highlights the vital role of children as the foundation of India's future.

Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar (PMRBP)

- **Recipient** - To children for exceptional achievements in 7 categories (Art & Culture, Bravery, Innovation, Science & Technology, Social Service, Sports, and Environment.)
- **2024** - 17 children (7 boys and 10 girls) from 14 States/UTs have been conferred on 26 December, 2024
- **Awards** - They will receive a medal, certificate and citation booklet.

Suposhit Gram Panchayat Abhiyan

- **Launched in** - 2024, on the day of Veer Baal Diwas Programme
- **Focus** - To improve nutrient sources and overall welfare in rural areas.
- **Aim** - To strengthen nutrition-related infrastructure and actively engage communities to tackle malnutrition.