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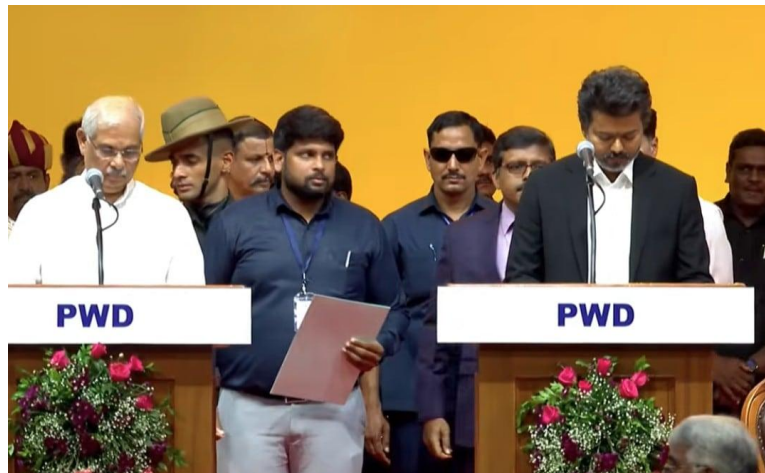
- ❖ Chennai Metro Rail Limited won the Global Environmental Leadership Project of the Year 2026 award in the Metro Rail category at the GEEF (Global Energy and Environment Foundation) Global Environmental Excellence Awards 2026.
- ❖ India's first Urban Weather Testbed and Aerosol Observatory was launched in Chennai to improve weather forecasting and climate research in cities.
- ❖ Lieutenant General NS Raja Subramani (Retd) was appointed as the next Chief of Defence Staff (CDS) of India and replace General Anil Chauhan on 30 May 2026.
- ❖ The National Crime Records Bureau released the Accidental Deaths and Suicides in India (ADSI) 2024 report, which recorded 1,70,746 suicides in India during 2024.
- ❖ A Royal Bengal Tiger was spotted in D'Ering Memorial Wildlife Sanctuary in Arunachal Pradesh after nearly 20 years.
- ❖ World Ovarian Cancer Day is observed on 8 May every year to spread awareness about ovarian cancer and early diagnosis.
 - The theme for the year 2026 is "No Woman Left Behind".
- ❖ Mother's Day 2026 was observed on 10 May 2026, the second Sunday of May, to honour the love, care, and contributions of mothers and maternal figures.

TAMIL NADU NEWS

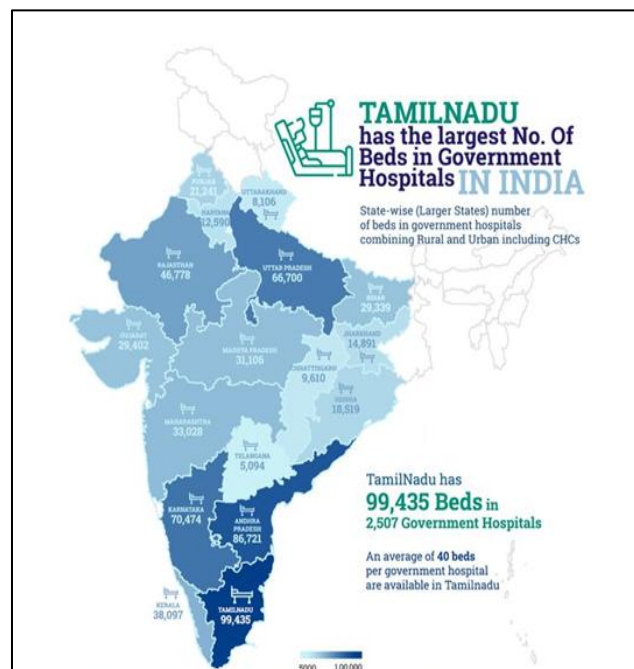
15th CM of Tamil Nadu

- ❖ C. Joseph Vijay, president of Tamilaga Vettri Kazhagam (TVK), was sworn in as the 15th Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu.
- ❖ The swearing-in ceremony was held at Jawaharlal Nehru Indoor Stadium in Chennai.
- ❖ Governor Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar administered the oath of office and secrecy to the new Chief Minister.
- ❖ Nine ministers were sworn in along with him.
- ❖ The Governor appointed the Chief Minister under Article 164 of the Constitution.
- ❖ The Governor also directed Vijay to seek a vote of confidence in the Assembly on or before 13 May 2026.

