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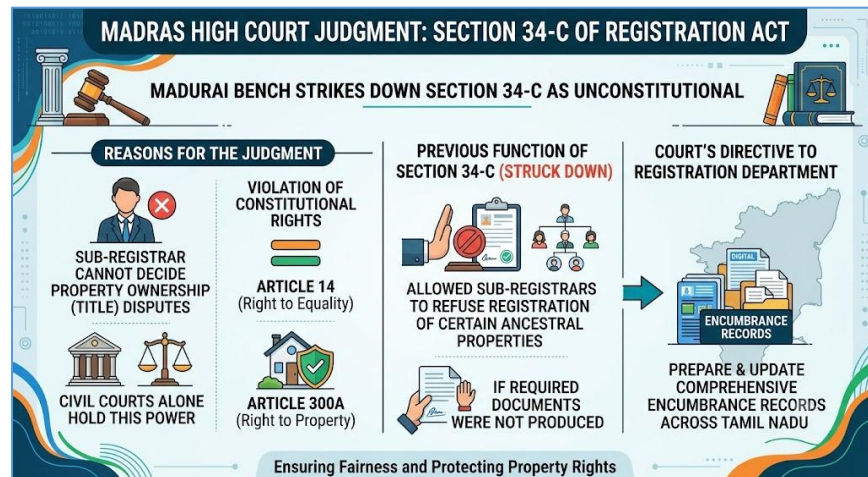
- ❖ Bhojarajan, MLA from Ooty, has been identified as the eldest member of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly.
 - He is 79 years old and is a first-time MLA, according to Assembly records.
- ❖ The Indian Coast Guard inducted its first indigenous Air Cushion Vehicle (ACV) hovercraft, designated H-561, which was built at Chowgule & Company Private Limited shipyard, Goa.
- ❖ Mishmi Takins (*Budorcas taxicolor*) were spotted in North Sikkim's Tingda Reserve Forest in the Bakuchen area; the species is a goat-antelope found in the Eastern Himalayas and belongs to the family Bovidae.
 - Mishmi Takin is listed as Vulnerable in the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List.
- ❖ The Prime Minister laid the foundation stone of India's first commercial-scale Coal-to-Ammonium Nitrate Project in Lakhanpur, Jharsuguda district, Odisha.
 - The project is being developed by Bharat Coal Gasification and Chemicals Limited (BCGCL), a joint venture of Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) and Coal India Limited (CIL).
- ❖ National Reading Day is observed every year on 19 June in India to promote a culture of reading and literacy.
 - The day is celebrated in memory of Puthuvayil Narayana Panicker (P.N. Panicker), an Indian librarian and social reformer from Kerala, India, who is regarded as the pioneer of the library and literacy movement in the country.
- ❖ The International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict is observed every year on 19 June.
 - The theme for the year 2026 is "Conflict-Related Sexual Violence Against Children: Safeguarding Futures and Empowering Caregivers."
- ❖ World Music Day is celebrated every year on 21 June to promote music and encourage free public performances by both professional and amateur musicians, and it is also known as Fête de la Musique (Festival of Music) or Make Music Day.

TAMIL NADU NEWS

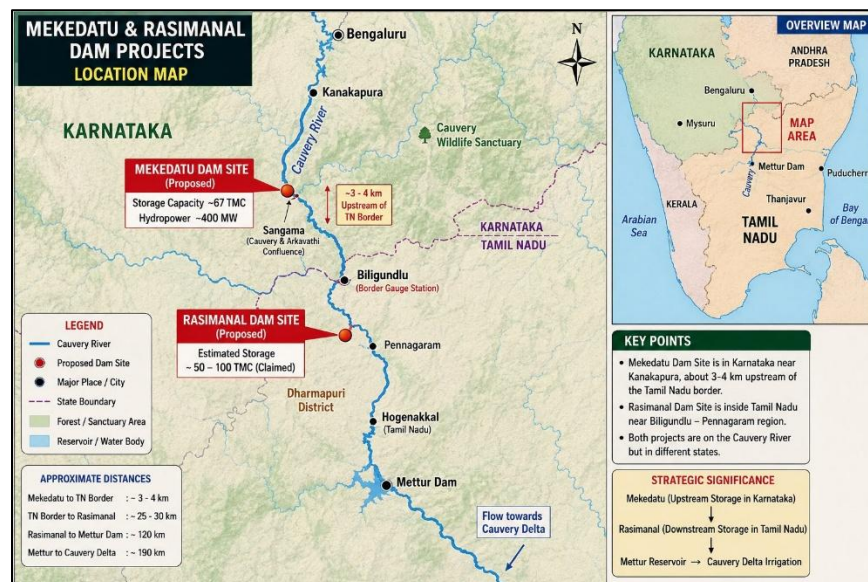
Madras High Court - Section 34 C

- ❖ The Madurai Bench of the Madras High Court struck down Section 34-C of the Registration Act as unconstitutional.

