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## TNPSC BITS

- ❖ The recently concluded Semicon India 2023 event showcased the country's most interesting startups that are shaping the future of this critical global resource.
- ❖ South Korea's NongHyup Bank opened its 1<sup>st</sup> Indian branch in Noida.
  - With this, the Nonghyup Bank becomes the sixth Korean bank in India to get permission to conduct business in India.

## TAMIL NADU

### New GI products for Tamilnadu

- ❖ The GI registry is to confer GI recognition for Jaderi Tiruman (Namakatti) of Tiruvannamalai district, Matti Banana of Kanyakumari district and the Chedibutta sarees of Tirunelveli district.
- ❖ The GI Hall of fame has nearly 420 products so far.
- ❖ Tamil Nadu's tally has reached 58 and topped in the list.
- ❖ Uttar Pradesh is in second position with 50-plus products, followed by Karnataka with 48.



### Tamil Nadu's Own Tax Revenue

- ❖ Tamil Nadu's Own Tax Revenue grew marginally to ₹34,311.23 crore in April-June 2023.
- ❖ This stands at ₹33,923.04 crore in the same period last year.



- ❖ The State's Own Tax Revenue (SOTR) accounts for 70% of the total revenue.
- ❖ Land Revenue increased to ₹60.43 crore in April-June 2023 from ₹58.46 crore in the comparable period last year.
- ❖ The State Excise Duties (which reflect liquor revenue) increased to ₹2,620.66 crore in the first quarter of 2023-24.
- ❖ This stood at ₹2,594.55 crore in the same period last year.

## A substantial rise

The tax collection in Tamil Nadu has increased by over 50% in the first quarter of fiscal 2023

	Q1 2023	Q1 2022	% change
State Goods and Services Tax	13692.84	9224.11	48.4
Stamps and Registration Fees	4457.95	2314.46	92.6
Land Revenue	58.46	38.07	53.5
Taxes on Sales, Trade etc	13119.24	9484.81	38.3
State Excise Duties	2594.55	1199.23	116.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>33923.04</b>	<b>22260.68</b>	<b>52.3</b>

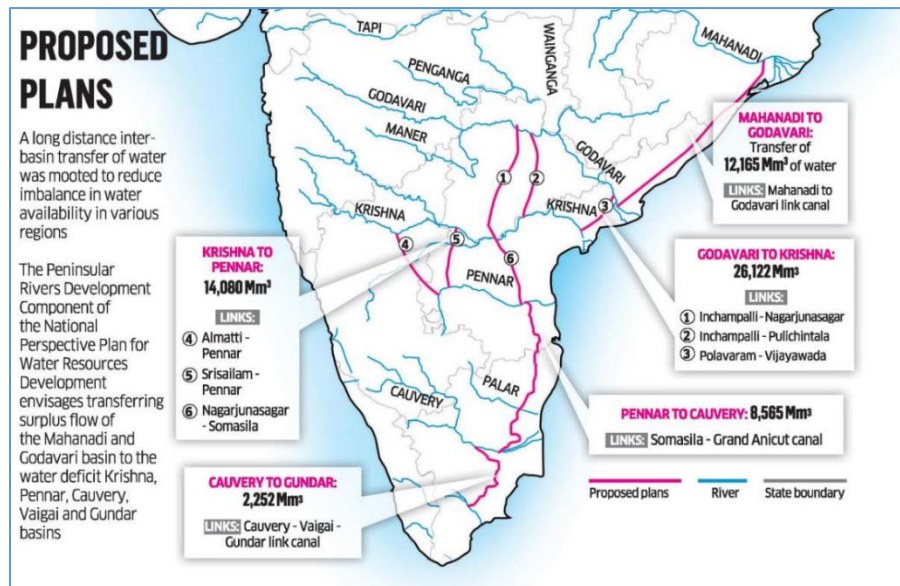
### Fresh clause in T.N. welfare scheme

- ❖ The Tamil Nadu Manual Workers (Construction Workers) Welfare Scheme, 1994, has introduced a fresh clause.
- ❖ It aimed at benefiting families of manual and inter-State migrant workers in case of accidents resulting in death.
- ❖ According to the clause, if a manual worker dies due to an accident at their work site, financial assistance will be provided to their nominee or legal heirs for transporting the body to their native place.
- ❖ This provision also applies to inter-State migrant workers.
- ❖ To qualify for the assistance, the accident must be solely and directly linked to the worker's employment.

