

ST. ANNE'S SR. SEC. SCHOOL, JODHPUR

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE UPDATES

FINAL EXAMINATION (2024-25)

CLASS - VIII

**CURRENT AFFAIRS**

1. Karnataka government has launched the 'Garudakshi' online FIR system to curb wildlife crimes.
2. Japan has developed the world's first wooden satellite named LignoSat.
3. Hyderabad's Musi River historic buildings and Bhuj's historic water systems from India have been included in the World Monuments Watch List 2025 .
4. Zimbabwe has abolished the death penalty in January 2025.
5. India has recently developed the world's most powerful hydrogen train engine with a capacity of 1200 horsepower.
6. The theme for 76<sup>th</sup> Republic Day was 'Swarnim Bharat :Virasat aur Vikas' reflecting India's rich cultural heritage and progress.
7. A new plant species called Stellaria Bengalensis has been discovered in West Bengal.
8. India's Central Drugs Standard Control Organization has approved the second living drug – Qartemi for treating blood cancer.
9. National Disaster Response Force(NDRF) works under Ministry of Home Affairs.
10. The 'Fund of Funds for Startups' Scheme(FFS) is operated by Small Industries Development Bank of India.