

# CURRENT AFFAIRS

**22 AUG  
2024**

- ▶ **Recipient of Kerala State Library Council's 2022 Kadammanitta Literary Award**  
**Haritha Savitri**
  - Haritha Savitri's novel 'Zin' was selected for the award.

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- ▶ **Former Chief of Army Staff who died in August 2024**  
**General S. Padmanabhan**
  - S. Padmanabhan was the first army chief from Kerala.
  - He was the Chief of Army Staff from 2000 to 2002.

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- ▶ **Cricket ground which is selected to host celebratory test match to mark 150 years of Test cricket**  
**Melbourne Cricket Ground, Australia**
  - Australia and England teams will participate in the 2027 tournament.
  - England and Australia participated in the first Test match in the history of cricket held in Melbourne in 1877. Australia won the match by 45 runs. Its 150th anniversary will be celebrated in 2027.

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- ▶ **2024 Cincinnati Open Tennis Men's Singles Title Winner**  
**Jannik Sinner (Italy)**

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- ▶ **2024 Cincinnati Open Tennis Women's Singles Title Winner**  
**Aryna Sabalenka (Belarus)**

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- ▶ **Director General of Coast Guard who passed away in August 2024**  
**Rakesh Pal**

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- ▶ **State which has announced Sathi scheme to ensure women's safety**  
**West Bengal**



**General S. Padmanabhan**



**Jannik Sinner**



**Aryna Sabalenka**



**Rakesh Pal**