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TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The first Khelo India National Ranking Women Archery will be held in Tata Archery Academy, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand.
 - The Archery Association of India, in collaboration with the Jharkhand Archery Association and TATA Steel, is organizing the tournament.
- ❖ Karnataka is likely to become the 13th state to provide eggs under the midday meal scheme.

TAMIL NADU

Equality Day

- ❖ Tamil Nadu Chief Minister MK Stalin announced that the birthday of Dr. BR Ambedkar will be celebrated as 'Equality Day'.
- ❖ Dr. Ambedkar's birthday falls on April 14.
- ❖ He made the announcement under Rule 110 in the Assembly.
- ❖ Under rule number 110, the Chief Minister or any minister can announce or bring any resolution to the Assembly which can be passed without any discussion.

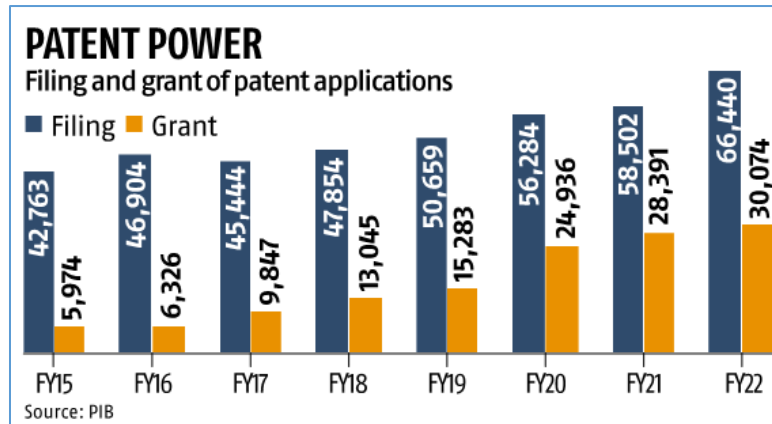


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Patent filings in India

- ❖ The number of domestic patent filing has surpassed the number of international patent filing during January-March 2022 for the first time in 11 year.

- ❖ A total of 19,796 patent applications were filed.
- ❖ Out of that, 10,706 (54%) were filed by Indian applicants as compared to 9,090 by non-Indian applicants.



Students to pursue two full-time academic programmes



- ❖ The University Grants Commission (UGC) announced that students will now be able to pursue two full-time academic programs in physical mode.
- ❖ The guidelines will apply to all the programmes available across the country.
- ❖ The Students can either choose a combination of a diploma programme and an undergraduate (UG) degree, two master's programmes, or two bachelor's programmes.
- ❖ If a student is eligible to pursue a postgraduate (UG) degree and also wants to enrol in a bachelor's degree in a different domain, he/she will be able to pursue a UG and PG degree simultaneously.

Megalithic stone jars

- ❖ In the Dima Hasao district of Assam, a number of megalithic stone jars have been discovered.

- ❖ This discovery has highlighted the possible links, that date back to the second millennium BC, between Southeast Asia and the Northeast region of India.
- ❖ Three distinct shaped jars have been documented in the paper, 'An archaeological survey of the Assam stone jar sites'.
- ❖ In a site named Nuchubunglo, 546 jars were discovered making it the largest such site across the planet.
- ❖ The study has called for more research so as to understand this cultural relationship between Laos and Assam and Indonesia.
- ❖ Indonesia and Laos are the only two other sites where such similar jars have been discovered.



2026 Commonwealth Games



- ❖ In a deviation from the conventional single host city approach, the Commonwealth Games will be held in Victoria in 2026.
- ❖ The majority of events will be organized by the state's regional centers.

- ❖ In March 2026, the Games will be held in numerous towns and regional centers around Australia, including Melbourne, Geelong, Bendigo, Ballarat, and Gippsland.

Coal gasification plant



- ❖ Jindal Steel & Power Plans has plans of setting up a coal gasification plant at its Raigarh plant in Chhattisgarh.
- ❖ This is the second in the country.
- ❖ The company is already using the coal gasification technology to produce steel at its plant in Angul, Odisha.

Global Wind Report 2022



- ❖ It is released by Global Wind Energy Council (GWEC).
- ❖ It was established in 2005.
- ❖ It is the international trade association for the wind power industry, representing the united voice of the industry, globally.