- ❖ The Court held that a Sub-Registrar cannot decide property ownership (title) disputes, as this power belongs only to civil courts.
- ❖ It ruled that the provision violated Article 14 (Right to Equality) and Article 300A (Right to Property) of the Constitution.
- ❖ Section 34-C allowed Sub-Registrars to refuse registration of certain ancestral properties if the required documents were not produced.
- ❖ The Court also directed the Registration Department to prepare and update comprehensive encumbrance records across Tamil Nadu.



Rasimal Dam Proposal



- ❖ A proposal has been made to construct the Rasimal Dam in Krishnagiri district as an alternative to the Mekedatu project.

- ❖ The proposed dam would have a storage capacity of 66 thousand million cubic feet (TMC ft) and be located upstream of the Mettur Dam.
- ❖ The project is expected to generate 360 megawatts (MW) of hydroelectric power.
- ❖ In 1961, Chief Minister K. Kamaraj laid the foundation stone for a dam at Rasimanal.
- ❖ The proposal suggests a joint venture between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka to meet water and power needs.

Thaaimaaman Thanga Mothira Thittam

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu government has announced the 'Thaaimaaman Thanga Mothira Thittam', under which a one-gram gold ring will be provided to babies born in government hospitals.
- ❖ The scheme applies to newborn babies whose parents are permanent residents of Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The State government has allocated ₹755.83 crore annually for the implementation of the scheme.
- ❖ The scheme will be formally launched on 15 September 2026, the birth anniversary of C. N. Annadurai.
- ❖ The objective of the scheme is to honour newborn children and their mothers, while promoting maternal and child welfare in the State.

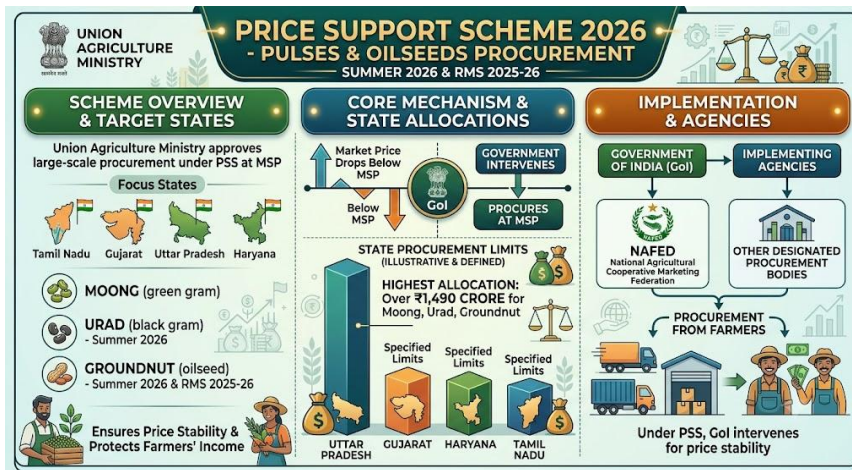
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NATIONAL NEWS

Price Support Scheme 2026 - Pulses and Oilseeds Procurement

- ❖ The Union Agriculture Ministry approved large-scale procurement of pulses and oilseeds under the Price Support Scheme (PSS) at Minimum Support Price (MSP) for Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, and Haryana.

- ❖ The procurement covers green gram, black gram, and groundnut for the Summer 2026 season and the Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2025–26.
- ❖ Under the PSS, the Government of India intervenes in the market when prices fall below MSP to ensure price stability and protect farmers' income.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh received the highest allocation, covering moong, urad, and groundnut worth over ₹1,490 crore, followed by Gujarat, Haryana, and Tamil Nadu with state-specific procurement limits.
- ❖ The scheme is implemented by the Government of India through agencies such as the National Agricultural Cooperative Marketing Federation (NAFED) and other designated procurement bodies.



Supreme Court on Right to Walk on Footpaths



- ❖ The Supreme Court of India in *Maniyar Iliyaz @ Shaik Riyaz v. P. Ayyappan & Ors.* held that the right to walk on safe and demarcated footpaths is a fundamental right under Article 21 of the Constitution.

