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## TNPSC BITS

- ❖ Recently, the Central Government rejected the contention that Amar Jawan Jyoti of New Delhi has been extinguished.
  - The government further asserted that Amar Jawan Jyoti has been merged with the flame at “National War Memorial” in the vicinity.
- ❖ Jerri settlement in Reasi district is declared as the first ‘Milk Village’ of Jammu and Kashmir.
  - A total of 57 more dairy farms have been sanctioned under the Integrated Dairy Development Scheme for the hamlet.
- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi has inaugurated the ‘Azadi Ke Amrit Mahotsav se Swarnim Bharat Ki Ore’ programme via video conferencing.
  - The national-level program includes seven yearlong initiatives dedicated to the celebration of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav by the Brahma Kumaris.
- ❖ The Russian central bank proposed to crack down the cryptocurrencies.
  - This could disrupt the burgeoning virtual money sector because Russia is one of the largest crypto-mining nations worldwide.

## TAMIL NADU

### Fourth Police Commission



- ❖ Chief Minister M.K. Stalin has issued orders to constitute the Fourth Police Commission.
- ❖ He has named retired Madras High Court judge, C.T. Selvam, to lead the panel.
- ❖ This is the first time a retired judge heads the police commission in Tamilnadu.

- ❖ Retired IAS officer K. Alauddin, retired IPS officer K. Radhakrishnan, Dr. C. Rama subramaniam, and retired Professor Nalini Rao are the other members of the panel.
- ❖ Senior IPS officer Mahesh Kumar Aggarwal will function as the panel's Member-Secretary.
- ❖ The Police Commission will extensively examine measures towards the welfare of police personnel and various other aspects related to policing and will submit its recommendations within a timeframe.

### **New jallikattu arena**

- ❖ Chief Minister MK Stalin has announced that a new Jallikattu arena with world-class facilities would be built at Alanganallur, Madurai.
- ❖ An exhibition centre on bulls will also be set up near the arena.

## **NATIONAL**

### **Kaziranga National Park – Census**



- ❖ The Kaziranga National Park of Assam is a Tiger Reserve and a World Heritage site.
- ❖ The park recently conducted its waterfowl census.
- ❖ The census is conducted in the 52 wetlands in the parks.
- ❖ The bird count has increased by 175% in one year.

- ❖ Of all, the bar-headed geese were in greatest numbers
- ❖ The first Kaziranga National Park census was held in 2019.

### **National Commission for Safai Karamcharis**



- ❖ The Union Cabinet recently extended the National Commission for Safai Karamcharis for three more years.
- ❖ The current tenure of the commission ends in March 2022.
- ❖ Safai Karamcharis are the manual scavengers.
- ❖ They clean drainages and sewer with direct hands, without any protection or equipment.

### **Electricity Market Report**

- ❖ The International Energy Agency (IEA) released its early 2022 edition of the bi-annual Electricity Market Report.
- ❖ The Global electricity demand increased by 6% year-on-year in 2021.
- ❖ In 2021, the electricity generation from renewables increased by 6% year-on-year.
- ❖ Generation from coal was increased by 9%.
- ❖ There was an increase of 2% in gas-fired generation.
- ❖ This increase resulted in a 7% year-on-year increase in emissions from power sector.

### **Republic Day - 2022**

- ❖ For the first time in 75 years, the Republic Day parade will not start at the scheduled time of 10 am but with a 30-minute delay.
- ❖ This year it will start at 10.30 am.

- ❖ This is due to the Covid-19 restrictions and to pay homage to Jammu and Kashmir security personnel.
- ❖ For the second year in a row, Republic Day will have no foreign chief guest due to the ongoing Covid-19 crisis.



### **Hologram Statue of Netaji**



- ❖ Prime Minister Narendra Modi unveils a hologram statue of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose near India Gate in Delhi.
- ❖ The statue was unveiled on Netaji's 125th birth anniversary (January 23rd).
- ❖ The hologram statue is placed at the spot where once the statue of King George V of England stood.

- ❖ The statue was removed in 1968.

## INTERNATIONAL

### UNSC 3-D Virtual Diplomacy



- ❖ Members of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) went on a virtual field trip to Colombia, with the help of Virtual Reality (VR) technology.
- ❖ On the virtual trip, they listen, watched, and got insights into the peace process and what it looks like in Colombia.
- ❖ For the first time, UNSC in New York used VR technology in its security council session.
- ❖ This innovative solution will help in understanding conflicts, peacekeeping, and peace-building, in a better manner.

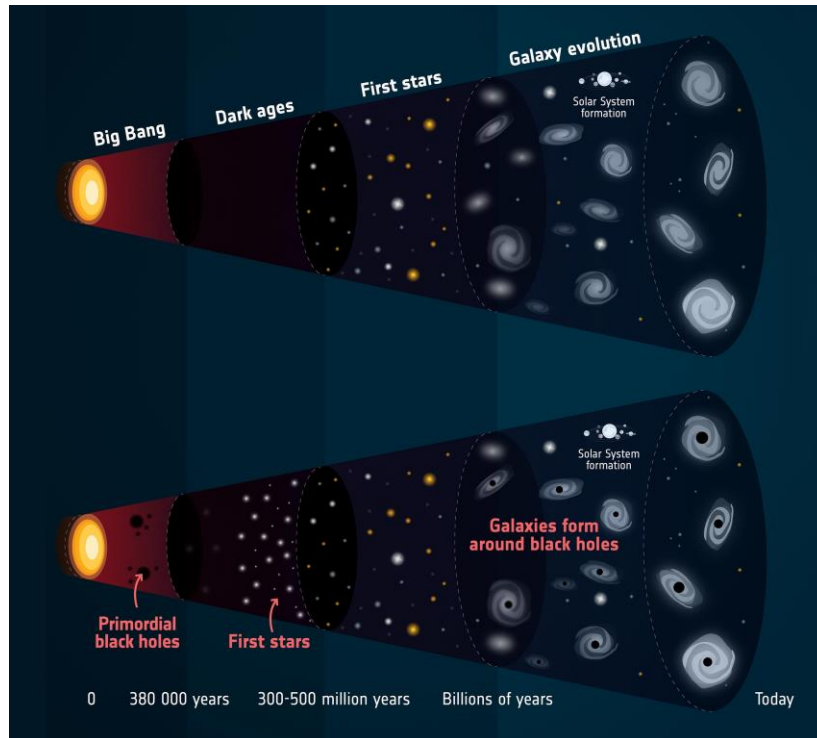
## SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

