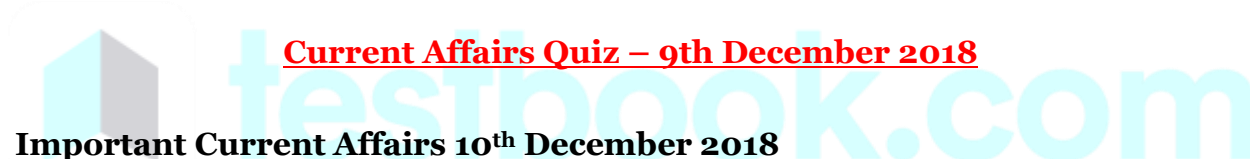


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Important Current Affairs 10th December 2018

- **India to remain at top position in remittances**
 - According to the World Bank's Migration and Development Brief, India will retain its position as the world's top recipient of remittances in 2018.
 - India received US\$80 billion as remittances from its diaspora.
 - India is followed by China (US\$67 billion), Mexico and the Philippines (US\$34 billion each) and Egypt (US\$26 billion).

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- **'Nishidhi' stone inscription found**

- A 'Nishidhi' stone inscription from the 12th century was found at 'Nandi Basaveshwara temple' in Harakere village in Karnataka.
- R. Shejeshwara, Assistant Director, Department of Archeology, Heritage and Museums, and Jagadeesh, historian, discovered the inscription in Harakere village.
- Nishidhi stone inscriptions are issued to commemorate Jain ascetics who perform Sallekhana vratha.

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• **Historian Mushirul Hasan passed away**

- Historian Mushirul Hasan, a noted historian, passed away on 10 December 2018.
- He has extensively written on India's Partition.
- He was the Vice-Chancellor of the Jamia Millia Islamia University.
- He has also served as the Director-General of the National Archives of India, and the President of the Indian History Congress.

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• **Book authored by former CEA launched**

- 'The book titled 'Of Counsel: The Challenges of the Modi-Jaitley Economy' was launched in Mumbai on 7 December 2018.
- The author of the book is Arvind Subramanian.
- Arvind Subramanian is an Indian economist and the former Chief Economic Advisor to the Government of India.
- The book talks about the journey of Arvind Subramanian as the CEA from 2014 to 2018.

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- **Current account deficit widens to 2.9% in Q2**

- According to the Reserve Bank of India, the Current Account Deficit (CAD) widened to 2.9% of GDP for the July-September quarter.
- The deficit for the second quarter was \$19.1 billion.
- The CAD for the April-June quarter was 2.4% of GDP or \$15.9 billion.
- The widening of CAD on a year-on-year basis was primarily on account of a higher trade deficit at \$50 billion.

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- **SEBI to relax listing norms for start-ups**

- SEBI has proposed few relaxations for new-age ventures in sectors like e-commerce, data analytics and biotechnology.
- The proposed relaxation will help startups to raise funds and get their shares traded on stock exchanges.
- The proposed changes also include renaming the 'Institutional Trading Platform' that the regulator had created for such listings as 'Innovators Growth Platform'.

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- **AIIB cleared \$400-m loan for Andhra Pradesh**

- The board of Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) approved a \$400-million loan for a water sanitation project in Andhra Pradesh.

- This project will increase access to safe drinking water and support the Government of Andhra Pradesh in addressing water supply and sanitation.
- The project will also reduce health risks and health expenditures for women in Andhra Pradesh.

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• **India's first underwater museum to be opened**

- India is set to get its first underwater museum off the Puducherry coast.
- INS Cuddalore, a minesweeper decommissioned in March 2018, will be turned into a museum.
- The minesweeper will be deployed in the seabed 7 km off Puducherry coast.
- The vessel will be a popular destination for scuba diving and snorkelling.
- This will also improve marine biodiversity and the fishing industry.

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• **Kannur International airport inaugurated**

- Kannur International Airport in Kerala was inaugurated on 9 December 2018.
- The Kannur airport has been built on a Public-Private Partnership (PPP) mode.
- With the commissioning of the Kannur airport, Kerala has become the first in the country to have four international airports.
- The other three international airports in Kerala are in Thiruvananthapuram, Kochi and Kozhikode.

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- **Prathamesh won 'Mister Supranational 2018'**

- Goa's Prathamesh Maulingkar has become the first Asian/Indian to win 'Mister Supranational 2018' title on 9 December 2018.
- Mister Supranational Poland was adjudged first runner-up and Mister Supranational Brazil was adjudged the second runner-up.
- The third edition of 'Mister Supranational 2018' pageant took place in Poland.