- ❖ The judgment was delivered after a case involving the death of a 5-year-old child hit by a tanker while walking on a road with his father.
- ❖ The Court ruled that pedestrian safety and access to unobstructed footpaths take priority over motor vehicle movement on roads.
- ❖ It stated that the right to walk is an essential part of dignified living and is linked to the Right to Life and Personal Liberty under Article 21.
- ❖ The Court directed urban local bodies such as municipalities and development authorities to treat footpath protection as a constitutional duty.
- ❖ It also recommended that Parliament and State legislatures enact a dedicated law to ensure the enforcement of pedestrian rights and improve urban road safety.

Abhigyan App for Crime Data Access



- ❖ The Union Home Minister launched the Abhigyan App in New Delhi to strengthen the use of crime-related data by law enforcement agencies.
- ❖ The Abhigyan App is a centralised digital platform developed by the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) under the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), Government of India.
- ❖ It enables police personnel to access a large database of criminal records through smartphones for faster investigation and verification.
- ❖ The app is integrated with the National Automated Fingerprint Identification System (NAFIS), allowing real-time fingerprint matching with records of accused, convicts, and prisoners.

- ❖ The system strengthens digital policing by enabling rapid identification of individuals, improving efficiency in criminal investigations, and supporting evidence-based law enforcement.

REPORTS AND INDICES

State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture Report 2026



- ❖ The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) released the State of World Fisheries and Aquaculture (SOFIA) 2026 report under the theme “Blue Transformation: Turning Vision into Impact”.
- ❖ The FAO Blue Transformation Vision (2021) aims to improve aquatic food systems through sustainable aquaculture expansion, efficient fisheries management, and inclusive value chains.
- ❖ Global aquatic production reached a record 235 million tonnes (2024), with aquaculture contributing 53% of total aquatic animal production.
- ❖ The share of sustainably managed fish stocks declined from 64.5% (2021) to 62.4% (2023), indicating pressure on marine resources.
- ❖ India accounted for 9% of global aquatic production (2024), ranking 2nd globally after China, and is the largest inland capture fisheries producer.

- ❖ India is also the 2nd-largest aquaculture producer, contributing about 12% of global aquaculture output, supported by schemes like Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana (PMMSY) and Fisheries and Aquaculture Infrastructure Development Fund (FIDF).

STATE NEWS

Amaravati Quantum Valley – 4 Kelvin Milestone



- ❖ Amaravati Quantum Valley (AQV) achieved 4 Kelvin (-269°C) cooling using an indigenous dilution refrigerator.
- ❖ The milestone was achieved at the Quantum Reference Facility in Medha Towers, Amaravati, Andhra Pradesh.
- ❖ 4 Kelvin is a cryogenic temperature used for testing superconducting devices, quantum sensors, and quantum computing components.
- ❖ A dilution refrigerator uses helium-3 and helium-4 isotopes to achieve extremely low temperatures close to absolute zero.
- ❖ India established its first Quantum Reference Facilities in April 2026 at Medha Towers, Amaravati, and SRM University AP.
- ❖ Absolute zero is 0 Kelvin (-273.15°C), the lowest possible temperature in physics.

Telegram Block Under IT Act Section 69A

- ❖ The Delhi High Court upheld the Union Government's decision to temporarily block Telegram under Section 69A of the Information Technology (IT) Act, 2000, ahead of the NEET-UG 2026 re-examination.

- ❖ The Centre stated that Telegram is being used by cybercriminals, fraud networks, and exam paper leak groups, calling it a “new dark web” platform.
- ❖ Section 69A of the Information Technology Act, 2000, empowers the Government of India to block public access to online content in the interest of sovereignty, security of the State, public order, and other legal grounds.
- ❖ The government used emergency provisions under the Information Technology (Procedure and Safeguards for Blocking Access of Information by Public) Rules, 2009, to issue the blocking order.
- ❖ The Supreme Court in *Shreya Singhal vs Union of India* (2015) upheld Section 69A as constitutionally valid with safeguards like written reasons and review mechanisms.

<p>S.69A IT Act Empowers Centre To Block Entire Intermediary Platform, Not Just Specific Content: Delhi High Court In Telegram Case</p>	 <p>TELEGRAM BANNED TILL JUNE 22 AHEAD OF NEET-UG RE-EXAM</p>
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