### Black Hole ignites Star Formation

- ❖ NASA's Hubble Space Telescope finds a black hole igniting star formation in a dwarf galaxy.
- ❖ The black hole at the heart of the dwarf galaxy Henize 2-10 is creating stars rather than gobbling them up.



- ❖ This dwarf galaxy lies 30 million light-years away, in the southern constellation Pyxis.



## ENVIRONMENT

### Greta Thunberg Rainfrog



- ❖ A new species of rain frog was discovered in the Panama jungle.
- ❖ It has been named after Swedish environmental activist Greta Thunberg.

- ❖ The species has been named *Pristimantis gretathunbergae*, popularly known as the Greta Thunberg Rainfrog.

## STATES

### Kokborok Day

- ❖ Kokborok Day, also known as the Tripuri Language Day is annually celebrated across the Indian State of Tripura on 19th January.
- ❖ It is celebrated with an aim to develop the Kokborok Language.
- ❖ The day commemorates the initial recognition of Kokborok as the official language in 1979.
- ❖ 19th January 2022 marks the observance of the 44th Kokborok Day.
- ❖ The Kokborok language, the official language of Tripura, is also known as Tripuri or Tiprakok.
- ❖ In 1979, Kokborok, along with Bengali and English, was declared an official language of the state of Tripura.



## PERSONALITIES, AWARDS, AND EVENTS

### International Association of Working Women Award

- ❖ Bollywood actress Sushmita Sen has been conferred with the International Association of Working Women Award at the Washington DC South Asian Film Festival 2021.

- ❖ She has been felicitated for outstanding performance by a female actor in a TV series for her show 'Aarya 2'.
- ❖ The Aarya 2 series is created by Ram Madhvani.
- ❖ It was had on Disney+Hotstar.



### **Mrs. World 2022**



- ❖ 37 Years old Shaylyn Ford was crowned as the winner of Mrs. World 2022.
- ❖ She was crowned by the outgoing queen Kate Schneider from Ireland.
- ❖ Mrs. Jordan Jaclyn Stapp & Mrs. UAE Debanjali Kamstra were the runner up.
- ❖ Shaylyn Ford represented America.
- ❖ This is the 8th time an American representative won the title of Mrs. World.

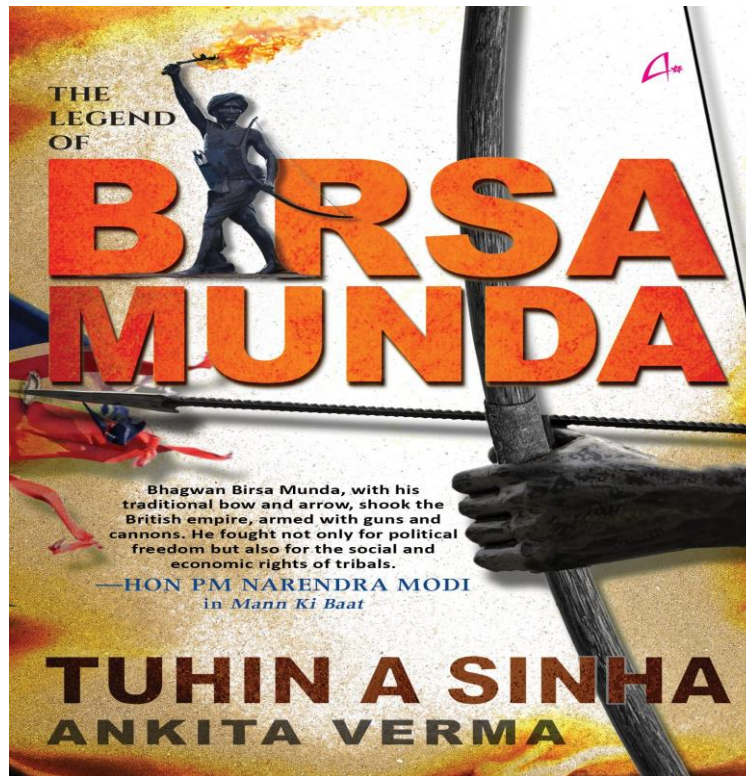
### **The Legend of Birsa Munda**

- ❖ Maharashtra Governor Bhagat Singh Koshyari has released a book titled 'The Legend of Birsa Munda'.





- ❖ It is authored by Tuhin A Sinha and co-authored by Ankita Verma.
- ❖ The Book is the story of a lesser-known tribal hero, Birsa Munda.
- ❖ He courageously fought against the oppressive British Raj for the rights of his tribal community.



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