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TNPSC BITS

 Indian Oil is the first corporate which has come forward to support the "Project Cheetah" under the Corporate Social Responsibility.

TAMIL NADU

i-Tamil Nadu Technology hub

- The state will launch the i-Tamil Nadu Technology (iTNT) hub.
- It is a centre that will coordinate efforts to use technologies such as artificial intelligence, machine learning and blockchain to solve complex challenges.
- The move is aimed at giving a major push for the growth of the sector in Tamil Nadu.



NATIONAL

Next Chief Justice of India

- ✤ Justice Uday Umesh Lalit is set to be the next Chief Justice of India.
- Justice Ramana is due to retire on August 26, after which Justice UU Lalit will take over, becoming the 49th CJI.
- He'll have only 74 days in the chair before he retires on November 8 at the age of 65.





- ✤ After Justice UU Lalit, Justice DY Chandrachud is next in line to head the country's judiciary.
- The shortest tenure so far has been 17 days, served by Justice Kamal Narain Singh in 1991.



Guidelines for Saksham Anganwadi & Poshan 2.0



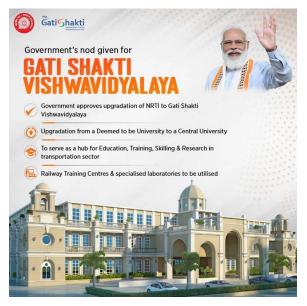




- The Ministry of Women and Child Development released operational guidelines to implement 'Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0' scheme.
- The Central government has approved the scheme for implementation during 2021-22 to 2025-26.
- Saksham Anganwadi and Poshan 2.0 is an Integrated Nutrition Support Programme.

Central Universities (Amendment) Bill 2022

- ♦ The Central Universities (Amendment) Bill 2022 was passed in Lok Sabha.
- It aims to convert the 'National Rail and Transportation Institute (NRTI)' into Gati Shakti Vishwavidyalaya (GSV).
- ✤ NRTI is the first transport institute of India.
- ✤ It is located in Vadodara, Gujarat.



Highest ever FRP for sugarcane

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs approved the Fair and Remunerative Price (FRP) of sugarcane.
- ✤ 305 rupees per quintal was fixed for sugar season 2022-23.
- The FRP for sugar season 2022-23 is 2.6 per cent higher than current sugar season 2021-22.
- ✤ FRP of sugarcane is fixed to ensure a guaranteed price to sugarcane growers
- ◆ The Government has increased FRP by more than 34% in past 8 years.





- FRP are determined on the recommendation of the Commission for Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) and announced by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA).
- The FRP is based on the Rangarajan Committee report on reorganizing the sugarcane industry.
- India has surpassed Brazil in the sugar production in the current sugar season.



Data Protection Bill 2021

Decoding the data protection bill				
WHAT IT MEANS FOR CONSUMERS				
• DATA can be processed or shared by any entity only after consent.	• SAFEGUARDS, including penalties, introduced to prevent misuse of personal data.	• ALL data to be categorized under three heads— general, sensitive and critical.		
THE GOVERNMENT & REGULATORY ROLE				
• GOVT will have the power to obtain any user's non-personal data from companies.	• THE bill mandates that all financial and critical data has to be stored in India.	• SENSITIVE data has to be stored in India but can be processed outside with consent.		
WHAT COMPANIES HAVE TO DO				
• SOCIAL media firms to formulate a voluntary verification process for users.	● SHARING data without consent will entail a fine of ₹15 crore or 4% of global turnover.	• DATA breach or inaction will entail a fine of ₹5 crore or 2% of global turnover. Source: Mint research		





- The government has withdrawn the Personal Data Protection Bill from the Parliament.
- The Bill has been in the works since 2018 when a panel, led by retired Supreme Court judge Justice B N Sri Krishna prepared a draft version.
- The central government introduced a draft of the Bill in 2019 in the Lok Sabha.
- This bill went through multiple iterations including a review by a Joint Committee of Parliament in 2021.

