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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Microsoft unveiled the Majorana 2 quantum chip at Build 2026, reporting a major improvement in qubit stability, with an average qubit lifetime of 20 seconds and peaks of up to 60 seconds.
- ❖ A rare caracal was recorded during a wildlife survey in Kuno National Park, Madhya Pradesh.
 - The caracal is one of India's rarest wild cat species and is adapted to grasslands, scrublands and dry habitats.
- ❖ The Vice-President of India released the book 'When Audit Matters: CAG Interventions That Made a Difference', authored by former Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) Vinod Rai.
- ❖ India and the Netherlands signed a Letter of Intent for technical cooperation on the Kalpasar Project in Gujarat.
 - The Kalpasar Project is a multipurpose project of the Gujarat government to build a dam across the Gulf of Khambhat.
- ❖ World Food Safety Day is observed annually on 7 June to promote safe food practices and prevent foodborne diseases.
 - The theme for the year 2026 is "From Burden to Solutions – Safe Food Everywhere."

TAMIL NADU NEWS

Online Land Registration System

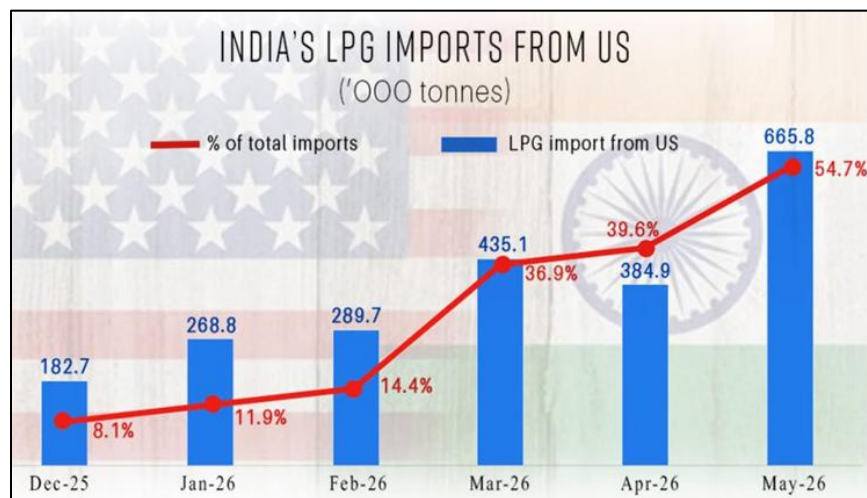
- ❖ Tamil Nadu has launched an online system for registering select documents, allowing people to complete the process from anywhere at any time.
- ❖ The Registration Department has introduced a 24×7 online registration facility to simplify document registration and reduce the need to visit Sub-Registrar offices.
- ❖ The facility covers the first sale of plots, the first sale of flats, the sale deeds of the Tamil Nadu Housing Board, and mortgage and discharge deeds related to bank loans.
- ❖ Once approved by the Sub-Registrar, digitally signed documents can be downloaded through the portal and are also shared via WhatsApp on the registered mobile number.

- ❖ Aadhaar verification of executants, claimants, and witnesses through fingerprint or iris authentication is mandatory, and the department plans to make the online system compulsory in the future.



NATIONAL NEWS

India's Largest LPG Supplier - United States



- ❖ The United States of America (USA) became India's largest supplier of Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) in May 2026, replacing the Middle East as the leading source.
- ❖ The USA supplied more than 55% of India's LPG imports in May 2026.
- ❖ LPG is a mixture of propane and butane stored as a liquid under pressure.
- ❖ Supply disruptions in the Strait of Hormuz affected LPG exports from Gulf countries such as Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.
- ❖ India imported about 666,000 tonnes of LPG from the USA in May 2026.
- ❖ India also resumed LPG imports from Iran in March 2026 after a seven-year gap, making Iran the second-largest supplier in May 2026.

Price Stabilization Fund for Aviation Fuel

**Cabinet approves
Price Stabilisation Fund for Scheduled
Indian Airlines towards ATF* pricing**

 **One-time budgetary support up to ₹10,000 crore to be provided as an interest-free advance to OMCs# to support ATF* price stabilisation**

 **To be available to all willing Scheduled Indian carriers for both domestic and international operations**



- ❖ The Union Cabinet approved a one-time ₹10,000 crore support package to create a Price Stabilization Fund for Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF).
- ❖ The fund is a temporary government mechanism to stabilise Aviation Turbine Fuel (ATF) prices for scheduled Indian airlines.
- ❖ It was created due to sharp global fuel price volatility after the West Asia crisis, which pushed ATF prices from about ₹60.50 per litre to ₹142 per litre.
- ❖ The fund provides financial support through Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to reduce sudden fuel cost shocks for airlines.
- ❖ It operates as a revolving mechanism where price differences are adjusted and recovered when fuel prices fall below benchmark levels.