- ❖ The new Cabinet marked the first time in five decades that Tamil Nadu was ruled by neither the All-India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK) nor the Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (DMK).
- ❖ Since 1950, Tamil Nadu has had 14 Chief Ministers before Vijay, and he became the 9th Chief minister after the State was renamed Tamil Nadu in 1969.
- ❖ V. R. Nedunchezhiyan served twice as Acting Chief Minister after the deaths of C. N. Annadurai in 1969 and M. G. Ramachandran in 1987.
- ❖ K. Kamaraj of the Indian National Congress served as Chief Minister for the longest period from 1954 to 1963.



TN and Government Hospital Treatment



- ❖ Tamil Nadu has recorded the highest share of patients choosing government hospitals among southern states.
- ❖ Around 43% of inpatients in Tamil Nadu received treatment in government hospitals.
- ❖ About 53.4% of patients chose private hospitals, while 3.6% used charitable trust hospitals.
- ❖ The average treatment cost under the Chief Minister’s insurance scheme in government hospitals was ₹1,357.
- ❖ The amount is lower than the national average treatment cost of ₹6,631.
- ❖ The report also stated that 99% of deliveries in Tamil Nadu take place in hospitals.

Lowest Medical Spending in Public Hospitals - Tamil Nadu

States/UTs with the highest average out-of-pocket medical expenditure (OOPME) per hospitalisation case (excluding childbirth) in charitable hospitals over the past 365 days

STATE	SPENDING (RS)
Tamil Nadu	1,20,994
West Bengal	83,856
Karnataka	67,214
Telangana	46,731
Assam	45,143
National average: Rs 39,530	

- ❖ A National Sample Survey report found that Tamil Nadu recorded the lowest out-of-pocket medical expenditure (OOPME) for treatment in government hospitals among major States in India.
- ❖ The average out-of-pocket expenditure for hospitalisation in government hospitals in Tamil Nadu was ₹1,357, compared to the national average of ₹6,631.
- ❖ The survey covered medical expenses for in-patient treatment during the previous 365 days.
- ❖ Treatment costs in private hospitals in Tamil Nadu were higher than the national average.
- ❖ The average expenditure in private hospitals was ₹74,168, while the national average was ₹50,508.

