

Nobel Prize

Field:- peace

2023



Human rights activist Nargis Mohammadi

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- The Nobel Peace Prize for the year 2023 was given to Iranian human rights activist Narges Mohammadi.
- Narges Mohammadi, Iranian female journalist and activist who raised her voice for women's freedom.
- Who were arrested not once or twice but 13 times. That brave woman has been awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for the year 2023.
- 51-year-old Narges is still imprisoned in Iran. He is sentenced to 31 years in prison and 154 lashes.
- He is accused of spreading propaganda against the government of Iran.
- Narges Mohammadi has also written a book named White Torture. In this book, he has recorded the torture and suffering of his fellow prisoners.
- The Nobel Peace Prize for the year 2022 was awarded to Belarusian human rights lawyer Ales Byliatsky, Russian human rights organization Memorial and Ukrainian human rights organization Center for Civil Liberties.
- **Other awards received by Mohammadi are:-**
 - Alexander Langer Award 2009
 - UNESCO/Guillermo Cano World Press Freedom Prize and Olof Palme Prize at the beginning of 2023.
 - Her book 'White Torture: Interviews with Iranian Women Prisoners' also won an award for reportage at the International Film Festival and Human Rights Forum.

Cape Town Convention



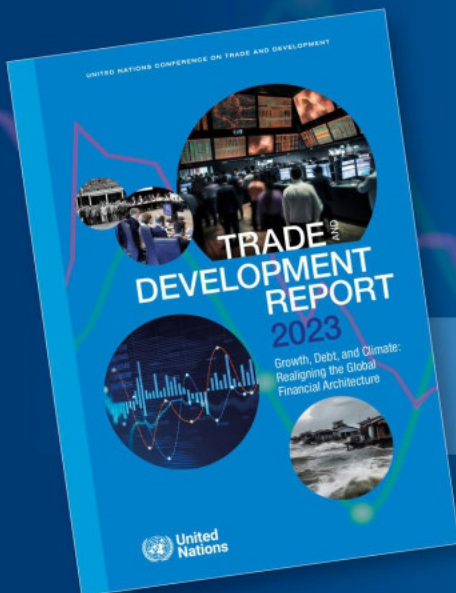
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- Recently, the Ministry of Corporate Affairs has issued a notification.
- According to this, some provisions of the Insolvency & Bankruptcy Code (IBC) will not apply to aircraft, their engines, airframes & helicopters.
- This will make it easier for an airline company to recover its assets, especially its aircraft and engines, even if they go bankrupt.
- With this notification, the Government of India has officially acceded to the Cape Town Protocol and Convention.
- The objective of this convention is to ensure efficient financing of high-value mobile instruments such as airframes, helicopters & engines.
- India became a party to this convention in 2008.

Trade And **2023** Development Report



TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2023

Growth, Debt, and Climate:
Realigning the Global Financial Architecture



- The growth rate of the global economy is estimated to be 2.4% in 2023.
- The growth of the entire global economy except East & Central Asia is expected to slow down after 2022.
- The trends seen due to the indebtedness of poor countries, slow growth in key sectors and lack of satisfactory response from multilateral institutions are quite worrying.
- India's economic growth rate is estimated to be 6.6% in 2023 and 6.2% in 2024.
- In India, private and government sectors as well as external sectors have contributed to domestic development.
- Unemployment rate at 8.5% in June 2023 & rising inequality are a matter of concern for India.
- Central banks should focus on the long-term financial stability of the private and public sectors.
- An increase in real wages and other commitments are needed to ensure comprehensive social security.
- Investment in projects related to energy transition should be increased in developing countries.

- There is a need to develop a concerted approach to regulate commodity and food trade at the international level.
- United Nations Conference on Trade and Development;- It is a permanent intergovernmental body established by the United Nations General Assembly. It was established in 1964.
- **Work:-**
 - Helping developing countries participate more equitably in the global economy.
 - To promote inclusive and sustainable development in developing countries through trade, investment, finance & technology transfer.
 - Members:- 195 member countries including India.
- **Report:-**
 - Trade and Development Report
 - World Investment Report
 - Least Developed Country Report
 - Economic Development Report in Africa
 - Digital Economy Report
 - Technology and Innovation Report
 - Maritime Transport Review

National **Turmeric Board**



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- The government of India issued a notification for the formation of the National Turmeric Board (NTB).
- NBT will promote the development and growth of turmeric & turmeric products in the country.
- **Structure:-**
 - Chairman: Appointed by the Central Government.
 - Members: Representatives from various departments of the Ministry of AYUSH, Central Government, such as the Department of Pharmaceuticals, Department of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Commerce and Industry, senior officials of the State Governments from the three States (on a rotation basis) and representatives of other stakeholders.
- **Work:-**
 - To help in better coordination with the Spices Board and other government agencies.
 - To increase awareness about turmeric and increase consumption. To find new markets at the international level to increase the export of turmeric.
 - To develop traditional knowledge for value-added turmeric products.

- India is the largest producer, consumer and exporter of turmeric in the world.
- 75 per cent of turmeric in the world is produced in India.
- The largest producing states of turmeric are Maharashtra, Telangana, Karnataka & Tamil Nadu.
- Kandhamal turmeric of Odisha has been granted the Geographical Indication (GI) tag
- **About Turmeric (*Curcuma longa*):**
 - It is a plant of Ginger family.
 - It is a species native to South-East Asia.
 - Various tropical conditions:- 20-35°C temperature;
 - 1500 mm. Annual rainfall of or more;
 - Sandy or clay loamy soil with good drainage.