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- **Imran won the Sanctuary Wildlife Service Award**

- Conservationist Imran Siddiqui has been honoured with 'Sanctuary Wildlife Service Award 2018' on 8 December 2018.
- He is the Assistant Director for Conservation Science at Wildlife Conservation Society (WCS)-India that monitors tigers.
- The Sanctuary Wildlife Awards are organised annually by the Sanctuary Nature Foundation.

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- **Exercise 'Cross Bow 18' conducted by IAF**

- The Indian Air Force (IAF) conducted the exercise code-named 'Cross Bow 18' at the Air Force Station at Suryalanka in Andhra Pradesh on 8 December 2018.
- In the exercise, the Indian Air Force successfully tested the firing of four different classes of missiles like Akash, Spyder, OSA-AK-M, and IGLA.

- The aim of the exercise is to improve the combat skills of the missile squadron crew.

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• **Human Rights Day: 10 December**

- Human Rights Day is observed every year on 10 December.
- On this day, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in 1948.
- This year, Human Rights Day marks the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.
- The theme for 2018 is 'Stand up for the human rights'.

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• **Shi Yomi becomes 23rd district of Arunachal**

- 'Shi Yomi' has become the 23rd district of Arunachal Pradesh on 9 December 2018
- The new district has been carved out of the West Siang district.
- On 29 August 2018, the Arunachal Pradesh Assembly passed a bill for the creation of three new districts: Pakke-Kesang, Lepa Rada, and Shi Yomi.
- Itanagar is the capital of Arunachal Pradesh.
- Pema Khandu is the Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh.

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• **Government notifies medical devices as drugs**

- The government of India notified commonly used medical devices like nebulizers, blood pressure monitors, digital thermometers, and glucometers as 'drugs' under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act.
- It will enable the government to ensure their quality and performance.
- The Drug Controller General of India (DCGI) will regulate the import, manufacture and sale of these devices from January 2020.

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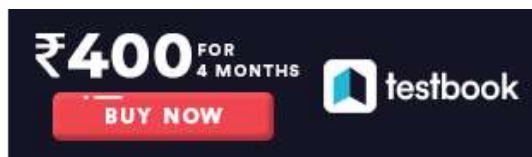
• **Vanessa Leon won 'Miss World 2018' crown**

- Mexico's Vanessa Ponce de Leon won the coveted 'Miss World 2018' crown on 8 December 2018.
- She is a volunteer for 'Migrantes en el Camino' and is on the board of directors of a rehab centre for girls.
- Thailand's Nicolene Pichapa Limsnukan was declared the runner-up.
- Miss Belarus Maria Vasilevich, Miss Jamaica Kadijah Robinson, and Miss Uganda Quiin Abenakyo were also among the final five.

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• **Ex 'Indra Navy 2018' commenced**

- Indian Navy and Russian Federation Navy will hold the maritime exercise 'Indra Navy 2018' from 9 to 16 December 2018.
- The exercise will be conducted at Visakhapatnam.
- The aim of the exercise is to increase interoperability amongst the two navies and develop common understanding and procedures for maritime security operations.
- The first 'Indra Navy' exercise was held in 2003.



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- **Ex 'Aviandra 2018' commenced on 10 Dec 2018**

- Indian Air Force and Russian Federation Aerospace Force (RFSAF) will hold exercise 'Aviandra 2018' at Air Force Station Jodhpur from 10 to 21 December 2018.
- The first exercise 'Aviandra' was held in 2014.
- The aim of the exercise is focused on anti-terrorist operations.
- The exercise is unique wherein the RFSAF will not bring its air assets.

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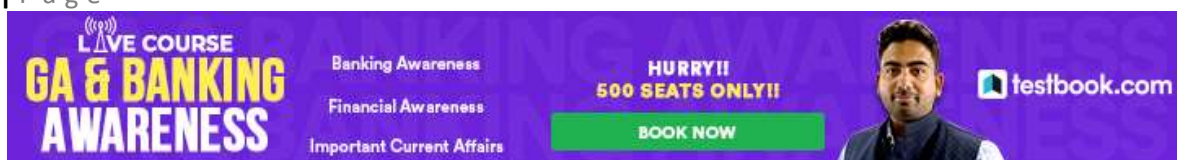
- **1st Conference on Sustainable Water Management**

- The first International Conference on 'Sustainable Water Management' is being organised in Mohali from 10 to 11 December 2018.
- The conference is being organised by the Bhakra Beas Management Board (BBMB).
- The aim of the Conference is to promote sustainable policies for water management and to create awareness of water-related problems.

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- **Khelo India Youth Games to be held in Pune**

- The 2nd edition of 'Khelo India Youth Games' will be held in Pune in January 2019.
- Students from colleges and Universities will also be allowed to compete in the games.
- Tennis and table tennis will also be the part of 2019 edition of games.



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- The 1st edition of Khelo India games was held in Delhi in January 2018.
- The Khelo India games is organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports.

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