NATIONAL NEWS

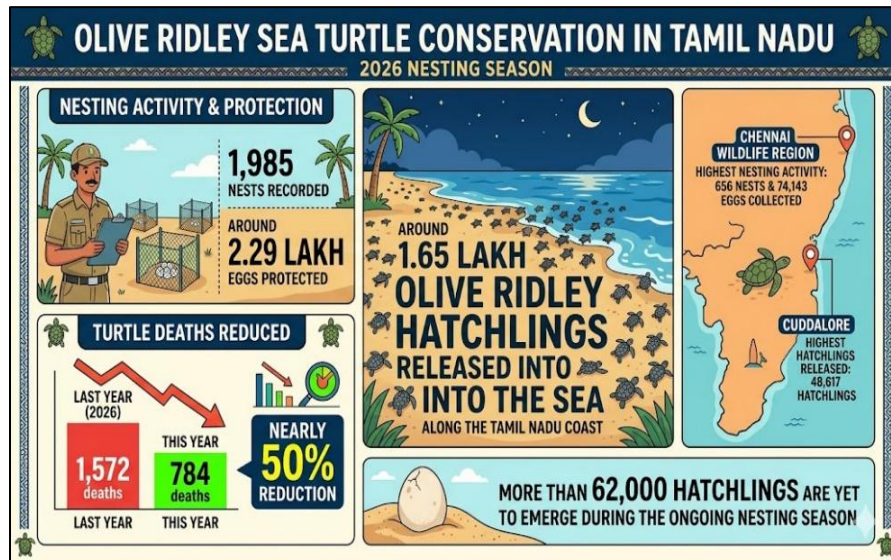
Labour Codes Implementation



- ❖ The Central Government fully operationalised the four new Labour Codes by publishing the final rules in the official gazette.
- ❖ The four Labour Codes came into effect on November 21, 2025.
- ❖ The new framework replaced 29 old labour laws with four simplified labour codes.
- ❖ The four codes are: Code on Wages, 2019; Industrial Relations Code, 2020; Code on Social Security, 2020; and Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020.
- ❖ The reforms aim to ensure minimum wages, universal social security, worker safety, and ease of doing business.
- ❖ The Code on Wages provides minimum wages, timely payment of wages, and equal remuneration for workers.
- ❖ The Industrial Relations Code deals with trade unions, industrial disputes, layoffs, retrenchment, and closure of establishments.
- ❖ The Code on Social Security provides the benefits such as Provident Fund (PF), pension, insurance, and maternity benefits for organised and unorganised workers.
- ❖ The Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code focuses on worker safety, health facilities, welfare measures, maximum 48 working hours per week, overtime pay, and weekly holidays.

ENVIRONMENT NEWS

Olive Ridley Sea Turtle Conservation - Tamil Nadu



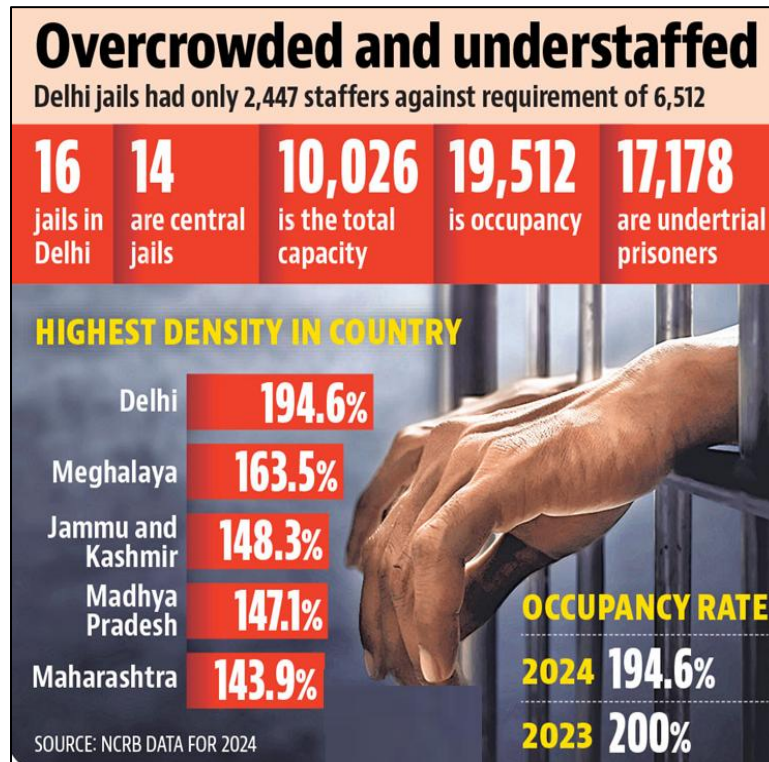
- ❖ Around 1.65 lakh Olive Ridley Sea turtle hatchlings were released into the sea along the Tamil Nadu coast during the 2026 nesting season.
- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Forest Department recorded 1,985 turtle nests and protected around 2.29 lakh eggs.
- ❖ Turtle deaths reduced by nearly 50%, from 1,572 last year to 784 this year.
- ❖ Chennai Wildlife Region recorded the highest nesting activity with 656 nests and 74,143 eggs collected.
- ❖ Cuddalore recorded the highest number of hatchlings released into the sea, with 48,617 hatchlings.
- ❖ More than 62,000 hatchlings are yet to emerge during the ongoing nesting season.

REPORTS AND INDICES

Prison Statistics India 2024 Report

- ❖ The National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) released the Prison Statistics India (PSI) 2024 report on prison conditions in India.
- ❖ Delhi recorded the highest prison occupancy rate at 194.6%, with 19,512 inmates against a capacity of 10,026 prisoners.
- ❖ A large number of prisoners in India were undertrials, meaning they were awaiting completion of their court cases.

- ❖ The report highlighted major shortages in prison staff, with thousands of vacant posts.
- ❖ Many prisoners belonged to economically weaker sections and had an education below Class 10.
- ❖ The report also noted rehabilitation efforts through education, computer courses, and skill development programmes inside prisons.

