

CURRENT AFFAIRS

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- ▶ **The country officially joined the BRICS in January 2025**
Indonesia

- ▶ **Newly elected president of Lebanon in January 2025**
Joseph Aoun

- ▶ **Vehicle Which has been introduced by NASA as the successor to the Ingenuity helicopter for the extensive exploration of Mars**
Mars Chopper
 - Ingenuity is a NASA helicopter that operated on Mars from 2021 to 2024 as part of the Mars 2020 mission.

- ▶ **The winner of the 17th Basheer Award of the Vaikom Muhammed Basheer Memorial Trust in Thalayolaparamba**
P.N. Gopikrishnan
 - The award is for his collection 'Kavitha Mamsa bhojiyanu'.
 - The 16th Basheer Award winner - E. Santhosh Kumar (Book - Naarakangalude Upama)

- ▶ **Software which has been released by cybersecurity company McAfee to detect deepfake videos and audios using artificial intelligence**
Deepfake Detector

- ▶ **Revamped portal launched by the Central Government for e-auction of all properties put up for auction by Public Sector Banks (PSBs)**
BAANKNET

- ▶ **Newly Appointed President of the Athletics Federation of India (AFI) in January 2025**
Bahadur Singh Sagoo



Joseph Aoun



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