Land Port Management System

- ❖ The Union Home Minister will launch the Land Port Management System (LPMS) to digitise operations at India's land ports.
- ❖ LPMS is a unified digital platform for managing cargo, passenger and vehicle movement across international land borders.
- ❖ It provides services such as slot booking, online payments, cargo tracking and single-window clearances.
- ❖ The system will be integrated with the Indian Customs Electronic Gateway (ICEGATE) and the Unified Logistics Interface Platform (ULIP).
- ❖ India's land ports facilitate cross-border trade and travel with Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Myanmar and Pakistan.



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

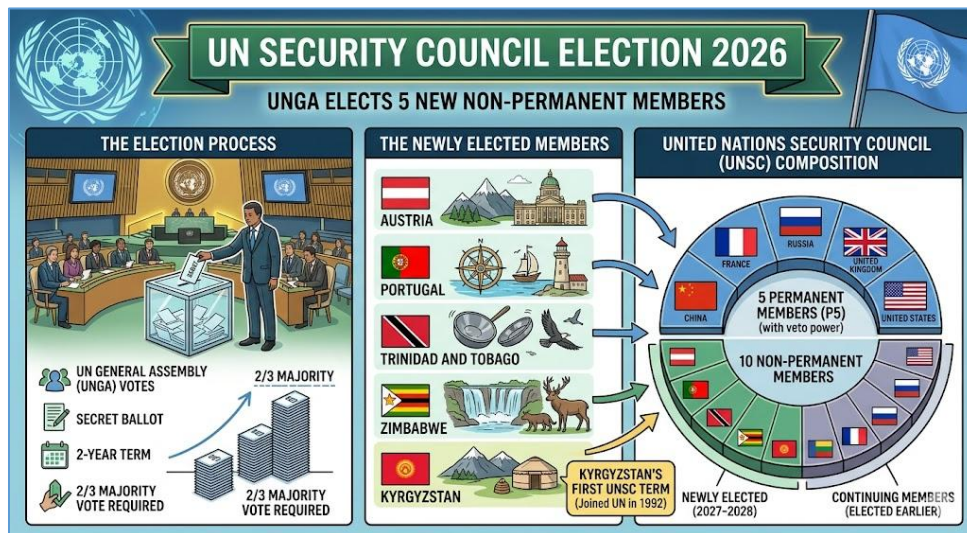
War Powers Resolution on Iran - US

- ❖ The US House passed a War Powers Resolution aiming to limit President Donald Trump's military action in Iran.
- ❖ The House passed the resolution by a 215–208 vote to restrict US military operations and require Congressional approval or troop withdrawal.
- ❖ The measure is largely symbolic and reflects growing opposition to the ongoing Iran war and its economic impact, including higher fuel prices.
- ❖ If it also passed by the US Senate (United States Senate), it could still face legal challenges and would need Presidential approval or a veto override.

- ❖ After passage in both Houses, differences in text would need reconciliation, and a veto by the President would require a two-thirds majority in both Houses to override.



UN Security Council Election 2026



- ❖ The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) elected five countries as non-permanent members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC).
- ❖ The elected countries are Austria, Portugal, Trinidad and Tobago, Zimbabwe, and Kyrgyzstan for a two-year term starting 1 January 2027.
- ❖ Kyrgyzstan will serve on the UNSC for the first time since joining the United Nations in 1992.
- ❖ The new members will join other non-permanent members elected earlier, along with the five permanent members: China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

- ❖ Non-permanent members are elected for two years by the UNGA through a secret ballot and require a two-thirds majority vote.

India-UK Critical Minerals Observatory



- ❖ India and the United Kingdom launched the India-UK Critical Minerals Global Supply Chain Observatory in New Delhi.
- ❖ The Observatory is a joint initiative involving TEXMiN (Technology Innovation in Exploration & Mining Foundation), Indian Institute of Technology (Indian School of Mines) Dhanbad, and the University of Cambridge.
- ❖ It was developed under the India-UK Technology Security Initiative and aligns with the India-UK Vision 2035 roadmap.
- ❖ The platform will track global critical mineral supply chains and identify risks, disruptions, and market trends.
- ❖ It supports India's National Critical Mineral Mission by ensuring secure access to minerals like lithium, cobalt, nickel, and rare earth elements.

ENVIRONMENT NEWS

100th Ramsar Site - Surha Tal

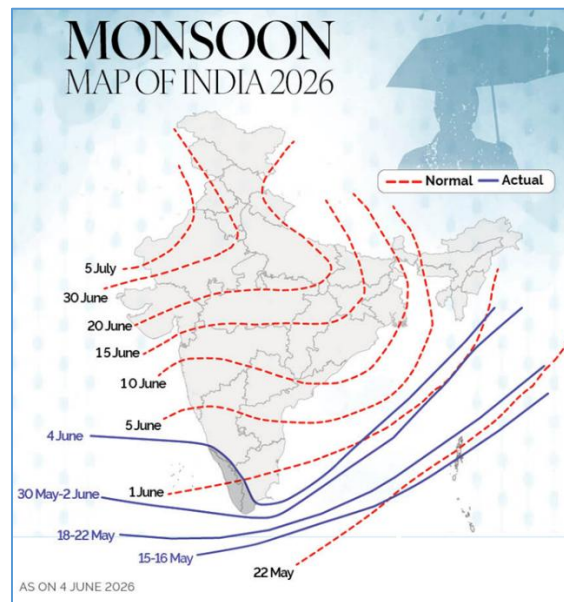
- ❖ Jai Prakash Narayan Bird Sanctuary (Surha Tal) in Uttar Pradesh has been declared India's 100th Ramsar Site under the Ramsar Convention.