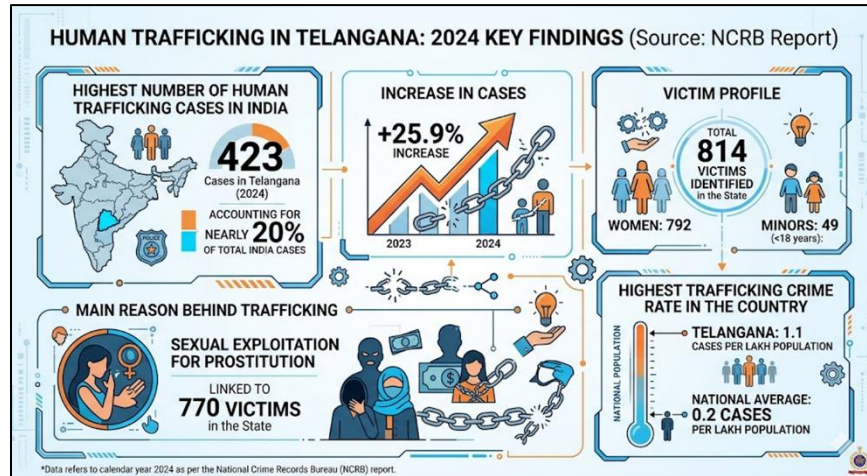


STATE NEWS

Human Trafficking in Telangana

- ❖ Telangana recorded the highest number of human trafficking cases in India in 2024, according to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB).
- ❖ Telangana registered 423 human trafficking cases in 2024, accounting for nearly 20% of the total cases reported in India.
- ❖ The number of trafficking cases in Telangana increased by 25.9% compared to 2023.
- ❖ Out of 814 trafficking victims identified in the State, 792 were women, and 49 were minors below 18 years of age.
- ❖ “Sexual exploitation for prostitution” was the main reason behind trafficking cases, linked to 770 victims in the State.

- ❖ Telangana recorded the highest trafficking crime rate in the country at 1.1 cases per lakh population, higher than the national average of 0.2.



Highest Violent Crime Rate in Odisha

- ❖ Odisha recorded the highest violent crime rate in India in 2024, according to the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) report.
- ❖ Odisha recorded 161.6 victims of violent crimes per lakh population in 2024.
- ❖ The state reported 75,403 violent crime cases, the fourth highest in India after Bihar, Maharashtra, and Uttar Pradesh.
- ❖ Bihar ranked second with 83 victims per lakh population.
- ❖ Odisha ranked second in crimes against women, with 118.3 crimes per lakh women, while Telangana ranked first.
- ❖ The report stated that rape cases in Odisha declined from 3,054 in 2024 to 2,994 in 2025.
- ❖ More than 6,000 children went missing in Odisha in 2024, and girls accounted for about 87% of these cases.

According to the NCRB report 2024, Odisha leads Nation in Violent Crime Rate with 161.6 victims per lakh population, and ranks 2nd in crimes against women with 118.3 cases per lakh women

End of 15 Year TMC Rule - West Bengal



- ❖ Mamata Banerjee completed her tenure as the Chief Minister of West Bengal after serving for 15 years from 2011 to 2026.
- ❖ She served as Chief Minister during the 15th, 16th, and 17th Vidhan Sabha terms.
- ❖ Her term officially ended on 7 May 2026.
- ❖ Governor R. N. Ravi dissolved the 17th West Bengal Legislative Assembly after the completion of its term.
- ❖ Mamata Banerjee came to power in 2011 after defeating the 34-year-old Left Front government in the State.
- ❖ Suwendu Adhikari was sworn in as the Chief Minister of the 18th West Bengal Legislative Assembly.

IMPORTANT DAYS

Border Roads Organisation Raising Day 2026 – May 07

- ❖ The Border Roads Organisation (BRO) was established in 1960 under the Ministry of Defence.
- ❖ BRO is responsible for building and maintaining roads, tunnels, bridges, and other infrastructure in the border and remote areas of India.

- ❖ The organisation works in high-altitude and snow-bound regions across several states and Union Territories.
- ❖ Major BRO projects include the Sela Tunnel in Arunachal Pradesh and the upcoming Shinkun La Tunnel in Ladakh.
- ❖ The motto of BRO is “Shramena Sarvam Sadhyam,” which means “Everything is achievable through hard work.”