INTERNATIONAL

33–35% emission intensity reduction on 2030 over 2005 Total renewable energy capacity at 175 GW by 2022 40% of total power from non-fossil fuel sources Increase forest cover to sequester 2.5–3 Gt CO₂ Need to drive higher investment in health, agriculture, water Total cost of meeting NDCs USD2.5 tn till 2030

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India's updated NDC

- ✤ The Union Cabinet recently gave approval to India's updated Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC).
- It aims to increase India's contributions in strengthening global response towards climate change, in accordance with the Paris Agreement.
- It will help India to escort in low emissions growth pathways.
- ✤ The updated NDC will be transferred to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
- This update is also a step towards achieving long term goal of country to reach net-zero by 2070.
- ✤ According to updated NDC, India is committed to reduce Emissions Intensity of its GDP by 45% by 2030 as compared to 2005 level.

ECONOMY

Payment Gateway on New Tax Platform

 Federal Bank has become India's first bank to list its Payment Gateway platform on the income tax department's TIN 2.0 platform.





 Taxpayers can make their payments with ease, using modes such as credit/ debit card, UPI, NEFT/RTGS and internet banking.



ENVIRONMENT

10 new Ramsar sites

S.No	Name of wetland	State
1	Koonthankulam Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
2	Satkosia Gorge	Odisha
3	Nanda Lake	Goa
4	Gulf of Mannar Marine Biosphere Reserve	Tamil Nadu
5	Ranganathituu BS	Karnataka
6	Vembannur Wetland Complex	Tamil Nadu
7	Vellode Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
8	Sirpur wetland	Madhya Pradesh
9	Vedanthangal Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu
10	Udhayamarthandapuram Bird Sanctuary	Tamil Nadu

- India adds 10 more wetlands designated as Ramsar sites
- ✤ It makes a total of 64 sites in the country.
- The 10 new sites include Six (6) sites in Tamil Nadu and One (1) each in Goa, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh and Odisha.
- ✤ The new sites are

STATES

Winner in Utilization of Agri-Infra funds

 Andhra Pradesh ranks first in utilisation of agricultural infrastructure funds (Agri Infra Fund).



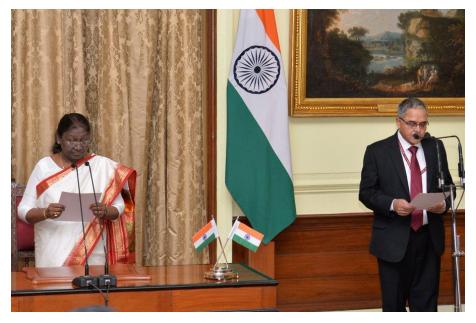


It has emerged as the best state by laying great emphasis on infrastructure development at the farm gate.



PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

Central Vigilance Commissioner



- Vigilance Commissioner, Suresh N. Patel was appointed as the Central Vigilance Commissioner.
- ✤ He is replaced Sanjay Kothari.
- The Central Vigilance Commission have a Central Vigilance Commissioner and two other vigilance commissioners.
- ✤ At present, there is no vigilance commissioner working in the Commission.





- ✤ A three-member selection panel headed by the Prime Minister.
- The other two members on the panel are Union Home Minister and the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha.

MISCELLANEOUS

World's Largest Floating Solar Power Plant

AATMA NIRBHAR Madhya Pradesh	Power Up!
Эленного в на	 World's largest floating solar power plant to come up in Omkareshwar Dam. Estimated investment in the project is around Rs 3,000 crore. 600 MW capacity plant to be constructed through TBCB route.
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Department of Industry Policy & Investment Promotion	Department of Public Relations

- The world's largest floating solar power plant will be built on Omkareshwar Dam on the Narmada River in Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh.
- The floating power plant is expected to generate about 600 Megawatt of power by 2022-23.
- The world's largest floating solar power plant will be spread over 100 square kilometres.



Astronomy lab on UNESCO heritage list

✤ The astronomical observatory at the Langat Singh College, Bihar is now included in the UNESCO list of Important Endangered Heritage observatories of the world.





- ✤ This observatory was built in 1916 in the 123-year-old college.
- ✤ The observatory and planetarium functioned satisfactorily up to early 1970s.
- ✤ But it started declining gradually with the passage of time.
- ✤ At present, it is lying completely dysfunctional condition.