- ❖ It should not involve intentional self-injury, suicide, intoxication, insanity, or breach of the law.

### Godavari-Cauvery link project

- ❖ The Central government has told that the implementation of the link project of the Godavari-Cauvery rivers “solely depends” upon the ability of the States concerned to reach a consensus.
- ❖ The term, “party States,” covers Telangana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu apart from the Union Territory of Puducherry.
- ❖ The project envisages the transfer of surplus water of the Godavari River from the Inchampalli dam in Karimnagar district of Telangana to the Grand Anicut, near Thanjavur, on the Cauvery.
- ❖ It has three components such as Godavari (Inchampalli)- Krishna (Nagarjuna Sagar); Krishna (Nagarjuna Sagar)-Pennar (Somasila) and Pennar (Somasila) - Cauvery (Grand Anicut).



## NATIONAL

### ULLAS mobile application

- ❖ Union Minister of Education introduced the mobile application of the ULLAS: Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram.
- ❖ The occasion coincided with the third anniversary of NEP 2020.

- ❖ It serves as a digital gateway to engage learners with diverse educational resources through the DIKSHA portal of NCERT.
- ❖ It targets citizens aged 15 and above who missed the opportunity to attend formal schooling.
- ❖ He also introduced the logo and slogan "Jan Jan Sakshar".



## INTERNATIONAL

### Colombo Security Conclave framework



- ❖ A joint expedition of ocean scientists from India, Bangladesh and Mauritius successfully concluded.
- ❖ It was organised by the Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS) under the regional framework of Colombo Security Conclave (CSC).



- ❖ It aims to build capacity in ocean observation and services apart from collection of ocean data to predict and manage changes in the regional environment of the Indian Ocean.
- ❖ The expedition onboard ORV Sagar Nidhi was unique in nature as it was the first of its kind under the CSC framework.

## ECONOMY

### 'Star Series' banknotes

- ❖ RBI confirmed that, a Rs 500 banknote with a star (\*) symbol is identical to any other legal banknote and it is genuine.
- ❖ The asterisk (\*) was introduced on the new ₹500 banknotes in December 2016.
- ❖ The Star symbol is an identifier that it is a replaced/reprinted banknote.
- ❖ This practice was introduced earlier with Rs 10, 20, 50, and 100 banknotes, even before 2016.
- ❖ These banknotes are to replace defectively printed banknotes during the printing process.



## STATES

### First-ever floating store

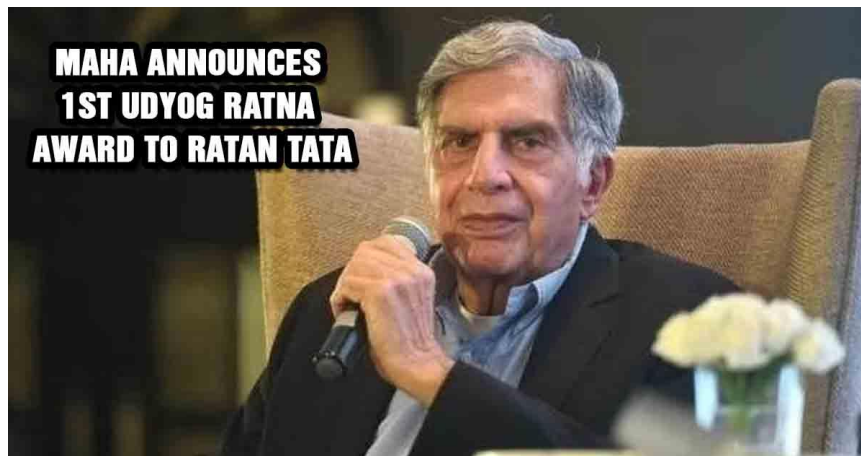
- ❖ Amazon India announced its first-ever floating store on Dal Lake in Srinagar, Kashmir.
- ❖ This initiative comes as a part of its last-mile delivery programme “I Have Space.”