- ❖ Wind energy installations every year across the world must quadruple from the 94 GW installed in 2021 within this decade to meet the global climate targets.
- ❖ New offshore installations in 2022 are likely to decline to the 2019/2020 levels, primarily due to the reduction of installations in China.

SVANidhi se Samriddhi Program



- ❖ The 'SVANidhi se Samriddhi' program has been launched by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs.
- ❖ It is launched in additional 126 cities across 14 States and UTs of India.
- ❖ This program was successful in providing social security benefits to lakhs of street vendors and their families across the country thus protecting them from the livelihoods risks.

Top 10 busiest airports

Ranks	Airport	PASSENGERS*
1	Atlanta	75,704,760
2	Dallas Fort Worth	62,465,756
3	Denver	58,828,552
4	Chicago O'Hare	54,020,339
5	Los Angeles	48,007,284
6	Charlotte	43,302,230
7	Orlando International	40,351,068
8	Guangzhou	40,259,401
9	Chengdu	40,117,496
10	Las Vegas	39,754,366



- ❖ The Airports Council International released the list of the top 10 busiest airports worldwide for 2021.
- ❖ Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (USA) has topped the list with 75.7 million passengers.
- ❖ Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (USA) is second, followed by Denver International Airport (USA) at the third spot.

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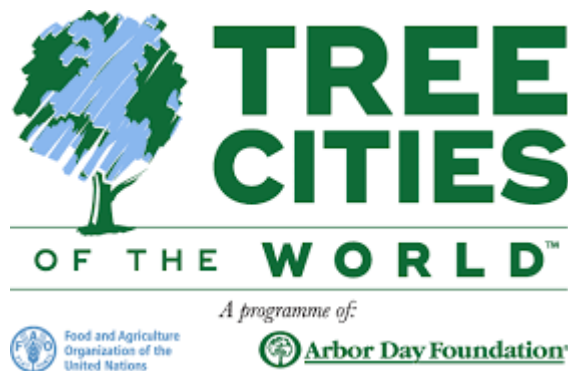
Community museum



- ❖ In Ladakh, a community museum is opened in the Gya - Sasoma villages of the Leh district.
- ❖ This is to preserve and promote the region's rich cultural history.
- ❖ This is India's 1st community museum.

PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

2021 Tree City of the World



- ❖ The United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation and Arbor Day Foundation have jointly recognized Mumbai and Hyderabad as the '2021 Tree City of the World'.
- ❖ The two Indian cities have won the recognition for their “commitment to growing and maintaining urban trees and greenery in building healthy, resilient and happy cities”.
- ❖ It must be noted that Hyderabad has been recognized for a second consecutive year.
- ❖ In 2021, Hyderabad was the only city in India to be recognized as a '2020 Tree City of the World'.

IMPORTANT DAYS

International Day of Street Children - April 12

- ❖ International Day of Street Children (IDSC) is annually observed across the globe to acknowledge the strength and resilience of millions of street children across the world.
- ❖ The day also recognise the humanity, dignity and defiance of street children in the face of unimaginable hardships.

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR STREET CHILDREN 12 APRIL

Siachen Day - April 13



- ❖ The day is observed to commemorate the courage of the Indian Army under “Operation Meghdoot”.

- ❖ The day also honors Siachen Warriors serving their motherland successfully from the enemy.
- ❖ Every year this day is observed to pay solemn tributes to the soldiers who laid down their lives to capture the icy heights of Siachen 38 years ago.

International Turban Day - April 13



- ❖ The day is celebrated since 2004.
- ❖ This is to bring awareness of the strict requirement on Sikhs to put the turban as a mandatory part of their religion.
- ❖ The 2022 Turban Day marks the 553rd birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev and the festival of Baisakhi.
- ❖ The turban, also known as “dastar” or “pagri” or “pag” refers to the garment worn by both men and some women to cover their heads.

Jallianwala Bagh massacre - April 13



- ❖ It is also known as the Amritsar massacre.
- ❖ It took place on 13 April 1919.



- ❖ On Dyer's orders, there was ruthless firing done on the uninformed crowd.
- ❖ This year we commemorate the 103rd anniversary of this massacre.