- ❖ It is located in Ballia district of UP and, is a natural oxbow lake formed by the Ganga River.
- ❖ It was declared as a bird sanctuary in 1991
- ❖ India now has the highest number of Ramsar Sites in Asia and the third-highest in the world.



STATE NEWS

Kerala Monsoon Arrival 2026



- ❖ The India Meteorological Department (IMD) confirmed the arrival of the southwest monsoon in Kerala on 4 June 2026.

- ❖ The southwest monsoon set in over Kerala on 4 June 2026, three days later than the normal onset date of 1 June.
- ❖ The IMD issued orange alerts in several districts of Kerala as heavy rains and thunderstorms affected the state.
- ❖ The monsoon onset was initially forecast earlier, but it got delayed due to changing weather conditions over the Arabian Sea.
- ❖ The IMD stated that the monsoon has now advanced into parts of the Arabian Sea, Lakshadweep, Kerala, and adjoining regions of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

e-Governance Award 2026



National e-Governance Awards 2026

At the 29th National Awards for e-Governance 2026, 17 initiatives across seven categories were recognised. The honours comprise

10 Gold, 6 Silver and 1 Jury Award

*The awards ceremony will be held during the 29th National Conference on e-Governance in Jaipur

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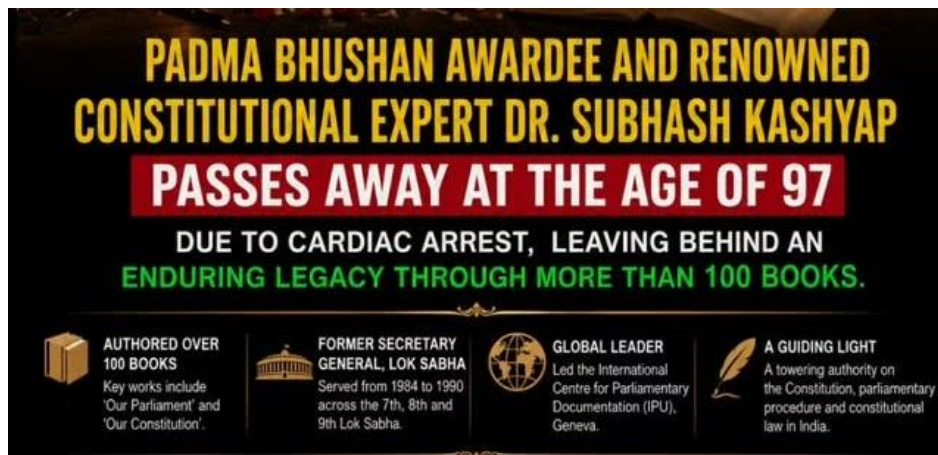
PANCHAYAT ADVANCEMENT INDEX PORTAL

- ❖ The Panchayat Advancement Index (PAI) won the Gold Award at the National Awards for e-Governance 2026 under the category "Digital Transformation through the Use of Data Analytics in Digital Platforms."
- ❖ PAI is a data-driven platform developed by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj to assess and rank Gram Panchayats across the country.
- ❖ PAI 2.0 evaluates over 6 lakh Gram Panchayats using more than 150 indicators and 230 data points.
- ❖ It measures performance under 9 Localisation of Sustainable Development Goals (LSDGs) themes.

- ❖ The National Awards for e-Governance have been presented since 2003 to recognize excellence in digital governance.

Subhash Kashyap Demise

- ❖ Constitutional expert and former Lok Sabha Secretary General Subhash C. Kashyap passed away at the age of 97.
- ❖ He served as Lok Sabha Secretary General from 1983 to 1990 and worked in Parliament for over 37 years.
- ❖ He was a member of the high-level committee on simultaneous elections, chaired by Ram Nath Kovind.
- ❖ He authored more than 100 books on the Constitution, Parliament, and governance.
- ❖ He was awarded the Padma Bhushan for his contributions to public life and constitutional studies.



IMPORTANT DAYS

World Oceans Day 2026



- ❖ The day aims to raise awareness about ocean conservation and the sustainable use of marine resources.
- ❖ The ocean covers over 70% of Earth's surface and produces at least 50% of the planet's oxygen.
- ❖ Oceans absorb about 30% of human-generated carbon dioxide, helping to reduce the impacts of climate change.
- ❖ The day highlights the need to protect marine biodiversity and promote sustainable management of oceans worldwide.
- ❖ The theme for the year 2026 is "Reimagine: Beyond the World We Know, a New Relationship with Our Ocean."