- ❖ This programme was launched in 2015 and has 28,000 neighbourhood and kirana partners in about 420 towns and cities across the country.



## **PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS**

### **First 'Udyog Ratna' award**



- ❖ The Maharashtra government has taken the decision to introduce the prestigious Udyog Ratna Award starting this year.
- ❖ The state honoured Ratan Tata, the Chairman of the Tata group, with the first esteemed Maharashtra Udyog Ratna Award.
- ❖ This is the highest state honor presented to distinguished individuals by the state.
- ❖ Just like the Maharashtra Bhushan award, it is also presented to distinguished persons.

- ❖ Ratan Tata has also been honoured with two of India's most prestigious civilian awards: the Padma Vibhushan in 2008 and the Padma Bhushan in 2000.

## IMPORTANT DAYS

### World Wide Web Day 2023 - August 01

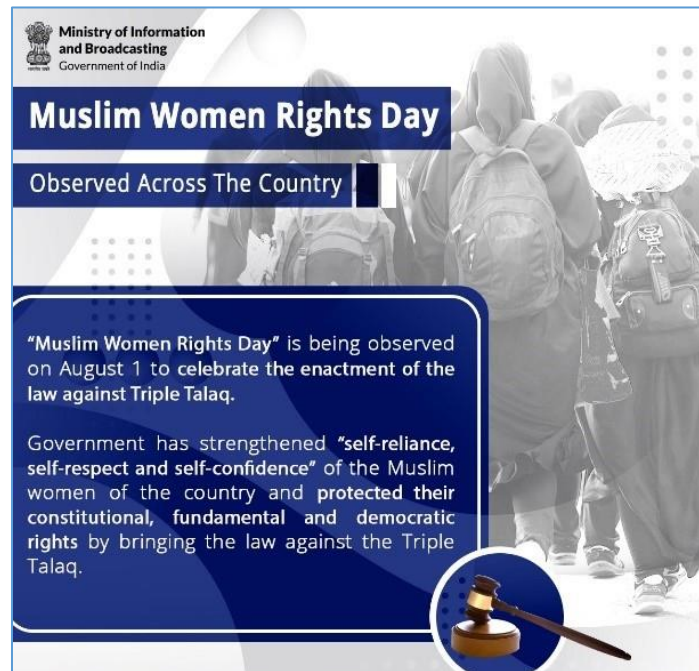
- ❖ It is a day dedicated to commemorating the birth of the World Wide Web (www) and recognising its impact on the world.
- ❖ On this day in 1991 that Tim Berners-Lee posted a proposal for the World Wide Web on the alt. hypertext newsgroup.
- ❖ The World Wide Web, commonly known as the Web, was created by Sir Tim Berners-Lee in 1989.
- ❖ He submitted a proposal for a "distributed information system" to facilitate sharing and updating information among researchers at CERN.
- ❖ The first web server, "httpd," and the first web browser, "WorldWideWeb" (later renamed Nexus), were created by Berners-Lee and his colleague Robert Cailliau in 1990.



### Muslim Women's Rights Day 2023 - August 01

- ❖ The day marks the enactment of the law against Triple Talaq, which came into effect on August 1, 2019.
- ❖ It was in 2021 that Muslim Women Rights Day was celebrated for the first time.
- ❖ The law against Triple Talaq liberated them from the atrocities committed on them in the terms of the divorce.

- ❖ Triple Talaq is also known as Talaq-e-Biddat.
- ❖ It is a form of divorce that was practiced in Islam, in which a man could divorce his wife by pronouncing Talaq three times.
- ❖ Moreover, it wasn't needed for the man to cite any reason for the divorce, and at the time of the pronouncement of Talaq.
- ❖ The wife was also not needed to be present on site.



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## Muslim Women Rights Day

Observed Across The Country

"Muslim Women Rights Day" is being observed on August 1 to celebrate the enactment of the law against Triple Talaq.

Government has strengthened "self-reliance, self-respect and self-confidence" of the Muslim women of the country and protected their constitutional, fundamental and democratic rights by bringing the law against the Triple Talaq.

