CURRENT AFFAIRS (9th APRIL)

NATIONAL NEWS

- **President Ramnath Govind Released National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIIRF), Atal Ranking of Institutions for Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) 2019 Rankings, IIT Madras ranked No 1. NGT form a new body to examine alleged erosion of Yamuna floodplain in Sonipat.**

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

- **17th MENA World economic forum on the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) was held at sea, Jordan.India, Srilanka agree to strengthen Bond in security and defence spheres. London becomes first city to implement 24x7 pollution charges zone.**

BANKING AWARENESS

- **To strengthen the startups platform, BSE signed an agreement with HDFC Bank.**
- **India retains too top spot with largest remittances globally, amounting to $79 in 2018 World Bank.**
- **Centre fiscal deficit of 3.4% in 2018-2019.**
- **PTC India Financial services (PFS) an Infrastructure finance company has partnered with the US-India clean Energy (USICEF) to leverage funds for solar projects in India.**

APPOINTMENTS

- **Vikramjit Singh sahney, SUN Group Chairman, elected as the president of ICC India.**
- **Australia Olympian, Graham Reid Appointed as India Men's Hockey Team chief coach.**

SPORTS

- **Dream 11 become India's first billion-dollar gaming startup**
- **Spain's Garbine Muguruza claimed Monterrey open title.**