# **Rapid Fire Current Affairs**

## **Spear Phishing**

Ahead of the <u>G20</u> Summit which India will be hosting in 2023, the <u>CERT-In</u> (India's premier cybersecurity agency) has found that spear phishing will be the "primary vector" to target individuals and organisations associated with the G20 Summit. The suspected "cyber adversaries" are operating on behalf of North Korea, China and Russia.

Spear phishing is an **attempt to trick a particular person/group into giving private information** over the internet or by email, **especially by sending emails that seem to be from someone they know.** 

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#### Aymanam in Kottayam to Showcase Women's Talent

In line with **Kerala government's** plan to create a women-friendly tourism network, the State authorities have planned to turn the **Aymanam village (a Responsible Tourism (RT) village)** as a **hub of women friendly destinations** along with **showcasing women's talent**.

**80% of the RT units in the village are already run by women.** The village has also been included under the Agri Street project of the State.

Responsible Tourism requires **operators**, **hoteliers**, **governments**, **local people and tourists to take responsibility**, **take action to make tourism more sustainable**. It is about "making better places for people to live in and better places for people to visit".

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### Bhima Koregaon Battle Anniversary

Recently, **205<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Bhima-Koregaon battle** was celebrated to pay tribute to the **Mahar soldiers** who fought against the Peshwa forces in the 1818 battle.

The '**Jaystambh' in Bhima-Koregaon village** commemorates the British EIC soldiers who fell in one of the last battles of <u>Third Anglo Maratha War (1818).</u> In the battle, the British, with just 834 infantrymen (~500 Mahars) **defeated the 28,000-strong army of Peshwa Bajirao II** (ended the Peshwa domination).

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#### **Croatia Becomes Fully Integrated EU Member**

On 1<sup>st</sup> January 2023, **Croatia adopted the Euro** and removed dozens of border checkpoints to become the **27<sup>th</sup> nation to join Europe's passport-free travel area (world's largest).** 

Adopting the euro will make travelling and doing business easier, **removing the hassle of currency exchange for Croats going abroad**. Croatia joined the European Union in 2013, but to adopt the Euro it had to fulfil a set of strict economic conditions (having a stable exchange rate, controlling inflation and sound public spending).

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