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West Bengal Real Estate Regulatory Authority (WBREERA) Website Nominated for National E-Governance Award 2024

Context:

- The WBREERA website, operational since January 31, 2023, has been nominated for the **National E-Governance Award 2024**.
- The nomination is a remarkable achievement given the **website's short duration of operation, less than a year**.
- The committee, led by the state chief secretary, acknowledges the website's exemplary performance in real estate project registration, complaint handling, and revenue generation through penalties.

National E-Governance Award

Recognition and Prestige:

- Amongst the most competitive and prestigious digital governance awards schemes in the country.
- **Objective:** To recognize and promote excellence in the implementation of e-Governance initiatives.

Purpose:

- Encourage innovations in successful e-Governance solutions.
- Foster advancements in the digital governance landscape.
- The NAeG Awards, **2024 will consist of (i) a Trophy, (ii) a Certificate and (iii) an incentive of Rs 10 lakh for Gold Awardees and Rs 5 Lakhs for Silver Awardees** to be awarded to the District/organization for being utilized for implementation of project/programme or bridging resources gaps in any area of public welfare.

14th National Voters' Day (NVD)



- The Election Commission of India celebrated the 14th National Voters' Day (NVD) on **25th January 2024**.
- **NVD 2024 theme - 'Nothing Like Voting, I Vote For Sure' is a continuation of last year's theme.**
- Since **2011**, National Voters' Day has been celebrated on **January 25 every year**, across the country to mark the foundation day of the Election Commission of India, i.e. 25th January 1950.
- The main purpose of the NVD celebration is to create electoral awareness amongst citizens and encourage them to participate in the electoral process.



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	<p>Best Electoral Practices Awards for the year 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Distributed on the eve of National Voters Day.• Chhattisgarh chief electoral officer Reena Babasaheb Kangale received the 'best-performing state award' for conducting free and fair elections last year.• Radio Mirchi, Bengaluru, was awarded in the media category for its awareness campaign during the polls.
<p>Gita Roy Barman from Cooch Behar conferred with Padma Shri 2024</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gita Roy Barman, 48, is a singer of the Rajbanshi community's Bhawaiya folk songs and hails from Mathabhanga in Cooch Behar district.• Barma has been practicing the art since childhood and currently runs a school to teach Bhawaiya songs. She twice won the state-level Bhawaiya song competitions.
<p>Bengal Govt's tableau at Republic Day</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Bengal government's tableau — Ekotai Sampriti (unity is harmony) — took part in the Republic Day parade.• The theme of the tableau was dharma jar jar, utsav sabar (religion is personal, the festival is universal).

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